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brit Road on Sizemore Mountain

WAYLAND — An embankment failure early Thursday morning on Route 1086 on Sizemore Mountain has left one lane of traffic open for motorists.

According to District 12, traffic will be reduced to one lane along Route 1086 between mile points 2 and 3 on Sizemore Mountain.

Highway District 12's David Kilburn said that the break occurred sometime during the early morning hours Thursday.

"We discovered it last night while spot salting," said Kilburn. "I would say that the break is due to the excessive rains we've received over the past couple of days. The accumulation of water caused material to slide out from under the pavement."

Kilburn said signs are in place to caution motorists that the road is down to one lane. Repairs will begin as soon as engineers determine the safest and most efficient way to fix the problem.

Kilburn said everyone who drives Sizemore Mountain should be especially careful in the coming days.

Route 1086 has had a history of such breaks, with one such incident several years ago closing the road entirely for a few months.

Ralph Davis
Managing Editor

PIKEVILLE — Three people now face a federal indictment, alleging they operated what police have called a "multi-million-dollar operation."

Donnie Kinder, 79, of Mouthcard, Brenda Jo Branham, 50, of Albion, Mich., and Janice Carol Branham, 54, of

Springport, Mich., are each charged with a single count of distributing oxydrene. The indictment also seeks forfeiture of \$19,650, seized from Kinder at the time of his arrest.

The indictment alleges that the three distributed the pills, which are sold under the brand name Oxycontin, between April 2010 and this past April in Pike County.

The unredacted indictment and statement from the lead investigator have been sealed, but past statements by authorities give more information about the crimes the three are accused of committing.

The three were arrested last month, following an investigation by Operation UNITE.

According to Dan Smoot, deputy director of

UNITE, the three appeared on his agency's radar after receiving complaints that Kinder was selling a large number of pills.

"Numerous undercover purchases of pills were made at Kinder's residence over several weeks," Smoot said.

Police executed a search warrant on Kinder's residence on Halloween. At that time, officers allegedly

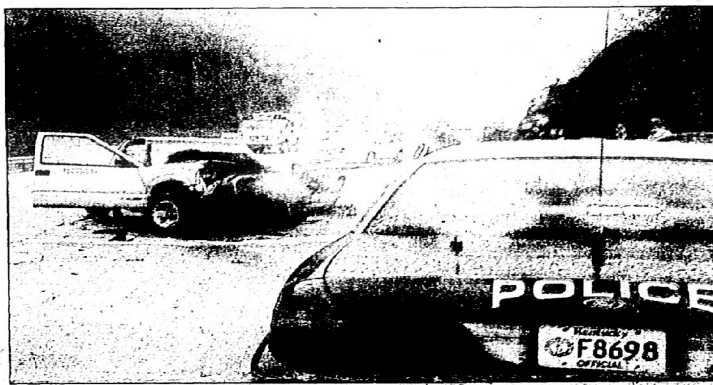
seized 80 methadone pills and the cash mentioned in the indictment.

On Nov. 4, four UNITE detectives and six agents from the Drug Enforcement Agency met Brenda Jo Branham and Janice Carol Branham at Mouthcard. There, they arrested the two women and allegedly seized more than 2,000

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Indictment handed down in 'pipeline' case

Man injured in truck wreck



One man was injured Wednesday afternoon when the truck he was driving slammed into the rear end of an 18-wheeler on U.S. 23 near Prestonsburg. Police are continuing to investigate the cause of the accident.

photo by Jack Latta

Facebook friends work together for Christmas

Ralph Davis
Managing Editor

PRESTONSBURG — Last year, Brent Graden joined with some friends and coworkers to buy Christmas presents for residents of Prestonsburg's two nursing homes. The result was satisfying, but he wanted to reach out even more, so this year he turned to the power social networking.

Graden created a post on Facebook for what he calls "Facebook Angels," listing 77 participating nursing home residents who gave him a list of presents they would like for Christmas.

"I just wanted to see what would happen," he explained.

The result, 48 hours later? In his words, "It's blowing up!"

Within that first 48 hours, Graden had received commitments for every person on the list. But the local reaction did not come as a shock.

"I'm not surprised," Graden said. "I believe in the goodness of people. I knew they would rise to the occasion."

Graden says he was prompted to create Facebook Angels because he wanted to ensure that nursing home residents who might not have any family in the area will have gifts on Christmas.

Those who have committed to buying presents will drop off their gift bags at Harper OB/GYN, where Graden works as office manager, by Dec. 20. On Dec. 22, Graden and anyone else who wants to volunteer will load up the bounty and deliver the presents to residents of Prestonsburg Health Care and Riverview Health Care.

Even though the list is already full, Graden said those who wish to contribute can still do so. He said he will accept some generic gift bags, perhaps with items such as candy, socks and fleece throws, and deliver them to other nursing home residents who were too shy to participate.

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Big Sandy on list of dirtiest power plants

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

A new report released this week by environmental groups names Kentucky as home to three of the nation's dirtiest power plants, including one in the Big Sandy region.

The dirtiest power plants in the nation continue to generate a disproportionate amount of toxic pollutants — including arsenic, chromium, hydrochloric acid, lead, mercury, nickel, and selenium — according to an

analysis by the Environmental Integrity Project (EIP) released this week by EIP, Earthjustice, and the Sierra Club.

The report looks specifically at power plants which burn coal and oil to make electricity and are considered the largest industrial sources of mercury, arsenic, and selenium releases into the air along with the electric utility sector which is the number two emitter of nickel and chromium.

The EIP report states that these heavy metals are to have

very serious human health impacts, including various forms of cancer, central and peripheral nervous system disorders, gastrointestinal effects, and liver or kidney damage," the report states.

Based on overall rankings for the toxic pollutants reviewed in the EIP report, the five worst states identified are (starting with the bottom-ranked states):

- Pennsylvania (#1 rankings for arsenic and lead);

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Honor Choir entertains students



Members of the Prestonsburg High School Honor Choir entertained students from area elementary schools with a Christmas concert Thursday at the Mountain Arts Center.

photo by Jack Latta

Sixth-graders compete in academics

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

Several Floyd County sixth-grade students participated in a recent academic fair sponsored by the Kentucky Colonels.

According to Floyd County Supt. Henry Webb, students from Allen Central Middle School, South Floyd Middle School, and Adams Middle School participated in the recent Kentucky Colonels Sixth-Grade Showcase, an academic team competition.

"We're glad to see a competition that allows our sixth-grade academic team members the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and skills. Raising the bar for education happens in

many different ways in our district, and the preparation and performance of our academic teams is certainly part of those efforts," said Webb.

Webb congratulated the participants and said that he looks forward to seeing their continued success in future competitions.

"Excellence comes from accomplishment, and these students are learning firsthand that enthusiasm, hard work and dedication are cornerstones for success, whether in academics or life," said Webb.

The final results for the competition are as follows:

Overall

- 2nd Adams Middle School
- 3rd Allen Central Middle School
- 5th South Floyd Middle School

- Quick Recall**
- 2nd Allen Central Middle School
 - 4th Adams Middle School
- Composition**
- 3rd Sarah Hackworth (AMS)
 - 4th Hayden Halbert (ACMS)
 - 5th Hannah Combs (ACMS)
- Science**
- 1st Blake Warrens (ACMS)
 - 4th Kobe Justice (SFMS)
 - 6th Stephanie Music (ACMS)
- Math**
- 1st Blake Warrens (ACMS)
 - 3rd Emilly Hamilton (AMS)
 - 6th Trystan Parsley (ACMS)
- Social Studies**
- 1st Emilly Hamilton (AMS)
 - 3rd Trystan Parsley (ACMS)
 - 5th Kobe Justice (SFMS)
- Arts & Humanities Assessment**
- 2nd Sarah Hackworth (AMS)
 - 3rd Serena Bartley (SFMS)
 - 4th Paige LeMaster (AMS)
 - 6th Megan Boyd (ACMS)

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MARRIAGES

Ashey M. Manning to Joshua Hale, both of Martin.
 Sharon Janelle Knoth to Robert M. Winters, both of Sturgis.
 Sherry Elaine Baize Rife, of Salvorsville, to Jonathan Fitzpatrick Jr., of Weyland.
 Annetta L. Newsome to John G. Holbert, both of Martin.
 Karla Sue Griffith to Carlos Randall Griffith, both of David.

CIVIL SUITS

Jerry K. Hall v. Connie Jean Hall; dissolution of marriage.
 Andrea K. Wright v. Jefferson S. Wright; dissolution of marriage.
 Carmel Financial Corp. v. T.J. Shepherd; contract.
 Pilgrim Energy Inc. v. Margie Layner; contract.
 Pilgrim Energy Inc. v. Richard Donald Harris; contract.
 Pilgrim Energy Inc. v. Tommy Hall; contract.
 First National Bank of Omaha v. Gordon Hunter; contract.
 Lendmark Financial Services v. Belinda Shelton; contract.
 Tax Easement Lien Servicing, LLC v. Gwanetta G. Williams; delinquent taxes.
 Tax Easement Lien Servicing, LLC v. Michael Hall, et al; delinquent taxes.
 Tax Easement Lien Servicing, LLC v. Melissa Sparkman; delinquent taxes.
 DH Capital Mngmt v. Oscar Adkins; contract.
 Central Financial Services v. Lanny Hall, et al; contract.
 Central Financial Services v. Miranda Samons; contract.
 Lendmark Financial Services v. Dawson Moore; contract.
 Lendmark Financial Services v. Tabitha Carlington; contract.
 Cabell Huntington Hospital v. Gregory M. Hall; contract.
 Cabell Huntington Hospital v. Shannon Mynhier; contract.
 Community Trust Bank v. Misty Slone et al; contract.
 Capital One Bank v. Chris Clear; contract.
 Capital One Bank v. Donald R. Blackburn; contract.

CHARGES FILED

Brett L. Spears, 23, McDowell, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs/alcohol, operating a motor vehicle on a suspended license, first-degree possession of a controlled substance.
 James C. Bailey, 25, Langley, fleeing or evading police, theft by unlawful taking.
 Billy J. Shepherd, 38, David, theft by unlawful taking, reckless driving, operating a motor vehicle on a suspended license, persistent felony offender.
 John D. Shepherd, 36, Hueysville, flagrant nonsupport.
 Larry D. Combs, 46, Prestonsburg, two counts of being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm.
 Nikkie Spulock, 22, Printer, theft by unlawful taking/automobile.
 Shawn Spurlock, 19, Printer, theft by unlawful taking/automobile.
 Benjamin Kidd, fourth degree assault, third-degree terrorististic threatening, third-degree criminal mischief, second-degree burglary.
 Mark Stanley, first-degree possession of a controlled substance.
 April Collins, receiving stolen property under \$10,000, public intoxication of a controlled substance.
 Christy Hamilton, 1st, menacing, harassing communications.
 James A. Burke, 52, Hagerhill, alcohol intoxication.
 Cassie Tommy Elswick, 30, Martin, theft by unlawful taking/shoppingliftng.
 Chrystal Dawn Little, 41, Prestonsburg, failure to send child to school.
 Gary Tommy Conley, Mousie, theft by deception.
 Joseph E. Click, 23, Bevinville, theft by unlawful taking/shoppingliftng.
 Kevin Emery Ray, 26, Stanville, public intoxication of a controlled substance.
 James L. Mollett II, 33, Harold, public intoxication of a controlled substance.
 Chandra Blair, 23, Prestonsburg, failure to send child to school.
 Elva G. Akers, 42, Teaberry, third-degree terrorististic threatening, 77, Martin, third-degree criminal mischief.

Donation



Floyd County Times Publisher Joshua Byers presented Director Tim Cooley with a \$500 donation to the Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad on Tuesday. The donation was made possible from advertising in The Times' annual telephone directory project.

BSCTC offers online programming course

Big Sandy Community and Technical College will be offering the following courses via the Ed2Go site. You can enroll online anytime.
 To enroll in a course, simply visit your Online Instruction Center at <http://www.ed2go.com/bsctc>, search for the course you want to take and enroll.

Introduction to Python 3 Programming:
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with graphic elements including graphical user interface (GUI) objects.
 The next course begins Dec. 14.
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 If you are unable to take the December course, do

not worry. This course along with 300 or more short-term and convenient courses, are offered on a monthly basis and are completely online to fit your busy schedule. Best of all, they're affordable too.
 For more information or to register please contact Brenda Miller 606-889-4769.

Dirty

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- Ohio (#2 rankings for mercury and selenium);
 - Indiana (#4 rankings for chromium and nickel);
 - Kentucky (#2 for arsenic); and
 - Texas (#1 rankings for mercury and selenium).
- According to the new EIP report, the twenty dirtiest power plants in the U.S. in terms of sheer pounds of emissions of four highly toxic heavy metals - arsenic, chromium, lead, and mercury - are:
- 1 AR Plum Point Energy Station: Plum Point Services Company, LLC
 - 2 KY Paradise Fossil Plant: U.S. Tennessee Valley Authority
 - 3 PA Shawville Station: Genon Energy, Inc
 - 4 WY Laramie River Station: Basin Electric
 - 5 MI JH Campbell Generating Plant: Consumers Energy

- 6 PR AES Puerto Rico LP: AES Corp
- 7 PA EME Homer City Generation LP: Edison International
- 8 MI DE Karn JC Weadock Generating Plant: Consumers Energy
- 9 PA Bruce Mansfield Power Plant: FirstEnergy Generation Corp
- 10 GA Bowen Steam Electric Generating Plant: Southern Co
- 11 ND Antelope Valley Station: Basin Electric
- 12 TX Monticello Steam Electric Station: Luminant Generation Co LLC
- 13 ND Milton R Young Station: Minkota Power Cooperative, Inc.
- 14 PA Brunner Island Steam Electric Station: PPL
- 15 KY Big Sandy Plant: American Electric Power
- 16 PA Keystone Power Plant: Genon Energy, Inc.

- 17 PA Montour Steam Electric Station: PPL
 - 18 NE Gerald Gentleman Station: Nebraska Public Power District
 - 19 KY Ghent Station: LG&E & KU Energy LLC
 - 20 MO Labadie Energy Center: Ameren Corp
- The EIP Report states that TVA's Paradise power plant in Kentucky, emitted 2,105 pounds of arsenic in 2010, or 28 percent of the state's total. According to the Tennessee Valley Authority website, in 2009, their Paradise Fossil plant produced over 15 million mega watts of energy, and released over nine million pounds of toxic chemicals. Based on their figures, that's slightly over one half pound for every mega watt of energy provided. Sulfuric Acid was the chemical with the most significant amount, 7.4

million pounds, which was released into the air.
 Paradise Fossil Plant is located in western Kentucky on the Green River near the village of Paradise.
 According to information provided by the TVA, the plant has three units, completed between 1963 and 1970, and three large natural-draft cooling towers to provide cooling water.
 In its 2010 review of its 2008 Environmental Policy, the TVA states that its overarching Environmental Policy objective is to provide cleaner, reliable and still-affordable energy, support sustainable economic growth in the Tennessee Valley, and engage in proactive environmental stewardship in a balanced and ecologically sound manner.

OBITUARIES

Opal Fitch

Opal Fitch, 86, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, Dec. 5, 2011, at Prestonsburg Health Care.
 She was born Oct. 13, 1935, to the late Andy and Julie Hickman Fitch. She worked as a homemaker.
 She was preceded in death by three brothers, Gordon Fitch, William Taylor Fitch and Milton Fitch, and one sister, Gertrude Fitch.
 She is survived by four brothers, P. Rush

Fitch, of Sebring, Ohio, Jess (Berneda) Fitch, of Salem, Ohio, John Fitch of Holly, N.Y., and Virgil Fitch, of Surfside Beach, S.C.; and one sister, Rose (Bill) Blackburn of Salem, Ohio.
 Funeral services were held on Thursday, Dec. 8, at Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, with Doug Lewis officiating.
 Burial followed the service at Gethsemane Gardens.
 Nelson Frazier Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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pill, including oxycodone, methadone and Xanax.
 "These deliveries were being made on an almost weekly basis," Smoot alleged, adding that the

was responsible for distributing more than 50,000 oxycodone pills within Pike County during the past 12 months. It was definitely a multi-million dollar operation."
 "If convicted, the three

face a minimum sentence of up to 20 years in prison and a \$1 million fine.
 That sentence could increase to up to 30 years and \$2 million if any of the accused have prior felony drug convictions.

Thank You For Your Goodwill
 The family of Anna Hitchcock Slone wishes to thank everyone who showed kindness and support during the passing of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, called us or just had us in your thoughts and prayers. We appreciate it very much. We would also like to thank Pastor Terry Isaac, Lester Johnson and the members of the Christian Church of Jesus Christ for their generosity, sermon and beautiful singing. Also, thanks to Robert's Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. We will always remember everyone's kindness and support.
The Hitchcock Family

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House Speaker Greg Stumbo visits schools



House Speaker Greg Stumbo visited students at Adams Middle School and Allen Central High School on Monday and Stumbo Elementary on Tuesday. Stumbo discussed topics from health care to energy efficiency with students. ACHS junior Laken Parsons reacted to the visit by saying, "Rep. Stumbo is down to earth and really cares about the people in Eastern Kentucky."

Natural gas prices decreasing for Columbia Gas-supplied customers

LEXINGTON — Columbia Gas of Kentucky has received approval from the Kentucky Public Service Commission for its most recent Gas Cost Adjustment. Effective Nov. 29,

Columbia Gas of Kentucky's gas supply cost is \$5.4498 per Mcf (1,000 cubic feet), a 3.4 percent decrease from its previous price of \$5.6418. This price will remain in effect until the next scheduled Gas Cost Adjustment in March 2012.

Columbia Gas of Kentucky typically adjusts its prices quarterly to reflect current market conditions. Natural gas distribution companies do not earn a profit on their gas commodity costs and Columbia Gas of Kentucky passes the cost along to customers without markup.

A customer's monthly bill is comprised of two primary components: the gas supply cost and delivery costs. The delivery charges cover the cost of delivering the gas to the customer's home or business through the company's pipeline infrastructure, as well as line inspection, repair, 24-hour emergency service, etc. The gas supply cost includes the commodity cost, interstate pipeline charges and storage costs. The gas supply cost charges typically account for approximately 60 percent of a customer's monthly bill.

Columbia Gas of Kentucky offers a series of residential energy efficiency programs, called WarmWise, to help customers save energy.

WarmWise includes furnace replacements for eligible low-income customers, free home energy audits for customers who own single-family homes with natural gas heat, and natural gas appliance rebates for a variety of high-efficiency natural gas heating, water heating and hearth products.

Columbia Gas is partnering with Community Action Council and its weatherization program for its WarmWise furnace replacement program. To determine if they are eligible for a free furnace replacement and to register for the weatherization program, customers should call Community Action Council at 800-244-2275.

To request a free WarmWise home energy audit, customers should call 800-300-8709 or complete the online request form at www.columbiagas.com. Efficiency requirements and other details about the appliance rebate program are also available at the company's website.

Columbia Gas encourages customers to enroll in the Budget Payment Plan. The Budget Payment Plan spreads winter heating costs throughout the year and allows customers to pay the same amount every month. The Budget Payment Plan begins in May of each year, but customers can enroll at any time by calling (800) 432-9345 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Republicans pre-file bill that would create a tax-free, back-to-school shopping weekend

FRANKFORT — Rep. Julie Raque Adams, R-Louisville (32nd District) and Rep. Donna Mayfield, R-Winchester (33rd District) announced this week that they are co-sponsoring legislation for the upcoming 2012 legislative session that seeks to create a sales tax-free shopping weekend shortly before the start of school for Kentucky's elementary, secondary and postsecondary students.

"As a parent of two school-aged boys, I certainly understand the cost associated with purchasing clothing and school supplies before the start of school each August," said Rep. Adams. "And with the

cost to purchase these items growing each year, it's essential we attempt to provide some type of relief."

The proposal by Representatives Mayfield and Adams would establish one weekend a year shortly before the traditional start of school in August to exempt items normally purchased to start the school year. Those items including clothing up to \$100, school supplies, including those needed for art class, calculators, glue and related items, computers up to a sale price of \$1,000, and computer supplies, i.e. software, printers up to a purchase price of \$500. If passed and signed into law the bill would go into

effect in time for the start of school in the fall of 2012.

"Not only is this bill designed to lower the amount families have to spend on school supplies, it could also help boost overall retail sales for school related items like computers, software and other supplies," added Rep. Mayfield. "Overall we believe this bill can be a win-win for retailers, Kentucky's students and their families."

There are currently 20 states, including Tennessee and West Virginia, and the District of Columbia that offered a tax-free shopping weekend or week in 2011. The bill is pre-filed as BR 91 for the 2012 Regular Session.



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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

A liberal is a man who is right most of the time, but he's right too soon.

— Gregory Nunn

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Our View

Don't even let them eat cake

Presidential hopeful and former U.S. Sen. Rick Santorum told a crowd in Iowa this week that he believes the food stamp program should be cut.

His reasoning? "If hunger is a problem in America, then why do we have an obesity problem among the people who we say have a hunger program?"

The Republican nomination process has seen quite a few silly remarks uttered in the runup to primary season. This one should rank at or near the top of the most bonedhead.

Anyone who blames this country's obesity epidemic on the couple hundred dollars worth of groceries most families receiving food stamps get each month must not have any grasp of obesity, nutrition or simple supermarket economics.

He certainly could not know that the cheapest foods on supermarket shelves happen to be the least healthy. Families who struggling to make ends meet often have to resort to foods that are high in fat, sodium, sugar and calories, and low in pretty much anything of nutritional value, just to fill their bellies. It is not only possible, but highly probable, that a person can be simultaneously obese and malnourished.

He also wouldn't be aware that the simple act of skipping meals can put pounds on the body, rather than take them off. That's because human evolution

created mechanisms for dealing with times of scarcity, by slowing the body's metabolism to a crawl and holding on to each calorie consumed.

And he must be oblivious to the problem faced by most American households: The ever-growing grocery bill, caused by soaring food prices, coupled with the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression.

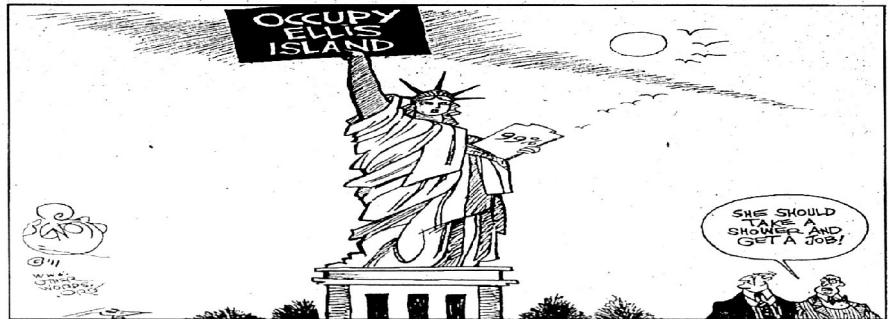
But if Mr. Santorum were simply guilty of ignorance, he could be forgiven and educated. But that, too, is not quite the entire story.

If we were to accept Mr. Santorum's flawed logic — that food stamps are causing people to eat too much and get fat — as fact, just for the sake of argument, what, praytell, is his solution? Is he really suggesting that the key to America's budgetary and obesity problems lies in allowing poor people to starve?

Social Darwinism has been roundly criticized and rejected, but Mr. Santorum's proposal goes far beyond that. His suggestions ring more of Social Machiavellianism.

Ignorance is one thing. Evil is quite another. Any suggestion that America's best interests lie in allowing people to starve simply for the sake of convenience falls squarely in the realm of the latter, even when it is informed wholly by the former.

— The Floyd County Times



Beyond the Beltway

Ethnic jokes are a fool's game

Donald Kaul
Other Words

If patriotism is the last refuge of scoundrels (and it is), then telling other people's jokes is the last refuge of columnists (who are often mistaken for scoundrels, for some reason).

Let me tell you a joke. It's a terrorist joke that belongs to John Cleese, the British actor and Monty Python comic genius.

It's called "Alerts to Threats in 2011 Europe."

"The English are feeling the pinch in relation to recent terrorist threats and have therefore raised their security level from 'Miffed' to 'Peeved.' Soon though, security levels may be raised yet again to 'Irritated' or even 'A Bit Cross.' (The English have not been 'A Bit Cross' since the Blitz in 1940, when tea supplies nearly ran out.)

"Terrorists have been re-categorized from 'Tiresome' to 'A Bloody Nuisance.' (The last time the British issued a 'Bloody Nuisance' warning level was in 1588, when threatened by the Spanish Armada.)

"The French government announced yesterday that it has raised its terror alert level from 'Run' to 'Hide.' The

only two higher levels in France are 'Collaborate' and 'Surrender.' (The rise was precipitated by a recent fire that destroyed France's white flag factory, effectively paralyzing the country's military capability.)

"Italy has increased the alert level from 'Shout Loudly and Excitedly' to 'Elaborate Military Posturing.' Two more levels remain: 'Ineffective Combat Operations' and 'Change Sides.'

"The Germans have increased their alert state from 'Disdainful Arrogance' to 'Dress in Uniform and Sing Marching Songs.' They also have two higher levels: 'Invade a Neighbor' and 'Lose.'

"The Spanish are all excited to see their new submarines ready to deploy. These beautifully designed subs have glass bottoms so the new Spanish navy can get a really good look at the old Spanish navy."

I know, I know. It's humor that relies on national stereotyping and you shouldn't do it. It's like Polish jokes (Poles, by the way, tell Bulgarian jokes.)

But that's why ethnic jokes are funny, at least to the less sensitive. They allow one to feel superior to other people without having to actually do anything that's superior.

If you make a joke about French cowardice, it makes you look brave. Are the Germans warlike? Sure, to peaceable people like us.

All nonsense, of course. The French are no more cowardly (or brave) than anyone else. Their quick surrender to the Germans in 1940 can be attributed to the fact that only 25 years before they'd fed an entire generation of their young

men into German machine guns and cannon. They weren't cowardly, they were exhausted. (And their reluctance to take part in our invasion of Iraq can be written off to good judgment, rather than lack of courage.)

Germans, on the other hand, while they earned their reputation as bellicose bullies, have pretty much outgrown it. They are now one of the most peaceful nations in Europe and one of the more cautious about signing up for a fight.

The Italian reputation as ineffective warriors has a basis in fact also, I suppose, but their real problem is that they are terrible at picking allies. Do you really want to get enthusiastic about a war when Hitler is the guy running the show?

Italians are wonderful people — warm, welcoming, and possessing of a great ability to enjoy life. If that makes them indifferent soldiers, I say more power to them.

There are a lot of people in the world who are good at war. Being good at pasta is better.

I once made up White-Anglo-Saxon-Protestant jokes as a counter-attack against Polish jokes. (I am Polish, kind of.) I've forgotten all of them except one:

"At a White-Anglo-Saxon-Protestant's funeral, how do you accommodate all the friends who want to be pallbearers?"

"You take two handles off the casket."

If there's anyone I've failed to insult, I apologize.

Other Words columnist Donald Kaul lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

The Usual Eccentric

Santa's Got a Brand New Bag: The Movie

Will E. Sanders
Creators Syndicate

Every year around this time, Hollywood throws some more slop in the trough for us in the form of a ridiculous Christmas movie that usually depicts some common moron thrust into the role of Santa Claus after some predictably zany plot complication. Just once, I wish I were that common moron.

Say I was sitting on the couch one night, clipping my toenails and watching with amazement the distance each one travels across the room when suddenly ... my doorbell would ominously ring.

There on my doorstep I'd find an elf (played by Justin Bieber), who would inform me that Santa's legs had to be amputated due to complications with diabetes and that my assistance would be required.

Or maybe Russians spies had assassinated him or something. I haven't really decided yet. I'll let the movie moguls sort out those details.

Whatever the reason, the task of saving Christmas would fall squarely on my shoulders — as long as I could stop playing video games to risk the monumental task that awaited me. For the sake of this movie, let's say I accomplished that feat, because if this happened in real life, it would be a no-go.

In real life, I wouldn't have even bothered getting up to answer the door, nor would I have bothered with using toenail clippers.

Now, as soon as that elf turned his back on me, I would attack, mostly because it's Justin Bieber. I would lunge at him with the hunting knife I always keep concealed in an ankle sheath and perform some kind of crocodile death roll across my front lawn.

My second order of business would be Santa himself (played by Michael Moore). Understanding Santa to be injured already, I would probably hatch a gnarly plan to take out old Saint Nick once and for all.

And then, well, I would proclaim myself King of Christmas.

Instead of buying presents for their loved ones, everyone in the world would have to buy them for me — and me alone.

I would make haste with abolishing the term "Black Friday," and the criminal penalties for advertising, preparing for, or so much as mentioning the word "Christmas," before Thanksgiving would be sleep — much like the cliffs you'll be forced to jump from should you disobey me.

And for the love of everything holy, there will be no more milk and cookies. Nope, just warm draft beer and leftover pizza rolls. Maybe a magazine, too, in case I needed to drop a few presents down the chimney myself, if you catch the drift.

Speaking of chimneys, why bother? Sounds way too dangerous to me. Haven't you ever seen "Gremlins"? No thanks. Besides, I'll find a way. In. I. always. do.

So you'd better tell little Jimmy or Jenny that sound they hear isn't

reindeer hooves on the roof. It's the King of Christmas drunkenly fumbling his way around in the dark downstairs. Most importantly, remind them of the hunting knife I always have concealed in an ankle sheath.

See, on Christmas Eve I would make everyone in the world set their presents for me underneath their Christmas tree. Then, I would visit each home not to leave presents — but to take them. If the presents left out for me were deemed unsatisfactory, I would compensate by plundering additional gifts of my choosing from around the living room.

As I already tried to explain, I realize this essentially constitutes burglary, but from where I'm standing, I am the one with the concealed blade.

I'd be like the Grinch, except high on crack and armed to the teeth.

To generate some movie buzz, I'd throw in a few vampires (the members of The Rolling Stones), and maybe even a black Santa Claus (cameo by Samuel L. Jackson) because I have never seen a Black Santa before. I would be my sidekick in the movie, and I assure you he would not take any guff from anyone. He would have a five catch phrase and everything: "Santa's got a brand new bag!"

Since I envision this movie as an animated feature by Disney, I will have to eventually recognize the errors of my ways and change accordingly — all while saving Christmas.

While I'm not sure whether my heart will grow three sizes larger, this movie deal pans out, my tax bracket sure will.

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American Electric Power Foundation Scholars chosen from 2011 Governor's Scholars

The Governor's Scholars Program has announced the inaugural class of American Electric Power Foundation Scholars. From the 2011 class of Governor's Scholars, 25 scholars were selected.

The AEP Foundation Scholars are sponsored through a \$100,000 commitment to the GSP — \$50,000 for 2011 and \$50,000 for 2012.

The objective of the AEP Foundation Scholars, through the financial assistance of the American Electric Power Foundation, is to support and then recognize 25 Governor's Scholars for 2011 and 2012 from the 20 counties that comprise AEP's service region. These talented scholars are among the east Kentucky's finest and they are becoming the educators, physicians, scientists, business leaders, and other professionals, as well as the civic leadership for the region.

The 25 scholars selected for 2011 are:

- Andrea Mae Akers, Harold
- Joshua Shane Akers, Wheelwright
- Kyle McKenzie Allen, Oil Springs
- Taryn Elizabeth Cantrell, Pikeville
- Beau Ryder Davis, Hazard
- Divya D. Desai, Hazard
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- Shayna Daniëlle Smith, Ezel
- Patrick Keegan Taft, Ashland
- Kameron D. Shane Vance, Pine Top
- Josie Marie Whelan, Louisiana
- Kalin Leanna Wilson, Olive Hill

The Governor's Scholars Program is a stimulating, non-traditional, five-week residential program for outstanding Kentucky students from across the state, who have completed their junior year in high school. The mission of the GSP is to identify and nurture Kentucky's next generation of civic and economic leadership.

Established in 1983, the focus of the GSP is not limited to enhancing intellectual development, but also upon the students' potential to have an impact at the local, state, national and global levels. The educational experience of the GSP is truly unique in its nature and visibly impacts its scholars and the Commonwealth.

Funded by a combination of public-state and private monies, the program is cost free to the scholars. The Governor and Legislature and hundreds of corporations, foundations, business and civic leaders and organizations, alumni scholars, parents and friends contribute annually to make this vital program available and effective.

The American Electric Power Foundation was created in 2005 to support American Electric Power's goal of "supporting and playing an active role in the communities where we live and work." AEP's mission is "bringing comfort to their customers, supporting business and commerce, and building strong communities." American Electric Power, with more than 5 million American customers, is one of the country's largest investor owned utilities, serving in 11 states. Kentucky Power, one of AEP's regional utilities, serves 20 counties in east Kentucky.



Johnson County Judge-Executive R.T. "Tucker" Daniel, right, was recently sworn in as president of the Kentucky County Judge-Executives Association by state Sen. Ray Jones.

Daniel elected president of Judge-Executive Association

Jack Latta
Staff Writer

FRANKFORT — An Eastern Kentucky Judge Executive was sworn in as President of the Kentucky County Judge-Executive Association during a recent ceremony in Frankfort on Dec. 1, by Sen. Ray Jones.

The Kentucky County Judge-Executive Association (KCJEA) elected the 2012 officers at its General Membership Meeting on Oct. 26, at the Galt House East in Louisville. The officers were sworn in at the Quarterly Executive Board Meeting at the Berry Hill Mansion in Frankfort on Dec. 1, by Sen. Ray Jones.

Johnson County Judge-Executive R. T. "Tucker" Daniel was chosen by his peers to serve as president. Daniel has been very active within the Association for many years and has served as Johnson County Judge-Executive since 1999.

The remaining officers elected to serve on the Executive Board for the 2012 term are:

- 1st Vice-President Jim Townsend, Webster County
- 2nd Vice-President Jim Henderson, Simpson County
- 3rd Vice-President John Settles, Washington County
- Secretary Gary W. Moore, Boone County

- Treasurer Kelly Callahan, Martin County
- Sergeant-at-Arms Melanie Roberts, Bullitt County
- Immediate Past President Steve Tribble, Christian County

The Kentucky County Judge-Executive Association was formed in 1980 and incorporated as a non-profit corporation in 1982. The purpose of the Association is to act as a liaison between county, judge/executives and state and federal government entities. The Association strives to inform and educate local officials in issues vital to county government in Kentucky.

Appalachia engages nation to focus on prescription drug abuse

Citing the importance of a drug-free population to sustainable economic growth, the Appalachian Regional Commission has agreed to serve as Operation UNITE's exclusive educational partner for the National Rx Drug Abuse Summit next spring.

The Summit will take place April 10-12 in Florida, the heart of a prescription pill pipeline responsible for bringing approximately 60 percent of diverted drugs into the Central Appalachian region. The event will convene public and private stakeholders from across the country in sessions that highlight prevention, education, treatment and law enforcement efforts in addressing the prescription drug epidemic.

"The abuse of prescription medications has a far-reaching impact on Appalachia," stated ARC Federal Co-Chair Earl F. Gohl. "It devastates families, creates burdens for communities, and undermines the employability of the workforce."

"ARC strongly supports Operation UNITE's initiative to build interstate partnerships at the Summit, and supports the continuing education of medical professionals and community leaders engaged in the fight against drug abuse," Gohl added.

"Diversion of prescription medications from their legitimate medical uses has become an epidemic that requires a coordinated national effort," said Karen Kelly, director of UNITE. "Attendees will have an opportunity to learn from state and national leaders, law enforcement officials, medical professionals, community advocates, treatment experts, educators, private industry leaders, and others who are finding success in battling this epidemic."

"In addition," Kelly continued, "this Summit is intended to foster better understanding and cooperation between all groups — not just the

medical community — and how that cooperation can lead to successful outcomes. The Summit will include discussion targeting issues faced by private sector employers."

Conference programming, guided by a 10-member National Advisory Board, will be responsive to the needs of educators, community advocates, private industry, civic leaders, law enforcement officials, treatment experts in addition to the broad range of health care providers who represent the entire continuum of care.

UNITE has partnered with Inquisit, a division of Amerinet, to provide continuing education credits for a variety of professionals, including attorneys, counselors, social workers, physicians, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners and pharmacists.

"The impact of prescription drug abuse is devastating," Kelly said. "The economic cost of drug trafficking and abuse is \$215 billion in the United States every year. Insurance companies alone lose \$72.5 billion per year because of diversion. But the worst part is that more than

27,000 people lose their lives to addiction annually."

"It is time to tackle this through a coordinated, multi-disciplinary approach," Kelly continued. "Many of the nation's foremost experts will be leading conversations during the Summit."

Forty-two percent of the ARC region's population is rural, compared with 20 percent of the national population. Currently 22.8 percent of ARC counties are considered economically distressed.

The ARC is a regional economic development agency that represents a partnership of federal, state and local government. ARC's mission is to be a strategic partner and advocate for sustainable community and economic development in a 205,000 square mile area spanning 420 counties in 13 states.

For more information about the Appalachian Regional Commission visit www.arc.gov. For more information about the Summit call 1-866-678-6483, visit www.NationalRxDrugAbuseSummit.org, or follow news about the event on Twitter using @RxSummit.

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Wednesday	6:00 p.m.

Attention Church Organizations, send in a picture of your church, pastor or youth leaders

ASSEMBLY OF GOD
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 In Victory Assembly of God, West Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:00; Worship Service, 11:00 & 6:30; Wednesday Evening, 6:30; Ray Stanley, Pastor.
 New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.
 Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.; Midweek Thurs., 7:00 p.m.; J.M. Sloce, Minister.

BAPTIST
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 Auxier Freewill Baptist, Auxier, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.
 Ball Branch Regular Baptist Church, Moseley Ky, Worship Service, 9:30; Every third Sat. and Sun. of each month; Roger Hicks, Pastor; Ralph Howard, Asst. Pastor. Contact Kermit Newsome 606-377-8881 for more information.
 Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon D. Brown, Minister.
 Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.

BIG SANDY COMMUNITY AND TECHNICAL COLLEGE BAPTIST STUDENT UNION, J. 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-3863, ext. 67267.
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 Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Com Fork, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.

Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.
 Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.
 Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.

Dankels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner, Services: Saturday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry Lewis, Minister.
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 First Baptist, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.
 First Baptist, Prestonsburg, 157 South Front Street; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wed., 6:30 p.m.; Jerry C. Workman, minister.
 Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.

Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
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 Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3373, (Branham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
 Garrett Regular Baptist, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Larry Patton, pastor, Phone 358-9610.
 Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist, Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.; Pastor Roger Trusky.

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 Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy Caudill, Pastor.
 Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
 Lancer Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter.
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Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Merle Little, Minister.
 Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.
 Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, 2nd & Bottom Association; Services: 1st Sunday & Sunday otevery month 9:30 a.m., 3rd Sunday 9:30 a.m., Odd Sunday 9:30 a.m.
 Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Fred) Moore, Minister.
 Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.

Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Vamey, Minister.
 McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Slide Strain, Pastor.
 Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; William L. Hunt, Minister.
 Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 285-3385.

Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.
 Prater Creek Baptist, Banner, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.
 Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.
 Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Jerry Manns, Pastor; Willie Crace Jr., Assistant Pastor.

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 The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Phillip Ray, Pastor.

Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.
 Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist; Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Services, 6:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.
 Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80; Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Youth Services 7 a.m.; Everyone Welcome.
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CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Steve Spivey, Minister.
 Prestonsburg Church of Christ, 88 Hwy. 1428; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Richard Kelly, Minister.
 Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Willie E. Meade, Minister.
 Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
 Hueysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Vamey, Minister.

Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonnie Meade, Minister.
 Mare Creek Church of Christ, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
 Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Mitchell, Minister.
 Maytown Church of Christ, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley; Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m., Sunday morning worship 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
 Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.
 Weeksburg Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; John Burke, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD
 Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.
 Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.
 First Church of God, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
 Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Family Training Hour, Thursday 7 p.m., Bill B. Tussey, Jr. Pastor.
 Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.
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 Allen United Methodist, Bobbysburg, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.
 Community United Methodist, 147 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Freely St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeffrey Lambert, Pastor.
 Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Phillip T. Smith, Minister.
 Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School 10 a.m., Sunday Worship Service 11 a.m.; Pastor David Proffitt.

First United Methodist, 256 South Amold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Youth Service 6 p.m.; Rev. Jim Adams, Pastor.
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 Graceway United Methodist, Rt. 80, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
 Salsbury United Methodist, Printer, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
 Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Jack Howard, Pastor.

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 Vogt Day United Methodist Church, Harold; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.
 Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Hanson, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Church of God, Wheelersburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John Jay Patton, Minister.

Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Hampton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Corder, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Santan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.
 Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.
 Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister. 297-6262.
 Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs., 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Church, Dvale; Services Saturday, 6 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11 a.m.; No Sunday Night Service.

PRESBYTERIAN
 Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.
 First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
 Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Church Service, 9:15; Sabbath School, 10:45; John Baker, Pastor; 259-2203; Church, 886-3459, leave message. Everyone welcome!

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 The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Sacrament Mtg., 10:00 a.m.; Sunday School, 11:20 a.m.; Relief Society/Prethoold/Primary, 12:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. Church Meeting House address: Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; Richard Salisbury, Bishop.

OTHER
 Pastor Atha Johnson welcomes everyone to attend services at the CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY, Sunday school 10 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m.
 Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
 Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg (next to old flea market); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.

Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Layton, Minister.
 Faith Revelation, Harkins Ave., West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m.; Randy Hagans, Minister, 886-9460.
 Faith Fellowship, Allen, Ky. Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.; Carl & Missy Woods, Pastors.
 Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 6 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.
 Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wed. 6:30 p.m.; Layvonne Lafferty, Minister.

Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.
 Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Rt. 3, just before Thunder Ridge; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Curt Howard.
 Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.
 Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.
 Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Stephens, Minister. 886-1003.

Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.
 The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.
 The Tabernacle, 266 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Christian Education, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Akers, Phone 283-1618.
 Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
 Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Prayer Line, 358-2464; Darlene W. Arnette, Pastor.

Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Rice Food Service building, located 1/4 quarter mile above Workwide Equipment, Rt. 1428, Sun. Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m.; Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.
 International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.
 Rising Sun Ministries, 114 Rising Sun Lane, Prestonsburg, Ky 41653.; Sunday, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor D.P. Curny, Sr.
 Church of God of Prophecy, Sunday Night 10 a.m.; Worship Service 11 a.m.; Sunday School - 6 p.m.; Wednesday Night - 6 p.m.; Pastor Glenn Hayes. West Prestonsburg.
 House of Refuge, Rock Fork; Sunday Evening Worship 6 p.m., Monday Bible Study 7 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m., Bill B. Tussey, Pastor.
 Seventh-Day Adventist 5 miles West on Mt. Parkway; Sabbath School, 9:30 a.m.; Church, 11:15 a.m.; Bible Study Tuesdays, 7 p.m. (We are studying the Book of Revelation). Pastor, Tony Kelley 423-464-2412. Church 606-885-3459.

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Community Calendar

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Editor's note: To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 263 S. Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, or mail to: The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-3503; or email to: fcfeatures@floydcountytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

Auxiliary Center happenings
 • Saturday Kids Camp — Saturday, Dec. 10, from 10 a.m. to noon. Participants will make a gift they can keep. There is a fee of \$4 per person. Call (606) 886-0709 to reserve a spot.
 • Game night — 6:30 p.m., Friday, Dec. 16. There will be plenty of snacks, games and fun for the entire family, and it's free.
 All of the events take place at the Auxiliary Center.
 Free clothes and household giveaway
 The Middle Creek Volunteer Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary will give free clothes and household items to anyone in need at Old Middle Creek Fire Department, located on Route 114. Dates and times of the giveaway are as follows:
 • Friday, Dec. 9, noon to 8 p.m.
 • Saturday, Dec. 10, noon to 4 p.m. (Santa will be at this giveaway).
 For more information, contact Debra Faye Holbrook, (606) 886-8481 or (606) 226-3525.
 Donations of any kind will be accepted.

Walk for Christ
 The West Van Lear Baptist Church will hold a "Walk for Christ," Dec. 10, from noon to 1 p.m. Contact Eileen Mullins to participate, (606) 290-0520.

Operation Christmas Child
 The First Presbyterian Church, in Prestonsburg, will continue to be a dropoff location for the Samaritan's Purse charity project, Operation Christmas Child. Residents and churches are invited to bring their shoeboxed gifts filled with toys, school supplies, etc. (no war-related items) to the church, to be sent to needy children around the world. Bibles, children's books and discipleship programs are provided in the language of the child receiving the gift.
 The 2011 dates are Nov. 14-20. For more information and pamphlets explaining the project, contact the church at (606) 886-2214 or Donna at (606) 297-5404.

Volunteer mentors wanted
 Mentoring for a Second Chance is a jail-based service program designed to help reduce recidivism and

promote positive growth, by linking nonviolent offenders with a mentor from the local community. M2C is looking for local men who are motivated to make a difference in the life of an individual, and who can have a positive impact on the community.
 If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a mentor, contact mentor coordinator Joshua Kinzer, (606) 886-4439, (606) 339-8878, or JKinzer@MtComp.org.

Veterans service officer
 VFW Post 5819 in Lancaster will have a service officer available every Wednesday, from noon until 4 p.m. Some services offered will be initial claim filing, upgrades, appeals, permanent and total claims and others.
 Contact (606) 886-9428 or (606) 297-1973 for more information.

Free Parenting Classes
 To determine eligibility, call John 791-9887.
Communities Against Drug Addiction
 Floyd County Communities Against Drug Addiction meets at 5:30 p.m. the third Thursday of each month, at Allen Baptist Church.

Autism Awareness & Support Group
 2nd Monday of each month. Call Church, Lancaster, Ky. (6-7 p.m.). Contact: Billie Chain, askyautismawareness@gmail.com.

Autistic Children Support Group plans monthly meeting
 Support group for Guardians of Autistic Children will meet the first Thursday of every month at the Haven of Rest, 1601 Airport Road, Inez. Call 606-295-0520 for information.

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

Foster parent info
 Benchmark Family Services is offering a free informational session for anyone interested in becoming a foster parent. If you have ever wanted to help a child in need, this is your chance. Monday, Jan. 24, at 10 a.m. and Wednesday, Jan. 26, at 5 p.m., at Benchmark Family Services Office. For more information, please call (606) 886-0163.

Auxiliary Learning Center offers home repair aid
 Need help with home

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

FCHD offers Body Recall exercise classes
 The Floyd County Health Department offers Body Recall exercise classes every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30 a.m., at May Drive, just off 1428, and at 10:30 at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg.
 Classes are free and open to the public. Call 886-2788 for more information.

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

OutPatient Drug Treatment Program free Education
 Narconon warns parents that abuse of addictive pharmaceutical drugs with youth is on the rise with deadly consequences. Learn the signs of drug abuse.
 Call Narconon for a free brochure on the signs of addiction for all drugs. 877-379-0208.
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Free Bible Lessons
 Write to: Bible Way Outreach Ministry, P.O. Box 3371, Kingsport, TN 37664. Lessons completely free of charge to all interested.

Need help with addiction?
 Lifeline of Floyd County "Conquer Chemical Dependency" is a Christ-centered 12-step program offering support to those who are coping with addiction and learning to live drug-free lives. The support group meets on the following schedule:
 Mondays, at Minnie (beside pharmacy), from 7-8 p.m.
 Mondays, at Little Mud, Spruce Pine School, from 7-8 p.m.

Tuesdays, in Prestonsburg, in the Van Ark Building, from 2-3 p.m.
 Tuesdays, at David, The David School, from 3:30-4:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

Meetings focus will be to offer information in regard to community resources available to women seeking freedom from drug abuse. Family members are also welcome to attend. The Hope initiative proposes to help women break free from addictive lifestyles to become self-respecting contributing members of society.
 Call 874-2008 or 788-1006 for more information.

Democratic Woman's Club
 The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club meets the third Monday of each month at 6 p.m., at Prestonsburg City Hall.

Have an 'Out of this World' birthday party!
 The East Kentucky Science Center is now offering a fun and distinctive party venue for kids of all ages. The Birthday Party package includes rental of a classroom and admission to exhibits and planetarium

programs. Must be booked two weeks in advance; limit 40 guests. Call 889-8260 for more information.

Prestonsburg Rotary Club
 Prestonsburg Rotary Club meets, 12 noon to 1 p.m., at Made From Country at Heart. For additional information, contact Chris Daniel, 886-7354.

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

Senior employment program
 Are you a senior citizen on a fixed income struggling with soaring medical bills and living expenses? Could you use some extra spending money but don't know how to get back into the workforce? If you are at least age 55, the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) may be able to help. Earn extra money, learn new skills, and help your community at the same time! To find out more, call: 886-2929

Looking for a Support Group?
 Floyd County Alzheimer's Support Group meets regularly at Riverview Manor Healthcare Center. Call the center for meeting times.
 Domestic Violence Support Group - The Big Sandy Family Abuse Center holds meetings each Tuesday from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. The meetings are free of charge. Call 886-6025 for more information.
 Overeater's Anonymous - Meetings held each Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., at the Old Allen Baptist Church, located in Allen just past red light. Call 889-9620 for more info.

US TOO! Prostate Cancer Survivors Support Group
 For all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.
East Kentucky STAR'S Homeschoolers - Will Tol
 monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-6333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.
Narcotics Anonymous (NA)
 - Each Wednesday, from 7 p.m. in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Town, Pikeville Methodist Hosptal. For more info, contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christophercook@hotmail.com.

Community Weight Loss Support Group
 Meets Thursdays at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. For more info, call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.
Domestic Violence Hotline
 - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Hurt."

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

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

PARENTS!
 Contact the Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Inc. to find out about child care services in your area, the STARS for KIDS NOW licensing standards program, and how you can earn an income by staying home with your own children while caring for the children of others. Find out more by calling Cheryl Endcott at 886-1280, or 888-872-7227 (toll free).

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BBB offers tips to giving wisely this holiday season

Because of technology and the creativity of charities, there are many ways donors can give to a worthy cause. Whether you're giving money, canned goods, used items, or your time, BBB wants to remind donors that how you give is just as important as what you give.

According to the Chronicle of Philanthropy, charitable donations to the largest charities were down 11 percent last year. Despite the tough economy and the overall decline in giving, donors are still looking for ways to help the less fortunate, particularly around the holidays. The following are five common ways people donate to charities over the holidays and a few things to consider:

Give items - Many organizations solicit for donations over the

holidays including coats, toys, and canned goods. Whatever you're donating, make sure the items are of good condition and that the recipient charity is accepting such items to help further its cause.

Give when you shop - Many charities have great success partnering with businesses that agree to donate some amount of the purchase price from sales of items to a worthy cause. Check if the promotion identifies the actual or anticipated amount of the purchase price the charity will receive. Also some businesses, like grocery stores, ask if you want to donate to a charity and have that amount added to your receipt.

Give online - Giving online is among the most efficient ways to support a charity. Before you enter in your numbers, give

the website a thorough review and look for the organization's privacy policy, and verify if the organization has appropriate security measures in place to protect such transactions.

Give through text messaging - The option to give via text message took off in the wake of the Haiti earthquake. After texting a message to a number, the donation is tacked on to your cell phone bill. Donating via text is fast and easy for the donor, but the money can take months to reach the charity, so consider donating directly to a charity through its website if there is an urgent need.

Give your time - In today's tight economy, you may not have money, but you can always give a little bit of your time to help support a worthy

cause. In addition to volunteering around the holidays, you can also be a vocal supporter of a charity and help raise awareness among friends and family and on your Facebook page or blog.

Now, there are scam artists that will take advantage of those who want to give. They will use stories that tug at your heart, will wear seasonal clothing, and carry official-looking badges to look legitimate. When you are approached by someone asking for a donation, consider the following:

1. Ask for the charity's full name and address. Do they have a local address?
2. Don't succumb to pressure to give money on the spot or allow a "runner" to pick up a contribution; the charity that needs your money today will welcome it just as much tomorrow.

3. Don't be fooled by names that look impressive or that closely resemble the name of a well-known organization.

4. Check out the organization with state and local authorities. Registration or licensing is required by most states. Bear in mind that registration does not imply that the state or local government endorses the charity.

5. Do not give cash; always make contributions by check and make your check payable to the charity, not to the individual collecting the donation.

6. Watch out for statements such as "all proceeds will go to the charity." This can mean that the money left after expenses, such as the cost of written materials and fund raising efforts, will go to the charity. These expenses can make a big difference, so check carefully.

7. Ask if your contribution is tax deductible. Contributions to tax exempt organizations are not always tax deductible.

8. Keep records of your donations (receipts, canceled checks, and bank statements) so you can document your charitable giving at tax time.

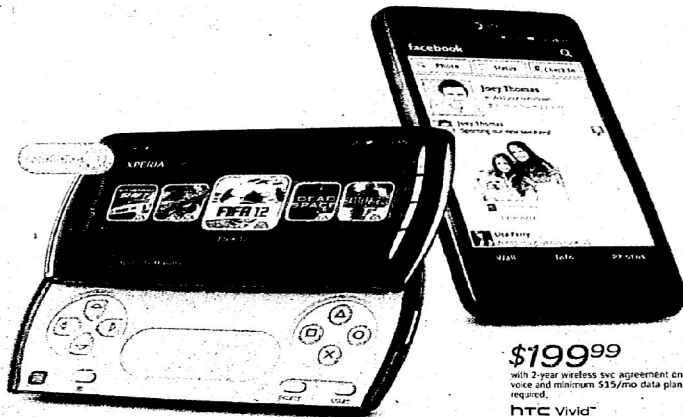
9. When you're asked to buy candy, magazines, card, or tickets to a dinner or show to benefit a charity, be sure to ask what the charity's share will be. You cannot deduct the full amount paid for any such items, as the IRS considers only the part above the fair-market value of the item to be a charitable contribution. For example, if you pay \$10 for a box of candy that normally sells for \$8, only \$2 can be claimed as a charitable donation.

10. Check out the charity with the Better Business Bureau's Wise Giving Alliance at www.bbb.org/charity.

The BBB Wise Giving Alliance reports on more than 1,200 national charitable organizations at www.bbb.org/charity and determines if they meet 20 accountability standards addressing governance, finances and fund raising practices.

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Kentucky Baptists make possible new houses in Haiti

LOUISVILLE — Nearly two years after an earthquake devastated Haiti, Kentucky Baptists are making an additional \$15,000 to build houses for displaced residents.

According to Coy Webb, director of the Kentucky Baptist Convention's Baptist Men on Missions Department, a gift of \$15,371 from Kentucky Baptists was given to Rebuild Haiti, a cooperative effort of Baptists in the United States and Haiti to build homes for 6,200 families by the end of 2013.

Webb said about \$2,500 is needed to build one house, meaning that with this latest gift, Kentucky Baptists have made possible six additional homes for Haitians.

In addition to the new houses, the rebuild project has helped Haiti's lagging economy by putting people to work and purchasing building materials.

Kentucky Baptists have now given a total of \$641,171 to help Haitians recover from the Jan. 12, 2010 disaster that claimed the lives of hundreds of thousands of people.

"Kentucky Baptist sent over 25 teams, gave hundreds of thousands of dollars for relief and rebuild, and collected almost 10,000 Buckets of Hope for survivors," Webb said.

Disaster relief volunteers provided emergency communications and helped assess needs in the first days after the quake. Other teams followed that provided emergency medical care and helped with clean-up and reconstruction efforts.

Buckets of Hope was a national Southern Baptist

effort to provide food staples packed in plastic five-gallon buckets. One bucket of rice, cooking oil, flour and other items was enough to feed a family of four for one week.

In addition to the practical help, Kentucky Baptists helped spiritually by supporting the ministries of Haitian Christians and sharing the gospel as they served.

"I am most glad that we could share a role in the greatest spiritual awakening in Haitian history that has resulted in hundreds of thousands of people professing faith in Christ and over 250 new church plants," Webb added.

Kentucky Baptist Disaster Relief provides an array of services to people in crisis such as food service, basic clean-up and recovery, communications, child care, laundry and hot showers, and chaplaincy support. Training for new and current volunteers is set for Jan. 20-21 and Feb. 3-4. For details, visit www.kybaptist.org/dr.

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P'burg pulls away from Paintsville in OT

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — Following a loss to host Letcher County Central over the weekend, Prestonsburg ventured to Paintsville Tuesday night. Prestonsburg wouldn't be denied in its second game of the season. The Blackcats pulled away from Paintsville in overtime,

defeating the Tigers 74-61. Prestonsburg's triumph gave new head coach James DeRossett his first win. Prestonsburg owned the extra period, outscoring Paintsville 14-13 in overtime to post the win. Freshman guard Jarred Jarrell paced Prestonsburg with 18 points. Jarrell was one of four Prestonsburg scorers to reach double figures. Senior guard Cody

Bentley tossed in 13 points and senior forward Joseph Jamerson added 12 for the Blackcats. Junior guard Bryson Williams followed with 10 points in the Blackcats' win. Prestonsburg shot 54-percent from the field, finishing 19-of-35. Shooting well from beyond the arc, Prestonsburg knocked down 6-of-15 3-point field

goal attempts. Prestonsburg shot 67-percent from the free throw line, draining 18-of-27 attempts. The two teams exchanged leads in each regulation quarter. Paintsville managed to edge Prestonsburg 16-14 in the first quarter and carry a 34-27 lead over the Blackcats into halftime. Prestonsburg turned in

its best effort in the second half, outscoring Paintsville 19-14 during the third quarter. The Blackcats used a 14-12 scoring edge in the fourth quarter to tie the contest at 60-60 and force an overtime. Junior forward Trey Stapleton and senior center/forward Cory Bentley aided the Prestonsburg attack with six points apiece. Sophomore guard Grant Anderson

and senior forward Wes Robinson rounded out the Prestonsburg scoring effort with five and four points, respectively. The Blackcats will entertain longtime rival Paintsville on Feb. 17 in a regular-season finale. Prestonsburg will host 15th Region favorite Sheldon Clark on Saturday in a home opener at the Fieldhouse.

Lady Raiders level Phelps

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

H HAT — Kelsey Dye scored a game-high 26 points and Kiama Hall added 25 as South Floyd rolled past Phelps 78-31 Saturday at Raider Arena in its home opener.

The Lady Raiders improved to 2-2 after posting the win. South Floyd never trailed, moving out in front during the opening quarter. The Lady Raiders outscored visiting Phelps 14-2 in the first quarter and carried a commanding 39-15 lead into halftime.

The Lady Raiders hit four 3-point field goals in the convincing win. South Floyd remained in control throughout the second half, outscoring Phelps 25-3 in the third quarter.

Ashley Castle and Joslyn Isaac chipped in six points apiece for the Lady Raiders. Gabby Bailey scored seven points and Brandi Stumbo added four as host South Floyd prevailed.

As a team, South Floyd shot 44.3 percent (35-of-79) from the field. South Floyd also fared well on the glass, grabbing 36 rebounds.

South Floyd limited Phelps to 11 field goals. Tori Branham paced Phelps with nine points. Kourtney

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Senior guard Braxton Tackett (11) scored a game-high 31 points for the Rebels.

Rebels fall to Pikeville, suffer their first loss

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Host Pikeville needed a late run to fend off much-improved Allen Central Tuesday night at the T.W. Oliver Gymnasium. Pikeville outscored Allen Central 18-10 in the fourth quarter to defeat the Rebels 68-58.

Allen Central dropped to 2-1 after opening the season with back-to-back wins. The loss was new head coach Brad Short's first setback.

The game served as a season-opener for the Panthers. Host Pikeville performed well in its debut. Pikeville carried a lead out of each quarter. The Panthers edged Allen Central 15-13 in the first quarter and took a 33-28 lead into halftime.

Allen Central faced a slim two-point deficit at the end of the third



Allen Central senior center Micah Harlow lofted a shot during the second half.

quarter after outscoring Pikeville 20-17 in the period.

Allen Central senior guard Braxton Tackett scorched the nets for a game-high 31 points. Senior center Micah Harlow joined Tackett in double figures, adding 10 points for the Rebels.

Allen Central, which is not scheduled to meet Pikeville again during the regular season, received nine points from senior guard Seth Jarrell. Brian Handshoe scored

two points and Jacob Prater converted on a free throw for the Rebels.

Allen Central committed 19 turnovers in the non-district loss. The Rebels registered 11 assists.

Allen Central and Pikeville are both in Pennsylvania this weekend for the EQE Energy Classic. Pikeville is the defending EQE Energy Classic champion.

The Panthers won the inaugural tournament held in Pikeville last year.

Lady Rebels rout Jackson County, move to 3-0

STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

McKEE — The Allen Central Lady Rebels remained in the win column Saturday evening, defeating host Jackson County 73-47. Sarah Rife emerged as the top offensive threat for the Lady Rebels. Rife paced Allen Central with a game-high 27 points. With the win, Allen Central moved to 3-0.

In all, nine different Allen Central players broke into the scoring column. Krista Parsons accompanied Rife in double figures, adding 14 points for the Lady Rebels. Hannah MacElhose and DeShea Elliott both finished one shot short of double figures, dropping in eight points apiece.

Other scorers for the Lady Rebels were Alyssa Moore (five points), Brooklyn Martin (four points), Emilee Adams (three points), Kacie Poston (three points) and Megan Layne (one point). Allen Central took an early lead, outscoring Jackson County 13-6 in the opening quarter. The Lady Rebels claimed a sizable lead in the second quarter, outscoring Jackson County 24-5 to lead 37-11 at halftime.

Byron Hall-coached Allen Central carried a comfortable 55-23 lead out of the third quarter.

Allen Central finished 18-of-33 from the free throw line.

Kelsey Belt paced Jackson County with a team-best 17 points. Belt was the only Jackson County scorer to reach double figures. Katie Wagner contributed

seven points while Shelby Madden and Cierra Crowe chipped in five apiece.

Former state powerhouse Jackson County had its chances at the foul line but struggled. The Lady Generals were 12-of-33 from the charity stripe in the lopsided loss.

Allen Central beat Piarist School for a 58th District win Friday evening. More on the Allen Central-Piarist game follows.

Allen Central 74, Piarist School 46. All five Allen Central starters reached double figures in the scoring column on Friday as the visiting Lady Rebels defeated Piarist School 74-46.

Brooklyn Martin drained four 3-point field goals and finished with a game-high 18 points for the Lady Rebels.

Sarah Rife scored 15 points, Hannah MacElhose netted 13, Alyssa Moore tossed in 12 and Krista Parsons contributed 10 for the Allen Central in the 58th District win.

DeShea Elliott, Megan Layne and Kelsey Parsons rounded out the Allen Central scoring with two points apiece.

Allen Central was 5-of-9 from the free throw line in the road game.

Kelly Akers paced Piarist with a team-high 17 points. Cathryn Calhoun accompanied Akers in double figures, adding 14 points for the Lady Knights. Shelby Lemaster netted eight points and Mario Jacobs chipped in five for Piarist girls' basketball team. Piarist was 11-of-22 from the free throw line in the setback.

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Bears hold off Virginia Intermont

Times Staff Report

PIKEVILLE — The University of Pikeville put three players in double figures and got a double-double from sophomore Brogan Conley in a 65-60 win over Virginia Intermont College Tuesday night at the UPIKE Gym.

Pikeville (4-7) forced 22 Lady Cobra turnovers to help compensate for 24 of its own in getting its second win in as many nights at home. The Bears only hit on 42.6 percent of their shots but held VI to 37.3 percent overall and only 2-of-12 shooting from the arc.

Virginia Intermont (5-5) charged out of the gate to an early lead. Senior Teonika

Webb opened with a layup and when she scored again with 16:36 left, the Lady Cobras were on top 8-2. Webb led all scorers with 24 and paced her team with nine rebounds.

But Pikeville scored the next seven, going inside for a pair of baskets. Freshman Christin Haney nailed a three with 14:42 to play to put the Bears on top 9-8. Pikeville got its lead to seven, 21-14, on a layup by Conley with 5:19 left, and scored the last six of the half — ending with another Conley basket — to lead 31-23 at the break.

The Bears used the momentum to score the first three of the second half to lead by double figures for the first time.

The Lady Cobras cut the lead to a single point two times, including at 41-40 with 11:34 left on a layup by freshman Ashley Bryant.

But they could not regain the lead. Pikeville got the edge back to double figures on a layup by freshman Whitney Belle Jackson with 3:02 remaining to make it 60-49. VI got within four two times down the stretch but could get no closer.

Conley had 17 points and 10 rebounds, five of which came off the offensive rim, to lead the Bears. Haney matched her point total with 17, while freshman Sydni Wainscott had 10 points to go with five assists and four steals.

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Hot-shooting duo too much for Bears at Mountain State

Times Staff Report

BECKLEY, W.Va. — Senior guard Cam Miller fired in 33 points and filled in the stat sheet to lead No. 9 Mountain State University past No. 22 University of Pikeville 83-73 Tuesday night at the Raleigh County Armory.

Miller had 33 points on 12-of-18 shooting overall and 5-of-10 from the arc. He made all four free throws, pulled down six rebounds, added four steals, three blocks and an assist while not committing a turnover in 33 minutes of action.

He was supported strongly by junior forward Isaiah Hill, who had 14

points and 14 rebounds in the win.

The first half failed to find its rhythm as the teams were called for 27 personal fouls. Of them, 15 were against the Bears, but when the dust settled, the guests had been to the line 18 times compared to 16 for the Cougars. However, the Bears had struggled from the line as well as the field.

They'd hit only 10 tosses (55.6 percent), and that, along with 8-of-32 (25 percent) shooting from the field and going 1-of-11 from the arc resulted in the halftime deficit.

Mountain State (8-3) went on a 17-3 run, with Miller scoring nine of

them. When Hill made two free throws with 13:32 left, the Cougar lead was 17-5.

But the Bears scored eight of their own. Junior Kenny Rlymes had the middle four, and when senior Chris McHenry scored on a layup with 10:37 left, the Bears were within four at 17-13.

The lead was 22-14 when the Bears had their next run. A 10-3 stretch could have been greater — UPIKE missed three of four free throws — got the lead back to a single point after sophomore Josh Whitaker and McHenry made layups to cut it to 25-24 with 4:48 left.

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Three UK players earn conference honors

Times Staff Report

LEXINGTON — Three University of Kentucky football players, including seniors Danny Trevathan and Winston Guy and junior Larry Warford, have been named All-Southeastern Conference second-team performers by league coaches, the SEC office announced Tuesday.

Trevathan was named as a linebacker, while Guy was honored as a defensive back and Warford as an offensive lineman. This is the second such honor for all three

Wildcats as Trevathan was named first-team All-SEC by the Associated Press on Monday, with Guy and Warford being honored as a second-team performers by the AP.

Trevathan, a native of Leesburg, Fla., made an impressive 143 tackles during the season for the Wildcats, leading the SEC in tackles for the second-consecutive season. Trevathan ranked fifth in the nation in tackles with an 11.92 average per game and led the nation's linebackers in interceptions

and fumbles forced. The senior finished the season with 11.5 tackles for loss, three quarterback sacks, four interceptions, five pass breakups, two quarterback hurries and five fumbles forced. This is the second consecutive year Trevathan has been honored as an All-SEC performer by league coaches after being named first-team All-SEC last season.

Trevathan ends his UK career ranked 10th all-time on Kentucky's career tackle list with a total of 374 stops. Trevathan had a total

of 20 games with double-figure tackles in his career, including a career-high 17 tackles in 2010 against Auburn, the eventual national champion, and also against Mississippi State, Ole Miss and Georgia.

Guy was just behind his teammate in tackles, ranking second in the SEC with 120 stops.

A native of Lexington, Guy also ranked tied for 22nd in the nation in tackles, averaging 10 per game. Guy had eight games of double-figure tackles this season, including a high of

14 at South Carolina and against Tennessee. The senior was named National Defensive Back of the Week for the Western Kentucky game when he had 10 tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss and two interceptions. This is Guy's first All-SEC selection by league coaches, although he was a second-team pick last year by CollegeFootballNews.com.

Guy finishes his career at Kentucky with 297 tackles after recording back-to-back seasons of 100 tackles or more the past two seasons.

Warford, from Richmond, allowed only one quarterback sack during the season and was graded at 87.5 percent for the season. Warford, who was named third-team Mid-Season All-America by Phil Steele's College Football, led the Wildcats in knockdown blocks with 34. The junior was also second-team All-SEC by league coaches last season.

For more information on the Kentucky football team, follow "UKFootball" on Twitter or visit UKathletics.com.

Bears ranked 22nd in first regular-season poll

Times Staff Report

PIKEVILLE — The University of Pikeville Bears landed at No. 22 on Monday when the NAIA released its first regular-season Division I men's basketball poll.

That is the result of the Bears losing three of their last four games, all against Mid-South Conference competition.

The losses came after the Bears knocked off Mountain State University on Nov. 16 by a final of 98-93 in a game that not only served as a rematch of last year's national championship game, but also pitted the teams ranked atop the preseason poll this season.

Pikeville (7-3 through Dec. 5) was No. 1 in the preseason poll and atop the ratings in men's basketball for the first time in school history after

its improbable run through five of the top nine teams in the country to claim last year's national championship. The Bears were named No. 1 despite returning only junior guard Trevor Setty, the national tournament's MVP, from the starting unit a season ago.

UPIKE is replaced atop the poll by a pair of teams, Concordia, Calif., and Robert Morris, Ill., are tied for No. 1. Robert Morris is 9-0 and got six of the dozen first-place votes, while Concordia is 8-0 and picked up five top-line nods.

Oklahoma Baptist is 8-0 and finished third this week, while Georgetown's perfect 10-0 start got it the other first-place vote and No. 4 in the country.

The other two unbeaten teams in the country — 9-0

Shorter, Ga., and 7-0 Rogers State, Okla. — are fifth and sixth, respectively.

Mountain State is the only three-loss team among the Top 13 in the country.

Despite suffering its first loss of the season Thursday night (Dec. 1) at the hands of the Bears, Cumberland leaped from the receiving-votes column to 12th with an 8-1 record. Lindsey Wilson is 7-3 but its win at home over Pikeville on Saturday vaulted it from completely out of the preseason poll to 16th.

Pikeville is the fourth MSC school in the ratings at 22nd. Among the 16 teams receiving votes outside the Top 25 is St. Catharine with one vote.

The next poll will be released by the national office in Kansas City on Monday, Dec. 12.

Times Staff Report

PIKEVILLE — The University of Pikeville outscored Bluefield College 2-6 from the free throw line and used the advantage to post a 67-59 win on Monday night.

UPIKE (3-7) was 22-of-67 from the floor, while the Rams were 23-of-67. Bluefield sank seven three-point shots to two for the Bears.

But Pikeville got to the line 28 times and made 21 of them, while Bluefield was 8-11.

Pikeville also controlled the glass with 53 rebounds to 41 for its guest, and 23 of them were off the offensive glass. Pikeville also forced 17 turnovers while committing only 12 in the win.

Bluefield (5-4) got out to an early lead and was up by as many as seven (29-22)

with 3:04 to play in the first half after a three-point shot by junior Antonia Cataldi. It was one of four threes she sank in the first half in as many attempts, scoring all 12 of her points before recess.

Pikeville went on a 9-2 run to tie the game on a layup by Lanae Shouse-Stacy with 36 seconds left, but the Rams held a 35-33 lead at the half.

The Bears opened the second half with six straight points to regain a lead it would never relinquish. A 10-1 run in the middle of the half, on which five different players scored, stretched the lead to 15 (59-44) with 8:17 to play.

The Rams got as close as four on two occasions down the stretch, but the Bears bowed their backs and held on for the win.

Freshman Whitney Belle Jackson scored 16 points

and had eight rebounds, with four of them off the offensive glass. Sophomore Brogan Conley followed with 15, while senior Megan Mosley came off the bench for 13 and a game-high five assists.

Junior Lanae Shouse-Stacy, who had nine points, led all players with 10 rebounds. Like Jackson, half hers came on the offensive end.

Freshman guard Christian Haney had six points and nine rebounds. The Lexington product had five rebounds off the offensive rim.

Bluefield College was paced by Cataldi's dozen points. Senior Kia Gilliard followed closely with 11 and handed out four assists.

Sophomores Jane Simmons and Destiny Tolliver, who had five points each, led the Rams with seven rebounds.

Eagles fall at Gardner-Webb

Times Staff Report

BOILING SPRINGS, NC — Alice Lloyd College battled hard but eventually fell to NCAA Division I opponent Gardner-Webb University Tuesday night.

Gardner-Webb defeated Alice Lloyd 87-57.

The Runnin' Bulldogs

rolled early, shooting a sizzling 63-percent in the first half. Gardner-Webb rode its hot shooting to a 48-28 lead at intermission.

In the second half, Gardner-Webb used its defensive pressure to keep Alice Lloyd at a comfortable distance away. The Bulldogs maintained

their advantage until the final buzzer.

For the Eagles (6-4), Shawn Thompson came off the bench to connect on 11-of-16 shots from the field for a game-high 26 points. Isaac Wilson added 10 for the Eagles. Guard Max Landis led Gardner-Webb (5-6) with 19 points.

Jones named SEC Player of the Week

Times Staff Report

LEXINGTON — University of Kentucky sophomore Terrence Jones was named the SEC Player of the Week as announced by the league office on Monday.

Jones, a 6-8 forward from Portland, Ore., tallied 20.0 points, 8.0 rebounds, 3.5 blocks and 3.0 steals leading the Wildcats to wins over St. John's and fifth-ranked North Carolina. Jones scored a season-high 26 points while tying his season marks with nine rebounds and four blocked shots against St. John's. He tied or set career marks with four steals, 11 free-throws made and 16

free throws attempted. Jones scored 14 first-half points in win over North Carolina and finished the game with three blocks. He has made a 3-pointer in every game he's attempted one this season.

The award is Jones' first this season, and the second for UK. Anthony Davis was named Freshman of the Week earlier this season.

Kentucky returns to action on Saturday, traveling to Bloomington, Ind. for the annual border rivalry game with Indiana. Scheduled for a 5:15 p.m. tip, the game can be seen live on ESPN.

UKUoL sold out SEC tickets available: Tickets for the UK men's basketball

game against Louisville on December 31 have been sold out.

A limited number of single game tickets for the South Carolina, Arkansas and Alabama games go on sale Wednesday, Dec. 7 at 6:00 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased online through Ticketmaster.com, at Ticketmaster outlets statewide, and by calling Ticketmaster at 1-800-745-3000.

Tickets will be \$35 each, and limits will apply.

Upper level tickets for UK's holiday games against Chattanooga, Samford, Loyola and Lamar are also available for purchase.

Bears

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Webb was joined in double figures for the Lady

Cobras by sophomore Kayla Orrick, who had 16 points, five rebounds and four assists. Sophomore Shelby May, who had four points, had six of her team's 16 steals.

Pikeville will be off for finals until Monday, Dec. 19

when they play Oklahoma City University, the nation's No. 1 NAIA Div. I team, in Las Vegas. The next home game will be Thursday, Jan. 5, when Campbellsville University will visit the East Kentucky Expo Center for a 6 p.m. opening tip.

Duo

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But the Cougars posted 10 quick points, scoring them in only 2:30, getting the lead to 35-24 with 2:10 left. At the break, it was 40-27.

The Cougars opened the second half with back-to-back threes by Miller to push the lead to 19. The lead eventually ballooned to 63-36 with 11:36 to play after a 9-0 run.

Pikeville (7-4) continued to play down the stretch, but got no closer than the final spread.

McHenry led the Bears with 25 points and four assists. Rhymes came off the bench for a solid 11 points and eight rebounds, while senior Shane Burrell had his second consecutive double-double with 10 points and 12 rebounds, five of which were off the offensive glass.

Pikeville edged out the Cougars 43 rebounds to 42, with 16 of them being offensive.

But while the Bears finished at 35.2 percent from the field, the Cougars were 46.7 percent overall.

In addition to Miller and Hill, junior guard Devon Peterson came off the bench for 14 points.

Pikeville will now be off for exams until Dec. 15 when it hosts Indiana Southeast at the East Kentucky Expo Center.

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WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL SPOTLIGHT:



Clay County High School graduate Gemma Gray (42) is a senior forward for the Alice Lloyd College women's basketball team. Gray is one of the leaders for the Lady Eagles.

Level

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 Dotson and Caitlyn Norman added seven points apiece for the Lady Hornets.
 Phelps struggled at the free throw line, finishing 5-of-17.
 South Floyd fell to Pike County Central Friday. More on the South Floyd-Pike County Central girls' basketball game follows.
 Pike County Central 57, South Floyd 41. Three Pike County Central starters reached double figures on Friday as the Lady Hawks defeated visiting South Floyd 57-41.
 Cassidy Campbell paced Pike County Central with a game-high 16 points. Kassidy Prater pushed in 15 points and Cameron Blackburn netted 10 for the Lady Hawks.
 Pike County Central doubled up South Floyd in the opening quarter, outscoring the Lady Raiders 12-6. South Floyd battled back to edge Pike Central 19-18 in the second quarter but faced a bigger deficit in the second half. Pike County Central led 41-31 through three quarters.
 Pike Central shot 40.7-percent from the field. The Lady Hawks were 13-of-17 (76.5-percent) from the free throw line.
 Kianna Hall paced South Floyd with a team-high 13 points. Hall was the only South Floyd scorer to reach double figures. Ashley Castle tossed in eight points. Joslyn Isaac netted seven and Gabby Bailey chipped in six for the Lady Raiders.
 Kelsey Dye and Brandi Stumbo rounded out the South Floyd scoring with five and two points, respectively.
 South Floyd shot 33.3-percent from 3-point range, draining 6-of-18 shots from beyond the arc.



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Voters go ape over Seagraves' costume



Ethan Seagraves, in his winning costume.



Ethan received his "Boo Basket" and \$1,000 toward a new-car purchase from Jason Deskins, of title-sponsor Deskins Motors.



Freedom Ford sponsored the infant-to-child category. Shane Legg presented Ethan with a toy Ford truck for winning that competition.

Ralph Davis
 Managing Editor

Ethan Seagraves is this year's winner of the Deskins Motors "Virtual Costume Party" contest, picking up both the overall prize and the infant-to-child category, sponsored by Freedom Ford, with his pink gorilla costume.

Seagraves, 11, is a student at Prestonsburg Elementary. He is the son of Doug and Diane Spears.

His prizes for winning the contest included a "Boo Basket" filled with assorted treats, as well as \$1,000 toward

the purchase of a new car from Deskins Motors. In addition, for winning the infant-to-child category, Freedom Ford kicked in a toy Ford truck.

Seagraves' mother found the costume at a yard sale, and it has turned out to be quite an investment.

Not only did he win the Virtual Costume Party, he also won costume contests at two Food City stores.

To win the contest, Seagraves submitted a picture of himself on the official contest website, located at www.floydcountytimes.com, where visitors to the site voted on submissions and gave him top honors.

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MOVIES FROM THE BLACK LAGOON

'Attack the Block'

Tom Doty
 Times Columnist

Aliens take on British inner-city youths in this excellent genre blend from the producers of the classic "Shaun of the Dead."

The story begins with a bang as a young woman, Margaret, is mugged by teenagers outside her own apartment building. The punks are soon distracted by a loud bang as something hurls itself into a parked car nearby. The gang loses interest in Margaret, who scurries away, as Moses, the leader of the pack, investigates the damaged vehicle and gets a scratch on his cheek for his efforts. Turns out a pint-sized alien had better call "Geico." It manages to flee the scene.

The gang takes up arms and traps the critter in a shed where they proceed to do the Texas two-step on it. They take the carcass back to their tenement (called a block in England) for a victory party and wind up stashing it in a vault at a penthouse apartment, owned by the local drug lord. While telling their tale, they spy a fleet of objects falling from the

skies. Feeling pretty good so far, they arm themselves again and eagerly rush out to battle, only to find that these buggers are man-sized, rock enormous sets of teeth and have an attitude that is decidedly anti-social.

The police show up, but they are looking for Margaret's muggers and arrest Moses without listening to his newfound woes. This works out badly for the law, when the aliens show up and tear them to pieces. Now Moses and his gang are on the run and in need of medical attention. Luckily, there is a nurse in their building, but she also happens to be Margaret, and she isn't too keen on opening her apartment to the same toughs who took her cell phone.

Now, the film begins to feel like "Night of the Living Dead," as our heroes barricade themselves and try to come up with a plan. However, it also adds some good drama at this point, as Margaret and Moses develop an understanding. Pretty soon, they realize that what they killed was a female alien and that the males can smell her blood on them. This leads

to a riveting conclusion, as Moses decides he is accountable for their situation and must put it right by leading the aliens into a firetrap that will probably kill him as well.

This one totally works, thanks to clever writing and a talented young cast. The script is smart enough to juggle multiple genres while staying real to its urban setting. They resist the urge to get preachy and let the story unfold naturally.

The special effects are simple and effective, but it is the final message of responsibility for one's actions that really makes this all worthwhile. That, and some pretty cool fights with alien beasts who are sporting the nastiest teeth outside of a dental hygiene video.

Best lines
 "I missed the class on alien bite wounds."

"This is too much messiness to explain in one text."

"It's raining Gollums."

"Even if it's an alien invasion, they're four foot high, they're blind, and one got kicked to death by a bunch of kids."

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Shop that messed up should pay up

Tom and Ray Magliozzi
King Features Syndicate

Dear Tom and Ray:
My "check engine" light illuminated a few weeks after a Jiffy Lube oil change. I took my 2008 Subaru Impreza in to the dealer, and they pulled a shop rag out of my car (it was blocking two-thirds of the air intake). Upon request, Jiffy Lube agreed to pay for the dealer's services (I am still awaiting reimbursement). Several weeks later, both my air/fuel sensor and my mass air sensor failed prematurely. The dealer agreed that these are related to the rag, and helped me draft a letter to Jiffy Lube requesting full reimbursement for \$750. Is there anything else I can or should do, besides NEVER going to this Jiffy Lube for an oil change again? — Lily TOM: Well, unfortunately, these things do happen. Lily, I've left rags in some unusual places myself.

RAY: The most embarrassing places are the ones where his wife ends up finding them!

TOM: Usually a rag left in the air-filter housing won't do any damage. But I'm guessing that in your case, it ended up getting sucked into the air intake and substantially blocking it. That caused your engine to run rich (i.e., too much fuel, not enough air).

RAY: And that would instantly cause the sensors to start working to correct the situation. My guess is that the sensors got overworked and overheated, and that's what caused them to fail, turning on the check-engine light.

TOM: So what else might fail? Well, if the sensors were unable to keep up, and the car was allowed to run rich for an extended period of time, the catalytic converters might be damaged.

RAY: Those can run into serious money. But the good news is that your catalytic converters are warranted.

by federal law, for eight years or 80,000 miles. And if you bought the car in a state that has adopted California emissions standards, your converters are covered for 15 years or 150,000 miles! So it's more likely to be your dealer's problem than yours if they fail prematurely. I'd let the dealer decide whether to address the converter issue with Jiffy Lube.

TOM: It might be a hard sell, anyway. Unless your dealer takes the converters down, inspects them and certifies that the honeycombs have already started to melt from overheating, I think you'll have a hard time turning Jiffy Lube upside down and shaking two new converters out of them.

RAY: But they certainly should reimburse you for the sensors. And you are well within your rights never to patronize that particular Jiffy Lube again.

TOM: Yeah, my brother no longer goes to the car, nose and throat doctor who was clearing out his nose hairs one day and left a gas-powered weed whacker hanging out of each nostril.

How to sell a car for parts

Dear Tom and Ray:
I have a beloved 1998 Plymouth Voyager Minivan with only 83,000 miles. It has new tires, and was recently serviced (new plugs, leaks plugged, tuneup, etc., for about \$2,000). Last month, I had a bizarre accident and crashed the rear of the car into a cement post. I gave the rear of the car a huge wedgie, broke the back window and badly damaged the left side of car as well.

I want to sell the car to someone who may want the engine and/or the tires. I have no idea how to go about it. How do I find such a buyer? — Barbara

TOM: I guess "bizarre accident" means you backed into a cement post while talking on the phone. Barbara. Was this one of those accidents that ends

with the phrase "I'll have to call you back"?

RAY: Well, a good engine for a '98 Chrysler minivan does have some value. It's probably worth \$500-\$700 these days. And the tires are worth something, too.

TOM: The problem, as you well know, is finding a buyer who happens to need just these particular parts right now. That's traditionally been the job of the junk yard. That's no way to go.

RAY: Of course, junk-yard owners have to make a living, so they may give you \$250 or \$300 for the whole vehicle. Then they'll take it apart and sell the parts for much more, in total.

TOM: So my suggestion would be to try advertising it on one of the websites where people sell each other their junk, like Craigslist or eBay, for instance. Explain what you told us — that the engine is in good shape, with low mileage for its age, it just had \$2,000 worth of repairs done, the tires are new and it was in a rear-end collision. Say you're looking for someone who wants it for the engine and parts, and see what happens.

RAY: You might find a nearby do-it-yourselfer who just drove his '98 Voyager into a cement pole forward, and is looking for exactly that engine.

TOM: Or you might hear crickets chirping. In which case, you can always take it to your local junk yard then, and take whatever they'll give you for it. All you've lost is a little time.

RAY: And the humiliation of having to look at the car in the driveway for a few more weeks and be reminded that you backed into a pole. Good luck, Barbara.

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HOROSCOPE

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) I know, dear Lamb, that you don't like anyone trying to take charge of one of your projects, but try to be a bit more flexible. A new idea could help hasten a positive result.

AURUS (April 20 to May 20) I'm sure, like the time-thrifty Taurus that you are, that you've done much of your holiday shopping. But don't relax yet. Wrap those gifts now to save yourself lots of unwanted pressure.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be receptive when a family member or friend asks to confide in you. Your positive reaction could ensure that he or she will have a happy holiday experience.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Don't be rushed into wrapping up that workplace problem. Consider leaving it until after the holidays. This way you'll have the facts you need to reach the right resolution.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You'll get news that will make you glow brighter than the light of the holiday season. Be sure to use what you learn both carefully and kindly, to avoid giving the wrong impression.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) That frayed relationship could be mended in time for the holidays if you were more flexible. Give a little, and you could get back a lot more than you imagine.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Things might not seem to be settling down as quickly as you would prefer. But it might be

just a little holiday time flutter. You'll soon get news that will lead to more stability.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Stop getting so involved in everyone's personal problems that you lose precious time with loved ones. Remember, even the Supreme Court closes for the holidays.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) All signs point to a bright holiday, with all of those pesky problems finally resolved in your favor. Share the good times with people you love and, of course, who love you.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your plans should not be set in stone and cemented over. Leave some openings in case you need to make changes. Spend the holidays with your nearest and dearest.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Surprise! This holiday finds you on the receiving end of the generosity of those who are usually the recipients of so much that you give so freely and lovingly.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) That piece of good news assures that you'll be swimming in clearer, calmer waters this holiday season. There might be a storm or two ahead, but you'll weather it all in fine style.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a flair for seeing things as you'd like them to be, as well as a gift for turning your perceptions into reality.

Strange but true

Samantha Weaver
King Features Syndicate

• It was megalomaniacal French Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte who made the following sage observation: "Four hostile newspapers are more to be feared than a thousand bayonets."

• Orchids are lovely flowers, and many people dedicate years to growing them and finding rare specimens. If you're like most people, though, you probably don't realize that the word orchid comes from the Greek word "orchis," which means "testicle."

• Records show that the town of Helena, Montana, had more millionaires per capita than any other city

in the world — way back in 1888.

• In the early 1970s, a British plumber named John Hancock placed an antique toilet in the home of John Lennon, then kept the old toilet for the rest of his life. In 2010, after Hancock's death, his heirs put it up for auction. Even the auction house was surprised when the former Beatle's throne fetched a whopping \$14,740.

• When you're in an unpopular area and gaze up at the night sky, it's easy to be overwhelmed by the profusion of stars. But what's truly overwhelming is this: All the stars that are visible from Earth represent only 0.000000000000001

percent of all the stars in the known universe.

• You may not be aware of this, but there is a new fad that is catching on among some groups across the country: tall biking. Hobbyists construct bicycles with normal-sized front and rear wheels, but with frames and seats that extend anywhere from 6 to 10 feet off the ground. Some riders actually use these bikes to joust, using lances made out of PVC pipe and foam rubber. It's unclear, however, exactly how the riders mount their steeds.

Thought for the Day
"If you wish to be loved, show more of your faults than your virtues."
Edward Bulwer-Lytton

RENTAL CENTRAL

Tom Doty
Times Columnist

Sequels, over-produced action flicks and a good one for the kids made for a pleasant trip to your video retailer this week.

"Cowboys vs Aliens" — This one zips along for an hour before it starts to cough and delivers on the action front. Daniel Craig stars as a cowpoke who wakes up in the desert with a slight case of amnesia and a whopping case of what's-that-odd-alien-device-on-my-arm. He runs into a powerful rancher (played by a rasping Harrison Ford) who knows him but hates him and means to put some hurt on him. Luckily, an alien invasion puts this off and begins to fill in the gaps on our heroes' memory. Okay, but this runs out of steam. Director Jon Favreau ("Iron Man") used six writers, but none of them thought to use the graphic novel this was supposedly

based upon. Too bad; that one had a great ending.

"The Help" — The gang is back two years later and heading to Bangkok for Stu's impending nuptials. They attend a relatively mild beach party but wake up in a seedy apartment. The things have obviously happened, as one sports a face tattoo, another's head is shaved and that's not even considering the monkey with a missing finger. Putting the pieces together leads to more yuks. This is that rare sequel that delivers, but keep the kids away.

"Mr. Popper's Penguins" — The kids can watch this one in the den and they will have some laughs too. The story finds Jim Carrey as a hard-working real estate stiff who never makes time for his "every other weekend" visitation with his two children. That changes when he is gifted a penguin. Getting rid of the beast only leads to

more problems, and even more penguins taking up residence in his apartment. Funny stuff that doesn't try to change the world, but will leave the young ones rolling on the floor and clutching their sides.

"The Help" — The bestselling novel about African American domestics in the South makes for an entertaining drama that also provides a few laughs along the way. The setting is Mississippi during the early 1960s. The film follows a young woman who sets out to interview the maids working in upper-crust homes for a new view of the social network that is not going down without a fight in the face of racial integration. Good performances and a deliberate pace make this a must-see for fans of the book.

Next week brings "Rise of the Planet of the Apes" and the return of "Kung Fu Panda."

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<p>PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment has been made by Joshua Keith Bartley. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is COUNTRY'S ROAD-HOUSE, the location of the business will be, Restaurant, Live Band, Juke Box and Beer, Location is 11037 L. HWY 23, S. Eatsy Layne, KY, 41605. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the applicant is to oppose the permit shall be filed in the County Clerk's office no later than January 19, 2012. In writing, allegations that the applicant is to oppose the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be prepared, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.</p> <p>Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for January 19, 2012. At the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter, as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd Floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit.</p> <p>HON. KEITH BARTLEY FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY</p>	<p>SEQ CHAPTER n v 1 NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0370 Original</p> <p>SEQ CHAPTER n v 1. In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 2074 Valley Road, Scott Depot, West Virginia 25560 has applied for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting 320.21 acres located 0.7 mile southeast of "Yramid in Floyd County. SEQ CHAPTER n v 1. The proposed operation will disturb 278.22 surface acres and will underlie 81.63 acres within the permit boundary making a total permit area of 318.55 acres.</p> <p>The proposed operation is approximately 2.75 miles north of KY Rte 850 and KY Rte. 550 in Floyd County. The latitude is 37°24'46" and the longitude is 82°51'50". The surface area is owned by Lou ELLen Pitts et al., Evie Thomsbury, Dove Thomsbury, Doris L. & Sadie Shepherd, Shade & Patricia Pitts, the progeny and Dexter Ruffett, J. L. Anna Lea Thomsbury, Phyllis Ruffett, Jeffrey and Zolma Watson, Judith C. Hamm & Floyd Davis, Jeremy and Wendy Davis, and Paul Lloyd Hicks, and Big Branch Holding Company, LLC.</p> <p>The proposed operation is located on the Martin USGS 761rac12; minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the surface contour, surface area, and surface auger/soil miner methods of surface mining.</p> <p>The application has been filed for public inspection at the Kentucky Department of Natural Resources' Department of Surface Mining and Reclamation and Enforcement.</p>	<p>men's Prestonsburg Office at 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1413. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit shall be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, 22 Judson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.</p> <p>SECTION 108 PUBLIC NOTICE</p> <p>East Kentucky Network, LLC dba Appalachian Wireless is proposing to construct a telecommunications tower located approx. 0.8 miles east of the CR 1763 & KY Hwy 3379 Intersection, in Grethel, Floyd County, KY at Latitude N87-27-59.8 Longitude W82-37-10.7. The tower is proposed to be a self-supporting tower and 310' tall. Appalachian Wireless solicits comments from all interested persons on the impact of the tower on any districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects significant in American history, architecture, or culture, that are listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Specific information about the project, including the historic preservation review that Appalachian Wireless is conducting pursuant to the rules of the Federal Communications Commission (47 C.F.R. Sections 1.404) and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (36 C.F.R. Part 800) will be made available to interested persons who request the information from the contact below. All questions, comments, and correspondence should be directed to Virginia Janssen, Principal Geologist, Dynamic Environmental Associates, Inc., 3850 Lake Street, SE, Milledgeville, GA 31124. Sec108@DynamicEnvironmental.com 01/01/11; Tel: 2111012</p>

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE!
Pursuant to Application Number 836-0404 Amendment No. 4

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Laurel Mountain Resources LLC, 1374 HWY 192E, London, KY 40317, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 4.5 miles northwest of Hueyville in Floyd County. The amendment will add an additional 7.2 acres of surface disturbance, delete 52.8 surface disturbance and delete an additional 42.4 underground acres making the total area within the permit boundary will be 705.1 acres.

The amendment area is approximately 1.5 miles northwest from Route 2029's junction with KY Route 127, and located in Plummer Branch and Raccoon Branch of Saltlick Creek. The proposed amendment is located on the David and Handshoe U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The amendment will use the contour strip and highwall/hauler methods of mining. The surface area is owned by John F. Hoover, Branch of Saltlick Creek, Laurel Mountain Resources LLC, Thelma & Lurey Hoover, G. M. O. Forestry Fund 3, LP and Sylvia Warren. The operation will be under the surface area owned by John F. Hoover, G. M. O. Forestry Fund 3, LP and Sylvia Warren, Thelma & Lurey Hoover, G. M. O. Forestry Fund 3, LP and Sylvia Warren.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Reclamation and Enforcement, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE!
Pursuant to Application Number 836-8069, Renewal No. 5

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Martin Coal Processing Corporation, P.O. Box 1200, Robinson Creek, Kentucky 41580 has applied for a renewal of a permit for a coal processing facility affecting 12.00 acres located 0.15 miles east of site in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 0.7 miles southeast from KY 122's junction with KY Route 127, located 0.10 mile southeast of Left Fork of Beaver Creek. The proposed operation is located on the Harold and Martin USGS 7-1/2 minute quadrangles. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Martin Coal Processing Corporation and CSX/Chessie Systems. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Legals

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE!
Pursuant to Application Number 836-9022 AM. #1

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Mat/Co, Inc. of 433 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 4.25 miles east of Prestonsburg in Floyd County. The amendment will add 10.74 acres surface disturbance making a total area of 38.4 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment is approximately 0.5 miles east from KY Rt. 142B junction with Sugarbark Branch Road and located 0.0 miles from Dials Branch. The latitude is 37° 35' 55". The longitude is 82° 41' 38".

The proposed amendment is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Joe Burchett. The operation will include a refuse disposal fill. The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 515, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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High School graduate or GED equivalent. Must have attained Journeyman level skill in electrical, plumbing, and carpentry trades through one (1) or two (2) years of trade training and/or three (3) to five (5) years of practical work experience. Relevant supervisory experience is highly desirable. An equivalent combination of training and experience may be substituted for the requirements above provided that the combination is sufficient to meet the required knowledge skills and abilities. Must be willing to attend training seminars and attain necessary licensing, certifications, etc. as required by the position. Must possess valid Kentucky driver's license.
Benefits package includes health insurance, retirement plan, paid vacation, sick days, and holidays. Pay will commensurate with experience.

Interested persons MUST apply in person at the Central Office of the Housing Authority located at Warco Apartments 402, John M. Stumbo Drive, Langley, KY, Monday thru Friday, 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m. only. No phone calls.

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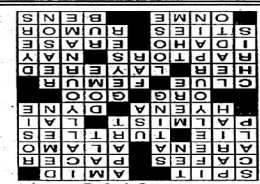
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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 - 18 One who might ask for your hand
 - 20 Composer Francis
 - 21 Wild laughter
 - 22 Unit of force
 - 23 Assn.
 - 24 Sticky stuff
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 - 27 Leg bone
 - 29 That woman
 - 30 Like skiers' clothing
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 - 34 Dissenter's vote
 - 35 Utah neighbor
 - 38 Make blank



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 - 17 Mex. neighbor
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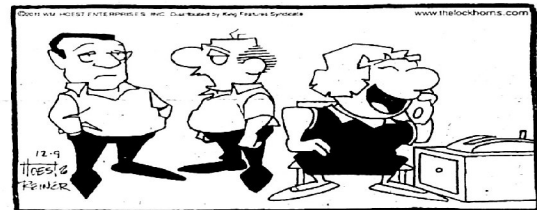
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THE LOCKHORNS

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Jacqueline Bigar's HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Dec. 9, 2011:

5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You could be close to positive someone is misunderstanding you. Try different words as you attempt to eliminate this gap. Resist getting into arguments with those who just don't get it. You don't need the flask. Tonight: Out and about.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★ Curb your innate tendency to be possessive. You don't want to take a risk emotionally or cause yourself an unneeded problem. Be that conservative Bull, and you will have few problems today. Tonight: Treat to your heart's content.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★ You might feel less than great in the morning. You have a remarkable ability to pull yourself out of moods. Avoid a family member who is difficult and touchy. You might want to avoid what seems like a pending conflict. Tonight: Keep on smiling.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★ Listen to your inner voice when dealing with a confrontational situation. You are likely to be overly sensitive and misunderstand someone. Someone you see could cause you to become sarcastic and difficult. Remember that you are in control of your moods. Tonight: Tell it like it is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★ Zero in on what you want. Others could be quite distracting, but you don't need to respond. Avoid a power play at any cost. Avoid any risk financially. You will be a lot happier that way. A meeting adds a lot of interest to a situation. Tonight: Where

the action is.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Take charge of a situation, knowing which direction you need to go in. Someone might be pushing you too hard - listen to news with an open mind. Your ability to come to terms with a situation needs to emerge. Tonight: Let off steam in an acceptable manner.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Keep reaching out for someone at a distance. You might feel disenchanted with someone. How you let this person know could be very important. Why lose your temper for no reason? Carefully listen to what someone is sharing. Tonight: Take in new vistas.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Deal with another person directly. You could be surprised by what is going on behind the scenes. Still, don't push in either direction. Realize what is going on within a friendship. You could be bewildered by this person's reaction. Tonight: Go with another person's choice.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ If there is a conflict in a key relationship, you are likely to hear about it. Your mind might not be able to handle anger bubbling up. Dealing with mixed feelings or people who provoke mixed feelings could be tough. Tonight: Go with another person's choices.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Face yourself and get past an immediate problem. You feel as if others are unusually touchy. Detaching from the roasting crowd is nothing less than smart. Don't hesitate to change plans if need be. Tonight: Take in new vistas.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Friends play a strong role in what is going on. You will discover that a partner has a short fuse. Add a little humor and flirtation. You also can walk away from the situation, but not in a hurtful manner. Tonight: Having fun. TGI.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Pressure builds to a new level on the home front. Misunderstandings seem to happen. You scarcely can focus on any specific area of your life. Be careful how you handle your frustration. Tonight: Vanish. Go home.

Jacqueline Bigar is on the internet at www.jacquelinebigar.com.

ROADSHOW COMES TO PRESTONSBURG NEXT WEEK!

By Jason Delong
STAFF WRITER

Got gold? Next week, visitors can cash in on gold and silver jewelry, antiques, collectibles, and all coins prior to 1970

Clean out your attics, closets and lock boxes, because the "As seen on TV," **Treasure Hunters Roadshow** is coming to **Prestonsburg**. Roadshow specialists are in town next week examining your gold and silver, antiques and collectibles.

While the Roadshow will accept anything that's old, they will be focusing on: gold and silver coins made before 1970, military items, toys and trains, musical instruments, pocket and wrist watches. **Scrap gold is expected to be a popular category this week due to soaring gold prices.**

Buyers for the roadshow have noticed a tremendous increase in the amount of gold coming to the Roadshow, and for good reason. Record gold prices have Roadshow guests cashing in on broken or outdated jewelry with our **fair and honest** purchase offers.



Above—Roadshow specialist, Mike Delong, sits with a gentleman who is eagerly anticipating the assessment of his collectibles.

The Roadshow encourages anyone planning a visit to take a minute and examine their jewelry box or their lock box at the bank and gather anything that is gold. If a guest is not sure if something is gold, bring it in and the Roadshow



staff will test it for free. Other gold items of interest include gold coins, gold ounces, gold proof sets and dental gold.

Other types of items Roadshow specialists hope to see include vintage guitars. Ryan Krushas, one of the Roadshow's instrument specialists, spoke about some of the top guitars getting great offers. "Gibsons and Fenders are in big demand right now as are vintage amps," said Krushas. "We also buy violins, mandolins, woodwinds, if it plays it pays!" Timepiece specialist Jeff Ford adds, "Watches are hot! We recently paid over \$2,500 for an old Hamilton pocket watch. And we are buying all types of high-end wrist watches too. Brands like Rolex, Tiffany and Chopard are very desirable to collectors. And the finest Swiss timepiece in the world, Patek Philippe, just earned a happy seller \$42,000.00"

When specialist Tom Fuller was asked what he enjoyed most about working at the Roadshow, he was quick to answer, "Old coins and paper currency—for as long as I can remember, I have been fascinated with collecting coins. I would go through the change in my parents' gro-

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cery store, looking for rare dates and errors. Once, I found a silver quarter, that I sold for \$300. Not bad for an 8 year old."

Fuller went on to explain that any U.S. coins made before 1970 are the most sought after by collectors. Coins made before 1965 are 90% silver, and valuable because of either the silver content or even more valuable if one happens to be a rare date. Fuller explained, "We help people sort through their coins for unique dates. We buy all types of coins at the Roadshow—from wheat pennies to buffalo nickels, and from single coins to entire truckloads. See you at the Roadshow."

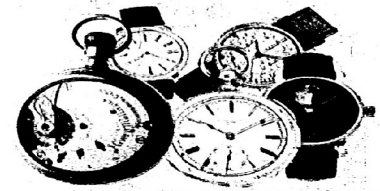
WHAT WE BUY

COINS Any and all coins made before 1970: silver and gold coins, dollars, half dollars, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. All conditions wanted!

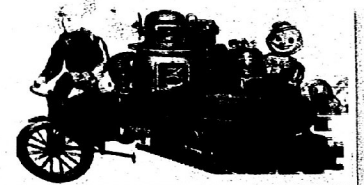
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JEWELRY Gold, silver, platinum, diamonds, rubies, sapphires, all types of stones and metals, rings, bracelets, necklaces, etc. (including broken jewelry) all costume jewelry wanted.



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