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POLICE HELPING OTHERS



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Shopping fun: Above, Williamsburg Police Chief Wayne Bird helps Dakota Herron, 2, pick out a helicopter toy while his sister, Abigail Martin, 9, watches. Both participated in the Shop with a Cop program Thursday. Below, Aiden Helton, 3, didn't need much help picking out his toys from Detective Bobby Freeman.

Work requirement doesn't dampen Shop-With-A-Cop

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One of the big questions going into the Williamsburg Police Department's 11th Annual Shop with a Cop event Thursday was how the city's new Community Reinvestment Program would affect participation in the program.

In other words, would parents or guardians be willing to do community service in exchange for each of their children going on a \$100 Christmas shopping spree at Wal-Mart?

"We are also learning about our community and that people volunteer and are willing to do a lot more than we ever anticipated..."

— RODDY HARRISON
 WILLIAMSBURG MAYOR

The answer was a resounding yes. In 2014, 150 children participated in the event. This year 148 children took part and the number would have been higher except for some no shows Thursday. "The worry was that we wouldn't have as many participate because of the communi-



ty service requirement," Williamsburg Mayor Roddy Harrison said Thursday. "It did not hinder. In fact, we are getting a lot of positive feedback tonight by the parents or whoever may be bringing them to shop.

"The positive thing that is going to come out of this is we are taking our children shopping as we normally do. We are also learning about our community and that

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Former judge gets diverted sentence for drug arrest

Price could have record expunged in 2 years

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Rather than stand trial Tuesday morning for allegedly trafficking in drugs, a former Whitley District Judge instead entered a plea deal that could result in his record being expunged in two years.



Price

ONLINE ONLINE: Read the entire text of the Price's law license suspension order.

that Price told her he needed more money to "bribe prosecutors and judges" in furtherance of her case, according to a Kentucky Supreme Court opinion and order obtained by the News Journal Tuesday afternoon.

Price, who had been charged with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance in connection with the March 9 incident, instead pled guilty Tuesday to an amended charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance. In exchange for the plea, Special Prosecutor

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Teen dies in crash; speed, alcohol are likely factors

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Williamsburg police say excessive speed and alcohol involvement are suspected in a fatal crash early Saturday morning that claimed the life of a teenager and has left the driver of the vehicle critically injured.

Williamsburg Police Chief Wayne Bird said the crash happened on US25W near the south side Tobacco Shack about 3:30 a.m.

Samuel B. Vanover, 21, of Whetstone, was driving

a 1997 Dodge Neon south on US25W when he veered off the right shoulder of the road, which caused him to lose control of the vehicle.



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Vanover overcorrected, which caused the vehicle to skid sideways across the southbound lane of travel and into the oncoming lane of travel before striking a tree, Bird said.

The vehicle skidded for about 318 feet before stopping.

Vanover was ejected

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Bus driver cleared by grand jury in death of 10-year-old
 Driver in separate crash also exonerated

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A Whitley County Grand Jury has issued no true bill against a bus driver, who was behind the wheel when a 10-year-old boy got killed while getting off the bus in March.

While issuing its monthly report Monday, the grand jury issued no true bill or no indictment against bus driver Amanda Woliver concerning a death investigation of the boy.

The grand jury also issued no true bill or no indictment against Rachel Adams and Daniel Jones in connection with a separate July death investigation that also involved a fatal motor vehicle

crash. "We didn't expect a true bill in either one of them," said Commonwealth's Attorney Allen Trimble. "The Kentucky State Police accident reconstructionists went through all of them and there is no indication of any kind of criminal conduct. They were just accidents."

Jonathan A. Chatham, a fourth-grade student at Whitley North Elementary School, had just gotten off the bus about 4:20 p.m. on March 23 near his home on Ky. 779 with three other children.

Kentucky State Police stated that as the bus began moving away

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Alleged shoplifters lead police on chase through Corbin

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Corbin Police responding to a shoplifting complaint at JC Penney Sunday night, found themselves in a high-speed pursuit through downtown that came to an end after reaching the end of a dead-end road.

Thirty-two-year-old Kelda L. Messer and 27-year-old Jessica E. Mitchell are each facing multiple charges after police reportedly recovered \$3,191 worth of merchandise reportedly stolen from JC Penney and Belk.

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Giving spirit: Curt Hampton, a Georgia missions director, addressed a crowd at Mountain Ash Baptist Church Saturday afternoon where 23 people from Hampton's churches gave away 462 backpacks to local youngsters. For more photos see page A-5.

KSP investigating hit-and-run wreck involving Whitley EMS ambulance

By Dean Manning

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Kentucky State Police are searching for the driver of a pickup truck involved in a hit-and-run incident with a Whitley County EMS ambulance Monday afternoon.

Officials with Whitley EMS said the wreck occurred about 12:20 p.m. on U.S. 25W south of the intersection with Fifth Street Road.

Kentucky State Police Trooper Lloyd Cochran, public affairs officer at Post 11 in London, said the ambulance was traveling north on U.S. 25W when the black pickup truck crossed the centerline and sideswiped the ambulance before continuing south.

"They weren't able to get a make or model

or tag number off the truck," Cochran said of the ambulance crew.

The ambulance was carrying a patient, but officials said neither the patient, nor either of the two crew members were injured.

The ambulance suffered minor damage to the driver's side mirror and window, but was driven from the scene.

Whitley County Sheriff's deputies were initially called to the scene to investigate.

However, because the ambulance is a county vehicle, the investigation has been turned over to Kentucky State Police.

Anyone with information about the truck or the driver is asked to contact Kentucky State Police at 878-6622. Callers may remain anonymous.

Rupp Arena bound...



Two tickets to paradise: Amber Fincher of Corbin won the Corbin Backpack Club's raffle of two tickets to Saturday's annual UK v. Satour basketball clash at Rupp Arena in Lexington. Presenting her with the tickets is Doris Moore. Proceeds from the raffle went to support the organization's continuing efforts to provide food to almost 800 needy students at Corbin Independent, Knox and Whitley County schools. The tickets were donated by Tom Blair of State Farm Insurance in Corbin.

Photo by DEAN MANNING

Gray, Woodbine residents among 13 arrested in Thursday Knox County drug sting

Three Gray residents and a Woodbine man were among 13 individuals arrested in a sweep of suspected drug dealers in Knox County Thursday morning.

"Operation Silent Sweep" conducted by Knox County Sheriff's deputies with the cooperation of Kentucky State Police and Barbourville Police targeted 21 suspected drug dealers identified through the department's drug trip hotline.

The Gray and Woodbine residents arrested included:

- Jason Wyatt, 34, of Gray, charged with second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance
- Johnny Eads, 43, of Gray, charged with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance
- Matthew McCrystal, 34, of Gray, charged with second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance
- James Roberts, 53, of Woodbine, charged with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance

Knox County Sheriff Mike Smith said deputies secured arrest warrants for the individuals after undercover officers made controlled purchases of Oxycodone, Hydrocodone, methamphetamine and/or Suboxone from each of them.

Smith said the investigation is continuing and more arrests are suspected.

Anyone with information about suspect drug activity in Knox County may report it anonymously through the hotline, 595-8105.

SHOP: Participants did over 800 hours of community service

From the front page

people volunteer and are willing to do a lot more than we ever anticipated."

The Community Reinvestment Program required that each of the 60 families participating in Shop with a Cop this year to do eight hours of community service in exchange for their child or children participating.

While 480 hours of community service were required, participants actually logged 876.5 hours of community service this year.

Only nine of the families didn't do any community service hours. Two were excused for legitimate reasons and the rest were signed up about one week before the event and didn't have time to log the community service hours.

Harrison said that some participants intentionally logged additional hours in case there were people who could not do their own community service.

"People only needed 480 hours to take these kids shopping and we got over 800 hours of community service," Harrison noted.

"To me that shows that people in this community love their children and are willing to do something so we can take them shopping. To me that is the most positive thing in the world."

Parents react

All the parents interviewed by the News Journal about the Community Reinvestment Program Thursday had nothing but praise for the effort.

Heather Herron, who brought her two-year-old, nine-year-old and 12-year-old out to participate in Shop with a Cop Thursday, said the event means a lot to her.

"They enjoy shopping and sometimes you can't afford to do that. This helps them out to be able to get what they want when I can't get it every week," Herron noted.

Herron said she attended some parent workshops as part of her community service for the program. "I thought it was good. I learned a lot of things that I could bring home to do activities with the kids," Herron said. "It helped to see other parents involved in it too and other programs that I never knew about."

Haley Fannin brought her daughter and two grandchildren with her Thursday to participate. "Oh it's wonderful. My children never did get an opportunity like this. To do something for the community service too is a really great thing," Fannin said.

Fannin said she attended various school dinners after school service as part of her community service. The community service aspect of the program is something Fannin noted she both enjoyed and thinks the city should continue requiring for next year.

"It is very worthwhile. It teaches the kids to help out the community if they want something in return," Fannin added.

Jessica Mitchell also attended the event

with her three children ages 12, nine and seven, participating.

"I think it is awesome. They have never participated in anything like this before," Mitchell said. "There aren't a lot of jobs out there. I think it helps a lot of families and a lot of kids."

She said it is "extremely" difficult making ends meet at Christmas time and trying to give the children what they want and what they need. Mitchell went to workshops and family evening nights as her community service for the program.

"I think it was great. It didn't bother me at all," Mitchell added. "I think if they are going to do this for your kid then you need to give something back is the way I feel about it."

Fun event for organizers

Harrison said Shop with a Cop is one of the "funnest" times of the year for him.

"It tugs at your heart strings. Most of them want to buy for each other if they have a brother or sister," Harrison noted.

He said organizers have to explain to many of the children that the \$100 is for them to spend on themselves and that their siblings have their own money to spend on Christmas.

"The smiles on their faces are worth a billion dollars," Harrison added.

Williamsburg Police Chief Wayne Bird said that as usual it is an awesome event for the police officers to participate in.

"We love it. We love seeing kids, who are unfortunate, get a Christmas. It is great. We love it," Bird said. "It is one of the best things we do as a police officer by far."

Bird, who has two young sons of his own, said he could relate to families trying to make ends meet while raising children, especially at Christmas time. "When you have two kids it is tough," Bird said. "I can imagine if you have four or five kids. A lot of these families we are seeing have four, five or six kids. I can imagine how tough it is."

Purpose of program

Harrison added that the purpose of the Community Reinvestment Program wasn't to punish a child, and that roughly the same number of children went shopping this year as did last year.

Harrison said he got the idea for requiring community service after speaking with business owners, who told him they couldn't find people, who were willing to work.

"What we wanted inevitably to show is what we have in this town are people, who are willing to do something so their child can shop," Harrison noted. "Number one it teaches the child that nothing is free and somebody has to do something for it so the child learns."

Harrison said the city has set up a database showing who did community service and the type of community service they did.

He hopes to put that database to future use if an employer contacts him needing someone with a particular skill to work.

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Left to right, Dennis Cupp, Jackie Willis, David Reece, Linda Wilson, Brenda Hamblin, Brittani Norman, Heather Broyles, David Witt and Terry Forcht. Not pictured is Chris Felts.



Left to right, Dave Buck, Bill Porter, Anna Smith, David Napier and Lawrence Jones. Not pictured is Joy Lawson.



Left to right, Penni Watkins, Jamie Shelton, Shirley Hall, Andrew Siler, Jeanie Grega, Lori Brock and David Jarboe.



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Search for golden horse inspired me

When I was young, there was this strange VHS movie I remember seeing all the time at video stores called *Treasure: In Search of the Golden Horse*.

After much begging, I convinced my parents to rent it for me one weekend so we could play it on our desk-sized VCR.

Basically, it was an elaborate contest. The movie — a bizarre, dreamy, narrative broken up into many short chapters as best I can recall — had clues nestled in it that, if deciphered correctly, would point you to the location of a small golden horse statue buried somewhere in the U.S. If you found it before a certain date, you would get to keep the horse, valuable in its own right, and would receive an additional \$500,000.

I was enthralled by this whole concept.

I watched the movie over and over, trying to glean something, ANYTHING that would lead me to the treasure. This was all in the early 1980s and the puzzle was so confoundingly difficult my young mind had no chance of solving it.

But the experience left a lasting impression.

I always wanted to organize something like that.

This year, on a smaller scale, I did.

As I write this, I am equal parts nervous and excited.

Today will end a contest we started 12 weeks ago as a way to just have a little fun, engage with our readers, and give people a reason to really dig through the newspaper. We called it the Secret Phrase game.

Maybe we couldn't bury a golden horse and give away half a million bucks. It wouldn't be fair to many of our readers anyway. Many don't have time or the physical ability to travel around tearing up half of creation looking for some hidden trinket. But we could entice people to search for some words in this newspaper and decipher a word scramble to win \$500. Easy enough.

So, our Secret Phrase Game was



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born.

I've enjoyed people coming up to me asking for hints, speculating on the phrase, and wanting to know what the next word would be. Many were frustrated, initially, because they could not find the hidden words in

the newspaper. They were all in there, I promise.

I am the only person on this earth who knew what the phrase would be. My co-workers didn't even know. That's the way I wanted it. No shenanigans.

At 11:00 a.m. today, anyone can call and try to guess the phrase. If they get it exactly right, they win \$500.

I've been wondering for weeks what will happen.

Will the phone ring just seconds after 11:00 a.m.? (DON'T bother calling early. It won't work.) Will it be a wild onslaught of people trying to get through to win the money. Or will it be the opposite. Perhaps no one will call

at all right away. Could it even go on for days without a winner?

To give you a little Paul Harvey "the rest of the story" action here, no one ever found that little golden horse back in the 1980s. The proceeds of the contest ended up being donated to charity.

I suppose that's what we might do if no one wins our game, although I think it's unlikely.

I truly hope we have a nice, clean, satisfying end to the whole thing. Someone wins an unexpected \$500 and gets a nice early Christmas present.

• When I was young, I remember so fondly a few Christmas traditions and rituals I'd go through ever year.

I'd always watch a super-old, black-and-white, British version of A Christmas Carol. It was my favorite.

My grandmother would come over and spend the night with us. My sister and I thought this was the coolest thing ever. The next day we all awoke, at about 5:30 a.m. to a huge breakfast!

There was much present shaking to try to figure out what gifts I was getting. I miss those years.

Merry Christmas to everyone!

I have lots of great memories of Christmas

Peace on Earth! In the violent world we live in today, this Christmas wish is one that all of us should make.

This is the 28th year I have written a Christmas column and I have covered

about every phase of my life during this season. I have lots of favorites, like the memories of going to bed early so Santa could come. I remember how hard it was to go to sleep. Every sound meant it could be him. Finally I would drift off to sleep and awake early and rush to the living room to see what Santa had brought. It was so exciting!

Adding to the joy of the seasons were the big family get togethers. We had a big family and when all arrived we would fill the house. It was always fun to see what my dad had bought for my mother. It was always as big of a surprise to him as it was to us because one of my sisters did the shopping for him.

Then the next phase of my life produced our own little girls to witness what Santa had brought. They would slowly approach the Christmas tree with sleepy eyes looking down to see what wonders they had received. I had my Super 8 camera filming every second of it.

Some of the most fun of all was dressing our little beagle in a Santa suit. It had a beard and the rest. And then our neighbor, Elmer Wilson would knock on the door dressed in his Santa suit. He was so funny. His Santa false face was really false and when he turned to leave you could see the pillows protruding from his costume.

We loved that man.

It was during that period of time that I helped with the Lion's Club Christmas Basket Appeal on radio and television. For the first few years it was on radio only and then Jim Ferguson, owner of Southern Cable Vision, made it possible for us to telecast the event. We had so much fun and raised thousands of dollars for the needy. I have videotapes of some of the telecasts and they bring back special memories to me.

And then came the first period of time when we had our grandchildren at home for Christmas. Our little grandson Blake was four-years-old and I can still remember him opening his presents and saying "awesome" for each gift he received. Our granddaughter, Adelyn, was only 20-months-old. She was my bowl full of sugar. Those two little ones made it special.

I don't want to forget the Christmas specials at Central Baptist Church.

We had fantastic programs. The dinner special featured lighthearted Christmas music and put everybody in the holiday mood.

I participated in both the dinner program and the cantata as the narrator.

Fortunately I have DVD's of those wonderful events.

And as we move to this year all four of my grandchildren will be here to help us celebrate. I don't know how it could be better than that!

God Bless and Merry Christmas to you!



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Loren Hooker was an institution when it came to local radio news coverage

You know you're a local institution when the boss tells you he's letting you go but you can successfully refuse to be fired.

This is what comes to mind when I think of former long-time WCCT radio newsman Loren Hooker, who passed away Thursday in Ohio.

About 12 years ago, the ownership over at WCCT and WKDP informed their three radio news people, including Loren, that they were doing away with the news operation and their services were no longer required. It's a decision that I'm sure didn't come easy considering that one of the news people that they let go, Shawn Powers, was the owner's niece.

As I recall Shawn later telling me though, Loren wasn't having any of this, but he did relent to working part time though. When you work on the air for nearly 50 years with a broadcast titled, "The Hooker Report," I guess this is a privilege that you get. A few years later, Loren decided to hang it up on his own terms the best I can recall.

For those that don't know, Loren was one of the last of a generation of local radio station news reporters. I'm not talking about the current crop of DJ's, who largely just sit there and read press releases verbatim.



MARK WHITE

THE WAY I SEE IT

Loren's primary job at the radio station was to gather and report news. He went out to government meetings, such as Corbin City Commission, the Whitley County Fiscal Court, and so forth. The consummate professional, he always arrived early and would set up his microphones on the table in front of where the government officials sat to pick up sound bites, which he would broadcast in his stories.

He would go out to wrecks, attend court and so forth. Sometimes, he would broadcast things during the middle of the day as a special report if the circumstances warranted.

For those younger folks reading this, the concept of near instant news didn't start with your generation, Twitter and Facebook.

For the first several years of my journalistic career, local radio station reporters like Loren and the late Cathy Hall, were some of our biggest competitors. In many cases here at the News Journal,

we were more concerned about the radio reporters scooping us than the local daily newspaper.

This was a different era in a different day though.

As I said earlier, Loren and Cathy were among the last of their generation.

I was saddened to hear the news of Loren's passing when I got a Facebook message Friday morning from Loren's granddaughter, Brittney Venable.

Loren was a friend and veteran newsman, who I was able to learn a lot from as a young reporter fresh out of college many moons ago. He will be missed.

Now for a few random thoughts before I conclude this column.

• For the few of you who didn't make it out to see this year's Williamsburg Christmas parade, it was one of the longest Christmas parades and one of the most impressive I can recall in recent Williamsburg history. I say the few of you, who didn't see it, because this was probably the largest crowd I have ever seen for a Williamsburg Christmas parade. Of course, December weather in the 60s always helps with turnout.

• I thought the first ever Williamsburg Christmas bazaar was a smashing success also.

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April 5 trial date set in Tristan Hall cases

■ **By Mark White**

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Special Judge Samuel Spalding set an April 5 trial date Tuesday morning for a Corbin man, who is accused of advertising on the popular website Topix to hire a hit man to kill someone in 2013.

Tristan Hall, 32, is charged with criminal solicitation to commit murder in connection with a Jan. 10, 2013 incident where he allegedly advertised on the popular website Topix that he would pay someone \$5,000 cash for the murder of Melissa Jones Davis and the con-

cealment of her body.

Spalding noted Tuesday that the court would have to look at the issue of venue in regards to where the case will be tried though.

Attorneys for Hall had previously lobbied to have the location of Hall's trial for fraudulent insurance acts changed due to publicity surrounding Hall's criminal cases.

Spalding agreed earlier this year to move that case to Madison County after defense attorneys successfully argued that if there had been a crime, this is where it actually occurred, i.e., the phone call by Hall to an insurance company

reporting that a fur coat had been stolen.

Last month, Spalding agreed to dismiss a fraudulent insurance acts case against Hall due in part to "serious reservations about the trustworthiness" of one of the main witnesses in the case, Hall's ex-girlfriend Angela Reeves.

On April 9, 2013 through Sept. 26, 2013, Hall allegedly acting alone or in concert with others falsified an insurance claim in order to obtain insurance benefits worth \$500 or more from U.S.A.A. Casualty Insurance Company, according to his indictment.

The case allegedly involved a fur coat that a relative had given Hall that went missing and was reported stolen only to be found two or three weeks later, defense attorneys have said previously.

Hall was never paid anything by the insurance company.

Spalding noted Tuesday that finding an impartial jury now in Whitley County for the solicitation case would be even harder because of publicity about the insurance acts case.

Spalding also set Hall's case for retaliating against a participant in the legal process for trial on April

5 in case something comes up preventing the solicitation case from being tried that day.

On March 2 of this year, Hall was indicted for retaliating against a participant in the legal process.

In June 2014, Hall allegedly made threats to Allen Trimble, who at the time was prosecuting Hall for criminal solicitation to commit murder. Trimble has since recused as prosecutor in that case.

Spalding indicated that the goal is to get the older solicitation case tried or resolved in April because after three years it needed some kind of closure.

Christmas donation...



Photo by MARK WHITE

Helping others: Above, representatives of the Kentucky Consular Center, which is also known as FCI Federal, recently donated 30 Christmas stockings to the Williamsburg Family Resource Center. Picture from left, FCI Federal supervisors Eric Turner and Kenley Bidwell and Williamsburg Family Resource Center Director Tammy Stephens.

Ky. Consular Center, also known as FCI Federal, donates to needy kids

■ **By Mark White**

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30 local children will be having a merrier Christmas this year thanks to the efforts of the 260-plus employees at FCI Federal, which is better known locally as the Kentucky Consular Center (KCC).

Thursday afternoon, FCI workers donated 30 Christmas stockings to the Williamsburg Family Resource Center that were filled with various items to help make Christmas a bit merrier.

FCI Federal currently operates the Kentucky Consular Center, which is a visa immigration processing facility for the United States Department of State.

Kenley Bidwell, a supervisor at FCI, noted that the effort was similar to a Thanksgiving food drive that the company did.

Bidwell said organizers sent out a message about six weeks ago to the more than 200 employees in the building seeking items to help fill the Christmas stockings.

"Our employer, FCI Federal, wanted to absolutely back this as well. It was actually their idea and they provided us with funds to go out and buy 30 stockings for 30 needy children," Bidwell noted.

Bidwell said the stockings include several things, such as pens, pencils and

other goodies to keep the children busy.

Besides fun things, Bidwell said the stockings also include some other items, such as gloves and scarves that FCI Federal provided the funds to purchase.

He said that employees at the facility also donated enough toys to ensure that each child had at least one.

Bidwell said that he wasn't surprised at all how much his co-workers decided to chip in to help with the effort.

"It is really amazing and I think a lot of fun to be able to work with such a large number of people, who are also so gracious and so willing to give. They were all completely on board and everyone participated," Bidwell noted.

Eric Turner, another local supervisor at FCI, said after the goal of 30 stockings was reached organizers had more people approaching them wanting to donate additional items for the stockings, such as additional toys, socks and underwear, which are some things the family resource center informed them that students needed this year.

"They exceeded our high expectations," Turner added.

Williamsburg Family Resource Center Coordinator Tammy Stephens said her organization is proud to be the delivery mechanism for FCI's efforts and generosity.

She said it didn't take long to come up with 30 needy children to receive

the stockings, who were at risk of not receiving anything for the holidays and weren't being served by another local charitable effort, such as Shop with a Cop, Mt. Outreach or Cumberland River Behavioral Health.

"These families don't know these are coming. It is kind of like the Thanksgiving boxes that FCI donated. We were kind of able to come in and surprise them. We were met with a lot of thankful hearts and tears at Thanksgiving and I am sure it will be a very similar situation this time," Stephens added.

Stephens said the biggest student need the resource center at her school sees varies from year to year but socks and underwear are a big item needed for this year.

"The socks and underwear that they brought in will be quickly used," she added. "We have a lot of students who don't have what they need to dress properly for school. We need a lot of shoes often as well."

Another item the Williamsburg Family Resource Center is often in need of are student backpacks, especially high school size backpacks.

Stephens said anyone who wants to donate to the Williamsburg Family Resource Center can call 549-6044 extension 358 or mail the center at 1000 Main Street, Williamsburg.

Ex-WCTT newsman Loren Hooker passes away at age 90

■ **By Dean Manning**

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Loren Hooker, one of the area's most recognizable radio voices has been silenced, passing away last Thursday in Ohio.

Thor Bahrman, who serves as the morning radio host on WCTT is now one of the old hands at Encore Communications' radio stations in Corbin, but when he first came on board in the 1990's, Hooker was the veteran with more than 40 years in radio.

"Loren was a professional," Bahrman said of the Ohio native who came to Corbin in 1965 to work at WCTT as the station manager, noting he was in the mold of such notables as Paul Harvey who could allow an audience to "feel" a story through the sound of his voice.

"He knew how to give a

good, solid, informational delivery," Bahrman said.

As to getting the story, Bahrman noted that Hooker would wade through anything, including scores of high school students, to get it. Bahrman explained that Hooker had been called to Corbin High School on a story while school was still in session. As Hooker made his way to his destination, the bell rang and the hall was soon a sea of students. Microphone held high, Hooker continued to wade through the crowd.

Hooker worked full-time at the station as manager and later news director until 2004. He continued in a part-time capacity until 2012 when he retired and moved back to Ohio.

In addition to his work in radio, Hooker was involved locally in the American Legion, Rotary Club and First Christian Church.

Corbin man sues tree stand manufacturer in federal court

Jordan claims he was injured when tree stand cable snapped

■ **By Dean Manning**

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A Corbin man who claims he was injured when a support cable on his portable tree stand collapsed has filed a federal product liability lawsuit against manufacturer BGHA, Inc. and retailer Bass Pro.

In the lawsuit filed last Wednesday in U.S. District Court in London, Kenneth Jordan claims he suffered injuries to his head, hips and arm when the cable supporting the bottom platform on which he was standing, snapped in half.

Jordan stated that he was hunting in Daniel Boone National Forest on Dec. 17, 2014, using Big Game Tree Stand's Fusion Climber CL500-A stand that he had purchased at Bass Pro in Kodak, Tenn. to climb 10 to 15 feet up a tree.

As Jordan was standing in the bottom platform of the stand to arrange his gear, he

claims the cable snapped in two causing the fall.

According to the lawsuit, the stand has a maximum weight of 300 pounds. Jordan stated that he and his gear fell under that limit.

Jordan contends that BGHA, which is based on Windom Minn. and/or Bass Pro, which is based in Clayton, Mo., knew of the issues with the stand but failed to take appropriate action.

However, a recall of the stand was later issued citing defective cables.

According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission, the notice of recall went out on Oct. 20. Approximately 12,200 of the stands are affected by the recall.

Jordan is seeking unspecified compensatory and punitive damages from BGHA, Inc. and Bass Pro.

Neither company has yet filed a response.

No trial date has been set.

Rockholds man charged with robbing Belk

■ **By Dean Manning**

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Goodwill toward men did not extend to Belk loss prevention or Corbin Police for a Rockholds man as he allegedly began fighting with them when they confronted him about unpaid merchandise he allegedly took from the store Saturday night.

Thirty-year-old Jason Blevins was charged with

robbery in connection with the incident outside the store at the Trademart Center.

According to Corbin Police Officer Ken Proffitt, the incident began about 8:50 when loss prevention attempted to stop Blevins as he left the store merchandise valued at \$259.98.

"Offender would not stop and started throwing items out of his pockets and trying to push his way through

loss prevention employees," Proffitt stated in the arrest citation, noting Blevins continued to fight as loss prevention attempted to secure him in handcuffs.

Proffitt stated that it was about this same time when he arrived on the scene and witnesses the struggle, ordering Blevins to, "get on the ground."

When Blevins failed to comply, Proffitt stated he

became involved in the struggle and Blevins was finally taken into custody.

Blevins was charged with second-degree robbery, resisting arrest and public intoxication - controlled substance and lodged in the Knox County Detention Center.

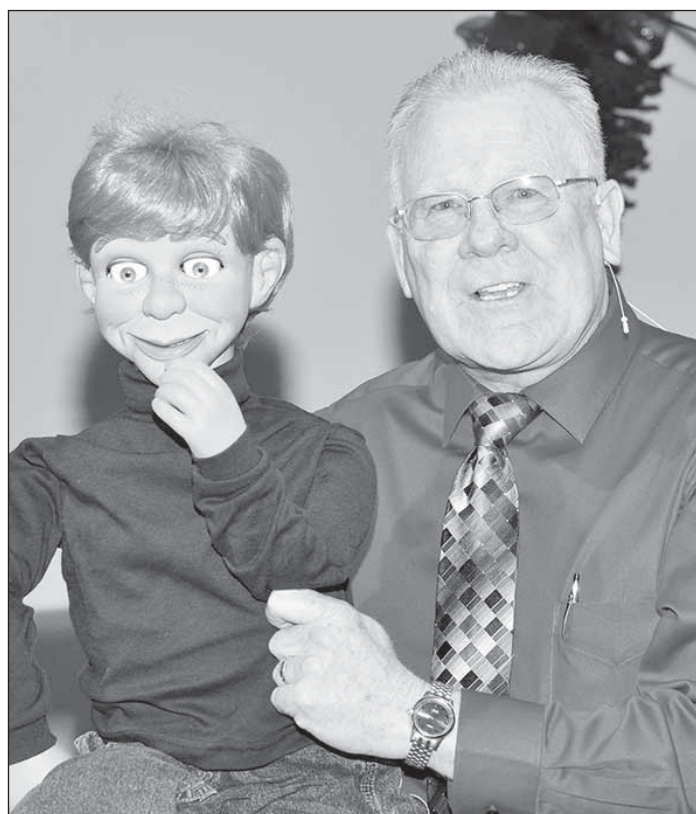
Blevins is currently being held without bond in the Knox County Detention Center.

Backpack giveaway...



Photos by MARK WHITE

Helping others: 23 volunteers from Georgia churches traveled to Mountain Ash Baptist Church in Williamsburg with Christmas goodies that they brought to give away to local children during an event Saturday at Mountain Ash Baptist Church. Above, volunteers handed out the backpacks to children and their families. Below left, a volunteer hands a stuffed animal to a local child. Below right, "Rodney" and Mountain Ash Pastor Billy Carpenter gave a brief message to those who attended Saturday's event.



Student paramedics, EMT's will soon be able to do 'ride-a-longs' with Whitley County EMS

By Dean Manning
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Perspective paramedics and EMTs at Southeast Kentucky Community and Technical College will have the opportunity to observe Whitley County EMS personnel in action. At the December meeting of the Whitley County Fiscal Court, the magistrates approved a memorandum of agreement with the college to allow students to perform some of their, 500 hours "ride time," with Whitley County EMS ambulance crews. Whitley County Projects Director Amber Owens said

under the terms of the annual agreement, the students will ride with the crews but will not be assisting the crews or providing any type of patient care. "They will simply be observing," Owens said. The students will be covered under the college's insurance for the cost of any accidents or injuries sustained. "This is not going to cost the county anything," Owens said. Owens added the students will sign patient confidentiality statements. "We have done this in the past with the students at the

Corbin Area Technology Center," Owens said, adding that other local ambulance services work with the school to help the students meet their required time. The agreement runs through December 2016. In other business, the fiscal court:

- Authorized Judge-executive Pat White, Jr. to sign a letter to the Department of Natural Resources pertaining to Alden Resources LLC's mining permit.

Owens said the new coal mining operation will be near Springtown Road in Rockholds. Anytime there is

mining near a county road, the fiscal court must approve it.

- Reappointed Jimmy Creekmore to serve as a commissioner in the Cumberland Falls Water District.
- Reappointed Peggy Bird to the Whitley County Water District Commission.
- Appointed Lorene Bowling and Barry Arnett to the Whitley County Extension Council District Board.
- Approved a resolution authorizing Santa Claus to use Whitley County air space during his annual Christmas deliveries.



Photo by MARK WHITE

Biblical proclamation: Above, Whitley County Judge-Executive Pat White Jr., right, signs a proclamation Friday morning declaring Jan. 1 - 8 as Bible Reading Week in Whitley County. 95 other counties have already signed similar proclamations. White is pictured with Steven Jett, Director of Missions with the South Union-Mt. Zion Association of Baptist Churches.

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Researchers examined the relationship between cognitive function and hearing restoration with cochlear implantation in older patients at 10 tertiary referral centers between 2006 and 2009. The study included 94 patients (ages 65 to 85) with profound postlingual (after speech has developed) hearing loss who were evaluated before cochlear implantation and then six and 12 months after.

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Hometown Bank donates to worthy charities...



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In the holiday spirit: Hometown Bank Corbin recently donated to local charitable efforts. At left, the bank donated to the Corbin Lions Club. Pictured is Sherry Logan presenting the check to Mike Pawula of the Lion's Club. Above, Hometown Bank gives a donation to Corbin Rotary Club for the Empty Stocking Fund. Pictured is Lee Parks, Don Robinson and Sherry Logan.

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An 'A' for effort: Above, the Corbin City Commission recognized the Corbin High School cheerleaders at their recent meeting. The team won the medium division state championship at the KHSAA competitive cheer competition. Below, Corbin Patrolman Ken Proffitt is honored by Mayor Willard McBurney for receiving the 2015 Governor's Impaired Driving Enforcement Award.

CHS cheerleaders, Redhound Theatre honored for success at state competitions

By Dean Manning
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The Corbin City Commission recognized the Corbin High School Cheerleaders, Redhound Theatre and Corbin Police Officer Ken Proffitt for being among the best in the state Monday night.

The commissioners authorized Mayor Willard McBurney to sign a proclamation declaring the week of Dec. 21-25 to be "Corbin High School Theatre Week" in Corbin.

The theatre students, collectively known as, "Redhound Theatre," brought home the award for "Best Play," for their performance of "The Elephant Man," at the Kentucky Theatre Association state competition in November.

The commissioners authorized McBurney to sign a proclamation declaring the week of Dec. 28 through Jan. 1 as "Corbin High School Cheerleading Week" in Corbin.

The cheerleaders were named the 2015-16 Kentucky School Athletic Association Competitive Cheerleading state champions in the medium division at the competitive cheer competition on Dec. 12.

Anytime that we have our young people that excel in our schools or anything the City of Corbin is certainly proud of them," McBurney said.

Redhound Theatre and the cheerleaders each received the key to the city.

"We can't say enough about you for the job well done,"



McBurney told the cheerleaders who were in attendance at the meeting.

Proffitt received the 2015 Governor's Impaired Driving Enforcement Award for leading the department in the number of DUI arrests with 17.

Corbin Police Capt. Coy Wilson told the commissioners the department has made 74 DUI arrests in 2015.

"They do a good job," said Commissioner Freddy "Bruce" Hodge.

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The final week...



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Heartwarming effort: Santa Claus stopped by a Forcht Bank location recently to donate gloves for the 'Warm Hearts' clothing drive sponsored by the bank. The effort ends Dec. 31.

'Warm Hearts' drive enters final week

■ **Staff Report**
for the News Journal

Only one week remains for the Bank "Warm Hearts" clothing drive that began on November 17th. The general public is asked to drop off any new gloves, coats, hats, and scarves, every infant to teen, at any of Forcht Bank's 30 locations through December 31st. All clothing collected will be delivered to School

Resource Centers and other local charities for distribution to children in need beginning January 4, 2016.

As of December 21st the total number of clothing items collected were 92 scarves, 111 coats, 1053 pairs of gloves, and 2531 hats. Forcht Bank is also donating \$10 for every checking account opened during the clothing drive to purchase additional children's clothing.

A TRUE HOMETOWN STORE



Business is good: Sears Hometown Store in Corbin celebrated its official grand opening last Friday with a special ribbon cutting ceremony attended by members of the Southern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, Sears employees and local officials. Above, Corbin Sears Store Manager Tim Petro cuts the ribbon. At right, Southern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce President Trent Knuckles presents Petro with a membership plaque. Sears is a member of the chamber of commerce. Sears was formerly located in the Trademart Shopping Center, but relocated earlier this year to Forest Hills Shopping Center, which is located on Cumberland Falls Hwy.

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Kim Dowell announced as new CEO of Jellico Community Hospital; will take over position Jan. 26

■ **Staff Report**
for the News Journal

Community Hospital Corporation and the Jellico Community Hospital Board of Directors are pleased to announce the hospital's new CEO, Kim Dowell, RN. She will begin her new leadership position on January 25, 2016.

"We are excited for Kim to join our organization as we work collaboratively to ensure that quality of care remains the priority for our community," said Allen McClary, chairman of the JCH board. "We are also grateful and want to express

sincere thanks to Keith Richardson, Interim CEO, for his dedicated service."

As Kim comes on board and becomes familiar with our organization, she will be working closely with CHC executives and JCH leadership. She and her husband, Mike, will be relocating to Jellico from Lenoir City, Tenn., where she was Director of Patient Care Services for Methodist Medical Center in Oak Ridge. With a long history of healthcare service in Tennessee, she held previous roles as CEO of both Jamestown Regional Medical Center in Jamestown, and Haywood Park Community Hospital in Brownsville. She

has a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of Tennessee and a Master of Science in Hospital Administration degree from Texas Woman's University-Houston.

Jellico Community Hospital became part of CHC earlier this year, when CHC entered into a relationship with the City of Jellico for long-term lease of the hospital facility and its CarePlus Center located in Williamsburg, Ky.

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Forest Hills Business Center celebrates grand opening



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A great place to do business: Above, local officials and members of the Southern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce gathered last Friday to celebrate the official grand opening of Forest Hills Business Center in Corbin. It is located next to Forest Lanes in the Forest Hills Shopping Center. Arlene Perkins cuts a ribbon to commemorate the event alongside her son, and co-owner of the center, Kyle Perkins. At right, Southern Kentucky Chamber of Commerce President Trent Knuckles presented Perkins with a chamber membership plaque.



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Duo indicted for allegedly exploiting local man by taking \$21,000

■ **By Mark White**

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A Whitley County Grand Jury has indicted two people in connection with the alleged taking of over \$20,000 from a local man.

The Whitley County Grand Jury issued its monthly report Monday and charged Candice Canada, 26, and Dwayne Cox, 31, with adult exploitation.

Between Jan. 16, 2015 and Dec. 10, 2015, the duo allegedly knowingly diverted assets belonging to Dennis Parks, which resulted in a loss to Parks that exceeded \$300.

Commonwealth's Attorney Allen Trimble said the defendants took about \$21,000 worth of checks from the victim over the course of one year.

The grand jury also indicted Michael Walters Jr., 26, whose address is listed as the homeless shelter in Williamsburg, with third-degree rape.

On Sept. 7, Walters allegedly engaged in sexual intercourse with a minor under the age of 16, according to his indictment.

According to his arrest citation, Walters allegedly had sexual intercourse with a 15-year-old female victim.

Williamsburg Police Chief Wayne Bird said that the victim's mother notified authorities.

He said that Walters and the victim had been communicating with each other and the girl told authorities that the two had sex.

Bird said the victim apparently willingly had sex with Walters but was under the age of consent, which is something authorities frequently encounter.

In addition, the grand jury indicted Apren Poore, 30, of Rockholds, charging him with first-degree assault and for being a first-degree persistent felony offender.

On Nov. 3, Poore allegedly stabbed Justin Hatfield with a knife causing serious physical injury.

According to his indictment, Poore has prior felony convictions for being a convicted felon in possession of a firearm in 2013 and first-degree promoting contraband in 2010. Both prior convictions

were in Whitley County.

According to its monthly report and the indictments, the grand jury handed down several other indictments Monday, including:

- Dwayne Chambers, 35, and Vickie Holt, 36, both of Williamsburg - third-degree burglary, theft by unlawful taking over \$500 but less than \$10,000 and second-degree persistent felony offender. On Oct. 29, Chambers and Holt allegedly entered a garage owned by Freddie Akers with the intent to commit a crime and took various items belonging to Akers. Chambers was previously convicted of receiving stolen property over \$300 in 2007 in Whitley County. Holt was previously convicted of trafficking in a controlled substance within 1,000 yards of a school in 2009 in Whitley County.

- Steven Perkins, 29, Lakin Ayers, 23, Krysten Stevens, 25, and Darren Canada, 26 - manufacturing methamphetamine, first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance and fourth-degree controlled substance endangerment to a child. In addition, Ayers was indicted for being a second-degree persistent felony offender. On Sept. 4, the group allegedly knowingly and unlawfully manufactured methamphetamine and possessed for sale or transfer more than two grams of methamphetamine. On that date they also allegedly permitted children under the age of 12 to be present in an adjoining apartment while illegally compounding chemicals to make methamphetamine, which placed the children in danger of serious physical injury or death. Ayers has a prior 2013 felony conviction for first-degree promoting contraband in Whitley County.

- Kelly Coffey, 42, of Rockholds - first-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and possession of a handgun by a convicted felon. On Aug. 28, Coffey allegedly possessed methamphetamine and various firearms after previously being convicted of manufacturing methamphetamine in 2013 and trafficking in marijuana in 2005. Both convictions

were in Whitley County.

- Eddie Baker, 53, of Corbin - first-degree possession of a controlled substance and second-degree fleeing or evading police. On Nov. 7, Baker allegedly possessed a quantity of methamphetamine and while on foot wantonly disobeyed a direction to stop given by Corbin Police Col. David Maiden, who was trying to serve a warrant on the defendant.

- Tommy Thompson, 36, of Corbin - first-degree criminal mischief, theft by unlawful taking over \$500 but less than \$10,000 and second-degree persistent felony offender. On Oct. 10, Thompson allegedly damaged a fence owned by Gentry's Automotive causing in excess of \$1,000 damage and took various items from vehicles belonging to Gentry's Automotive. Thompson has a prior 2009 felony conviction for second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance in Whitley County.

- Tyler Ramey, 18, of Rockholds - first-degree possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. On Nov. 23, Ramey allegedly possessed a quantity of methamphetamine and three needles.

- Joshua Walters, 27, of Rockholds - first-degree second-offense trafficking in a controlled substance, second-degree first-offense trafficking in a controlled substance and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. On Sept. 26, Walters allegedly possessed for sale or transfer over two grams of methamphetamine, 36 Suboxone, 19 Clonazepam and a Mossberg shotgun. He was previously convicted of first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance in 2013 in Whitley County.

- Megan Patterson, 28, of Corbin, and David Allen, 29, of East Bernstadt - first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance and second-degree fleeing or evading police. In addition, Allen was also indicted for third-degree criminal mischief, resisting arrest, carrying a concealed deadly weapon and first-degree persistent felony offender. On Dec. 12, the duo allegedly possessed for sale or transfer two grams of methamphetamine and while on foot wan-

tonly disobeyed a direction to stop given by Corbin Police Officer Kenneth Proffitt. Also on Dec. 12, Allen allegedly intentionally damaged Proffitt's uniform, attempted to prevent officers from affecting his arrest and was carrying a machete. Allen has prior felony convictions for possession of meth precursors, third-degree assault of a police officer/probation officer and disarming a peace officer.

- Jacob Carr III, 45, of Corbin - flagrant non-support. On Dec. 14, Carr allegedly persistently failed to provide support for his three minor children while knowing he had an obligation and duty to provide the support.

In addition to Monday's grand jury indictments, 14 other people have been indicted by information on various charges, since the last time the grand jury returned indictments on Nov. 13, including:

- Robert D. Huff, 41 - possession of methamphetamine precursors. On Nov. 8, Huff allegedly had two or more items used in the manufacture of methamphetamine.

- Cotie Huskey, 19 - possession of methamphetamine precursors. On Nov. 8, Huskey allegedly had possession of two or more items used in the manufacture of methamphetamine.

- Franklin A. Parks, 24 - receiving stolen property under \$10,000 and first-degree possession of a controlled substance. On Oct. 29, Parks allegedly received a motorcycle knowing it to be stolen and unlawfully possessed a quantity of methamphetamine.

- Crystal Branham, 31 - first-degree possession of a controlled substance. On Nov. 6, Branham allegedly possessed a quantity of methamphetamine.

- Stephanie Dawn Volland,

44 - first-degree possession of a controlled substance. On Nov. 1, she allegedly possessed a quantity of methamphetamine.

- Kevin Brimm, 22 - second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. On July 17, Brimm allegedly sold a quantity of Suboxone to a confidential informant.

- Anna Marie Meeler, 44 - first-degree possession of a controlled substance. On Aug. 19, Meeler allegedly possessed a quantity of LSD.

- Tyler Ramey, 18 - first-degree possession of a controlled substance. On Nov. 23, Ramey allegedly possessed a quantity of methamphetamine.

- Bobby Strunk, 49 - first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. On Sept. 14, Strunk allegedly unlawfully sold a quantity of methamphetamine.

- Ancil Arthur Foley, 57 - first-degree wanton endangerment. On Nov. 28, Foley allegedly manifested an extreme indifference to human life by wantonly engaging in conduct, which created a substantial danger of death or serious physical injury to another person.

- Tonya L. Daugherty, 45 - theft by unlawful taking over \$500 but less than \$10,000. On Oct. 11, she allegedly unlawfully took merchandise from Wal-Mart.

- John McKiddy, 28 - second-degree trafficking in a controlled substance. On Jan. 6, McKiddy allegedly sold a quantity of a drug classified as a schedule-three controlled substance.

- Travis Partin, 33 - first-degree wanton endangerment. On Oct. 13, Partin allegedly wantonly engaged in conduct, which placed Jared Rowe in risk of serious physical injury.

An indictment by information occurs when the defendant, the defendant's lawyer and the prosecuting attorney agree upon the charge a defendant will be charged with in circuit court in addition to a recommended sentence for that crime.

An indictment by the grand jury means that evidence was presented to the grand jury by usually either the victim or investigating officer and at least nine of the 12 grand jurors agreed that a crime had at least likely been committed.

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New CMS construction means that alternative school must relocate

Site preparation work will begin in mid-January

■ **By Dean Manning**

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The Corbin Alternative School will be returning to its former home at the old Corbin City Utilities Building during the holiday break as construction crews gear up for the start of site work for the new Corbin Middle School.

The school, which has about 35 students from Corbin, Whitley County and Williamsburg Independent Schools, will be moved back to the building on South Main Street.

Superintendent Ed McNeel said the building had previously been used as an office complex. While it will be a tight fit for the school, McNeel said it will be adequate.

The goal, once the new middle school is open, is to move the alternative school and the central office to the old middle school building.

McNeel said the final financial hurdle for the construction of the new middle school, selling the \$29 million in bonds to finance the project, was held Dec 16 as scheduled. With the funding in place, and the buildings empty, K&K Construction is expected to move forward in mid January.

McNeel said the work, which includes extending the next entrance road to the top of the site and building the parking lots, clearing trees, and razing the buildings, is expected to take several months.

While the larger trees on the site must be removed, McNeel said attempts will be made to save as much of the existing shrubbery, plants and smaller trees, with the goal of incorporating them into the landscaping of the new building.

Among the requests from the Corbin Board of Education was that the arch from the original St. Camillus Academy building, along with the fountain that now marks its location, be saved and incorporated into the project.

"The top of the arch will be reinstalled in the media center of the new building as a tribute to the history of the site," McNeel said.

"We are not sure about the fountain but we will be looking at placing it at the bottom of the hill," he added.

McNeel said any other materials removed from the existing buildings would be incorporated into the new building where appropriate.

"That is part of the site package," McNeel said.

McNeel said construction on the building is expected to begin in the summer with completion scheduled for 2018 or early 2019.

The building will house 800 students in grades 6-8. There will be 24 traditional classrooms, five science classrooms, two computer classrooms and separate classrooms for art, band and vocal music.

As requested by faculty, space has been allocated for a stage, high school sized basketball court in the gym, piano lab, and additional science classroom.

The initial cost of the project was estimated at \$21 million. With the addition of the sixth grade, the cost increased to \$25 million. Under agreement with the Kentucky Department of Education, Corbin Independent Schools pledged its available bonding capacity of \$5.125 million, with the state funding the remainder.

When the board approved the bid packages for the project in November, the cost was set at \$28.350 million.

McNeel said the school system always has a capital projects wish list. Next on the list would be a building to house grades 3-5, noting neither the existing elementary or intermediate school buildings can house all three in one place.

"It has always been a dream of mine to have a new middle school and a new elementary school," McNeel said. "This is just a major step closer to that dream."

CHASE: Driver nearly hit parked vehicle and house

From the front page

The incident began about 9:30 p.m. when Officer Ken Proffitt initiated a traffic stop on Messer's 2013 Dodge Dart in connection with a complaint of shoplifting at JC Penney.

Proffitt stated that Messer refused to comply with his requests that she shut off the vehicle and exit it.

"Officer attempted to open the driver door but it was locked," Proffitt stated. "As officer was doing so, the offender started to roll up her window and hit the gas pedal taking off while officer had a hold of the door handle."

Officers initiated the pursuit down Master Street, through downtown and south on Ky. 26.

Proffitt noted that Messer passed other vehicles in the turning lane and opposite lane, running through multiple traffic lights and stop signs.

The pursuit turned on to Eatontown Road and then to Corinth Cemetery Road.

At the end of the road, Proffitt said Messer turned into a driveway, almost striking a parked vehicle and the house.

Proffitt stated that Messer then attempted to flee from officers on foot and continued to resist as officers attempted to secure her in handcuffs.

Prewitt stated that officers found clothing scattered across the back seat and floorboard of the car. Neither Messer nor Mitchell could produce receipts for the items, which still had

tags from Belk and JC Penney attached.

In addition, officers reported finding a plastic baggy containing a white, powdery substance that field tested positive for methamphetamine, along with multiple syringes in a boot and in Messer's purse. Another loaded syringe containing an unknown drug was found under the driver's seat.

Proffitt stated that Messer admitted to shooting up drugs.

Messer was charged with receiving stolen property of the value under \$10,000, speeding - 26 mph or greater over the limit, first-degree fleeing or evading police in a motor vehicle, reckless driving, first-degree wanton endangerment of a police officer, disregarding a stop sign, driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs/etc., failure to or improper signal, resisting arrest, disregarding a traffic control device - traffic light, first-degree possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine, first-degree possession of a controlled substance - drug unspecified, possession of drug paraphernalia and theft by unlawful taking of the value under \$500.

Mitchell was charged with receiving stolen property of the value under \$10,000, first-degree possession of a controlled substance - methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and public intoxication - controlled substance.

Messer and Mitchell are each being held without bond in the Knox County Detention Center.

CRASH: Empty beer cans found in floor of vehicle

From the front page

from the vehicle and was flown to the University of Tennessee Medical Center where he was still in respiratory care as of Sunday, Bird said.

According to a hospital spokesperson Tuesday afternoon, Vanover was listed in "critical condition."

Bird declined to release the name of the passenger in the vehicle because he was a juvenile, but said he apparently died in route to Jellico Community Hospital.

Whitley County Coroner Andy Croley identified the deceased as Zachariah "Zack" Wade Byrd, 17, who was a Whitley County High School student.

Croley said that Byrd was pronounced dead by doctors at Jellico Community Hospital due to injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident.

The investigating officer, Mike Taylor, noted that both speed and alcohol were contributing factors to the acci-

dent, Bird said.

The accident report notes there were empty beer cans in the floor of the vehicle and half a case of beer in the back seat.

Bird said Vanover is facing possible criminal charges if he survives his injuries.

Bird said that the crash was both tragic and preventable.

He said his department participates in the highway safety grant program each year in an effort to decrease drunk driving and try to prevent accidents, such as this.

"We try to enforce seatbelt use and speed to try to deter some of this from happening. We can't deter it all. It is one of those things," Bird noted.

Neither occupant in the vehicle was wearing a seatbelt.

No other vehicles were involved in the crash.

Taylor is continuing the investigation and was assisted by Officer Tim Shelley, Williamsburg Fire and Rescue and Whitley County EMS.

Byrd is survived by his parents, Jerri Byrd Inman and Matthew Inman of Williamsburg.

Visitation will be after 5 p.m. Wednesday at Croley Funeral Home.

The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Croley Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Robert Caddell and Rev. Auston Brown officiating. After the funeral, Byrd will be laid to rest in the Ball Cemetery.

Chief Bird added that police have received information from a couple of sources that some of the deceased victim's friends are planning to close a portion of US25W Thursday afternoon where the wreck occurred. The friends apparently plan to put burnout the funeral as a way to honor their friend.

Chief Bird said this would not be a good way for the people to try to honor their friend.

"It definitely would not be advisable for them to do

WHITE: Officials made right call on work requirement for SWAC

From page A-4

There were over 60 vendors and I know a pretty good-sized crowd that filtered through in the morning and early afternoon. Hopefully the event will get bigger and better next year.

I know there were some concerns that Williamsburg Mayor Roddy Harrison's Community Reinvestment Program would diminish participation in the Williamsburg Police Department Shop with a Cop program, but that doesn't appear to have been the case. The Community Reinvestment

Program requires parents or guardians of children taking part in the program to perform some type of community service, such as attending parenting classes or volunteering at schools.

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PRICE: Law license has been suspended, for now

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Eddy Montgomery's office agreed to a two-year prison sentence that will be diverted for two years.

Essentially, this means that if Price stays out of trouble for two years then once the diversion agreement is completed, Price can ask to have the charge dismissed and have his record expunged.

Price, 38, will be on unsupervised probation for the next two years, which means that he won't have to report to a probation officer on a regular basis.

Spalding spent several minutes during the hearing explaining Price's rights to him and the rights he was giving up by entering a guilty plea.

"Mr. Price in regards to the charge of possession of a controlled substance first degree, a class 'D' felony, are you pleading guilty or not guilty?" Spalding asked.

"Guilty your honor," Price answered.

Spalding explained that Price's record would not reflect a felony conviction at this point unless he violates the terms of the diversion agreement, but he won't be allowed to own or carry a firearm during that time span.

If Price violates the terms of the diversion, then he would have a felony record at that point and would lose certain civil rights, such as the right to vote and hold office, Spalding explained.

Spalding noted during the hearing that Price had already completed a drug treatment program, which was part of the reason he agreed to accept the plea agreement Tuesday.

"For whatever it is worth Mr. Price, you certainly look a lot better than the first time I saw you," Spalding said.

In addition, Spalding ordered Price to pay \$150 restitution to the Williamsburg Police Department, and court costs.

Spalding gave Price until March 22 to have the restitution and court costs paid.

"I wish you the very best in the future. Good luck sir," Spalding told Price.

Price's attorney, Stephanie McKeehan said following Tuesday's court proceedings that she felt Price was overcharged from the very beginning of the case.

"I don't believe this was ever a trafficking case. Fortunately we got a prosecutor, who saw it for what it was," she noted.

McKeehan added that everyone was quick to pass judgment on Price when this occurred.

"He is a human being whether he was a judge or a lawyer or whatever," McKeehan said. "He is still a person. He is still subject to the same flaws. He is still subject to addiction just like anybody else is."

"Anybody, who wants to cast a stone, ought to look in their own closet first. We all have addictions. Some are legal. Some are illegal. It can be something as simple as sugar or nicotine. Everybody battles addiction. It doesn't give them the right to judge others for theirs."

McKeehan said Price has

worked hard to overcome his addiction and she believes he will make a quick recovery in his professional and personal life.

Williamsburg Police Chief Wayne Bird said an investigation into Price had been ongoing for about one year concerning Price allegedly taking money in exchange for legal services but then not providing those services to paying clients.

The investigation came to a head when police were able to arrange a drug transaction between Price and a cooperating source in mid-March.

The drug deal took place in the parking lot at Taco Bell in Williamsburg when Price allegedly accepted 15 30-mg Oxycodone pills and \$500 cash as payment for legal fees, Bird said.

After the exchange, authorities immediately arrested Price.

Bird said Tuesday afternoon that he is happy Price got the treatment he needed, but he is upset that the special prosecutor's office never once contacted any of his officers about the case before agreeing to the plea deal.

Given that officers potentially put their lives on the line every day, Bird said he thinks the least the prosecutor's office could have done is contact the investigating officers about the case.

Bird added that aside from the preliminary hearing in district court, his officers never once received a subpoena concerning this case, and he wouldn't even have known the trial was scheduled Tuesday if a reporter hadn't mentioned it to him.

Law license suspended

The Kentucky Bar Association's website indicates that Price's status with the group is listed as a "former member" due to Price being "suspended."

The website indicates Price's status was last updated on Sept. 4, 2015.

Kentucky Supreme Court Chief Justice John Minton signed a three-page opinion and order dated Aug. 20 that temporarily suspended Price from the practice of law in Kentucky "pending further order from this court."

The Inquiry Commission petitioned the Kentucky Supreme Court to suspend Price because his conduct "poses a substantial threat of harm to his clients or to the public," and because of his arrest for drug trafficking.

John D. Meyers, Executive Director of the Kentucky Bar Association, said in an e-mail that Price's suspension of his law license is open-ended until further order of the Kentucky Supreme Court.

"The Supreme Court ultimately decides the status of his license," Meyers said in the e-mail.

McKeehan said she is not representing Price in that aspect of his case so she can't say for certain what impact the plea deal will have in regards to Price's law license.

McKeehan said she would anticipate that Price would eventually be able to resume his legal career especially after he completes his diversion.

New details emerge

Minton's order lays out new details about what lead up to Price's arrest in March.

The opinion and order references an affidavit filed by Commonwealth's Attorney Allen Trimble.

According to the opinion and order, Trimble had been contacted by Kentucky Probation and Parole Officer Angie Ballou, who reported to him that one of her supervisees, Hope Grundy, had retained Price to assist in a child custody matter.

"According to Ms. Grundy, Price had done nothing on her case, but he frequently sent text messages requesting more money," the document stated. "In one of those messages, Price stated that he needed that additional money to bribe prosecutors and judges in furtherance of Grundy's case."

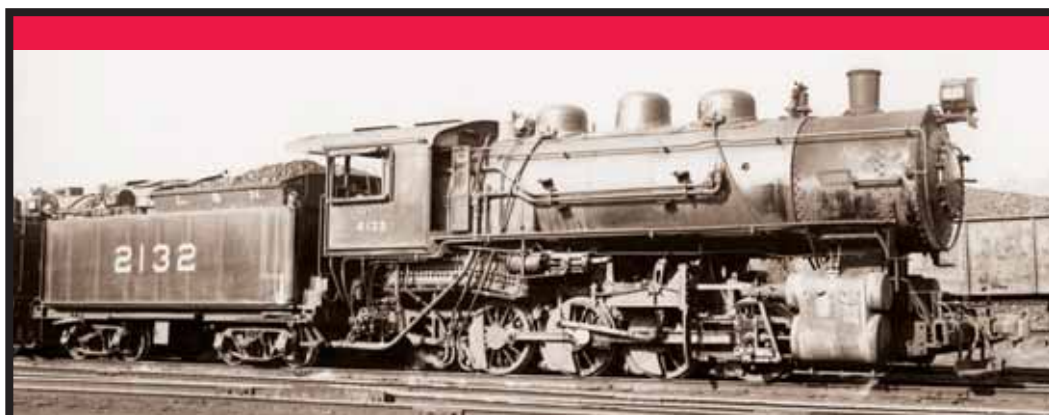
After hearing this information, Trimble contacted the office of Bar Counsel to report Price's alleged misconduct and Bird, who then interviewed Grundy.

"During the course of the interview, Ms. Grundy received a text message from Price requesting more money. In a subsequent exchange of text messages, Price agreed to accept '15 pain pills' in lieu of a payment of \$500 in attorney fees," according to the order and opinion.

Police officers monitored the subsequent transaction and arrested Price charging him with first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance.

"After reviewing the petition and attorney Trimble's affidavit, we believe the Commission has supplied us with a reasonable basis to believe that Price poses a substantial threat of harm to his clients or to the public SCR 3.65(1)(b). Consequently, the Commission's petition for temporary suspension is granted," Minton wrote in the order and opinion.

Price served as Whitley district judge from late 2008 when he won a special election against incumbent Fred White only to lose to White during a rematch in late 2010.



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JURY: Drivers were cooperative

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from the stop, Chatham darted back in front of it and was struck and killed. Whitley County Coroner Andy Croley said it is unknown why Chatham crossed back into the path of the bus. Whitley County school officials identified the bus driver as Woliver, 33, who had driven a bus for more than two years.

"During this time she has driven an average of over 120 miles per day incident free and has driven for numerous field trips and extracurricular activities both during the school day and after," officials stated.

The investigation concerning Adams and Jones dealt with a July 5 crash on Ky. 204 that claimed the life of Kenneth A. Rich, 55, of Craig Road. The single-vehicle crash apparently occurred shortly before 10 p.m. Kentucky State Police Accident Reconstructionist Craig Reed determined that Rich's 2005 Chevrolet Silverado was traveling eastbound on Ky. 204 when he tried to pass another vehicle, lost control of his pickup, traveled off the eastbound side of the highway and struck a tree, according to a KSP press release.

Trimble said some people thought the vehicle Adams and Jones were in struck the Rich vehicle but that turned out not to be the case. "There was no paint transfers on either vehicle. He (Rich) was going at a very, very high rate of speed and just lost control. Also, he was intoxicated. He had three or four different types of drugs in his system," Trimble noted.

Rich passed Adams and Jones, who saw the wreck happen. "They were all together cooperative," Trimble said. "There is a crime if a person is involved in a hit and run accident, leaves the scene, doesn't render aid and the person dies."

"These people did stop. They checked on him. They went and called 911. They called Kentucky State Police to tell them their names, if police wanted to talk to them."

Trimble said the reason the pair didn't stay at the scene was that Adams had lost a close relative a short time before that in a car wreck and she emotionally wasn't able to handle it.

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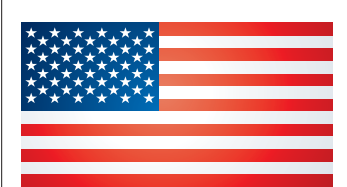
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That said, I'd like to share with you a story from a Vintage article that has been lying around my house for years. It warmed my heart, as I'm sure it will warm yours, as it tells the story of the true meaning of Christmas. I hope it will make your Christmas more joyful as it did mine.

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A Child's Christmas

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My family received an invitation to participate in a special Christmas born of her inspiration while sitting in the window of her room. You see, she has had time to sit and watch the world around her while the rest of us march on by ignorantly.

She noticed the eight little Tuttle children living across the street, their widowed mother working as cook for the Hamilton family. Most of us walked obliviously on by while Alexa watched the Tuttle children playing happily about the yard. They saw her too, and asked if she could come out and play with them. Rather than feel sorry for herself because she could not participate, Alexa encouraged the children to come over and play in her big lawn where she could watch them and enjoy their little games.

In so doing, Alexa soon discovered that although they were a happy bunch, the Tuttle children were often barefoot and wore tattered clothes. They had no toys, musical tops, or balls. In fact, as the weather got colder, they had no mittens or hats and two had no coats.

As Christmas approached, Alexa was asked by her parents what she wanted for Christmas. To their surprise, she told them she wanted nothing for herself. But she wanted to give a grand Christmas dinner in her room for the Tuttle children, to purchase gifts for them with the money they would have spent on her.

I will never forget the grand Christmas in Alexa's room. After turkey, plum pudding, mince pie and more food than the Tuttle had ever seen on their plates before, the table was cleared. Then a door was opened to the next room.

There in the corner next to Alexa's bed was a brilliant Christmas tree with Alexa's presents to the Tuttle children carefully laid out. Every child received a warm coat of just the right size. Then after the useful presents, Alexa gleefully watched as dolls, books and a magnificent Noah's Ark and a tiny tool chest were opened by the spellbound children.

May we all keep a child-like Christmas in our hearts this year and spread the joy around us.

Happy Christmas Everyone!

Eat this for Breakfast on Christmas Morning.

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Ingredients

- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup sliced fresh mushrooms
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 package (10 ounces) frozen chopped spinach, thawed and well drained
- 2/3 cup finely chopped fully cooked ham
- 5 large eggs
- 3 cups (12 ounces) shredded Muenster or Monterey Jack cheese
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper

Directions

In a large skillet, saute onion and mushrooms in oil until tender. Add spinach and ham; cook and stir until the excess moisture is evaporated. Cool slightly.

Beat eggs; add cheese and mix well. Stir in spinach mixture and pepper; blend well. Spread evenly into a greased 9-in. pie plate or quiche dish.

Bake at 350° for 40-45 minutes or until a knife inserted near the center comes out clean.

Yield: 6-8 servings.

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2015 Corbin Parade winners announced



The Corbin Tourism and Convention Commission expresses its sincerest appreciation to everyone who was involved, and participated in, the 2015 Corbin Christmas Parade. 1st Place Winners are as follows: Top photo: Youth - Corbin Intermediate School.Center photo: Civic/Non-Profit-Southside Baptist Church. Bottom photo: Commercial-A Brighter Future It is through the hard work, dedication and selfless giving of individuals, organizations and businesses of Corbin that enables the Tourism and Convention Commission to provide the community with quality of life events. Thank you for your support!

Photo submitted.



WC Historical and Genealogical Society receives donation



Eva Smith from the Community Trust Bank presents a check for \$2,000 to the Whitley County Historical Society on Monday night at their annual Christmas party. Receiving the check for WCHGS is Justeen Wilson, Brenda Meadors and WCHGS President Patricia Jones. We want to thank Eva and the Community Trust Bank for their help in keeping the Historical Society going here in Whitley County.

Photo submitted.



Merry Christmas



Pictured are front row (l to r): Kindra Cole, Becky Hill, Taylor Brock, Melissa Vandivier. Second row (l to r): Joy Allen, Betty Eversole, Wanda Leach, Joyce Early. Third Row (l to r): Earl Hickman, Marjorie Chaney, Joyce Saylor, Jimmie Stewart, Charlie Vann, Irma Helton. Standing (l to r): Rose Broughton, Amanda Levering, Tena Lambert, Kelly Frazier, and Jean Lovitt.

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often or feel tired and exhausted all the time, it could be that need to boost your immune system.

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics maintains that "good nutrition is essential to a strong immune system, which may offer protection from seasonal illness, such as the flu, as well as other health problems including arthritis, allergies, abnormal cell development and cancers." One way to build a healthy immune system is through the foods we eat.

- Vitamin C. Prevents disease and infection by stimulating the formation of antibodies. Include foods such as fruits (oranges, grapefruit, tangerines, kiwi, cantaloupe, honeydew melon), berries (blueberries, blackberry, raspberry, strawberry) or bell peppers, rich in vitamin C, in your diet each day.

- Vitamin A and beta carotene. "Vitamin A helps regulate the immune system and protects you from infections by keeping skin and tissues in your mouth, stomach, intestines and respiratory system healthy." Beta carotene is an orange-yellow pigment that is converted to vitamin A in the body. Vitamin A and beta carotene are found in sweet potatoes, carrots, kale, spinach, red bell peppers and apricots.

- Antioxidants are vitamins, minerals and other compounds in food that protect cells in the body from

damage by free radicals. Free radicals occur naturally when the body breaks down food or when it is exposed to tobacco smoke or radiation. These cause heart disease, cancer and other diseases. Antioxidants help repair cells in the body after they have been damaged. Foods rich in antioxidants help block free radicals in the body prevent or repair damage to cells and may also lower the risk of infection or cancer. Vitamin E can be found in nuts and seeds, whole grains, green leafy vegetables and vegetable and liver oil. Selenium is found in fish and shellfish, red meat, grains, eggs, chicken and garlic. Vitamin C works as an antioxidant in the body.

- Zinc helps the immune system work properly and may help wounds heal. Zinc can be found in lean meat, poultry, seafood, milk, whole grain products, beans and nuts.

- Protein is part of the body's defense mechanism. Eat a variety of protein foods, including seafood, lean meat, poultry, eggs, beans and peas, soy products and unsalted nuts and seeds.

- Other nutrients, including vitamin B6, folate, selenium, iron, as well as prebiotics and probiotics, also may influence immune response.

Reference: Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. Protect Your Health with Immune-Boosting Nutrition <http://www.eatright.org/Public/content.aspx?id=6442475026&terms=Immune%20>

Source: Ingrid Adams, Extension Specialist for Physical Activity and Weight Management, University of Kentucky; College of Agriculture, Food and Environment

For more information, contact the Whitley County Cooperative Extension Service at 549-1430; e-mail at DL_CES_WHITLEY@EMAIL.UKY.EDU; or visit the office located in Cumberland Regional Mall, Suite 34, 965 S. Highway 25W, Williamsburg.

Preventing calf scours



Garrard Coffey

Agriculture and Natural Resources

poorly for the remainder of their lives when compared to healthy calves.

Preventing calf scours involves goes beyond the immune system of a newborn calf. Excellent cow nutrition during and after gestation, an easy calving process and environmental management factors all contribute to a successful start. On the flip side, an inadequate quantity and/or quality of colostrum, difficulty calving, poor sanitation, cold, wet weather and overcrowding in calving areas all contribute to a higher risk of disease.

A good scours vaccine program in the cow herd is an important first step. Rotavirus, coronavirus, bacteria (K99 E. coli; Clostridium perfringens Type C, Salmonella spp.) and the parasite Cryptosporidia are the most common causes of neonatal calf diarrhea. Controlling rotavirus, coronavirus and E. coli with vaccines can help you significantly reduce or elim-

inate sickness and death losses due to calf scours. Most beef cows produce adequate colostrum, but sometimes they do not produce the correct antibodies to fight the specific bugs that cause diarrhea. Scours vaccines are formulated to be given to pregnant cows and heifers late in gestation, so they will make the correct antibodies as colostrum is being formed.

A first or primary dose followed by a booster dose is required the first year you use a scours vaccine. After that, just one annual revaccination is required. Product selection often depends on when you plan to work cattle; generally Scour Bos is administered earlier in pregnancy, followed by Guardian and then ScourGuar, which is given late in gestation. If the cow herd has not been vaccinated and calf scours develop, there are oral vaccines available to give to newborn calves, prior to nursing, which can provide some immediate protection in the gut.

Make sure newborn calves receive adequate colostrum within the first six hours after birth. Although colostrum can technically be absorbed up to 24 hours of age, the amount absorbed after 12 hours of life is considerably diminished.

Once the calf has received colostrum from the mother, it is essential to prevent the environmental load of pathogens or "bugs" from overwhelming the calf's immune system. Generally, calf scour pathogens build up in the environment as the calving season progresses. Calving in the same area as older calves greatly increases the risk to the newborn calf, especially in wet or muddy conditions as we often see

See CALF SCOURS, page B-7

Whitley County Historical and Genealogical Society holds Annual Christmas Party



Photo submitted.

The Whitley County Historical and Genealogical Society members met for their annual Christmas party recently. Everyone enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by members and games done by Mary Alice Siler. Attendants are standing back row: Justeen Wilson, Mayor Roddy Harrison and Maria Harrison. Next row: Brenda Meadors, Teresa and David Etter, Jerry Rains, Terri Prewitt, Devin Prewitt and Greg Prewitt. Seated: WCHGS President Patricia Jones, Roy Siler, Carol Lovitt and Bobby Wilson. Front: Billie Parker and Donna Rains. Not pictured was Darrell Meadors, Sharon McGinley and Isabella McGinley, Eva Smith and Mary Alice Siler. WCHGS is open on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. and on the first and last Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. until noon. If you are interested in history or genealogy, come to our next meeting on January 11, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. WCHGS is located at the old L & N Depot building on Main Street in Williamsburg. For more information, call 549-7089 or 549-3706.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Wednesday - December 23

* KCEOC Career Center Job Club

The KCEOC Career Center Job Club meets **every Wednesday** at 11 a.m. - New members at 10:30 a.m. For more information call 606-546-2639.

Thursday - December 24

Whitley County Health Dept. - Schedule

The Whitley County Health Department will be closed on the following dates: Thursday and Friday **December 24th** and **December 25th**, 2015 for the Christmas holiday, also Thursday and Friday **December 31, 2015** and **January 1, 2016** for the New Year holiday.

Williamsburg City Hall - Schedule

Williamsburg City Hall will be closed on Thursday, **December 24th** and Friday, **December 25th** for the Christmas Holiday. Sanitation is working on Thursday but not Friday so they will be picking up Friday's garbage on Monday, **December 28th**.

Whitley County Courthouse - Schedule

The Whitley County Courthouse will be closed **Thursday, December 24** and Friday, **December 25** in observance of the Christmas Holiday.

* Overeaters' Anonymous

Overeaters' Anonymous (OA) will meet at Corbin Public Library on **Thursdays** from 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. For further information, call 859-429-1659.

Friday - December 25

* Mrs. Betty's Toddler Time

Mrs. Betty's Toddler Story-time is **every Friday** at 10 a.m. at the Whitley County Public Library. Come join the fun for parents and toddlers. Ages 1-4. No registration necessary. **Dec. 25** - Library is closed for Christmas Holiday! **Jan. 1** - Library Closed. **Jan. 8** - Five Little Penguins; **Jan. 15** - The Itsy Bitsy Snowman; **Jan. 22** - The Jacket I Wear in the Snow; **Jan. 29** - The Mitten Tree.

Saturday - December 26

* Corbin Public Library - Story Time

Corbin Public Library presents Story Time **Saturdays** at 11 a.m. **December 26** - New Year's Celebration.

Monday - December 28

* Craft Madness

The Whitley County Public Library will have a Craft Madness Class on Monday evenings from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for ages 5 to adult. No registration is required. **Dec. 21** - Cookie Night; **Dec. 28** - New Year's Fun!

Tuesday - December 29

* Toddler Time

Corbin Public Library has Toddler Time on **Tuesdays** at 11:15 a.m. Join us for stories, rhymes, and special craft! **December 22** - Elf Dining. **December 29** - Weather.

* Celebrate Recovery

Celebrate Recovery, a 12-step Christ-centered, faith based recovery program for all hurts, habits or hang-ups, meets **Tuesdays** from 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m. at Immanuel Baptist Church. Call 528-4975 or 521-4992 or 521-4995. Child care is provided.

* FREE Foster Care Orientation Class

Benchmark Family Service Foster Care invites you to a free orientation class. The classes are offered **every Tuesday** from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Benchmark Office on the Corbin Bypass at Tri-County Industrial Park. Call our office for information packet or more information 606-526-6992.

Upcoming Events

Emergency Christian Ministries - NOTICE

On a temporary basis the Emergency Christian Ministries must stop taking males also, until changes are made to our building. Two or three homeless men with experience will stay to help with renovations. As soon as the changes are completed, Billy Woodward Director and Case Manager will give notice.

EQIP Conservation Program

The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) had an application cut off date in November for the first round of funding in 2016. Applications received after November 20th will be held until the next application cut off period, which is March 18, 2016. EQIP is a conservation program that provides financial and technical assistance to farmers and ranchers who face threats to soil, water, air and related natural resources on their land. For more information call NRCS in London, KY at 606-864-2172.

Bible Reading Marathon

KY 120 United Bible Reading Marathon, sponsored by the Kentucky Prayer Focus and hosted by 120 counties of Kentucky will be held on **January 1**, through **January 4**, from 12 a.m. - 6 p.m. on the Whitley County Court House Lawn. Local church, businessmen and interested Christians will participate by starting to read in Genesis, the first book of the Bible and reading publicly and continuously in 15 minute segments until the last chapter of Revelation, the final book of the Bible. The purpose of the marathon is to create an awareness of reading the only God-inspired Guide for successful living. An open invitation has been extended to all who wish to participate. Call 549-4497 for additional information.

FREE Certified CPR Class

The Whitley County Fiscal Court along with Whitley County EMS will be offering a FREE certified CPR class to anyone that is interested. Kelly Harrison will be conducting the class on Saturday, **January 23**, at the Williamsburg Civic Center at 10 a.m.

Community Services

* VFW Service Officer Assistance

Joe Grillon, the service officer for VFW Post 3167 in Williamsburg is available to help any veterans or veterans' spouses. For more information call 549-1074.

* FREE Career Training

Job Corps is open to motivated, low income young people ages 16 thru 24 who are US citizens or legal residents. The program offers: career training, high school and college courses, job search assistance, housing and medical benefits. Call 1-800-733 JOBS (5627) or go to www.recruiting.jogcorps.gov.

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Obituaries

Lelia Lewallen Meadors

Lelia Crabtree Lewallen Meadors, 99, of Williamsburg, departed this life on Monday, December 14, 2015 at the Williamsburg Health and Rehab Center.

She was born on September 10, 1916 in Elk Valley, TN to the late George Crabtree and Josephine Honeycutt Crabtree.

She was a member of Cumberland Freewill Baptist Church.

She is survived by her three daughters, Elsie Elliott, Ida Mae Paul and Wanda Jean Powers of Williamsburg; 13 grandchildren; many great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews; and a host of other family and friends to mourn her passing.

The graveside service was held Wednesday, December 16, at the Red Cut Cemetery in Elk Valley, TN with Rev. Jerry Sester officiating.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.croleyfuneralhome.com

Croley Funeral Home of Williamsburg is in charge of the arrangements.



Robert Lynn Sexton

Robert Lynn Sexton, 54, of Williamsburg, passed away Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at the Jellico Community Hospital in Jellico, TN.

He was born January 13, 1961 in Oxnard, CA to the late Marion Vaughn Sexton and Clara Anne Young Sexton.

Robert was an avid golfer and UK basketball fan.

Along with his father he was preceded in death by his grandparents Jack and Mable Sexton and TC and Dessie Young, as well as a beloved aunt, Mary Mays.

He is survived by his wife Julie Sexton of Williamsburg; sons Adam Sulfridge of Williamsburg, Chad Waldroup of Knoxville, TN; mother Clara "Butch Anne" Sexton of Williamsburg, sisters Leigh "Sissi" Burke (Paul) of Williamsburg, Lori "Scotti" Loudermilk, of Williamsburg; brother Marion "Ditto" Sexton (Carolyn) of London; several nieces, nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

Graveside services were held 1 p.m. Saturday December 19 in the Davis Addition of the Highland Park Cemetery with Rev. Lenny Strunk officiating.

Pallbearers were his fellow golfers at the Golf Course in Williamsburg.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.ellisonfh.com

Ellison Funeral Home of Williamsburg is in charge of the arrangements.



Kathleen Virginia Roberts



Kathleen Virginia Parsons Bailey Roberts, 93, went home to be with her Heavenly Father on December 18, 2015. She passed peacefully at the Christian Health Center in Corbin, KY.

She was born on November 30, 1922 in Parsons, WV to Homer Mace and Nell Phillips Parsons.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sisters Velma Knotts, Genevive Parsons, Verna Rae Murphy June Lowman, Colleen Knotts, brothers Russell, Sylvester, Homer, Edgar and Carl Parsons, her first husband Chauncey Bailey, Jr., second husband of 33 years, Herbert Roberts, son-in-law John Flowers, and grandson Johnny Flowers.

Kathleen is survived by a brother Bill Parsons (Jean) of Sheffield Lake, OH; one son Chauncey Bailey III of Guam; daughters Margaret Bailey Flowers of Corbin, KY and Patricia Bailey Sisseck of Pennsylvania; 10 grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, 5 great-great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews; sisters-in-law Eleanor Roberts Ash and Eileen Roberts Biestal of Pennsylvania, her fur baby Joy, and many friends to mourn her passing.

She was a member of Central Baptist Church in Corbin, and the VFW Ladies Auxillary, American Legion Auxillary, and DAV Auxillary in Grafton, WV.

She was past treasurer of the Chattanooga Democrat Party and served as committee chair in Pennsylvania. She enjoyed crafts, crocheting, quilting, and puzzles.

Kathleen's life was celebrated Monday at the Vankirk-Grisell Funeral Home with Pastor Chad Fugitt officiating.

Interment will be in the Grafton (WV) National Cemetery.

Memorials are requested to the Sunshine Ministry or Matthew Ministry of Central Baptist Church.

Messages may be sent to the family at www.vankirkgrisellfuneralhome.com.

Judy Irene Baker

Judy Irene Baker, 57, of Foley Road, Williamsburg, departed this life on Friday, December 18, 2015 at her home.

She was born on December 29, 1957 in Williamsburg, to the late James Vanderpool and Nancy Bray Vanderpool.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Willie Vanderpool and a sister, Mary Jo Jones.

She is survived by her husband, Edward Baker of Williamsburg; two sons, Shawn Baker (Gina) and Victor Baker of Williamsburg; one daughter, Lora Baker of Battle Creek, MI; three grandchildren, Shawn Baker Jr., Austin Baker and Emilee Baker; one brother, Jimmy Vanderpool of Jellico, TN; four sisters, Frankie Kinder, Loretta Perkins, Vickie Perkins and Becky Lunsford, all of Williamsburg; several nieces and nephews; and a host of other family and friends to mourn her passing.

The funeral service was held Monday, December 21, at the Croley Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Billy Carpenter officiating.

She was laid to rest in the Baker Family Cemetery on Foley Bend Road.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.croleyfuneralhome.com

Croley Funeral Home of Williamsburg is in charge of the arrangements.



Thomas Stevens

Thomas Stevens, 48, of Highway 25-W South, Williamsburg, departed this life on Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at his home.

He was born on April 8, 1967 in Pontiac, MI to Thomas and Thelma Stevens.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Thelma Stevens Colon and a son, David Anthony Moses.

She is survived by his wife, Martha Moses-Canada of Loudens, TN and Danielle Ellison (Charlie) of Corbin; sons Michael Moses and Christopher Stevens of Williamsburg; eight grandchildren, Charlie Ellison, Taylor Ellison, Joshua Rains, Reannah Ellison, Megan Canada, Austin Canada, Allyson Canada and Michael Paul Moses Jr.; his father, Thomas Stevens of Black Oak, TN; three brothers, Robert Stevens, Joshua Brown and Joseph Stevens of Williamsburg; a sister, Sherry Stevens of Michigan; and a host of other family and friends to mourn his passing.

Visitation will be from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, December 26, at the Pentecostal Church of God.

The memorial service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, December 26, at the Pentecostal Church of God.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.croleyfuneralhome.com.

Croley Funeral Home of Williamsburg is in charge of the arrangements.



Donna Marie Lambdin

Donna Marie Lambdin, 77, of Williamsburg, passed away Friday December 18, 2015 at the Jellico Community Hospital in Jellico, TN.

She was born August 6, 1938 in Whitley County, to the late Leonard Hutton and the late Ellen Rose Hutton.

She was saved and baptized at age 11 in Whitley County. She was a member of the Fairview Community Church.

Along with her parents she was preceded in death by her husbands Will Matt Hibbard and Robert Lambdin and son Michael Matt Hibbard.

She is survived by three daughters, Breonia Perkins (Mitchell Jr.) of Williamsburg, Katrenia Caddell (Hoyt Jr.) of Corbin, Angela Souder (Jeff) of Corbin, four grandchildren, Jeremiah Caddell, Shala Bray-Caddell, Matthew Copeland, Jeffery Souder, six honorary grandchildren, Clay Perkins, Markus Perkins Jr. 3rd Class Petty Officer U.S. Navy, Jinna Hooper, Austinn Hooper, Reece Halcomb, Victoria Morningstar, several nieces, nephews, special friend Helen Croley, honorary daughters, Connie Roberts (Denny), Regina Meehan (Jim) and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn her passing.

Funeral services were held Monday December 21, at the Ellison Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Jerome Cox officiating.

Following the service she was laid to rest in the Clearfork Cemetery.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.ellisonfh.com

Ellison Funeral Home of Williamsburg is in charge of the arrangements.



Martin E. Wheeler



LeRoy Wheeler.

He is survived by his life partner for 35 years Patsy Whinn; daughters; Linda (Wheeler) Hunter, Pam (Wheeler) Creekmore and husband Larry; sons, Marty Wheeler and wife the late Diane Wheeler; Brian Chinn and wife Tammy Vosburgh; grandchildren; Amy (Creekmore) Stephens and husband Walt; Eric Harris, Trevor Hunter and wife Becka; great-granddaughter; Harley Jade Stephens, sister, Mildred (Wheeler) Mauney; aunt, Rachel (Bryant) Shoemaker and husband J.B. and many cousins, and friends to mourn his passing.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 19, at the Llewellyn Funeral Home Chapel in Jellico, TN with the Rev. Steve Morgan and Rev. Michael Waldroup officiating.

Interment was Sunday December 20, in the Wheeler Cemetery in Jellico, TN.

The Llewellyn Funeral Home honored to serve the Wheeler family.

Homer O. Hart

Homer O. Hart, 87, of Corbin, passed away Saturday, December 19, 2015.

Born one of thirteen children, he was the son of the late Lee Ora and Rosa Hubbs Hart.

Survivors include his wife Ilene, a son Jack and a daughter Jennifer; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; one brother, and two sisters.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 22, in the Hart Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. James Hodge officiating.

Burial followed in Corinth Cemetery. Messages of condolence may be left at hartfcorbin.com.

Hart Funeral Home of Corbin is in charge of the arrangements.



Naomi J. Kerr

Naomi J. Kerr, 81, of Keswick Rd, Williamsburg, passed away on Monday, December 21 at the Baptist Health in Corbin.

She was the wife of William Kerr. Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by the Croley Funeral Home.

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Obituaries

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Dennis Ray Lawson

Dennis Ray Lawson, 58, of Croley Bend Road, Williamsburg, departed this life on Sunday, December 20, 2015 at Baptist Health in Corbin.

He was born on August 9, 1957 in Corbin, to Bruce Lawson and the late Betty Croley Lawson.

In addition to his mother, he was also preceded in death by a sister, Kay Hill and an Uncle Ardist Lawson.

He was a member of New Mt. Zion Baptist Church for over 40 years and worked at First Baptist Church of Williamsburg.

He is survived by his loving wife, Lena Hamby Lawson of Williamsburg; his father, Bruce Lawson (Martha) of Williamsburg; a sister, Linda Mays (Tim) of Richmond; one step-brother, Chester Dismuke of Williamsburg; two step-sisters, Renee Fields (Jim) and Tammy Powers (Rob), all of Williamsburg; several nieces and nephews; and a host of other family and friends to mourn his passing.

The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, December 23, at the Croley Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Ande Myers officiating.

He will be laid to rest in the New Mt. Zion Baptist Church Cemetery.

J.L. Hamblin, Butch Steely, John Hill, Tim Hill, Tim Mays and Carlton Powers will serve as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Robert Miller and Clarence Mills.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.croleyfuneralhome.com.

Croley Funeral Home of Williamsburg, is in charge of the arrangements.



David Hamilton Christian



David Hamilton Christian, 77, of Lot Mud Creek Road, Williamsburg, departed this life on Thursday, December 17, 2015 at his home.

He was born on April 28, 1939 in Lejunior, KY to the late David Richard Christian and Josephine Hyslope Christian.

In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by a son, Michael David Christian and a grandson, James David Christian.

He was a member of Beech Grove Baptist Church in Lake City, Tennessee.

He is survived by his wife, Frances Powell Christian of Williamsburg; a daughter, Connie Christian Ayers of Clinton, Tennessee; four grandchildren, Cassee Christian Gilbert (David) of Lakeland, Florida, Lacey Christian Lawson (Joseph) of Williamsburg, Kristan Nicely (Chad) of Clinton, Kentucky and Kara Loveday (Scott) of Clinton, Tennessee; seven great-grandchildren, Jacob James Christian, Kamron Michael Christian, Nathaniel James Christian, Levi Mack Lawson, Sean James Christian, Dave Gilbert and Lucas Nicely; one brother, Rev. Richard A. Christian of Somerset, Kentucky; three sisters, Rebecca Christian of Nebraska, Rosa Lee Logan of Clinton, Tennessee and Katie Jane Young (Ralph) of Murfreesboro, Tennessee; many nieces and nephews; and a host of other family and friends to mourn his passing.

The funeral service was held Tuesday, December 22, at the Croley Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Billy Carpenter, Rev. Randy Bargo and Rev. Richard A. Christian officiating.

He was laid to rest in the Siler Cemetery on Lot-Mud Creek.

Tony Christian, Joe Lawson, Jacob Christian and Steve Lawson served as pallbearers.

Condolences may be made to the family at www.croleyfuneralhome.com.

Croley Funeral Home of Williamsburg, is in charge of the arrangements.

Lillian "Sissy" Lovett

Lillian Marie "Sissy" Lovett, 55, of Woodbine passed away Sunday, December 20, 2015.

Born September 16, 1960, she was the daughter of the late Elmer Paul Hart, Sr., and Edith Denton Hart.

In addition to her father and mother, she was preceded in death by her husband, Joe Lovett, and daughter, Chasity Gibbs.

Survivors include her three children: Hershel Love, Natoshia Alsip, and Kacie Lovett; ten grandchildren: Breanna Wagers, Domanick Wagers, Cameron Alsip, Calub Alsip, Austin Gibbs, Ethan Gibbs, Aaron Gibbs, Hayley Lovett, Morgan Lovett, and Seth Lovett; one sister: Tammy Phillips and husband Tony of London; one brother: Tink Hart of Rockholds, one step-great grandchild: Riley Kay McKinney; as well as other relatives and numerous friends to mourn her passing.

The family will receive friends from 12 - 2 p.m. Wednesday at Hart Funeral Home, Inc.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, December 23, in the Hart Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Sammie Trosper officiating. Burial will follow in the E.L. Jones Cemetery at Rockholds.

Messages of condolence may be left at www.hartfhcorbin.com.

Hart Funeral Home of Corbin is in charge of the arrangements.



Kenneth A. Russell

Kenneth A. Russell, 64, of Corbin, passed away at his home, Friday evening, December 18, 2015.

He was a member of New Hope Community Church and the Keavy D.A.V. Honor Guard, Chapter 158.

Born in Harlan, KY, November 15, 1951, he was preceded in death by his father, Hobert Russell and his mother, Helen Russell.

Survivors include his loving wife of nearly 40 years, Karen Russell of Corbin; two sons: Kenneth and wife Nikki of Lexington; Ralph and wife Crystal of Corbin; brother, Ronnie Russell and wife Beate of Gray; six grandchildren: Emma, Isaac, Nicolas, Noah, Jesse, Jillian; seven nieces and two nephews; other family members and many friends, all to mourn his passing.

Funeral services were conducted Monday in the Hart Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Delmon Sizemore officiating.

The D.A.V., Chapter 158 will confer military honors on Mr. Russell during the service.

Burial followed in Resthaven Cemetery in Harlan with military honors by the Harlan Honor Guard. Pallbearers were Ralph Russell, Kenneth Russell, Marc Russell, Curt Hall, J.B. Donahue, Michael Pace, and Matt Ditty.

Messages of condolence may be left for the family at hartfhcorbin.com

Hart Funeral Home of Corbin is in charge of the arrangements.

James W. (Bill) Taylor

James W. (Bill) Taylor, 77, of Corbin, passed away at his home, Monday morning, December 14, 2015.

Born in Harlan, he was preceded in death by his father, Herbert Taylor, his mother, Dora Taylor; a brother, Walter Taylor; and a sister, Helen Jackson.

Survivors include his loving wife, Janice Taylor of Corbin; brother, Omer Taylor of Mason, OH; two brothers-in-law and four sisters-in-law; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins, all to mourn his passing.

A private graveside service was held at Worley Cemetery Wednesday, December 16.

Burial followed in Worley Cemetery.

His nephews served as pallbearers.

Messages of condolence may be left for the family at hartfhcorbin.com.

Hart Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Zachariah Wade "Zack" Byrd

Zachariah Wade "Zack" Byrd, 17, of Ted Ball Road, Williamsburg, passed away Saturday, December 19 at the Jellico Community Hospital in Jellico, TN.

He was the son of Matthew and Jerri Byrd.

Arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by the Croley Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

In remembrance of our beloved wife and mother Diane Faye Hill who departed this life November 19, 2015.

We would like to thank all those who showed their support during our loss.

Thank you Pastor James Hodge for your comforting words and thank you to the singers who joined you.

Thank you to Rocky Brown for your comforting words and singing.

Thank you to all the family and friends who called or visited during our loss and showered us with comfort and prayer.

Thank you to Andy Croley and the staff of Croley Funeral Home who as always showed care and professional guidance.

Thank you friends, God Bless you and please keep our family in your prayers.

Joe Hill and family



Card of Thanks

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair; Perhaps you sent a floral piece, if so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friends could say;

Perhaps you were not there at all, just thought of us that day. Whatever you did to console our hearts,

We thank you so much, whatever the part.

Thank you to Brother Jerome McCullah and the Yaden Church, Croley Funeral Home, and the Mt. Ash Baptist Church for the food, cards, gifts, pictures, and love shown to the family of Alma Jean Centers. Thank you from our hearts.

The Family of Alma Jean Centers



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CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Corbin Presbyterian Church Food Pantry - Closed
Corbin Presbyterian Church Food Pantry will be closed on **December 23rd, 29th and 30th.**

Corbin Presbyterian Church - Senior Box Pickup
Corbin Presbyterian Church will have Senior Box Pickup on **Wednesday, December 30** from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Corbin Presbyterian Church. For more information call 606-528-1444.

Jacksfork General Assembly Church of God New Year's Eve Watch Night Service

Jacksfork General Assembly Church of God will be holding a New Year's Eve Watch Night Service with worship beginning at 7 p.m. on Thursday, **December 31st.** A short intermission will be provided and worship will again begin and will last until shortly before 12 midnight. Special singing will be the Jacksfork Youth Group and others, with sermon by Rev. Matney. Rev. Thomas Matney and the congregation invite you to come and join with them in giving thanks for the blessings of 2015 and ask His guidance, protection and wisdom as they continue in ministry of the Gospel in 2016.

Corbin Presbyterian Church - Senior Box Sign-up
Corbin Presbyterian Church - Senior Box Sign-up beginning **January 1, 2016** signups will be on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. only. For more information, call 606-528-1444

*** St. Paul's Church - FREE Community Meal**
St. Paul's Church will be offering a free community meal **the last three Wednesdays of each month** at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome. The church is located at 1605 South Main in Corbin. Call 606-344-6146 for more information.

** Denotes the events or services that are reoccurring in our community week after week.*



Chad Fugitt
Central Baptist Church

tion for this reality other than the fact that God loves us. John 3:16 really is true; Christmas is the historical proof of it.

The best way to celebrate God's love is to reflect it to the world around you. 1 Corinthians 13 is known as the love chapter in the Bible. A couple of years ago I found a Christmas version of the chapter by an unnamed author. Read it. Internalize it. Live it and have a wonderful, love-filled Christmas!

A Christmas Version of 1 Corinthians 13
If I decorate my house perfectly with plaid bows, strands of twinkling lights and shiny balls, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another decorator.

If I slave away in the kitchen baking dozens of Christmas cookies, preparing gourmet meals, and arranging a beautifully adorned table at mealtime, but do not show love to my family, I'm just another

Let love reign at Christmas

cook.

If I work at the soup kitchen, carol in the nursing home, and give all that I have to charity, but do not show love to my family, it profits me nothing.

If I trim the spruce with shimmering angels and crocheted snowflakes, attend a myriad of holiday parties, and sing in the choir's cantata but do not focus on Christ, I have missed the point.

Love stops the cooking to hug the child. Love sets aside the decorating to kiss the husband.

Love is kind to the store clerk, the crowds in the mall, the waiter at the restaurant, though harried and tired.

Love doesn't envy another's home that has coordinated Christmas china and table linens.

Love doesn't yell at the kids to get out of the way but is thankful they are there to be in the way.

Love doesn't give only to those who are able to give in return but rejoices in giving to those who can't.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never fails.

Cell phones will break, golden necklaces will be lost, golf clubs will rust.

But giving the gift of love - the Lord Jesus Christ - God's unspeakable gift - will endure forever.

Merry Christmas!

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First Assembly of God
1015 S. Main Street,
Corbin - 528-7619

BAPTIST

Calvary Baptist Church
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Corbin - 523-0696

Central Baptist Church
201 W. 4th Street,
Corbin - 528-6650

Youth Center - 316 S. Main St.
Corbin - 523-0715

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306 N. Highway 1223,
Corbin - 528-4565

First Baptist Church
401 N. Laurel Avenue,
Corbin - 528-4738

Family Life Center
401 N. Laurel Avenue,
Corbin - 528-4049

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230 S. 5th Street,
Williamsburg - 549-0280

Frankfort Baptist Church
881 Bee Creek Road,
Corbin - 523-6200

Good Hope Baptist Church
Corner 16th and Elam Streets,
Corbin - 523-2104

Grace Christian Fellowship
Cumberland Regional Mall
Williamsburg - 524-2039

Greenland Baptist Church
7067 Cumberland Falls Hwy,
Corbin - 526-7558

Hopewell Baptist Church
1045 N. Highway 1223,
Corbin - 523-9424

Immanuel Baptist Church
720 Browning Acres Rd.,
Corbin - 528-4975

Lynn Camp Baptist Church
215 Lynn Camp Church Rd.,
Corbin - 528-8410

Main Street Baptist Church
908 Main Street,
Williamsburg - 549-2006

Mountain Ash Baptist Church
390 Buck Creek Road,
Williamsburg - 786-4878

New Zion Baptist Church
880 US Highway 25-W N,
Williamsburg - 549-5060

Oak Grove Baptist Church
748 Oak Grove Church Rd.,
Corbin - 523-5355

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Williamsburg - 549-0652

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Church Street,
Williamsburg - 656-0244

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4624 Red Bird Road
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200 Walden Street,
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103 Savoy Clear Creek Road,
Williamsburg - 539-0481

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254 Corinth Road,
Corbin - 528-3009

Lily Missionary Baptist Church
267 Lily School Rd.,
Lily - 526-6270

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2322 N. KY 830,
Corbin - 528-5350

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10540 Cumberland Falls Hwy.,
Corbin - 528-3136

Woodbine Missionary Baptist Church
34 Woodbine Church Road,
Woodbine - 258-8050

CATHOLIC

Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Sycamore Street,
Williamsburg - 549-2156

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
703 Master Street,
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2376 Fifth Street Road,
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1125 Gordon Hill Pike,
Corbin - 528-2875

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1996 Hwy. 25, Junction of Hwy. 6,
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CHURCHES OF CHRIST

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Corbin - 344-5211

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Corbin - 528-5802

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Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
126 Lyric Lane,
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345 S. 5th Street,
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1632 Cumberland Falls Hwy,
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111 Ben Jones Loop,
Pleasant View - 549-2564

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South Kentucky Avenue,
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Church of the Nazarene
409 Master Street,
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Brush Arbor Chapel
Brush Arbor Rd.,
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219 S. 5th Street,
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Corbin, 304-0751

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109 Fairview Street,
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Dorthae Pentecostal Church
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Corbin - 523-1885

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Public Record

Deeds

Dana Akins and Charlotte Akins to Gregory Helton and Sharon Helton, \$9,000, tract of land near Maple Creek.

Darren Bryant and Shawn Bryant to Michael T. Brooks, \$89,000, tract of land near Lindenburg Drive.

Scotty Ray to Casey Mills and Christian Mills, \$78,000, tract of land near Whitley Avenue.

Forcht Bank to Johnny Ray Abner and Beverly Abner, \$34,000, tract of land near Fifth Street.

David L. Scarborough, Margie Scarborough, Doris White, Jimmie White, Vickie Fuson, Linda Tabor, Harold Tabor, Maryetta Hobbs, Laura Taylor, Larry Taylor, Jimmy John Scarborough, Shannon Scarborough, John A. Young, Robert Young, John Dean Young, Tammy McFerron, Jason McFerron, William Young, Stephanie Young, William Scarborough, Christina Scarborough, Joey Scarborough, Michael Scarborough, Christina Scarborough, Eric Scarborough, Jessica Scarborough, Patricia Scarborough, Christopher Scarborough, Credit Acceptance Corporation, Capital One Bank (USA), and Whitley County by Master Commissioner Howard O. Mann to Larry N. Taylor, \$13,100, property at 1710 Old Corbin Pike Road, Williamsburg.

The Bank of New York Mellon, Gina R. Stephens, Commonwealth of Kentucky, Whitley County, spouse of Gina R. Stephens, Spouse of Marty Stephens, and Marty Stephens by Master Commissioner Howard O. Mann to The Bank of New York Mellon, \$57,000, property at 140 Village Circle Drive, Williamsburg.

Travis Sizemore, also known as Bill Sizemore, and Ashley S. Sizemore to V. Katie Gilliam, trustee, no monetary amount listed, tract of land near Ike Monhollen Road.

Earl Moses III and Marsha Michelle Moses to Earl Moses Jr. and Brenda Sue Moses, love and affection, tract of land near Tidal Wave Road.

Jeffrey S. Sherry, President of Nielson & Sherry PSC, to Michael R. Jackson and Amy B. Jackson, \$105,000, property at 150 WT Parker Road, Corbin.

Josh Meeler to Kelly Simpson and Amy Simpson, \$49,200, property at 902 Willowbrook Avenue, Corbin.

Robert Powers, Fred Powers and Patricia Powers to Frances Cox, love and affection, tract of land near Whitley County School Road.

Raymond C. Osborne Sr. and Phyllis Osborne to Wendy Cox and Jack Henson, \$98,000, tract of land near Highway 1277.

American Financial Resources Inc. to Lakeview Loan Servicing LLC, \$1, tract of land near Third Street.

Tommy Reid and Missy Reid to Randall D. Mengler and Jury Lynn Mengler, \$177,000, lot 11 of Stonington at Bacon Creek Subdivision.

Wanda Marie Crusenberry to Wanda Marie Crusenberry, Shirley A. Huddleston, Janet L. Kiehne, Larry R. Crusenberry, Allen D. Crusenberry, and Timothy H. Crusenberry, love and affection, tract of land near Parks Mill Dam Road.

Wanda Marie Crusenberry to Wanda Marie Crusenberry, Shirley A. Huddleston, Janet L. Kiehne, Larry R. Crusenberry, Allen D. Crusenberry, and Timothy H. Crusenberry, love and affection, tract of land near Parks Mill Dam Road.

Whitaker Bank Inc., Vance Rental Properties LLC, Forcht Bank, Spring Hill Signs LLC, DAK Properties of Corbin LLC, City of Corbin, Whitley County and Knox County by Master Commissioner Howard O. Mann to Whitaker Bank Inc., \$3,355, property at 164 Short Street, Rockholds.

Archie Wilson and Kathleen Wilson to Michael Kevin Wilson and Joseph Phillip Wilson, love and affection, tract of land near Newman Campbell Road.

Huddleston Homes Inc. to Harold Burke, \$65,000, property at 508 Oak Avenue, Corbin.

Peggy R. Daniel as Executrix of the Estate of Ellen Deloris Wilson, to Lori Haar and Darrell Griffith, \$150,000, tract of land near Gatliff Road.

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Marriages

Kimberly Ann Lankford, 23, of Corbin, a CNA, and Joshua Brian Karr, 23, of London, a Wal-Mart Distribution Center employee.

Rebecca Lynn Byrd, 43, of Williamsburg, a JC Penney employee, and Kenneth Daryl Parker, 50, of London, disabled.

Circuit Court

Marietha Ceniti vs. Travis Ceniti - verified petition for dissolution of marriage.

Jamie Michelle Carter and Macklin Lee Vanzant vs. Roszell Brewer Vanzant and Frank Vanzant Jr. - verified petition for award of child custody.

Rebecca Gail McKinney vs. John Lewis McKinney - verified petition for dissolution of marriage.

First State Financial Inc. vs. Norman Helton and Whitley County - complaint-contract.

Jessie David Hopkins vs. Tammy Hall Hopkins - petition for dissolution of marriage.

Michael Bennett vs. Kristian Bennett - petition for dissolution of marriage.

Baptist Healthcare System Inc., doing business as Baptist Health Corbin vs. Ricky Jones and Virginia Jones - complaint-contract.

Anna Mae Vanover vs. Sherry Denise Walters and Frank Brian Sampson - verified petition for award of child custody.

Jefferson Capital Systems LLC vs. Gary Collett and Sheila Wender - complaint-contract.

Commonwealth of Kentucky Ex. Rel. Robert Wullkotte vs. Ashley M. Dieterick (now Claxton) - case transferred from Christian County.

Jennifer Burnett vs. Roy Dale Bowling, doing business as Summit Housing, and Summit Housing Community LLC - complaint-personal injury.

Bo Joshua Johnson vs. Ashley Ann Race - verified petition for dissolution of marriage.

Leo Wesley Shelton and Mary Shelton vs. Leo Allen Shelton and Scarlet Shelton - complaint/petition.

Whitaker Bank Inc. vs. Curtis L. Hopkins, Nelda Hopkins, City of Corbin, Whitley County, Laurel County, Commonwealth of Kentucky Department of Revenue, Bank of America and Federal National Mortgage Association - complaint.

District Court

Editor's note: The News Journal publishes only the final disposition of district court criminal cases except for those which are waived to a grand jury or dismissed.

The following cases were heard in Whitley District Court in Corbin Nov. 24, 2015 by Whitley District Judge Fred F. White.

Jennifer Garland, 1969, possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia. Sentenced to six months in jail, probated, fined \$200, \$133 court costs.

Jennifer Jones, 1980, possession of drug paraphernalia. Sentenced to 60 days in jail, probated, \$215.50 court costs and fees.

Steve Jones, 1981, endan-

gering the welfare of a minor. Sentenced to six months in jail, probated, \$133 court costs.

Jon Lynn, 1953, DUI. Sentenced to 30 days in jail, probated, fined \$200, license suspended for 30 days, to take DUI classes, \$508 court costs.

William Miracle, 1980, no/ expired registration plates, failure to notify address change to Department of Transportation, public intoxication, possession of a controlled substance. Sentenced to six months in jail, probated, fined \$200, \$163 court costs.

Bobby Joe Poynter, 1987. Motion for shock probation denied.

Bobby Joe Poynter, 1987, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest. Sentenced to 30 days in jail, probated, fined \$200, \$163 court costs.

Brandon Tucker, 1997, no insurance. Sentenced to 30 days in jail, probated, to make \$500 restitution within three months plus five percent fee, fined \$500, \$133 court costs.

Michael Whittle, 1993, no insurance. Fined \$500, \$450 probated, \$133 court costs.

Terry Mullis, 1983, giving officer false name or address, no seat belt. Sentenced to 90 days in jail, probated, fined \$25, \$133 court costs.

Terry Mullis, 1983, no/ expired registration plates, no/ expired Kentucky registration receipt, no insurance, instructional permit violations. Sentenced to 90 days in jail, to serve 30 days, balance probated, fined \$625, \$163 court costs.

Jonathon Black, 1987, alcohol intoxication in a public place. Fined \$50, \$163 court costs.

Raymond Duggan, 1988, alcohol intoxication in a public place. Fined \$50, \$163 court costs.

David Hollingsworth, 1965, alcohol intoxication in a public place, criminal trespassing. Sentenced to 90 days in jail, probated, fined \$150, \$163 court costs.

Ambrey Jody, 1991, communication device violation. Fine paid in full, to attend state traffic school.

Robert Klein, 1961, careless driving. Fine paid in full.

Roger Knuckles, 1948, defective equipment. Fined \$25, \$133 court costs.

Joshua Leaver, 1989, speeding 10 mph over limit. Fine paid in full.

Rachell Massengill, 1994, communication device violation. Fine paid in full.

Madison McKinney, 1998, careless driving. 20 hours of community service to be completed then charge will be dismissed.

Kaila Poore, 1987, speeding 15 mph over limit. Fine paid in full.

Alex Smith, 1993, speeding 5 mph over limit. Fined \$5, \$133 court costs.

Sarah Sutton, 1984, no license in possession. Fined \$100, \$133 court costs.

Terry Vaughn, 1979, receiving stolen property. Sentenced to 90 days in jail, to serve 27 days, balance probated, \$133 court costs.

The following cases were heard in Whitley District Court in Corbin Nov. 30, 2015 by Whitley District Judge Fred F. White.

Justin Dodd, 1988, no seat belt, improper equipment, failure to register transfer of motor vehicle. Fined \$75 plus court costs.

The following cases were heard by Judge Fred White in Whitley County District Court on Nov. 2:

Asia Ball, born in 1995, theft by unlawful taking or disposition shoplifting under \$500 - 60-day jail sentence probated for two years, \$233 fine and court costs, stay out of Wal-Mart.

Eddie R. Decker, born in 1986, theft by unlawful taking or disposition shoplifting under \$500 - 60-day jail sentence probated for two years after first seven days are served, \$200 fine \$133 court costs.

Shawn Decker, born in 1994, license not in possession - \$50 fine plus court costs.

Thomas R. Douglas, born in 1982, license not in possession, contempt of court - 90-day jail sentence probated for two years, credit 35 days already served, \$183 fine and court costs.

Vincent B. Ervin II, born in 1996, alcohol intoxication - \$158 fine and court costs, enroll and complete long-term rehab.

James R. Goins, born in 1986, public intoxication - 30-day jail

sentence concurrent with previous sentence.

Heather Jones, born in 1985, second-degree promoting contraband - six-month jail sentence probated for two years after first 30 days are served, credit 14 days already served, \$133 court costs, \$100 public defender fee.

Heather N. Jones, prescription no in proper container, driving on a DUI suspended license, failure of owner to maintain required insurance - 90-day jail sentence probated for two years, \$600 fine, \$133 court costs, \$100 public defender fee.

Heather N. Jones, born in 1985 - 60-day jail sentence probated for two years, credit seven days already served, \$163 court costs, \$100 public defender fee.

Garrett Mullis, born in 1994, operating on a suspended/ revoked operator's license - \$100 fine, \$133 court costs.

Brandon Petrey, born in 1983, fourth-degree assault - 90-day jail sentence probated for two years, \$133 court costs.

Michael A. Rickett, born in 1982, theft by unlawful taking or disposition under \$500 - six-month jail sentence probated for two years after first 60 days are served, credit 59 days already served, \$163 court costs.

Brenda Stevens, born in 1966, cultivating marijuana less than five plants - six-month jail sentence probated for two years, \$100 fine, \$133 court costs.

David Cohee, born in 1979, fourth-degree assault - Nov. 16 sentencing hearing scheduled.

Roger Johnson, born in 1966, violation of Kentucky E.P.O./ D.V.O., possession of drug paraphernalia - six-month jail sentence probated for two years after first 14 days are served, sentence consecutive with any other time he is serving, \$100 fine plus court costs.

Sophia Lambdin, born in 1935, improper passing - \$10 fine plus court costs.

Jack S. Lessshafft, born in 1952, improper equipment - \$10 fine plus court costs.

J.D. Pridemore, born in 1942, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol/ drugs - 30-day jail sentence probated for two years, operator's license suspended for 90 days, attend alcohol and drug education classes, \$200 fine plus fees and costs.

James H. Privett, born in 1968, public intoxication controlled substance excludes alcohol - 30-day jail sentence probated for two years, \$50 fine plus court costs.

Michael P. Richie, born in 1997, speeding 10 mph over limit - paid in full.

Sherrick T. Smith, born in 1987, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana - 60-day jail sentence probated for two years, \$150 fine plus court costs.

Tabatha Sue Wagers, born in 1991, theft by unlawful taking/ disposition-shoplifting - 30-day jail sentence probated for two years, \$50 fine plus court costs, two days of community service.

Brenda Alsip and Jami Cook vs. Hugh Roark - order to vacate entered, seven days to vacate or appeal.

Heather N. Jones, born in 1985, third-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia - 16-day jail sentence to be served at same time as other charges.

Sondra Tess Wilson, born in 1984, public intoxication controlled substance excludes alcohol, second-degree possession of a controlled substance, illegal possession of a legend drug - 180-day jail sentence probated for two years, \$258 fines and court costs.

The following cases were heard by Judge Fred White in Whitley County District Court on Nov. 3:

Jellico Community Hospital Anesthesia vs. Regina Hurd - motion for default judgment

granted.

Whitley County Fiscal Court vs. Blane A. Kretzer - judgment for the plaintiff in the amount of \$1,610.77 plus \$42.89 costs.

Whitley County Fiscal Court vs. Natasha Sizemore - judgment for the plaintiff in the amount of \$71 plus \$42.89 court costs.

Owen D. Mitchell vs. Angela R. Mullins - motion for contempt granted, order of arrest entered.

Lavonnee Smith vs. Daniel E. Mullis - motion for summary judgment granted.

The following cases were heard by Judge Fred White in Whitley County District Court on Nov. 4:

Jim Baird, born in 1997 - \$525 fine of which all but \$75 is probated plus court costs.

Margaret Campbell, born in 1980, license not in possession - \$50 fine plus court costs.

John W. Chatham III, born in 1983, license not in possession, failure to wear seatbelts - \$75 fine.

Charles G. Evans, born in 1993, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol/drugs - 30-day jail sentence probated for two years, operator's license suspended for 30 days, attend alcohol and drug education classes, \$200 fine plus fees and costs.

Jerry Lee Fritts, born in 1962,

no operator's/moped license, driving on a DUI suspended license - 30-day jail sentence probated for two years, \$200 fine plus court costs.

Timothy S. Huttemeyer, born in 1987, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol/drugs, possession of open alcoholic beverage container in a motor vehicle - 30-day jail sentence probated for two years, operator's license suspended for 30 days, attend alcohol and drug education classes, \$225 fine plus fees and costs.

Timothy S. Huttemeyer, born in 1987, failure of owner to maintain required auto insurance, resident registered title of vehicle in other state - \$525 fine.

Kenneth Messer, born in 1986, obstructed vision and/or windshield - \$25 fine plus court costs.

Phillip Moore, born in 1996, third-degree criminal mischief - 30-day jail sentence probated for two years, \$100 fine plus court costs.

Christopher Rice, born in 1979, giving officer false name or address - 30-day jail sentence probated for two years, plus court costs.

Johnny D. Roundtree, born in 1992, pled guilty to four offenses, including no vehicle insurance - \$560 fine of which all but \$110 is probated, plus court costs.

Calf scours

From page B-3

in the spring in Kentucky. If possible, rotate cows onto clean pastures while cow-calf pairs remain on the old pasture. Additionally, keep the calving area as clean and dry as possible. Even the best calving management will have no effect if the first thing a calf ingests is manure from the calving area.

The cows' diet should provide adequate energy and protein. Calves born to energy deficient cows will have reduced amounts of brown fat which supply energy for the calf to survive initially. Additionally, calves need adequate protein for vigor after birth. Weak calves cannot produce sufficient body heat and may be slow to stand and nurse. Remember up to 880 percent of fetal growth occurs in the last 50 days of gestation and cows should calve at a body condition score of 5 (heifers at BCS 6).

Calves that experience a difficult birth have a greater risk for subsequent disease, especially calf scours. Trauma associated with a difficult birth severely impacts the ability of that calf to nurse and absorb colostrum. It is important to provide these calves with colostrum quickly which usually means using an esophageal feeder rather than waiting for the calf to nurse on his own.

Even with prevention, you can have a scours outbreak. If this happens, you need to reduce newborns' exposure to infectious agents, separate healthy pairs from sick calves immediately and make sure equipment, boots and hands are thoroughly cleaned after handling sick animals. You will also need to move pregnant cows forward to a clean pasture, maintain clean pens and facilities, reduce stress on cows and calves and assist with calving early as necessary, especially with heifers. Keep animals as clean and dry as possible and provide windbreaks in cold weather. You need to have a good nutrition plan for cows and heifers and make sure calves start nursing as soon as possible after calving to get adequate colostrum (10 percent of the body weight in the first 24 hours with at least 2 quarts during the first 6 hours).

For more information, contact the Whitley County Cooperative Extension Service at 549-1430; e-mail at DL_CES_WHITLEY@EMAIL.UKY.EDU; or visit the office located in Cumberland Regional Mall, Suite 34, 965 S. Highway 25W, Williamsburg.

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Criminal Justice classes donate food to local Law Enforcement

Corbin students attend KYA Conference



Corbin High School students attended the KYA, Kentucky Youth Assembly, Conference at the Crowne Plaza in Louisville recently. The purpose of KYA is to stimulate how the government works. The 54 students had excellent results from this years conference.

The Corbin High School delegation received the Delegation of Excellence Award which is awarded to schools who do not have any disciplinary issues and whose work is submitted in a timely manner.

Two freshman bills were passed and signed by the KYA governor. The bills regarded changing the driving age to 15 and requiring pregnant women to be drug tested at prenatal check ups. The bill authors were Dayah Smith, Rachel Bonnell, Hollie Clifton, Chaiy Tolliver, Will Childers, and Devon Sams.

Some Corbin High School students were also selected to serve at next years conference, Drew Beecham will serve as president of the Senate next year, Trev Huffman was named to next years leadership team, and Ben Childers will be one of the Justices for the Supreme Court. KYA is an annual three day conference which allows students to learn about a wide variety of issues and serve as part of a model government. Students have the opportunity to be bill authors, run for governor, argue constitutional cases before a mock Supreme Court, serve as justices, work in media, write confessional bills, debate bills, and campaign for delegates.

"KYA is such a great program because it allows students to have real world experiences and apply skills that they have learned at CHS like public speaking, debate and speech, and bill writing. Student Y Club and the Kentucky Y club do everything they can to make it as close to "real life" as possible." Corbin High School Teacher and KYA Sponsor Kim Moore said.

The conference hosted more than 1400 students from across the state this year. Corbin High School students prepare for and attend the conference every year. Besides allowing students to participate in model governments the conference also allows students to make connections with other students from across Kentucky.



Photos submitted.



The Corbin Area Technology Center Criminal Justice classes donated turkey boxes to local law enforcement as part of their class project entitled Operation Joy.

The classes donated 15 boxes consisting of a turkey, stuffing, vegetables, and drinks. The boxes were donated to

the Laurel, Knox, and White County Sheriff Offices and the Corbin Police Department to be distributed to needy families.

"The class came up with the idea to help provide food for some of the less fortunate families in the area. The main purpose is to give back to the

community especially during the Christmas Holiday season," Criminal Justice Teacher Tackett class said.

The class partnered with the local Walmart which donated the fixins and drinks for the boxes. Local businesses as well as students in the classes donated money for the tur-

keys. The class plans to expand the program next year to donate more boxes and food to local law enforcement.

The Criminal Justice class has been working on the project for the past month. This is the first year Corbin Schools has had the Criminal Justice program.

Holly accepted into Equine Program at Midway



Charleen Holly, a 17-year-old senior at Corbin High School, was recently accepted into the equine program at Midway College in Lexington. She will be majoring in equine science at Midway beginning in the fall of 2016, and plans to pursue a career as a veterinarian. Holly and her family has raised horses on a small farm in Corbin for the past several years.

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After Berea tournament, Redhounds set to host Cumberland Falls Invitational



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TRADITION CONTINUES: The Corbin Redhounds are gearing up to host their annual Cumberland Falls Invitational in just a few days from now. Above, junior Hound Tanner Barnes.

■ **By Trevor Sherman**
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Coach Tony Pietrowski's Corbin Redhounds have shown a lot of promise so far this season.

They played close with a very good Scott County team in the Bobby Keith Classic at Clay County High School earlier this month, and they followed that up last week by giving the South Laurel Cardinals all they wanted on their own home court in London.

They defeated Lincoln County 84-69 in a home game Friday evening that turned out to be a very competitive contest, and they have been facing some stiff competition in recent days in the Berea Invitational (see "Tuesday Highlights" for more).

Sophomore Andrew Taylor has been outstanding, leading the team in scoring and rebounds, and he has been receiving some solid help from the likes of Zach Maguet, AJ Moore, Tanner Barnes and Chase Sanders.

Freshman Cameron Maguet has also impressed with his ability to handle the

ball, and Cameron Sizemore has found ways to contribute when he has been in ball games as well.

All of these components equal up to a team that has not yet reached its full potential, but the 2015 Cumberland Falls Invitational Tournament could be the opportunity that the Redhounds need to finally put all of the pieces together and solidify themselves as a team to beat in the 13th Region.

The Hounds will welcome 50th District rivals Whitley County and region foes Barbourville and Clay County to Gilliam Gym this weekend, as well as Berea, Franklin-Simpson, Madison Southern and Union, SC.

This field of teams provides for some very interesting potential matchups to take place between Saturday and next Tuesday evening, and could provide fans with a taste of things to come in future district and/or region tournaments.

For a full preview of this year's Cumberland Falls Invitational, including a bracket and more information on the teams participating, turn to page C-4.



Photo by TREVOR SHERMAN

OUR HOUSE: Corbin hasn't won a CFIT title since 2012. They would love to put their own name back on the wall at Gilliam Gymnasium for 2015. Above, junior Zach Maguet.

GIRLS BASKETBALL WRAPUP

Teams look to enter holidays on high note

■ **By Trevor Sherman**
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It has been a very busy week for all of the girls basketball teams in the area...

Lady Hounds fall to Pulaski County, appear in Boyle County Invitational

Coach Jason McDaniel's Corbin Lady Hounds fell on the road to Pulaski County last Thursday, December 17, by a final score of 72-50. The loss preceded a trip to compete in the Boyle County Invitational, which tipped off Monday evening and will progress through Wednesday. For more on the Boyle County Invitational, see "Tuesday Highlights" elsewhere on page C-1.

Lady Colonels seeking more consistency after week of ups and downs

Head Coach David Estes and the Whitley County Lady Colonels hosted Garrard County last Thursday, ending up on the losing end of a 58-45 decision. They were able to bounce back Saturday when they traveled to Spencer County and defeated the host Lady Bears 72-59 in the Salt River Electric Holiday Classic.

See GIRLS, Page C-9



FILE PHOTO

Woods rightfully nominated for KY Mr. Football award

I would like to congratulate Whitley County senior Luke Woods on being nominated for the title of Kentucky Mr. Football in 2015!



TREVOR SHERMAN

FROM THE SIDELINES

Luke is a great kid, and he is well deserving of this honor. As the Colonels' senior quarterback this past season he led the team with nearly 1,800 passing yards and 18 touchdowns while also rushing for well over 1,700 yards and 19 TDs. He was also a major factor on the defensive side of the ball, recording over 30 tackles on the year.

There was really no doubt in my mind that Luke would be chosen as my County Player of the Year a couple of weeks ago, and it will probably

See COLUMN, Page C-9

Colonels eyeing CFIT trophy, want to end year with a bang

■ **By Trevor Sherman**
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The Whitley County Colonels have a golden opportunity ahead of them late this week and early next week as they will be one of the eight teams participating in the 2015 Cumberland Falls Invitational Tournament at Corbin High School.

The Colonels have already been crowned champions of one local tournament when they won this year's Bowman Memorial Classic championship at Lynn Camp High School earlier this month. They would love to add a CFIT championship trophy to their case, and they will soon have their chance to do just that.

Whitley will be coming off of a trip to Gatlinburg where they appeared in the Smoky Mountain Classic, another very competitive tournament that always features a talented field of teams.

For more on the the Smoky Mountain Classic, see "Tuesday Highlights." For more on the 2015 CFIT, turn to page C-4.



FILE PHOTO

DOWN SOUTH: Luke Woods (above) and the Whitley County Colonels have been in Gatlinburg this week for the Smoky Mountain Classic.

TUESDAY HIGHLIGHTS

Four area teams play in holiday classics Tuesday



FILE PHOTO

CHRISTMAS CLASSICS: Hannah Clear (above) and the Whitley County Lady Colonels were one of four local teams competing in holiday classics Tuesday.

Four area teams were on the road Tuesday competing in holiday classics.

After a 51-37 loss to Bullitt Central to start out the Taylor County Christmas Tournament Monday, the Whitley Lady Colonels bounced back with a 48-32 win Tuesday morning over the host Lady Cardinals. Their next game, against Spencer County Tuesday afternoon, did not end well either as they lost to the Lady Bears 64-60 despite a valiant effort. Whitley is now 7-4 on the year.

The Colonel boys have been in Tennessee this week, competing in the Smoky Mountain Classic in Gatlinburg. They kicked things off Monday with a close contest against Clay County (TN), losing 67-60. It seemed they would be able to regroup and top 13th Region foe Knox Central Tuesday, but the Panthers pulled out the 70-66 win. Whitley, now 4-5 on the year, will wrap up play in the Smoky Mountain Classic today (Dec 23).

Both Corbin squads were also in action Tuesday, with the Lady Hounds appearing in the Boyle County Invitational

and the Redhounds playing in the Berea Invitational.

The Corbin girls defeated Lewis County 62-56 in their first game Monday, then came up against a very tough Bryan Station team Tuesday. The Lady Hounds rose to the occasion, getting the 59-55 win to move to 5-3 on the year. Corbin will have another opportunity to improve their record on Wednesday, which will be the final day of the invitational.

The boys team kicked off the Berea Invitational Monday with an 85-51 win over Grace Baptist Academy (MS), meaning they would have to square off with Henry Clay early Tuesday. The Blue Devils put the Redhounds in the loser's bracket after a 69-49 loss, but Corbin was able to pick up a 72-23 win over Berea before the day was through, improving their season record to 4-4.

The Hounds will finish up play in the invitational Wednesday before returning home and making final preparations to host the annual Cumberland Falls Invitational, which tips off this Saturday, December 26, inside Gilliam Gymnasium.



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Senior Spotlight

One senior leading Lady Cats this season

The defending 51st District Lynn Camp Lady Cats basketball team are just returning from a trip to Campbellsville where they competed in the Food Pantry Holiday Classic. They will enjoy a short break for Christmas before hitting the road again to play in the Citizens National Bank Classic at West Jessamine High School beginning Monday, December 28.

In this week's Senior Spotlight, we meet the Lady Cats' only senior player in 2015-16 — Breanna White.

When asked to talk about being the only senior on the Lynn Camp girls basketball team this season, White said, "It's a great feeling. The last four years have been great, and they have helped me to improve as a person. Coach [Richard] Jones has helped all of us both on and off the

court. He wants us to have a plan for our lives. I want to thank him and everyone else for believing in us and helping us to win a district championship last year."

As for this year's team, White said, "We have a lot of pressure on us because teams are wanting to beat us. We just have to work really hard, and I have to lead by setting a good example. Hopefully we can become back-to-back district champions."

Coach Jones said of his senior player, "I call her Ginger, and have given her the nickname 'Gingerbread.'" She has been an extremely hard worker, and has played for me for four years. She is a great kid with a great future. She is an excellent student, and it has been a real pleasure to have her as a part of our program."



LYNN CAMP SENIOR BREANNA WHITE

Runners bundle up to participate in Jingle Bell Jog 5K at Corbin High School Saturday



Photos by TREVOR SHERMAN

JINGLE BELL JOG: Despite the cooler temperatures, 130 runners showed up to Corbin High School Saturday morning, December 19, to participate in the annual Jingle Bell Jog 5K.

Above, runners take off at the starting line. Left, David Hays was the overall race winner with a time of 16:58. Far left, Tabitha Bell was the overall female winner, finishing with a time of 22:43.

See below for a list of the top 100 finishers.

Top 100 Finishers

1 David Hays 16:58	26 Tiffany Viars 25:22	51 Angela Turner 29:53	76 Rhonda Douglas 35:54
2 Trevor Shearer 17:48	27 Jamie Davis 25:27	52 Wes McClain 29:55	77 Rhonda Knight 35:55
3 John Bowling 18:42	28 Ethel White 25:31	53 Chris Brock 30:42	78 Sibyl Stricklin 36:19
4 Jontai McQueen 19:08	29 Mike Bowling 25:37	54 Mindy Smith 31:00	79 Sarah Holloway 36:24
5 Alex Lewis 19:19	30 David Hays Sr 25:51	55 Cindy Smith 31:01	80 Brent Mershon 36:25
6 Walter Peavley 19:58	31 Kevin White 26:15	56 Matt McClain 31:28	81 Maggie Gregory 36:55
7 Zack Carmichael 21:12	32 Rob Prewitt 26:20	57 Baleigh Noland 31:33	82 Rebecca Hinkle 36:57
8 Harper Smith 21:25	33 Sidney Reed 27:03	58 Mollie Warren 31:46	83 Olivia Martinez 37:08
9 Bobby Partin 21:31	34 Elijah Whitenack 27:03	59 Jason McDaniel 31:47	84 Madison Jones 37:08
10 John York 21:40	35 Sam Harp 27:04	60 Leslie Daughtery 31:52	85 Linda Pierce 37:19
11 Ken Roark 21:55	36 Heather York 27:06	61 Madison Vanover 31:59	86 Tim Black 37:20
12 Macon Smith 22:08	37 Kyle Webb 27:43	62 Rebecca Cunnigan 32:22	87 Caleb Webb 37:23
13 Jarrett Foster 22:34	38 Emily Tuggle 27:53	63 Debbie Nicholson 31:35	88 Aida Dabbagh 37:58
14 Tabitha Bell 22:43	39 Rebecca Chaney 28:10	64 Kenzie Fields 32:46	89 Paul Viars 38:11
15 Brian Nantz 22:55	40 Charlotte Marcum 28:15	65 Jessica Benge 32:46	90 James Harris 38:21
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17 Marcus Carmickle 23:46	42 Ed Bowling 28:37	67 Que Mast 33:19	92 Nikki Lefevers 38:29
18 Tommy Craft 23:55	43 Marietta Brooks 28:46	68 Katie Lanham 33:32	93 Carl Tidwell 39:07
19 Jimmy Stidham 23:56	44 Andrea McClain 28:51	69 Kyla Jones 33:48	94 Matt Phipps 39:52
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25 Debbie Biddle 25:17	50 Brandi Webb 29:50	75 Rhonda Luckett 35:49	100 Ambrose Wilson 41:03

This week in history

Redhound named SEKC co-POY in 1998, CFIT teams announced

From the December 23, 1998 edition of *The News Journal*:

Corbin Redhound Zac Prewitt was named SEKC co-Player of the Year in 1998.

The Corbin basketball team was preparing to defend their Cumberland Falls Invitational championship victory from 1997, welcoming in Bell County, Hazard, Rockcastle County, Jones County (Ga), Boyle County, Palm Coast (Fla) and Union (SC) for the annual tournament.

The News Journal 13th Region rankings (Records through Dec 21)

BOYS BASKETBALL

1. Clay County (8-1)
2. South Laurel (6-2)
3. Harlan County (7-1)
4. North Laurel (6-1)
5. Whitley County (4-4)
6. Corbin (3-3)
7. Knox Central (2-3)
8. Barbourville (6-3)
9. Lynn Camp (8-1)
10. Pineville (7-2)
11. OBI (5-3)
12. Bell County (5-3)
13. Harlan (5-5)
14. Jackson County (4-5)
15. Middlesboro (1-10)
16. Williamsburg (0-4)
17. Red Bird (1-7)

GIRLS BASKETBALL

1. Harlan (7-0)
2. Harlan County (7-2)
3. North Laurel (3-3)
4. Knox Central (5-4)
5. Whitley County (6-3)
6. Bell County (5-2)
7. Corbin (4-3)
8. Clay County (3-5)
9. South Laurel (4-5)
10. Middlesboro (8-3)
11. Pineville (8-3)
12. Jackson County (5-2)
13. OBI (5-4)
14. Barbourville (6-6)
15. Lynn Camp (4-6)
16. Williamsburg (2-6)
17. Red Bird (1-6)

Who's next?

Look ahead to this week's scheduled basketball action

Corbin boys

Cumberland Falls Invitational (hosting) - Dec 26-29

Corbin girls

at Destin Holiday Classic (Florida) - December 28-30

Whitley County boys

at Cumberland Falls Invitational (Corbin) - Dec 26-29

Whitley County girls

at Lady Lions Classic (Garrard Co) - December 28-29

Williamsburg boys

at Pine Mtn Classic (Pineville) - December 28-30

Williamsburg girls

No games scheduled

Lynn Camp boys

at Pine Mtn Classic (Pineville) - December 28-30

Lynn Camp girls

at Citizens Bank Classic (W Jessamine) - Dec 28-30

Cumberlands men

vs Georgetown Wednesday, December 23 - 4:00 PM
vs Carver College Saturday, December 26 - 7:00 PM

Cumberlands women

vs Georgetown Wednesday, December 23 - 2:00 PM
vs Berea Monday, December 28 - 6:00 PM

Mid-South Conference Basketball Standings (As of Monday, Dec 21)

MENS BASKETBALL

1. Georgetown (13-0)
2. Lindsey Wilson (10-3)
3. Life (7-4)
4. Pikeville (11-1)
5. Cumberlands (9-5)
6. Cumberland (8-8)
7. Shawnee State (6-8)
8. Campbellsville (12-4)
9. St Catharine (5-10)

WOMENS B'BALL

1. Shawnee State (13-2)
2. Pikeville (12-0)
3. Campbellsville (12-3)
4. Lindsey Wilson (11-2)
5. Georgetown (6-6)
6. Cumberland (10-4)
7. Cumberlands (6-4)
8. St Catharine (4-11)

"Hoops shoot" at CMS Sun, Jan 3

The Tri-County Elk's Club will host a "hoops shoot" free-throw contest on Sunday, January 3 inside the gymnasium at Corbin Middle School.

Registration will take place between 2:00 and 2:15 p.m.

Three age groups (8-9, 10-11, 12-13) will be included. Awards will be given to first and second place in each age group, boys and girls.

An overall winner will also be named. Players will shoot 25 free throws in the contest. Hit the most to win!

All winners will advance to a district championship, possibly region, and hopefully a national championship to be held in Chicago in the spring of 2016.

For more information call Donnie Head at 606-524-0602.

Who's who in the 2015 CFIT?

■ By Trevor Sherman
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The field is set for this year's Cumberland Falls Invitational Tournament at Corbin High School, and as usual, the bracket is full of talented and exciting teams.

In addition to the host Redhounds and the Whitley County Colonels, this year's CFIT will feature the Berea Pirates, the Madison Southern Eagles, the Franklin-Simpson Wildcats, the Barbourville Tigers, the Clay County Tigers and the Union, SC Yellow Jackets.

Most folks in our area know plenty about both Barbourville and Clay County. The Tigers from Knox County started out the season 4-0 before losing on the road to a very tough Harlan County team on December 15. They bounced back with a 97-50 victory over Williamsburg two days later before beginning play in the Arby's/KFC Holiday Classic at McCreary Central.

Barbourville's go-to scorers look to be senior Brently Perry and sophomore Markelle Turner, who are hoping to lead the team to a 13th Region All "A" title later this season.

As for the Clay Tigers, they currently sit atop the 13th Region rankings, going undefeated to start out the season before a recent trip to Las Vegas to play in the Tarkanian Classic. Among those victories was a 77-45 win over Corbin on December 8, so the Hounds could end up having the opportunity to exact some revenge should both them and Clay advance to this year's CFIT finals.

The Tigers are totally loaded with talent this season, with the top players to look out for being seniors Trey Farmer, Wes Wolfe, Coty Arnold and Blake Smith, as well as junior Will Sexton. Sophomore Tyler Gray and junior Logan Gabbard have also been regular contributors to Clay County's success on the court so far this year.

Coming from Madison County will be the Madison Southern Eagles and the Berea Pirates, both of whom should help to make this year's CFIT one of the best in recent memory.

The Eagles didn't get off to the best start this season, but they opened up their schedule with a pretty brutal trio of teams in Madison Central, Harlan County and North Laurel. Since that time, however, they have regrouped and picked up some very convincing wins against some worthy opponents. They feature a strong junior class led by Michael Jefferson, Caleb Miller and

Griffin Gabbard. Senior Tanner Kidwell is also among the team's top performers so far this winter.

The Pirates are just wrapping up their annual Berea Invitational Tournament, which coincidentally featured both Madison Southern and Corbin in 2015. They will probably be considered the biggest underdogs of the CFIT, but they should not be counted out.

With several players on the roster who have shown the ability to score when given the ball, the Pirates could surprise a lot of folks over the weekend and into early next week. Seniors Deondre Tate, Shyiem Alexander and Bradley Atkins will be three Berea players to keep your eye on.

From the southwestern portion of the state come the Franklin-Simpson Wildcats, who got out to a great start this season, going 6-0 before making a trip to compete in the Hancock County Classic earlier this week. Junior Tavin Lovan is by far the leading scorer on this team, and will look to be the difference maker for the Cats in the Falls Invitational. Franklin-Simpson will have their work cut out for them early though, having to face Clay County in their first game on Sunday evening.

Finally, the Union, SC Yellow Jackets' inclusion in this year's tournament should result in some very intriguing matchups. On paper, they certainly look like they could potentially make a run to the tourney championship next Tuesday, but it can often times be hard to tell exactly what you'll see from out of state teams once they hit the floor.

Union has started off strong in 2015-16, only playing other South Carolina teams up to this point. It will be interesting to see how their style differs from the Kentucky teams they will be facing in the days ahead, and to see if that style will ultimately give them an advantage, or put them at a decided disadvantage.

A senior-heavy team, the Yellow Jackets will no doubt be relying on veteran leadership to lift them to a tournament championship. If they hope to make it to the finals, however, they will first have to get past Barbourville, and then they will likely have to square off with Corbin in round two.

A holiday tradition, the 2015 Cumberland Falls Invitational is shaping up to be a fantastic event for anyone who enjoys watching great high school basketball action. See the bracket below for game dates and times, and pick up the December 30 edition of The News Journal for full coverage of the tournament.

Facing the Redhounds and the Colonels...



CLAY COUNTY TIGERS



BARBOURVILLE TIGERS



BEREA PIRATES



MADISON SOUTHERN EAGLES

Union, SC and Franklin-Simpson team photographs unavailable

Redhound Varsity Club 2015 Cumberland Falls Invitational Tournament L.U. Gilliam Gym, Corbin, Kentucky December 26, 27, 28 and 29th



Past CFIT champions

- 1987 - Corbin
- 1988 - Wayne County
- 1989 - Warren Central
- 1990 - Laurel County
- 1991 - Corbin
- 1992 - Paul Dorman
- 1993 - Corbin
- 1994 - Knox Central
- 1995 - Corbin
- 1996 - Franklin County
- 1997 - Corbin
- 1998 - Boyle County
- 1999 - Greenwood, SC
- 2000 - Corbin
- 2001 - Dixie Heights
- 2002 - Dixie Heights
- 2003 - Corbin
- 2004 - Dixie Heights
- 2005 - Barbourville
- 2006 - Shelby Valley
- 2007 - Maynard Evans
- 2008 - Corbin
- 2009 - Corbin
- 2010 - Scott County
- 2011 - Scott County
- 2012 - Corbin
- 2013 - Jackson County
- 2014 - Williamsburg

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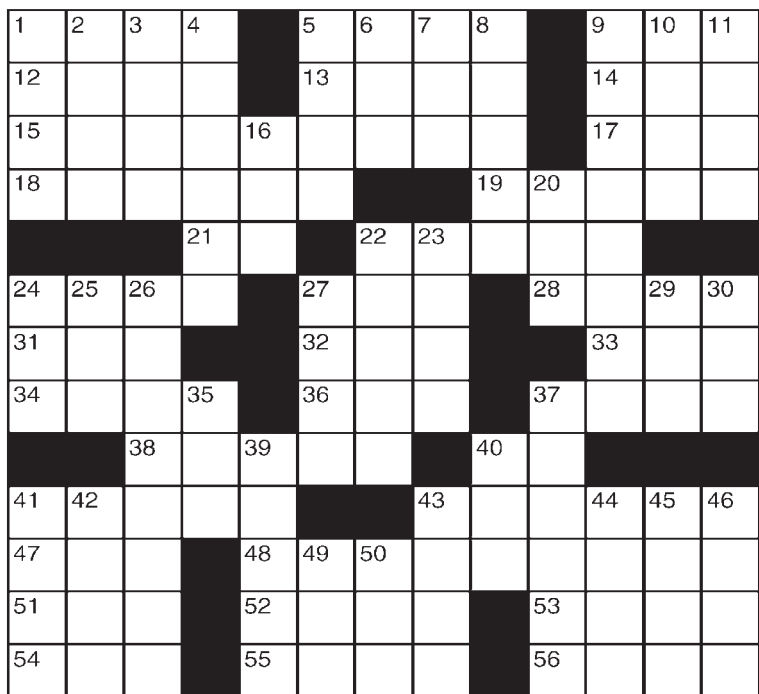
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King Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Information, informally
 - 5 Genie's home
 - 9 Commer- cials
 - 12 "Once — a time ..."
 - 13 Sheltered
 - 14 Once around the track
 - 15 Helen Reddy hit
 - 17 Sch. org.
 - 18 Charlie Brown's dog
 - 19 Fire residue
 - 21 Yours truly
 - 22 Accordion rendition, often
 - 24 Amorphous mass
 - 27 Lingerie item
 - 28 Concept
 - 31 Edge
 - 32 Decay
 - 33 Have
 - 34 Newspaper pg.
 - 36 Fool
 - 37 On in years
 - 38 Euphoric
 - 40 Hosp. staffer
 - 41 Memorable mission
 - 43 Oriental temple
 - 47 Oft-tattooed word



- 48 "Chicago" Oscar winner
 - 51 Eggs
 - 52 History chapters
 - 53 Hold sway
 - 54 Barbie's companion
 - 55 Adjoining
 - 56 Largest of the seven
- DOWN**
- 1 Clothing
 - 2 Admitting clients
 - 3 Horse-play?
 - 4 Bury
 - 5 "My Fair —"
 - 6 Carte lead-in
 - 7 Kitten's comment
 - 8 Punishment-related
 - 9 Pack leader, maybe
 - 10 Appointment
 - 11 Resorts
 - 16 Gorilla
 - 20 Take to the slopes
 - 22 Common-place
 - 23 Feedback fill
 - 24 Bud
 - 25 Back talk
 - 26 1971 Heston film, with "The"
 - 27 Actor Pitt
 - 29 Ram's mate
 - 30 In addition
 - 35 Poorly lit
 - 37 Goat hair made into wool
 - 39 Twelve
 - 40 British rule in India
 - 41 Uncontrolled
 - 42 Lyricist's subject, often
 - 43 History
 - 44 Responsi- bility
 - 45 Sandwich shop
 - 46 On the briny
 - 49 Before
 - 50 Wage earn- er's payment

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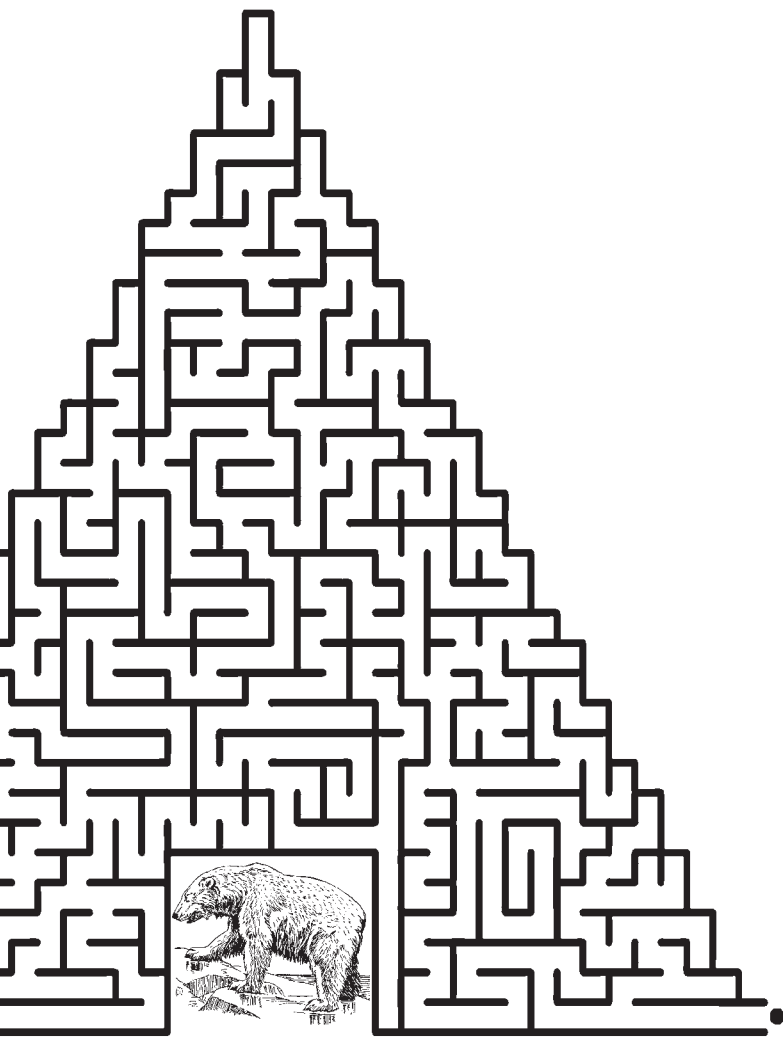
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally

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| Belle | Elizabeth | Ghost | Scrooge |
| Betsy | Fan | Marley | Wilkins |
| Bob Cratchit | Fezziwig | Martha | |

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Mega Maze

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RIDENT
- Snap
CLACKER
- Smirk
PRIMES

TODAY'S WORD

STICKELERS

Here's an alphabetic dedicated to brainteasers of all kinds. Remember, no word can begin with a zero.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{BRAIN} \\ + \text{GAMES} \\ \hline \text{TEASER} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Let A} = 5 \\ \text{B} = 7 \\ \text{N} = 6 \end{array}$$

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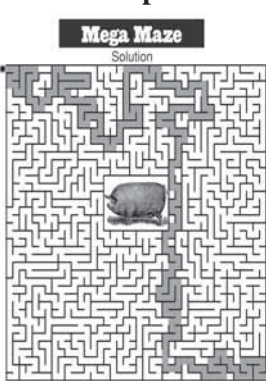
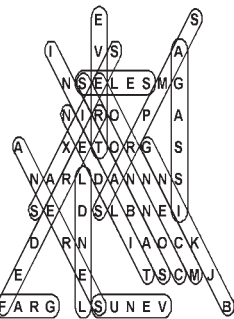
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Below are the answers to last week's puzzles!

King Crossword
 Answers
 Solution time: 21 mins.

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PUMA	HOW	FRAT
ELECTION	FAIT	
DEN	INK	ZEBRA
DNA	BIG	
ORBIT	CAPTAIN	
ROAR	DOG	INTO
BENELUX	ROAST	
COO	SON	
PASTY	APT	SPA
UGLY	EJECTION	
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HAWN	MRS	THAW

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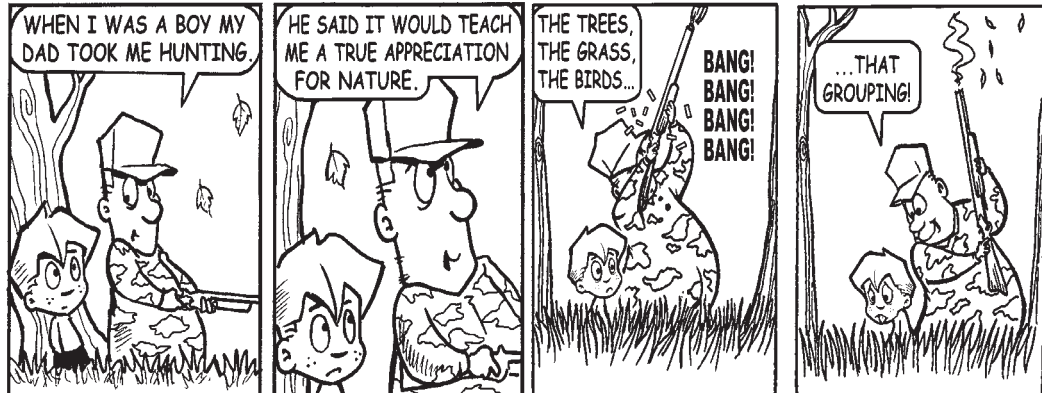


- SCRAMBLERS**
 solution
 1. Warble; 2. Glean; 3. Model; 4. Method
 Today's Word
NOWHERE

- Sticklers Answer**
- C is the only figure without a right angle.
 - E is the only figure that cannot be created without lifting the pencil or retracing any of the lines.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Whitley County. MOUNTAIN-SIDE COAL CO INC, 9180465, 11/30/2015, MOUNTAIN-SIDE COAL CO INC, 9180466, 11/12/2015. **51-1-B**

PUBLIC NOTICE

An ordinance amending the Whitley County Budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016, to include unanticipated receipts increasing/decreasing from various Funds in the amount of \$68,6000.00 and increasing/decreasing expenditures from the various Funds in the amount of \$68,600.00 was passed on 12/15/15. A copy of the Emergency Ordinance with full text is available for public inspection at the Office of the County Judge Executive during normal business hours. PAT WHITE, JR., COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE **51-1-B**

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that American Highwall Mining, P.O. Box 1539, Chilowie, Virginia 24319 has applied for Phase I Bond Release on Increment No. 1 of Permit Number 918-0434, which was last issued on February 13, 2015. Increment No. 1 covers an area of approximately 8.2 acres located 1.2 miles east of junction of the Jack's Fork Road and KY Rt. 26 & 1.0 miles Southeast of Rockholds in Whitley County.

The permit is approximately 0.1 miles south of Helton Hollow. The latitude is 36° 48' 28". The longitude is 84° 06' 15".

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 1 of Permit Number 918-0434 is a Cash Bond in the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), which sixty (60%) of the bond at fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), is being requested for release.

Reclamation work performed on Increment No. 1 includes: backfilling, final grading and seeding completed in the August 2014. This is the final advertisement of the application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson

Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by January 22, 2016.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for January 25, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department for Natural Resource's Mid-dlesboro Regional Office located at 1804 Cumberland Ave., Mid-

dlesboro, Kentucky 40965. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by January 22, 2016. **48-4-X**

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number

861-0543 NW In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Mountainside Coal Co., LLC, 7692 S. Hwy 25-W, Williamsburg, KY, has applied for a

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coal mining and reclamation operation located near Permon in Knox and Whitley Counties. The permit proposes 434.6 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 548.0 acres making a total area of 982.6 acres within the permit area. The proposed operation is approximately 1.2 miles north of the

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Senior-led LCHS bowling team making great strides this season



Photo by TREVOR SHERMAN

LYNN CAMP ON THE LANES: The Lynn Camp High School bowling teams are performing well as 2015 comes to a close, and they are hoping to keep their positive momentum rolling along as the regional tournament approaches late next month. The boys squad is 4-2 and the girls are 3-3, with their next meet scheduled for January 9 at Galaxy Bowl in Richmond. The LCHS bowling team is led this year by seniors Tyler Emery, Zach Thompson, Levi Smith, Lakylla Medlin, Shelby Green, Kaitlyn Warfield, River Hellard, Sasha Diaz, Rhea Carter and Morgan Lovett, all pictured above.

Several area HS football players awarded by SEKC

The 2015 Southeastern Kentucky Conference football awards banquet was held last Wednesday, December 16 at Pine Mountain State Park. Several coverage area players received recognition at the banquet. From Corbin, Drew Carter, Cody Evans, Jonah French, Jacob Lovett and DJ Murphy were all named to the Honorable Mention list. Dylan Brock, Alec Gambrel, Grant Gibson, Tucker Jewell, AJ Moore, Caleb Parker and Braden Sevier received All-SEKC honors. Sophomore Redhound quarterback Cameron Sizemore was named quarterback of the year, and senior Harley Lambert was named defensive lineman of the year. For Williamsburg, Dalton Dunn, Ben Goodin, Jacob

Gray and Joseph Michael all received Honorable Mention. Hunter Browning, Dakota Dunn, Stone Hughett, Alex Patterson, Noah Perkins, Alec Poore, Dalton Shackelford, Alex Thomas and Darrell White were All-SEKC selections. Junior Yellow Jacket Hagen Yellow Jacket Hagen was named special teams player of the year, fellow junior DC Bowlin was named kicker of the year, senior Austin Huskey was named player of the year and Jerry Herron was named coach of the year. For Lynn Camp, Tracy Fee, Caleb Gray and Brenton Medlin received Honorable Mention. Dylan Brown, Dalton Cook and Jacob Helton were named All-SEKC. Senior Wildcat Austyn Weddle was awarded receiver of the year.

Record harvests for bear season

■ Courtesy of the Kentucky Dept. of Fish and Wildlife Resources

The record 45 bears taken by hunters this year includes the largest bear harvested in Kentucky in the modern era. Taken on opening day of the modern gun season, it tipped the scales at 500 lbs, smashing the old mark set almost two months earlier during the archery-crossbow season. Bears were documented in 41 Kentucky counties last year, up from 11 a decade ago. Interest in hunting bears has grown since the first hunt in 2009. Kentucky Fish and Wildlife has sold more than 900 bear permits this year, up from 377 in 2009 and 729 last year. Kentucky's bear zone has expanded, too, and now includes Bell, Clay, Floyd, Knott, Knox, Laurel, Leslie, Martin, McCreary, Perry, Pulaski, Wayne and Whitley counties in addition to Harlan, Letcher and Pike counties. The modern gun season is one of four opportunities offered this year. Hunters harvested 21 bears on the Dec. 12 opener. The new state record was harvested on opening day in Harlan County. The old state record wasn't old at all. The 465-pound bear was taken in Harlan County during the Oct. 24 opener of the archery-crossbow season. Archery and crossbow hunters took a combined 22 bears on that opening day after taking 10 during their season last year. There are two more opportunities this year. The second half of the bear quota hunt with dogs season is Dec. 19-20. The quota for it is three bears after houndsmen took two during the November portion of the split season. Also, a new youth-only bear hunting opportunity is scheduled Dec. 26-27. The quota for it is five bears.

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Lynn Camp defeats W'burg for the second time this season Monday

■ **By Trevor Sherman**
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Dinky Phipps' Lynn Camp Wildcats have picked up two more victories in recent days to move their overall season record to eight wins and just one loss. The Cats defeated Berea at home last Thursday 68-56, and they left Williamsburg victorious Monday night after downing the Yellow Jackets for the second time this season, this time by a final score of 76-48.

After the game against the Jackets, Wildcat senior Austyn Weddle said, "I think everything is going great right now. Everybody is focused. We just want to be better than we were last year. Lynn Camp has been the laughing stock of the region and district, so we just want to come out and show everybody that we're better than we have been. The whole team's mindset is great, and we know that we can win every game if we play up to our full potential."

Fellow Lynn Camp senior Austin Maier added, "I feel like this team has a lot of potential. We're just listening to Coach Phipps and getting the work done in practice."

"It's been a work in progress with the coaching change," Maier continued. "Things are different, but we work hard in practice everyday to try and make everything perfect."

Both the Wildcats and Williamsburg will be in action at the Pine Mountain Classic in Pineville December 28-30.

Lynn Camp 76, Williamsburg 48

Lynn Camp - 23 21 17 15 - 76
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Photo by TREVOR SHERMAN

CONTINUED IMPROVEMENT: Lynn Camp moved to 8-1 on the year after defeating Williamsburg Monday 76-48. Above, junior Wildcat Jayden Elliott shoots a jumper.

GIRLS: Results from all of the past week's roundball action



FILE PHOTO

GOT THEIR NUMBER: The Williamsburg Lady Jackets picked up their second win of the season over Jellico last week, defeating the Lady Blue Devils on their home court 69-50. Above, Lady Jacket Kelsey Tye is about to put up a shot in the first meeting against Jellico.

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From there, Whitley traveled to take part in the Taylor County Christmas Tournament on Monday and Tuesday. For more on those contests, see "Tuesday Highlights."

Lady Jackets split with Tennessee opponents

Until last week, the only win of the season for Amanda Vermillion's Williamsburg Lady Jackets came against Jellico on December 7.

The Lady Blue Devils remain as the only team that Williamsburg has been able to top this year, but the Jackets now have two wins to their credit after picking up a 69-50 victory at Jellico on Saturday.

Two days earlier Vermillion and company were at Scott, TN where they fell 77-59. With the loss and the win, Williamsburg now stands at 2-7 overall.

They will enjoy a break over the holidays, and will hit the court again on January 8

when they travel for a district matchup at Corbin.

Lady Cats struggling after losing three straight

The defending 51st District champion Lynn Camp Lady Cats picked up an exciting 55-53 win at Lee County last Thursday, but followed that up with a disappointing trip to Campbellsville to play in the Food Pantry Holiday Classic over the weekend and earlier this week.

Coach Richard Jones' Lady Cats lost to Frankfort Saturday 85-81, they fell to Larue County Sunday 53-51, and they were turned away by Campbellsville on Monday 43-34. These were all competitive games, but the end result is still the same. After the three losses, Lynn Camp is now 4-6 on the year.

The Cats will now hope to regroup and have a better showing at the Citizens National Bank Classic, taking place December 28-30 at West Jessamine High School.

Cumberlands Patriot Wrestler Qualifies for Olympic Team Trials

■ **From UC Multimedia/ Athletic Services for The News Journal**

The University of the Cumberlands Women's Wrestling team has had a long history of success and look to continue that over the 2015-16 season. The Patriots have garnered over 70 All-Americans as well as five national champions. UC has seen numerous great wrestlers come through the program and one Patriot is continuing to add to the programs history.

Freshmen Maya Nelson (Denver, CO) competed in the Senior US Nationals and Olympic Trials this past weekend in Las Vegas, NV.

Nelson competed against the best competition in the

United States. Nelson participated for her club team Sunkist Kids Wrestling Club out of Tempe, AZ and was able to do for them what she has done for UC all season.

Nelson battled her way through the competition taking home a third place finish in the 58 KG weight class.

By finishing in third place, Nelson will now qualify for the United States Olympic Trials being held next year. This is the first time since the 2011-12 season that the Patriots have had a wrestler qualify for the US Olympic Trials as Sydney Nelson (Kingsland, GA) did.

Head Coach Donnie Stephens was thrilled for Nelson commenting, "Maya

is an exceptional athlete and considering she hasn't even completed her first college season, we are excited to have her as a part of our team."

Nelson also becomes the first wrestler under Stephens to qualify for the US Olympic Trials during his tenure at Cumberlands.

Maya took to social media after her win, saying, "Philippians 4:13 - I can do all things through Christ who strengthens. There is still much work to be done, but I took third and clinched a spot at the Olympic Trials. Thank you to my sponsor @sunkistkids, my family, friends, coaches, teammates and everyone who has been following my quest. All the glory to God."

COLUMN: Suggested sports reading, I've finally joined Facebook, more

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be a long time before Whitley County sees another athlete that can match his all-around ability.

Not only is Luke a great football player, but he is a leader on the Colonel basketball and track teams as well. He is also very accomplished academically, so again, congrats to him on this honor, as well as any others he might receive in the future. He has earned it.

Briefly, I would like to make a couple of (very) late Christmas gift suggestions. I have been reading some good books lately, and I just wanted to pass along the titles in case any of you out there would like to check them out, or maybe suggest them to a friend or family member.

First of all, I recently finished the David Beckham autobiography, Beckham: Both Feet on the Ground. Obviously, you may not enjoy this one if you're not a fan of soccer, but I found it to be pretty fascinating. It is an older book, being published in 2004 I believe, but it's still a good read, and I highly recommend it.

Another soccer related book that I

am currently in the process of reading is Bloody Confused! by Chuck Culpepper. This one was recommended to me back during the fall, so I ordered a used copy and decided to give it a try. Boy, am I glad that I did! This book has immediately cracked my all-time top reads list, and I would suggest it even if you're not a big soccer fan.

While I'm at it, allow me to suggest one other sports related book that I have read a time or two in the past. A View from the Bench tells the story of an all-star high school football player (George Mills) who in the 1970s ends up going to Nebraska only to find himself constantly struggling to receive any playing time. It is an interesting book that is approached from a different perspective, and is one of my favorites in the sports genre.

Just a quick heads up before I end things this week that I am finally a member of the Facebook community. Not sure if anyone wants to check me out on there, but you now have the option if you so desire. Yay!

That's all for now. Thanks for reading, and Merry Christmas to all!



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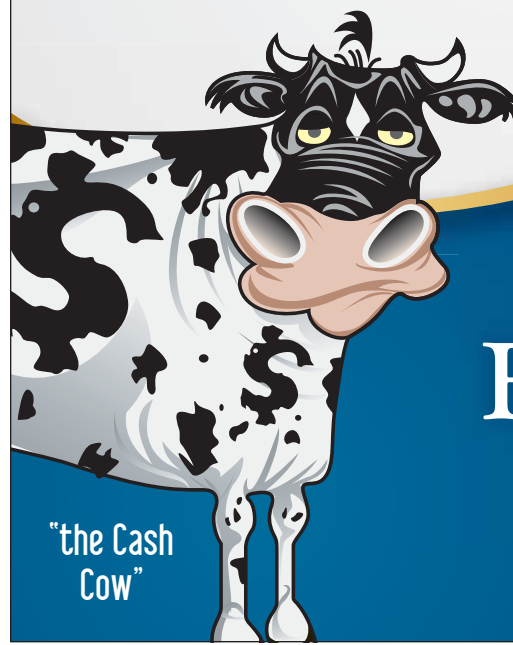
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