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The Pied Piper's coming

Corbin couple plans to open ceramics shop next month on Fifth Street

By ERICA BOWLIN
FOR THE TIMES-TRIBUNE

"I just can't sit still, I like to stay busy," said Joyce Gaddis as she walked through her gift shop, The Pied Piper, in Corbin.

Every what-not is meticulously placed, every necklace carefully hung. Ceramic sculptures and candles adorn the counter tops. Silver and gold necklaces with brightly colored stones fill the glass cabinets.

"I just added jewelry, but there are all kinds of other fun things too, most of it is what Herb and I have made..," she said.

"She likes to stay busy, and so do I," said her husband, Herb. "We started with ceramics, and just kept making things from there."

The couple will celebrate their 39th anniversary later this month. And it's obvious by looking at the things on display that the two make an excellent team.

"We met and got married in 1970, and he really is my best friend. He has supported me in everything I have ever wanted to do, and he's always been there for my three children, which I had from my first marriage," Joyce said.

"I was in nursing school at Eastern when I became interested in ceramics. There was a shop close to school, and I would go by there on my days off," she said, and added "I was so interested in crafts and art, but I was getting ready to graduate with my nursing degree, and I knew I needed to put my education to use."

In 1980, Joyce did graduate and became a registered nurse. She took a job in the obstetrics department at Corbin Hospital and worked as a nurse for the next 20 years.

"But making things is what I always really loved to do," she said.

Barely a month after graduating in 1980, Joyce walked into a ceramics shop in Williamsburg. She liked the idea of making her own artwork and found out the shop was for sale.

"So I just decided to buy the shop. I started out with about 200 molds, and it just kept growing from there," Joyce said. "If I decided I wanted to go out of town to market, or if I wanted to take a class or anything, Herb went right with me. He would do the molds and I would do the painting. We knew if we wanted to be taken seriously, we'd have to get certified. So we did, and once we became certified, we started teaching classes."

From then on, the couple remained busy.

"I worked as a nurse and he worked for the railroad," she said.

They continued making ceramics, learning to paint with oils, gardening, and caring for their beloved dogs and cats. The couple traveled to trade shows and festivals, all while continuing to sell their artwork in the shop in Williamsburg.

Joyce said that creating things with your hands and imagination brings great satisfaction that is difficult to describe.



PHOTO BY ERICA BOWLIN

Joyce Gaddis works on a ceramic sculpture at her store, The Pied Piper.

"I remember one night years ago, I was down in the basement painting on a piece, and I really got into it," said Joyce. "I remember it was the Lord's Supper, and I just kept painting and painting. I looked up, and I couldn't believe it. It was three in the morning, and here I was — painting in the basement."

"You really feel like you have accomplished something when you make it yourself," she said.

After retiring, Joyce made time to make the things she had always longed to create. The children had grown up, and she and Herb felt more excited than ever about making things together.

Then in 2001, a year after opening a new, bigger gift shop in Corbin next to their home on Fifth Street, the Gaddis family endured a trying time. Herb was having trouble seeing out of his left eye, and felt wobbly, but went to work anyway. Later at home, Joyce saw Herb was getting worse, so she hurried him to the hospital, where they learned Herb had suffered a stroke.

He remained hospitalized for 23 days and had to relearn how to walk.

After much therapy, and sheer determination, Herb recovered and is now working tirelessly in the shop, the base-

ment and the yard.

Joyce remembers Herb's desire to get better, no matter how painful or tough it seemed.

"If they asked him to walk ten steps, he would make sure and walk twenty. You could see that it wasn't comfortable, but he didn't complain," said Joyce.

"I have never seen someone so determined in all my life."

Herb and Joyce don't let anything get in the way of their dreams.

They are working more now than ever, and are loving every minute of it.

About five years ago, Joyce discovered that she also had a talent for making jewelry.

"Herb and I were at a crafts store in Knoxville and we decided to sit in on a jewelry making class," she said. "I really enjoyed it, and it was so interesting, so I started buying pieces. I started collecting beads, stones, and started making them. Now, making jewelry is probably my favorite thing."

Joyce and Herb hope to open up the new improved shop on Fifth Street in early October. All types of handcrafted gifts, trinkets, holiday items, along with jewelry will be on display.

"I think I am going to call it 'Pied

Piper Gifts and Jewelry," said Joyce.

"I am also going to start giving ceramic classes. I really love to teach people, it is so fun."

"I always try to keep things reasonably priced so everyone can afford it. I will also do layaway for larger purchases," said Joyce.

Joyce said she is proud of all the things she has made over the years. But what she is most proud of is not any of the ceramics, nor the porcelain dolls, nor even any of the jewelry... What she's most proud of are her children.

Her oldest, Sandy is an attorney in Corbin, and her youngest, Michael, works for the railroad. Danny, the middle child, is a federal judge.

"I am just so proud of them. They are my greatest accomplishment."

The Pied Piper is located near Scuffletown Road on Fifth Street.

For information on registering for ceramic classes or to order custom pieces, call Joyce and Herb at 526-8938.

Erica Bowlin is a former Miss Whitley County. She is a mother and homemaker currently living in Lily. She can be reached at ericalynnbowlin@yahoo.com

All 2009 SCC Radiography graduates pass national board exam



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All 13 students who graduated from the Somerset Community College Radiography Program in May of 2009 passed the American Registry of Radiologic Technology (ARRT) Examination, which is the national board exam for Radiographers for a 100 percent pass rate. Eight of the graduates are currently working as Radiographers and two are continuing their education. Shown from left to right are: (front row) Eric Monhollen (Whitley), Chris Brown (Casey), Kyle Henry (Russell), Ashley Murphy (Casey), Chelsea Bills (Green), Denise Bowling (Whitley), Lisa Staton (Wayne), Lynne Vanselow (Pulaski), Jeffrey Welch (Pulaski), and Don Rudder (Casey), (back row) Sherri Lay (Pulaski), Beth Brummett (Laurel), and Tanishia Layne (Pulaski).

SPECIAL TO
THE TIMES-TRIBUNE

The 2009 graduating class in the Somerset Community College Radiography Program achieved a 100 percent pass rate on the American Registry of Radiologic Technology (ARRT) Examination, which is the national board exam for Radiographers. That means that every SCC Radiography graduate was fully prepared to enter their new career field.

The Radiography Program is one of eight health care career fields offered at SCC. The Program prepares graduates to administer ionizing radiation for medical diagnostic imaging purposes. Radiographers may find positions in hospitals, health clinics, and physicians' offices. Research laboratories and some industrial firms also employ

radiographers.

According to Doyle Decker, who is an SCC Assistant Professor and the Coordinator of the SCC Radiography Program, the overall scores of the 2009 graduates places the SCC Radiography Program in the top 160 of the 1,000 Radiography programs in the United States.

"The average score for the SCC graduates was 89.1," Decker said. "Our lowest score was 85, so our students didn't just pass, they passed with flying colors."

Thirteen students graduated from the SCC Radiography Program in May, 2009. They are: Beth Brummett of Laurel County, Denise Bowling of Whitley County, Jeffery Welch of Pulaski County, Chelsea Bills of Green County, Sherri Lay of Pulaski

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The Checkered Flag

Top ten in Corbin Speedway points after Sept. 22

LATE MODEL

- 1) Mike Bargo; Corbin 260
- 2) Jason Jones; London 234
- 3) Eugene Smith; Corbin 168
- 4) Marty Taylor; Keavy 161
- 5) Josh Brock; Corbin 154
- 6) Jerrod Foley; Williamsburg 117
- 7) Eric Centers; Corbin 88
- 8) Russell Smith; Williamsburg 65
- 9) Brian Roberts; London 61
- 10) Jeff Farmer; Nicholasville 56

SUPER STREET

- 1) Tim Hollis; Pioneer, Tenn. 322
- 2) Ronnie Romines; Knoxville, Tenn. 267
- 3) David Walters; Corbin 242
- 4) Randy Frasurel; London 227
- 5) Jared Dickey; Corbin 173
- 6) Timothy Hollis; Pioneer, Tenn. 168
- 7) Steve Brock; Corbin 157
- 8) Jason Callebs; Corbin 119
- 9) Jeremy Sears; Corbin 111
- 10) Pherman Stewart; Manchester 104

PURE STREET

- 1) Ed Murray; Williamsburg 293
- 2) Jason West; Williamsburg 282
- 3) Anthony Wagers; London 260
- 4) Jason Jones; London 259
- 5) Lonnie Grubb; London 209
- 6) Chris Davis; Williamsburg 190
- 7) Jim Martin; Keavy 178
- 8) Chris Smith; Williamsburg 170
- 9) Josh Brock; Corbin 130
- 10) Eddie Stewart; Manchester 115

MODIFIED MINI

- 1) Clifford Wagers; Barbourville 301
- 2) Adam Gregory; Gray 272
- 3) Jesse Parker; East Bernstadt 241
- 4) Scottie Smith; Manchester 227
- 5) Jeff Chumley; Keavy 219
- 6) Dewayne Smith; Gray 212
- 7) Steve Decker; Williamsburg 188
- 8) Mark Lester; Corbin 183
- 9) Travis Travillian; East Bernstadt 169
- 10) Stacy Harrison; Keavy 168

MINI-SLAMMER

- 1) Joseph Knuckles; Keavy 321
- 2) Jessica Norman; Rockholds 284
- 3) Jason Brandenburg; Williamsburg 281
- 4) Nathaniel Harrison; Lily 277
- 5) Jordan Martin; Corbin 236
- 6) Brandon Tussey; Lily 206
- 7) Derek Robinson; Barbourville 203
- 8) Abby Lambert; Williamsburg 94
- 9) Bradley Abner; Heidrick 83
- 10) Jared Widner; Rockholds 79

SLAMMER

- 1) Keith Lovett; Williamsburg 312
- 2) Harrison Sulfridge; Rockholds 243
- 3) Brad Ellison; Keavy 150
- 4) Marvin Helton; Williamsburg 119
- 5) Jason Strunk; Canada Town 118
- 6) Kevin Bell; Parkers Lake 83
- 7) Mark Bear; Knoxville, Tenn. 56
- 8) Jimmy Bryant; Lily 40
- 9) Hoss Nichols; Williamsburg 23
- 10) Carson Massengill 21

VINTAGE

- 1) Clif Partin; Corbin 210
- 2) Brian Voiles; Knoxville, Tenn. 202
- 3) Chad Parker; London 202
- 4) David Fields; Richmond 84
- 5) T.J. Isaacs; Annnville 61
- 6) James Bancroft; London 44
- 7) Herb Lovett; Richmond 42
- 8) Josh Brock; Corbin 25
- 9) Teddy Gregory; Keavy 22
- 10) Cody Lane; Knoxville, Tenn. 19

MINI-CUP

- 1) Michael Rice; Marshall, N.C. 198
- 2) Tony Taylor; Candler, N.C. 192
- 3) Paul Burford; Barnardsville, N.C. 174
- 4) Mark Evans; Rogersville, Tenn. 159
- 5) Blake Brown; Corbin, Ky. 145
- 6) Milton Metcalf; Marshall, N.C. 138
- 7) Dustin Lay; Williamsburg, Ky. 121
- 8) Travis Chandler 20

Local drivers take the checkered flag throughout Aug. into Sept.

BY JOHN POTTS
FOR THE TIMES-TRIBUNE

Russell Smith of Williamsburg took the lead on the 19th lap and went on to win his first Late Model feature of the 2009 season on Saturday evening, Aug. 8 at Corbin Speedway against a field of 11 other competitors.

Taking both a postponed feature and the regularly scheduled main event, **Ed Murray** of Williamsburg extended his winning streak to three in the Hollis Metal Sales Pure Street Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday, Aug. 8.

Nathaniel Harrison of Lily set a new track record in qualifying, then took the lead halfway through the 20-lap feature to post his second main event win in the Mitchell Foods Mini-Slammer Series for drivers 16 years of age and under at Corbin Speedway on Saturday, Aug. 8.

Marvin Helton of Williamsburg won the postponed feature from Aug. 1 for the Meadors Logging & Excavating Slammer Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday, Aug. 8.

Williamsburg's **Keith Lovett** was the winner of the regular feature race for the Meadors Logging & Excavating Slammer Series on Saturday, Aug. 8 at Corbin Speedway.

Several years ago when a driver set fast time and then won every race he was in, they called it a "full house." That saying has evolved now to "sweeping the show." Which is what **Clif Partin** of Corbin did on Saturday, Aug. 8 at Corbin Speedway, setting fast time with a clocking of 14.244 seconds, then winning both the trophy dash and the feature in the Strader Motorsport Photography Series.

Blake Brown of Corbin started on the pole of the feature for the Kentucky-Tennessee-Carolina Mini-Cup Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday, Aug. 8, and pulled away to win his fourth feature event of the 2009 season.

For the first time in more than two months, **Mike Bargo** of Corbin returned to the winner's circle at Corbin Speedway on Saturday evening, Aug. 15, after posting his fifth

feature victory of the season. While maintaining the point lead in the Corbin Speedway Late Model Series, Bargo and the Leah's Catering Chevrolet No. 22 hadn't been first under the checkered flag since June 6.

With two series running together in the feature, **Clif Partin** was overall winner and first in the Strader Motorsports Photography Series for the fourth time this season, and **Gary Grant** of Woodbine got his first main event win of 2009 in the Corbin Speedway Super Street Series on Saturday evening, Aug. 15.

Ed Murray of Williamsburg led the last five laps to post his sixth feature victory of the season in the Hollis Metal Sales Pure Street Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday evening, Aug. 15, and **Keith Lovett**, also of Williamsburg, took the Meadors Excavating Slammer Series main event in the combined race for his seventh win.

Scottie Smith of Manchester drove his Smith Motorsports

Chevette No. 2 to another feature victory in the WKFC Modified Mini Racing Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday evening, Aug. 15.

Leading all the way in the 15-lap feature, **Joseph Knuckles** of Keavy won his fourth main event of the season in the Mitchell Foods Mini-Slammer Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday, Aug. 15.

Blake Brown of Corbin, who is entering the fifth grade at Oak Grove Middle School this fall, took the lead at the drop of the green flag and never looked back to post his fifth feature win in the Kentucky-Tennessee-Carolina Mini-Cup Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday, Aug. 15. At the finish, he had a 1.2 second lead over second place **Tony Taylor** of Candler, N.C.

Taking the lead on the third lap, **Jeremy Sears** of Corbin led the rest of the way and held off a hard-charging **Pherman Stewart** of Manchester over the last 10 laps to post his first feature victory of the season in the Corbin Speedway Super

Street Series on Saturday, Sept. 5.

Clifford Wagers of Barbourville won his seventh WKFC Modified Mini Racing Series feature at Corbin Speedway on Saturday, Sept. 5 in a main event shortened because of a number of caution flags and the lateness of the hour. Wagers was the fast qualifier with a lap in 15.862.

Nathaniel Harrison of Lily took the lead on the final lap and won his third main event of 2009 in the 16-and-under Mitchell Foods Mini-Slammer Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday, Sept. 5.

Mike Bargo of Corbin took the lead from the first drop of the green flag and held on for the entire 30 laps to win his sixth Corbin Speedway Late Model Series feature race on Saturday evening, Sept. 12. The win also clinched the 2009 series championship for Bargo, leaving him with a 26-point lead over second-place **Jason Jones** of London with only one point race event remaining on the schedule.

Ed Murray of

Williamsburg literally outran the field in the 25-lap feature for the Hollis Construction & Metal Sales Pure Street Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday evening, Sept. 12, finally beating **Jason Jones** of London under the checkered flag by a quarter of a lap.

Marvin Helton of Williamsburg and his Mark Motors Caprice No. 2 earned their third feature win of the year in the Meadors Logging & Excavating Slammer Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday evening, Sept. 12.

Taking the lead with an inside pass in the third and fourth turns on the seventh lap, **Nathaniel Harrison** of Lily stayed in front the rest of the way and won his third feature race of the season in the 16-and-under Mitchell Foods Mini-Slammer Series at Corbin Speedway on Saturday evening, Sept. 12.

Corbin's **Clif Partin** led all the way to win his fourth Strader Motorsports Photography Vintage Series feature on Saturday evening, Sept. 12 at Corbin Speedway.

TO THE POYNT

Going green has to begin somewhere

So just how hard is it to go green?

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Why would anyone want to waste all that paper, ink and oftentimes, long-distance charges, faxing the exact same piece of information to 1, 2, 3, 4 or 15 different people or businesses? Of course, from my experience, I'm speaking of informing the media.

So let's see just how many faxes have to be sent in order to get the word out to the media. There are five newspapers, numerous TV stations and even more radio stations. Even staying locally, that's a lot of faxes, a lot of time filling out the individual fax cover sheets and dialing individual numbers, and then there's all the cover sheets that will be tossed directly into the trash as soon as the faxes go through.

Now compare that to creating a group e-mail address, and with just one click, your announcement is disseminated to all the individuals on your list.

But, you say, you have to make sure the other parties received your announcement.

Not a problem. Do what Corbin Tourism does after they send a fax; follow up with a phone call to make sure it was received.

Better still, if your e-mail system has the capability — and most of them do — request a return receipt notice so you'll know exactly when the other party opens your e-mail.

So, here in my office, about how much paper can be saved by convincing people to e-mail me instead of faxing? Multiply whatever I come up with times the number of other media in the area that will



Bobbie Poynter

receive the same faxes.

Let's see, there's school SBDMC, PTO and FRC meetings, there's chili and bean supper fundraisers, obituaries (in and out-of-town), sporting events, athletic league signups (adults and children), church revivals, homecomings, guest speakers, singings and holiday events, organization meetings and fundraisers, city holiday closings, family reunions and high school class reunions, political notices, free concerts, special events, blood drives, arrest listings — this all on top of the myriads of junk faxes for scooter chairs and really cheap vacations.

Why do I care? Several reasons, actually. Ream after ream of expensive copy paper is wasted every week after someone has only glanced at the paper and then tossed it directly into the trash. Whatever I pick up off the fax machine will have to be re-typed before filing it for print — lots of wasted time. Every sheet that's sent through a fax is automatically doubled as it is duplicated at the other end. Every fax must be kept on hand for a certain amount of time, just in case, so there's even more wasted space. If the machine breaks down, jams or runs out of toner, there's no way for the other end to know if you got it. All they know is that they sent it and you didn't do your part.

If all those faxes had

been e-mailed, there would be no reams of wasted paper, no trashcans and (file 13's) full of paper, no wasted time re-typing everything, and no having to replace an expensive ink toner cartridge so often.

So, there you have it, my idea of saving paper and going green.

"What! But, you work for a newspaper."

Yes, indeed, I do. And I anticipated that response even before I wrote the first word of this column. Unlike the mountains of trashed faxes, a newspaper is a viable commodity that serves a purpose to both the community and to history. It keeps the community up-to-date and aware of what's happening here and now and continues to be an archive for the future. So, until the world no longer subscribes to a hard copy of the newspaper, it will remain a valuable asset to the communities it serves.

And I will continue to have a job.

So, you ask, how do I prefer to get my messages? Simple. E-mail is an excellent upgrade from the fax machine. Then again, I've come to recognize the voices of hundreds of people throughout the Tri-County as they call their announcements in to me. I love the personal touch. That way we both know your request has been taken care of and I, in turn, get to chat with some very friendly people. In the five years I've been with this paper — yes, it's been a great five years — I've been invited to birthday parties, homecomings, dinners, revivals, reunions, singings and numerous special events.

Perhaps one day I'll get to take someone up on their offer.

Until then — as the lady says at the end of the first date — call me.

Final 2009 racing event today at Corbin Speedway

BY JOHN POTTS
FOR THE TIMES-TRIBUNE

Corbin Speedway officials have announced that the program scheduled for this Saturday evening, Sept. 19, will be the final event of the year at the area quarter-mile paved oval.

The event previously scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 26 has been cancelled.

Three of the track's eight series championships are still up for grabs, with five having been decided.

Ed Murray of Williamsburg has an 11-point lead over **Jason West**, also of Williamsburg, in the Hollis Construction and Metal Sales Series, while **Clif Partin** of Corbin is eight points ahead of **Brian Voiles** of

Knoxville in the Strader Motorsports Photography Vintage Series, and **Michael Rice** of Marshall, N.C. is six points in front of **Tony Taylor** of Candler, N.C. for the Kentucky-Tennessee-Carolina Mini-Cup Series title.

A driver can pick up as many as 25 points in a racing event, meaning those titles are as yet undecided.

Mike Bargo of Corbin has clinched his third track championship in the Corbin Speedway Late Model Series, and **Tim Hollis** of Pioneer, Tenn. has an insurmountable lead in the Corbin Speedway Super Street Series.

Clifford Wagers of Barbourville, who was the Mini-Slammer champion in 2008, will be

the champion of the new WKFC Modified Mini Series, and **Joseph Knuckles** of Keavy has earned the title in the new 16-and-under Mitchell Foods Mini-Slammer Series.

In addition, **Keith Lovett** of Williamsburg has picked up his second championship in the Meadors Logging and Excavating Slammer Series, which he also won in 2007.

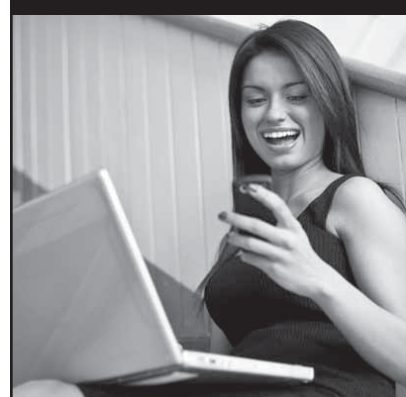
Qualifications at Corbin Speedway will begin at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 12, and the first race is scheduled to go under the green flag at 7 p.m.

Corbin Speedway is located on the Cumberland Falls Highway, U.S. 25W, about 3.5 miles west of Interstate 75.

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Keep pets safe from fall dangers

Check out the beautiful colors of fall. No, the leaves on the trees haven't transformed yet, but fall decorations signal the changing of seasons.

Local businesses and some homes are adorned with colors of the season, bright orange, purple, and even black. The feeling is contagious. No doubt, the majority of homes will celebrate the fall season in some manner.

Pet owners, however, need to give careful consideration to their furry best friends BEFORE taking the plunge.

Unfortunately, some of those seasonal decorations can be dangerous, even fatal, to pets. I just read one account on the www.hsus.org website.

One October day, Patricia Wallace's one-and-a-half year old cat, Tabitha, found some fake cobwebs that were stretched across the window just too tempting. As a result of devouring the decoration, Tabitha's intestines became clogged. Although Wallace took Tabitha to the vet and the vet removed nearly 10 inches of Tabitha's intestines in surgery, Tabitha did not survive. Who would have thought something so seemingly innocent could have taken the life of a beloved pet?

Before placing any decoration inside or out, read the packaging carefully for warnings. Also, consider your own pets and their tendencies. Very young pets as well as certain breeds are more likely to explore and even consume holiday decorations.

Fall is often a time for electrical lights and lit candles blinking amid the darkness. Keep all electrical wires and lit candles out of the reach of pets and children. The danger is two-fold: electrical shock and fire. Both could be fatal to pets and people.

Hang dangling decorations up high to avoid pets becoming entangled in them. This can be especially difficult with some pets, such as cats, that have a propensity to reach great heights. When in doubt, don't use the decoration.

Keep floors clear of decorations that might end up as your pet's new chew toy, posing a choking or intestinal blockage hazard.

Fall is often a time for displaying decorative candy bowls filled with tempting goodies. Candy of all types is not healthful for pets to consume. Chocolate candy is particularly toxic to pets. Likewise, candy wrapped can pose dangers. Do your pets a favor by keeping candy safely contained in the refrigerator or cupboard out of harm's way for your pet.

"They're so cute," you might reply as you gaze at the adorable selection of Halloween costumes especially designed for pets. Resist the temptation. Keep your pets in their own furry SAFE birthday suits.

Very few pets actually enjoy donning a costume.



VICKIE BRAMLETT

Most dislike the confinement of costumes and can actually sustain injuries when they become entangled in them.

Some costumes pose additional hazards by utilizing dangling objects as decorations. Pets may chew and swallow lose or dangling objects attached to costumes.

Some costumes may impair vision.

Unless you KNOW without a doubt that your pet enjoys wearing a costume, refrain from dressing your pet in one. If you know your pet truly enjoys a costume, make sure the costume will NOT impair movement, breathing, vision, or contain dangling objects that can be swallowed.

Resist the temptation to include pets with your children as you go door to door trick-or-treating. Even if your pet is accustomed to walking around the neighborhood, Halloween night is NOT a typical evening. There will be lots of extra traffic and many pedestrians dressed in odd costumes. Even a calm pet can become alarmed and react out of character under such circumstances.

Constant knocks or ringing of the doorbell followed by excited shouts of "Trick or Treat!" can be very nerve-racking to pets, which can lead to panic and other uncharacteristic behaviors.

Often the best place for pets on this occasion is a safe, quiet spot, well out of the way of the activities, according to the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS).

"As creatures of habit, pets rely on their daily routines and become very agitated when those are disrupted," said Nancy Peterson, companion animals issues specialists for the HSUS. "For their comfort and safety, the most considerate thing you can do is keep them away from the evening's activities."

Even under the best circumstances, however, pets can often escape the safety of home. Always make sure pets are wearing collars and ID tags should they escape.

Even if your pets are always kept indoors, give consideration to any decoration displayed outdoors. Often wild animals, such as deer and raccoons, are attracted to such items and can become ensnared in them.

On Halloween night, why not curl up on the couch with your furry best friends, treat your pets to some healthy pet treats, indulge yourself in some yummy popcorn, and watch an animated animal classic like "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown!"



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Nicholas Coots shows off his dad Arville Coots' 1968 Camaro at Love's car show for the Children's Miracle Network. The Coots' Camaro took both the first place and people's choice trophies.

Love's car show raises \$800 for Children's Miracle Network

BY ERICA BOWLIN FOR THE TIMES-TRIBUNE

"There's a lot of good looking cars out here," said George Chandler of Harlan as he looked around at the collection of shiny rides at the first annual car show and fundraiser, held at Loves' travel stop on Saturday. In addition to Chandler's 1958 Chevy, there were plenty of Mustangs, Camaros — even trucks.

But what made this car show special wasn't all the beautiful cars. It was, instead, the generous spirit in the air. Donations were taken throughout the day as children played on the inflatable bouncy houses and grown ups showed off their cars and listened to music. All proceeds from the day's events will go to the Children's Miracle Network. Funds will benefit children at hospitals such as UK Medical Center.

Children's Miracle Network works to raise awareness and funds for children's hospitals. The organization funds research and ensures that all children who need quality medical care are able to receive it, even if the family is unable to pay.

Jerry Barger, of Love's said his store has a goal of raising \$5,000 in the month of September. He said he'd been looking for a new and fun way to raise money for the non-profit organization while providing family fun. A car show seemed like the perfect answer.

Barger teamed up with several other local businesses including Cash Express and Sonny's to provide music, food, and family fun for all. All for a very worthy cause.

"It's all to help the kids," said Floyd Brockman of Corbin.

"I brought my grandkids out here and they had a great time. And it's good to be able to help out

with something like helping sick kids," he said.

To date, Love's has raised over two million dollars for the Children's Miracle Network.

According to Barger, this first annual car show won't be the last. "I'd like to see it become a tradition," he said.

"I hope we raise more and more money each year."

The big winner this year was Arvil Coots from London with a beautiful red 1968 Camaro.

Donations will be accepted at Love's through Sept. 30. Donations can also be made any time on the web at www.childrensmiracletnetwork.org/

According to Barger, the event raised over eight hundred dollars. Most of the donations were dollar bills.

"Just goes to show you, every dollar counts," he said.

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FROM FRONT PAGE

County, Tanisha Layne of Pulaski County, Ashley Murphy of Casey County, Don Rudder of Casey County, Chris Brown of Casey County, Kyle Henry of Russell County, Lynne Vaneslow of Pulaski County, Eric Monhollen of Whitley County, and Lisa Stator of Wayne County.

Eight of the students are currently working in the Radiography field and two are continuing their education.

Other faculty members in the SCC Radiography Program are Associate Professor Shanda Catron and Instructor Marla Jo Loveless.

"A pass rate of 100 percent is the goal for all of our health care career programs," said Dr. Jo Marshall, the President and CEO of SCC. "This achievement by our Radiography students and faculty is an indication to the community that Somerset Community College produces high quality graduates who are

prepared to be successful in their chosen professions."

Two of the graduates of the SCC Radiography Program are currently seeking additional degrees or certifications. Beth Brummett, who was also a former SCC Student Ambassador, is currently attending Hazard Community College in the Sonography program. The other, Jeffrey Welch, is attending Morehead State University. He will complete his Bachelor of Science Degree in Radiological Sciences, with a concentration in Computed Tomography and Magnetic Resonance Imaging, in 2010.

According to Decker, students in the SCC Radiography Program only need to complete six additional general education requirements in order to graduate with both an Associate in Arts (AA) Degree and an Associate in Applied Science (AAS) Degree in Radiography.

Somerset Community College has an articulation agreement with Morehead State University (MSU) in which a student with both an AA and AAS Degree from

SCC, who also passes the ARRT registry exam, can enter MSU as a senior. The student can then finish a BS degree in an intensive one-year program. The SCC graduate can apply to one of two tracks at MSU; Computed Tomography (CT) or Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI).

"So, in the big scheme of seeking a Bachelors Degree, an SCC student, who spends a year completing general education classes and then two years in the radiography program here at SCC, is on track to complete a BS degree in four years," Decker pointed out. "The big advantage is that the student can attend SCC for three years with our much lower tuition rate and still earn a four-year degree from MSU."

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U of C presents presidential scholarships

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The University of the Cumberlands is pleased to announce the following students have been named recipients of the 2009 Presidential Scholarship.

Jessica Blackwood, with an undecided major, is the daughter of Kevin Dale Blackwood and Ms. Michelle Lynn Duncum of Corbin.

Michael Burnett, of Williamsburg, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Roscoe Burnett and is majoring in Chemistry.

Anthony Decker, of Williamsburg has an undecided major.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Dee Higgins.

Bryan Jarboe, is pursuing a major in accounting. He is the son of Michael Ray Jarboe and Glenda Sue Woods, of Williamsburg.

Hannah Robinson, with a major in psychology, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Colbertson Robinson.

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Knox schools twist & surf into the new year

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"Beach party?" "Chubby Checker?" Am I in the right place, staff members must have been thinking when they returned to two Knox County schools on Aug. 5th.

Aug. 5 was the opening day for staff in the Knox County School District. The next day, Aug. 6, was the day when the students were to arrive.

The "beach party" school was Knox Central High School, which welcomed its staff back with a theme of "Surfin' to Success at KCHS."

The "Chubby Checker" school was West Knox Elementary, which said hello to its staff with "Come on, West Knox. Let's do the TWIST," the latter standing for "Teamwork Will Inspire Students and Teachers."

The two schools were winners in a district-wide contest to determine which schools had the most innovative and effective opening day for staff. As such, they were recognized at the Knox County Board of Education's Aug. 25th meeting in Barbourville.

What the schools hoped for was a top prize of \$500 offered by the district's superintendent. What they received was a prize of \$2,500 given to each school to spend as they please.

"We certainly appreciate the fact that they went over and beyond," said Supt. Walter T. Hulett in making the presentation, "and wanted this award to be reflective of that. If we're



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West Knox's theme was "Come on, West Knox, Let's Do the TWIST (Teamwork Will Inspire Students and Teachers). Knox Central's theme was Surfin' to Success at KCHS

going to ask you to go above and beyond, then we wanted to go above and beyond.

"They had a lot of fun and we appreciate their participation," Hulett said. "As we try to move forward, we understand that there are days we do laugh, but you heard a lot of things about what we're trying to get done - congruent, formative assessments... I'm very proud of our teachers and our staff and principals and I say this as honestly as I know how to say it: we're making progress. It doesn't come in leaps and bounds, but we're making progress."

At the school board meeting, District School Improvement Coordinator Marion Sowders



spoke about how the idea for the contest came about. "We had a two-day leadership retreat in mid-July with all principals and directors attending. During the planning for the retreat, we came up with the theme of coaching people - coaching people to become better at whatever they do.

"Our theme was 'Put Me In, Coach.' We had decorations that went along with coaching,

music, and sports trivia during the break. Every presentation revolved around coaching people.

"The feedback we received from the principals was that it (the retreat) was very positive, encouraging and motivational for them. It was then decided to send out a challenge to the principals to plan an opening day for their staffs and let their creativity go wild.

"Superintendent Hulett threw out the prize on the table: the staff which had the best opening day would get a \$500 P.O. (purchase order) to any place they wanted."

Sowders said the principals were asked to videotape their activities and then forward them to Central Office for reviewing and judging. "Tonight we have co-recipients," Sowders said. "We had two too good to choose from: West Knox Elementary and Knox Central High School."

"I'm really surprised," said a grateful Knox Central principal Tim Roark, after the presentation. "We tried to do something motivational for the teachers, something positive, and were tickled with the \$500, but \$2,500! Hopefully, we can do something special for the students."

"I'm very excited about getting the money," said West Knox Principal Amy Bays. "It was a well-kept secret. We were expecting \$500 but received \$2,500." Bays said she will have to get back to the drawing board with her staff on how to spend the money. "We had tossed around ideas, but \$500 ideas. We want to do something for the staff and students."

Both principals said they received positive feedback from their staffs, with Roark humorously noting, "The day gave us one more day to wear shorts. It was very relaxing. We knew that the next day, the kids were coming."



Hoke wins PHHCA raffle at Lincoln Memorial Career Fair

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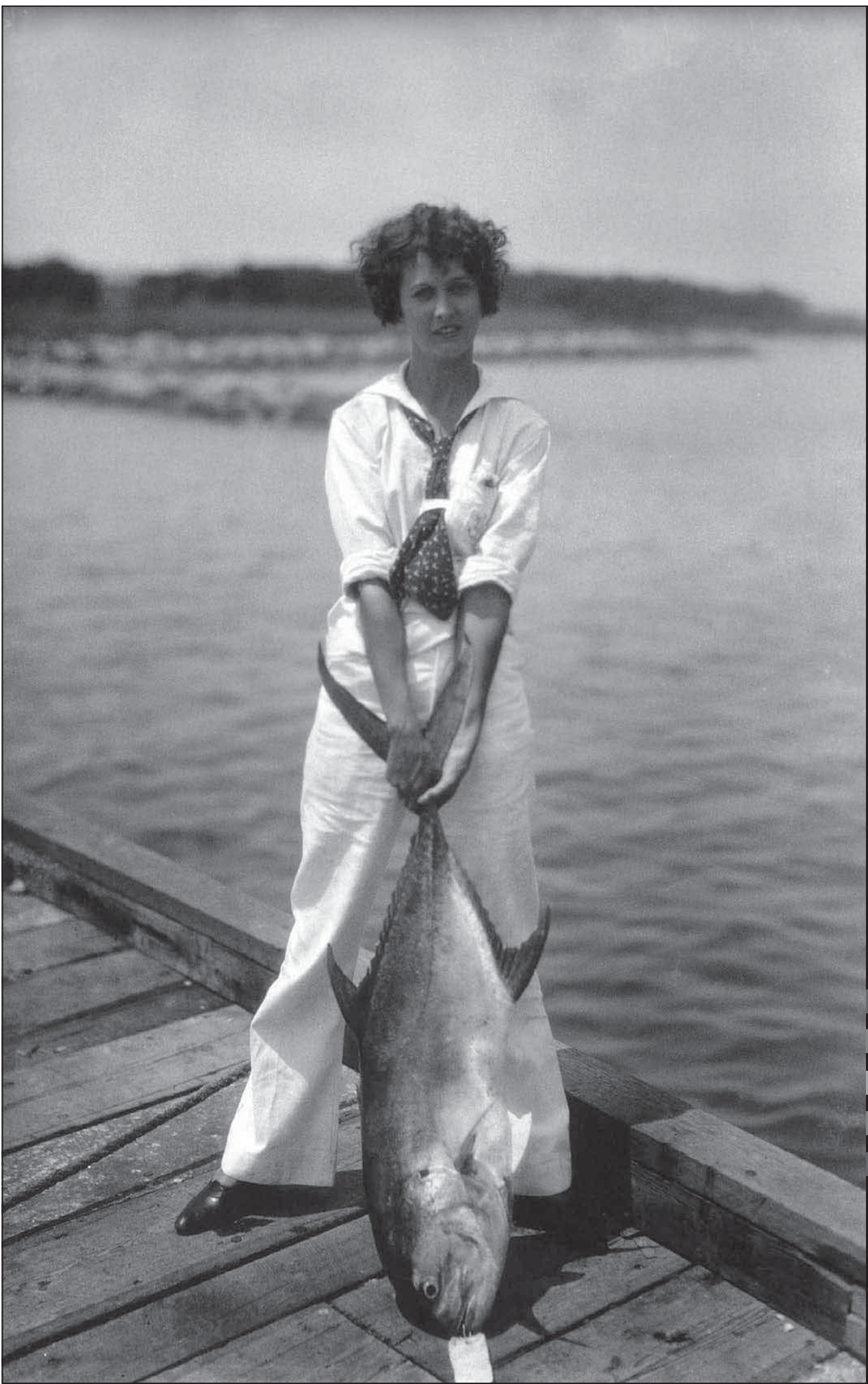
Professional Home Health Care Agency (PHHCA) attended the Lincoln Memorial University Career Fair held at the Corbin Technology Center in March to discuss with future health professionals possible career options in home health.

During the event PHHCA held a raffle for a basket filled with gifts of candies, a blood pressure cuff and stethoscope, Glucometer kit, thermometer, note pads, pens, etc.

The winner of the PHHCA basket was Stephanie Hoke of Williamsburg, a LMU 2009

graduate who was awarded the prize at the PHHCA Central Office by Brian Lebanion, PHHCA BOD Secretary.

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