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## News in Brief



Judge-Executive Randy Thompson met with Congressman Hal Rogers in Washington, D.C., this week.

### Rogers to speak at youth complex groundbreaking

A groundbreaking ceremony for Knott County's youth fitness/adult wellness complex will be held at 3 p.m. on Monday, March 27, at the site. Judge-Executive Randy Thompson advises that Congressman Hal Rogers will be the featured speaker unless he is called back to Washington, D.C.

### Public meeting held for those interested in ATV trails

A public meeting will be held Thursday, March 30, at 6 p.m. in the second floor meeting room of the Opportunity Center (Knott branch of Hazard Community and Technical College) for all those interested in developing trails for ATVs in our area. Representatives from a team assembled to identify possible sites for ATV trails in Knott County and ways to market them will be present, and the purpose of the meeting is to seek public input. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

## School board sells Carr Creek High

By KAREN JOY JONES

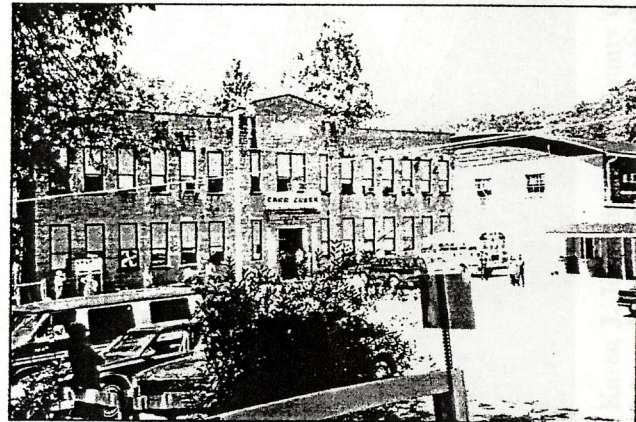
In a special meeting last Tuesday, the Knott County Board of Education voted to sell the old Carr Creek High School property to LKLP.

Finance Administrator Roger Martin explained that the school system would receive \$50,000 for the facility, plus a double-wide trailer owned by LKLP. The double-wide, which is located behind Beckham Combs school, was the site of an LKLP Head Start program last year.

Superintendent Harold Combs said LKLP would keep the school as a historical site.

Martin told the board that the property had been appraised at \$35,000 about six years ago. "The way that came about — the board originally owned the property. When the dam was built, the Corps of Engineers bought it, and when they were finished, they gave it back, with the stipulation that it be used for

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The old Carr Creek High School building, pictured here during one of the annual class reunions, is a place with sentimental attachments for many Knott Countians. (Photo courtesy Ruth N. Smith)

## Justice building named to honor Huff

By KAREN JOY JONES

Members of the Knott County Fiscal Court approved resolutions in last week's meeting that will honor two deserving Knott Countians.

The court had been asked to consider dedicating a portion of Hwy. 1087 in Vest in memory of Woods Chaffins. Chaffins was a World War II Veteran and recipient of the Purple Heart. The court voted unanimously to accept this recommendation.

Judge-Executive Randy Thompson asked the court to approve naming the building which houses the Knott County Justice Center in honor of former circuit clerk Carlos "Jake" Huff, who

served as an elected official for more than 40 years. Magistrates all agreed to name the structure the "Carlos 'Jake' Huff Building."

The court approved a resolution allowing accepting a \$400,000 grant from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet to be used for the construction of the pedestrian connector.

"The CDI Committee let a grant expire. I found out about it in January and told them, and we got it back for them," Judge Thompson explained.

Members of the court agreed to sign a resolution in support of a Homeland Security National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility pro-

posed for Pulaski County. "The fiscal court there has asked other counties to show their support for this facility in Somerset," Thompson told the court. "Congressman Rogers has said it could mean more for Kentucky economically than the Toyota plant did."

The court approved the transfer of \$500,000 to the Knott County Arts and Crafts Foundation. Judge Thompson related that the funds were actually from the last budget and had been earmarked for the foundation.

County Treasurer Byron Jacobs explained a change with one item on the claims list. In the past, he recounted, when the

sheriff's office has excess fees, the court simply gave the money back to the office. Jacobs reported that "from now on, the Sheriff is to submit a bill for us to reimburse deputies' salaries; this is paid out of the LGEA fund, where money is reserved for protection. It's the same total; we just learned in a budget meeting that we're supposed to do it a different way," Jacobs concluded.

Jacobs presented the court with his monthly report.

"We're in a lot better shape than we have been," the treasurer remarked.

Receipts to the county for Feb

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