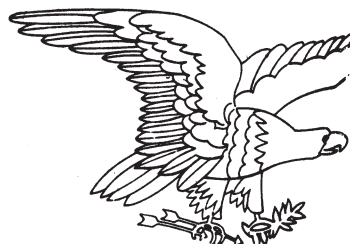


**Letcher woman
sold at least 45 lbs.
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A PORTION OF RAVEN ROCK atop Pine Mountain above Jenkins is seen in this photo taken this week. The EKY Heritage Foundation has issued a request for qualifications for an architecture and engineering firm to design a lodge-style convention center on the land around the rock. (Photo by Sam Adams)

Historical marker honoring early Letcher settler missing a 2nd time

By SAM ADAMS

In a county where a large of the population can trace their lineage to veterans of Revolutionary War, one of the most disrespected men in these parts is ... a Revolutionary War veteran.

It's not that he's disrespected by his descendants, nor by history. In fact, he is revered as one of the founding fathers of Letcher County. But despite his status as one

of the first permanent settlers in the area, Archelous Craft just can't get a break.

He was recognized on historical marker near Crafts Colly for years as a veteran of the Battle of Hanging Rock and the Battle of Eutaw Springs, the last battle in the Carolinas during the Revolution, but three years ago, the bronze marker disappeared entirely. And now, history repeats itself.

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Design work may soon begin on new resort at Raven Rock

By SAM ADAMS

The EKY Heritage Foundation has issued a request for qualifications for an architecture and engineering firm to design a lodge-style convention center on top of Pine Mountain at Raven Rock, overlooking the city Jenkins.

The advertisement in this week's newspaper is seeking someone to design the 8,500 square-foot lodge with a 3,500 square-foot deck, a 100-space parking lot, an access road, and five miles of soft-surface hiking and biking trails. The design work will include all the infrastructure for the facility, and a trailhead with a vaulted toilet, similar to the one on Pine Mountain near Whitesburg.

"I think plans could take up to six months once Continued on Page 6)

Man rents a Tesla, is billed for \$6,920

Needing to rent a car to get from a Florida airport to the nearby home of his daughter, Colin Fultz decided to try out an electric vehicle for the first time. That decision turned into a nightmare when he returned to his home in Letcher County.

After returning the Tesla to Budget car rental at St. Pete-Clearwater International Airport this past Saturday, Fultz and wife flew from there to Lexington and drove back to eastern Kentucky to enjoy what they thought would be a quiet Saturday night.

But then, Fultz decided to check his e-mail.

While looking to see if he needed to respond to any messages, he opened an e-mail from Budget to find out his credit card had been charged an

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