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by Janice Shepherd  
Managing Editor

Area residents took steps to prevent child abuse Thursday, April 14, on Blue Ribbon Day, April 14, by participating in the "Our Promise to the Future" walk at Prestonsburg Community College.

The walk was held by the Kentucky Council on Child Abuse, Inc. to heighten public awareness about child abuse. Approximately 2,133 cases of child abuse and neglect were reported last year in the Big Sandy District involving 3,635 children, said Janie Beverly, regional coordinator.

By 2 p.m. Thursday, approximately 208 participants, including Johnny and Darlene Endicott of Endicott, had registered to walk PCC's Riverwalk during the event.

Blue Ribbons and literature on child abuse were distributed to participants.

For more information about the prevention of child abuse, call 886-1260 or the Parent Helpline at 1-800-432-9251.

## Steps in the right direction



## Users to pick up costs for sewer dispute

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

Present and future customers hooked on to an extension of Martin's sewer system will be asked to ante up a hefty tap fee as part of an agreement between the city council and Mountain Christian Academy.

City officials have been feuding with the academy for some time about ownership and repair responsibility for a pump station and sewer line extension near the intersection of KY 1428 and KY 122.

As a result of the dispute between the two parties, several businesses and homeowners have been using the system without paying a tap fee or a monthly bill.

Under the agreement, the city will accept title to the system and extension lines, plus bill sewer users that use the extension a \$2,000 tap fee. Also, the city would pay \$1,500 to MCA to partially defray the original construction expense of the sewer line extension.

The agreement calls for the tap fee to be charged to customers who are either connected to the extension or who will be connected to the line through December 31, 1997.

Several council members and Mayor Raymond Griffith met last month with Arnold Turner, attorney for Mountain Christian Academy (MCA), to hash out terms of the settlement.

Council voted 4-2 to approve the agreement with councilmen Denzil Halbert and Steve Jenkins voting against it.

A lawsuit filed by MCA against the city and several business owners is pending in Floyd Circuit Court. The lawsuit alleges that the business owners illegally tapped onto the sewer system. The business owners listed in the lawsuit are Carl Edward Price and Debra J. Price; E.C. Moore and Garnett Moore; George and Mary Lou Barnett; and E.P. and Marina Grigsby.

In other business Wednesday, council voted to get tough with water customers who are delinquent on their accounts.

Beginning next month, city employees will be directed to "pull meters" of customers who have outstanding bills for water usage.

Councilman Alan Whicker asked why the city wasn't enforcing an ordinance which calls for water service to be disconnected if an account is in arrears.

Councilman Halbert said that the previous city council agreed not to disrupt service if customers paid their current bill in full and made some

payment on the amount owed to the city.

City clerk Johnnie Stephens told council that regardless of the agreement, the city ordinance had not been amended.

Councilman Everett Akers Jr. suggested that customers be required to comply with the ordinance and "there

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## Martin boy is hurt when bike, car hit

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

An eight-year-old boy was injured Tuesday evening when he apparently crashed his bicycle into a vehicle at Pageant Hills at Martin.

Chris Cox, of Pageant Hills, suffered a fractured elbow and a slight concussion when his bike ran into the side of a car driven by a 16-year-old girl on Kennedy Drive at Pageant Hills, Martin policeman Aaron Kidd said Wednesday. The boy hit the right fender of the vehicle.

Cox was riding a bike that did not have brakes, Kidd said. The juvenile drove the car approximately 80 feet before stopping and the girl's mother, Patricia Hagans of Pageant Hills, rendered aid to the boy.

Kidd said that the female driver was in shock and that's why she drove 80 feet before stopping. The female got out of the vehicle and called her father, Kidd said. The driver was cited for no insurance.

The accident is under investigation by Kidd.

## Two-day event is set for coal issues

The Big Sandy Coal Mining Institute will host the 17th annual Coal Mining Seminar on April 21 and 22 at the Jenny Wiley Convention Center.

The two-day program will include a keynote address by Mike Musulin II, president of the Kentucky Coal Association, at 1 p.m. Monday, April 21.

Monday's session will also include discussions on "Hidden Future Cost of Coal Mining," presented by Massey Coal Services president Oren Eugene Kitts; a seminar on continuous miners presented by Tom Lackey, with

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## Police field varied accounts of mishap

by Janice Shepherd  
Managing Editor

A Prestonsburg man claims that he had to plunge his utility truck over an embankment, opposite Adams Middle School, early Wednesday morning to avoid hitting a bus loaded with school children. Four witnesses agree with him, but four students on the bus say that's not the way it happened.

Kenneth Hatfield of Prestonsburg told Prestonsburg Police officer Mac Stewart, that a bus pulled out of Adams Middle School's lot onto South Lake Drive, directly into his path. Hatfield, who was driving a truck owned by Matt Lewis Corporation at Auxier, was headed south when the accident occurred around 7:30 a.m.

Bus driver Joe R. Miller told Officer Stewart that two cars, headed

south on South Lake Drive, had stopped to allow him to pull onto the road. Miller said Hatfield's truck wrecked to avoid the stopped vehicles.

When the truck went over the embankment, Miller stopped his bus and yelled across the road to Hatfield, who was getting out of his truck, and asked him if he was okay, Stewart said. Miller then radioed his boss, Floyd County Transportation Direc-

tor Earl D. Ousley, to report the incident. When Stewart questioned Miller about leaving the scene of the accident, Miller said Ousley told him to transport the students to school, but return to the accident site to talk to police since he was a witness.

If evidence surfaces that Miller caused the accident, he could be fined for leaving the scene of an accident,

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## Young and old come together to share annual Heritage on the Hill

The Second Annual Heritage on the Hill Day at the Betsy Layne High School, set for Wednesday, April 20, promises to be an event where senior citizens and teen-agers teach each other a thing or two about their shared mountain heritage.

Senior citizens from the eight area centers have been invited to participate in the day-long activities, said Lisa Roberts, community service coordinator for the high school. Projects and demonstrations, in which older adults and students will interact, include quilt-making, cooking,

performing mountain and popular music and working computer programs.

"We want each group to come away from the event with a better understanding of each other," Roberts said. "So many students do not have elderly role models and senior citizens do not always have young people to interact with. This event creates a great opportunity for lasting friendships."

Anyone interested in participating in the event may call Lisa Roberts at 478-3389 or 478-3227.

## Area bank warns of blank check scam

An area bank warned Big Sandy residents this week about a potential credit card scam.

Matewan BancShares has received several calls from its customers complaining that a company had been calling their homes and telling them to send a blank or voided check to receive a preapproved credit card from the company.

Matewan BancShares warned area residents not to send blank or voided checks, or give out their checking account numbers to any company requesting them.

"For your protection, please do not give your checking account information to anyone," said Don Harlow, director of Marketing for Matewan BancShares.



### A matter of opinion

A utility truck driven by Kenneth Hatfield plunged over an embankment near Adams Middle School Wednesday. Hatfield said he swerved off the road to avoid crashing into a school bus that he claims pulled into his path. Four eyewitnesses agree with Hatfield's assertion. The bus driver and four students on the bus, however, dispute those claims, and say that Hatfield swerved to miss two vehicles stopped on the road. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

## Spring rains continue to dampen families' spirits

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

While most people took Wednesday's spring weather as an opportunity to get a jump on doing yard work, residents of lower Garrett could only watch their yards being covered by back water.

Heavy rains, an accumulation of trash and cut trees lying in the floodway have forced several Garrett residents to leave their homes six times since January. The clogged waterway blocks excess water from receding quickly after heavy rains.

Residents Dolly Turner and Don and LaFaye Hughes have fled their homes in the middle of the night because they didn't know how high the water would rise.

"During daylight hours, we can keep an eye on it," Turner said Wednesday. "But at night, you just don't know and it's pretty scary."

LaFaye Hughes said Wednesday that she and her husband usually don't stay home when the waters begin to rise, they take refuge in her mother's home on Garrett Hill.

"We don't want to get blocked in," Hughes said.

But Wednesday, the Hughes' decided to stay at their home, which was surrounded by water, to enjoy the spring day and keep an eye on the water.

The Hughes moved into their home in 1971, and the rising water has been a problem since then. They, along with Turner, have tried to get the problem resolved but to no avail.

"We used to fight it real hard," LaFaye Hughes said. "But we got disgusted because we couldn't get anything done. Somewhere there's got to be something that can be done to help us."

Turner agreed and said that they haven't complained to anyone about

the problem for some time.

"Basically, we felt it wouldn't do any good," Turner said. "We've tried for so long."

Turner said that the problem was compounded recently when a utility company cut down several trees and left the debris lying near a garbage dump that has formed in the bottleneck. She added that politicians have promised for years that the creek would be cleaned and dredged.

"We were told that money had been made available for the project years ago," Turner explained. "That's the last we've heard of it."

Janet Tackett, the county's flood plain administrator, said Thursday that the county is prohibited from doing work in a creek because of state regulations. Tackett said that she gave Hughes the names and phone numbers of various agencies to see if help was available.



### Riding it out

Some residents at lower Garrett were homebound Wednesday when back water blocked access to the road. An accumulation of garbage and cut trees creates a dam which pushes the water toward their homes. LaFaye Hughes, who has lived in the area since 1971, said the back water has always been a problem. (photo by Susan Allen)

## Hillbilly Days music will be dedicated to Gratho Newsome

Larry Webster, music coordinator for Hillbilly Days 1994, has announced that the music festivities this year will be dedicated to Gratho Newsome, a long time Hillbilly Days stalwart who is ill in St. Joseph's Hospital in Lexington.

According to Webster, Newsome has been an important fixture at Hillbilly Days since its beginning with his wide grin and his bass fiddle.

Traditionally such groups as the Mule Band, Elkhorn Grass, the Big Sandy Grass, the Johns Creek Ram-

blers, the Bluegrass Cousins, the Robinson Brothers, Bits and Pieces, the Timmy Cline Band, and many others have donated their time and energy to providing continuous music from the City Park stage.

Marlow Tackett will perform about 5:30 Friday afternoon, April 15.

At 7 p.m., Friday night, the amateur contest will be held. Cash prizes and ceramic trophies, prepared by Paula Thornsby, will be given to the top three finishers in the following categories: bands, solo performers (no more than one accompanist), adult dancers and child dancers. The sound will be provided by Jerry Williamson. Musicians of any sort are welcome to show up at the stage to perform, so long as they play "hill-

billy" music, which is essentially acoustic music of a traditional country nature whether bluegrass, old time or anything else traditional.

There will be other more modern music coming from the courthouse under the direction of Kevin "Waldo" Prater.

## Seminar—

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Unicorn Mining in London; and a review of "The Mine Safety and Health Administration's Role in the Future of Small Mines," presented by Bob Elam, Deputy Administrator for Coal from Arlington, Virginia.

On Tuesday, April 22, the program includes a discussion on "Independent Contractors in the Coal Mining Industry," presented by R. L. Vines, vice-president of health and safety for the Bituminous Coal Operators Association in Washington, D.C.; a review of "Mine Emergency Preparedness," by Tommy Steele, with White County Coal Corporation based in Henderson; a discussion on "The Coal Industry and the Public," presented by David Gooch, president of Coal Operators & Associates in Pikeville; and a seminar on "Worker's Compensation and the Changes in cluded in HB 928," presented by Paul E. Jones, an attorney with Baird, Baird and Jones in Pikeville.



### Battle scenario

"The Yankees laid a good whuppin' on us at Jenny's Creek," Owen Wright, kneeling in photo, told a group of tourists from Northern Kentucky Tuesday at the site of the Battle of Middle Creek. Wright, who portrayed a sergeant in the 5th Kentucky Confederate unit, and William Davidson, who portrayed a private in the 14th Kentucky Union unit, each presented their version of the Civil War battle in Floyd County. A reenactment of the Battle of Middle Creek will be held June 3, 4 and 5. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

## Martin

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would be no questions."

"We have to run (the water company) like a business or we'll lose it," Akers said. "We can't pussyfoot around."

In order to "be fair" and "comply with the ordinance," Whicker moved that customers be notified that the ordinance will be strictly enforced beginning next month. Whicker also asked that a regular report be given to council from the water department to see if workers are complying with the ordinance.

Five council members voted for the motion and Halbert abstained.

In other action, Graham Burchett, speaking for the AmVets Club, asked if something could be done about city police officers conducting roadblocks during the weekends. Burchett said that the roadblocks, set up to catch drunk drivers, discouraged patrons from coming to the club.

Martin Police Chief James Burke defended the practice, saying if club customers choose to drink and drive they should not be on the road.

"If you don't want law enforcement, you ought to hire security guards," Burke said.

Councilman Akers said he did not agree with the practice.

"If you hold roadblocks, it scares people away," Akers said. "I don't want Martin to be a trap for people."

After some discussion, Councilman Whicker agreed with the police

chief's reasoning and asked Burchett to request that customers do not drink and drive.

"We can't tie the city police's hands, but we want people to enjoy themselves and business to grow," Whicker said.

Both sides agreed to work together to resolve the issue.

Also Wednesday, council:

- voted for the city police department to begin next month buying gasoline from one of three city service stations and alternate the business monthly;

- scheduled a workshop for city employees on April 18 at noon to explain how to fill out newly adopted purchase orders;

- agreed to send letters to several city property owners requesting that something be done about abandoned structures which appear to be health hazards and to ask the city attorney to draft an ordinance relating to the problem;

- approved giving \$500 to the city Pee Wee League and \$200 each to the four Little League baseball teams; and

- directed the mayor to talk with business owner E.P. Grigsby about burning debris near Grigsby Heights.

All members were present at Wednesday's meeting and the next meeting of council is scheduled for Wednesday, April 26 at 7 p.m. at city hall.

## Certified training program begins for sewage disposal installers

Pike County Health Department's director of Environmental Health, Gary Coleman, announced that training courses for certified onsite sewage disposal system installers will be conducted during April and May. Darrell Gooslin, coordinator of the Department's Onsite Sewage Train-

ing Program has scheduled classes for April 28 and May 5, beginning at 7 p.m. each of those evenings. Classes will be held in the Department's Second Floor Conference Room. Since 1992 any person who has been certified to install Onsite Sewage Disposal Systems (Septic tank disposal systems) must, by state regulation, attend annual training sessions in order to maintain their certification. The Pike County Health Department was chosen by the Cabinet for Human Resources to provide this training for installers who operate in Pike, Floyd, Johnson, Martin and Magoffin counties.

## Mishap

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Stewart said. Four witnesses standing near the area told Stewart that the bus drove out of the lot, into the path of Hatfield.

Four high school students on Miller's bus claim that a red car stopped to allow the bus to exit the school's lot. The students also say a white or gray car was stopped behind the red vehicle.

Because witnesses disagree on the cause of the accident, Stewart said he would write up his report as a one vehicle accident and "the guy in the truck must prove that there weren't any cars there."

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# Courthouse News

## SUITS FILED

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Kentucky Medical Services Foundation Inc. vs. George N. Hale of Blue River; alleged debt of \$5,183.

Beulah Fay and Bobby Gene Baldrige of Eastern vs. Gregory E. Shanley; compensation for alleged injuries received in an auto accident on November 8, 1993 at Eastern.

Ernest Lewis of Cottle vs. Vivian Jane Lewis of Tennessee; dissolution of marriage.

Kathy Prater of Bevinville vs. Richard Lynn Prater of Prestonsburg; petition for legal separation.

Keith Tucker of Ligon vs. Sheila Tucker of Beaver; dissolution of marriage.

Mary Jane Anderson vs. Doy Isaac Jr. et al.; petition for declaration of rights.

Sandy Valley Explosives Co. Inc. vs. Ivy Coal Company et al.; alleged debt of \$4,821.06.

Kenneth Caldwell et al. vs. Addington Inc. et al.; alleged debt of \$151,353.20, plus interest and costs.

Edward D. Newsome of Teaberry vs. Commonwealth Life Insurance Company; alleged acts of bad faith.

Tina Blair Lawson of Dana and Darrin Lawson of Harold; joint petition for dissolution of marriage.

Olive Hamilton et al. vs. Chesbrough-Pond's USA Company, Inc.; alleged negligence that resulted in hair loss from hair spray.

Liberty National Insurance Company vs. Tram Coal Company; alleged debt of \$5,608, plus interest, fees and costs.

Jenny Clark of Grethel vs. Becky L. Jacobs of Deboard; compensation for alleged injuries received in an auto accident on August 1, 1993.

Deborah "Ann" Bentley vs. Pluma J. Stumbo, administratrix of Estate of Harold J. Stumbo; compensation for alleged injuries received in an accident on or about June 15, 1992 at Printer.

Farmers State Bank vs. Bob C. Knight of Martin; alleged debt of \$6,828.39, plus interest, costs and fees.

Lisa D. Perkins of Garrett vs. Mark D. Perkins of Martin; dissolution of marriage.

Matthew Hitchcock of Prestons-

burg et al. vs. Otis Shepherd of Hueysville; compensation for alleged injuries received in an auto accident on or about November 23, 1993 near Prestonsburg.

## MARRIAGES

Connie Sue Hall, 34, of Wayland and Gary L. Hall, 37, of Wayland; Rhonda G. Chaffin, 29, of Maytown and Paul D. Castle, 21, of Maytown; Janet Lee Case, 41, of Battle Creek, Michigan, and Clyde Kendrick, 40, of Battle Creek, Michigan; Nancy J. Smith, 45, of Garrett and Eugene Sturgill, 39, of Garrett;

Jaime L. Cunningham, 19, of Hi Hat and John Jamie Caudill, 17, of Hi Hat; Yvette Wicker, 18, of Mousie and Gregory H. Shrewsbury, 24, of Prestonsburg;

Teresa R. Reed, 33, of Pikeville and David S. Whisman, 59, of Prestonsburg; Helen Joyce Hammonds, 49, of Prestonsburg and Charles E. Hammonds, 58, of Prestonsburg;

Paula Slone, 34, of Wayland and Bobby J. Kidd, 45, of Betsy Layne; Lisa L. Hall, 26, of Martin and Brian Halbert, 26, of Langley;

Traci A. Burke, 26, of Prestonsburg and Robert C. Vicars, 25, of Prestonsburg; Lucy M. McGuire, 70, of Prestonsburg and Ova Salyer, 63, of Prestonsburg.

## After-school care program expanded

An after-school care program at the First United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg is expanding.

The program will now include all day care for children on days when school is not in session and during spring break from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., plus all-day summer care.

The regular after-school program is from 3-6 p.m. each school day.

Enrollment is limited. For more information, call 886-8431.

## WalkAmerica

The March of Dimes WalkAmerica will be held Sunday, May 22, at Paintsville Lake Kiwanis Trail. Registration begins at 1:30 and the walk starts at 2 p.m.

For more information, call Lisa Burke, Paintsville committee chairman, at (606) 789-9324 or Susan Martin at (606) 329-0703.

## Eastern Kentucky Community Concert presents violinist and pianist

The next concert in the Eastern Kentucky Community Concert series will be present on Friday, April 15, at Prestonsburg Community College at 7:30 p.m.

The noted French violinist Virginia Robilliard will be accompanied by pianist Nada Loutfi, who is well-known to local audiences. Robilliard, who is on a special tour to the United States this spring, will perform works by Mozart, Faure and Prokofieff.

Members of the concert series will be admitted upon presentation of their membership card. The public may purchase admission at the door. Anyone wishing to join for the 1994-95 season may do so and attend this concert at no extra charge.

Virginia Robilliard has performed extensively throughout her native France and is Laureate of the 1987 Jacques Thiboud International Competition and the 1990 Indianapolis International Violin Competition. She has appeared in China, South America, Canada and the United States.

She made her New York debut in 1990 in a critically acclaimed performance of Bartok's Violin Concerto No. 2 with the Juilliard Orchestra. She toured Canada as soloist with the Franco-Quebec Orchestra in 1992.

Ms. Robilliard gave her first public concert at age five; her first radio concert with orchestra was broadcast from Paris when she was twelve. She graduated from the Julliard School in 1993.

Already well-known to local audiences, pianist Nada Loutfi is of Lebanese and Hungarian origin. She won first prize in the Lebanese National Competition at age 14. She emigrated to France in 1979 and won first prize in 1984 at the Conservatoire National

Suprieur de Musique de Paris. She is currently completing the Artist Diploma program at the Indiana University School of Music, with Gyorgy Sebok. Ms. Loutfi has performed as soloist and chamber musician throughout France and southern Europe. She has taken part in the premiers of contemporary works on Radio France. She has performed in Washington, D.C. at the French Embassy, at Georgetown College and Morehead State University Artist Series; and at other college, university and community series in Indiana and Kentucky.

## Girl Scouts honor leaders

Wednesday, April 22, marks the annual observance of Girl Scout Leader's Day. Millions of Girl Scouts nationwide will salute leaders in recognition of the thousands of women and men committed to Girl Scouting. Girl Scouts Leader's Day was established in 1982 to recognize the people who make Girl Scouting possible. April 22 was chosen because it falls on or near the annual National Volunteers Week, the third week in April.

To celebrate this day, Girl Scouts and their families often present Girl Scout troop leaders with homemade gifts and cards. Many communities display banners with special thank-you messages. The 334 Girl Scout Councils around the country organize recognition ceremonies, ranging from elaborate dinners to small gatherings.

The Girl Scout organization is unique in many ways. Girl Scouting is a value-based program designed to provide young girls with role models throughout those crucial years of growing up. Without these valuable Girl Scout Leaders, Girl Scouting would not be the foremost authority on the development of young women as it is today.

For 30 years the Girl Scouts-Wilderness Road Council has been providing adult volunteers with training and skill development to help them feel more comfortable in their role as a volunteer. For information on becoming a Girl Scout volunteer contact the Wilderness Road Council at 1-800-475-2621.

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Liberty of thought is the life of the soul—Voltaire

## Assets or liabilities?

by Scott Perry

This may not be a real popular question to ask in an area that relies heavily on tourism promotion, but we're going to pop it anyway.

If Kentucky's state park system is the "crown jewel" it's being made out to be by legislators and the like, how come it can't pay its own way?

The governor and many legislators are pushing for the public to pick up the tab for some \$100 million worth of upgrades and improvements to the park system, which is suffering from disrepair.

No doubt their estimates are accurate, probably even conservative.

Certainly the parks are suffering from neglect.

Whose fault is that?

Not the taxpayers, that's for sure.

That's who is going to pick up the tab, though, for whatever work is finally decided upon.

We're willing to cough up a

few extra bucks to spruce up the parks because we do recognize their value to our tourism economy.

But, we think we ought to get some guarantees, some security for our investments.

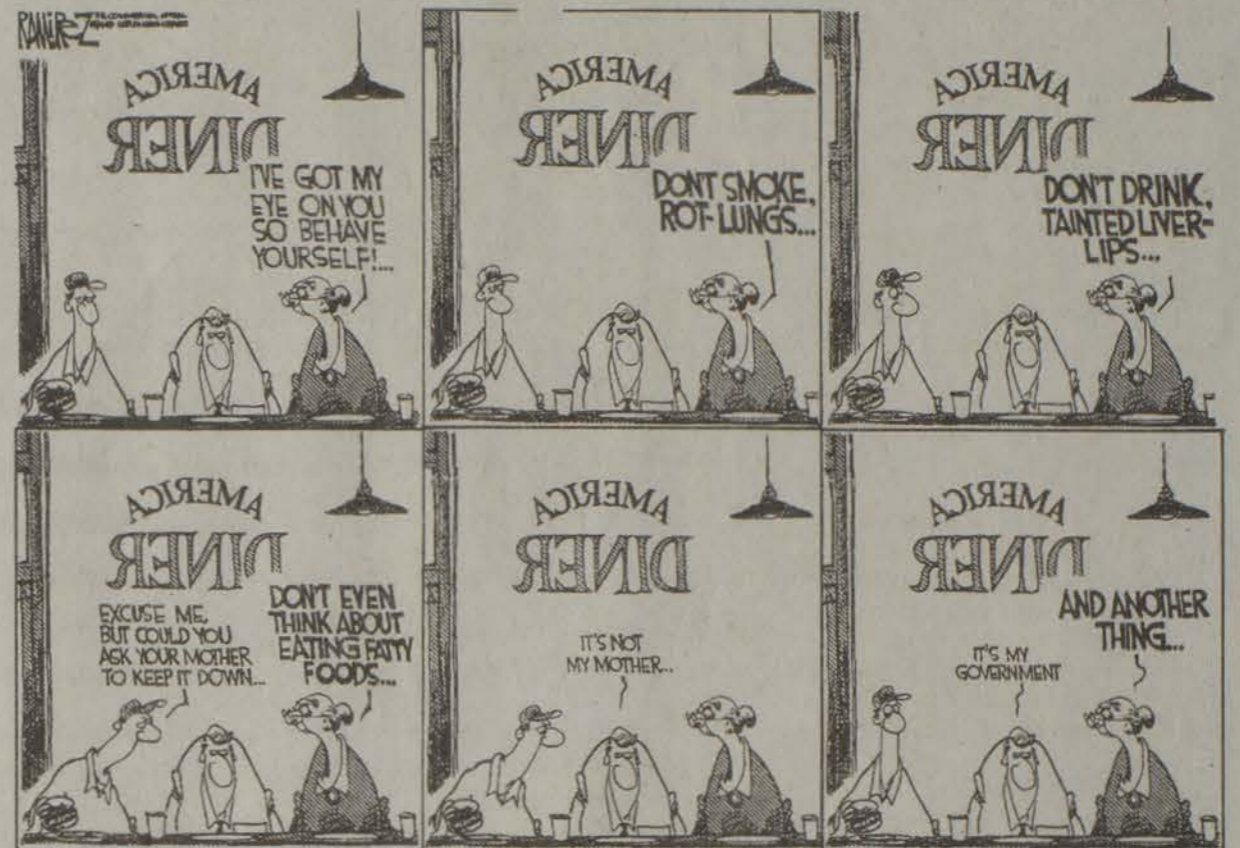
First, we ought to receive some assurances that the state is developing a management scheme to make the parks self-sufficient, including ideas for financing new development from revenues generated by the parks themselves.

Absent those assurances, we suggest the state develop an alternative that would allow parks management to transfer from state control to private enterprise.

Under either scenario it is likely that the costs for maintaining, upgrading and developing state parks would fall on the shoulders of those who use them.

Our state parks generally are wonderful places to visit.

We can't consider them as real assets, though, as long as they cost more than they produce.



## —Other Voices—

### Let's not give a cold shoulder to needy Americans

by Michael Baly III

The phrase "budget freeze" has just taken on a frightening new meaning. The Clinton administration is asking for a 50 percent cut in the federal program that helps low-income Americans pay their winter heating bills. Unless Congress maintains full funding, the proposal will have chilling consequences for millions of at-risk families.

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is crucial protection against winter weather for many less-fortunate Americans. The bitter cold of '94 shows just how important that protection can be.

Yet the administration has asked Congress to cut LIHEAP in half, from \$1.4 billion this year to \$730 million next year. The program today helps 6.2 million households, but that's only one-third of those who are eligible. Reducing funding would further widen this gap.

Annual heating bills of \$1,000 are not uncommon for families in many regions of the United States. Since 70 percent of LIHEAP recipients — often single parents and senior citizens — have incomes of less than \$8,000 per year, it's just about impossible for them to pay these costs in full.

Boston City Hospital analyzed the "heat or eat" dilemma from 1989-92. It studied 11,000 poor children aged six months to two years who entered the hospital emergency room. In the

period immediately following the coldest month of winter, the researchers found a significant increase in the number of underweight children.

We are all familiar with the danger the winter cold poses to the homeless. Yet, although the heatless are much less visible, they are not much safer. Hypothermia can worsen pre-existing health conditions and lead to death whether the victim is inside or outside.

LIHEAP affects everyone's pocketbook. Unpaid energy bills are eventually passed along to all customers in the form of higher rates. LIHEAP may help keep the deficit in check by keeping families in their homes and reducing long-term burdens on other assistance programs.

Many concerned Americans have already responded to this proposed cutback in two ways: by writing their U.S. senators and representatives urging LIHEAP funding of at least \$1.4 billion in 1995 and beyond; and by donating to their local fuel fund.

Fuel funds are local efforts to raise

energy assistance dollars. Some fuel funds are independent charities. Others operate in close cooperation with local utilities, many of which allow customers to donate by adding a few dollars to their monthly bills. Utility companies have raised more than \$100 million in heating assistance during the past 15 years.

But private efforts cannot match the federal government's ability to address the problem. LIHEAP is a successful and efficient government program. By law, at least 90 percent of the funds are applied to household energy bills.

Congress should not only restore the LIHEAP budget to current levels, but it also should increase funding to serve all the Americans who qualify. Anything less shows a chilling lack of compassion for America's less fortunate.

Michael Baly III is president of the American Gas Association, which represents natural gas utilities and pipelines.

#### EDITORIAL DEADLINES

##### WEDNESDAY EDITION:

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News copy, all pictures ..... 5 p.m. Wednesday  
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## What others are saying

The following articles are excerpts of editorials taken from Kentucky newspapers

### Veto SB 29

Juvenile bill isn't tough, it's a mess for courts

Add another bill to the list Gov. Brereton Jones should veto. It's Senate Bill 29, yet another product of the legislature's penchant for patching together bills on important matters at the last minute.

In this instance, the important matter is juvenile crime. In the legislature's chaotic last days, it was amended to include the provisions of House Bill 224, which never made it out of the House.

At first blush, SB 29 would seem to address the problem of violent juvenile crime head-on by requiring juveniles accused of serious crimes to be tried in circuit court, as adults are. It also would send to adult courts all juveniles accused of committing crimes while armed with firearms.

Unfortunately, the bill isn't as straightforward as it seems. While it requires that these

juvenile cases be sent to circuit court, the bill does not change the standards for actually trying cases in circuit courts. That means that the vast majority of these juvenile cases will end up being transferred back to juvenile courts—but only after the more lengthy proceedings that are required in circuit court.

The result is predictable. More kids will be held for longer times in juvenile detention facilities (which already are scandalously overloaded). Juvenile case workers (who already have more cases than they can handle) will face heavier workloads. Circuit judges' dockets will be crowded with requests to transfer juvenile cases back to lower courts. And most juveniles will end up being tried in juvenile sessions of district court—just as they are now.

In short, this bill will make an existing problem worse, create problems where none now exist and do little, if anything, about violent juvenile crime. No wonder many of the state's circuit judges want Jones to veto it. The governor may find it difficult to veto any bill that its sponsors have styled as "getting tough on crime," but in this instance it's worth the trouble.—*Lexington Herald-Leader*

### Prepare for special session

Unless a miracle happens this Friday (today), expect the General Assembly to be called into special session in a couple of months to work on a new budget.

Governor Brereton Jones was expected Wednesday to veto the current state budget passed two weeks ago by the legislature. His veto probably won't be overridden by lawmakers when they return for one day on Friday. Jones hopes legislators work out a substitute spending plan before adjourning. This is unlikely also, so be prepared for a special session to iron out the differences.

Why is it that taxpayers always pay for elected officials' political bickering? —*Paintsville Herald*

### Joe Clarke's candor

Alcoholism doesn't carry quite the stigma it did a generation ago.

More and more Americans, including some of our most famous athletes, artists and political leaders, have publicly admitted they have drinking problems. Few families these days

don't have at least one uncle or brother or niece who's in recovery—if not from liquor, then from cocaine, overeating or some other form of substance abuse or compulsive behavior.

But it still takes courage to admit you can't handle alcohol—and even more courage to commit yourself to fundamental and permanent change.

Joe Clarke, speaker of the Kentucky House, has shown such courage. He has acknowledged he has a drinking problem and says he is getting help.

Mr. Clarke is an honorable, principled man in an institution—the Kentucky legislature—that needs such qualities in its members, and especially in its leaders.

We commend him for recognizing and acknowledging his problem and wish him success in staying on the wagon.—*Louisville Courier-Journal*

Opinions expressed in this column are those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Floyd County Times.











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Sara Hopson

DO YOU KNOW THE WAY  
TO ACAPULCO?

Often times we imagine life the way we'd like it to be instead of the way it really is. That's because sometimes pretending is easier and less complicated than confronting the truth. Other times we want to escape and put the daily grind behind us.

The latter is what my friend, Glenda, had the opportunity to do recently when the National 4-H Council sponsored her on a trip to Acapulco. That's right. An all expense paid working vacation to that exotic, sunny paradise on the coast of Mexico.

It was a dream come true for Glenda. She had always imagined lying on the sandy beaches of a Mexican resort, soaking up the rays as she read novels and ate shrimp cocktails. And now that the opportunity presented itself, she wasn't about to let it slip away.

The invitation came only a few weeks before the departure date so she didn't have a lot of time to prepare for her south of the border rendezvous. Glenda immediately went on a shopping frenzy. She purchased oversized sun hats and various sunglasses in different shapes and colors. She also bought bathing suits and cover-ups, along with gallons of suntan lotion. Aside from picking up several best selling novels, she also bought a Spanish/English dictionary and learned how to request fried ice cream in perfect, unbroken Spanish.

The closer it got to the departure date, the more excited Glenda became.

"It's just a week before you leave, isn't it?" I asked her.

"Si, si, Senorita," she replied.

"I bet you're really excited now."

"Si!" she exclaimed.

From her responses, I knew this was going to be a trip she'd never forget, as well as one she'd never let anyone else forget either.

"How does Garry feel about you going?" I asked.

"Oh, he doesn't care. I told him I'd always wanted to go to Mexico on a honeymoon, so he told me to pretend that he was there."

"Is that possible?"

"Of course, it's possible. You know Garry, don't you?"

Several days before she left the telephone rang. When I picked up the receiver I could hear someone on the other end who sounded as if they were crying.

"Hello, hello. Who is this?" I asked.

"Sar, Sar, Sara?" she shouted.

"Glenda, is that you?"

"Ya, ya, Yes," she replied sadly.

"What's wrong? Lose your Spanish dictionary?"

"No, I'm not going," she said sniffing back the tears.

"Not going to Acapulco?" I asked. "What happened?"

The silence was deafening. I knew Glenda was upset, but I didn't know what to say. She had looked forward to this trip so I knew she was disappointed.

"I never was going to Acapulco," she whispered.

"Glenda! What ever do you mean?"

"I mean, I got the place wrong."

"How could you have done that? There is only one Acapulco that I'm aware of."

"You don't understand. I'm still going on a trip, but I just read the brochure wrong."

"That's an easy mistake. Where are you going? It was Aruba instead of Acapulco, wasn't it?"

"Albuquerque."

(See Smile, A10)

# THE TIMES' WEEKEND

# Extra

## Confederate Railroad

In concert April 25

Morehead State University's Student Government Association will present "Confederate Railroad" in concert on Monday, April 25, at 8 p.m., in the Academic-Athletic Center. Appearing with the country music group will be John Berry and "Highway 101."

"Confederate Railroad" has refined all the best elements of Southern music styles. The group won the Academy of Country Music's 1993 award for "Best New Vocal Group."

The band's serious, mature side also made an impression. "Because of the success we had with singles like 'Jesus and Mama' and 'When You Leave That Way You Can Never Go Back,'" explained lead singer Danny Shirley, "we put more meaty songs on our new album, 'Notorious.'"

Chattanooga native Danny Shirley, whose honest, soulful vocals highlight the Confederate Railroad sound, has led the group since 1981. He is joined by Mark DuFresne (a charter member of the group) on drums, Michael Lamb on guitar, Chris McDaniel on keyboards, Wayne Secrest on bass, and Gates Nichols on the pedal steel guitar.

The band's many years of playing to live crowds paid off when their records hit. It quickly gained a reputation as a high-energy, highly entertaining show which appeals to all types of country fans, from the rock tringes to the hard-core crowds that turned out when they toured with George Jones.

Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2071.



'Confederate Railroad'

"Confederate Railroad" will appear in concert at Morehead State University's Academic-Athletic Center on Monday, April 25, beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is \$15 for reserved and \$12 for bleacher seats. Accompanying the award-winning country music group will be "Highway 101" and John Berry. Additional information is available by calling (606) 783-2071.

## News of the Weird

by Chuck Shepherd

In February, Philadelphia's Department of Licenses and Inspections served notice of a violation on dancer Crystal Storm at Thee Doll House. The department's weights and measures division, whose primary job is checking the accuracy of meat-market scales, ascertained Ms. Storm's bust measurement at only 50 inches, vs. her advertised measurement of "127," which Ms. Storm said was in centimeters. Said department official Frank Antico, "That's deceptive advertising."

### TACKY, TACKY

— According to a report in the Arizona Republic, artist Fritz Scholder of Scottsdale, who said he "buys a book a day," divides his library into two parts: books that mention him and books that don't.

— The Washington Times reported in February that D.C. Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly has used public funds to retain Julie A. Rodgers-Edwards since 1992 as a \$65-an-hour makeup artist, in order to pretty-up the mayor for all public appearances and photo and TV sessions. In March, the Times reported that Rodgers-Edwards has all along lacked the \$45 D.C. cosmetology license because

she had not yet taken the proper tests.

— In January, the U.S. Postal Service withdrew from circulation most of the rare, misprinted 29-cent stamps honoring cowboy Bill Pickett but picturing his brother Ben. To recover one outstanding stamp, which may be worth \$1 million to collectors, the Postal Service offered the owner, Dan Piske of Bend, Ore., 29 cents and a USPS coffee mug. (Piske declined.)

### MULTICULTURALISM

— The Associated Press reported in August on the growing movement in Muslim countries to abandon the ancient tradition of permitting husbands to divorce their wives by shouting "Talaq!" three times. Pakistan, Turkey, Syria and Indonesia are among the nations that have abandoned the tradition, but it continues in India. In India, a man may either shout "Talaq" three times at once, with the divorce effective four months later, or shout "Talaq" one-time during each of three consecutive menstrual periods and be divorced immediately after the third shout.

— In August near Denver, two Tarahumara Indians from northern Mexico, one aged 55, finished first and second in the U.S.'s highest-

altitude 100-mile race, the Leadville 100, even though the Indians were the only runners not wearing conventional running shoes. Both wore homemade sandals made from used automobile tires.

— In September, The Economist magazine reported that Japan's meteorology agency had recently completed a seven-year study to ascertain the validity of the Japanese legend that earthquakes are caused by catfish wiggling their tails. After trying to match catfish tail-wagging with a number of small earthquakes, the agency abandoned the study, refusing to confirm or criticize the legend.

— The Vancouver Sun reported in July that the local school board was aware of more than a dozen cases of Asian parents who immigrated to Canada with their children and then moved back home when they could not find work, leaving the kids, mostly 15- and 16-year-olds, behind so that they could attend school for as many as two years. Canadian law calls it "abandonment" only when the child is under 10.

— A February Associated Press dispatch from Pakistan reported on a tradition dating from around A.D. 750 of chaining a mentally ill person to a

tree near the graveyard of Saint Haji Sher so that the saint will rescue his soul. Typical waiting time is nine days, but some stay longer, and one man has been chained to a tree for six years.

### THE WEIRDO-AMERICAN COMMUNITY

From November until late February, Brenda Butler Bryant filed 335 lawsuits in federal court in Philadelphia, accounting for one-fifth of all new cases; each one, said Judge Jay Waldman, was "frivolous" and unintelligible. He quoted from one against the Social Security Administration: "Big Mac? Slave Master Now? No slave ain't master now. Ride them cowboy. Terrorist, radicals and militants in authoritative roles to provoke violent crimes Cecil B. Moore." Several recent filings have included, as coplaintiffs, The Pep Boys, whom Bryant describes as her sons.

### UNDIGNIFIED DEATH

In Commerce City, Colo., in July, a 39-year-old man riding a motorcycle on U.S. 85 was killed when a 40-pound dog fell off an overhead railroad bridge on top of him, causing him to lose control of the cycle and collide with a truck.

## Poperri

by Scott Perry

Okay, we've known for thirty years that cigarette smoking is hazardous to our health.

Now that tobacco has been designated as the villain of choice for the 90s, though, we're finding that tobacco may not be the bad guy at all.

Dr. Rick Dart, director of the Rocky Mountain Poison Control Center in Denver, has conducted a study on cigarettes, and he has found that they aren't just tobacco rolled up in paper.

The modern smoke, in fact, has a recipe that resembles something you might concoct if you grabbed one of everything out of the fridge, wrapped it up in a newspaper and set fire to it.

Here's a partial list of the "additives" Dr. Dart found in his study of cigarettes...

- Orange oil
- Pineapple juice concentrate
- Prune juice
- Rum
- Grape juice
- Licorice
- Vinegar
- Vanilla extract
- Maple syrup
- Honey

None of these "ingredients" are among those the average person would consider lighting up, unless they were accustomed to smoking pancakes or banana splits, that is.

But then, we knew people back in the 60s who would smoke anything they could light.

Apparently, there are still people like that.

Heard a report this week that a jail in Michigan was going to quit serving spinach to inmates because they were drying the stuff

out and smoking it.

Don't know what effect spinach produces when smoked, but we imagine its preferable to the results of smoking oak moss, another additive found in cigarettes.

Who knows what manner of tiny forest creatures may have paused by the old oak tree for a moment of relief?

Anyway, with all these "new" pieces added to the puzzlement over smoking, scientists no doubt will have to go back to the drawing board to determine just exactly what it is about cigarettes that makes them so harmful.

Meanwhile, those of us who would rather fight than switch, may want to check out this spinach thing.

Hey, it worked for Popeye.

BY SELI GROVES

# SOAP UPDATES

**ALL MY CHILDREN:** Fearful of needles, Jamal ducked out on the paternity test. Adam tried to claw his and Gloria's way out of the collapsed tunnel. Janet saw Trevor on television following the cave-in and headed for the boathouse where she narrowly escaped being seen by him. After the rescue, Alec overheard Gloria and Adam vow their love for each other. After Erica turned down Del's offer to write her biography, he turned to Kendall. Kendall fumed when she heard Erica's offer to donate part of her modeling income to a rape crisis center. Edmund and Corvina told Dimitri Anton is his son. Wait To See: Janet decides to make a bolder move.

**ANOTHER WORLD:** Vicky threatened to tell the media about the call-girl scandal unless Grant provided the divorce papers quickly. Grant followed Lorna's advice and told his side of the story without naming Josie. On the morning of her wedding, Vicky met with Grant to sign the divorce papers and began to have contractions. Brett saw a sinister-looking man as she watched the Espresso Bar by Ryan. Rachel accepted Carl's proposal. Thinking of Iris, Carl told Ito about the "obstacle." Jake gave Iris his conditions for getting Carl out of Cory. Wait To See: Iris and Carl each make plans that could backfire badly.

**AS THE WORLD TURNS:** In Montega, Craig was stunned to find his visa revoked. Shannon balked,

then agreed to sign the divorce papers. Duncan later assured Jessica the divorce was final but he was troubled by memories of Shannon. Barbara found the factory had been vandalized. Royce was curious about Shannon's reluctance to talk about her experiences in Africa. Later, they were followed by a mysterious man. Lily tended to Damian in Malta, but was unable to tell him what he wanted to hear. Larry accidentally saw Emily undressing. She later overreacted when he suggested she find another place to live. Wait To See: Royce has new problems to deal with.

**BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL:** Anthony tried to tell Sally about Macy, but was overwhelmed when she said how much he meant to her and C.J. Brooke warned Taylor she would find out what happened the night Taylor and James were alone in the cabin. James told Taylor that if she must tell Ridge about that night, she should do it in a romantic setting. Later, Ridge misinterpreted the romantic evening as Taylor's way of announcing she was pregnant. Jack was upset when Stephanie turned down his bid for dinner to go dining and dancing with Eric. Brooke was pleasantly surprised to find she was enjoying her dinner and dancing date with James. Wait To See: Stephanie is in the midst of an unexpected dilemma.

**DAYS OF OUR LIVES:** At Victor's gala party for Kate, Laura revealed Kate's affair with Bill, and

that Bill was Lucas's father. Victor stood by Kate until Fisher revealed that he and Kate weren't legally wed because Kate and Curtis never divorced. A gloating Vivian moved in to get Victor for herself. Under hypnosis, John recalled the chandelier at the southern plantation. Roman also recalled the plantation where he was held before being taken to the dungeon. Marlena was unaware that Alan was her mysterious caller who threatened to rape someone—and that his target was Carrie. Meanwhile, Alan left a drunken Sami passed out on a couch in the frat house and was getting set to break into Carrie's room. Wait To See: John's confrontation with Stefano could put Kristen into danger.

**GENERAL HOSPITAL:** Luke and Laura began to close in on Frank Smith's whereabouts, while Smith worked out a scheme of his own. Miguel's "stand in" performance for Eddie/Ned at the Outback was a rousing success. Ignoring warnings from their families and friends, Brenda and Robin decided to make a date with Sonny and Stone. Brenda was critical of the way Ned treated Lois. Ned later asked Lois for forgiveness. Lucy watched as Bobbie revealed her feelings to Damian. Wait To See: Ned is surprised by a new threat to this undercover status.

**GUIDING LIGHT:** Dylan told Mindy why he's supporting Bridget's claim to Peter. Alan-Michael was impressed when Lucy walked off after he accused her of being jealous of him and Jenna. After a warning from Buzz, Nadine turned down Pauly's proposal. Pauly vowed to get even with Ross when Ross said he'd find proof about the missing money that would send him to jail. Frank and Eleni argued over the out-of-town job she wanted to take, unaware it was a setup by Julie to get Frank alone. Jenna was touched when Buzz said he wanted to have a child with

her. Wait To See: Pauly shows how dangerous he can be.

**LOVING:** Curtis went to confront Trucker (who had been caught in a poacher's trap) over Dinah Lee. He found him injured and helpless and rushed him to the hospital. Later, Dinah Lee was stunned to learn Curtis had saved Trucker's life. Alex told a comatose Ava his divorce from Egypt was final. As Ava's condition worsened, Harry beckoned her to eternal peace. Inspired by a dream, Alex decided to marry Ava in a bedside ceremony, hoping it would give her something to live for. Wait To See: Angie and Charlie face the possibility of her being HIV-infected.

**ONE LIFE TO LIVE:** Rebecca and Powell declared their love for each other. Cassie told Andrew about the radical hormone therapy she was following to become pregnant. Saying she won't ruin his life, Cassie asked him for a divorce. Viki took the stand on the first day of Dorian's trial. Nora got a mysterious phone call and flew off to Portland, Oregon to speak with Chapin, Victor's former butler. Bo went to New York to follow up on Lynn's tip to the police about Todd. Wait To See: Nora learns more than she expected from Chapin.

**YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS:** Martha, the shelter group leader, told Chris April never detailed Robert's abuse or showed signs of being beaten, but did say she'd kill him if he threatened Heather. With Ryan and Nina as their witnesses, Victoria and Cole remarried, unaware that Victor had slipped in unseen to watch the ceremony. After Victoria accused Nikki of wanting Cole for herself, Nikki said Victoria wasn't woman enough for him. Jed knocked a drink out of Nikki's hand. After hearing Lauren answer the phone in Brad's New York hotel room, Traci told Steve she won't extend Brad's visiting rights. Wait To See: Jed makes a decision that could change his and Nikki's life.

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## NATASHA'S STARS

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) This is an excellent time for financial record keeping and making important decisions about investments and the use of joint assets. Associating with a friend with problems could result in you both feeling down. Children too could be demanding.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Communicative skills are tops now. It's the perfect week for reaching agreements with others and making plans with partners. A small concern upsets you later in the week. Home life may be somewhat hectic. You may face a minor household repair.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You are sharp-witted this week and your business judgment is excellent. Some of you will receive a freelance assignment. Important progress will be made now. Travelers may meet with extra expenses this weekend and you may get stranded.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You have a good head for business this week. Money interests prosper. Buying and selling are favored. You may feel the need to correct an erring relative who seeks out your advice but resist this. Hard feelings can result.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Some will be immersed in a good book this week. You will be making important decisions affecting home and family now. Overlook a minor slight late in the week caused by an overzealous co-worker. Forget about getting your own way this weekend. Compromise!

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) You are extra persuasive this week and should make important phone calls now. Studying and creative activity are pluses. Be careful, though, not to be overly critical, a downfall of yours. Relax quietly this weekend.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Others are receptive to your ideas. A slight oversight could occur involving money. Small upsets at home and difficulties in connection with parenting could cause you to make a change in social plans this weekend.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Though it's not the best week for business concerns, it still is

a good time to get your ideas across to others. You are more self-expressive than usual. Guard against unfeasible tangents. A home responsibility needs handling this weekend.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) It's a good week for mental work and catching up on correspondence. Time by yourself leads to important insights. Someone close to you has difficulty understanding what you're trying to say. Stop beating around the bush.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) You know your objectives and how best to attain them. This is an excellent time for interviews and business-related discussions. A friend may seem superficial now. Avoid this person. Don't incur unnecessary expenses this weekend.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Heart-to-heart discussions are favored now. This is the perfect time to clear up any misunderstandings, both at work and on the domestic scene. Judgment may be short-sighted about one particular work concern.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Important insights come now through a class, lecture, or seminar. Talks with advisers are also favored today. Travelers make interesting side trips. This weekend, be careful not to be the wet blanket dampening others' enthusiasm.

### Smile

(Continued from A 9)

"What?"  
 "Albuquerque, New Mexico."  
 "You're kidding," I laughed.  
 "That's not even the capital."  
 "Worse than that," she answered quickly.  
 "It's still in the United States. Garry is still laughing at me."

At least one good thing came out of her preparation, she was still able to use her Spanish.

Answers to Super Crossword

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 AND PATTOURE AUBERE  
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# Allen Central AAU 13-year-olds split two; 12-year-olds fall

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Allen Central AAU 13-year-olds basketball team split two games this week, losing to South Floyd and defeating Pikeville.

Allen Central defeated Pikeville 55-23 behind the 19-point performance of Matthew Mayo. Mayo hit two three's in the game. Teammate Brian Jones tossed in 17 in the victory.

Mayo took charge of a seemingly sluggish offense and scored 10 points in the second quarter when Allen Central scored 23 points in the quarter. Mayo had three field goals and a trey. Jones added six points in the period and Jesse Hall scored four.

The 23-point outburst gave Allen Central a 32-11 halftime lead after leading by three, 9-6, in the initial quarter.

Hall finished with six points for Allen Central. Josh Hall scored four points and Larry Mullins hit a three-pointer to finish with three. Larry Nobili, Shawn Flannery and Chad Samons scored two each.

J.C. Hensley led Pikeville with 10 points. Eight came in the final quarter. Brandon Bartley had five points.

South Floyd placed three players in double figures as they won by 13 over Allen Central, 59-46.

Darin Newsome led the way with 18 points and Adam Tackett added 14. Justin Paige scored 13.

Game scoring honors went to Allen Central's Mayo, who finished with 22 points. Larry Mullins had three three-pointers and scored nine points. Jesse Hall and Brian Jones

finished with five each with Josh Hall tossing in four. Larry Nobili had one.

Jarrold Johnson and Anthony Tackett had six each for South Floyd. Mike Gross added two.

South Floyd, behind Tackett, took a 16-10 first quarter lead as Allen Central stayed close behind the shooting of Mayo. Mayo hit two of his five treys in the first quarter.

South Floyd held a seven-point lead at the half as they went to the locker room leading 28-21. Mullins had two of his three treys in the second period.

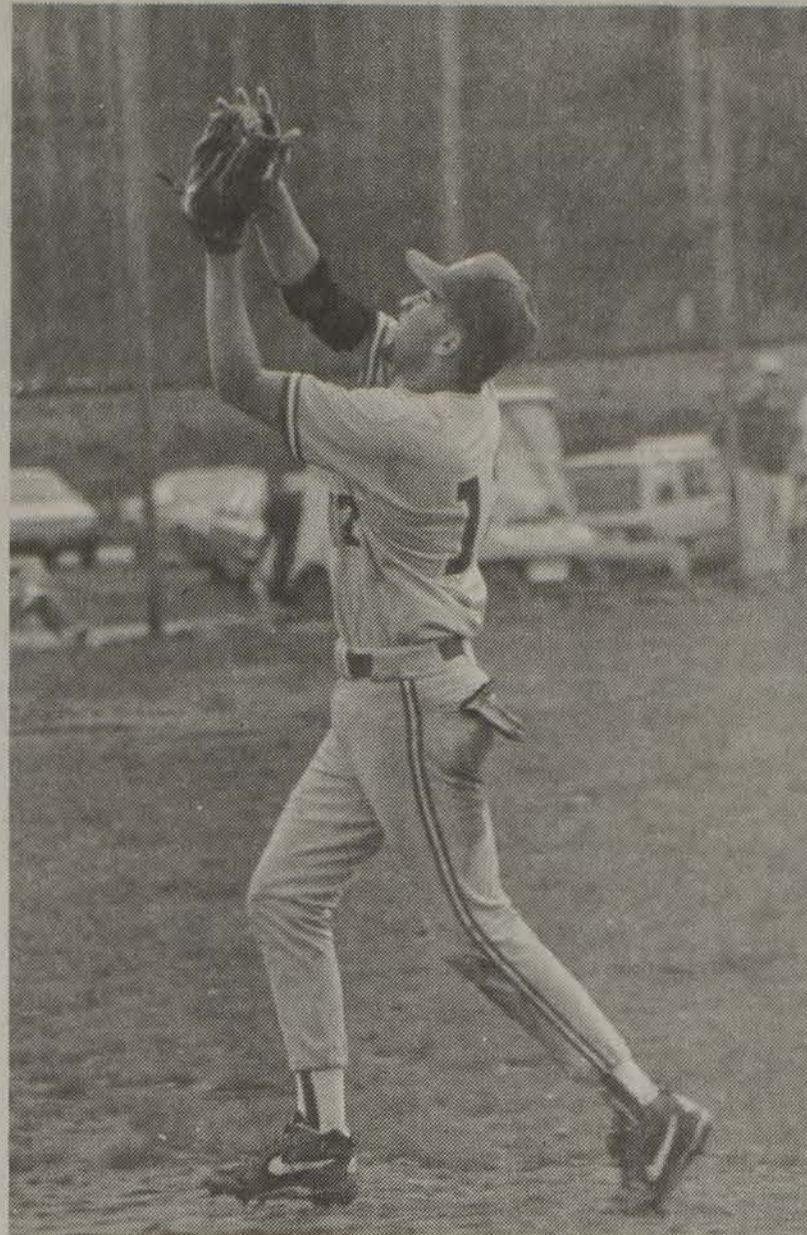
Allen Central clawed their way back into the game by outscoring South Floyd 14-9 in the third period to make it a 37-35 game. Mayo hit two treys, Jones buried one and Mullins hit his third.

But it was a drastic fourth for Allen Central as South Floyd doubled the score, 22-11, in the final period. Newsome grabbed the hot hand for South Floyd and scored 10 points in the fourth stanza.

Allen Central's 12-year-olds AAU team fell 63-20 to South Floyd as Todd Craft scored a game-high 16 points. Ryan Shannon added 12 and Tyson Blair scored 10.

Shannon Williams had six points for the winners with Dustin Mullins, tossing in five. Dustin Tackett and Shawn Little scored four each with Nathan Tackett and John Howell scoring two each.

Larry Mullins and Shanna Howell led Allen Central with five each. Chad Samons added four. Jeremy Sexton, Brent Slone and James Slone scored two apiece.



Hit's grand-slam home run!

Allen Central first baseman Kevin Martin went into foul territory to gather in a pop foul. Martin swung a heavy bat for the Rebels as he drilled a grand-slam home run in the fifth inning. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Allen Central — (Continued from B 1)

300-meters and finished with a 19:65 in the 100.

Pam Goble placed third and Allison Conley fourth in the women's 100-meter hurdles. Both finished in the same spots in the women's 300 hurdles.

Nikki Queen was off her pace in the women's 100-meter dash and placed fifth with a time of 14:55. Sixth place went to Allison Hall at 14:59. Nicole Clark and Jessica Slone ran the event and did not place.

Eighth-grader Crystal Martin brought home a first-place finish in the women's 1600-meter run. Martin had a time of 7:04.18. Mary Baldrige took third place with a 8:00.34.

"Crystal ran a great race," said the Allen Central coach. "She stayed close at three or four meters the whole race."

It was on the last turn that Martin made her move and took the lead for good.

"She came across the finish line in a dead sprint," said Jamerson. "She did not force the race and it was more a tactical race than speed."

Floyd and Ousley placed three and four in the women's 400-meter dash. Floyd had second with a 1:09.52 and Ousley finished at 1:21.65.

Annie Harvey, who Coach Jamerson thought may not be able to compete this season, took first place in the women's 800-meter run. In fact, Allen Central captured the top three spots in the event.

Harvey finished at 2:50.58. Isaac came in at 3:07.37 and Jessica Martin posted a 3:32.

Baldrige ran a strong race in the grueling 3200-meter run. Baldrige took first place with her time of 17:06.00. Nikki Queen came in fifth overall in the women's 200-meter dash.

In the women's field events, Melissa Mullins finished second in the discus with a toss of 73 feet. Desiree Wallen, a sophomore, took fourth place with a throw of 57 feet.

Mullins placed fourth in the women's shot put with her throw of 24 feet and 5 inches. Jenny Wells

finished sixth with a throw of 23 feet and 4 inches. Wallen took part in the shot put, but did not place.

Queen finished third in the long jump with a leap of 13 feet and 4 inches. Fifth place went to Allison Hall at 11 feet and 9 inches. Nicole Clark measured at 12 feet.

Brown was fourth in the women's high jump. Brown had a leap of 4 feet and 2 inches. Heather Conley finished fifth.

Belfry finished second in the meet with 83 points. Pikeville came in third and Betsy Layne fourth. Shelby Valley and Pike Central rounded out the field.

Allen Central will be back at Pikeville next Tuesday.

# Clark, Hunter combine for no-hitter at Fleming-Neon Ousley collects three hits in 8-0 win

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Senior Barry Clark hurled four innings of shutout, no-hit baseball, and Greg Hunter worked the final inning and did not allow a hit as the Betsy Layne Bobcats continued to roll in high school baseball.

The Bobcats got three hits out of center fielder Scott Ousley and Brandon Castle drove in two runs as coach Junior Newsome ballclub posted a 8-0 win to go 5-1 on the season.

Betsy Layne scored all the runs they needed in the first inning as they played their first game on the road. The Bobcats played three runs in the first and grabbed the 3-0 lead.

Ousley had a one-out single and Derrick Newsome walked. With two

out, Castle singled home Ousley and Newsome scored on an error off the bat of Keith Hamilton. Greg Hunter's base hit scored Castle with the third run.

It was 4-0 after the Bobcats batted in the second inning. Willie Meade led the inning off with a solid base hit. Shawn Rose followed with a base hit and Ousley got his second hit of the game. Meade scored on Chris Potter's sacrifice fly to center field.

Hunter doubled home Hamilton, who was hit by a pitch, in the third inning to make it 5-0. Three runs crossed homeplate in the Betsy Layne half of the fourth. Clark and Castle had RBI singles and Hunter drove in Castle with a RBI base hit.

Meade, who singled, moved to second on an error, and scored on an overthrow at third base by the first baseman.

Clark, in working the first four innings, allowed no runs on no hits. He fanned six batters and walked two. Hunter worked a perfect fifth for Betsy Layne.

## New softball league for women forming

If enough teams enter, a new women's softball league will become a reality at Archer Park this season.

Any women teams that are interested in being part of the new league are urged to contact Pam or Kenny Music at 886-1032 for more information.

The league is expected to start in two weeks.

Be one of the first to sign up for what promises to be an exciting women's softball league.

## Kiwanis Slo-pitch Softball Classic, April 22-23

The Greater Martin County Kiwanis will sponsor a double-elimination slo-pitch men's softball tournament on April 22-23 at Warfield Park.

The first 16 teams will be accepted in the tournament and entry fee is set at \$75, plus two blue dot softballs.

First, second and third place team trophies will be awarded. T-shirts will be awarded to individual players on the winners and runners-up teams. Also, trophies will go to the Most Valuable Player, the leading hitter, the home run king and an all-tournament team.

For more information, call 298-0020 or 298-7509

## Bobcats

(Continued from B 1)

run and double. Martin finished with four runs batted in.

Allen Central collected five hits in the game and left six runners stranded

on base. The Rebels committed four errors.

Kevin Martin was the losing pitcher in relief. Martin worked one and a third innings, allowing 10 runs, all earned, on eight hits. Martin struck out one while walking one.

Jason Martin came on to pitch the last one and two-thirds innings. He did not allow a run and gave up three hits. He struck out one.

Allen Central (0-1) travels to Pikeville Monday and will host Magoffin County Tuesday.

Betsy Layne (7-1) plays in the Hillbilly Classic tonight in a scheduled 9 p.m. game. The Bobcats will play Phelps.

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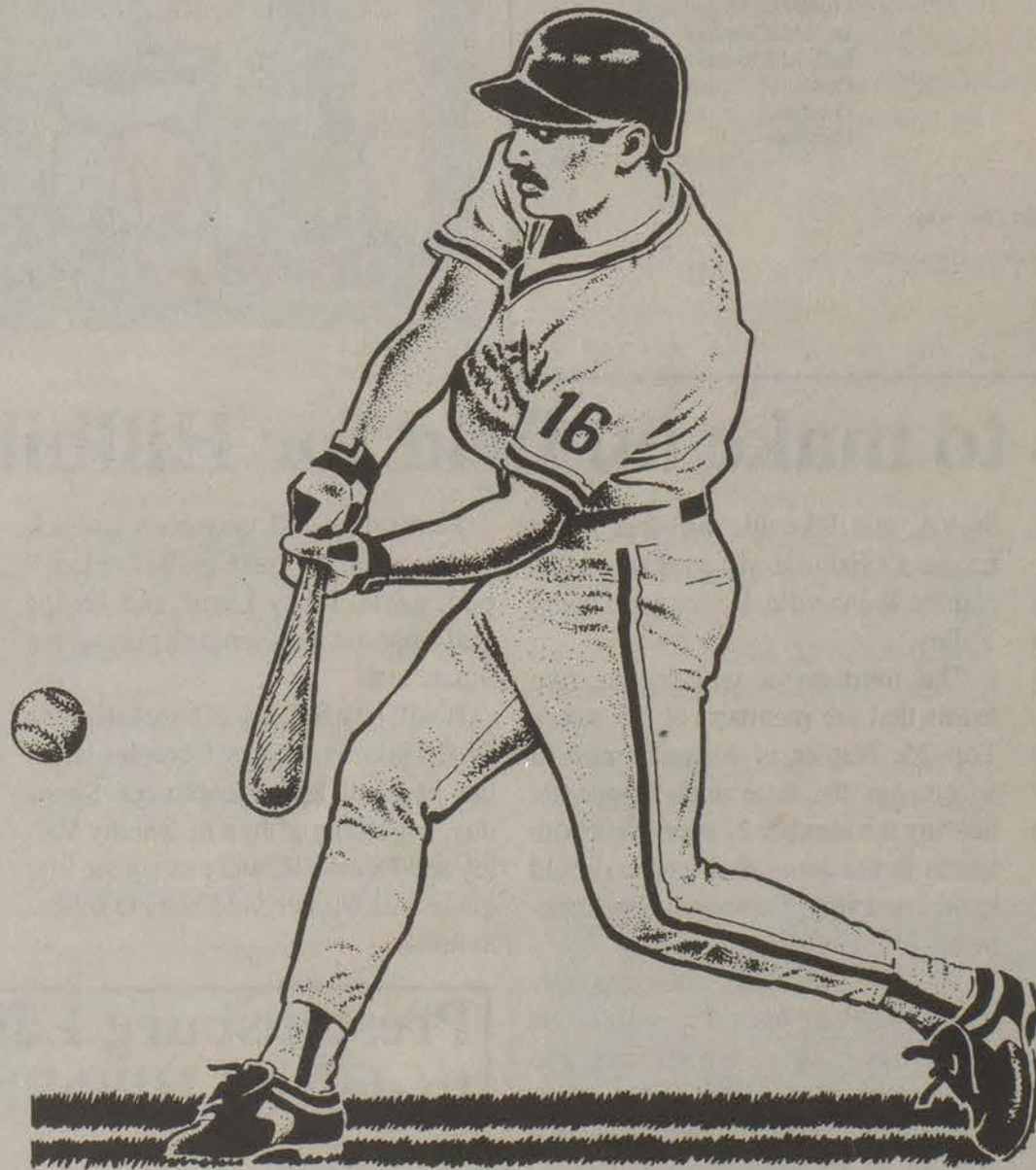
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# *The Big Game*



## **Hillbilly Days Classic**

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**Betsy Layne Bobcats  
Baseball Roster**

Chris Potter	Shortstop
Scott Ousley	Outfield
Derrick Newsome	Outfield/Pitcher
Shannon Newsome	Third Base/Pitcher
Barry Clark	First Base/Pitcher
Greg Hunter	Catcher/Pitcher/First Base
Keith Hamilton	Outfield/Catcher
Brandon Castle	Second Base/Pitcher
Willie Meade	Outfield
Shannon Potter	Infield
Chad Case	Infield
Doug Keathley	Infield
Chad Frasure	Infield
Jamey Hunt	Outfield
Russell Kidd	Catcher
Travis Stephens	Outfield/Catcher
Richard Stephens	Infield/Pitcher
Brad Kidd	Outfield
Shawn Rose	Infield/Catcher
Lance Jones	Infield/Pitcher
Matt Kidd	Outfield
Dwayne Hughes	Outfield
Brad Reynolds	Catcher

Head Coach: Junior Newsome  
Assistant Coach: Duran Newsome



**Eight teams to make up field for Hillbilly Days..**

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Hillbilly Days. It's here again and the City of Pikeville will be buzzing with visitors from all over the area.

But the special days have become more than just a parade with funny cars, and booths. It is more, much more.

The Hillbilly Days Classic has become one of the top high school baseball tournaments in the state and this year will be no exception.

The Betsy Layne Bobcats are the defending champions of the classic, having won it over Paintsville last year.

The classic will be divided into two divisions, just as it was last year, with the winners of each division meeting on Saturday night for the tournament championship.

In Division I, Phelps, Williamson,

W.V.A. and Pikeville will join Betsy Layne. Division II will consist of M.C. Napier, Paintsville, Belfry and Shelby Valley.

The tournament will feature two teams that are members of the state's Top 25. Napier is currently ranked seventh in the state with Paintsville holding the number 21 spot. With both teams in the same division, it should make for a very interesting confrontation.

The cry "Play ball!" started yesterday with three games. Pikeville faced Betsy Layne in a 4 p.m. start and Williamson took on the Phelps Hornets. Shelby Valley squared off against Belfry.

Host Pikeville will face Williamson in an afternoon game that starts at 3 p.m. The two ranked teams, Napier and Paintsville, will battle on the diamond in what has the makings of a good contest. Game time is 5 p.m.

Paintsville will play back-to-back games when they take on Belfry in a 7 p.m. game. Betsy Layne and Phelps will close out the evening's play with a 9 p.m. start.

It will be a full day of baseball at the W.C. Hambly Athletic Complex when the baseball action continues Saturday, beginning at 10 a.m. Shelby Valley and Paintsville will meet in the first game with Napier and Belfry to follow at noon.

At 2 p.m., Phelps will go against an always-tough Pikeville team. Betsy Layne will meet Williamson at 4 p.m. and the final divisional game will find Napier and Shelby Valley going at it on the base paths.

This is a must for those who love high school baseball. Come and watch some of the area's top talent.

The two divisional winners will meet at 8 p.m. Saturday to decide the championship.

**Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats set to defend Hillbilly Classic title**

Prestonsburg head softball coach Bridget Clay and her Lady Blackcats will travel to Pikeville this Saturday as they endeavor to defend their title in the Hillbilly Days Classic Softball Tournament.

Prestonsburg defeated Pikeville in

the championship game last year and the Lady Panthers are expected to be a top regional team this season.

Other teams in the tournament include Millard, Shelby Valley, Whitesburg, Sheldon Clark, Pikeville, Magoffin and Neon.

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# Lady Blackcats, Bobcats Classic winners...

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats will have to rise early Saturday morning and the sleep will have been gone from their eyes for their first-game appointment with Shelby Valley. The game is the Lady Blackcats first step in the defense of their title as champions of the Hillbilly Days Softball Tournament.

Last season Prestonsburg won the round-robin affair with a win over Prestonsburg.

Coach Bridget Clay lost a lot of talent from last year's squad, but she will also return a strong field of players.

The Miller twins will hold down two positions for the Lady Blackcats with Jennifer playing first base and Stephanie in right field. The other

three roaming in the outfield will be Jamie Ratcliff in left, Carolyn Fitzer in center and Jeanna Fannin in the short field.

The infield will be anchored by some pretty good gloves in Jamie Clay at shortstop and Camillie Robinson at second. Third base will find Donna Hall getting the call and Jennifer Greathouse will be behind the plate for Prestonsburg, receiving pitches from Carolyn Jones.

Clay is no doubt one of the top shortstops in the region and she covers a lot of ground at the six spot. A solid hitter and team leader.

Jamie Ratcliff swings a big bat for the 2-0 Lady Blackcats, as does Robinson. Fitzer and Miller are solid hitters as well.

On the Prestonsburg bench will be Michelle Clark, Misty Crider, Misty Price, Mariah Hyden and Crystal

Betsy Layne, like Prestonsburg, will be looking to repeat as champions on the baseball side of the complex. Coach Junior Newsome's ballclub is contender for a regional title this season and will have to contend with the likes of Paintsville and M.C. Napier in order to repeat.

The Bobcats have all the ingredients for another championship. At 7-2 on the season, Betsy Layne fell to Paintsville this past Wednesday night. The two teams are in different divisions and could meet again in the championship game Saturday night.

Barry Clark, Shannon Newsome, Derrick Newsome and Greg Hunter give the Bobcats a strong four-man rotation. Freshman Brandon Castle makes a fifth starter who is capable of beating anyone.

But the Bobcats are more than just pitching. They are a solid-hitting

ballclub as well. From the lead off batter, Scott Ousley, through the number nine hitter, each can hit the baseball.

Chris Potter follows Ousley in the lineup and has been on a personal tear of his own. A solid performer at shortstop. No bat has come around like Shannon Newsome's. The big right-hander/third baseman has woke up his bat and has been one of the reasons for the success of this team.

Derrick Newsome continues to make good contact and plays a strong outfield. Castle is ahead of his years and doesn't play like a freshman. A good contact hitter who makes things happen.

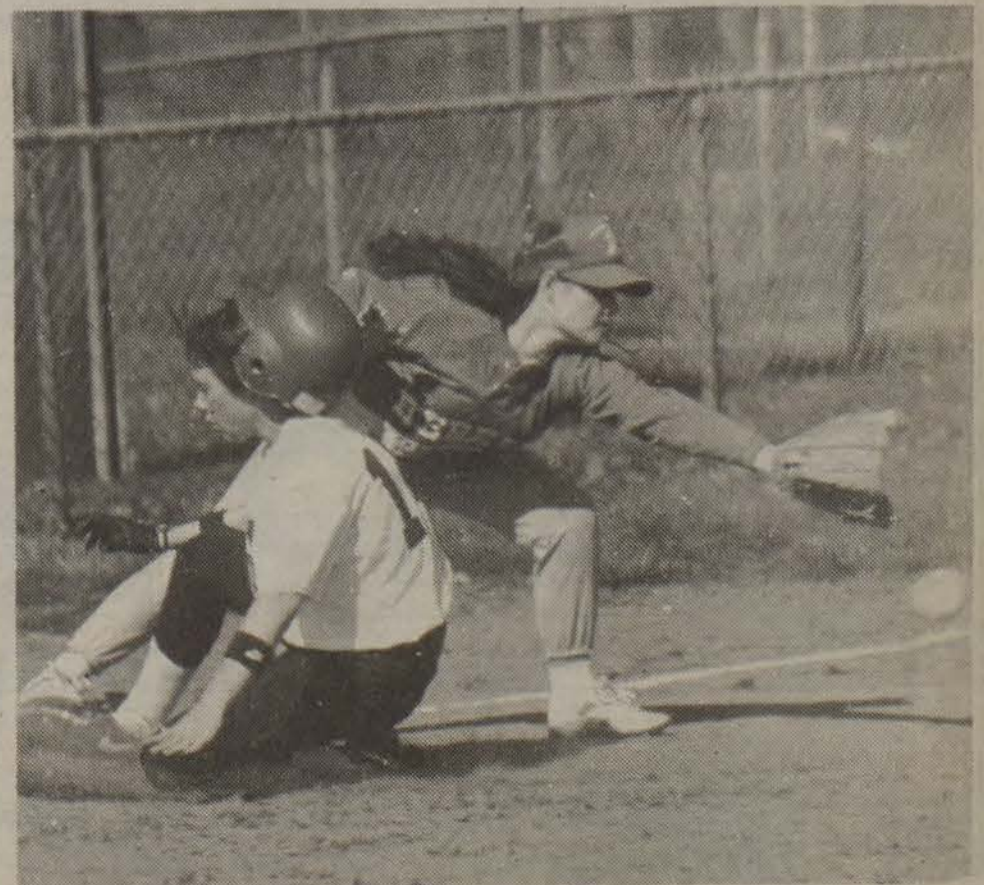
Shawn Rose, catcher, and Willie Meade, outfield, have been big additions to this year's ballclub, as well as Doug Keathley and Shannon Potter.

**Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats  
Softball Roster**

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Janet Miller	First Base
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Donna Hall	Third Base
Jennifer Greathouse	Catcher
Carolyn Jones	Pitcher
Jamie Ratcliff	Left Field
Jeanna Fannin	Short Field
Carolyn Fitzer	Center Field
Stephanie Miller	Right Field
Michelle Clark	Outfield
Misty Crider	Outfield/Infield
Misty Price	Infield
Mariah Hyden	Infield
Crystal Thornsby	Infield











# The Friday Comics

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By GARY LARSON **THE FAR SIDE**

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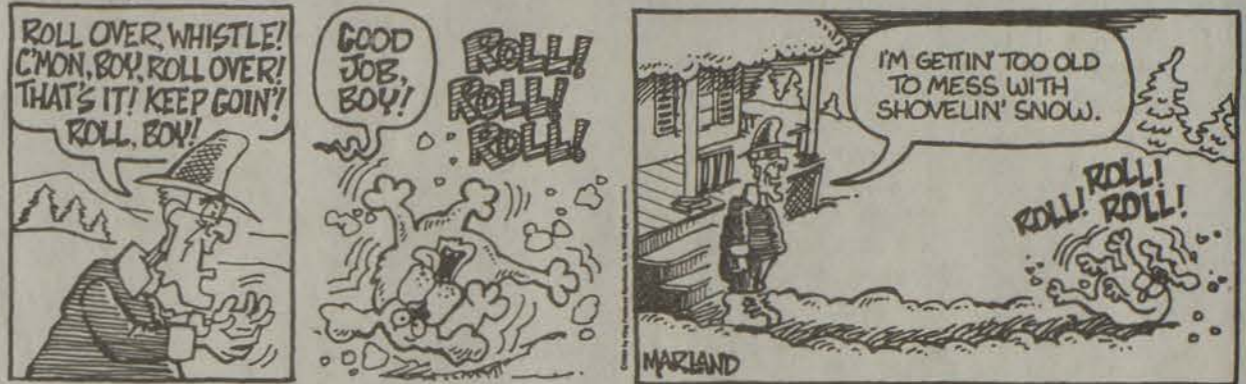
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## R.F.D. by MIKE MARLAND



## RATZ by BEN SMITH



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starve (stārv), *v. i.*  
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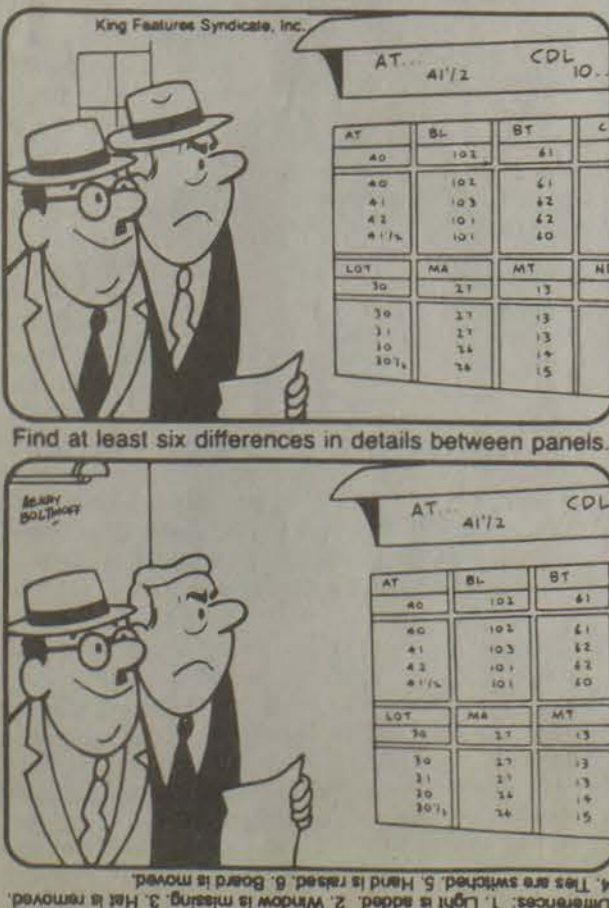
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