

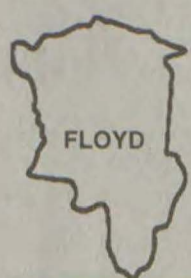
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## Long-term Care Unit

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# Special ed. program to get close scrutiny

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

Parents have won their fight to restore a special education unit at Betsy Layne High School and closer state scrutiny of the district's special needs programs has been ordered.

The state's Exceptional Children's Appeals Board ruled January 17 that Floyd school officials had acted improperly by closing the special education unit at Betsy Layne and ordered that it be re-

## Parents win battle to reopen Betsy Layne unit; all special-needs cases to be audited by state within 90-days

opened immediately.

If the unit is not reopened, the district faces fines of \$1,500 per day per student for four students who attended classes there.

Interim Floyd superintendent Louie Martin said Tuesday he had not seen the ruling and was conferring with state officials about how to address the situation.

Jim Parks, spokesman for the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) said Tuesday state officials have advised the school system to re-open the Betsy Layne unit "immediately."

The parents of the four students asked last year for due process hearings to protest the closure of the unit, saying the move would

traumatize their children.

A local Admissions and Release Committee (ARC) ruled in favor of the parents and the board appealed that decision to the state appeals board.

The unit was closed in July by former superintendent Dr. John Balentine, as part of the district's deficit reduction plan.

The appeals board also ordered that the KDE's Division of Exceptional Children Services conduct a full audit of the program of each student with disabilities in the Floyd County School System within 90 days of the order.

Parks said state officials had planned a review of the district's special education program prior to

the appeals board ruling, but that probe was not expected to be as extensive as the one ordered.

"A full audit entails looking at every child's IEP (Individual Education Plan) and finding out if the district has provided the services called for in those IEPs," Parks said. "It is a tedious and time consuming process. We don't do them lightly, but we do them."

If state officials determine that local school personnel have not

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## No pay, no service, says trash collector

### Rumpke out, United Waste in, court finds

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

Floyd residents who are paying their garbage bills will no longer be paying for those who don't.

Rumpke's Dave Cooley announced Friday to the Floyd Fiscal Court during its regular monthly meeting that a new company will be providing the county's garbage service.

"Rumpke assigned its contract with the county to United Waste of Kentucky," Cooley said Monday.

Carl Town, division manager for United Waste of Kentucky, addressed the court Friday for its "blessing" in taking over the contract.

"We do things a little different than Rumpke," Town said Friday. "We have to be paid."

Town explained that Rumpke had a difficult time in determining which residents were paying their garbage bills.

"We go by the sticker program," Town said.

The division manager said he foresaw short-term problems with the transition in companies and the way each operates.

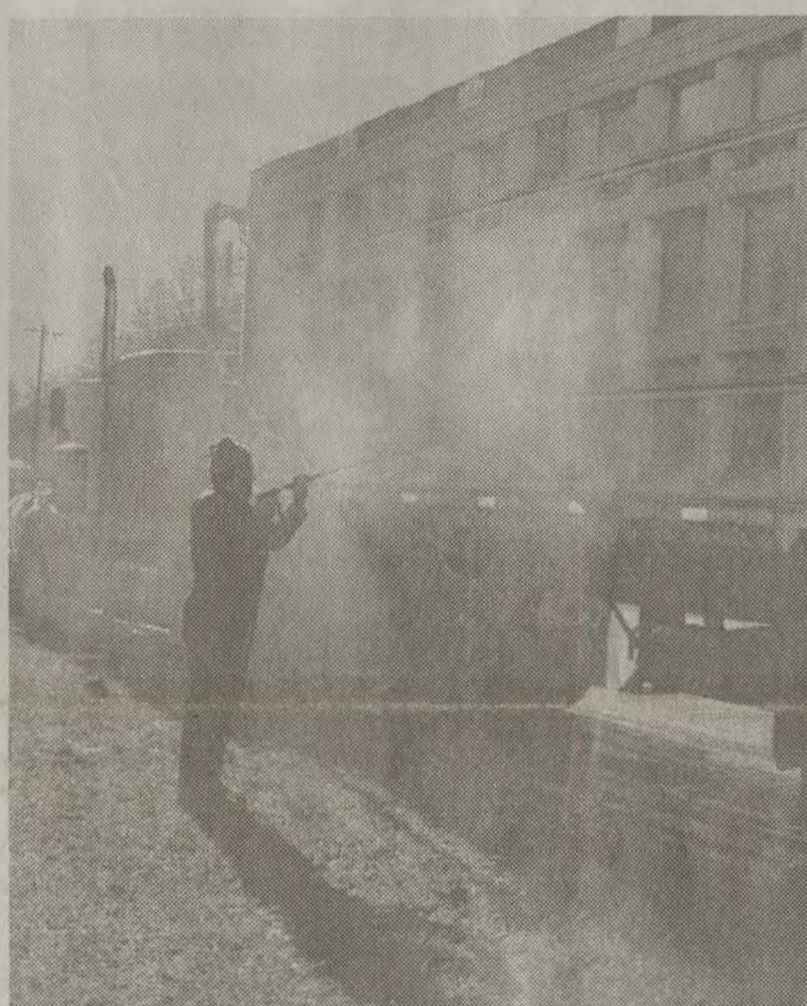
"When they don't get picked up — I'm sure they're going to call you (the fiscal court)," he said.

"Our business is to get paid for what we do," Town said. "We pick up only who pays us."

Magistrate Jackie Owens said he was concerned about a potential litter problem in the county when everyone's garbage isn't picked up.

"Companies go broke picking up when people don't pay," Town

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Break in the weather...

Perry L. Ousley took advantage of spring-like weather Tuesday to wash down a coal truck on Route 3. After a two-week period of sub-freezing weather, temperatures climbed into the low 70s early this week. (photo by Scott Perry)

## Wave of robberies and burglaries raise concerns, workload for cops

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

A recent wave of robberies and burglaries in Floyd and surrounding counties means the Kentucky State Police will be putting a lot of time into investigating the numerous crimes.

"Everybody is concerned about the robberies," KSP sergeant Lowell Ward said Monday, "and we certainly are too."

In the past week, two Floyd County convenience stores have been robbed at gunpoint and several other businesses have been burglarized.

Ward said Tuesday that he was

not sure why there has been a lot of criminal activity in the area recently.

"Anytime there is this many of any type of crime — It's not normal," Ward said. "Sometimes you have a group that do it (commit the crimes)."

The sergeant said the numerous crimes may be a "copy cat problem."

"If one gets by with it, others want to try," he said. "We don't know if it is the same group or copy cats."

Aside from numerous on-going investigations into other robberies in the Pikeville Post 9 area, the KSP opened another case early

Sunday morning after three men robbed a Watergap store.

The Country Store was robbed around 3:20 a.m. when three subjects entered the store with a small caliber handgun and fled on foot with an undetermined amount of money, according to a KSP Pikeville Post 9 media release.

That robbery is under investigation by KSP detective David Maynard.

Less than a week before Sunday's robbery, a Lancer store was also robbed at gunpoint.

According to another media release, one white male entered the

(See **Wave**, page three)

## Robber caught after holdup, kidnapping

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

An Auxier man was arrested Saturday night after he allegedly kidnapped a Floyd County man, stole his car, and then robbed Prestonsburg's Winn-Dixie at gunpoint.

Ervin Printice Ginther, 34, was arrested Saturday and charged with theft by unlawful taking of an automobile; two counts of first-degree robbery; first-degree kidnapping; and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

According to a press release from the Prestonsburg Police Department, the Prestonsburg Police and Fire dispatch received a call of an armed robbery at the Winn-Dixie Grocery Store at 10:06 p.m.

The store is located in the Prestonsburg Village shopping center. The caller reported that a male subject with a .25 caliber automatic weapon entered the store wearing a blue ski mask and a blue jacket.

The release says that the robber was also identified as having a black beard that could be seen under the mask, and was possibly headed to Super 8 Motel.

Seven minutes later, Prestonsburg patrolman Patrick T. Conley stopped a subject at the motel that fit the description of the robber, the release says.

At the same time the officer was apprehending Ginther, a second call was received at the dispatch

office. John R. Garrett, of Allen, reported that he had been robbed at gunpoint by a man that fit Ginther's description.

"The man had forced Garrett to move to the passenger side of his vehicle and was then taken to the Wildcat Car Wash and put out of the vehicle," the release says.

Ginther was also identified as Garrett's kidnapper.

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## Rosenberg is chosen for civil rights honor

by Janice Shepherd  
Managing Editor

A Prestonsburg attorney was recognized Monday night for his efforts to stop discrimination.

John M. Rosenberg, who heads the legal services organization for the Appalachian Research and Defense Fund, was awarded the Martin Luther King Jr. Civil Rights Award at Hazard High School.

The award was presented for "his outstanding work and dedication in promoting and living the philosophy of Martin Luther King Jr.," Sandra L. Kaikumba, a coordinator of the annual King birthday celebration said.

Kaikumba said Rosenberg's resumé and nomination form showed he had provided the "greatest (example) of living up to Dr. Martin Luther King's philosophy."

"Rosenberg has fought segregation. He has done outstanding work with fighting racism and with (getting equal) voting rights," she said.

Rosenberg spent eight years in the 1960s with the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice.

He brought legal cases to stop discriminatory practices and acts of intimidation by whites against blacks before the justice system.

One of those cases involved the illegal acts by the KuKlux Klan against blacks in Louisiana. Rosenberg talked about that incident in a speech during a brotherhood rally in November.

"The opinion in that case, directing the Klan to stop those actions and preventing future acts begins, 'this is an action by a nation against a Klan.' Ours today is an action by our community against the values of the Klan — hate, bigotry, and white supremacy. It appeals to the

bases of human character, and we must continue to expose and condemn it."

Rosenberg served as Chief of the Justice Department's Criminal Rights Division. During his term in that office, he helped prosecute county officials and Klansmen who killed three civil rights workers in Neshoba County, Mississippi.

Rosenberg's selection for the

(See **Honor**, page two)



John Rosenberg

## Wheelwright utilities "one bump" from bankruptcy

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

Wheelwright City Commissioners are eyeing layoffs in the city utility department after auditors reported Monday the agency is on the verge of going broke.

"The utility commission is one bump in the road away from bankruptcy," Robbie Williams, an accountant with the firm Lenny Hall C.P.A., told commissioners. "I'm telling you because you have the official oversight of the city utilities. You need to look at generating more cash flow."

Commissioner Luther Johnson Jr. said he had warned of the department's dire financial straits.

"I preached at the last meeting the utility commission was going backward instead of forward," Johnson said. "If anybody goes to jail, it will be us."

Commissioner Jimmy Little said a December increase by Kentucky/West Virginia Gas Company and the lack of enough revenue-generating customers to meet the monthly financial obligations contributed to the money problems.

"I was informed today that if everybody in town paid their gas bill on time, we would still come up \$2,000 and some short."

Little said an 11 percent increase in gas prices was imposed by Kentucky/West Virginia Gas Company on the city and additional costs for

gathering and piping gas was also added.

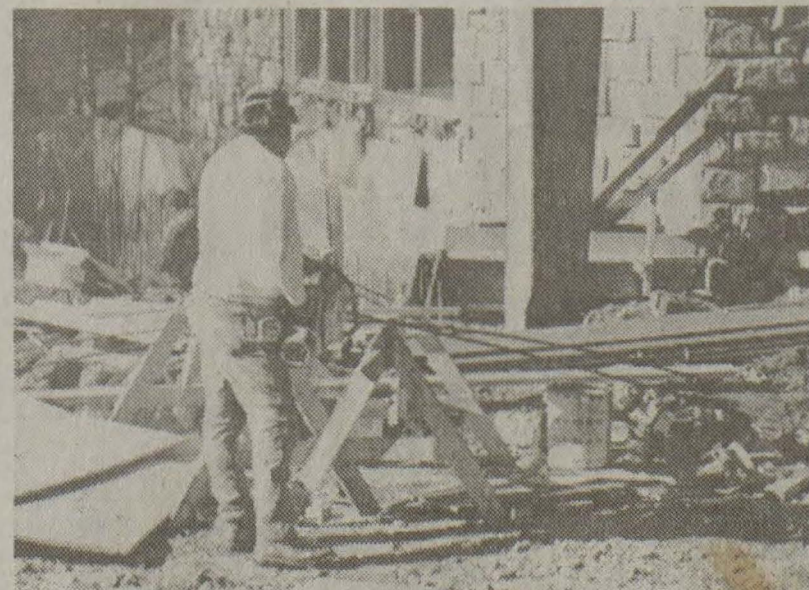
Commissioner Andy Akers questioned the salaries of six utility workers, which total approximately \$11,000 a month.

"We need to be looking at cutting back employees," Akers said. "Six employees are making \$10,448 a month. That's a big step. It looks like somebody is going to be out of a job."

Commissioners took no action. As for the city's finances, Williams said the situation "is fine" and he found no problems with the city's books.

In other action Monday:

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Jenny Wiley story...

Nearly \$6 million in renovation work is underway at Jenny Wiley State Park, with the bulk of repairs being applied to May Lodge. All four wings at the lodge and three cottages are expected to be totally renovated by April 1. The dining room is also undergoing a face lift, and renovation of the marina should begin in March. The park swimming pool will get some major repairs, as well, and work will probably keep that facility closed this summer. (photo by Scott Perry)

## Man killed in ATV accident

A Floyd County man was killed Tuesday afternoon in a remote area near Allen in an accident involving an all-terrain vehicle.

The victim was identified by a witness at the scene as Edmond Collins, of Prestonsburg.

Willard Goble, who saw the mishap, said Collins' ATV "flipped straight back" onto the victim.

The Floyd County Rescue Squad was dispatched to the scene, near Gas Fork at Allen, at 4:52 p.m. Tuesday.

Because access to the area was limited, the rescue squad also ferried police officials to the site of the accident in four-wheel drive vehicles.

The coroner arrived on the scene at 6 p.m.

Additional details on the mishap were not available.

# Trash

responded. Cooley said it was evident that the techniques Rumpke was using were not effective.

"I'm also concerned about a litter problem," Cooley said, "but from a business aspect you have to do it."

County Attorney Keith Bartley was in agreement with Cooley.

"It will make it fair," the county attorney said. "Those who pay will get picked up. Those who don't — won't."

Floyd Solid Waste director Mike Vance said Monday that a county ordinance mandates that all residents participate in a waste collection program.

"If they don't participate in the collection and evidence is found of illegal dumping," he said, "violators will be brought into district court on a criminal complaint."

In addition to what the court requires of the violators, Vance said the solid waste commission will also seek a two-year advance payment of the service.

Cooley said garbage collection is a commodity and you have to treat it as a commodity.

Floyd Judge-Executive Ben Hale said the court was concerned about creating problems. "It's a constant battle," he said.

"The garbage business is one of the nastiest services around," Town said Friday. "People say they can't pay their bill, but they pay large cable business."

Hale asked Town if United Waste anticipated maintaining the same quality of accommodation Rumpke offered the county such as walking up to residences to pick the trash for disabled customers.

"If they are disabled, we help them out," Town told Hale. "If they've got a 15-year-old — no we don't."

Floyd ecology officer Lon May

said he was concerned about the environmental impact of everyone's garbage not getting picked up.

Town told May that drivers for United Waste would submit a monthly report of cancellation and new sign ups. "We are also going to have drivers or their wives go along routes and try to speak with non-paying residents," Town said.

"We'll get a good, clean list of who's paying and who's not," Hale said. "Then we can investigate."

"We want to be paid for what we do," Town said, "and we have to make money."

Cooley said Monday that Rumpke developed a business plan several months ago and the plan was to down-size.

"Floyd and Perry were some of the counties Rumpke decided to put out for offering," he said.

Cooley said Rumpke looked at different divisions and geographic regions when the company devised the business plan.

United Waste of Kentucky purchased Rumpke's garbage vehicles, equipment, and all operating equipment, Cooley said.

"Rumpke still hasn't closed on the contract with United," Cooley said, "but it's imminent."

Although Cooley anticipates United Waste will begin the garbage collection in the near future, he said part of their agreement is that Rumpke will bill customers through March and pay United Waste the money due to the new company.

"The best thing for our customers to do is to pay any Rumpke bill they have received," Cooley said. "That way, they'll continue to get trash pickup, whether it's from Rumpke or the new owners."

In other regular business Friday:

The fiscal court approved the Floyd County Sheriff Department's 1997 annual budget, and gave

approval for the sheriff's department to acquire funds, not to exceed \$120,000, from the Revenue Advance Program for the operation of the sheriff's office.

The application of Mary A. Maynard was accepted by the court for her employment as secretary in the county attorney's office with an annual salary of \$9,900, with benefits.

Upon recommendation of Hale, the fiscal court approved for Jimmy Allen Calhoun and John Estep to fill two four-year vacancies on the Big Sandy Regional Airport Board. The terms commenced on January 17 and will expire on January 17, 2001.

Greg Grosser, with CMW Inc., told the court that the construction of the new justice center was behind schedule, but an update shows what areas are catching up.

"We are very pleased with (the construction) as it is right now," Grosser said. "It still hasn't impacted the final completion date."

The court also approved to pay CMW Inc. \$17,468.50 for labor, materials, work and/or services furnished under an existing contract relating to the construction of the

new justice center.

Bobby Skeens presented the court with a petition to have the county seat moved from Prestonsburg to Martin.

Hale said Tuesday that Skeens' "petition" was a statement about a petition that was going to be passed around in the county.

"There were no names on the petition," Hale said.

Sandy Woods addressed the court about voting machines during the election. "We have no privacy or even curtains," she said. "People watched me vote."

Floyd County Court Clerk Carla Boyd said election officers are trained on how to position the machines.

"This was the first time I used that sort of machines," Woods said. "We need more education and new machines."

Coburn told Woods that if this was the first time she used the machines, "that means you didn't vote for three years."

In a continuing attempt to update the county road map, the court accepted 36 roads, 28 of which were cemetery roads, into the Floyd County Road system.

# Bump

Commissioners approved selling city-owned gravel to residents at cost and returning the funds to the road aid account. Mayor David Marlee Sammons said people have already purchased gravel and he wanted to get approval before more gravel is sold. City attorney Tim Parker said he saw nothing wrong with the practice, as long as city workers were not used to load and haul the gravel.

A deed to Rat Hall from the city was approved for property located at the old reddog pile, provided Hall agree to allow the county access to the site for reclamation. Hall said she would allow county workers to go on the site to clean up the site.

Susie Gibson asked commissioners is she could move a trailer into the city limits. Akers and Commissioner David Boyd expressed concern about allowing mobile homes into the city because the area is so congested, and that trailers burn so quickly. Gibson said she had purchased two lots and the structure would be 30 feet away from the nearest home. The commission directed the city attorney to draft an ordinance addressing

mobile homes in the city limits.

Commissioners approved the title transfer of a blazer, which was donated to the city by Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson. Mayor Sammons said the vehicle will be used as a snow plow.

A closed session was held to discuss a lawsuit filed against police chief Tommy Engle by Tonya Farmer, who alleged she was sexually harassed by Engle. No action was taken by the commission after the closed session.


Complaints regarding stray dogs roaming the town were tabled until the city attorney can research any city ordinances relating to a leash law.

Henry Butler asked that the city be more diligent in future efforts to remove snow and ice from the streets in Hall Hollow.

All commissioners were present at Monday's meeting.

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# Scrutiny

provided the proper services to special education students, the district would have to reimburse the state for monies provided for the program.

"The state and federal government provides money, based on the head count, to serve special education kids," Parks said. "If we find out they haven't provided services, we take the money back. It's like any other contract."

Attorney Jeff Kuebler, with the firm of Newberry, Hargrove & Rambicure, who represents the parents, said he was pleased with the board's decision.

"We've been concerned with them providing an appropriate education for these children," Kuebler said. "The (appeals) board has affirmed the decision that they comply with the special education laws and provide an adequate public education."

Kuebler said there was a famous quote in an opinion in a federal case which said every special needs child is entitled to a Chevrolet of an education, but not Cadillac.

"The hearing officer ruled these kids weren't receiving a Chevrolet or a Cadillac," Kuebler said. "They said it was a broken motor scooter of

a public education."

The four students have not been in school or taught in the home-bound program since school began August 13, Kuebler said.

The appeals board ruled the board of education will have to provide the four students with compensatory education beyond the age of 21 to make up for the number of days the students were not in classes.

Parks said he wasn't sure if it was unusual the students received no education while the case was pending.

"From my memory, it was the parent's decision not to put their kids in the programs offered," Parks said. "The appeals board decided the school district did not follow proper procedure and said the school system messed up. This is one way the school system can right the wrong, to extend services to those children for the amount of time they're legally entitled to."

The school board can appeal the ruling to Floyd circuit court.

# Caught

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Patrolman Conley was assisted by patrolmen Ralph Frasure, Dale Morton, Steven Parker, sergeant Sue Blackburn, assistant chief Roy D. Roberts and Floyd County deputy Greg Clark and chief deputy Linzie Hunt.

During arraignments Tuesday in Floyd District Court, Judge James R. Allen entered not-guilty pleas to Ginther's felony charges.

Ginther, who said he is a seasonal construction worker and hasn't worked in the last several months, is being held in lieu of a \$30,000 partially-secured bond.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, January 29, to hear testimony in Ginther's case.

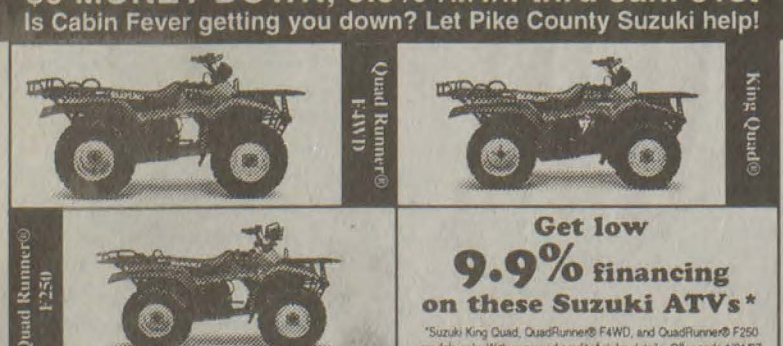
# Honor

(Continued from page one) award was made by a cultural diversity advisory committee from the Hazard Community College's two campuses: the main campus and Lee's campus. The ten-member committee reviewed the nominations.

"Everyone voted for Rosenberg," Kakumba said.

The award was presented by Hazard Community College Office of Minority Affairs and Perry County Black Mountain Improvement Association.

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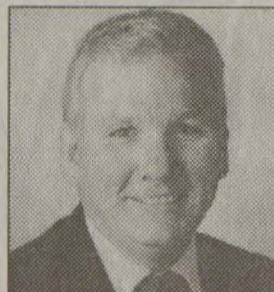
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## Wave

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Lakeview Mart with a semi-automatic small pistol at 6:25 p.m. on Tuesday, January 15, pointed a gun at two employees and demanded money from the cashier's drawer.

The employees were reportedly ordered to lie on the floor and count to 50 as the robber fled on foot. The employees were unable to advise which direction the robber left the scene and no vehicles were spotted.

The robber was reportedly wearing a red ski-mask and a brown jacket when the initial report was called into the Floyd County Sheriff's Department. A store employee also noticed a mustache under the robber's mask, according to police reports.

The Lakeview Mart robbery is still under investigation by KSP detective Joel Newsome. Troopers Mickey Watson and Byron Hansford, sergeant Mike Crawford and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department are assisting Newsome in the investigation.

Just hours after the Lakeview Mart was robbed, three men wearing hoods entered a Johnson County store and left with an undisclosed amount of cash.

The Hager Hill Happy Mart was robbed around 2:45 a.m. Wednesday, and the three robbers reportedly took a customer's and a clerk's wallets and fled the scene in the customer's car.

A semi-automatic handgun was used in the Johnson County robbery. KSP detective Steve Bowman is investigating that robbery. Bowman is being assisted by trooper Billy Hall in the investigation.

Neither of the detectives would comment on the investigations of the Floyd County robberies.

"We will put a whole lot of time into the robberies," KSP sergeant Lowell Ward said Monday. "We are going to be following up on a bunch of leads."

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department is investigating the burglary of a store owned by Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson.

The Wheelwright store, which was closed about a month ago, was broken into early Monday morning while Sheriff Thompson was out of town with his father, who was hospitalized in Lexington.

Floyd deputy Charlie Thompson said entrance to the store was gained by throwing a one-half piece of a cinder block through a front window and unspecified property was taken from the store.

Floyd chief detective Jim Rederick and deputy Thompson are conducting the investigation.

Although no arrests have been made in connection with the two Floyd County robberies or the Wheelwright burglary, the KSP arrested two Pike County men in connection with recent robberies in the Pikeville area.

Jimmy Mason, 21, and Brian Norman, 19, both of Pikeville, were arrested Friday in connection with the recent thefts of purses in the Pikeville area.

Mason and Norman were each charged with two counts of second-degree robbery and lodged in the Pike County Detention Center.

The KSP are also investigating numerous burglaries of businesses in Floyd County.

According to an employee at Christina's Flower and Gift Shop, the store was burglarized on Sunday, January 12.

The employee said cash and

checks were stolen from the store.

The perpetrator(s) used a crowbar and broke a glass door to gain entrance into the shop, the employee said.

Another business was broken into last week but nothing was stolen.

Gina Caudill, the owner of Highlights Hair and Tanning, said her shop was broken into late Sunday night or early Monday morning.

"A detective said they were looking for cash," Caudill said. "They didn't take anything from the shop."

The shop owner said anything that had a lock on it was broken into. "They went through the file cabinets, my desk, and anything that was locked," Caudill said.

Anyone with information about the recent robberies or burglaries should contact the KSP Pikeville Post.

"We will follow up on all leads," Ward said.

## Sexual abuse and drug charges dismissed against two Floyd men

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

Separate charges of sexual abuse and drug trafficking filed against two Floyd County men were dismissed Tuesday prior to the defendants going to trial.

A first degree sodomy charge against Steven Slone, 44, was dismissed by Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill after the complaining witness in the case declined to prosecute. Slone's address at the time of the offense was listed as David.

Slone was indicted in 1991 and Commonwealth Attorney John Earl Hunt filed an affidavit with the court from the alleged victim, who did not want to pursue the prosecution.

In a separate case Tuesday, trafficking in marijuana, within 1,000 yards of a school, and trafficking in cocaine charges against Ralph Banks, 43, of Wayland, were dismissed when part of the case file could not be found.

According to documents filed in the case, the commonwealth could not produce a copy of an affidavit filed with a search warrant when

Banks was arrested. Banks was charged with having 15 bags of marijuana and six bags of cocaine on February 27, 1991, in Prestonsburg, with the intent to sell the drugs.

"It's my understanding in this case, the affidavit for procuring the search warrant cannot be found," Judge Caudill said. "Mr. Banks, you're a lucky fellow. I fully expect to see you back because you have a drug problem."

Banks seemed puzzled at Caudill's comments.

"Were you not arrested for using drugs not long ago?" Caudill asked.

"No, sir," Banks said.

"Were you not arrested the day before or the day after your wife's funeral for using drugs?" Caudill asked again.

"No, sir. It was medication from a doctor," Banks said.

Caudill maintained his position that Banks would be back in the court system.

"I fully expect to see you back. I'm sure of it," Caudill said.

Note: The Floyd County Times does not identify alleged victims of sexual abuse.

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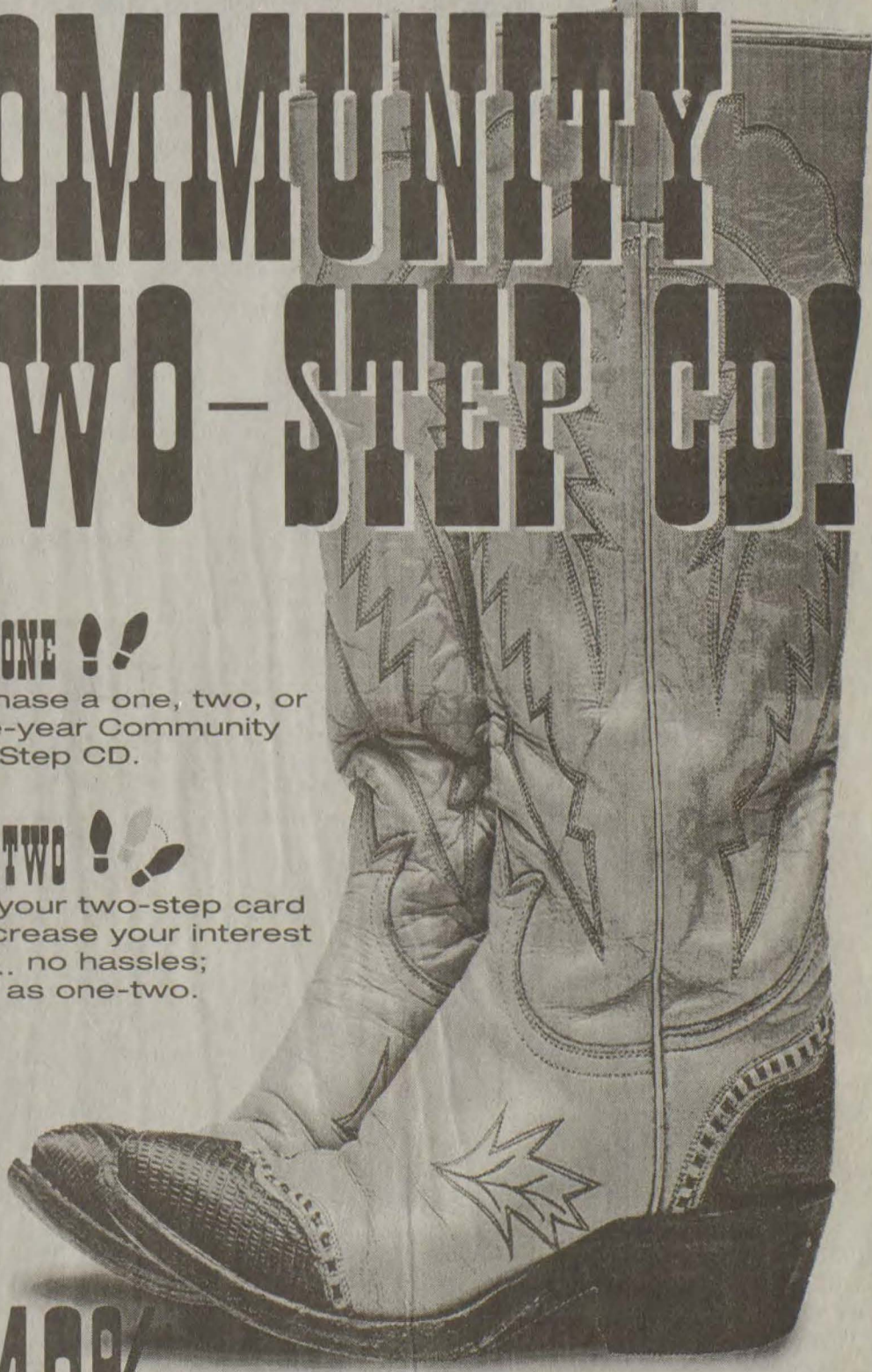
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*Liberty of thought is the life of the soul—Voltaire*

## It's barn-raisin' time...

by Scott Perry

Our letters to the editor column has been a useful tool for many of our readers.

Some writers are looking for long lost relatives or friends; others may have a complaint to get off their chests; and still others write to promote one cause or another.

The letters column is yours, after all. It's a forum for speaking your minds, within reason, of course.

We usually let you say what you want, as you want, without interference or advice. There have been a few exceptions to that rule, and we'll make one now.

There is a letter among those in the column this week that begs our attention.

No, not the one about moving the county seat or those encouraging voter unity.

We don't begrudge those writers their say, it's just that we've found a more important or, perhaps, a more pressing concern among those various comments.

The McDowell-Minnie Senior Citizens Center, facing funding cuts through state and feder-

al budget reductions, has put out a call for help.

The center needs \$4,000 by July 1 to avoid closure.

We can think of no other current issue more worthy of your attention.

We don't live in the McDowell area and we aren't quite yet of senior citizen age, but we're sending our contribution today.

These are trying times for organizations like senior citizen centers and they are telling times for the rest of us.

What's our stake in this? Well, beyond the obvious need to help our senior citizens, it's time to put our money where our mouths are.

As a region, we pride ourselves in our heritage and our traditions. We're different from everywhere else because we genuinely care about one another.

It's barn-raisin' time, neighbors.

The McDowell center may be the first to ask for our help, but it won't be the last.

Let's pitch in, as a community, and show anyone who cares to watch that we are who we say we are.

## Letters to the editor

### Letters to the editor policy

Letters to the Editor are welcomed by The Floyd County Times. In accordance with our editorial page policy, all letters must include the signature, address and telephone number of the author.

Letters must be received no later than 10 a.m. Tuesday for publication in Wednesday's issue and 10 a.m. Thursday for Friday's issue.

Letters may be sent to Editor, The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Letters may be edited for clarity and length.

### Help needed

Editor:

A family of six who lived on Spurlock, lost their home to a fire January 1. James and Mary Scott have four children, Ashley, age 2 years, John, age 6 years, Christine, age 16 years and Bo, age 18 years. They had no insurance and are in need of donations. Clothing, food, appliances, lumber and building materials are needed. All donations will be greatly appreciated. For further information or to donate, contact:

Debbie Jarrell  
East Point

### Reader wants courthouse moved to Martin

Editor:

We're back.

To all Floyd Countians, on November 5, 1996, the people won a battle for all the people to have a change in their government. The battle was a hard one to win, but we, the people, won it, but the war has not been won yet. That was only the first battle, we have a lot of battles to go before the people can have their government back.

I was sitting here reading the paper, and Marie Sammons asked in a letter to the editor what was next. Well, I will tell you. The People's Choice, Power to the People, Concerned Citizens have come together to fight the next battle which is to circulate a petition to have the county seat moved from Prestonsburg, to Martin, so it would be fair to all the people of this county.

Here are some reasons that we think it should be moved:

1. Martin is the center of the county.
2. All county offices would be in one building.
3. Better roads have been built now.
4. More parking for all people.
5. Left Beaver, Right Beaver, Mud Creek, and county areas outside of Prestonsburg will save millions in transportation alone, by having easier access to their courthouse.

We feel that the population has shifted and Prestonsburg is no longer the population center of the county.

Now people, we need to all come together and fight this battle together. It will make our county a better place to live in for all the people. If you need any info or want to help, feel free to call me at (606) 377-6193, or write to Box 242, McDowell, KY 41647.  
Thank you.

Bobby Stumbo  
McDowell

### Coroner remarks offend writer

Editor:

After reading last Wednesday's article on the front page about the ambulance people suing K.S.P. and Coroner Roger Nelson, I was really offended on how Coroner Nelson made some statements that upset me and the way he showed his professional manner as an elected official.

I would assume that our commonwealth attorney would let any person present evidence to a grand jury. After all, evidence is what the commonwealth attorney wants and needs to present a case. I feel we have a fair and good commonwealth attorney and I think it is a shame Coroner Roger Nelson accused him of any wrong doings in the newspaper.

Mr. Editor, I was at the hospital the night the ambulance people brought in the gunshot victim. I can't understand how Coroner Roger Nelson is saying the man was dead at his home. If this is so, then why did the E.R. physician continue to give treatment to the victim. If there is no hope for him, I would think that Our Lady of the Way Hospital, would not have such a policy, to render care and treatment to dead people.

Coroner Roger Nelson, you were asked in the newspaper if you planned on pursuing more charges against the ambulance people and you stated after this is all over, you planned on doing a lot of things. To me, "over" means over. It sounded like you are making personal threats to the ambulance people. Were you?

It seems to me the only case you have is your brief case and it is empty. Face it, Coroner Nelson, you may have made a mistake that you are going to have to deal with.

Danny Yates  
Garrett

### Thanks for your help

Editor:

We would like to thank everyone at Shelby and all the other people who put in money during a roadblock to help a friend with cancer.

It was very, very cold that day, but the hearts of the people were warm. A great big thanks for the \$105.36 that was raised.

We think this roadblock was for a good cause or we would not have been out in the cold. This money means a lot to this lady in need.

We also want to say thank you to Pike County Sheriff Fuzzy Kazee for his support in our volunteer work for the people.

Den Hunter,  
Galveston;  
Christopher Den Hunter,  
Galveston; and  
Bruce Gillespie,  
Betsy Layne

### Democratic party has failed people, writer declares

Editor:

Johnathon Skeans came to Floyd County, Kentucky on or about the year of 1846 according to the earliest dates of record in the Floyd County Courthouse. He settled right in the head of the Conley Fork of Spurlock, a land of milk and honey with plenty of freedom, wildlife and bear.

The Civil War of 1861 came and his politics was known as an Abe Lincoln Republican, so naturally he fought for the Union. "Cotton was King" and the North told the South how much they could sell their cotton for. Johnathon Skeans was one of the soldiers who came to Prestonsburg and helped run the Jack Rebel slave owners from this area. History will stand to prove all the Rebels had to do was stand and fight and they could have won. They were easy to run, they had pilfered and taken from the homes of their neighbors, turning even the ones on their side against them.

The Civil War ended and the Carpet Baggers came and ate chicken and dumplings with my great grandfather. They ate at his table while trying to buy minerals from

(See Letters, page five)

## Coffee Break

by Scott Perry

Been a licensed driver for most of 27 years without ever having to file a claim on our auto insurance.

Considering all the obstacles you face on the highways and byways around here, we figured that to be a pretty remarkable record.

The string ended last week, though, when somebody side-swiped our car while it was parked in front of the office.

Must have been a flatbed truck since the only damage was a smashed rear passenger-side window, about eye-level. Not a mark anywhere else.

That was enough, though, to cause more than a thousand bucks in damage.

Who would have thought a window was so expensive?

Oh well. It was a hit and run, so we've got to pay...unless whoever was driving a red flatbed or tractor trailer down South Central Avenue in Prestonsburg on Thursday,

January 16, wants to own up to the accident.

Fat chance, right?

Owning up to our own mistakes is not something we Americans are overly inclined to do.

In fact there is sort of an unwritten rule for such occasions.

If at first you don't succeed, blame somebody else.

Maybe that ought to be...sue somebody else.

Take the case of the high school dropout who has sued his former school, claiming they failed to provide him with an adequate education.

Good grief.

If you can't make the grade, file a claim.

Somebody's got to pay, don't they?

That "somebody" will be the

state of Kentucky when it comes to footing the bill for state prisoners held in county jails.

In a compromise to a lawsuit filed by the Kentucky County Judges Association, the state Justice Cabinet has agreed to pay daily rates for the incarceration of prisoners, beginning on the date of indictment.

Prior to the agreement, the state payments didn't kick in until the fifth day after sentencing, leaving counties obligated for all the costs in between.

The compromise will have an immediate effect...the reimbursement of some \$132,000 to counties...and a long-term impact...easing the burden on county budgets.

Doesn't do much to ease the load on taxpayers, who ultimately pick up the tab for all government services, but it does, at least, spread the "joy" a bit.

Now, if we could just do something about that other

funding inequity.

You know, the one where we're spending more to put people in jail than we are to put people through school.

The posterchild for Kentucky's perceived cultural "diversity" between the state's urban and rural areas apparently is cockfighting, given the frequency of that, um, sport's mention by the downstate papers.

Interesting, too, how the references to cockfighting have increased since Senator Benny Ray Bailey, et al, took over the leadership of the state senate.

One Courier-Journal columnist characterized Bailey as a senator who wants to legalize cockfighting and cut funding for the Kentucky Center For the Arts, while an editorialist at the same newspaper somehow managed to work cockfighting into an opinion piece on female students at The Citadel... "Of

course, Kentuckians have their backward, destructive indulgences (cockfighting for example)..."the editorialist noted.

Can we get a couple of things straight here before this fowl play proceeds?

They are "chicken" fights, not cockfights, okay?

Nobody around here calls them cockfights.

Next, would you get it through your culturally bigoted skulls that 99.9 percent of us backward, destructive Kentuckians wouldn't go to the chicken fights if we knew how to get to them.

They don't offer them at the Mountain Arts Center, The Jenny Wiley Theatre, or even Marlow's Country Palace as far as we know.

Do us a favor. Keep your subtle disparagements of rural Kentucky to yourselves.

Otherwise, we've got a "bird" for you that means the same thing in all cultures.

And it ain't no chicken.

# Letters

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his land. The story goes he campaigned with his neighbors against the selling of minerals because he knew the broad form deed left only the right to pay taxes, farm and to exist on the land.

The broad form deed would cause them to lose control of their property. The Carpet Baggers put my great grandfather's "X" on the bottom of a mineral deed and proclaimed what was his was now theirs.

Someone in Prestonsburg signed this mineral deed as a witness. On a low point of a ridge over looking the Battle of Middle Creek sets an engraved tombstone with the markings of Johnathon Skeans, 14th Ky. Regiment.

Many years have come to pass since the victory battles of the United Mine Workers were fought in Eastern Kentucky. The victories won here were victories for the working class of people all over this great nation.

Now organized labor is in trouble and so are the people of Kentucky. Their dependence on this government has failed them. Our poor folks depend on the bread crumbs left behind from the rich and powerful politicians. We have fought the good fight but we are slowly losing the battle.

The powerful politicians and the rich are taxing our businesses, labor and everything we touch like they have never done before. Good independent business men, "what are left," rake and scrape to make ends meet.

It doesn't take a fool to see who is getting all the wealth of our country. We live in America the land of freedom, milk and honey. Where families of little children go without a warm bed, hot soapy water, and food for their stomachs. I know that the politicians claim the poor folks are taking all the money in welfare, but that's not the truth.

I am the youngest and seventh son of a coal miner who gave many sons to the coal fields of Eastern Kentucky. The blood baths of the coal fields has built one of the strongest Democratic parties that God ever put on the face of this earth.

Why then has this Democratic party failed the people? The old saying goes "If you can't beat 'em, join 'em."

The Democratic party is full of politicians that used to be Republicans. The Democratic party is full of rich and powerful people who are using your votes and your money for their own personal gain.

The future of coal now lies in the hands of the politician and it is there for the taking. 90 percent of the original coal resources are still here. The beginning of the 21st Century leaves Floyd County with an abundant supply of gas, coal, oil, and other natural resources. Enough wealth to make us all rich if we could take control of that great wealth.

Western Kentucky has their "Golden Triangle," Prestonsburg has its "Pot of Gold" and all this gold was carried out of the mountains of Eastern Kentucky on the back of the working man.

North Floyd and the Democratic party leaves South Floyd with 67 percent of our families living below the level of poverty.

Democratic Senators and government representatives are creating coups of rebellion and voting for Republicans. No wonder we build "Goof Courses" with millions of dollars of the peoples' money. Where is the leadership of this Democratic party leading the people of Floyd County?

What kind of excuses will the political leaders of the 41 Democratic caucuses of Floyd County give the people?

The state of Kentucky is divided between the East and West. The County of Floyd is divided between North Floyd and South Floyd. "Coal is King."

Floyd Skeans  
Bull Creek

## Students' protest instructor's firing

Editor:  
A great injustice is taking place at the Pikeville campus of Prestonsburg Community College. Dr. Roger Horne is currently the history instructor at PCC. He is an extraordinarily intelligent man and the students who take his class finish the semester with a feeling of self pride for the plethora of knowledge that they have gained.

Recently the student body of Prestonsburg Community College was saddened and shocked when they were informed that Dr. Horne had been given a terminal contract. Immediately, the students, and

Dr. Horne himself, questioned the reason why. In response to their questions they were told that Dr. Horne did not meet their college criteria.

When asked what criteria had not been met, he was given the nonchalant reply that the local tenure board simply felt that he did not meet it. Later, Dr. Horne did receive information that his student evaluations indicated he was very knowledgeable within his subject area and his advising skills were acceptable and adequate.

The weaknesses listed were an inability to hold attention, lack of participation, and presentations that were too fast. I personally had Dr. Horne's class last semester and currently have one this semester. If you were a student in his class who sought information in history, the class very much held your attention.

I was amazed at how little I knew about the beginning of our country and am very appreciative for the information I attained. As far as lack of participation, our class managed to really get into some deep conversations that were interesting and educational.

Dr. Horne desires this participation, but this is a two-way street. You must first have a class who wants to participate. Last, presentations that are too fast. Sometimes his presentations might have been hurried, but he had an abundance of information to instruct in a short period of time. Yet, can this not be changed?

Do we not give someone an opportunity to strengthen a weakness before we fire them? Many people would lose many jobs if this were so.

Dr. Horne was also told that his college-related community service was less than acceptable. Not that I personally see where this is important in the education of his students, but he does belong to the Pike County Society for Historical and Geological Research, and is a member of Phi Alpha Theta of The History Honor Society.

Through this organization he won second place for an essay he wrote and this article was later published.

Dr. Horne is a caring instructor. Throughout the year there were many times several of his students could not make it to class due to unavoidable circumstances in their home and family lives.

Dr. Horne would go out of his way to ensure that they were updated on the work that they had missed. I find this an important attribute to his character more so than how many social events he attends.

When Dr. Horne accepted the teaching position at PCC it was verbally agreed that his past teaching experience would be credited toward earning his tenure. It seems now that they might be hedging on their agreement. Has this agreement been forgotten?

Kentuckians have always had a reputation for being honest people. Don't lead Dr. Horne to believe that we are dishonest. Give him his tenure and keep him at a college that he cares about. More importantly, a college that needs him.

Kim York  
Pike County Campus  
Prestonsburg Community College

This letter was signed by 41 others.

## United we're strong is alive and well

Editor:

I would like to assure Marie Sammons (FCT Ltr. to the Ed. 1-15-97) that Elmer Lee Johnson is alive and well, and that United We're Strong is very much in business. All of us are as dedicated as ever, and are working on issues which we consider of concern and importance to Floyd County citizens. But Marie Sammons' kind letter suggests that it is time again to bring all of our people up-to-date on what we are doing and outline our plans for the future.

In February of 1996, we, as United We're Strong, opened the campaign to replace the magistrate system with the commissioner form of county government. The campaign proved to be a wild ride, but we were able to persuade 7000 voters to vote for our issue, and we won by a vote margin of about 2 to 1. We were later told that we had lost perhaps 2500 votes by various forms of precinct hanky-panky. From this experience, it will be a covenant with us to have a challenger in every precinct in every election in the future.

Having completed its original goal on November 5, 1996, United We're Strong re-organized on November 16, 1996, as a wide-ranging political organization concerned with any candidate or issue of concern to the people of Floyd

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Applications will not be mailed out and will only be accepted on the above dates or by appointment. If you have any questions, or would like to set up an appointment, please call the affiliate office at 432-9216 or 432-9214. Applications will not be accepted after February 14. Sandy Valley Habitat for Humanity will consider all qualified applicants without regard to race, color, religion, disability, familial status, sex, or national origin.

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# Letters

County and Eastern Kentucky. Simply stated, we remain absolutely non-partisan and will support the best woman or man for any office—so long as we deem them the best candidate for Floyd County and Eastern Kentucky.

Last year, Mr. Johnson and I worked with individuals and organizations in 15 Eastern Kentucky counties to get the commissioner-magistrate issue on the November ballot in their counties.

We were successful in eight counties. The 7 remaining counties lost their bids because the filing date was suddenly changed from September 15 to August 12 by the election board in Frankfort. Apparently, they too, had become aware of our efforts.

The commissioner issue won in two of the eight counties, Floyd and Leslie, and was narrowly defeated in the remaining counties. As examples, we lost by three votes in Letcher County; 314 votes in Knott County and about 800 votes in Pike County. All of this has taught us a great deal about politics and elections in Eastern Kentucky.

We have learned how elections are won and lost, how precincts are controlled, and how computer voting machines are defeated. Such knowledge we can use in the campaigns of the future to prevent some of the abuse that has happened in the past.

We have not lost contact with the individuals and groups from the other Eastern Kentucky counties. Our original goal, with groups such as United We're Strong, was to form a coalition of perhaps 75,000 voters in the 22 counties of Eastern Kentucky.

This coalition would simply be voters who would vote for their own interests, the interest of their children, and their children's future rather than the party line as has been done for so long in the past. We hope to have 10,000 such people in Floyd County, and feel safe that such a number of voters are here.

We achieved 7,000 votes in the November election, against the grain, so to speak, and accept that we were deprived of 2500 votes by various means. We will have our 10,000 by the next election. For those who find this amusing, talk to your neighbors.

It is hardly possible to convey how totally fed up our people are with business as usual, good ole boy politics, ineptness, incompetence, and the cynical abuse of power so common here. Read the newspapers! The times, they are changing, because the people are changing.

United We're Strong cannot supply Marie Sammons, with a leader, but we can supply her with dozens of leaders. Elmer is a leader, so am I, along with Gail, Avery, Peggy and a host of others that wish not to be named.

And we have dozens of other leaders in churches, mines, fire stations and schools. But more than anything else, Ms. Sammons we are here, stronger, leaner, and meaner than ever. But we need not make haste. There are no scheduled elections in 1997, so no one can get the jump on us. There is plenty of time for good candidates to come forward and identify themselves.

We have learned that there are other organizations seeking better candidates and better government for Eastern Kentucky.

We are seeking to affiliate with organizations such as Citizens for a Better Government, Kentucky Coalition for a Better Government, and Citizens for the Commonwealth.

Such groups appear to have interests very similar to ours, thus hopefully we can aid such other. Additionally, we have been contacted by a very powerful national organization to work with them

regarding elections in Eastern Kentucky. Thus we are growing and expanding our horizons. We now hope to have a coalition of perhaps 150,000 voters who will identify with us on issues and candidates in the future.

Throughout, we will remain United We're Strong, a group of Floyd County citizens, seeking to get a better deal for the people of this county and for Eastern Kentucky. To this end, we will be involved in every election for every office that affects Floyd County.

To the people who supported us last year, please stay with us. We have a long way to go. To those who did not support us, we invite you to reconsider. There is time before the next election. Read the newspapers, watch the news on tv, talk to your friends and really learn what is going on here. We need you.

Lloyd Blue Goble  
United We're Strong  
Prestonsburg

## Senior Citizens plead for help

Editor:  
We, the senior citizens of the McDowell/Minnie Senior Citizens Center, wish to make a plea to the public for financial help to save our senior citizens center.

Due to cutbacks in the state budget, the McDowell/Minnie Senior Citizens Center will have to close its doors July 1, if additional money cannot be raised. At the present time, the center will need at least \$4,000 in order to keep the doors open.

The senior citizens center gives our senior citizens an opportunity to socialize with their peers, meet new friends, and have a hot meal each day. In addition, the McDowell/Minnie Senior Citizens Center provides at least 30 meals-on-wheels per day to residents who are shut-in or sick in the Minnie, McDowell, Price and Hunter communities. Without the senior citizens center, who would provide a hot meal for those residents who are unable to provide for themselves?

That is why we are asking the public for donations. These citizens have worked and contributed to the community all of their lives. Now it is our turn to return the favor to them. We would like for any citizen who can, to please make a donation to the McDowell/Minnie Senior Citizens Center.

Also, we are pleading with all the community businesses near the center, as well as businesses in the Prestonsburg area, to donate to our cause. The citizens of the McDowell/Minnie community patronize the local Prestonsburg businesses on a regular basis. Donations may be made to: McDowell/Minnie Senior Citizens Center, P.O. Box 835, McDowell,

KY 41647.  
Please help us keep our center open! If you have any questions, you may call the center at (606) 377-0171. Thank you for your help.

Roberta Luxmore  
Price, Kentucky  
On behalf of the  
McDowell/Minnie Senior Citizens Center

## Coal severance tax misused by county writer suggests

Editor:  
The Coal Severance Tax was campaigned for and passed in 1972 with the idea of furnishing good roads and water for the coal fields of Eastern Kentucky. We knew taking the coal from our mountains automatically took the water. Water that was so clear and clean you could drink out of a stream. Water is like food, you can't live without it. The average person needs to drink eight, 8 ounce glasses of water a day, so the coal severance tax seemed to be a good idea. It is truly amazing to find somebody who still has good natural water.

The way the coal severance tax was supposed to work, was that for every \$100 worth of coal severance tax that went to Frankfort, we were supposed to get back \$50. Once the Bluegrass politicians got through with it all our government representatives ever brought back home was

about \$7 out of every \$100. Finally many years later when we get millions of dollars of our coal severance tax, our local governments spend it on everything in the world but water and roads.

Our state and federal officials send the coal severance tax and grant money to Floyd County, that is their piece of the job. The local governments then decide how the money will be spent. The local governments choose whether the money is spent on a golf course for the rich and powerful or on water for everyone in the County. The Floyd County Fiscal Court meets the third Friday of every month at 10:00 a.m. Come on, let's go to see them. All you have to do is come and be with us, we will speak for the people. Just think if we all share in the wealth of this region instead of the rich having a golf course, we could all have water very shortly.

What little bit of the state and federal money used to provide the county with water, the city uses to hold the people in the country hostage.

The Prestonsburg City government has control of our water and they are using the water kind of like a tool to annex and tax the property owners in the country.

Because our streams are all about dried up, they can sell us dirty water for \$25.00 a month, charge us more for the water than they charge the people in the city, and force us to submit to annexation of our homes for the "privilege" of getting what should be ours anyway.

If you want water from the city, you have to beg for it. Even then you're not guaranteed anything, you can still be stuck using iron and sulfur water left over from the mines because the city fathers think it is not "good business" to put water up a bunch of hollows.

Take our water districts back, and send the godfathers of our water supply packing back to the city.

Lynn Mathews  
Endicott



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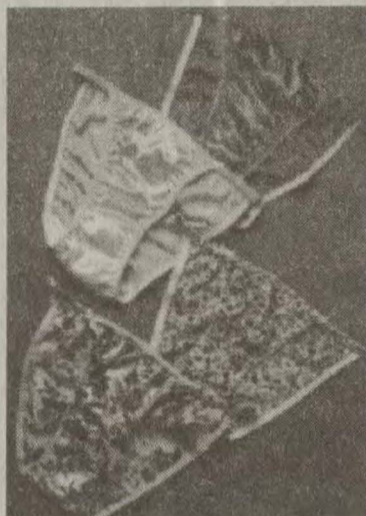
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# Man, son die from carbon monoxide poisoning Sunday

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

A Langley man and his son were found dead early Sunday morning, apparently from carbon monoxide poisoning from an unvented heater.

Ronnie Moore, 38, and his son, Christopher Moore, 15, were found dead by a family member around 6 a.m. Sunday, according to a Kentucky State Police Pikeville Post 9 media release.

Christopher Moore was a sophomore at Allen Central High School.

A double funeral for the father and son will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday (today) at the

Nelson Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Ronnie Moore's mother, who lives next door and shares a gas line with her son and his family, found her son and grandson dead Sunday.

Floyd County deputy coroner Glen Frazier said Ronnie's mother was awakened early Sunday morning after her gas had gone off.

"Her gas was off and she went and turned it back on," Frazier said Monday. "When she went to let Ronnie know the gas was on, she found him and her grandson dead."

Frazier said Ronnie Moore's mother had gone to the residence the evening before she found them

dead. He said the mother saw Ronnie on the couch with the television on and she didn't want to disturb him.

"When she went to tell them the gas was back on, she found everything the same as the night before," Frazier said.

Ronnie Moore was dead on the living room couch, and Christopher Moore was in his bed, Frazier said.

The carbon monoxide came from the unvented heater, Frazier said, adding that the gas being off had no factor on the deaths.

Carbon monoxide is a poisonous gas that is colorless, odorless, and tasteless and prevents the supply of oxygen to the body.

People who breathe carbon monoxide usually fall asleep without realizing they are being poisoned.

Ronnie and Christopher Moore were pronounced dead at the scene by Floyd County Coroner Roger Nelson.

Kentucky State Police detective David Maynard and trooper Mike Thorpe are conducting an investigation into the deaths.

## Body of former resident discovered on interstate

The body of a Martin native was found along an interstate at Louisville Friday.

Jefferson County Police discovered the body of Tammy Garriott, formerly of Floyd County, on the right side of northbound Interstate 71 at mile marker 6, near the U.S. 42 overpass, after they received a call that a woman appeared to be injured.

Jefferson County Deputy Coroner Allan Terry said that Garriott apparently jumped from a moving vehicle and died of multiple trauma.

Garriott, 34, reportedly jumped out of a vehicle driven by her husband, Lawrence Joseph Garriott, Dave Leman, an officer with the county police department said.

Garriott was a license examiner for the Kentucky State Police in Louisville.

Garriott lived at Turner Station in Henry County. She was a former resident of Hindman and was born at Martin on August 29, 1962.

She was a daughter of Prestonsburg resident Abigail Stone Prater, who is manager of Prestonsburg Elementary's cafeteria, and the late Goble Reed.

In addition to her husband and mother, she is survived by her stepfather, Gene Randall Prater of Prestonsburg; one sister, Terri Lynn Hall, a teacher at Prestonsburg Elementary; one brother, Steven

Reed of Hindman; one stepson, Nathan Garriott of Turner Station; and one stepdaughter, Laura Garriott of Turner Station.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at the Hall Funeral Home.

## Housing authorities' director dies Saturday

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

A Floyd County woman who dedicated the last 25 years to the Prestonsburg Housing Authority died Saturday.

Julia Mayo May, 60, of Prestonsburg, died after she suffered an apparent heart attack while conducting personal business in Val Harbor, Florida.

May is survived by one sister, Elizabeth Atinay; and two brothers, Robert V. May and Walter May, all of Lexington.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Wednesday (today) at the Episcopal Church of St. James the Apostle.

May was the executive director for the Prestonsburg Housing Authority for the past 25 years. She also served as executive director for the Floyd County Housing Authority and the Church Housing Association.

Brenda Harris, of the Prestonsburg Housing Authority, said Tuesday that the Prestonsburg and Floyd County housing authorities will be closed Wednesday for



Julia May

May's funeral.

Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin said the Prestonsburg Housing Authority was to meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, but said no action would be taken.

"The meeting is to discuss the situation and set another meeting date to determine what to do about filling the position," Fannin said.

## McGarey, Neeley to wed Saturday in open ceremony

Homer D. Neeley and Liliann B. McGarey of Prestonsburg announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Miss McGarey is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and is currently employed by Pikeville National Bank.

Mr. Neeley is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School. He is employed by the Floyd County Sheriff's Department.

The wedding will be held Saturday, January 25, at 2 p.m., at the Floyd County Circuit Courtroom, Division No. 2 in Prestonsburg.

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# Clawvern Jacobs denied new trial

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill denied motions for a new trial Friday for twice-convicted murderer Clawvern Jacobs.

Jacobs was convicted in December in Warren County on murder, kidnapping and sex abuse charges in the death of Judy Ann Howard in 1986. Howard was a student at Alice Lloyd College. The jury recommended Jacobs be put to death.

Jacobs' previous conviction in 1987 was overturned by the state Supreme Court.

## Floyd man charged with rape of juvenile

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

A Toler Creek man was arrested Monday on an indictment warrant charging him with 10 counts of third-degree rape.

Gene E. Blackburn, 41, was named in a sealed indictment last week and charged with allegedly having sex with a juvenile under 16 years of age.

Blackburn was arraigned on the charge Tuesday before Floyd Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill. He pleaded not guilty and was placed under a \$50,000 property or 10 percent cash bond. He was released Tuesday afternoon from the Floyd County Detention Center. Blackburn is being represented by attorney Ned Pillersdorf.

Blackburn's name was not released when indictments were returned last week pending his arrest.

A pre-trial conference has been set for April 23.

*Note: The Floyd County Times does not identify the victims of alleged sexual abuse. An indictment is not an indication of guilt, but a determination by a grand jury the case merits further judicial review.*

Defense attorneys Kelly Gleason and Mike Williams argued a variety of reasons for a new trial, including the failure to allow testimony regarding Jacobs' competency and Caudill's failure to disclose that his sister attended Alice Lloyd College.

Judge Caudill overruled all the defense's motions, saying most of the issues have been decided previously, and he took exception to the claim he withheld information about ties to the college.

"The fact that my sister, let me bleed from the heart here, graduated from Alice Lloyd College in 1965 has absolutely nothing to do with this case," Caudill told defense attorneys. "Yes, I take offense, Ms. Gleason. I know what my duties are and what my obligations are. Quite frankly, I took great offense to that. Why didn't I hear about this before you didn't get the decision you wanted in this case?"

The state's Judicial Retirement and Removal Committee has ruled Caudill did nothing inappropriate by failing to mention his sister had attended the college.

Gleason also asked that a recent deposition by Candice Walker, a psychologist who examined Jacobs prior to his first trial, be made part of the record in the case. Walker's testimony was cut short during the December trial when she mentioned Jacobs' first trial, something she was prohibited from doing.

Caudill ordered the testimony in the deposition stricken because he said neither the court nor the commonwealth was made aware the deposition was to take place.

"You do it properly and you will get (the information) in," Caudill said. "That was totally improper. That's not the way you do a witness testimony, counsel."

As for evidence regarding Jacobs' mental status, Caudill ruled the defense had been given strict guidelines about how to proceed with the testimony during the penalty phase of the trial, but the attorneys apparently didn't ask the right questions to get the information they wanted.

Final sentencing has been set for February 27.

Also Friday, a contempt hearing was held concerning why Jacobs' ex-wife, Geraldine Slone, did not appear to testify at Jacobs' second

trial. Slone testified she was notified by Gleason not to be in Bowling Green to testify on December 16 and that she would be contacted later when to appear. Slone testified no one contacted her again about testifying.

"I thought somebody would get in touch with me," Slone said. "I was home and I didn't hear from anyone."

## Magoffin County man indicted in church fire

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

A Magoffin County man was indicted last Wednesday by a federal Grand Jury in Ashland for an October fire that destroyed the Parkway Baptist Church at Ivyton.

Randell Neil Perkins, 31, of Salyersville, was indicted on January 15 and charged with maliciously damaging and destroying the church.

Perkins "maliciously damaged and destroyed by means of fire the building of Parkway Baptist Church, which was used in and whose activity affected interstate

commerce," the federal indictment says. Perkins was arrested on December 10, nearly two months after the church blaze by the U. S. Treasury Department Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), the Kentucky State Police, and Federal Bureau of Investigation officers on a federal warrant.

The church, located in Magoffin County about a mile west of the Floyd County line on Route 114, burned on October 26.

Perkins was ordered to undergo a competency evaluation, according to a U.S. District Court clerk, and no court date has been set.

## Brooms, Bootsie and Me showing at Prestonsburg Elementary January 23

Nationally-known storyteller, craftsman and country humorist, Richard N. Henson will be performing at Prestonsburg Elementary School on Thursday, January 23 at 7 p.m.

The show is called "brooms, bootsie and me." It blends storytelling, craftsmanship and the nostalgia of life in small town rural America of years gone by. Filled with humor and folklore, audiences learn, laugh and remember how life was in other times.

Henson was the recent winner of "Best of Festival" at the Malcolm Blue Festival in Aberdeen, North Carolina. The November issue of "Southern Living" magazine contains a story about Henson Broom

Shop/Museum, which Richard is the third generation to operate.

Henson is a former school teacher, basketball coach and high school principal.

He uses his background to entertain audiences with his energy and wit.

Henson left education to take over the family business which now takes him across the country speaking and performing.

Henson is also known for producing all of the brooms used on CBS-TV, "Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman". After each performance he always gives away one of these brooms to someone in the audience.

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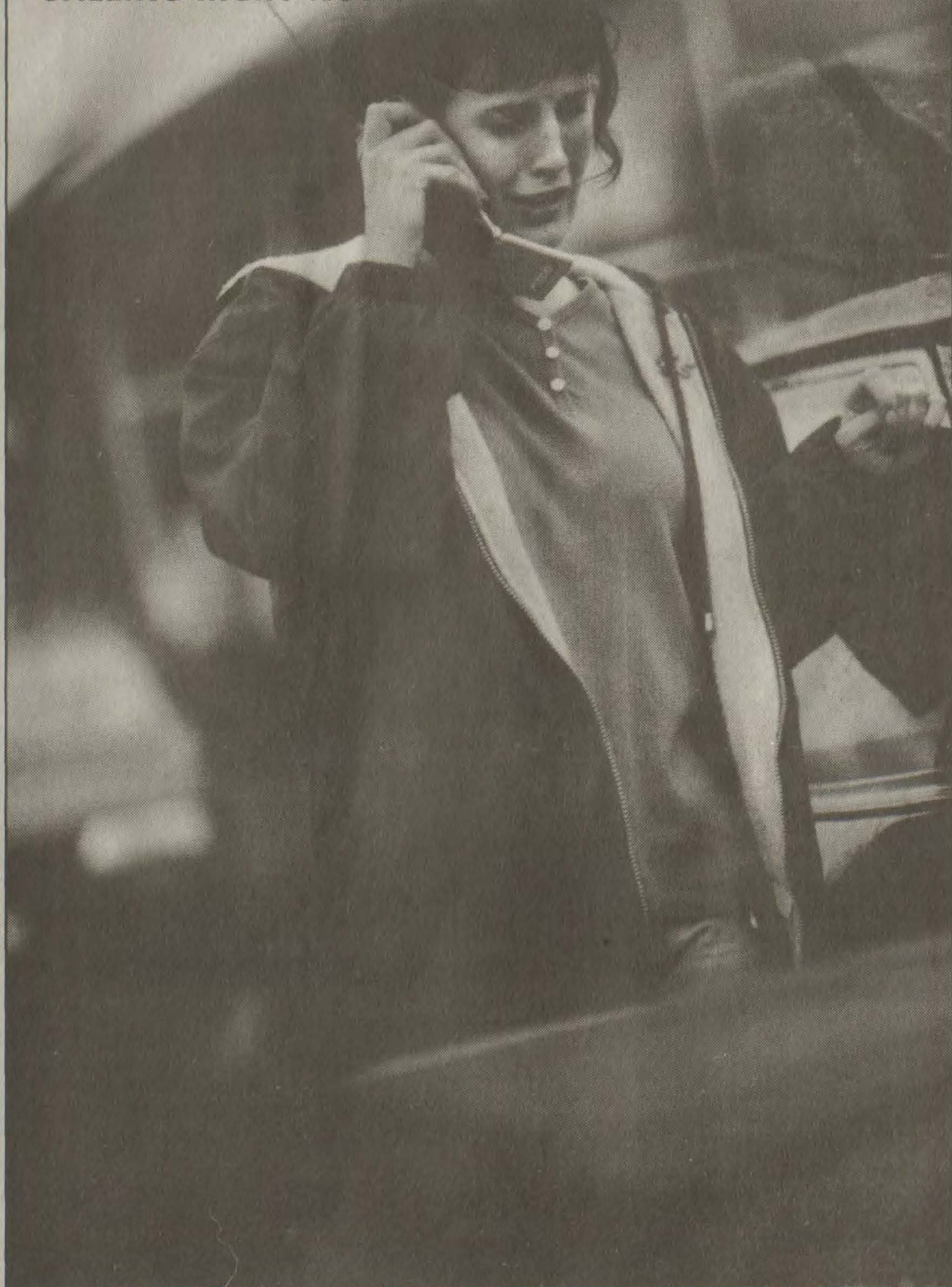
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# Community Calendar

## Calendar items will be printed as space permits

*Editor's Note: As a service to the many clubs and committees that meet in our community, the Floyd County Times' Community Calendar will post meeting and public service announcements. Articles for the Community Calendar must be submitted in writing to the Times no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication or 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. These cannot be taken over the telephone.*

### Prayer line opens

The United Christian Church of

God, located in Meade Bottom at Hi Hat, now has a prayer line. The prayer line is open from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. and the phone number is 452-1080.

### Pesticide training

The Floyd County Extension Service will conduct private applicator pesticide training on January 23, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.; February 1, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.; and February 4, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. To register, call the extension service at 886-2668.

### Box tops for education

The Martin Youth Service Center is participating in General Mills' Big G Box Tops for

Education. The center will collect qualifying General Mills cereal box tops between now and March 31. A qualifying box top is the top flap of any General Mills cereal box carrying the 1996/1997 Big G Box Top For Education symbol with the cereal brand name.

### Retired teachers special meeting

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association will have a special called meeting January 22 to consider vital business issues concerning the organization and its members. The meeting will be held at the Floyd County Extension Office on

South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. Registration begins at 10 a.m.

All retired teachers are urged to bring their concerns and ideas to the meeting.

The input of all is needed to realize maximum benefits.

In case of inclement weather the meeting will be canceled and rescheduled for another date.

### Meeting of Masonic Lodge

There will be a meeting of the East Point Masonic Lodge, at 7 p.m., on January 25, for the purpose of conferring the Master Mason Degree on two candidates.

Members are asked to bring a covered dish or dessert. Master James W. McCoy urges all master masons to attend.

### Annual orders

Martin Middle School will be taking orders for school annuals until Friday, January 31.

Also, if a child from May Valley Elementary School left a coat at Martin Elementary, it is in the Martin Middle School Youth Service Center.

### Advisory council to meet

The regular meeting of the Mud Creek Community Family Resource Center advisory council will be held January 29, at 4:30 p.m. at the resource center beside the John M. Stumbo Elementary School.

### Friends of May

### House to meet

Friends of the Samuel May House will meet Monday, January

27, at 7 p.m., at the Pike Building, Prestonsburg Community College. All interested person are invited to attend.

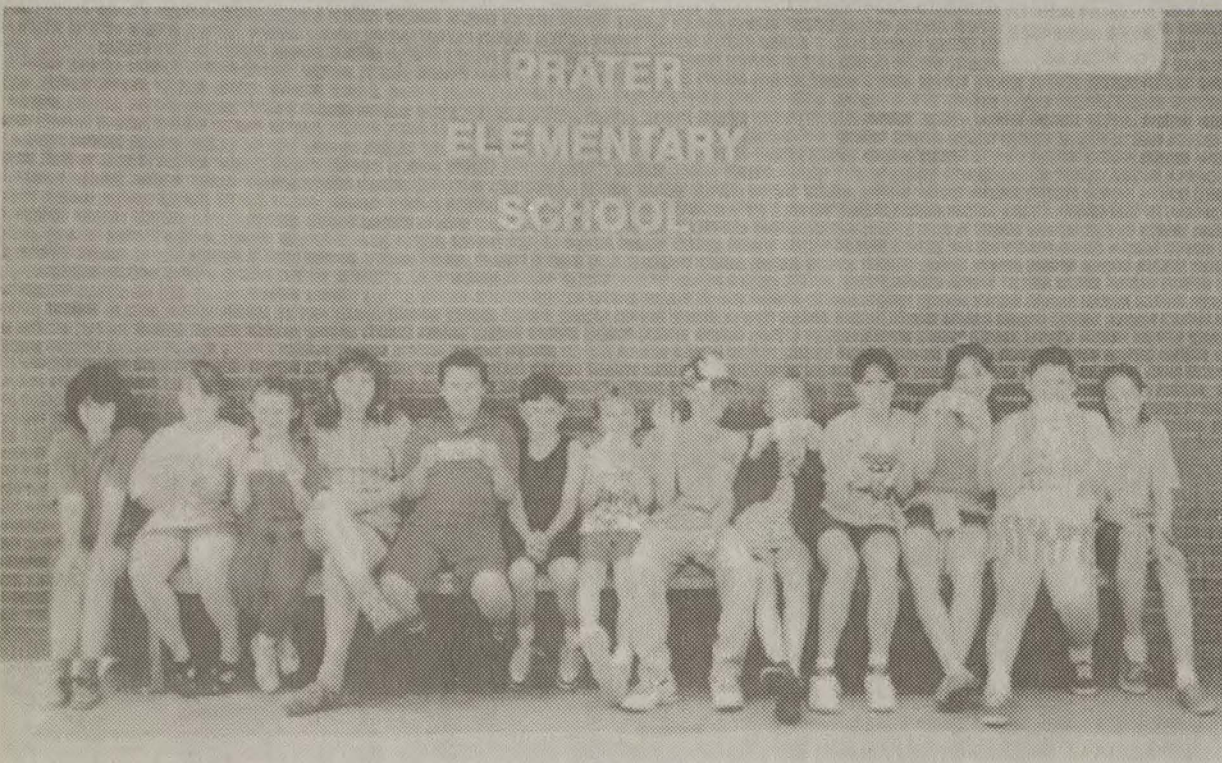
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### Prater attendance

Pictured above are students with perfect attendance at Prater Elementary School.

## Gospel Singing

Saturday, January 25th, 7:00 p.m.

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## Words of Life

### OUR RECORD

by James F. Smith  
 Director of Missions

Enterprise Assn. of Southern Baptists

"There was found...a roll (scroll), and therein was a record thus written" (Ezra 6:2). Each day



James F. Smith

we are adding to our life's story. The ending of 1996 a few weeks ago closed another chapter in the story of our life. You

may not consider that to be very meaningful. But read Revelation

20:12, "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works." This makes our record very serious.

Our record is indelible which reminds me of my grades in school. I have been out of school for many years, but those grades remain on the record books just like I made them—good or bad. I am not saying that our life cannot be changed. Christ can and wants to change whatever needs to be different in each life. Let Christ be the Lord of your life. Make your record what it should be before God and before men.

Our record is influential. It will affect our own future and the future

of those around us. We should be concerned about what our life says to others. This reminds me of the Apostle Peter in Acts 5:15. God was so mightily using Peter that the people brought their sick into the shadow of Peter. This suggests to me that we all cast a shadow, an influence which can drastically affect others. Our question should be, "How are we affecting others—good or bad?" There is no middle ground!

Parents, what are you teaching your children? Your words and your actions tell them much! You teach more by example than you may realize. Are you helping them to learn about God and His love? Are you helping them to grow up to be useful citizens?

Yes, the 1996 chapter in the story of our life closed with the ending of December. Have you

taken a good look at your record? Are you happy with it? How were your relationships? Were you kind, compassionate, and forgiving? You and I must remember that none of us can live long without increasing or diminishing human happiness or misery. We cannot avoid this responsibility. We are forming character for eternity. Perhaps many more people than we would dare to think about bear the impress of our influence upon them. Are we helping them to become better persons who can and will bear a positive influence in our world?

Remember that Jesus Christ is very interested in the record that you are leaving behind. He wants to be the Master of every life, of your life. If you have not accepted Christ as your personal Lord and Savior, why not do that now?

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Clyde Beverly wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors upon the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Clyde Beverly

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Martha Evens wishes to thank all of those who were so kind and considerate during our time of grief. We want to thank those who sent flowers and gifts of love. We especially want to thank the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Pilgrim Home Regular Baptist Church, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The family of Martha Evens

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Henry Crider would like to extend their appreciation to all our friends and neighbors who offered prayers and helped during his time of sickness and his passing. Thanks to all who sent food and flowers and the beautiful singing. Thanks to the ministers, B.J. and Perry Crider, Darrell Howell and James Smith for their comforting words, also to the Floyd Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The family of Henry Crider

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Eunice Parsons wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to the clergyman, Ken Lemaster, for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The family of Eunice Parsons

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Ora Lee Wireman would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help upon the loss of our loved one, those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the clergyman Bethel Bolen for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Ora Lee Wireman

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Louella Boggs wishes to express heartfelt thanks to all who showed love and support for us upon the loss of our loved one. Thanks for the food, flowers, cards and prayers. A special thanks to the Little Paint Church of God; the Ladies' Trio and Larry Brown for their beautiful songs. Also, a special thanks to the clergyman, Pastor Wayne Burch, for his comforting words, and the Carter Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Louella Boggs, were her grandsons Mike Williams, Jason Short, Chris Boggs, Thom Webb, David Webb and Danny Webb.

The family of Louella Boggs

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Herbert B. Salisbury would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the minister, Ronnie Samons, for his comforting words the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

The family of Herbert B. Salisbury

## CARD OF THANKS

The family of Ella Martin would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the Reverend Harry Hargis for his comforting words, the McDowell First Baptist Church, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

The family of Ella Martin

# US 23/Cow Creek Water System project recommended by Gov. Patton

A water expansion project for the City of Prestonsburg was among projects recommended last week by Governor Paul Patton for funding from the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC).

If Patton's recommendation is approved by the ARC, Prestonsburg City Utilities Commission will receive \$350,000 for its US 23/Cow Creek Water System Extension/Improvement project.

The money will be used to assist in providing safe, potable drinking

water to 120 rural Floyd County households. Construction of 3.8 miles of new waterline and installation of two 200,000 gallon water storage tanks and one 400 GPM booster pumping station will be built if the project is funded.

Water service will be provided to an area which is rapidly developing

and has an industrial park under construction, Patton said.

"My goal is to help bring safe drinking water to every Kentuckian. Over 400,000 Kentucky homes are without potable water now. I hope we can change that," Patton says. Governor Patton recently created the Water Resource Development

Commission to help reach that goal.

Funding for the project is available through Kentucky's ARC program investment strategy. Full applications have been submitted to the Federal ARC Washington Office for approval. Applicants can expect to be notified of their status sometime this spring.

## Basic first aid course offered at Martin hospital

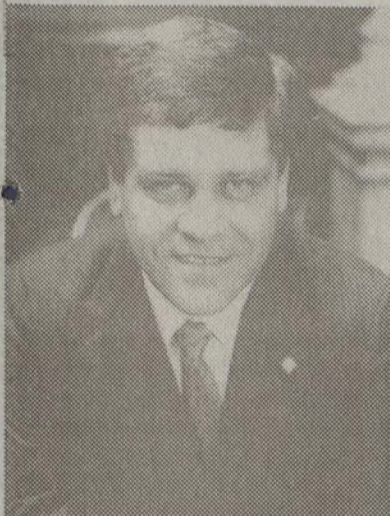
Our Lady of the Way Hospital will be offering a basic First Aid course for the public on Friday, February 7. The course is open to anyone wishing to become certified in First Aid. Parents, expectant parents, grandparents, babysitters, students and others will be able to

learn many lifesaving techniques that may be useful in an emergency. Certification will be for 3 years.

The class will be held at the Seton Complex in Martin. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and class will start promptly at 9:00 a.m.

Instructors for the course are certified through the National Safety Council.

Pre-registration is required by Friday, January 31, and may be done by contacting the Community Health Education Department at (606) 285-5181, ext. 301 or 342.



### Named chairman

State Sen. Benny Ray Bailey, D-Hindman was named to chair the General Assembly's Senate Appropriations and Revenue Committee. Bailey was chosen for the influential post at the recently completed 1997 Organizational Session of the Legislature. The General Assembly convened in Frankfort on January 7 to swear in new members, elect new leadership and make committee assignments. After completing its business, the legislature adjourned on January 10.

### Weapons banned in state building by Gov. Patton

Governor Paul Patton signed an executive order, January 15, banning concealed deadly weapons on property owned, leased or controlled by the executive or judicial branches of state government.

Patton, who signed the order at the request of the judicial branch and constitutional officers, said: "The purpose of House Bill 40 is to allow people to carry a gun where they need to protect themselves. State office buildings are not a place of fear."

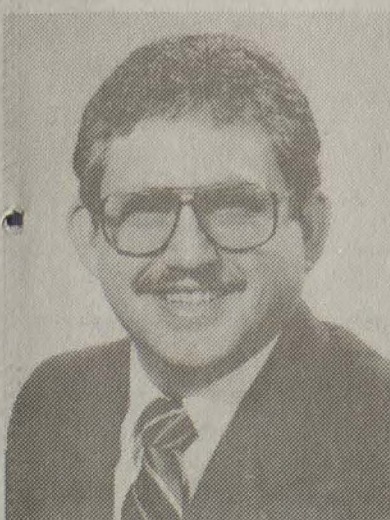
The order directs the Finance and Administration cabinet to draw up all the necessary regulations and oversee the creation and distribution of signs to be posted in the appropriate state government buildings. The order does not apply to state universities.

### Cancer society needs volunteers for quit smoking programs

The American Cancer Society needs volunteers to serve as instructors for its "Quit Smoking" programs.

To qualify for the position, an applicant must be a non-smoker and committed with a desire to help others quit smoking. Ex-smokers must be off all tobacco products for at least six months — one year is preferred — to become a volunteer instructor for the program.

Anyone interested in training to be a facilitator for the Cooper/Clayton Smoking Cessation programs in Floyd County, can call the American Cancer Society Office at (606) 437-0020 for an application or for more information.



Rep. Herbie Deskins, D-Pikeville, was reappointed as the chair of the Natural Resources and Environment Committee on Friday, the last day of the General Assembly's Organizational Session. Deskins represents the 94th House District. The General Assembly convened January 7 to swear in new members, elect new legislative leaders, and make committee assignments.

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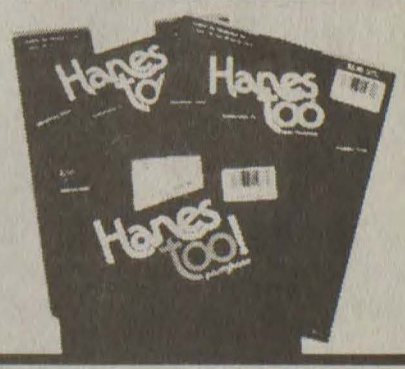
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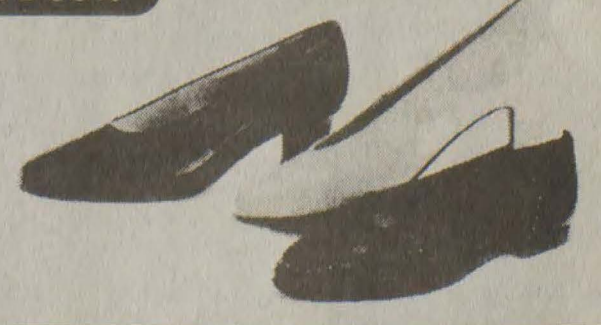
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# Floyd County youth will attend national leaders conference in Washington, D.C.

Brian Newsome, a son of Curt and Sue Newsome of Teaberry, will attend the National Young Leaders Conference beginning January 28 in Washington, D.C.

The conference will conclude on February 2 and is a unique leadership development program for high school students who have demonstrated leadership potential and scholastic merit.

Newsome is a senior at Mapleton High School in Ohio, and will return to Floyd County this fall. He plans to attend college in Lexington.

Newsome will be among 350 outstanding National Scholars attending the conference from across America.

The theme of the National Young Leaders Conference is "The Leaders of Tomorrow Meeting the Leaders of Today." Throughout the six-day conference, Newsome will interact with key leaders and newsmakers from the three branches of government, the media and the diplomatic corps.

Highlights of the program

include welcoming remarks from the floor of the United States House of Representatives and a panel discussion with prominent journalists at the National Press Club.

Newsome may also meet with his senators and representatives or an appointed member of their staff to discuss important issues facing the nation.

To complement these special meetings and briefings, Newsome will participate in a number of leadership skill-building activities. In one activity, "If I were President," students role-play the president, members of the cabinet and representatives from Capitol Hill who must respond to an international crisis involving Russia.

The National Young Leaders Conference culminates with the "Model Congress," in which scholars assume the role of United States representatives by debating, amending and voting on proposed legislation for an official language and immigration reform.

The National Young Leaders

Conference is sponsored by the Congressional Youth Leadership Council, a nonprofit, nonpartisan educational organization. Founded in 1985, the council is committed to "fostering and inspiring young people to achieve their full leadership potential."

More than 375 members of the United States Congress join this commitment as members of the council's Honorary Congressional Board of Advisors. Each year, only 7,000 outstanding youth nationwide may participate in the 20 sessions of the National Young Leaders Conference.

"The conference provides the opportunity for students, like Brian, to distinguish themselves as tomorrow's leaders," said Michael Lasday, council executive director. "Scholars not only gain knowledge and experience in the nation's capitol, they leave with a sense of accomplishment and an increased ability to face the challenges of the future."

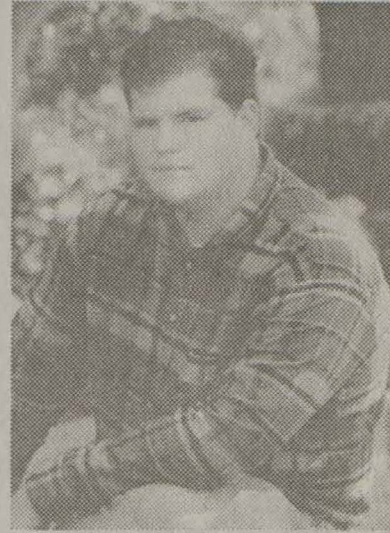
Newsome's high school achievements have been many. He has been president of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; vice president of his class, a member of the student council; and secretary of the athletic director

In sports, he is a four-year letterman in golf; a member of track and

field and the basketball team, and a member of the homecoming court.

He is also a member of the Odyssey of the Mind club, the Spanish Club, the College Club, marching band, concert band, the Ski Club, newspaper staff and the yearbook staff.

He is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students.



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## J.D. Crowe, The New South and others at the Sipp Theatre

The "Bluegrass at the Sipp" concert series continues Saturday, February 1, at 7:30 p.m., at the Sipp Theatre in downtown Paintsville, featuring J.D. Crowe and The New South and Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver, two of the country's best traditional bluegrass musical groups.

The Grammy Award Winning J.D. Crowe, one of the most popular names in Bluegrass, has established the standard for five string banjo picking, he has also been instrumental in molding the direction of modern Bluegrass, while assuring it's traditional ties to the roots of the music through his rock solid banjo work.

Many well known stars have passed through the ranks of J.D. Crowe on their way to stardom. Among the names that immediately come to mind, are Ricky Skaggs, Tony Rice, Keith Whitley, Doyle Lawson, and many, many more.

Doyle Lawson has consistently been among the top two or three stars in bluegrass music since he formed Quicksilver many years ago.

His abilities on the mandolin are unsurpassed and he has been recognized as one of the true greats in Bluegrass, but Doyle actually began his professional career as a banjo player for Jimmy Martin and

Sunny Mountain Boys. After gaining wide acclaim as a member of The Country Gentlemen, Doyle made a lasting contribution to the music of J.D. Crowe and The New South when he moved to Lexington, in the '70's.

Ultimately, Doyle struck out on his own and formed Quicksilver. Not only has that move provided lasting rewards to Doyle Lawson and his music, but it has created a new standard by which all other groups are measured.

Anita Belhasen, music coordinator at The Sipp, stated that additional concerts are being booked throughout 1997 and that musical concerts have become standard fare at the newly restored theatre.

"We intend to bring the people of Eastern Kentucky the finest musical talent available. While we are concentrating on Bluegrass at this time, we intend to add other forms of music, and make this wonderful old theatre available to the people of our region for various forms of music and to her activities," said Belhasen.

The Sipp Theatre is operated by the The Sipp Theatre Foundation, a non-profit organization, established for the purpose of restoring the theatre and providing quality entertainment to the citizens of Eastern Kentucky.

## SuperAmerica launches scholarship program

SuperAmerica is planning a super investment, but it's not in stocks and bonds. It's in Floyd County students. The company will invest in the future of Kentucky High School students through a major new scholarship program beginning in 1997.

One senior from 90 high schools, including Allen Central and Prestonsburg high schools, will be awarded SuperAmerica Scholarships based on academic record, school activities, community involvement and work experience. Winners will be selected by an independent scholarship management organization which will subsequently administer the scholarships. Recipients will be awarded \$1000 for undergraduate study at accredited two or four-year colleges or vocational-technical schools and they must plan to enroll in full-time courses of study no later than fall, 1997.

"SuperAmerica believes Kentucky's young people are the Commonwealth's greatest natural resource," said John Pettus, President of the Lexington-based company. "We consider this program to be an investment in the future leadership of our great state."

SuperAmerica's commitment to education is not limited to the new scholarship program. The company also offers an incentive program for employees enrolled in college or vocational school if they meet the program's requirements. Individuals who are not currently enrolled but plan to be in the future can "bank" incentives with the company and receive the money when they become eligi-

ble.

SuperAmerica will award its first 90 scholarships to members of the 1997 graduating class. Application packets have already been delivered to principals of the selected high schools. The selection process was based on a geographic distribution throughout the state in addition to proximity to a SuperAmerica store within the community.

## Stumbo Elem. is regional winner across the region

Teams from John M. Stumbo Elementary have placed 1st and 2nd place in regional competition among other schools across the region in Economics America's Stock Market Game.

Team number 01048 placed first in the region, and team number 01047 placed a close second. Over 1,200 teams across the state compete in this simulated stock market game.

Gary Spears, math teacher at Stumbo Elementary and Stock Market Game advisor, is very proud of the success his teams have had.

Spears uses the Stock Market Game to teach both mathematics and economics skills in his math classes.

In addition, each of the first place regional winning teams will receive a check for \$75 and Stock Market Game t-shirts for each team member.

Each of the second place teams will receive t-shirts for each member.

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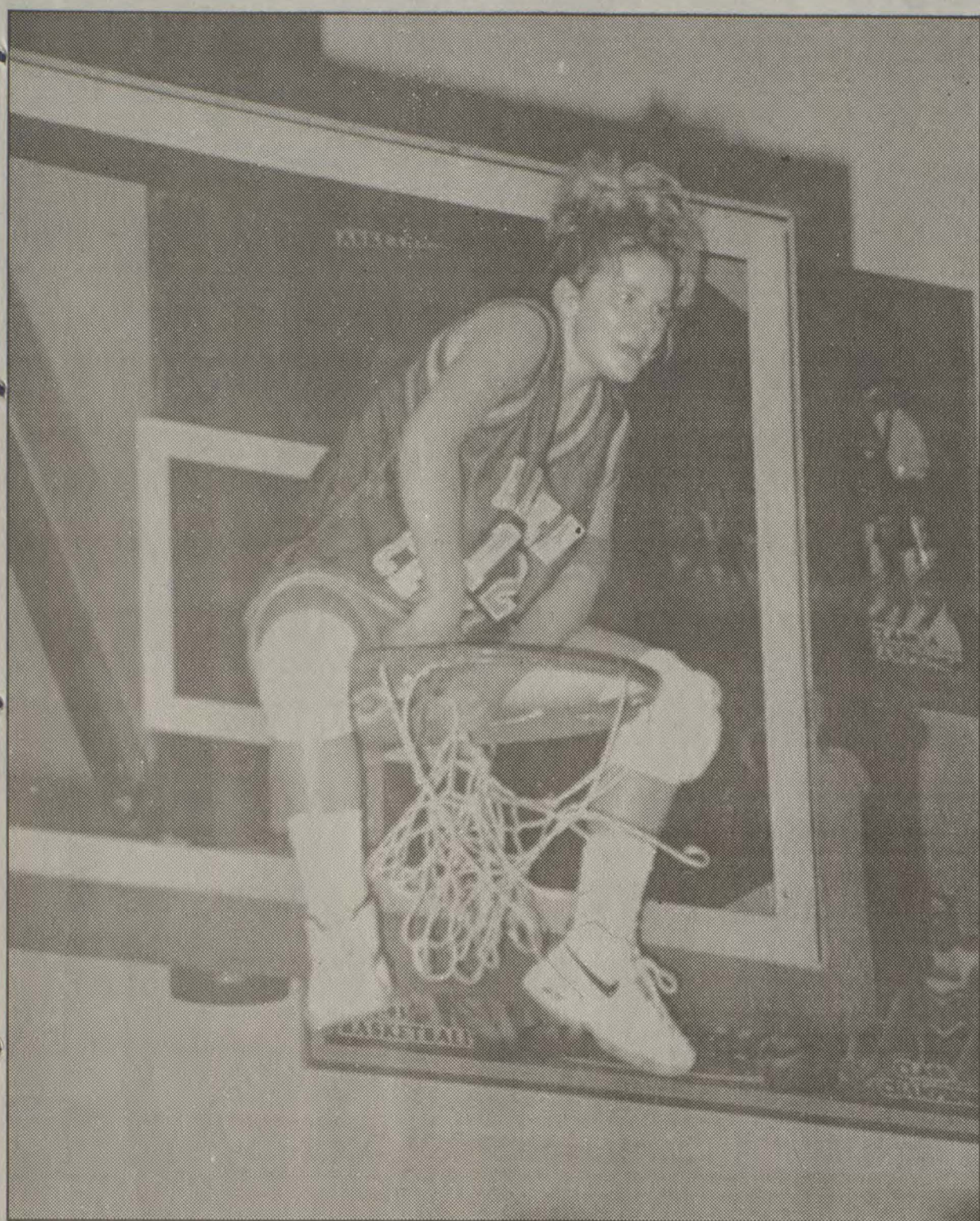
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### Cutting the net

Jennifer Hopkins of Allen Central had the honor of cutting down the net, after the Lady Rebels won over Paintsville 53-49 to win the All "A" Classic this past Saturday. The Lady Rebels will open state tournament play at Eastern Kentucky University next Wednesday morning against Harlan. Tip off time is 10:30 a.m. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Paintsville set to defend All "A" Classic Regional

### Allen Central, South Floyd hope for good showing

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Paintsville Tigers are the defending 15th Region All "A" Classic champions and will set out to defend their title as the regional tournament tips off tonight at the T.W. Oliver Gymnasium with two first round games.

Paintsville comes into the tournament ranked 15th in the state and also comes off winning the prestigious WYMT Invitational last weekend over Pikeville.

Coach Bill Mike Runyon's team hasn't been playing that well compared to last year's accomplishments but has to carry the tourna-

ment favorite's role.

J.R. Vanhooze (6'10"), Todd Tackett (6'3") and Josh McKenzie (6'4") are just three of the reasons for the optimism in the Tiger camp. McKenzie continues to be a key to success for the Tigers. The senior forward has been a consistent performer this year.

Tackett has caught the eye of college recruiters and, in particular, the Kentucky Wildcats. A total player, Tackett can drill the three's as well as drive the middle. A solid performer.

Vanhooze, what can be said about him that hasn't already been said? He is a tremendous player who is hard to defend once he gets the ball down low.

The Tigers will face a nemesis in Allen Central on Thursday night. Since the 1994 season, these two teams have become arch rivals on the hardwood but remain close friends after the battle. Look for a strong effort from coach Johnny Martin's ballclub.

The Rebels will showcase Thomas Jenkins (6'4"), who is a contender for Mr. Basketball honor this year. Jenkins is averaging just over 24 points per game and pulling in eight rebounds.

Todd Howard, as has been stated so often this season, has returned to the old form he had coming to Allen Central from the grade school ranks. Howard is averaging just over 20 points per game and has done it consistently.

The much-improved play of Gary Hunter, Beau Tackett, Edmond Slone and Jesse Hall give the Rebels a good shot at the Tigers. Allen Central dropped its earlier matchup with the Tigers.

The tournament tosses the basketball in a 6:30 start when Barry Hall's South Floyd Raiders take on one of the region's top teams in Elkhorn City. Randy McCoy's ballclub is thought by many to be a good enough team to dethrone

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### Girls All "A" Regional...

## Allen Central Lady Rebels return to state tournament

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Crystal Martin wanted to make a statement, and coach Bonita Compton gave a thumbs up to her father sitting on the opposite end of the gym, as the Allen Central Lady Rebels will be in familiar surroundings when they journey to Richmond on January 29, for the Girls All "A" State Tournament.

Allen Central posted a 53-49 overtime win, over a very strong Paintsville Lady Tiger team, in a game that had many adventures. It was a game of girls basketball that would rival any boys game, as Paintsville had their chance to win it all, but could not connect at the free throw line.

In the overtime, Coach Compton looked toward the opposite end of the gymnasium, and with Misty Scott going to the free throw line with just four seconds left on the clock, gave the thumbs up gesture as to say, "victory is ours."

"Yeah, I was looking at my dad," said the Allen Central coach. "He has been the one person in the stands that has told me not to give up after going through a rough week. I owe a lot to my dad."

Compton walked to the other end of the gym, went into the stands where her father, T.J. Compton, always sits, and gave him a victory hug.

Crystal Martin, who had been struggling this season after sitting out last year, took control and showed the needed leadership the Lady Rebels needed. She led Allen Central in scoring with 17 points.

"Crystal came up with some big baskets for us when we needed them," said Coach Compton.

Martin said she had a point she wanted to make.

"I've been in slump of late, but I felt I came out today and showed everyone that I can still play the game," she said. "To be back on

this floor again is awesome, and to this again (win a regional title) is just as awesome."

Paintsville had the last look at the basket in regulation play, although it was not a good one. Leanna Wright, who was fouled on a rebound, went to the free throw line for the Lady Tigers with just five seconds left in regulation. She missed both tosses with Allen

quickly with an NBA three-pointer for a 50-49 game.

Allen Central went into their delay game, but turned the ball over with 1:40 to play. After a miss by Paintsville, the Lady Rebels showed good patience, as Paintsville had to send Scott to the free throw line with 14 seconds to play. Scott hit the first but missed the second, giving life to the Lady Tigers.

In their half court game, Cooper lost the basketball to Scott, and out of frustration, fouled her with just four seconds to go. Scott hit both charity tosses for the 53-49 win.

"Coach (Anthony) Moore told me my hands were shaking real bad when I shot those free throws," said Scott. "I'm just glad I made them, and we're going back to Richmond."

Heather Collins, who fouled out in the fourth quarter, gave Paintsville a 3-0 lead in the first quarter by completing a three-point play. The game was tied at 5, 7, and 9 before Paintsville took a 12-9 lead on a three-point basket by Pinson. Allen Central scored the final seven points of the first quarter to lead 16-12 at the first stop.

Allen Central built an eight point lead early in the second, but the Lady Tigers would not quit. They came back and took advantage of three consecutive Allen Central turnovers to lead 23-22. A 6-2 spurt netted the Lady Rebels a 28-25 half time lead.

Coach Compton's ballclub led by 10 points thrice in the third period, the last at 41-31. Paintsville went on an 8-0 spurt to narrow the lead to two, 41-39. A lay in by Samons just before the horn gave Allen Central a 43-39 lead after three quarters.

"The third quarter is not our quarter," said the Allen Central coach. "I felt our defense picked us

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### Exclamation point by Martin helps AC to 53-49 overtime win

Central rebounding the ball and signaling for a time out with just four seconds to play. When play resumed, the ball came into Misty Scott, with no one within 10 feet of her. She dropped the ball and it bounced on the line for a turnover with just three ticks left.

"I don't know what happened there," said Scott after the game. "I was just so nervous and anxious, and I didn't know I was that close to the line."

In taking the last shot, Cassie Cooper inbounded the ball to an oncoming Amanda Pinson. The ball slipped away from Pinson who picked up the ball and forced up a desperation try. The game then went to overtime.

Allen Central outscored the Lady Tigers in the extra four minute period 8-3 to pull out the victory.

Amanda Samons gave the Lady Rebels the lead at 47-46 by hitting the back side of a two shot foul.

With 2:05 to play in the overtime, Scott hit the first of two, but missed on the second attempt. Martin slipped in on the missed shot, pulled down the ball, and put it back in to send her team in front 50-46, as the Allen Central fans (and there were many) smelled victory. But Cooper quieted the crowd

### Wins fourth in a row....

## Betsy Layne post wins over South Floyd, Shelby Valley

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Coach Bill Newsome's Betsy Layne Lady Cats are on a roll, and the coach is pleased with what he has seen in the past four games.

The Lady Cats recorded a 78-50 win over South Floyd Friday night and stayed on the road to win over Shelby Valley Saturday afternoon 65-52 in a come-from-behind effort.

"We played well because we played together over the weekend," said the veteran Betsy Layne coach.

Against South Floyd, sophomore Jessica Clark continues to

find the basket in scoring a career-high 24 points to lead the Lady Cats. She also had three rebounds and two assists in the game.

"Jessica is strong player," said Newsome. "She is playing with a lot of confidence of late."

Clark did not start for the Lady Cats at the beginning of the season but cracked the line up with "hard work," according to Coach Newsome.

Ashley Tackett added 14 points and Jessica Johnson netted 13. Johnson had four steals against South Floyd.

Betsy Layne opened the game hot and rolled to a 24-9 first quarter

lead. It was mostly South Floyd in the second and third periods but the Lady Cats outscored the Lady Raiders 26-10 in the fourth to put the game away.

Misty Berger scored 12 points to lead South Floyd. Jo Jo Pack netted nine points. Amanda Compton had eight.

Tackett led Betsy Layne in rebounding with 11. Heather Kidd continues to improve and had eight rebounds, three block shots and scored five points.

"Heather had her best game of the season for us," said Newsome.

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## A Look At Sports :

### From KHSAA: Prestonsburg vs Allen Central is a forfeit

Kentucky High School Athletic Association Commissioner, Louis Stout, officially informed Prestonsburg principal Thomas

Tackett that the game between the Prestonsburg and Allen Central girls, scheduled on Monday, January 13, did indeed result in a forfeit on the part of Prestonsburg. However, Stout left the door open, if both parties agree, for the game to be rescheduled. Allen Central principal Lorena Hall said that will not happen, "unless there

is an outside force." Hall meant interim superintendent of schools Louie Martin.

"We don't have the time to reschedule games," said Hall. "This game will not be rescheduled."

While the roads to Allen Central remained clear on January 13, Tackett felt the weather was too cold for basketball and remained a threat to the safety of the players in transporting them to Allen Central.

Stout, in his letter to Mr. Tackett, stated Bylaw 23, Sec. 2 which governs forfeits and bylaw 23, Sec. 3, which deals further with failure to follow terms of contract.

Failure to follow terms of contract requires the forfeiting school (Prestonsburg) to ante up \$500. Failure to pay the forfeit fee would result in Prestonsburg being sus-

pended from the Association and the suspension would remain in effect until it is removed by the Board of Control.

In his message to Prestonsburg, Stout said, "Prestonsburg High School will be subject to the above Bylaw unless you and Allen Central High school can come to an understanding regarding this contest scheduled for January 13, and the forfeit fee is not paid to Allen Central High School as agreed to by Mr. Ron Hampton on April 8, 1996."

In his letter Stout stressed that he preferred not to "involve the KHSAA in affairs that should be handled by the schools."

"However, when it appears the schools can not work out their problems relative to agreed con-

tracts, the KHSAA must remind the schools involved of the Bylaws," he went on to state.

Stout said he expected the matter to be taken care of prior to the beginning of the post season play.

"I do not want to see any member school suspended from the post season tournaments due to regular season contract violations," he stated in his letter to Mr. Tackett.

The events of the day began with the game on, and later was cancelled because the team could not secure a bus for the trip to Allen Central. The transportation director agreed to furnish a bus for the team, but Tackett told me over the phone, that the reason for not sending his team was because of the cold weather and his concern for the players.

Harold Tackett, Prestonsburg coach, said he stood behind the decision of his principal and feels the game should be rescheduled. Prestonsburg's leading scorer, Crystal Layne, would have missed the contest because of being out with illness. However, Tackett said that was not the reason for not making the trip.

"My hands were tied," he said. "I have to abide by the decision of our principal."

Coach Tackett felt the school had notified Allen Central in plenty of time for the cancellation of the game. He received a phone call around 7 p.m. and was asked if he "was coming to Allen Central" with his team.

"I told them there wasn't anything I could do about it," he said.

A large crowd had gathered at the Allen Central gym in anticipation of the game between the two rival schools. Allen Central was dressed and on the floor with the officials in place. When Prestonsburg did not show to take the floor at game time, the game was called a forfeit (2-0) and reported to the media as such.

However, Mr. Tackett and Coach Tackett contended that they had never been informed officially that the game was indeed a forfeit, until the letter arrived from the KHSAA, sent January 15.

If the game is rescheduled or not, it will have to be agreed upon by both principals. It was Allen Central's home game and the deci-

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Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

# Lady Rebels

up in the third period." Defense for Allen Central is spelled like the name of Jennifer Hopkins. Hopkins went scoreless in the game, but it will never appear in a box score, the importance of her defense on Cooper.

"Cassie played a good game, but I was able to stick with her," said Hopkins, who was almost closer than Cooper's shadow. "We showed a lot of patience on offense tonight. We wanted to work the ball and get our passes underneath to Mandy. It was a lot of team work."

"Jennifer played a good defensive game on Cooper," said Coach Compton. "I knew we had to stop her if we were to win."

The game was a very physical game and Natalie Cooley feels the

Lady Rebels tired some.

"It was a very physical game," she said. "We were tired, but we never gave up. They did a good job of coming back on us a couple of times, but we didn't want to give in to Paintsville."

Cooley said memories of last years regional finals were still on the minds of the Lady Rebels.

"We got beat by one point last year (to Elkhorn City) and we did not want a repeat of that. We were determined to get back to Richmond this year."

Paintsville coach, Christie Ward, said her team played hard and had no reason to hang their heads.

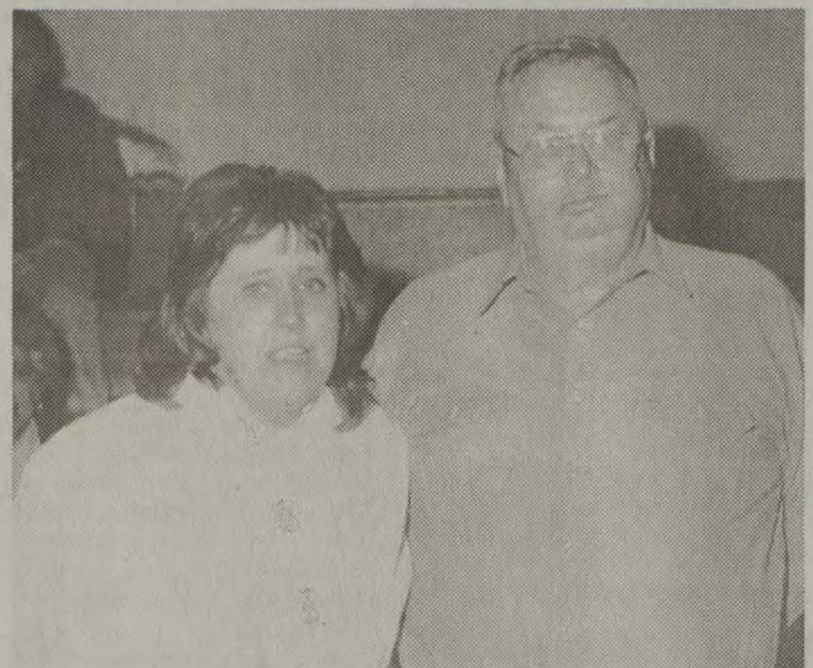
"It was a good basketball game," she said. "I'm proud of the girls. They worked hard. I told

them in the locker room that our time will come. We'll get back up there where we're supposed to be. You learn from the loss."

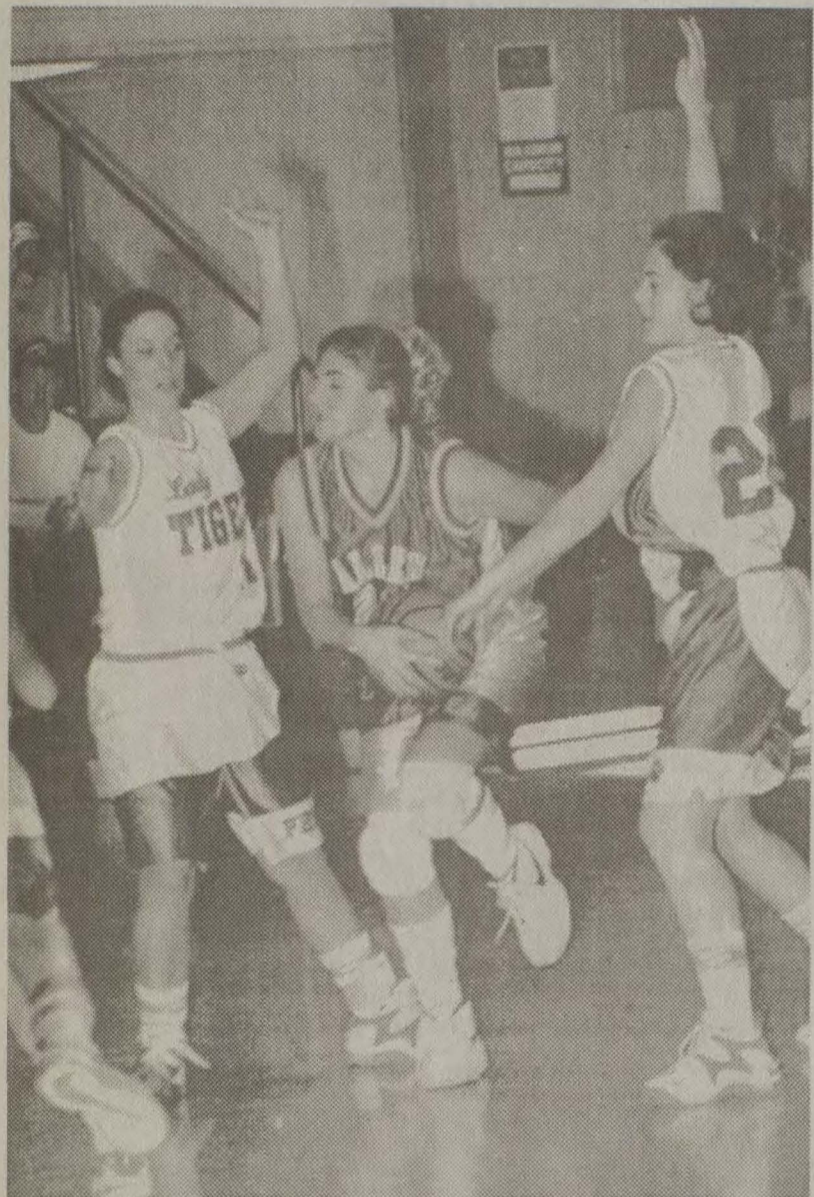
Cooper's 18 points led all scorers. Pinson finished with 13 for the Lady Tigers and Collins added nine. Patrick finished with seven and Wright two.

Four scored in double figures for Allen Central, led by Martin's 17 points. Scott scored 15 and Samons finished with 10. Cooley had nine points and Jessica Martin scored two.

Allen Central will play Harlan (13th Region) on Wednesday, January 29, at 10:30 a.m.



**Thumbs up**  
Allen Central Lady Rebel coach Bonita Compton posed with her father T.J. Compton after winning the Girls All "A" Classic Saturday afternoon over a good Paintsville team. It was the fourth such title Compton has won since the All "A" Regional began. (photo by Ed Taylor)



**Splitting the defenders**  
Allen Central's Natalie Cooley (20) went between two Paintsville defenders in the finals of the Girls All "A" Regional at Allen Central Saturday afternoon. Cooley scored nine points, as her team won 53-49 in overtime to advance to the state tournament next week. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Betsy Layne

Sabrina Yates finished with seven rebounds to go with her eight points. Lorena Hall came off the Betsy Layne bench and scored nine points.

"She gave us some quality minutes," said the Betsy Layne coach. "She played very well."

Amanda Hall had four points and Ashley Gearheart scored one.

Margret Morgan scored five points for South Floyd.

Coach Newsome said his team's trip to Shelby Valley was sort of a surprise because the Lady Wildcats performed so well with young players.

"They surprised me," he said. "They are a young team but they are going to be a good one."

Shelby Valley led most of the game, having the Lady Cats down 30-25 at the half.

"We did a little bit of hollering in the locker room at the half," said Coach Newsome, "and made some adjustments."

The adjustments at the start of the second half came from the defensive end as Betsy Layne threw different looks at the Lady Wildcats.

"It confused them. We would change it every time down the floor.

They would stop and look at it and had some turnovers out of it. We got back into the game and pulled out the win."

Betsy Layne trailed 44-42 after three quarters but rallied in the fourth period with a 24-8 vengeance.

"We were ready to play in the second half," said Coach Newsome.

Summer Jones led Shelby Valley and all scorers with 24 points. She hit four three-point baskets. Jessica Johnson led the Lady Cats with her 23 points. She also had five rebounds and three assists.

Ashley Tackett netted 16, pulled in ten rebounds, had two assists and two steals. Jessica Clark scored eight points before fouling out in the fourth quarter. Sabrina Yates had eight and Heather Kidd scored six points. Kidd had ten caroms in the game.

Betsy Layne will travel to Allen Central Saturday night in a makeup game.

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## A Look At Sports

tion will be theirs. But as of Monday, the game is a no-go, according to Ms. Hall.

My concern is over the hard feelings that the issue could create between the two schools, that are not that fond of each other anyway.

We don't need to demonstrate hostilities in front of our kids, there is already enough of that in the world.

If the situation remains as it is, the loss to Prestonsburg would be an important one, being it was a conference game. Or was it. That is another issue that needs to be addressed and clarified by someone. But who?

The problem we have here in the county is we have no high school athletic director. No one that is the central figure in sports in our county. No one we can go to

and get a ruling or clarification on rules.

Someone in the central office needs to appoint an interim athletic director until a permanent one can be named later.

Athletics, and everyone has to agree, is number one in Floyd County. Academics is very important and should never take second place to athletics. But, when you are being honest, sports is top priority. Always has been and always will be. Therefore, someone is needed to oversee the events, and make sure everything is run according to the books.

Had we had a county AD, then the issue between the two schools and a solution would never had been taken to Lexington for solving.

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

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# NASCAR Connection

by Ben Trout

## LOOKIN' BACK

Sometimes it's just plain old fun to look back. I mean looking back at anything....old school pictures, old clothes, or old newspapers. It's neat to observe how much things have changed, or in some cases, how much things have remained the same.

Last Sunday prior to Sunday

School, a fellow church-goer of mine, Alice Dotson of Blackberry, handed me the remnants of a sports page that appeared to have quite a bit of age on it. The paper had that familiar yellow hue that all old papers get after a certain time period. The edges were tattered and the paper had a certain crispness to it that gave away the fact that it was printed years before.

The sports page was from the Williamson Daily News (WV) and it was dated Monday, August 17, 1964 — three years prior to my birth. The story she pointed out to me was headed with the following line: "Petty wins Mountaineer 500 — sets new record." Boy, did I ever enjoy reading the article.

The race took place at the old West Virginia Motor Speedway near Huntington. Here are some bits and pieces from the story that you might find interesting. Get this, Petty won a total of \$2,650 for his efforts. Big money, right? I guess it was a hefty sum back then. But, when you compare it to today's cash hauled in by the winners, it seems nothing more than chicken feed.

The top-five? Petty was first and Junior Johnson was second. Ned Jarrett placed third with Jim Paschal and Earl Balmer rounding out the top-five. Man, are those some legendary names or what?

The most significant item in the story was the fact that this marked the first time in history that a cool-suit was worn by a driver. Yep, Petty won the race in "cool" fashion. Not only was Petty a heck-uva-driver, but he was an innovator of the sort at the time. It was then called an "air conditioned suit" and was described in the article as being a suit that pipes cool water through a heavy sweatshirt under his racing duster. A racing duster? My mind is still wondering about that one. A quote from Petty has him saying, "That suit I wore was plenty cool."

Here's one I liked: a total of 29 cars started the race, but only 14 cars finished. Sounds like a Saturday night at Bristol doesn't it? I was impressed with this stat: 12,000 fans were in attendance. That's a pretty good attendance considering the popularity of the sport at the time. And by the way, it went on to say that Petty finished well over a lap ahead of the field. That was when Petty was in his prime. He went on to win nine events that year to claim his first series championship.

Of course, I had to let my eyes wander all over the well-aged sports page. I learned quite a bit from it. I never knew that Houston was a baseball franchise known as the "Colts." Another baseball note had the New York Yankees excited about this rookie pitcher they had. His name? It was none other than Mel Stottlemyer. I know this isn't a baseball article but to read the articles featuring names like Roger Maris, Brooks Robinson, Harmon Killebrew, and Sandy Koufax was really entertaining for me.

Thanks Alice, I really enjoyed the sports page. By the way, Alice is

a big race fan. She and her husband, George Walker Dotson, even did their share of racing when they lived in Alabama. Competing at speedways in Huntsville, Jasper, Birmingham, and Nashville, George was national champion in his division. On several occasions he competed against NASCAR great, Bobby Allison.

Who knows, perhaps one day someone will pick up this paper, yellow pages, tattered edges and all, and experience the same enjoyment I did.

Next week, it's back to today's NASCAR racing as I'll begin my full preview of the 1997 NASCAR Winston Cup season.

## Paintsville

(Continued from page one)

Paintsville this year in the Class A.

The Raiders are looking to snapping a four-game winning streak and give new coach Barry Hall his first win since taking over the program two weeks ago.

Jason Shannon, Justin Paige, Justin Holbrook, Nick Compton and Chris Moore will lead the Raiders.

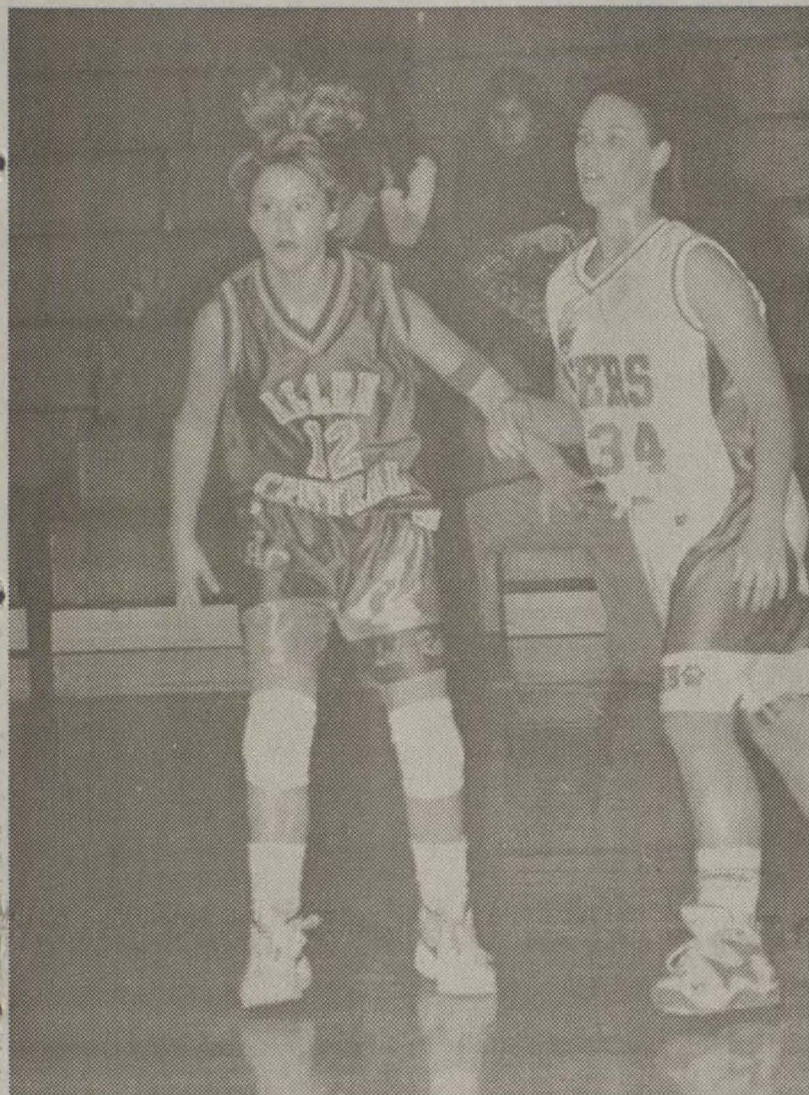
The second game tonight pits the winless Phelps Hornets against a scary Feds Creek team. Phelps is winless, but they have come close many times to achieving a victory. Coach Joe Marson's Vikings are a good outside shooting team and

could present some problems for the Hornets.

The Hornets will depend on the play of Joey Casey (6' 5") and Jeremy Honaker. Game time is set for 8 p.m.

Pikeville, runners-up to Paintsville in the WYMT Classic, faces the challenges of Millard, a team they destroyed in the Pikeville Invitational earlier. Coach Dave Thomas has a strong trio in Scott Justice (6'3"), Doug Powers (6'6") and Jay Ramsey (6'2").

The semifinals will happen on Friday night with the finals scheduled for Saturday at 7 p.m.



### Miss Defense

Sophomore Jennifer Hopkins (12) always draws the toughest defensive assignment when the Lady Rebs play, and guarding Cassie Cooper (34) of Paintsville was no easy task. The effort was good enough though, to bring Allen Central a 53-49 win in overtime over the Lady Tigers (photo by Ed Taylor)

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## Howdy Y'all

by John Frazier  
Times Outdoor Writer

Springtime may be two months away, but many outdoorsmen are anxiously preparing for the numerous activities scheduled for the near future.

The 16th annual Crawlathon at Carter Caves will take place January 24-26. The weekend focuses on the wonders of caving, and offers activities, instructional programs, and caving trips for all experience levels. Trips are led by experienced guides, and there is a \$15 registration fee required.

Wintering bald eagles will reach peak numbers at the Ballard Wildlife Management Area this week. Eagle watchers can choose from several eagle viewing weekends scheduled at various state parks throughout the winter.

"A Gathering of Eagles", at Kentucky Dam Village January 24-26, offers boat tours and field trips by van to observe the eagles in their natural habitat. Evening programs and entertainment are also scheduled.

"A Visit with the Eagles", February 7-9, at Kenlake State Resort Park, and "Eagles Weekend", February 21-23, at Lake Barkley State Resort Park are two more opportunities eagle enthusiasts won't want to miss.

"Moonbow Weekend" February 21-22, at Cumberland Falls State Resort Park, is another event nature lovers will want to visit. Observe the natural phenomenon of a lunar rainbow; one of the few that occurs in the world. A weekend of workshops on photographing the Moonbow, physics and folklore, and field trips to other areas during the day complete the weekend's activities.

Backpackers wishing to get an early start on spring adventures can visit Natural Bridge State Resort Park on February 22-23. There will be an overnight backpacking trip (10-12 miles) geared toward beginners. The \$35 fee includes food and guide service. Equipment is available, and the preregistration deadline is February 12.

This is also the week Canadian Geese numbers peak in Western Kentucky. Check your waterfowl guide for the close of hunting in the western goose zone.

Other dates to make note of are: January 31, rabbit, quail, and bobcat seasons close; February 1, furbearer hunting and trapping season closes at noon; January 25 to February 2, Sport, Boat and Vacation Show at the KY Fair and Exposition Center, in Louisville, KY.

**On another note...**  
I recently visited our district wildlife biologist. His name is Jayson Plaxico. He is a very intelligent and very likeable person. I would like to thank him for his time and information, and look forward to future visits with him. During my visit, an interesting conversation took place, and I left his office with a much better understanding of the challenges faced by our fish and wildlife officials. The most difficult of these obstacles being misinformed or uninformed individuals.

He related to me the story of a gentleman who called the Department of Fish and Wildlife to harshly accuse the department of stocking rattlesnakes in eastern Kentucky. The gentleman (continued on this page...) continued to curse the department personnel, and threatened



Fishermen take an unexpected break

Fishing on Dewey Lake was put on hold this past week. Boats were stranded at the docks, and shoreline fishing was an impossibility. Plummeting temperatures left the Floyd County lake covered with a sheet of ice, too thin to support ice fishing, but thick enough to put a hold on other fishing. Warmer temperatures should return the lake to normal, and allow anglers to return to the water this week. (Photo by John Frazier)

## Black Bears Return to Eastern Kentucky

The American black bear is making a comeback in many parts of Eastern Kentucky. Black bear populations once covered much of the North American continent, including a great portion of Kentucky. They were all but eliminated from the state by the 1900s. Immigrating bears from surrounding states, and suitable habitat provided by large scale regeneration of forest-land on old farm sites are attributed to the increasing number of black bears that make their homes in the forests of Eastern Kentucky.

The black bear is one of the most recognized mammals in North America. Unfortunately, it is also one of the most feared. Black bears are rarely aggressive. They are shy animals that will usually hide or run away when confronted by humans. However, habitat destruction and continual human harassment nearly eliminated the black bear from Kentucky. Perhaps, a better understanding of these gentle creatures would reduce the level of fear surrounding black bears.

Black bears (*Ursus americanus*) are related to raccoons, foxes, and dogs. They are omnivorous, meaning they will eat meat or vegetation. However, black bears are primarily vegetarians. They feed on grasses, fruits, and berries during spring and summer, and acorns or beechnuts in the fall. Insects, other invertebrates, and dead animals found while foraging complete their diet.

Adult bears in the southern Appalachians seldom exceed 300 pounds. They have poor eyesight but an excellent sense of smell. Bears have large non-retractable claws for climbing, gathering food, and defense. Bears can stand erect on their hind legs, and walk on the soles of their feet, rather than the toes.

Black bears, unlike grizzlies, are excellent climbers, and can scale trees for food or protection when necessary. They can also run up to 30 miles per hour in short bursts.

Black bears breed during the summer. Cubs are born in late January. Litters may range from one to five cubs, but two is the normal litter. Each cub weighs only eight to twelve ounces at birth, but will grow to between five and seven pounds before leaving the den in late March. The cubs will stay with their mother through the summer and den with her again the following winter. The next summer, the cubs will leave their mother, and she is free to breed again.

Since Kentucky winters are not typically long or severe, bears in the state do not hibernate. They do, however, experience a quiet resting period called winter dormancy.

Bears spend the majority of their time foraging for food. They prefer to slowly wander over large areas in search of food. Black bears are primarily active at night, but are sometimes seen during daylight hours. Offering food to bears can change their behavior patterns and draw them close to humans. Feeding or baiting bears causes the animal to become accustomed to humans and relate humans with an easy meal.

For those that fear the bears, prevention is the best course of action. Do not allow garbage and trash to accumulate around your home. Take care when disposing of food scraps, and keep pet food out of range of the bear's nose. If you do encounter a bear on your property, do nothing. The bear will wander away on its own, but be sure to properly dispose of whatever attracted the bear to your property.

Complaints regarding damage to crops, beehives, and other properties are fortunately very seldom. To prevent bears from invading your property, keep crops and hives in open areas, as far away from woods as possible. Fencing is also helpful in deterring bears. Properly maintained electric fences are almost 100 percent effective. You can gain temporary relief by frightening bears with

fireworks, barking dogs, flashing lights, or scarecrows. It is important to use a different tactic each time to ensure surprise.

To assure yourself of the presence or absence of black bears in your area you should be aware of what to look for.

One of the best signs is bear tracks in soft soil or mud. Bears usually walk on all fours, so look for tracks made by both front and hind paws. Front paw prints are four to five inches long and only slightly wider than they are long. Hind paw prints are longer than their width and generally six to eight inches long. Claw prints will usually show well in front of the ball of the foot.

Bears usually follow the same route when foraging for food. Look for well-worn trails, especially near berry patches. Vines will be stripped of berries and leaves. Bushes and small fruit trees will be bent over and often broken by foraging bears. Black bears will also leave claw marks on larger fruit and nut trees as they climb for food.

Den sites are usually located in or under large trees, at least 24 inches in diameter. Look for other den sites in brush piles, logs, and rock houses along cliffs. Dens will not be located in wet areas such as caves, mines, or any site with standing or running water.

The amount of available habitat in Kentucky effectively limits the number of bears that can live in the state. Black bears reproduce slowly and live in only a limited area of the state. Black bears are strictly protected in Kentucky. The illegal taking of one of these animals can be a major setback to the small population of bears that make their home in Kentucky. The American black bear is a valuable and important part of Kentucky's natural resources, and given the opportunity, free from human interference, they can continue to flourish and regain their prominent status as an outstanding inhabitant of our Kentucky forests.

## Operation Bass Announces Format Change for Red Man Tournament Trail

Operation Bass, Inc., has announced that the seven post-season Red Man Regional Championships and the Red Man All-American Bass Championship will feature additional practice and competition days in 1997.

According to company officials, the regional championships were expanded to three practice days and three competition days, and the requirement for contestants to provide observers for pairing purposes was dropped to better serve the needs of competitors.

Operation Bass President Mike Whitaker said, "The regionals will go to a draw partner format just like our qualifying events, while the additional days will increase the skill level required to qualify for the Red Man All-American. The Red Man All-American Championship will have one additional competition day for the final anglers with the heaviest accumulated weight from the previous two days of competition."

According to Whitaker, the change to the prestigious championship's format was made to, "...add excitement to the event and to the television production on ESPN 2."

The Red Man Regional Championships and the All-American culminate the 132-event Red Man Tournament Trail, competitive angling's largest tournament program

with over 24,000 participants and \$3.5 million in cash and prizes.

The 1997 season marks the 18th year that Operation Bass has conducted bass fishing tournaments; Red Man became the title sponsor in 1983.

The Red Man Tournament program is designed for weekend fishing enthusiasts and provides local, weekend competition culminating with one of sport fishing's biggest pay-days at the Red Man All-American — \$100,00. The 1997 All-American purse will exceed \$266,000.

Longtime Red Man Tournament Trail sponsors Evinrude and Johnson outboards have become the presenting sponsors of the trail for 1997 - 1999 to highlight the introduction of their new Ficht Technology which eliminates engine smoke, improves acceleration and reduces fuel consumption by as much as 35 percent.

CITGO Petroleum has announced that it will again sponsor the National Points Challenge which annually awards the divisional winner \$1,000 and the national winner \$10,000.

Other Red Man Tournament Trail sponsors for 1997 include: Evinrude and Johnson Outboards, Evinrude and Johnson Electrics, Ranger Boats, Abu Garcia Rods and Reels, Armour Vienna Sausage, Chevy Trucks, Stren Fishing Lines, Hummingbird Fishfinders, CITGO Super Premium Gasoline, ENERGIZER Marine Batteries; Old Milwaukee NA, Bill Lewis Lures, Rubbermaid, Keystone Lures and Gambler/Bang.

## REALTREE OUTDOORS TIPS



### BIRDS OF A FEATHER

When doing your pre-season scouting for gobblers, look for these key signs which ensure the presence of turkeys.

In February and early March, most turkeys are still in winter flocks. Hens, young and old, and young jakes are still in large flocks numbering up to 20 or more. Some older jakes may have formed "bachelor flocks" of around a dozen. Adult gobblers will hang together in groups of three to six or more until competition during the spring gobbling season causes them to separate.

Thus, the sheer size of the scratched-up areas you find in the late winter and early spring woods gives you a clue as to which group passed by. However, all types of turkeys may stay relatively near each other in winter. If you find a body feather, you can really separate the gobblers from the hens. Gobblers have glossy bronze-green feathers edged with black. Hen feathers are duller and are edged with brown.

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### Howdy Y'all continued...

to file law suits against the department if he, or any member of his family were bitten.

Apparently the caller has determined that the KDFWR has begun to stock rattlesnakes to decrease the turkey population. He claimed the department stocked the turkeys, and now that they have gotten out of control, rattlesnakes have been stocked to eat the turkey eggs.

Of course, we had a good laugh, but he disproved the caller's claims with supporting facts. First and foremost, Kentucky already contains significant numbers of rattlesnakes, and stocking would not be necessary. Secondly, rattlesnakes do not eat turkey eggs, and, as if that weren't enough, the turkey populations in Kentucky are not out of control. In fact, 1996 was the first year statewide turkey hunting had been permitted.

This incident led Mr. Plaxico to volunteer his advice for a new segment in our paper. Anyone wishing to ask a question or clear up a suspicious rumor, can write or call me at the Floyd County Times, and I will discuss the subject with the appropriate personnel at the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. I will then publish my findings in the next publication for all interested parties to read. Letters can be sent to:

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# After compromise, conference passes bylaws unanimously

## North-South All-Star game gets approval

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Floyd County Grade School conference committee met last Friday in preparation of submitting the proposed bylaws to the board of education for consideration into becoming part of the school's district bylaws.

Also, drawing for the grade school county basketball tournament was held. Duff Elementary will host the World Series of grade school basketball at Allen Central beginning January 29.

Before the final bylaws were approved, some compromise was agreed to by the members to allow Adams Middle School to still participate in the Middle School Conference that involves other surrounding county teams. Martin, also a middle school, said they did not want to play in the middle school conference next year.

Adams Middle School principal, Janice Allen, felt that the county could develop better teams by playing against better competition, and the Middle School Conference offers her school that opportunity.

"I admit I don't understand all there is about athletics," she said. "This committee is to be commended for what they are doing. I support most of the things the committee is wanting to do. But we need to ask ourselves what we want our kids to be when they leave our district."

Allen thought that building a stronger feeder system for the high schools would eventually lead a team in Floyd County to the Sweet Sixteen.

"The high schools are looking to us as elementary people," said Allen, "to send them good players. Kids who are playing at Prestonsburg now were in a good quality program. Adams is suffering right now. Martin may be okay for the next two or three years. We need to have our teams playing in good competitive situations."

"I wonder if the competition here is good enough to raise the skill levels of our kids," said Allen.

Pete Grigsby Jr., the county grade school athletic director, said that schools in the county would have opportunities to play outside the county. But each team would only be allowed to play just the four games proposed.

The committee, after much discussion, voted to allow all county teams to play as many games as they want, but each school had to abide with the conference schedule first.

Ronnie Patton, Duff Elementary, suggested, as it has been suggested before, playing the grade school girls' schedule while grade school football is being played.

"What we should do is divide the season and let the girls play a separate season from the boys," he said.

Allen said that the surrounding counties have a separate season for girls' basketball at the grade school level, but Osborne principal Paul David Tackett said that it wasn't working well in the high school level.

"A separate girls' season once was approved, but the principals voted it down," said Allen.

"We need to look at what kind of program we are building, and we are not able to compete outside of the county," said Allen of her team's success in the middle school conference. "There's a problem here."

Doug Derosssett, Martin Middle School boys' coach, said the expense of buses to travel to places like Warfield, Louisa and Johnson County was "getting expensive."

Grigsby urged the committee to stay focused on what was in front of them but at the same time to concentrate on a workable solution to the two middle school problems.

The girls' middle school schedule is played while grade school football is in progress, late August, September and October. That involved just Adams and Martin this past middle school season. But Martin plans to drop from the conference.

After the proposed amendment to allow each school to play an unlimited number of games, the committee approved the amendment by a 9-0 vote (Allen, Harold and Melvin were not represented).

Ms. Allen further stated, and it met with a chorus of approval, a program that will reach down into the lower grades such as fifth and sixth grades.

"We can help with that," said Grigsby, who was pleased with what the committee had accomplished. "It is something we will take up at our next meeting."

Karen Allen, principal at Betsy Layne Elementary, pointed out the situation in Floyd County is not the same as the surrounding counties.

"Johnson County, Warfield and Harold-Whitaker draw from the whole county," she said. "I don't think we will ever be at the advantage they are."

Gene Davis, principal at Prater Creek Elementary, suggested that Adams be allowed to play as many games as they wanted to.

The committee also ruled that a county team playing a middle school schedule had to play in an organized middle school conference.

Originally, each county team was to be limited to 20 games and four tournaments during the regular season. After the compromise, there was no limit set for number of games nor tournaments a team could play in.

Coach Patton felt the committee was getting away from what was good for Floyd County.

"We need to vote on the proposal before us," he said.

Zenith Hall, Prater Creek coach, made the motion that the each school could play an unlimited number of games. Betsy Layne Elementary's coach, Dwight Newsome, seconded the motion which was passed 9-0.

This year's county tournament will be hosted by Duff Elementary and played at Allen Central. The tournament dates were set for January 28, 29, 30, February 4, 5, 6.

The tournament drawing was conducted with Brent Rose, McDowell coach, hosting the draw.

The winners of Section 3 will face the losers of Section 1 in the opening game.

Winners of Section 4 takes on losers of Section 2 in the second game of the upper bracket.

In the lower bracket, winners of Section 1 faces the losers of Section 3.

Winners of Section 2 will meet

the losers of Section 4.

The pairings were for both boys and girls.

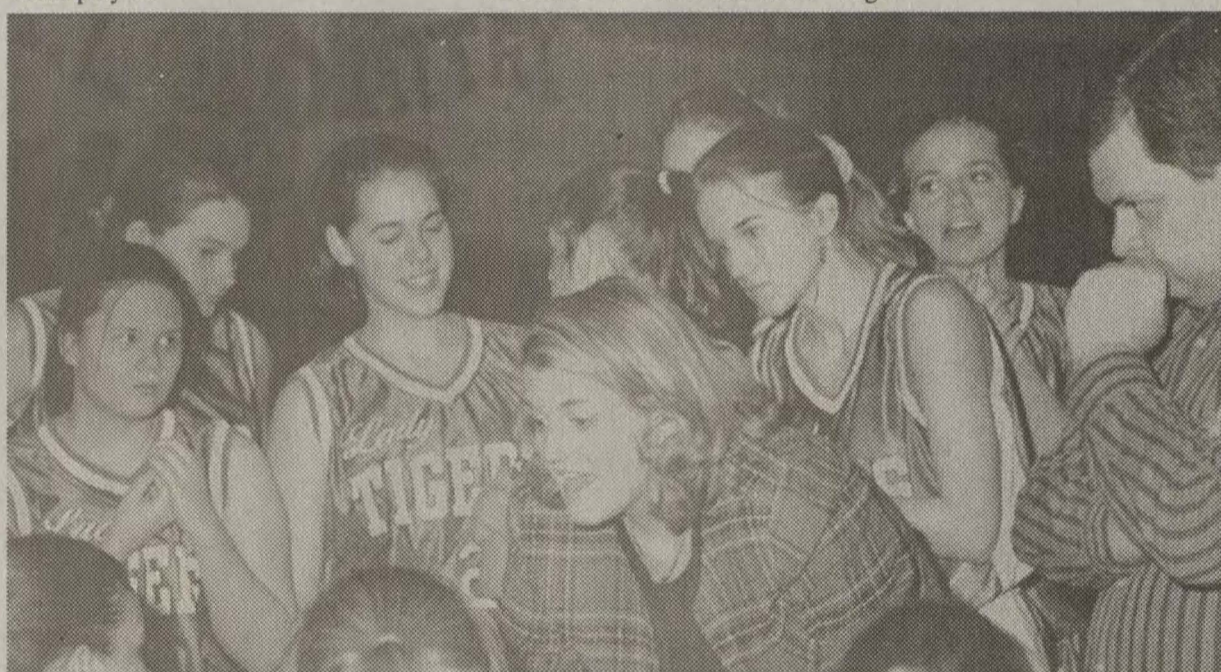
The host school will be able to pick their own officials for the sectionals. However, in the county tournament Ancie Casey, assigning secretary in the 15th Region, will be presented a list of officials to be assigned to call the county tournament.

The sectionals will be held this weekend. This will be the final year for the four sectional tournament as the 12 elementary teams will be divided in North and South.

Price of admission to the tournament games will be \$3 for adults and \$2 for students during the county tournament.

The sectionals will be \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.

Before the meeting adjourned, it was suggested that a North/South All-Star game be played after the completion of the county tournament. The suggestion met with unanimous favor. The final decision was tabled until the February meeting.



"It's not over, yet!"

Paintsville coach Christi Ward gave some final instructions to her Lady Tigers in the semifinals of the All "A" Classic at Allen Central Friday night. The Lady Tigers posted a win over Phelps to advance to the championship game. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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## Paintsville rolls behind Pinson and Cooper

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Cassie Cooper scored seven of Paintsville's first 11 points, and finished with 17 for the game, as the Lady Tigers rolled past the Phelps Lady Hornets 64-48 in the second round of the Girl's All "A" Regional, at Allen Central, Friday night.

Amanda Pinson also had 17 points in the game for the Lady Tigers. Heather Collins finished with 12, and Leigh Ann Wallen scored 10.

Ericka Fannin, who's three-point shooting kept Phelps close at the half, lead the Lady Hornets with 15 points. Fannin hit five three-point baskets in the game. Courtney Mercer added 14 points and Debbie Freeman scored nine.

Paintsville lead 17-7 at the end of the first quarter, after jumping out to an 11-0 lead behind the play of Cooper. Cooper scored the first five points on a lay up and a three-point basket. Wright followed with a lay in off a steal, and Pinson scored on a play inside. Cooper hit a long jumper to make it 11-0.

Leona Ratliff put Phelps on the scoreboard by completing a three-point play to make it 11-3. Mercer's lay in made it an 11-5 game. A basket by Cooper and two Pinson free throws gave the Lady Tigers a 10 point lead. Mercer scored for Phelps, but Collins came back with a basket underneath for a 17-7 score.

Fannin hit the first of her two

treys in the second period to start the quarter. Collins, Cooper and Wallen scored on a 6-0 run for Paintsville, as the Lady Tigers led 24-12.

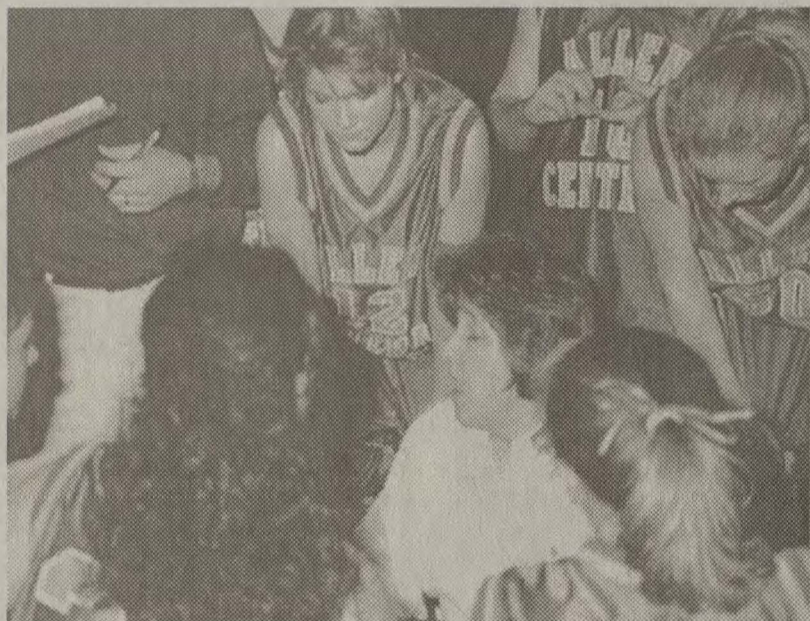
Paintsville's biggest lead in the second came at 31-16, on a three-pointer by Cooper and Collins' 12-foot jumper. The Lady Tigers led 33-19 at the half.

While the Lady Tigers were hitting free throws, Fannin was hitting three-pointers to put Phelps back in the game. The Lady Hornets cut the Paintsville lead to single digits, 41-32, on a rebound basket by Mercer. Two free throws, with 51 seconds to

play in the third, made it a seven point affair, 41-34. Paintsville owned the seven point lead after three quarters, after Fannin buried her third trey of the period.

After the two teams exchanged turnovers to start the fourth, Mercer's basket brought the Lady Hornets to within five points, 44-39. Phelps stayed at five points, until a 5-0 run by Paintsville netted them a 53-43 lead.

Paintsville hit nine of 14 free throws down the stretch to put the game away and advanced to the finals of the tournament.



**Huddle**

Allen Central coach Bonita Compton encouraged her players during a time out against Paintsville this past Saturday. The two teams met in the finals of the Girls All "A" Classic with Allen Central coming away with a hard fought, 53-49 overtime win. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Girls All "A"...

# Millard plays Allen Central close before falling 64-43

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Amanda Samons tossed in 21 points and Misty Scott added 17 as the Allen Central Lady Rebels advanced to the finals of the Girl's All "A" regionals with a 64-43 win over the Millard Lady Mustangs, Friday evening at Allen Central. Natalie Cooley finished with 13 points.

Millard had their problems handling the basketball against the Allen Central press, but the Lady Rebels also had their share of ball handling problems.

Brittany Bartley, half of the twin towers for the Lady Mustangs, drew her second technical foul in the fourth quarter, and an automatic ejection from the game, plus a one game suspension. She left the game with five points. But her twin look alike, Whitney Bartley Rowe, scored 20 points to lead Millard's scoring.

Rowe was getting the ball down low against Allen Central in the first quarter on floaters in the middle. She scored eight of her points in the first quarter on three straight passes in the paint area and two free throws.

Allen Central jumped out to a 6-0 lead but the Mustangs, behind Rowe, tied the game at nine, and it was tied again at 11 and 13. Samons three-point basket gave the Lady Rebels a 16-13 lead after the first period.

Millard committed 11 turnovers in the second quarter and only had three field goals, as Allen Central opened up a 30-20 lead with 1:27 to play in the second stanza.

Millard turned the ball over on four of their final five possessions as the Lady Mustangs went to the locker room trailing by 10 points.

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# Sports in Kentucky

by Bob Watkins

## HEAD: UofL Cards among best surprises in college hoops season's first half

When ESPN commentators start gabbing about seeds, who is likely to go to which region in the NCAA Tournament six weeks from now, it must be mid-season.

This week a mini-glance back at the first half.

Best team: Kansas by five furlongs, but the pack will close by mid-February. Pack includes Wake Forest, Kentucky, Maryland, Minnesota and maybe Louisville.

Surprise team (2): Clemson. The No. 3 ranked Tigers were preseason ranked 19th; and No. 8 Louisville was rated 36th by Dick Vitale.

Most entertaining team to watch: Kentucky.

Paint Dry team to watch: Tennessee.

Most entertaining game: North Carolina at Wake Forest ... until Sunday when Louisville won in overtime at Texas.

Best coaching job (in order): 1. Gary Williams, Maryland even if he is a whiner; 2. Denny Crum, Louisville; 3. Clem Haskins, Minnesota. 4. Rick Barnes, Clemson, 5. Rick Pitino, Kentucky.

Worst coaching job: Dean Smith, North Carolina. Only Dale Brown teams blow 22-point leads at home.

Best college player: Tim Duncan of Wake Forest and Danny Wuerffel is second.

Best surprise player: Nate Johnson, Louisville. Nazr Mohammed, Kentucky.

Biggest crybaby: Danny Fortson, Cincinnati and Bob Huggins is second.

Biggest faux pas: UCLA fired Jim Harrick on the eve of the season, wiping out recruiting campaign.

Best news: No alibi, no cover-up, Connecticut suspended two players immediately for taking gifts, violating NCAA rules.

Say, Didn't You Used To Be On Your Way to MJ-dom?: Felipe Lopez still at St. Johns, and Lester Earl now enrolled at Kansas.

Most over-rated news: Denny Crum's 600th and Rick Pitino's 200th coaching victories.

Most over-hyped item (besides Dick Vitale's importance): Which conference is best. Who cares? The NCAA Tournament seed committee doesn't.

Bad news for SEC teams: LSU will replace Dale Brown.

Bad news for SEC media preachers: LSU will replace Dale Brown.

The 'Say, How Did This Guy Get Away?' — Greg Buckner, Clemson's leading scorer/rebounder from Hopkinsville.

The (latest) 'Say, How Did This Guy Get Away?': Lamont Barnes, Temple freshman from Hopkinsville.

Play It Again, Sam: Rodrick Rhodes waltzing in and out of the twilight zone at USC just the way he did at Kentucky.

Best quote from college hoops' first half: 18-year-old Jermaine O'Neal of the Portland Trail Blazers — "If I had it to do over again, I would have thought about it a lot more and I would have gone to college."

Biggest news for season's second half: See how NCAA selection committee seeds this jammed-up field.

Enjoy it.

### REC BOWL CELEBRATES 50TH

The proverbial grand daddy of high school football bowl games in Kentucky, the Recreation Bowl in Mt. Sterling, will celebrate its 50th anniversary this year, August 23.

"We're going to invite back all the star of stars from bowl games through the years," said Rick Fields, spokesman for the special project. "We're looking forward to having them here, to wine and dine them as much as we can."

The 'star of stars', or MVPs from the Rec Bowl include several luminaries, not the least of which are Ron Ziegler (Dixie Heights) who was President Richard Nixon's press secretary and is now a lobbyist in Washington D.C., living in Virginia, and Paul Hornung (Flaget) who went on to All-America honors and the Heisman Trophy at Notre Dame, then the NFL Hall of Fame.

"We're trying to get in touch with as many of these men as possible," Fields said last week. "If anyone out there knows the whereabouts of a Rec Bowl star of stars, I would like to hear from them."

Fields can be reached at 606-

498-3400. Or, write him at 225 Windsor Drive, Mt. Sterling, Ky. 40353.

The Aug. 23 Rec Bowl double-header should be top shelf entertainment. It features Bell County against Harrodsburg, followed by Estill County against the school with the state's longest win streak, Breathitt County (30-0).

### UOFL CELEBRATION ITEM BRINGS FIRE STORM

When the University of Louisville men's basketball program celebrated its 600th victory during coach Denny Crum's tenure last week, the reaction to what appeared in this space came as no surprise.

A UofL official said I had 'misrepresented the facts' when I suggested it would be a good idea to invite captains of all Cardinal teams dating to 1971, as well as all the assistant coaches. They were all invited and a large delegation of former players and coaches did attend, sports information director Kenny Klein said by E-Mail.

Taking note of my view that Crum was receiving disproportionate praise for UofL's 600 victories when so many others were responsible as well, a Cardinals fan in Elizabethtown wondered why I chose to a negative view of a positive event.

Negative view? I thought it a realistic view to spread credit around and to point out UofL's success, made possible by so many contributors, had made Crum rich and famous.

The ensuing fire storm got me thinking, I could have pointed out that while Crum and UofL were celebrating 600 victories, Cardinal basketball is on NCAA probation. But that would have been in poor taste.

### READERS (RIGHT) WRITE

✓ About lead items in Sports In Kentucky so frequently focuses on UK...

Brandon A. Cowles of Brownsville (an avowed UofL fan) is the latest to suggest my column should be titled University of Kentucky Sports and that I am guilty of kissing Rick Pitino's... well, you get the picture.

"...I would like to point out that the Louisville Cardinals are 13-1. Kentucky is 12-2. Louisville has one of the best teams in the nation," Cowles wrote. And he would like to read praise for Western Kentucky University basketball and pointed out that Murray State is a frequent invitee to the NCAA Tournament.

"PS: If Freedom Hall officials said the crowd at the UK-UL game was 20,075, it was. Please write more about other Kentucky college sports or you will lose me as a reader."

Jeff Walker of Greensburg (but postmarked Louisville, and an avowed UofL fan) added his two cents worth (actually more than two cents) to the previous, saying this column title is misnamed. Unlike Cowles intimate insinuation, Walker merely accused me of 'loving Ricky Pitino.'

"The only thing you don't tell your readers about is what he had for breakfast and what brand of boxer shorts he wears." And, "You tend to insinuate Denny Crum can't coach. But I am sure no one has the keen insight to coach(ing) as you. After all you successfully predicted a 20-point win by UK after it was over. I'll bet the University Athletics Director is beating your door down to offer you a coaching job."

COMMENT: Thank you for writing.

COMMENT II: UofL sports fans with access to the internet can visit the UofL home page at <http://www.Louisville.edu/athletics>

Next week: More readers (right) write.

### CHEERS...

CHEERS to Elliott County High School officials and the KHSAA for swift and decisive action taken against an Elliott High basketball player after the youngster's (videotaped) punch and kick assault on a Menifee County player in a game earlier this month. The offending player was banned from sports by the KHSAA and Elliott County superintendent of schools Eugene Binjon issued an apology to Menifee County fans.

CHEERS to David Stern, commissioner of the NBAful who took decisive action against Dennis

Rodman as well, suspended the Chicago Bulls forward for 11 games and fining him. Lost wages and the fine will cost Rodman \$1 million..

### SCORING LEADERS

The Kentucky High School All-Time Girls Scoring List, compiled by Sports In Kentucky, stands at 122 and still adding names of those who achieved this special plateau at such a young age.

Four seasons ago I began inquiries about the state's leading high school point makers in boys basketball and discovered 20 had scored 3,000 or more points in high school. Today, with King Kelly Coleman at the top (4,337) and Jeff Krohman of Simon Kenton at the bottom (2,000), there are 124 boys on the 2,000-or-more points list.

Three years ago I embarked on compiling a girls scoring list. Today, with the addition of Natalie Powers of Apollo and Carolyn Alexander of Hazard, 65 girls have scored 2,000-or-more points in their time as high school basketball players. And 122 have scored 1,400-or-more points.

If you would like a list of the Boys and/or Girls Scoring Lists there is no charge. Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope along with your name and address to me at Sports In Kentucky, P.O. Box 124, Glendale, Ky. 42740.

### WORTH REPEATING

From the Amen Corner..

✓ Charles Barkley on drugs and athletes: "If a guy gets caught one time, he should get a one year suspension and be allowed to come back. I believe everybody in life deserves a second chance. But if a guy fails a second drug test then he should be banned forever."

✓ Bob Costas on professional athletes and fans: "The connection today is lost. Fans simply cannot invest their devotion to a player who might be gone next year by way of free agency."

COMMENT: Or leave college early for the NBAful or NFLassaultnbattery.

✓ In a volley against Vitale-ism and some in the media herd, whether or not it was intended, ESPN college basketball analyst

Larry Conley on UK's Derek Anderson and Ron Mercer: "When you have two players like these, people want to assign them labels (Butch 'n Sundance, Thunder 'n Lightning)... but I just like watching them play."

And so it goes.

Have a point of view you would like to share? Write to Bob Watkins, Sports In Ky. P.O. Box 124, Glendale, Ky. 42740. Or, E-Mail [SprtsInKy@aol.com](mailto:SprtsInKy@aol.com).



### Happy senior

Amanda Samons of Allen Central is all smiles, after her team won the Girls All "A" Classic this past weekend at Allen Central. The Lady Rebels will be making their fourth appearance in the state tournament next week, and Samons will be going for the fourth time. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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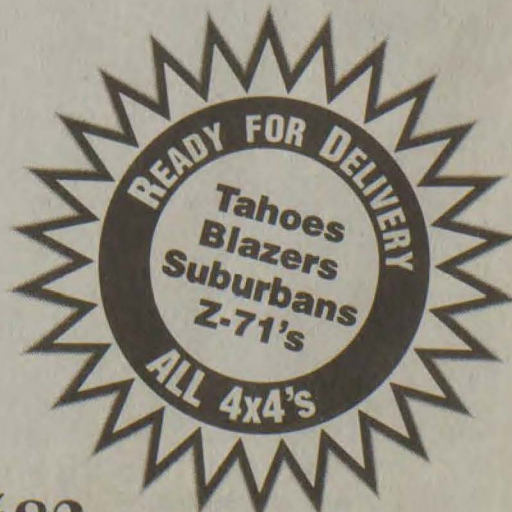
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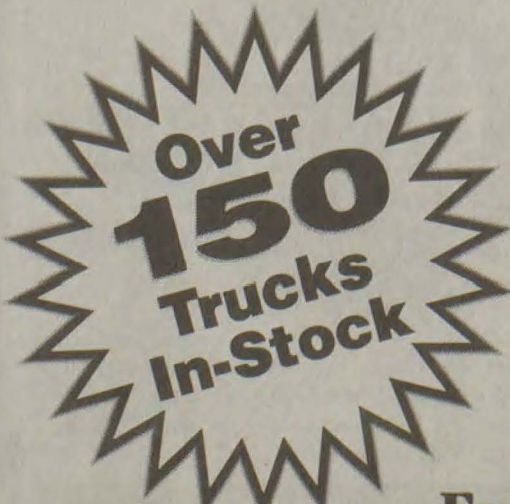
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# The Racing Reporter

by Gerald Hodges

## WALTRIP APPROACHING THE FINISH LINE

The last chapter in the racing career of Darrell Waltrip is about to be written.

Watch him while you can. The year 1997 might be Darrell's last full season on the race track. After driving 25 years, the three-time Winston Cup champion is getting ready to turn in his driving suit.

"How I do and what I do in 1997 will determine how much I do in 1998," said Waltrip. "If I don't do any better in '97 than I did in '96, then this might well be a farewell tour."

According to Waltrip, winner of 84 career Winston Cup races, he would like 1997 to be a year of celebration, both for himself and his fans. And he would like to run a limited schedule in 1998. Unlike Richard Petty's farewell year, Waltrip plans to add excitement to his racing by bringing back paint schemes from the past. He even plans to have a chromed car to recognize 25 years in the sport.

"The chrome car we'll have at Daytona, Bristol, and Charlotte

will be pretty dazzling," he said. "At night, if we can run it, it will be pretty amazing."

Many young fans can't recall Waltrip in his heyday, when he had 'fire-in-his-belly', and was one of the most outspoken drivers on the circuit. He finished in the top-10 only twice during the 1996 Winston Cup schedule in the Diehard 500 at Talladega, and the Dura-Lube 500 in Phoenix. His laps led totaled only two for the entire season. His last win was the 1992 Southern 500 at Darlington, S.C.

Waltrip staged a press conference in Charlotte, N.C. to outline his future plans.

"I think as a driver, I could get in Jeff Gordon's car and do as well as he does on Sundays. I think I could get in any race car and accomplish the same things the other guys do. But in this business, I'm supposed to be smart enough and know enough to get my own team to that level without having to do it with somebody else's."

"I always think about a 24-year old kid and a 50-year old guy. It doesn't seem possible for the older

guy to compete with the younger kid, except that in this sport, it doesn't have anything to do with age. It has to do with intelligence, and not just one person, but a whole group of people. That's why I'm excited about this year. I think Daytona will be the key for me.

"I want this to be a celebration year. I want my fans to have fun. I didn't have any fun last year, so I want this year to be a fun year, that can be enjoyed by the fans and myself."

While there are many circumstances besides the driver that determine the outcome of a race, age is certainly one major factor. The will to win is another. The younger drivers usually have more determination and forcefulness-to-win, than older ones. As drivers get older, the physical drive to excel is not as strong.

Waltrip of late, has become a successful business person and

television announcer. These jobs are not as demanding physically as driving a 3,400 pound race car around the track in practice, plus 500-miles every Sunday.

The mental desire to stand in victory lane might be as challenging as it was in his youth, and even though he has kept his 50-year-old physical body in good shape, it just isn't the same as it was in 1981, '82, and '85, when he won the Winston Cup Driving championships.

Thanks for the ride, and all the good shows you've given us Darrell, but know also that the best and smartest drivers sees the checkered flag when he has crossed the finish line.

Darrell, like all of us, has planned for his older years. He has done well in his business corporations and has a long future in television if he chooses. Over the years, as his attention has been

drawn to interests outside racing, his team has suffered through loss of his leadership. But he shouldn't regret it. Like all of us, he has faced choices in life. Forks in the road, they're called. Life forces us to choose. Do we keep our cake, or enjoy it?

The man who drives the no. 17 has been a leader on the NASCAR Winston Cup circuit for a quarter of a century. He's brought dignity to the sport as well as being one of its best drivers.

If he does well during the Daytona 500, February 16, the team might have a good season. But unless Darrell himself can generate some enthusiasm and lasting emotions, that 'fire-in-the-belly' type stuff in his pit crew, the 1997 season will be even longer than 1996.

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NASCAR racing, teams struggle to find the smallest amount of extra horsepower that is necessary to win a race. Many smaller ones like the Team ASE Ford, driven by Mike Bliss, find the extra power in buying engines produced by others.

Team owners Jim and Marlen Smith moved to improve the team's powerplant during the off-season and debuted Robert Yates built engines in the season opener at Walt Disney World, Sunday, January 19.

Bliss finished fifth in the 1996 NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series final driver standings.

"We had a good year for the crew's first time out," said Bliss. "Engine failure was the reason we finished fifth. We suffered from lack of horsepower on the big tracks. I'm gunning for the championship, and if the new engine program works out, we'll be there."

## Girls All "A"...

# Samons 21 points leads Allen Central past Elkhorn City

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Allen Central Rebels opened the 1997 Girls All "A" Regional on their home floor, and came away with a 58-31 win over the Lady Cougars in a game that wasn't all that pretty.

The Lady Rebels had, just a couple of weeks before, annihilated the Lady Cougars by 37 points, but had to struggle to win this time around.

Senior Amanda Samons scored 21 points and Natalie Cooley added 14 to lead the Allen Central scoring. Misty Scott and Crystal Martin finished with seven and six points respectively.

Cindy Belcher led Elkhorn City with 10 points and Melanie Puckett added eight.

Allen Central jumped out to an 8-0 lead on three-point baskets by Samons and Scott, plus a rebound basket by Karen Wallen. Elkhorn City came back and pulled to within six points, 14-8 at the first stop. Allen Central had three turnovers in the first quarter and all three enforced.

An 11-1 run by the Lady Rebels to start the second quarter netted Allen Central 25-11 lead, with just over three minutes to play. The final three minutes were more of a

laughter for both teams, as neither team could score in the period until Misty Scott hit a long jumper with 13 seconds to play to give Allen Central a 27-14 half time lead.

Allen Central held 10 points leads three times in the third period, but held a 34-27 margin after three quarters. Allen Central was only able to score three field goals in the period.

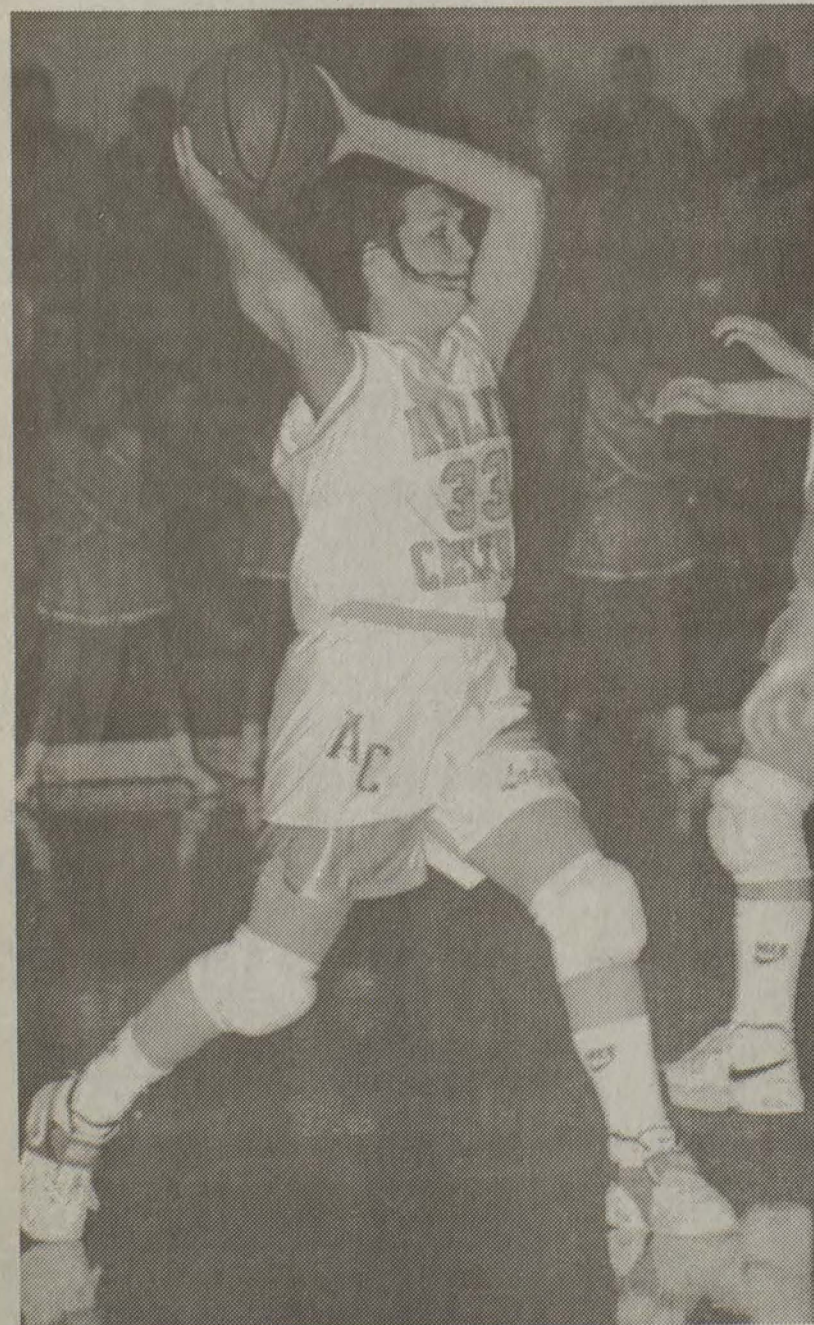
With 6:34 left in the fourth quarter, Allen Central went on a 21-2 run that extended their lead to 26 points, 56-30. The Lady Rebels attempted 10 free throws in the spurt, and connected on nine. Jennifer Hopkins and Natalie Cooley buried three-pointers in the run.

Elkhorn City could only score one field goal in the final eight minutes, a long jumper by Amy Taylor. The Lady Cougars hit two of eight free throw attempts.

Taylor finished with six points for the Lady Cougars. Batrina Potter added four and Amanda Ratliff netted three points.

Jessica Martin scored three points for Allen Central as did Hopkins. Wallen had two points and Barb Prater scored two.

Allen Central committed 17 turnovers in the contest. Seven were of the unforced variety. Elkhorn had nine.



## Hits key free throws

Allen Central's Misty Scott went to the free throw line and hit four of six free throws, in overtime, to lead the Lady Rebels past Paintsville 53-49, and advance to state tournament play at Richmond next week. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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## Keep an eye on your cat

According to the calendar, and providing it's not too cloudy, we'll be treated to a full moon tomorrow night.

Make that statement to some people and they'll say, "Stand back! The crazies will be out." It seems there's no shortage of people around who sincerely believe that a full moon prompts strange behavior.

Of course, there are those among us, too, who feel that full moons were only good to light up the movie screen so Lon Chaney Jr. could change into wolfman and Bela Lugosi could turn into a bat. They think all the stuff about a full moon being magical or something is nothing more than pure fantasy.

But what about the other side of the coin? What about dog and cat owners who swear their pets literally go crazy during a full moon? What about statistics that indicate more babies are born during a full moon than any other time? What about police reports that say more bizarre crimes are committed during a full moon?

Old folks here in the mountains certainly have always given credence to some sort of lunar importance. My dad always planted crops for his little garden according to the signs of the moon. And, of course, song writers and poets have thrived on the idea that a full moon incites romance.

I guess it's one of those deals where you either believe in some sort of mysterious power associated with the moon, or you don't. I guess there's no way to prove it either way.

I ran across an article in a magazine the other day that list some interesting facts about the moon.

For instance, we always see the same side of the moon, and it produces no light on its own. It simply reflects sunlight toward the earth. Of

course, every pre-KERA school kid already knew that.

There is usually one full moon a month, and every 27 years a second one appears in one month. The second full moon is called a "blue moon." The expression "Once in a blue moon," originated because this occurrence is so rare.

The full moon in September is called a "harvest moon," because it rises quicker since days and nights are of equal length then, and on clear nights farmers can gather their crops long after dark. The full moon in October is called a "hunter's moon," for similar reasons. There's no mention of why corn liquor is called "moonshine," but it could come from the same reason, since its manufacture and distribution was often nocturnal in nature.

And everyone knows that scientists predict high and low tides based on the position of the moon.

They say it has something to do with the fact that the moon doesn't follow a perfect circle in its path around the earth, and has something to do with changes in the magnetic field. Boy, that sure clears it up for me.

Anyway, keep an eye on your cat tomorrow night. If it suddenly claws the drapes to shreds and scratches all the furniture, let me know.



Clyde Pack

### Kids and air bags don't mix:

# Pikeville post joins national campaign on airbag safety

The Pikeville Post of the Kentucky State Police is participating in an information campaign to educate the public about airbag safety for children.

Air bags can save your life—almost 500 people survived serious crashes in 1995 alone thanks to air bags. However, the National Highway Traffic Safety

Administration (NHTSA) reports that tragically at least 32 children and several adults have been killed by the force of a deploying air bag. In many cases the children were riding in the front seat either in a rear-facing child safety seat or "out of position"—either unbuckled or not wearing the shoulder portion of the safety belt.

Safe Communities and Kentucky Injury Prevention Center are lending their sup-

port to the Air Bag Safety Campaign, which is a national partnership of automotive manufacturers, insurance companies, child safety seat manufacturers, occupant restraint manufacturers, government agencies, health pro-

fessionals, and child health and safety organizations. Its mission: to educate the public that air bags save lives, but they work best when everyone is buckled and kids are in back, properly buckled up. In addition to an aggressive public education campaign now underway, the campaign is focused on enacting stronger safety belt and child safety laws at the state level and enforcing such laws through high visibility efforts involving law enforcement nationwide.

For more information on air bag safety call Jay Buckner at 439-6797 or Cheryl Spurling at 439-6794 or write the Air Bag Safety Campaign c/o GMMMB&A, 1010 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Suite 800, Washington, D.C. 20007.



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- Little kids and babies always should ride in the correct age and size child safety seats.
- Babies age one and younger or weighing less than 20 pounds should ride in rear-facing child safety seat in the back seat.
- Kids weighing 20 to 40 pounds should ride in convertible car seats facing forward in the back seat.
- Kids weighing 40 pounds or more should ride in booster seats in the back seat until BOTH shoulder and lap belts fit correctly.
- Drivers should make sure the child safety seat is properly secured by the vehicle's safety belts.
- Bigger kids (age 12 and older) may only sit in the front seat when:
  - 3 They wear both the shoulder AND lap belt.
  - 3 The shoulder strap fits correctly-over the collarbone.
  - 3 The lap belt fits below the hips
  - 3 They understand they should always sit back buckled up in the seat.
  - 3 The front passenger seat is pushed as far back as possible.

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### Ten Years Ago (January 28, 1987)

County attorney David Barber, Sheriff Henry Hale along with deputies and state police paid a visit to the Silver Fox Lounge because complaints had been received and confirmed by patrons that the entertainment included topless dancers...Stephens Branch residents allege that a tippie fill poses an increased threat of flood...Under-reporting by coal companies may mean that the eastern extension of the Mountain Parkway through Floyd and Magoffin counties will be off-limits to coal trucks weighing more than 40 tons...The season's first snow blanketed Floyd County and shut down classrooms...Charges against two former Floyd County officials, Thomas D. Lafferty Sr. and his son, Thomas D. Lafferty Jr., were dismissed a second time...The U.S. Supreme Court declined to hear the appeal of William Oakie Bevins, 76, who pleaded guilty in 1983 to the slaying of five men and the wounding of three others in an Allen truck parts store in 1981...There died: Andrew J. "Andy" Conley, 85, of Garrett, Sunday; Arthur T. "Hawk" Lucas, 79, of Ligon, Saturday; Elsie C. "Granny Cotton" Fitch Wheeler, January 20; Claude Wallen, 72, of Prestonsburg, Saturday; John Quentin Salisbury, 67, of Martin, Sunday; Edna Allen, 64, of Price, last Thursday; Maude Evelyn Snodgrass, 68, of Allen, January 21; Calvin Reynolds, 80, of Halo, Sunday; Charlena Merwine, 38, of Prestonsburg, Monday; Lillie Mae Bradley Prater, 57, of Martin, Thursday; Amos Tackett, 42, of Beaver, Sunday.

### Twenty Years Ago (January 26, 1977)

The longest strike in Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company's history ended at 12:01 a.m. Sunday after union members ratified the company's latest offer of settlement...The City of Prestonsburg this week offered a hand to those who are unable to help themselves during the prolonged period of bad weather, and at the same time asked those who are not in extreme need not to take advantage of the free services offered...One of the busiest places in Floyd County, these days of snow and ice, is the Unemployment Insurance office...The cost of home heating in certain areas of the county has been, to put it mildly, dramatic this winter...More than 300 homes in the upper Mud Creek section of the county have been without water for six weeks or longer...Last Sunday it appeared that Floyd County's schools would reopen the next day after their longest "vacation" ever because of weather conditions...The Floyd County Fiscal Court declared the lack of water service in the Allen-Dwale area an emergency and called on Gov. Carroll for a \$30,000 grant...There died: Kelly Howard, 69, January 19, at his home in Garrett; Elbert Combs, 58, of Mousie, Jan. 14,

at Our Lady of the Way Hospital at Martin; Hazel Ramey, 50, formerly of Hueysville, Jan. 14 in LaGrange, Ind.; Howard (Deacon) Jones, 66, of Stanville, Jan. 24, at Methodist Hospital in Pikeville; William A. Solomon, 75, of Drift, Jan. 25, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Victor Jenkins Clark, 65, of Allen, Jan. 21, at the home of a sister in Allen; Ira Mullins, 52, of Price, Jan. 20, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Earnest Garrett, 68, formerly of the Drift-McDowell area, Jan. 20, after being struck by a truck in Dayton, O.; Dexter Dean McCarty, 36, of Martin, Jan. 23, at Good Samaritan Hospital in Lexington; Maude Harris Boyd, 71, of Allen, Jan. 23, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Ruth Branham Wilson, 57, formerly of Tram, Jan. 17, in Pontiac, Mich.; Eugene Halbert, 46, formerly of Martin, Jan. 24, at the Cold Water (Mich.) Community Health Center; Odis Hall, 50, of Weeksbury, Jan. 21, at U.K. Medical Center in Lexington.

### Thirty Years Ago (January 26, 1967)

The University of Kentucky board of trustees gave the nod Friday to enlargement of the Prestonsburg Community College physi-

cal plant...East Kentucky Mack Inc., a firm which will employ about 35 skilled workers, has leased from H. B. Ranier his office building, shop and yard near Sugar Loaf at a monthly rental of \$2,000 for a period of 10 years, it was announced here last Thursday...Congressman Carl D. Perkins announced in Washington, Wednesday afternoon that the Department of Defense had awarded to Irving Air Chute Company, Lexington, a \$1,521,284 contract to manufacture 6,840 general purpose tents...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ratliff, Prestonsburg, a son, Darwin Dwayne, last Wednesday at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: Billy Ray Ousley, 19, last Wednesday while repairing a car at his home at Pyramid; Mrs. Hannah Crum, 74, of Dwale, last Wednesday at the home near Van Lear of a son; Mrs. Lillie Caudill Nelson Slone, 53, of Bonanza, Sunday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Kelly Bolen, 71, last Wednesday at his home on Rock Fork at Garrett.

### Forty Years Ago (January 24, 1957)

County and state officers were joined by a Federal Bureau of Investigation agent in a probe of the dynamiting here, around Sunday midnight, of the auto of Sheriff Gorman Collins and the blasting in the same manner about half an hour earlier of the car of Deputy Sheriff Silas DeRossett at the DeRossett home on Bull Creek...The Southern Bell

## Our Yesterdays

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

# Society News

David Hereford  
Society Editor  
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### In the hospital

Jesse Laferty of Allen is hospitalized in Highlands Regional Medical Center. His friends will be happy to know he is improving and hopes to be home soon.

Boyd Holbrook is in Highlands Regional Medical Center with the flu and pneumonia.

### Returns to school

Lori Holbrook of Prestonsburg is attending Western University at Bowling Green and has gone there for the semester. She was accompanied by her mother Ellen Holbrook and her grandmother Dorothy Harris.

### Visit family here

George and Delores Valentine of Shepherdsville, were here last weekend visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Rev. Thomas and Jennifer Valentine, and grandson, David Thomas.

They attended Sunday morning services at the Irene Cole Memorial First Baptist Church where Rev. Valentine is pastor.

### Class reunion planned

The committee to plan the reunion of the 1972 class of Prestonsburg High School met last Monday night at Jerry's Restaurant in Prestonsburg. Members present were Linda Lou Spradlin, Pam Ratliff, Helen Ann Vickers, Belinda Risner, Jeff Conn and Donnie Goble.

### Former teacher

#### in nursing home

Leona Winkler, a former teacher in the Floyd County School System, is in a nursing home in Ohio.

She would love to hear from former students and friends. Her address is Heartland-Browning, 885 Browning Drive, Waterville, Ohio 43566.

### Visit here from Lexington

Dr. Ronnie and Laura Goble from Lexington spent the weekend here with her parents, David and Peggy Hereford, at the Hereford home on Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg. While here, they visited with Mrs. Goble's grandmother, Kathleen Parker and cousin, Betsy Burchett and Mr. Goble's brother, Donnie Goble.

### Hill passes away

Friends and family here were saddened to learn of the death of Judge Edward P. Hill of Frankfort.

Hill, a native of Floyd County, was a retired Kentucky Court of Appeals Chief Justice.

He is the brother of Myrtle Hill Davis of Prestonsburg.

### First birthday

Tyler Jones, the son of Randy and Margaret Jones of McDowell, celebrated his first birthday Saturday, January 11, at his parent's home.

The theme was 101 Dalmatians. Helping him celebrate were Erica, Ashley and Ryan Howell and Rudolph and Emogene Jones.

### Business visitor

Donnie Goble of Prestonsburg was a business visitor in Huntington, West Virginia, last Saturday.

### Holiday guests

Sammie E. and Jean Wells entertained members of their family during the holidays at their home on South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. Enjoying the occasion were: Sammie Wade and Beth Wells of Fairfax, Virginia; Douglas and Fran Wells of Richmond; William and Belinda Amburgey of Lexington; Bernadine Isaac, Racheal Isaac, Sara Isaac and Laura Jean Isaac of Auxier.

### Attend seminar in Europe

Cabinet for Tourism Development Secretary Ann Latta led a group of Floyd County and Kentucky promoters in a "Visit USA" seminar in Zurich, Switzerland this week.

Joining Latta in the Kentucky delegation were Billie Jean Osborne and David Morris from Floyd County and with the Mountain Arts Center.

### Medical Auxiliary meet

The Highlands Regional Medical Center Auxiliary met Tuesday afternoon, January 14, at the medical center.

The president, Garnet Fairchild, called the meeting to order and then presented a devotional, "Let There Be Peace on Earth."

The secretary, treasurer and committee reports were given. The "Breakfast with Santa" and

the Christmas Dinner were reported as being very successful.

The finance committee will check into the need to purchase equipment for the hospital.

The Valentine Day's Secret Pal sale will be held again this year. The officers for this year are Garnet Fairchild, president; Earlene Daniels, vice president and Dorothy Stover, secretary-treasurer. Members present were Garnet Fairchild, Myrtle Burchett, Susie Burchett, Jane Back, Margaret Harris, Elizabeth Ramey, Margaret Ackerman, Allie Ann May, Helen Chaffin, Earlene Daniels, Gladys Allen, Shirley Nelson, Annis Clark, Dorothy Stover and Kathy Allen.

### Dinner hostess

Virginia Howard had as her guests for dinner last Sunday at her home on Westminster Street in Prestonsburg her daughter, Alice Howard, and friend, Robert Perry.

### Prestonsburg Lodge installs new officers

Prestonsburg Odd Fellows Lodge 293 installed new officers for 1997 on January 13. The lodge was called to order by Noble Grand Charles Yancey Ferguson, and Tim Blackburn led the members in prayer.

Noble Grand Ferguson then turned the meeting over to the past grand master, Bill H. Howard, for the installation of the newly-elected

officers.

Richard "Dick" Clark was installed as the noble grand; Joe P. Tackett III was installed as vice grand.

Other officers were Bill R. Collins, recording secretary; Bill H. Howard, treasurer; and James B. Goble, financial secretary.

After Clark was installed as noble grand, he named his supporting officers for the year. Right supporter to the noble grand for the new year is Danny Hamilton. Left supporter is Darrell Conley. The lodge warden is James B. Goble. Conductor is Bill Howard. The chaplain is Charles Stamper; assistant chaplain is Ronnie Burke.

Other supporters named were Kenny Crisp, inside guardian; John Bryant, outside guardian; Buck Gulick, musician; and Tim Blackburn, color bearer.

Vice Grand Joe P. Tackett then appointed his officers: Tom Blackburn, right supporter; and Bill Callihan, left supporter to the vice grand.

### GFWC-KFWC Drift

#### Woman's Club meets

The GFWC-KFWC Drift Woman's Club's annual Christmas meeting was held at the Viola Bailey Community Center Building in McDowell on December 20.

Ruby Akers, president, welcomed guests and members.

Members explained the

"Symbols of Christmas": Ruby Akers-Christmas; Roney Clark-The Christ Child; Violet Hall-The Bible; Ruby Damron-The Church; Celia Little-The Gift; Doris Lawson-Santa Claus; and Kathryn Youmans-Christmas Day.

Mildred Salisbury presented the devotional and asked the blessing. Doris Lawson introduced Nora Scarberry, who sang "Star of Bethlehem," "O Holy Night" and "Away in a Manger." Everyone sang Christmas carols.

During the business meeting, the president emphasized that the club's future lies in its membership. Each member is challenged to recruit at least one new member: women who are enthusiastic and dedicated and have the desire to work with others to make their community better.

Pictures were taken and gifts exchanged. Door prizes were won by Doris Lawson and Brooksie Gearheart.

Good food and fellowship were enjoyed by Ruby Akers, Celia Little, Ruby Damron, Doris Lawson, Alma Mosley, Kathryn Youmans, Roney Clark, Brooksie Gearheart, Violet (Chick) Hall, Alma Mosley, Geraldine Ward, Donna Allen, Mildred Salisbury, Nora Scarberry, Ellen Brown and Loraine Corley.

### Attend Gibson funeral

Family members who came from a distance to attend the funeral of

Mont Gibson Jr., Friday afternoon at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel were John W. Gibson of Louisville; Gloria Gale McCoy, Brett McCoy,

Carmella McCoy and Robbie McCoy of Clay City; Malinda Kerby of Stanton, and Charles and Patty Carr of Ypsilanti, Michigan.

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# For The Record

## Dispatch Logs

### JANUARY 6

1:21 a.m. — Report of a fight-in-progress at Cliffside. Caller was unable to advise if weapons were involved.  
 9:03 a.m. — Report of an accident without injuries in West Side.  
 12:52 p.m. — EMS run to Adams Middle School.  
 3:08 p.m. — EMS run to Dr. Burchett's office.  
 3:35 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries at the intersection near First Commonwealth Bank.

### JANUARY 7

2:08 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries on North Lake Drive.  
 3:39 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries on Third Avenue.  
 5:24 p.m. — Caller advised that a female was stuck in the elevator at Archer Clinic.

### JANUARY 8

1:53 p.m. — Report of an accident with injuries at the Barber College.  
 1:55 p.m. — Report of an accident with injuries at the parkway lights.  
 2:30 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries on Branham Street.  
 2:48 p.m. — Report of an accident with injuries at Bert Combs bridge.  
 2:59 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries at Cliff Bridge.  
 3:06 p.m. — Report of an accident with injuries on Cliff Road.  
 8:13 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries at Highland Plaza.  
 11:23 p.m. — Caller advised that a house on Spurlock was on fire and could not advise if anyone was in the residence.

### JANUARY 9

11:46 a.m. — Caller reported that two male subjects stole a JVC compact disc player from A-Plus Rent to Own.  
 3:44 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries at the Lancer four-way stop.  
 4:02 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries at Skeen's Happy Mart.  
 10:13 p.m. — Caller advised that a bike was stolen from her porch in Green Acres.

### JANUARY 10

9:15 a.m. — EMS run to Prestonsburg Community College.  
 11:44 a.m. — Report of an accident without injuries at Prestonsburg Community College.  
 5:04 p.m. — EMS run to Front Street.  
 9:57 p.m. — EMS run to North Arnold Avenue.

### JANUARY 11

4:30 p.m. — EMS run to Highland Terrace. Caller advised that a female subject was unable to breathe.  
 7:34 p.m. — EMS run to Highland Terrace.  
 8:14 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries at Somerset Gas Station in Lancer.

### JANUARY 12

12:30 a.m. — EMS run to Center Stage. Caller advised a man had been stabbed on Route 3.  
 12:48 a.m. — EMS run to Tiger Mart. Caller advised that a male and female were fighting in the parking lot and the male subject drove off. Caller also said the female subject may have been hit by the car.  
 2:20 a.m. — Report of an accident without injuries at Center Stage.  
 3:39 a.m. — Caller advised that male subject passed out in a running vehicle at Center Stage.

### JANUARY 13

10:24 a.m. — Caller reported that a bubble gum machine was stolen from Food City.  
 10:51 a.m. — Caller advised that a subject was stuck in the elevator at Archer Clinic.  
 12:29 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries at Food World.  
 12:35 p.m. — Report of an accident without injuries on Central Avenue.  
 5:33 p.m. — Caller advised that a truck was on fire on Route 23. Caller said the truck's breakline was on fire.

### JANUARY 14

4:44 a.m. — EMS run to Indian

Hills. Caller advised that an 83-year-old male was having abdominal pains.  
 10:31 a.m. — EMS run to Highland Terrace. Caller advised that a female subject had fallen.  
 10:57 a.m. — Report of an electrical fire at Rite Aid.  
 2:15 p.m. — Caller advised that there was a brush fire on the hill near the cemetery around East Graham Street.  
 3:05 p.m. — Report of an accident with injuries at the Route 23/1428 intersection.

### JANUARY 15

1:25 a.m. — Caller advised that he could smell smoke at Big Lots.  
 1:30 a.m. — Structure fire on Fitzpatrick Road.

### JANUARY 16

7:39 a.m. — Report of an accident without injuries on Friend Street.

### JANUARY 17

5:54 p.m. — EMS run to Highland Terrace. Caller advised that a female subject was having difficulty breathing.  
 9:38 p.m. — EMS run to First Avenue. Caller advised that a subject was having a seizure.  
 9:51 p.m. — EMS run to Highland Terrace.

### JANUARY 18

1:14 a.m. — EMS run to Highland Terrace.  
 10:06 p.m. — Caller advised that Winn-Dixie had just been robbed. Another caller said a male subject held him at gun point and took his car, and dropped him off at Wildcat Car Wash.  
 10:08 p.m. — Report of a fight-in-progress at East Kentucky Tire.

### JANUARY 19

3:15 a.m. — Kentucky State Police advised that Cardinal Mart had been robbed.  
 7:10 a.m. — EMS run to Highland Terrace. Caller advised that a female subject had fluid on her lungs.  
 8:15 a.m. — EMS run to Highland Terrace. Caller said a subject was having a seizure.  
 3:02 p.m. — EMS run to Dickerson Street. Caller advised that his father was having chest pains.

## District Court

*Editor's note: All first offense DUIs are allowed to do two days public service in lieu of \$200 of the total court costs and fines. All individuals who are charged in cases involving alcohol or drugs are referred to alcohol or drug counseling.*

Anthony M. Jude, 19, of Pilgrim; improper equipment—\$25; no registration receipt—\$25; no Kentucky registration plates—\$25; license failed to be in possession—\$25; failure to wear seatbelts—\$25; failure to produce insurance card—\$47.50.  
 Ronnie E. Hall, 33, of Teaberry; DUI (3rd offense or more, BA .10)—\$607.50, seven days in jail, credit one day served.  
 Robert W. Bishop, 38, of Teaberry; DUI (2nd offense, BA .10)—\$617.50 and ten days in jail; operating on suspended license due to a prior DUI conviction—\$150 and two days in jail; no insurance—\$500.  
 Jason H. Jenkins, 18, of Hueysville; DUI (1st offense, BA .11)—\$257.50 and \$200 fine or two days public service; operating on suspended or revoked license—\$100; no insurance—\$500 and 30 days in jail.  
 James I Reed, 24, of Banner; no tail lamps—\$25; no operator's license—\$50; operating on suspended or revoked license—\$100; failure to wear seatbelts—\$82.50.  
 Farish T. Bradley, 20, of Prestonsburg; DUI (1st offense, BA .03)—\$467.50.  
 Eddie D. Mitchell, 31, of Beaver; DUI (1st offense, BA .17)—\$257.50 and \$200 or two days public service.  
 Wanda Justice, 35, of Allen; DUI (2nd offense, BA .18)—\$607.50 and 12 days home incarceration.  
 Danny Burchett, 46, of Prestonsburg; AI (3rd offense or more)—\$62.50 and 60 days in jail.  
 Larry Dean Collins, 36, of Grethel; DUI (3rd offense or more)—\$757.50 and 90 days in jail; operating on suspended license due to a prior DUI conviction (2nd offense)—\$100 and 30 days in jail.  
 Janeeve Shabne Fields, 17, of Wheelwright; operating on revoked

license—\$207.50; no insurance—\$500.  
 Jackie Hall, 35, of Topmost; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$112.50.  
 Chris Clark, 18, of Harold; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$102.50.  
 Robert L. Hamilton, 23, of Teaberry; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$112.50.  
 Eugenia Williams, 31, of Grethel; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$102.50.  
 Eric Scott, 24, of Elkhorn City; drinking alcohol in public (1st/2nd offense)—\$102.50.  
 Thomas J. Gibson, 23, of Hueysville; no Kentucky registration plates—\$25; no registration receipt—\$25; no insurance—\$500; operating on suspended license due to a prior DUI conviction (1st offense)—\$207.50, five days in jail and five days probation.  
 Timothy Wallen, 27, of Blue River; no insurance—\$557.50; license failed to be in possession—\$50; failure to wear seatbelts—\$25.  
 Jeffrey B. Collins, 26, of Prestonsburg; no registration plates—\$25; no registration receipt—\$25; no insurance—\$547.50; failure to wear seatbelts—\$25.  
 Kimberly S. Webb, 30, of Allen; no Kentucky registration plates—\$72.50; no registration receipt—\$25; no insurance—\$500; failure to wear seatbelts—\$25; operating on suspended or revoked license—\$150; improper registration plates—\$50.  
 Gary P. Blackburn, 46, of Pikeville; no Kentucky registration plates—\$72.50; no registration receipt—\$25.  
 James T. Martin, 22, of Martin; no Kentucky registration plates—\$82.50; no registration receipt—\$25.  
 David Collins, 27, of Proctorville, Ohio; no seatbelt—\$25; license failed to be in possession—\$25.  
 Kimberly D. Elkins, 21, of Prestonsburg; no Kentucky registration plates—\$25; no registration receipt—\$25; no insurance—\$500.  
 Basil B. McGinnis, 48, of Davella; failure to register transfer—\$107.50; no insurance—\$500; improper registration plates—\$25; no Kentucky registration plates—\$25.  
 Paul Hatfield of McCarr; failure to wear seatbelts—\$25.  
 John W. Meade, 31, of Whitehouse; no Kentucky registration plates—\$72.50; no registration receipt—\$25; failure to wear seatbelts—\$25.  
 Arnold L. Adams, 23, of Weeksbury; failure to wear seatbelts—\$82.50; failure to wear seatbelts—\$25; failure to wear seatbelts—\$25.  
 Lonnie P. Parker, 42, of Staffordsville; failure to wear seatbelts—\$82.50; operating on suspended or revoked license—\$150.  
 Phillip H. Shields, 42, of Hartford, Alabama; failure to wear seatbelts—\$25; failure to notify change of address—\$25.  
 Sam F. Conley, 53, of Flat Gap; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$107.50.  
 James S. Montgomery, 21, of Thelma; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$102.50.  
 Grover D. Sexton, 44, of Wheelwright; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$87.50.  
 Arron S. Hall, 24, of Weeksbury; harassing or simple assault on police officer—30 days in jail; terroristic threatening—ten days in jail; menacing—ten days in jail; escape in the 3rd degree—\$172.50; criminal mischief (3rd degree)—\$100 and pay restitution.  
 Donald Greer, 16, of Harold; DUI Drugs (1st offense)—\$257.50 and \$200 fine or two days public service.  
 Scottie R. Blackburn, 29, of Prestonsburg; assault in the 4th degree (minor injury)—\$152.50, 53 days in jail, credit 53 days served.  
 Teresa Gail Mosley, 26, of Auxier; AI (3rd offense or more), amended to 2nd offense—\$152.50.  
 Julian David Tackett, 27, of Harold; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$50; unsworn falsification to authorities—\$62.50 and 20 days in jail.  
 Kenny Case, 34, of Hunter; AI (3rd offense or more)—\$62.50 and ten days in jail; resisting arrest—30 days in jail; disorderly conduct—10 days in jail; harassing or simple assault on police officer—\$100.  
 Ralph E. Johnson, 39, of Peebles, Ohio; DUI (1st offense, BA .04), amended to AI—\$50; no insurance—\$547.50; failure to notify change of address—merged with AI; license failed to be in possession—merged with AI; no operator's license—merged with AI; display of registration plates illegal or altered—merged with AI; failure to register transfer, improper registration plates, improper use of basic registration, no Kentucky registra-

tion plates; no registration receipt, failure to notify of residence or name change, excessive window tint, no tinting label on vehicle, two counts of failure to wear seatbelts—all merged with AI.  
 Mark Hayes, 31, of Langley; AI (3rd offense or more), amended to 1st offense—\$112.50; disorderly conduct—\$75; drinking alcoholic beverage in public (3rd offense or more)—\$50.  
 Alfred G. Combs, 18, of Betsy Layne; 1) no insurance—\$500; no licensed operator with person with beginners permit—\$50; 2) operating ATV on roadway—\$122.50; no Kentucky registration plates—\$25; no insurance—\$500; 3) operating on suspended or revoked license—\$197.50; no insurance—\$500; no Kentucky registration plates—\$25; no registration receipt—\$25.  
 Ronald Padgett, 18; terroristic threatening—10 days in jail.  
 Danny Burchett, 46, of Prestonsburg; AI (3rd offense or

more)—\$112.50 and five days in jail.  
 Brenda Joseph, 41, of Prestonsburg; DUI drugs (1st offense)—\$467.50; failure to produce insurance card—\$500.  
 Bradford C. Hunt, 22, of Richmond; DUI (1st offense)—\$257.50 and \$200 fine or two days public service.  
 Norman R. Webb, 22, of Blue River; DUI (2nd offense)—\$617.50 and 90 days in jail; operating on suspended license due to a prior DUI conviction (2nd offense)—\$200 and 90 days in jail; failure to register transfer—\$50; no insurance—\$500; no Kentucky registration receipt—\$25; no registration receipt—\$25; failure to wear seatbelts—\$25; canceled/fictitious operator's license—\$50.  
 David M. Blair, 21, of Pikeville; DUI (1st offense, BA refused)—\$267.50 and \$200 fine or two days public service; disorderly conduct—\$50; resisting arrest—\$100;

no registration receipt—\$25; no insurance (2nd offense)—\$750.  
 Willis Thomas, 45, of Prestonsburg; harassing communications, amended to harassment—\$77.50.  
 Tony Blair, 34, of Van Lear; public intoxication, excludes alcohol (controlled substance)—\$112.50; possession of a controlled substance (1st offense)—\$100 and five days in jail.  
 Timmy Newsome, 28, of Hi Hat; AI (3rd offense or more), amended to 2nd offense—\$137.50.  
 Wayne Hunt, 29, of Prestonsburg; assault in the 4th degree (spouse abuse)—\$162.50 and five days in jail; AI (3rd offense or more), amended to 1st offense—\$50.  
 Douglas Webb, 42, of Hi Hat; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$112.50.  
 Willie Prince, 49, of Prestonsburg; AI (1st/2nd offense)—\$102.50.

## Sunshine Lines

by Beverly Carroll



Senior citizens, have you heard any of these adages?  
 "Don't look back!"  
 "Let by-gones be by-gones!"  
 "Forget about that and go on with your life!"  
 "You can't change what happened yesterday so quit worrying about it."  
 "Forget the past!"  
 I don't know about you, but I know I've heard all of these things at one time or another. And, I've used these "accepted truths" as words of encouragement to others who were struggling with something in their past.  
 It is my opinion, because of the highly developed mental creatures that we are, that it is virtually impossible to completely let go of the past. To forget everything bad that has ever happened to us, or to forget everything negative that life has hurled at us, probably would not be wholesome. Flashbacks, though painful reminders, are tools

at our disposal to keep us from making the same mistake twice, or from making grievous mistakes we've known others to make.  
 It is when we dwell on the past, to the point that it paralyzes us or inhibits our ability to function properly now and into the future, that "looking back" is self-defeating and out of control.  
 Veterans who served boldly on bloody battlefields; skilled surgeons who lost patients under their scalpels; reformed alcoholics who, while in a drunken stupor, killed innocent people on the highways; reformed "druggies" who stole from everybody they knew and many whom they didn't know to afford their next "fix;" coal companies that didn't take care of life-threatening details until miners were lost; etc., etc., can't change the past. No one can change yesterday. But we can learn to use the past to our advantage in building our future.  
 People — and that's what we all are regardless of the profession we're in or the title we might wear — have a tendency to carry a host of psychological weights from one year into the next. These burdens are painful and usually grow more debilitating the more we allow them to "eat at us." Since this New Year is still in its infancy, let's resolve to recall the good memories, our good times, and the rich and rewarding experiences life has offered to each of us from time to time. Let's

resolve not to dwell on the past.  
 However, if you are having a lot of trouble dealing with past situations, or if you find that the pressures you are dealing with are so overwhelming that you want to "end it all," think again. There are people who will help you. Call your local mental health agency, your family physician, a psychologist, or a psychiatrist, a trusted friend or a respected member of the clergy.  
 Suicides and attempted suicides are not uncommon among senior citizens. Whatever your problems, if you are overly perplexed by them and they are controlling you, contact someone who can help you.  
 Good mental health is imperative to good health. Our minds, like our bodies, can be treated and healed. Unfortunately, some people have a difficult time grasping this fact and suffer in silence until it is too late.  
 If you do not know who to call in your area, contact Carol Napier, Benefits Counseling Coordinator for the Big Sandy area at 886-3876 or toll-free at 1-800-556-3876. If you are a resident of Pike County, contact Anna Cassidy locally at 432-2181. These professionals are part of the Kentucky Benefits Counseling Program for Senior Citizens. Part of their responsibility is to refer you to professionals or agencies that are designed to help people in crisis.

## Beware of health quackery

Consumers spend billions of dollars each year on miracle pills, ointments and other questionable products and treatments hoping to improve their health. Instead, consumers are left with the disappointment of no results. Or even worse, the products or treatments cause bodily harm and ruin overall health. Many people are susceptible to health fraud simply because they want a quick fix to better health.  
 No government agency prescreens advertisements for the truthfulness of the claims being made.

Law enforcement authorities cannot act upon fraudulent products or services until after the advertisements have appeared in the media or in print. By then, many unsuspecting consumers have spent money on worthless "remedies." Only drugs and medical devices themselves require pre-market approval—not their ads.  
 The claims about a product are often what cause consumers to buy; but if consumers are unsure about the purchase usually the money back guarantee if not satisfied will give them a sense of security. Unfortunately, the companies offering this guarantee are often run by fly-by-night operators who do not respond to refund demands. By the time refund requests come in, they have changed their address to avoid law enforcement officials. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) responds to complaints regarding fraudulent products, practices and treatments. But FDA has inadequate manpower to police the market-places, so it's up to consumers to protect themselves.  
 There are other loopholes in regulations and laws about health product advertisements. A typical example is nutrition supplements. Many manufacturers and distributors of nutrition supplements make outrageous health claims in pamphlets for their products; however, they are careful not to

make these claims on the label itself. Such claims include that their product will cure dreaded diseases and conditions such as cancer, AIDS, arthritis, senility or poor memory.  
 How do these companies get away with his? Simple. If the label on the product merely says, take two tablets three times daily as a dietary supplement, it is considered a food supplement and is not subject to FDA regulations governing drugs. However, if the label makes a therapeutic claim, take two tablets three times daily for relief of arthritis, it

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# NEWS

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falls under FDA regulations governing drugs.  
 FDA defines a drug as a product intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment or prevention of disease in man or other animals. A drug can be legally marketed if it has been approved by the FDA or if it is generally recognized as safe and effective. If a drug doesn't meet either of the above criteria, the FDA can seize it and also can seek criminal penalties.  
 Not all advertisements for health products are false. The vast majority are not. So what is health fraud or quackery? Quackery is the promotion of a medical remedy that doesn't work or hasn't been proven to work. Quackery or health fraud results in unfulfilled wishes, wasted dollars and endangered health.  
 In general, when looking over ads for medicines and medical devices, watch out for those that seem to promise too much too easily. Always investigate the claim and the company before you participate.  
 Quackery has some well-defined characteristics. If you answer YES to any of the following questions about a product or treatment you are considering buying, quackery may prob-

ably be involved.  
 • Is the product or service being offered a secret remedy or a recent discovery not available from other sources?  
 • Does the sponsor claim to be battling the medical profession which does not accept this discovery?  
 • Is the remedy being promoted in a popular magazine, by an advocates group or self-promoting organization?  
 • Is this remedy being sold from door-to-door by a self-styled health advisor, or promoted in lectures to the public from town-to-town?  
 • Does the promoter tell you about the wonderful miracles this product or service has performed for others?  
 • Is the product or service good for many different illnesses, real or imagined?  
 • Do the promised benefits seem too good to be true?  
 • Is this or its promoter supported by testimonials from people who have been cured through the use of the product?  
 What can consumers do? If you suspect that a product you are interested in is fraudulent, you can do a number of things:  
 • Ask for scientific evidence of all claims explained in simple terms  
 • Seek the advice of your physician  
 • Get in touch with the Food and Drug Administration  
 FDA District Office  
 1141 Central Parkway  
 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202  
 Phone (513) 684-3501  
 Anyone who desires further information may contact me at the Floyd County Extension Office located at 670 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky (phone 886-2668). Further information is provided in the University of Kentucky Publication titled Health Quackery, written by Dr. Sandra Bastin and Robert H. Flashman, state extension specialists.

## Mary Ingles, Early American Heroine

Mary Ingles was awakened by the sound of a horse in October of 1755 as she and an older Dutch lady took flight from their Indian captives.

They thought it was an Indian rider and worried that they would be recaptured. As they slipped into the brush they heard what sounded like the soft ringing of a bell. Upon investigation they found a riderless horse with a bell attached around his neck by a leather strap. Horses and other forms of livestock were belled and allowed to roam free in that era. Mary thought the horse was a godsend.

"Duchess the horse will come in handy for us," Mary said. "He can carry the corn for us and if necessary we can ride him."

The women were careful to make little noise as they took corn from the field and put it into two grips fashioned from a blanket. They were tied together and put astride the horse like saddle bags. The bell was removed from the horse's neck so the changing would not lead the Indians to them.

As soon as possible the women continued upstream along the south bank of the Ohio River, ever careful to avoid being seen by the Indians. After several hours they stopped to rest. The women used their tomahawks to crack and pound the corn into a coarse mix which they ate raw. They were fearful that smoke from a fire would give away their location.

They found the Big Sandy River too deep to wade and turned inland along the west bank to find a point that they could ford. This trek lasted the greater part of two days before they found a large logjam left from a recent flood. This was near the present site of Louisa, Kentucky, below the forks of the river.

The horse was reluctant to follow the two women as they started across the large drift of logs. Mary tugged and prodded and finally got the horse to start across. As they neared the center of the Big Sandy River the horse slipped and fell, its leg becoming entangled in the mass of logs and limbs, causing it to be suspended upside down. The horse was frantic and it concerned Mary that the commotion might be heard by Indians.

Although there was nothing she could do to save the horse, Mary took a long deadwood limb and snared the makeshift saddlebags which were laden with corn. As she tried to pull it free from horse and debris it broke apart with one of the sections falling into the Big Sandy River. Soon thereafter the horse also toppled into and became submerged in the dark water.

The women put the rescued corn on their shoulders the following morning and continued their journey. Once they were across the Big Sandy they backtracked along the opposite bank until they reached the Ohio River and then continued following the river. It had taken four days along the Big Sandy to simply get from one side to the other and they had lost their

horse. Both women were very weary.

It was a stressful period for Mary and the older lady. Their feet were now bare with their moccasins totally worn out. Their clothing was ragged and their bodies were sore from scrapes and cuts which they suffered while traveling through the woods and crossing streams of sharp rocks.

Duchess was becoming increasingly disagreeable but Mary also had other problems of her own. She was becoming very dizzy at times causing her to lose her balance. Her eyesight totally left her for nearly two hours on their last day along the Big Sandy. Duchess, in her pain and misery, reacted by speaking harshly and threatened to abandon Mary, leaving her livid with pain and fear. The night cooled down quickly and as Mary lay, rolled inside a blanket next to a log, she pondered her situation.

"What can I do," she wondered before falling asleep. "I've got to keep moving but I also need to rest...need to eat. I'm worried that I can't trust her any longer. She seems to be going mad. I've got to watch her."

There was a marked change in the older woman following the night of rest. The two talked and decided they would have to take time to eat so they began foraging about the banks of the Big Sandy River. They found some butternuts and black walnuts right away and after looking further they found some paw-paws and grapes, although they were of poor quality.

Duchess had been captured by Indians several years before in Pennsylvania and they taught her various plants with edible roots. After eating an assortment of items from the wild they continued their journey, but soon Mary found that what they had eaten, coupled with their vigorous travel, was making her ill. Duchess was also sick, though less so, and she searched for roots which calmed their stomachs after a long rest.

Duchess was again becoming bitter. "Why I listened to you I'll never know, she fussed. "I'm nearly dead, my body's black and blue and nearly frozen. Winter's setting in and we don't even know where we are. I've got a mind to throw you in the river."

"Now Duchess, I must say we've come many a mile and we're a lot closer to our own people than we were," Mary answered soothingly. "Who knows? If we get back to the settlements someone will know something of your family...your boy and girls and your mama. You'll thank the Lord a hundred times that you went through this. I know I can't live any longer without getting back to Will. And maybe they will find a way to get my boys back."

Editor's note: Duchess, cold and hungry, tries to kill Mary Ingles in this true story of an early American heroine in Jaddon's *From the Mountains* next week in the *Floyd County Times*.

### FROM THE MOUNTAINS by Jaddon Gibson



## Births

### CORRECTION

#### NAME MISPELLED

A birth announcement published in Wednesday, January 15's edition of the *Floyd County Times* listed the name of the new daughter of Rhonda Jean and Doff Jr. Justice as Jaleeha Lakha. The baby's name is Jaleetha. She was born January 3 at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

### HIGHLANDS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

January 6: A daughter, Ashley Brooke, to Jennifer Leigh and Tony Lee Bays of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Kenndra Dawn, to Kimberly Dawn and James Kenneth Martin of Hager Hill.

January 7: A son, Austin Leon Williamson, to April Dawn Vincent of Tomahawk; a son, Wesley Tyler, to Denise D. and Toby W. Endicott of Inez; a son, Cory Thomas, to Kathy and Gary Michael Runyon of Teaberry; a son, Andrew Kyle, to Clarey Oedia and Jackie Dwayne Hamilton of Hi Hat; a daughter, Courtney Lasha Lucas to Ruthie Hicks of Eastern; a daughter, DeLanaey Marie, to Kristy Lee and William Austin Wireman of Salyersville; a daughter, Bethany Alexandria Ellen, to Brenda Lee and Robert Rufus Stepp of Inez.

January 8: A daughter, Megan Michelle, to Molly and Kenneth Ray Rudder Jr. of Martin; a son, Hollie Trenton, to Merzie Conley and Hollie Hassles Conley of Wittensville; a son, Lonnie Owen LeMaster, to Tracy Shepherd of Falcon.

January 9: A son, Morgun Keith Johnson, to Jessica L. Tenney of Martin; a daughter, Shayla Laree Hill, to Rebecca Tuttle of Melvin.

January 10: A son, David Francis, to Billie Jo and Martin Ritchie of Vest; a daughter, Brandi Katlyn, to Crystal Annette and James D. Castle of Martin; a son, Travis Dakota, to Anna Maria and Troy James Preece of Inez.

January 12: A son, Nathan Tyler Compton, to Anna Carolyn DeBoard of Hager Hill; a daughter, Hannah Grace, to Cassandra Mae and Bryan Ray Boleyn of Langley; a daughter, Melinda Lee, to Audrey Mae and William Franklun Purcell of Salyersville; a son, Jonthan Clinton, to Debra Michele and Ricky Ashland Thomas of West Prestonsburg.

### PIKEVILLE METHODIST HOSPITAL

December 29: A son, Scottie Herbert Lewis II, to Robin Lynn and Scottie Herbert Lewis; a daughter, Latessa Elizabeth, to Melissa Lou and Jacob Jarvis Jr.; a son, Cody Brandon, to Cindy Lynn and Marty Allen Daugherty; a daughter, Jamie Shannon Karena, to Kristy Dawn and Dale Shannon Rife.

December 30: A son, Montgomery Daniel, to Ingrid Susan and Charles Edward Scott Jr.; a son, Alex Benjamin, to Shelia Anna and Charles Tackett.

December 31: A son, Zachary Eli, to Angela Denise and Michael Todd Barbito; a son, Joshua Tyler, to Kimberly Hall; a son, Mark Andrew, to Heather Marie and Mark Douglas Blair; a son, Michael Austin Robinson, to Tammy Ann Smith and Michael Corburt Robinson.

January 1: A daughter, Shyanna Bea Ryan, to Misty Dawn and Roy Nelson Hamilton; a son, Ethan Blake, to Teresa and Ron Kennel Spears; a daughter, Heather Madison Stiltner, to Belinda Renee

Dotson and Ernest Matthew Stiltner.

January 2: A son, Tristan Tazmon-Syck, to Ginger Dawn and Reaford Darrell Syck; a son, Justin Lee, to Paula and Jerry Day.

January 3: A daughter, Natalya Victoria Simone, to Judy and Dannial Treadway; a daughter, Victoria Brooke, to Mary and Bradley Robinson; a daughter, Sarah Ruth, to Mary Angel and Mark Tracy Gibson; a son, Joshua Shane, to Sandra and Jimmy Naylor; a daughter, Stephanie Leann, to Anita and Rusty Bearden; a daughter, Michelle Lynn Blackburn, to Brenda Lee Blackburn and Lorenzo Anthony Yascone.

January 4: A son, Christopher Blake, to Synthia and Chris McGuire.

January 5: A daughter, Alexis Leigh Ann Coleman, to Michelle Ann Rogers; a son, Tristin Lee, to Wendilyne and Mark Vinson; a son, Eddie Tyler Carl Dean, to Christina Lavern and Eddie Dean Goad.

January 6: A daughter, Alexandria Page Hall, to Amanda Scott and Anthony R. Hall.

January 7: A daughter, Shawna Lucille, to Tammy Sue and Benjamin Franklin Dye; a daughter, Neisha Dawn, to Deborah Lynn and Douglas Kavanaugh Tackett.

January 9: A son, Matthew Austin-Thomas Daniels, to Remona Jean Hammond and Johnny Lee Daniels; a daughter, Destiny Leaellen, to Paula Lynn and David Wayne Anderson.

January 10: A son, Jacob Keith, to Janice Renee and Brian Keith Bowen; a son, Steven Ryan, to Stephanie Ann and Bob Andrew Prater.

January 12: A daughter, Maranda Paige, to Amber Dawn and Randall Keith Wright; a daughter, Kelsey Shyann, to Barbara Alyn Coleman;

a daughter, Eddi Breanna, to Brenda Gail and Lawrence Edward Akers.

January 13: A daughter, Kendra Leith, to Verdie Mae and Gary Douglas Evans; a son, Dennis Blaine, to Tammy Lynnette and Denny Paul May; a daughter, Kristen Staci, to Rhonda Wynetta and James Stacey Tackett.

January 14: A daughter, Larissa Lynn, to Jacqueline and Billy Daugherty; a daughter, Shania Racheal, to Jennifer Jane and Jerry Dell Reed; a son, Jacob Ryan, to Jamie Lynn and Cliff Aaron West.

January 15: A daughter, Taylor Brooke, to Tammy Sue and David Keith Bentley; a daughter, Caitlin Dawn Shepherd, to Jennifer Lynn Mullins and John Denver Shepherd.

January 16: A daughter, Ashley Michele, to Angela Marie and Paul David Keen; a daughter, Jessica Rose, to Donna Sue and Gary Ray Blankenship.



### Birth announced

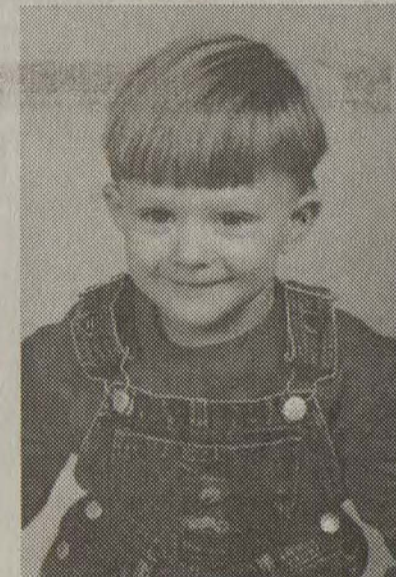
Gabe and Jessi White announce the birth of their daughter, Callee Jayne. Callee was welcomed by family and friends on October 9 at 8:41 p.m. She weighed 6 lb. 5 oz. and was 19 inches in length. Jessi is the former Jessi Gadberry of Prestonsburg. Gabe, Jessi and Callee now live in Winchester.

## Birthday

### Dylan's two

Dylan Hamilton celebrated his second birthday on December 25. The theme of his party was Barney. He celebrated his party with Toddra, Nathan, Brook, Daron, Bethany, Shane, Jordan, and Brittany.

He is the son of Jamie and Dee Dee Hamilton of Teaberry. He is the grandson of Jimmy and Wilma Martin of Teaberry, and Barbara Hamilton of Craynor and the late Burnis Hamilton. He is the great-grandson of Adren and Euggle Martin of Teaberry and Ray Hamilton of Dayton, Ohio, and Dixie and Charlie Hirby of Perrysville, Ohio.



Dylan Hamilton

## Yesterdays

(Continued from page one)

Telephone & Telegraph Company's newest dial installation is its exchange which was opened at McDowell, last Saturday noon...The City Council, Monday night opened officially acted on three separate items of business, but the story of the meeting is that of businessmen's call for police protection and the resultant discussion with just about everybody taking part...Henry Davidson Fitzpatrick, Sr., 77, of Prestonsburg, banker and former State Senator, was found dead in bed at his home on the Middle Creek road, near here, last Thursday morning...Three Martin juveniles who are jailed here Saturday afternoon by State Detective E. L. Cornett and Deputy Sheriff Willie Johnson, entered pleas of guilty Monday morning to charges of breaking and entering on six counts...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Callihan, Jr., a son, William R. III, Jan. 22 at the Prestonsburg General Hospital...There died: William Garfield Webb, 73, of Auxier, last Tuesday, at the Paintsville Hospital; Mrs. Sarah Patton Lafferty, 71, of Water Gap, last Wednesday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Talmadge DeWitt Mayo, 77, Floyd County native and for many years a school superintendent and teacher in the Dallas County, Texas schools, Dec. 16, at Dallas; Roy Akers, three years old, of Banner, Monday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

### Fifty Years Ago (January 23, 1947)

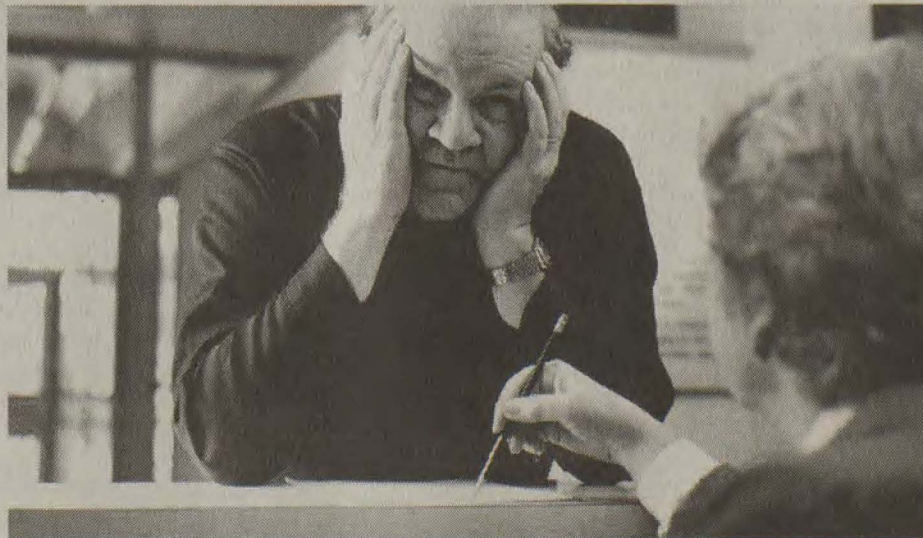
Joe McGuire, 46 years old, Dwale gas compressor station employee, was struck and killed early Wednesday morning by a freight train...Norman Bell, 41-year-old miner, was killed Saturday night by a slatefall in the mine of the Inland Steel Company at Wheelwright...Otto Hall, 43, of Hi Hat, died Wednesday in the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville, of injuries sustained two days earlier in a slatefall in the mine of the Inland Steel Company at Wheelwright...The warehouse and office building of Henry Porter & Company, Frigidare dealers, burned at Allen late Wednesday night at an estimated \$25,000 loss...Four Floyd County miners were injured Saturday in an explosion in a mine at Tram. They were: Rufus Wallace, of Tram, Galloway Hinton, Betsy Layne, Frank Simpson, of Boldman, and Curtis DeLong, of Justell. Two Pike county miners, Ted Belcher,

45, of Praise, and Walter Kayser, of Pikeville, were killed Saturday when caught beneath a slatefall in the Williams Belcher Coal Company mine in Pike County...W. H. Jones Jr., of Prestonsburg, was elected the first commander of District 15, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at the recent district election in Pikeville...Married: Miss Anita Lewelling, of Huntington, Tenn., and Mr. Paul Gentry Smith, of Glo, Dec. 21; Miss Harriet Elizabeth Messer, of Garrett, and Mr. John J. Robbins, of Boswell, Ind., Dec. 21 at Pikeville...Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Sellards, of Allen, a son, Saturday at the Gearheart Hospital, Martin; to Mr. and Mrs. W. Lee Roberts, of Harold, a son—Lawrence—Jan. 10 at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville...There died: Bourbon Setser, 39, of Buffalo Creek, last Wednesday; Mrs. Polly Miller Rose, 82, at home at Katy Friend, Friday; Mrs. Ida Hall Carroll, 40, at home at Jump, Saturday; John Jarrell, 78, Saturday at the home near Allen of a daughter, Mrs. Ballard McGuire.

### Sixty Years Ago (January 22, 1937)

Work will be started soon on four miles of uncompleted road between Wheelwright Junction and McDowell, Robert Humphrey, state highway commissioner, said this week...Robert Kelly, 24, of Ironton, Ohio, was shot and killed early Monday morning near Weeksbury...The Betsy Layne High School building was destroyed by fire late last Tuesday night...Maryland McCown, 38, was struck and killed by a train last Monday near Melvin...In another recent rail tragedy, Frank Estep, 24-year-old deaf-mute, of Printer, was killed Jan. 8 when he was struck by a train on the tracks at Garrett...Bonnie Bess Layne, of Betsy Layne, and Clarissa Sargent, 11, of Harold, were killed Sunday night when struck by a truck on the highway at Betsy Layne...Married: Miss Opal Wright, of Pikeville, and Mr. William Dingus, of Prestonsburg, Dec. 24 at Williamson, W. Va...There died: Mrs. Martha Sammons, 50, Monday at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Mildred Martin, at Pumpkin Center, near Estill; Jesse W. Fillinger, 54, of Betsy Layne, Tuesday at the Jefferson Hotel, Pikeville; Adam Brown, 35, of Wayland, Saturday at the Stumbo Memorial Hospital; Garvie Marshall, 12, of Langley, Sunday.

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# Academics

## 1997 financial aid calendar

Getting into the college of your choice may be atop this year's list of resolutions, but finding the money to pay for it is probably not far behind. With this fall's college freshmen facing tuition and fees averaging close to \$20,000 for private colleges and about half as much for public universities, financing higher education is near the top of everyone's to-do list.

According to Sallie Mae, the nation's leading provider of education financing, January is a critical month to begin your search. The following six-month syllabus for student aid shows you what you need to do to help keep those resolu-

the packages from each of the colleges to which you've been accepted to help you in your final selection.

When you've decided which college is right for you, you will need to begin firming up how you plan to pay for costs not covered by your financial aid package. Your parents may consider a PLUS (Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students) loan, which currently has a 8.72 percent interest rate\* with a repayment term of up to 10 years. The most popular loan is the federal Stafford loan, available to students through private lenders at a rate of 8.25 percent\*.

[Note: students attending colleges participating in the direct loan program receive their loans directly from the government.] Most anyone is eligible for an unsubsidized Stafford loan; however, subsidized Stafford loans—in which the government pays the loan interest while the student is in school and during the subsequent six-month grace period—are available only to qualified students based on need. Because Stafford loans have strict borrowing limits (up to \$2,625 for most freshman, for example), you may also want to consider a private supplemental loan, such as Sallie Mae's Signature Education Loan Program, which allows students to borrow up to the cost of education.

\*Interest rates change annually on each July 1.

office to see which lenders they recommend.

If you have any questions about the FAFSA or the financial aid process, or need help in finding a student loan lender, call the College Answer Service at 1-800-891-4599.

For more information on financing higher education, see Sallie Mae's user-friendly site on the Internet, which features interactive

calculators for estimating your Expected Family Contribution, monthly loan payments or monthly saving goals.

The site can be accessed at <http://www.salliemae.com>.

Federally chartered and stockholder-owned (NYSE), Sallie Mae is the country's largest holder and servicer of student loans. The company currently owns one in three student loans outstanding.



### First Thanksgiving

Deb Hall's K-1 Primary Class at Stumbo Elementary celebrate their study of the first Thanksgiving by dressing and eating as modern day pilgrims.

### Stumbo holds science fair

A science fair was held at Stumbo Elementary School on November 18. Many creative projects were showcased. Two categories were judged.

The first category was the primary grade thru the fourth grade. The three winners from this level were first, Corey Henry; second, Tonya Johnson; and third, Eric Westfall.

The second category was the

fifth grade thru the eighth grade. There was a tie for first place. Tying for first were Bryana Hamilton and Nicholas Hall. Third place went to Nathan Hamilton.

The science fair was a complete success. The six school winners' projects and several others were taken to the Floyd County Science Math Fair at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Center at Jenny Wiley State Park and showcased on November 25.



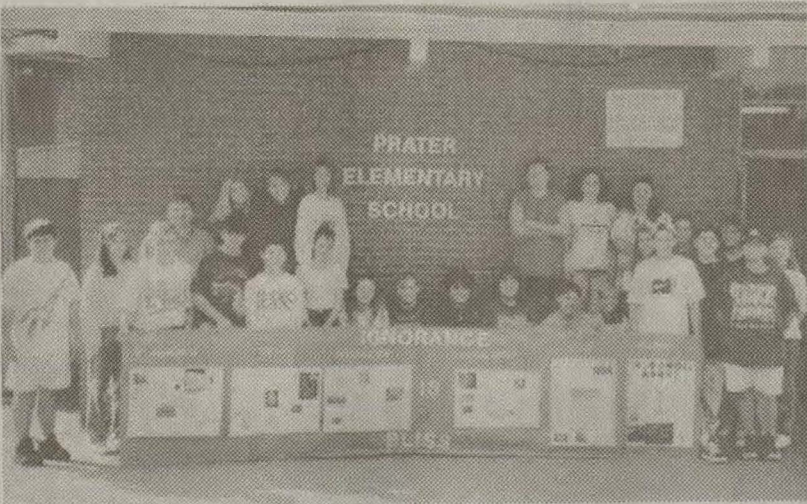
### Science fair winners

Tonya Johnson, Corey Henry, Eric Westfall, Bryanna Hamilton, Nicholas Hall, Nathan Hamilton were science fair winners.



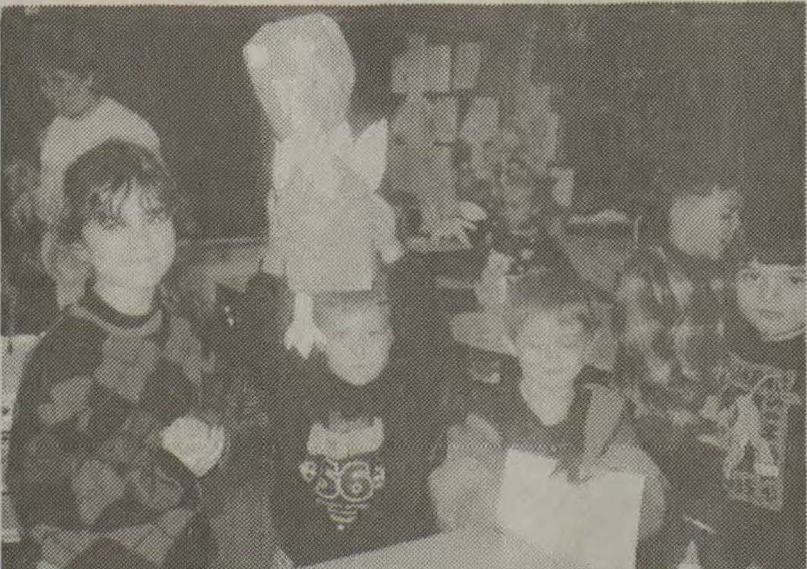
### Poster winner

Pictured above are the winners of the alcohol and drug poster contest in grades K-4 at Prater Elementary School.



### Contest winners

Pictured above are the winners of the alcohol and drug poster contest in grades 5-8 at Prater Elementary School.



### Popcorn turkeys

Decorating and carving popcorn-filled turkeys was one of the Thanksgiving celebrations students in Anna Shepherd's class enjoyed during the month of November. Pictured left to right are Savannah Reno, Caleb Sloan, Whitney Gibson, and Brandon Hayton.

### JANUARY

If you haven't submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), get one immediately from your high school guidance counselor or the U.S. Department of Education by calling 1-800-4FED-AID. Even if you have not decided which college to attend, you should get your FAFSA in now as student aid is often awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, and you don't want to miss out. Make sure to find out the financial aid deadlines at the colleges you are considering and submit your applications before the earliest deadline.

### FEBRUARY

About four weeks after submitting your FAFSA, you will be sent a Student Aid Report (SAR). That will tell you your Expected Family Contribution (the amount your family is expected to pay toward college), which will determine your eligibility for federal student aid programs. Make sure the SAR is accurate, and if not, make changes promptly and mail the corrected report to the address provided. The colleges you list will receive your information electronically.

### MARCH

While awaiting word on your financial aid "packages," look into alternative funding sources, such as scholarships. The reference section of your library most likely has volumes listing thousands of scholarships based on academic merit or particular talents and interests. Civic and community groups, foundations and corporations also may offer scholarships. The Internet is becoming a rich source of information. Throughout your search, beware of companies that charge unnecessary fees or that guarantee scholarships.

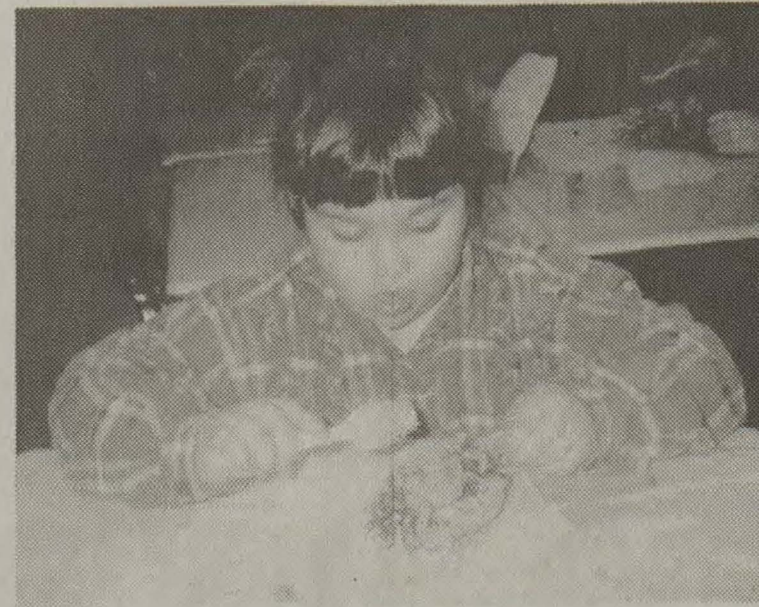
### APRIL/MAY

Beginning in April, colleges where you have been accepted send out financial aid award letters, which detail your aid package. The package may include grants, work-study, or federal student loans. You'll want to compare



### Food Safety

Whitley Allen and Gary Cumberledge displayed posters when primary students at Stumbo Elementary were taught Food Safety by Theresa Scott of the Floyd County Extension Service.



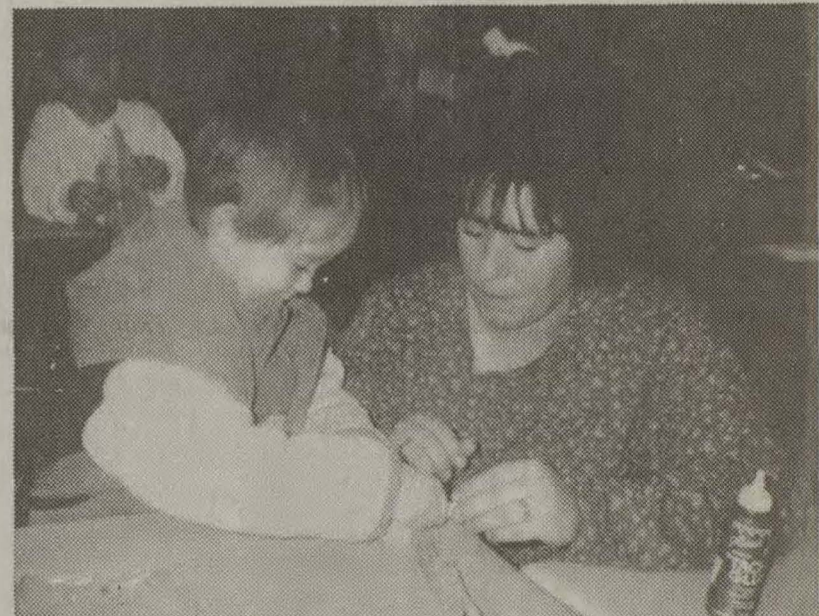
### Preparing dinner

Christmas dinner for the birds was made by Anna Shepherd's kindergarten class at Prestonsburg Elementary. Students used pine cones, peanut butter, and birdseed to construct bird feeders. Pictured is Carl Gayheart.



### Body fat

Health Jane Bond and Nutritionist Cheryl Younce, with the Floyd County Health Department, perform a body fat analysis on Linda Tackett.



### Reindeer ornaments

Lisa Gibson, a parent volunteer, shared materials and talent to make Christmas ornaments with Anna Shepherd's class at Prestonsburg Elementary. Pictured are Lisa Gibson and her daughter, Whitney Gibson.



### Historic moment

The students of Anna Shepherd's kindergarten class at Prestonsburg Elementary enjoyed doing some nut cracking with Bill Boatwright using an antique nutcracker. Pictured are Bill Boatwright and grandson Steven Nicholas Boatwright.

### Kentucky tech scholarships available to high school seniors

The Kentucky Tech system of technical schools has 62 full scholarships available to Kentucky high school seniors. The awards are based on academic achievement, character excellence and career potential.

The Governor's Kentucky Tech Scholarships cover tuition and required fees, equipment, books, supplies, personal safety gear and uniforms and have a value of \$2,400 each.

To apply, students must have at least a 3.0 cumulative grade-point average, submit two writing portfolio entries, provide four character reference letters and submit a state-

ment that describes the applicant's occupational goal, chosen field of study and high school curricular and extra-curricular activities.

Scholarship applicants must be Kentucky residents attending a Kentucky high school. They must be enrolling in a diploma-level program at a Kentucky Tech institution. The deadline for applying is March 3. Scholarship awards will be announced by March 21.

For more information about applying for a Kentucky Tech scholarship, contact a high school counselor, the Kentucky Tech school in your area or the Kentucky Tech system at 1-800-223-5632.

# Business/Real Estate

## Dr. Livas joins Asthma & Allergy Center

Dr. Leonor Pagtakhan-So recently announced that Dr. Iraklis C. Livas has joined her staff at the

Asthma & Allergy Center. The Asthma & Allergy Center has been treating adults and chil-

dren for 16 years. Dr. Livas has joined Dr. So in helping people with breathing problems, asthma, and allergies.

Dr. Livas came to Eastern Kentucky from Glen Burnie, Maryland, with his wife, Eleni, and two children: three-year-old Athanasia, and one-year-old Lydia. The family lives in the Crosscreek subdivision in Paintsville.

Dr. Livas was honored with the Greece Ministry of Education's award for being in the top of the class in both the third and fifth years of medical school at the University of Ioannina, Greece. He was the recipient of an Outstanding Achievement Award in Internal Medicine.

Dr. Livas completed his residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa. He is board certified in Internal Medicine.

He also completed his fellowship in Allergy, Asthma, and Clinical Immunology at the prestigious and world renowned Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland.

He is a member of the American Medical Association, the American College of Physicians, and the American Academy of Allergy,

Asthma, & Immunology.

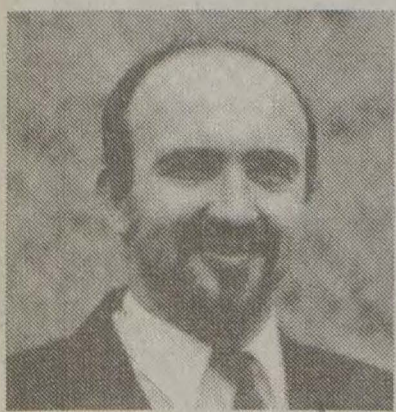
Dr. Leonor Pagtakhan-So opened the first Asthma & Allergy Center in 1981 in Pikeville. In 1991, she opened the Hazard office and in 1996, an office in Paintsville was opened.

The new Asthma and Allergy Center office in Paintsville is located in the Mayo Plaza II, between K-mart and Food City. With the addition of Dr. Livas to the staff, the Paintsville office is now open two days a week: Monday and Wednesday; and the Pikeville office is open two days a week: Monday and Thursday.

The Asthma and Allergy Center offices are highly computerized. Dr. Leonor Pagtakhan-So has prepared her offices for the information age of the 21st Century, she said.

All clinical records and patient encounter notes are directly entered into the computers by the doctors and nurses. No dictation is required from the doctor. All three offices are connected into a computer network 24 hours a day.

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Dr. Iraklis C. Livas



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## Muhammad joins hospital staff

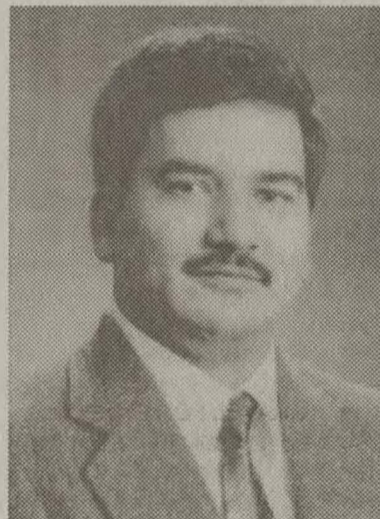
Dr. Tariq Muhammad has joined the staff at Our Lady of the Way Hospital.

In June, Dr. Muhammad completed a Nephrology fellowship at the University of Kentucky Hospital in Lexington. Prior to attending the residency program at UK hospital, Dr. Muhammad completed Internal Medicine residencies at the Long Island College Hospital in Brooklyn, New York and the Jamaica Hospital in Jamaica, New York.

Dr. Muhammad has been Board Certified in Internal Medicine by the American Board of Internal Medicine since 1995. Dr. Muhammad is also a member of the National Kidney Foundation and the American College of Physicians.

Before coming to the United States to further his medical train-

ing, Dr. Muhammad graduated from the Sind Medical College in Pakistan. Both natives of Pakistan, Dr. Muhammad and his wife are the parents of a new baby boy.



Tariq Muhammad

## Commerce Corner

I recently received the honor of being nominated as Floyd County's Business Liaison with PRISM, The Partnership for Reform Initiatives in Science and Mathematics. The nomination was important to me for two reasons. First, it came from Joyce O. Watson, my high school German and Calculus teacher. Ms. Watson inspired me as a student with her work ethic and intelligence. She is a '90's woman, and even though recent studies rank Kentucky women among the lowest in mathematical and scientific achievement, knowing women like her convinces me that it has nothing to do with the ability of our women.

That brings me to the second reason I am excited about this opportunity. The Chamber of Commerce is interested in becoming involved with Floyd County students in several facets. Our Civic Committee is planning a county beautification project for 1997, and we are contemplating a recycling project with the school system as an objective of that goal.

As Chamber representative with the Appalachian Women's Consortium, I plan to participate in their upcoming mentoring program whose goal is to instill confidence in our high school women, and

encourage them to pursue careers in science and math fields.

The Chamber of Commerce has recently committed to the Floyd County Futures Youth Group to be supportive of their effort to establish a drug and alcohol free "Teen Club." Having been involved with the project for the last couple of months, I am surprised by the initiative, determination and leadership these high school students express for this project, and I encourage the business community to help them in their effort. After all, the Chamber of Commerce has a mission, and that is to improve the quality of life for all citizens.

If you have questions or comments, you may contact the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce at (606) 886-0364.



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Written comments, objections or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by February 28, 1997.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for March 3, 1997 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by February 28, 1997.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0267**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Redbone Coal Company, Inc., P.O. Box 2805, Pikeville, KY 41502 has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting 797.27 acres located 2.75 miles northeast of Stanville in Floyd and Pike Counties.

The proposed operation is approximately 2.39 miles northeast from U.S. 23's junction with CR-1026 (Mare Creek Road) and is located along Shop Branch of Mare Creek. The latitude is 37° 35' 05"N. The longitude is 82° 36' 04"W.

The proposed operation is located on the Broad Bottom and Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use the contour, auger, mountaintop removal, and area methods of surface mining. The surface area is owned by East Kentucky Energy Corporation; Clinton Coleman; Hatcher-Trimble Trust; Robert C. Spradlin; Jake & Bertha Stratton Heirs; Wayne W. Clark; Carter and Plumer Smith; Buffalo Development, Inc., and Bobby Hunt. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public roads CR-1119 (Buffalo Creek Road), CR-1032 (Ivy Creek), CR-1028 (Right Fork of Shop Branch Road) and CR-1027 (Shop Branch Road). The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public roads.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0025**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given Brashae Coal Company, Inc., Box 628, Hindman, Kentucky 41822 has applied for Phase II Bond Release on Increments #4 and #5 of permit #836-0025, which was last issued on 04/19/91. The application covers an area of approximately 442.39 acres located 0.5 mile southeast of Manton in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.5 mile northeast of Wolfpen Branch Road's junction with Kentucky Route 1210 and located 0.5 mile northeast of Wolfpen Branch. The latitude is 37° 34' 22" and the longitude is 82° 48' 25."

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Permit Number 836-0242**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that ADDINGTON ENTERPRISES, INC., 1500 North Big Run Road, Ashland, KY 41102, has filed an application for a major revision to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation. This major revision proposes to add an additional 0.0 acres of surface disturbance and underlie an additional 0.0 acres for a total proposed permit acreage of 226.16 acres

located 1.75 miles north-east of German in Floyd County.

The proposed major revision area is approximately 1.0 mile north from Crooked Branch junction with KY Rt. 194 and located 0.25 miles east of Copperas Creek. The latitude is 37° 42' 30" and longitude is 82° 36' 57".

The proposed operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by this major revision is owned by O.C. Howell, et al., William Crider, et al., Warren Cline, et al., Celia Cline and Pocahontas Development Corporation.

This major revision proposes a change in the post mining land use from a pre-mining land use of forest land to a post mining land use of pasture land. The applicant is also proposing the retention of sediment structures 2 & 15 as permanent structures.

The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, Bureau of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1346 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0264**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that N.A.L.R. Coal Corporation, P.O. Box 330, Ivel, KY 41642, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation affecting 101.76 acres of surface disturbance and overlying an additional 53.90 acres for a total of 155.66 acres located 1.7 miles southwest of Grethel in Floyd County.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.5 miles south from Little Mud Creek Road's junction with KY-2030 and is located along Little Mud Creek. The latitude is 37° 28' 07" and the longitude is 82° 40' 59."

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the contour and auger method of surface mining. The surface area is owned by Bobby Lawson, Audrey Parsons, The Elkhorn Coal Corporation, Costain Coal, Inc., and Lester Parsons.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that HI Energy, Inc., Box 147, West Liberty, KY 41472 (606-743-1357) intends to apply for Phase III bond release on Permit No. 858-0123 which was last issued on March 1, 1995. The application involves a surface area of approximately 18.34 acres, and no underground area. The operation is located approximately 0.5 mile south of Odds in Johnson and Floyd Counties.

The permit area is approximately 2.0 miles west of the junction of KY 3 and the Long Branch Road, and is approximately 2100 feet south of

Daniels Creek and approximately 1500 feet north of Dog Fork.

The latitude is 37° 44; 53" and the longitude is 82° 41' 42" and is located on the Lancer and Offutt 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle maps.

The bond amount (Certificate of Deposit) now in effect for the operation is \$8,900. 100% of the original bond amount of \$59,400 is to be included in this application for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in spring of 1991.

Results thus far achieved include: establishment of vegetation and the approved post mining land use plan.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Service, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601 by March 14, 1997.

A hearing date on this application has been scheduled for March 18, 1997 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

The scheduled public hearing will be canceled if the Cabinet does not receive a request for the public hearing by March 18, 1997.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 860-5154, Amendment No. 2**

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky 41839 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface/auger coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.5 miles south of

Lackey and situated in both Knott and Floyd Counties. The amendment will add 11.16 acres of surface disturbance, making a total area of 1023.26 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.80 mile southeast from Triplett Branch Road's junction with KY 550 and located 0.10 mile southeast of Triplett Branch. The latitude is 37° 26' 42" and longitude is 82° 49' 50".

The proposed amendment area is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by CONSOL of Kentucky, Inc. and Knott Floyd Land Company. The operation will use the contour method of surface mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1455. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Addington Enterprises, Inc., 1500 North Big Run Road, Ashland, Kentucky 41102 has applied for Phase II bond release on Increment numbers 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 on permit number 898-0423 which was last issued 3/9/90. The application covers an area of 408.19 acres located 2.04 miles southwest of Gulnare in Pike County.

The permit area is approximately 1.8 miles southwest of County Road 1029's junction with KY Route 194 and located on

Drift and McCombs Branches of Johns Creek and White Oak Branch of Buffalo Creek. The latitude is 37° 36' 43" and longitude is 82° 34' 55."

The bond now in effect for Increment #1 is a surety bond in the amount of \$11,800. Approximately 25% of the original bond amount of \$11,800 is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment #2 is a surety bond in the amount of \$405,900. Approximately 25% of the original bond amount of \$405,900 is included in the application for release.

The bond now in effect for Increment #3 is a surety bond in the amount of \$126,100. Approximately 25% of the original bond amount of \$126,100 is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment #4 is a surety bond in the amount of \$91,600. Approximately 25% of the original bond amount of \$91,600 is included in the application for release. The bond now in effect for Increment #5 is a surety bond in the amount of \$62,400. Approximately 25% of the original bond amount of \$62,400 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, grading and revegetation completed on or about Fall 1993.

Written comments, objections and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 by March 13, 1997.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for March 17, 1997 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if

no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 31, 1997.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE**

By order of the Secured Party, the following property of Norman Bradley is located and will be offered at Public Sale at Worldwide Equipment, Inc., Highway 1428 East, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 on 01/29/97 at 2:00 p.m. Items to be sold are: 1991 Peterbilt 377 S#1XPCD29X3MN302930

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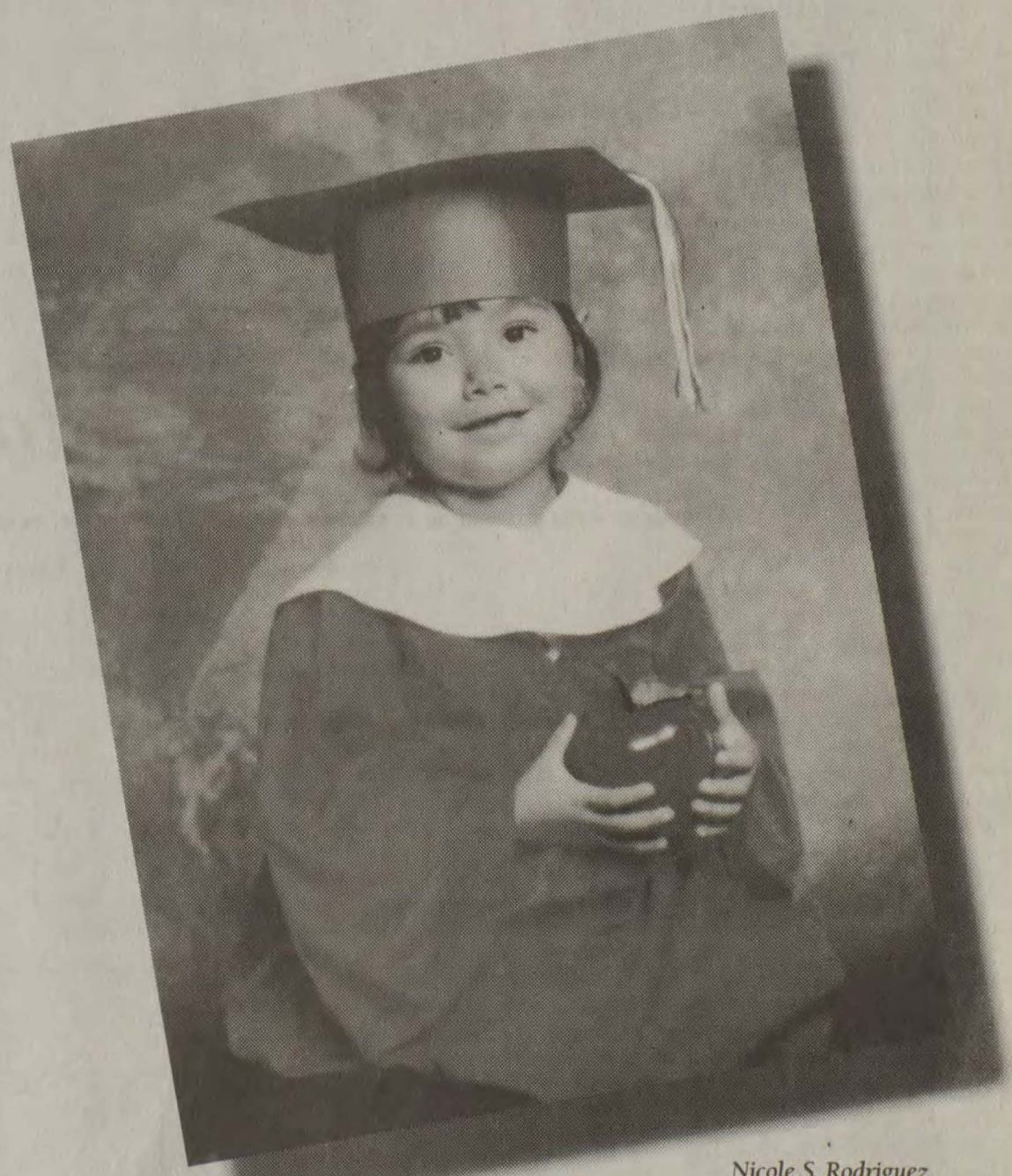
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# County Kettle

## GREEK LIGHT LEMON SOUP

6 cups low-sodium chicken broth  
1 to 2 teaspoons dried dill weed, to taste  
1/2 cup orzo or rice  
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice  
Place broth, dill weed, and orzo in a large saucepan. Simmer, uncovered, until orzo is tender, about 20 minutes. Stir in the lemon juice and serve.  
Serves 6; 1 cup per serving.  
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## ITALIAN POT-ROAST-STYLE STEAK WITH TOMATOES

1 1/2 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil  
1 pound sirloin or lean steak of choice, all visible fat removed, cut into serving-size pieces  
2 cloves garlic, crushed or minced  
2 Italian plum tomatoes, chopped  
1 teaspoon lemon juice  
1/4 teaspoon dried oregano, crumbled  
Black pepper to taste  
Pinch of salt  
Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium heat and sear the steaks until they reach desired doneness, about 10 minutes for rare. Transfer the meat to serving platter and cover with foil or a lid to keep warm. Set aside.

Add the garlic to the skillet and sauté over low heat until golden, about 2 minutes, being careful not to burn it. Add the rest of the ingredients except the meat. Cook over medium heat until the tomatoes are tender but still have texture, about 5 minutes. Return the meat to the skillet, along with any juices, and cook gently for a few minutes to combine flavors.  
Transfer meat and sauce to the platter and serve immediately.  
Serves 4; 3 ounces per serving.  
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## GREEK FISH SAUTÉED WITH TOMATOES AND CINNAMON

3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil  
2 stalks celery, chopped  
1 medium onion, chopped  
4 large cloves garlic, crushed or minced  
1 pound Italian plum tomatoes, chopped  
1 medium carrot, sliced thinly  
1 bay leaf  
1/2 teaspoon black pepper  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
6 small fish fillets (about 1 1/2 pounds), rinsed and patted dry  
2 to 3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice, to taste  
Chopped parsley, for garnish  
Heat the oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add celery, onion, and garlic to skillet. Sauté for about 2 minutes, stirring constantly, adjusting heat if necessary so mixture doesn't brown.  
Add tomatoes, carrot, bay leaf, pepper, salt, and cinnamon and cook for 5 minutes. Adjust pepper and cinnamon, if desired. Make 6 depressions in the mixture; place fish in depressions. Spoon hot vegetables over fish to cover. Cook over medium heat for 3 to 5 minutes, or until fish is opaque all the way through.  
Sprinkle the lemon juice over all, cover the skillet, and remove from heat. Let the skillet sit for about 5 minutes before serving so the flavors can permeate the fish. Remove bay leaf and garnish with parsley.  
Serves 6; 1 fillet per serving.  
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## FRENCH VEAL AND BELL PEPPER STEW

Vegetable oil spray  
1 small red bell pepper, chopped  
1 small yellow bell pepper, chopped  
1/2 cup chopped onion (about 1 medium)  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
1 pound veal or pork tenderloin, all visible fat removed, cut into 1/2-inch cubes  
1 tablespoon all-purpose flour  
2 10 1/2-ounce cans low-sodium chicken broth  
1 teaspoon grated orange zest  
1/2 teaspoon ground coriander  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/8 to 1/4 teaspoon cayenne  
Spray a Dutch oven with vegetable oil spray. Cook bell peppers, onion, and garlic over medium heat for 10 minutes, or until tender, stirring occasionally. Remove from Dutch oven.  
Increase heat to medium-high. Brown the veal, half at a time, stirring occasionally. Each batch will

take about 5 minutes. Return all veal to Dutch oven and stir in flour.  
Stir cooked vegetables and remaining ingredients into veal mixture. Bring to a boil over high heat. Reduce heat and simmer, covered, for 20 minutes, or until veal is tender.  
Serves 4; 1 1/4 cups per serving.  
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## ITALIAN FENNEL-ORANGE SALAD

Dressing  
3 tablespoons white wine vinegar  
1 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil  
2 teaspoons honey  
1 teaspoon chopped fennel leaves (optional)  
1 clove garlic, minced  
1/2 teaspoon grated orange peel  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/8 teaspoon black pepper  
Salad  
4 cups torn romaine lettuce (4 ounces)  
1 cup torn radicchio leaves (1 ounce)  
2 fennel bulbs, ends trimmed and thinly sliced  
2 medium oranges, peeled and sliced crosswise, seeds removed (about 2 cups)  
Combine dressing ingredients in a small nonmetallic bowl. Set aside.  
For salad, place romaine and radicchio in a large bowl. Scatter fennel on top and pour dressing over all. Toss lightly. Arrange oranges over salad and serve.  
Serves 4; 2 1/4 cups salad and 1 tablespoon dressing per serving.  
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FRENCH MIXED BABY GREENS WITH CREAMY DRESSING  
6 cups mixed baby greens or desired salad greens, torn into bite-size pieces  
2 tablespoons white wine vinegar or tarragon vinegar  
2 tablespoons olive oil (extra-virgin preferred)  
2 tablespoons low-sodium chicken broth  
1 tablespoon minced fresh herbs (such as basil, dill, chives, or marjoram)  
1 tablespoon nonfat or low-fat sour cream

Place baby greens in a salad bowl. Cover with plastic wrap and chill until serving time.  
For the dressing, combine remaining ingredients, except sour cream, in a jar with a tight-fitting lid. Cover and shake until well combined. Add sour cream. Cover and shake well. Dressing can be chilled, covered, until serving time or used right away.  
Before serving, drizzle dressing over greens. Toss gently until well coated. Serve immediately.  
Serves 8; 3/4 cup per serving.  
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## CARIBBEAN SPINACH, CRAB, AND HAM SOUP

1 tablespoon acceptable\* margarine  
1 large onion, chopped  
1 clove garlic, minced  
2 cups spinach, turnip greens, chopped (about 2 ounces)  
3 cups low-sodium chicken broth  
1/2 cup skim milk  
1/8 teaspoon coconut extract  
1/8 teaspoon white pepper  
4 ounces fat-free imitation crabmeat  
3 ounces low-fat, low-sodium ham, cut into thin strips or 1/2-inch pieces  
1/8 teaspoon hot pepper sauce (optional)  
In a large saucepan, melt the margarine over medium-low heat. Reduce heat to low and add the onion and garlic. Cook, covered for 3 to 4 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add the spinach and cook, uncovered, for 2 minutes. Add the broth, milk, coconut extract, and white pepper. Bring mixture to a boil over medium-high heat, then reduce heat and simmer, uncovered, for 3 to 4 minutes.  
Add the crabmeat and ham, and the hot pepper sauce, if using. Cook for 2 to 3 minutes, or until meat is warmed through. Serve warm.  
Serves 6; 1 cup per serving  
\* Select margarine with liquid vegetable oil as the first ingredient and no more than 2 grams of saturated fat per tablespoon.  
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## CARIBBEAN GRIDDLE BISCUITS

2 cups all-purpose flour  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup water  
2 tablespoons acceptable\* vegetable oil  
2 teaspoons sugar  
Vegetable oil spray  
In a medium mixing bowl, combine the flour, baking powder, and salt. In a small mixing bowl, combine the water, vegetable oil, and sugar. Pour this mixture into the flour mixture and mix with a spoon until just combined. Add water, small amounts at a time as needed, if mixture is too dry.  
Roll out dough on a lightly floured cutting board or waxed paper to 1/4-inch thickness. (If using a small board, roll out half the dough at a time.) Using a 2 1/2-inch biscuit or cookie cutter, cut dough into circles. Bring together scraps of dough, roll out again, and cut more circles. Do not overhandle the dough. Repeat until all dough is used.  
Lightly spray a nonstick griddle with vegetable oil spray and preheat over medium heat. Cook the biscuits on one side for 3 minutes, or until golden brown, then cook on the other side for 3 minutes. Remove from griddle and serve warm. Bakes will keep in an airtight container in the refrigerator for up to 4 days and in the freezer for up to 2 months. To crisp the bakes, place them, uncovered, in a preheated 375°F oven for 5 to 10 minutes.  
Serves 8; 2 biscuits per serving.  
\* Select polyunsaturated or monounsaturated vegetable oil such as corn oil, sunflower oil or canola oil.  
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pressing the balls to coat evenly. Place the balls on serving trays, cover and chill up to one hour before serving.

SPINACH DIP  
1/2 c. plain, low-fat yogurt  
1/4 tsp. prepared mustard  
2 drops Worcestershire sauce  
1 tsp. grated Parmesan cheese  
1/2 c. cooked chopped spinach and a pinch of garlic powder  
Combine 1/2 c. plain, low-fat yogurt, 1/4 tsp. prepared mustard, 2 drops Worcestershire sauce, 1 tsp. grated Parmesan cheese, 1/2 c. cooked chopped spinach and a pinch of garlic powder.

SWEET AND SOUR MEATBALLS  
1 lb. ground turkey breast  
1 egg  
1/2 c. seasoned bread crumbs  
1/4 c. water  
1 Tbsp. dried onions

Lowfat Cheese Balls  
3 oz. softened light cream cheese (Neufchatel)  
2 oz. grated low-fat processed cheese  
1 c. finely shredded carrot  
1/3 c. Grape Nuts-type cereal  
2 Tbsp. finely snipped parsley  
In small bowl, beat 3 ounces of softened light cream cheese and 2 ounces of grated low-fat processed cheese. Stir in 1 cup finely shredded carrot, cover and chill at least one hour. Then shape the carrot-cheese mixture into 1-inch balls and roll each ball in a mixture of 1/3 cup Grape Nuts-type cereal and 2 tablespoons finely snipped parsley.

1 Tbsp. green peppers, chopped  
1/8 tsp. ground pepper  
2 Tbsp. catsup  
1/2 c. brown sugar  
3 Tbsp. cornstarch  
1 can pineapple chunks (20 oz.) juice reserved  
6 Tbsp. water  
3 Tbsp. vinegar  
1 Tbsp. soy sauce  
1 green pepper, chopped  
Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Combine first eight ingredients (turkey through catsup) and mix well. Form the mix into meatballs and place in a lightly oiled 10x15x1-inch baking pan.  
Combine brown sugar and cornstarch in a 2-quart saucepan. Stir in pineapple juice, water, vinegar and soy sauce. Lightly simmer mixture for five minutes, stirring often. Stir in green pepper and pineapple chunks and pour mixture into baking pan and over meatballs. Bake 15 to 20 minutes, or until meatballs are no longer pink in the center.

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