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Suspended school board member gets day in court

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

A hearing is scheduled for today (Wednesday) in Floyd Circuit Court on a stay to temporarily bar a six-month suspension of school board member Jody Mullins.

Attorneys for Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody and Kentucky Board of Education members and Mullins' attorney, Jerry Patton, are set to argue their sides of the case at 1 p.m. before Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill.

Earlier this month, six members of the state school board voted to suspend Mullins and board member B.J. Newsome from their positions for six months after they were found guilty of non-feasance in office. The two were also ordered to attend all meetings of the board as observers and were prohibited from joining in on board discussions or voting on issues.

Mullins and Newsome were found not guilty of charges of misconduct in office and willful neglect of duty.

Last week, Mullins and Newsome filed suit against Cody and state board members Laken Cosby, Jane Venters, Alcie Combs, Martha Sanders, Sam Robinson and Margaret Pope, seeking to have their suspensions voided and new removal hearings held.

The suit claimed that the state education officials failed to follow state law by not approving, in writing as fiscally sound, all expenditures made by the Floyd County board.

Since Floyd County has been declared a deficit school district for

the past three years, state approval must be obtained prior to any expenditures being made in the school system.

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moval hearings that some goods or services had already been rendered before they were informed the expenditures had been authorized.

Also in the suit, Mullins and Newsome claim they relied on information from former interim superintendent Louie Martin and former superintendent Gene Davis that expenditures had been approved by

the state prior to coming before the local board.

In the state board's findings, they determined it was not "credible that such assurances were given on each and every occasion" and any discussion on the matter was not included in the board's meeting minutes.

The state board also found that board members had asked Davis for financial information on several occasions, but Davis never produced it.

"Despite the fact that superintendent Davis never gave financial statements to the Floyd County Board of Education, (Mullins and

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Floyd man killed in one-car mishap

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A fatal mishap in Mt. Sterling last week claimed the life of a Floyd County man who was thrown from a car during a one-vehicle accident.

John Collins, 22, of Langley, was fatally injured Thursday when the vehicle he was a passenger in apparently swerved to miss another vehicle, struck a guard rail and flipped.

According to a KSP Morehead Post 8 media release, the mishap occurred around 8:50 p.m. Thursday on Route 460 in Mt. Sterling.

Collins was a passenger in 19-

year-old Melodi Riggsby's vehicle. Riggsby reported to the state police that another vehicle swerved into her lane of traffic, causing her vehicle to hit a guard rail and overturn.

The release does not indicate if authorities have a description of that vehicle.

Brandon Prater, 19, of Hueysville, and Randi Wells, 17, of Morehead, were also passengers in Riggsby's vehicle, the release says.

The driver and the two passengers were transported to the Mary Chiles Hospital, in Mt. Sterling, where they were treated and re-

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Firefighters avert dangerous situation at Guyan Machinery

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

It's not the size that matters. That was the case Monday morning when the Prestonsburg Fire Department responded to a small, but potentially dangerous fire at an area business.

The fire department was dispatched to Guyan Machinery, located on Route 3, at 9:23 Monday after a caller advised city dispatchers that an acetylene tank had ignited in the company's garage area.

Assistant fire chief Mike Wells

said Tuesday that 21 fire department personnel who responded to the scene expected a large fire when they saw smoke from the four-way stop in Lancer. Guyan Machinery is located about one mile from the four-way stop.

Upon arriving at the scene, firefighters found flames shooting from the acetylene tank. "We were expecting a lot worse," Wells said.

Although the fire was not as bad as the fire department personnel had anticipated, Wells said they were concerned that the heat from the flames would ignite other tanks

in the building. "We cooled the tanks down enough to put it out with a dry chemical fire extinguisher," Wells said.

Prestonsburg Fire Marshal Larry Adams explained Tuesday that the base off a valve of the tank had apparently been leaking and the fire burned the hoses to an oxygen tank. He said the combination of the flames and oxygen accelerated combustion.

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Precautionary measures

Prestonsburg firefighters sprayed water on acetylene and oxygen tanks Monday morning at Guyan Machinery. An acetylene tank ignited while an employee was welding in the company's garage area. The fire department was concerned that the other tanks might ignite because of the fire. (photo by Chris McDavid)

Severe winds



Strong winds swept through some areas of Floyd County around noon Tuesday. A storage building (left photo) in the Cliff community could not withstand the wind and the roof blew off, landing about 50 feet from the building. American Electric Power worker Danny Hamilton (photo below) was busy Tuesday afternoon cutting limbs from power lines after a severe storm rolled through Floyd County. Power was out for hours in Wheelwright and Prestonsburg, and roofs were reported blown off several homes in the county. (photos by Chris McDavid and Susan Allen)



Power out for hours from strong windstorm in county

by Susan Allen
and Chris McDavid
Staff Writers

An afternoon storm ripped through the Big Sandy area Tuesday causing a power outage and property damage in Floyd County.

Just after noon, high winds and pouring rain hit in the county, knocking out power in a large portion of Prestonsburg for about three hours and in Wheelwright.

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department received calls of power and telephone outages in the Wheelwright area and reports of

roofs blown off homes in Auxier, Cliff and Abbott.

Prestonsburg police received calls mainly regarding the power outage. Service was restored in the city around 3 p.m. Tuesday afternoon.

When the powerful wind storm hit, tree limbs were blown onto power lines throughout the city and the large sign at Wendy's in Prestonsburg came apart and inside lights fell to the ground. A large panel of the sign blew loose and crashed into the parking lot. Restaurant managers ushered customers away from the business's

large windows in the front of the store.

No major vehicle accidents were reported during the storm or subsequent power failure despite the fact that traffic lights throughout Prestonsburg were not functioning, according to Prestonsburg police.

Customers and store workers at Food World in Prestonsburg were evacuated from the store by fire department personnel after a power line had fallen on an air conditioning vent on the store's roof.

Heavy rains and thunderstorms have been forecast for the county throughout the week.

State official says school district will likely remain in the red; board to review budget

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Floyd County's Board of Education is reviewing a balanced budget for the 1997-98 school year, but few people are counting on the district to be in the black by July.

A special board meeting was called for Thursday, but the session turned into a public work session after interim superintendent Martin Carr announced that notice of the special meeting was not posted at Adams Middle School, where it was to be held.

Under the state's Open Meeting Laws, notice of a special meeting of a public agency is to be posted in the building where the meeting is to take place at least 24-hours prior to the meeting.

Board members decided to hold a public work session on the budget and discussed the issue for over two hours.

Board member Jody Mullins, who was suspended from the board

for six months by the Kentucky Board of Education earlier this month, attended the session and sat in the back of the meeting room. The state board ordered Mullins to attend all board meetings as a spectator, and he is not allowed to participate in the discussions or vote

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— Kenya Koch

on matters before the board.

Board member B.J. Newsome was also suspended from the board, but has reportedly resigned. Carr said he had not yet received Newsome's resignation.

At Thursday's meeting, Kenya Koch, with the Department of Education's Management Support Services, walked board members through the budget, but she cautioned them that the figures are not likely to hold.

"There are still some soft areas in the budget," Koch said. "We've

had a hard time getting a handle on some expenditures. . . The district is just as likely to be a deficit as a positive. It could take a swing either way, easily."

Deputy Education Commissioner Tom Willis told the board that pending rulings in several civil cases could wreak havoc with the budget.

"It could just rip the guts out of it," Willis said.

After the meeting, Willis explained that the district could be looking at paying out \$600,000 regarding a lawsuit involving the district's energy management department.

Several years ago, the district entered into a contract with a company which agreed to implement energy saving measures at local schools provided the district pay the difference relating to savings on schools energy costs. Willis said. The board apparently has not paid

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Budget

the company for the last several years and a federal mediator recently ruled that the board owes the company approximately \$600,000, he said.

As for this year's budget, Willis

said the board was several months behind the October deadline for submitting a budget and that work should be underway on the 1998-99 budget.

Board members expressed concern that full funding is not being provided to the schools for instructional supplies. Board members Terry Dotson, Carol Stumbo and Johnnie Ross said they would not accept the \$40 per meeting per diem to attend the meetings and directed that those funds be used for instructional supplies.

Ross also mentioned that the

school district was paying approximately \$75-\$80 for snacks at board meetings.

"I don't think that should happen," Ross said. "That's a perk I can do without."

Board members said the district would no longer be paying for the food for board meetings.

Also, Phil Paige, director of instruction, responding to a question, said the school system is expected to lose approximately 300 students by the next school year. Declining enrollment coupled with low daily attendance figures could

have a huge financial impact on the school system over the next couple of years, Koch said.

Another area of financial concern is the amount the district spends on legal fees, Koch added. From July to December last year, the board spent approximately \$123,000 on legal fees.

That amount astonished some

board members.

"I think it's astronomical," Dotson said.

Koch noted that all that money was not paid to the former board attorney Jerry Patton, who resigned last week.

During the meeting, Dotson asked if state officials have looked at the possibility that property on

Middle Creek, which the board owns, may be taken by transportation officials during the construction phase of widening the Mountain Parkway.

Willis and Koch said they could contact the Transportation Cabinet about the property and, if so, at some point it could bring in additional monies for the district.

Guyan

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"We tried to separate the fire from the gas," Adams said, adding that the fire department was unable to do so because of the leak in the valve.

"We could have had an explosion of the tank itself if it would have weakened from the fire and the valve had blown off," he said. "We could have literally had a fire ball in the building."

Wells said an employee at Guyan Machinery was welding when another employee saw the acetylene tank on fire.

A spokesperson at the company said Tuesday morning that the building did not sustain any damages from the fire, but added that a welding machine was destroyed because the fire "melted it down."

The company's office area and show room had minor water damage.

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Pre-registration is required. Registration deadline is March 2, for Prestonsburg, and March 9, for Horse Cave. A registration fee of \$10 will cover workshop, lunch, and materials. For registration and information, contact Lori Meadows: (502) 564-3757, toll free 1-888-833-ARTS, or e-mail lmeadows@arts.smag.state.ky.us.

The Kentucky Arts Council is a state agency in the Education, Arts, and Humanities Cabinet.

Girls Scouts collect clothing for the goodwill project

Floyd County Girl Scouts, in conjunction with Girl Scouts around the world, will celebrate Thanksgiving Day on February 22. In conjunction with Thinking Day, girls in the Wilderness Road Council have been collecting bags of clothes during the month of February for the Goodwill.

Girls from all over the Council will come together at the National Guard Armory in Lexington on Saturday, February 21 to donate their Goodwill Collection bags and to celebrate Thanksgiving Day.

The Girl Scout Thinking Day event will help girls learn more about their sisters in other countries and will be full of games, food and fun. Girl Scouts attending the event will receive a World Friendship patch and a Goodwill patch.

Thinking Day is the one and only day that all Girl Scouts and Girl Guides around the world celebrate at the same time.

Thinking Day is celebrated on February 22 because it is the birthday shared by Robert Baden Powell, founder of the Boy Scouts, and his wife Olave, who served as the Girl Scout World Chief Guide until her death in 1977.

Thinking Day also offers the opportunity for Girl Scouts to contribute to the Juliette Low World Friendship Fund, which is used to support opportunities for contacts between the U.S. Girl Scouts and the Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from other countries.

Mishap

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leased.

The release says that only one occupant of the vehicle was wearing a seat belt when the accident occurred. KSP trooper Eric Stone is investigating the fatal mishap.

Collins is survived by his parents, Vanessa Huff Adkins, of Langley; and Glen Collins, of Florida; two brothers, Scottie Huff

and Gary Adkins, both of Langley; and one sister, Lanessa Collins, of Prestonsburg.

Collins, a former Allen Central High School Student, was employed as a construction worker in Lexington.

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Several arrests made during Valentine's Day weekend

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

Many Floyd Countians may have been struck with cupid's arrow during the Valentine's Day weekend, but several area residents did not have the traditional experience when their holiday consisted of a date with local law enforcement agencies.

More than 25 area residents found themselves lodged in the Floyd County Adult Detention Center during the weekend on various misdemeanor and felony charges.

Jail records indicate 14 residents, seven of whom were charged with alcohol intoxication, were arrested on Valentine's Day. Eleven were jailed on February 13, the day before the official holiday.

In Floyd District Court Tuesday morning, two Hueysville men were arraigned on charges of burglary, second degree; criminal mischief; and theft by unlawful taking.

Mark Timothy Adams, 20, and Frank J. Collins, 24, were arrested Saturday by KSP trooper Byron Hansford. They are accused of breaking into Ralph Crager's home and stealing various household items.

According to court records, Adams and Collins kicked open a door to gain entrance into the residence and stole items including a television, microwave, and stereo.

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen entered not-guilty pleas to Adams' and Collins' felony charges. A preliminary hearing is

scheduled for 2:30 p.m. February 25 to determine if there is probable cause to refer the matters to a grand jury.

Both are being held at the Floyd County Adult Detention Center in lieu of \$17,000 partially-secured bonds.

In another arrest on Valentine's Day, a Prestonsburg man's arrest on a felony DUI charge was accompanied by a drug charge when a deputy jailer discovered marijuana on the subject.

Phillip Morgan Joseph, 21, was arrested by Floyd deputy Steve Little. Little's report indicates Joseph was involved in an automobile wreck on Route 80 near Bull Creek early Saturday morning.

Joseph was transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center, where he refused treatment. He also refused to submit to blood or urine testing, the report says.

Joseph received an additional charge when a deputy jailer allegedly discovered a "large bag" of marijuana in Joseph's back pocket.

Deputy jailer Shamron McKenzie charged Joseph with first degree promoting contraband, a misdemeanor.

Joseph was detained at the jail on the felony charge for four hours, as required by state law. He was being detained on a \$1,000 cash bond, but Trial Commissioner Jack Hyden amended Joseph's bond; and he was released on a surety bond after the required jail time.

Judge Allen entered a not-guilty

plea to Joseph's felony charge Tuesday morning, and a preliminary hearing is scheduled for February 25.

Assistant county attorney Lance Daniels requested that the court confiscate Joseph's license because of the defendant's refusal to submit to the testing.

Daniels also requested the court admonish Joseph of driving a vehicle until the matter is resolved. Judge Allen warned Joseph that he was not to be driving until the case is resolved.

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Newsome) never directed, required, or ordered Superintendent Davis to produce current, accurate and specific financial information to them...From January through September 1997, (Mullins and Newsome) did very little to obtain the financial information that they required to control and manage the funds of the school district and to ensure that the school district's deficit would be eliminated."

Also, the two claim that it is unconstitutional for the state board to suspend them because they are elected officials, while state board members are appointed.

Mullins and Newsome also assert the suspensions from their board seats denies them "not only of their liberty interests but also of their reputations and their ability to qualify for future election."

By the state board voting to suspend the two, the action "illustrates that the board was not convinced there was substantial evidence supporting removal. . .," the suit says. It also alleges that the two were denied due process.

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Viewpoint

Quote of the week...

Let us never forget that government is ourselves and not an alien power over us. The ultimate rules of our democracy are not a President and senators and congressmen and government officials, but the voters of this country.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

Guest Editorial

Get serious about DUI

Forty-one percent of all traffic fatalities involve alcohol. By now, we all know how dangerous drunken driving is.

Even so, lawmakers and the public have found it difficult to take the issue seriously enough. That's probably because alcohol is associated with good times and celebration.

A couple of cold beers at the end of a long day, champagne on important occasions — these things are totally acceptable. And most of us can remember a time when we had a little too much to drink. Should folks really lose their licenses or go to jail over that?

And so the issue of drunken driving continues to be treated with a casualness that isn't applied to other dangerous behavior.

Unfortunately, Kentucky's courts also have a history of not taking DUI seriously enough. Since 1991, the law has said that a driver's license must be immediately revoked whenever someone with more than one offense is stopped for driving drunk and either refuses to take a blood alcohol test or is found to have a blood alcohol level of at least .10 percent.

This law, however, is widely ignored. The Transportation Cabinet reports that statewide in 1997, licenses were revoked in only 33 percent of those situations; in 16 counties, it says, no licenses were revoked. In this meeting of the Kentucky General Assembly, a group of lawmakers is addressing the need to strengthen the handling of drunken driving cases.

If House Bill 327 passes — and it should — drivers would be considered impaired if their blood-alcohol level is .08 percent instead of the current .10 percent. Offenders would be swiftly and consistently punished. For the first time, a first offense would be treated seriously. And the Department of Transportation could start revoking violators' drivers licenses.

These would all be improvements to our current law. Studies have shown there is no de-

terrent to drunken driving as effective as the threat of the loss of a driver's license. The threat must be real, though, and that means punishment must be certain, which it obviously isn't today.

And science tells us that the allowed blood-alcohol level ought to be lowered. At .04 percent, such key driving functions as reaction time are dramatically impaired. And at .08 percent, a driver is already three times more likely to crash than a driver who hasn't been drinking.

The bill is before the House Judiciary Committee, and opposition is coming from two directions: those who oppose the idea of allowing the Transportation Department to revoke licenses and those who believe a first offense should carry only a minimal penalty. Both are wrong.

The big variations in how often the supposedly mandatory license revocations are imposed clearly demonstrate that the current system isn't working. This has been true in many other states as well, so 39 of them have devised systems of administrative license revocations similar to what HB 327 would create.

The results have been good. Courts aren't so overwhelmed by DUI cases, judges are relieved to be free from pressure to let off well-connected DUI offenders, and fatalities have declined: nine percent fewer during the high-risk, late-night periods when most drunken driving accidents occur.

And it's preposterous to treat a first offense as if it's not serious. Every drunken driver is a danger.

The restaurant industry is worried that HB 327 will hurt business. Defense lawyers are also opposed. But Rep. Jack Coleman, one of the bill's sponsors, points out that "the big picture is what's important: trying to save lives in Kentucky."

Yes, stricter DUI laws mean some of us will have to change our habits. But it also means our friends and families will be safer. — *The Courier Journal, Louisville*



Letters to the Editor

Attack of recent writer unnecessary

Editor:

In reply to the ruffled feathers of Mr. Goble in Wednesday's February 11, 1998 edition of *The Floyd County Times*. Did she hit a raw nerve somewhere? Shame on you. You should do a more thorough job of reading before attacking someone. You didn't even spell her name correctly.

What is on your agenda? Do you think that the Constitution of the United States is only for a select few?

Well sir, you've voiced your share of complaints. Everyone has a right to their own opinion.

You didn't like what she had to say, so you attacked her and lost track of the point she was trying to make using her letter to voice your opinion as though she wasn't entitled to one. She was only asking about the new policy being instituted by the paper regarding mudslinging.

She has no axes to grind, nor a job that needs protecting. Grow up. Good answers and solutions to problems come from someone taking the time to ask the questions.

Are you afraid of change or do you enjoy mudslinging and ignorance? As for myself, I'm tired of the mudslinging and ignorance along with nonsense that follows it. Wars have been fought over for less.

I look forward to less nonsense and more common sense which would enable brighter futures through more peaceable solutions for the world in which we all live.

Betty Prater
David

Writer says enough is enough, Mr. Goble

Editor:

I agree with Ms. Ratliff (*The Floyd County Times*—February 4, 1998). Enough is enough.

In regards to Mr. Goble's response in the February 11th issue, what was that all about? Ms. Ratliff's concerns were never even addressed.

Mr. Goble used her letter as an opportunity to air out more grievances of his own.

Enough is enough, Mr. Goble needs to let someone else have an opportunity to voice their opinions. There are more people who have one.

Out of the 104 newspapers sold, I bought one. I am a avid reader of *The Floyd County Times* and I don't read the paper just to read Mr. Goble's letters to the editor.

Katheryn Cundiff

Supports House Bill 371

Editor:

When we look in the ditches along the roadways, do we see aluminum cans? Not usually, and if we do, they are never there long. We do see bottles of glass and plastic! The Bottle Bill will make it worthwhile for people to return the bottles and get their money back. If you care about making Kentucky a clean place to live and work, please call 1-800-372-7181 to leave a message for Hubert Collins and all members of the Natural Resources committee in Support of The Bottle Bill, House Bill 371.

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Jean Dorton
Paintsville

Mandated collective bargaining more expense and a bother?

Editor:

Right now, this community's state legislators are being presented to pass a bill forcing collective bargaining of all public employees—teachers, police officers, emergency medical personnel, firefighters, university faculty and staff and many others. Supporters say there are no problems with this bill, which they have said is modeled on an Ohio law. Read what the editors of one of Ohio's largest, most respected newspapers, the *Cincinnati Enquirer*, recently wrote about Ohio's forced collective bargaining law, and the current effort in Kentucky, in an editorial entitled "Collective bargaining bill is no bargain for Kentucky."

"Kentucky lawmakers are about to lead their schools into the abyss. With support from Gov. Paul Patton, labor unions want to force collective bargaining for all public employees, including schools. Heed a warning from Ohio, which would love to unshackle itself from this mistake: Just say no.

If you want to hear tales from the crypt, ask Ohio school superintendents and board members about mandatory collective bargaining. They'll tell you it is the monster of mandates. It robs money and time that should go to students and spends it on lawyers and negotiators. In Ohio, for example, when dollars were earmarked to training teachers on classroom computers, some unions said it was not in their contract. When (another district) asked teachers to post weekly homework assign-

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It's a darn shame they won't let you tie a string around your ballot so you could pull it back out of the box when your elected officials don't live up to their responsibilities.

In our system of government you have to live with your choices...good, bad or indifferent...until their terms are up. Unless, of course, they happen to get caught up in some illegality for which they trade their public service for hard labor which, unfortunately, we've seen happen (A.) too often, or (B.) not often enough in Kentucky.

Voters in this state do not have the option for recall petitions for their elected officials for two good reasons:

(1.) if we did, voters would probably demand recall votes every other day, and

(2.) our elected officials are keenly aware of reason number one.

Of course the absence of recall has required many voters to become more savvy about the electoral process and more interested in who is running for what. That's good.

Others tend to vote as they're told, regardless of the issues at hand. That's not so good.

Some people vote for who they think will win, not necessarily who should win, so they can say they are on the winning team. That's goofy.

But, that's politics...the good, the bad, the goofy.

It may be a little lopsided toward the goofy, but it all adds up to democracy.

It's not perfect, but it is the best system going.

It'll get better when we get wiser.

We've wised up a bit when it comes to supporting the University of Kentucky Wildcats.

There was a day when we would have offered ourselves as a live sacrifice before criticizing the Cats.

Nevermore.

We are ashamed to admit that we suffered Rick Pitino's ego in silence because he won, but there is no excuse for allowing these insults to continue.

UK hasn't recruited a Kentucky Mr. Basketball since Richie Farmer...eight seasons ago.

A bunch of great talent got away because, we suspect, the coach wasn't going to let the fans control his recruiting.

Well, this season, the Kentucky high school senior class has enough talent to fill UK's entire bench and give the school a national championship caliber team.

Are they going to UK? One is, one might and the rest are going to help other schools win.

That's a disgrace. It's a crime.

Go Big Blue?

Yeah...and you know where.

Oh, by the way. Guess where the kid who is turning the UK football program around is from...

See where the Guv has created a new branch of the Cabinet for Economic Development called the Coal County Development Office.

Headquarters?

Why, in Frankfort, of course.

Lot of coal mined there?

The purpose of the new office is, and we quote, "to help find ways to create jobs for the people in our coal counties once the coal is gone."

Say, if they located the new office here and staffed it with coal county folks, wouldn't that be something like putting your money where your mouths are?

Oh well, help is just a two-and-a-half hour drive away.

Fortunately for us, the folks we really depend on in times of need aren't so far away.

They are right next door.

Those are the folks who braved the elements a week or so back to deliver food, medicine and heating fuel to hundreds of folks stranded by Mother Nature or left without power by the winter storm.

Most of these good samaritans were volunteers with troubles of their own, but they put us first.

We're glad they are close by.

But you are, too.

Letters

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ments on the district's Web page, the union said 'not in the contract.' When a Southeast Ohio elementary teacher was asked to lead her class in singing, the union said 'not in the contract.'

Mandated collective bargaining with all public employees is costly and cumbersome. But it's particularly onerous for public schools, where local control and accountability are crucial. Furthermore, it's ludicrous that the state lauded for opening new education frontiers with the Kentucky Education Reform Act would embrace old-style industrial labor tactics. Kentucky has invested seven years and billions of public dollars in school reform. It would be foolish to torpedo it with forced collective bargaining."

We agree. This is bad public policy and bad for the taxpayers, parents and students—and the hard-working employees—in Kentucky's cities, counties, schools and universities.

The 550,000+ members of Kentuckians Protecting Local Decision Making include thousands of private citizens, state workers, teachers and school administrators standing alongside local elected officials and community business leaders. We urge our readers to call and write to this community's legislators and tell them that they agree: forced collective bargaining is no bargain for Kentucky.

John Smith, President
Kentucky School Boards Assoc.
Members of Kentuckians
Protecting Local Decision
Making in Frankfort

Reader says Bill 214 needs additions

Editor:
I am writing to you about the Kentucky Forest Conservation Act (House Bill 437/Senate Bill 214) now before the Kentucky General Assembly.

My husband and I own 200 acres of land in eastern Kentucky (Laurel and Leslie counties) of which two-thirds is in good timber. We are farmers and are practices. We are also members of Kentuckians For The Commonwealth. The KFTC Land Reform Committee has met twice to review drafts of the Forest Conservation bill. We've come to the conclusion that the legislation that is being proposed falls short of what is needed to protect landowners and conserve our fast disappearing forests.

We believe that the legislation should include a "Notice of Intent" filed with the Division of Forestry. This provision would require commercial loggers to report who they are, where they intend to log, when the logging will take place and, most importantly, include the signature and permission of the landowner.

Adding this to the bill would make it easier for state foresters to know where logging is taking place and safeguard landowners.

KFTC also believes the bill needs a reporting requirement, to come after the completion of the commercial logging operation. The logger would report the amount of timber cut, where it was taken and what it was being used for. This would help us track our timber inventory and its economic potential.

The above assessments, along with strong enforcement provisions, are a must if we have a Forest Conservation Act that truly protects landowners and provides for long-term use of our forests.

Malvery Begley
London

Sell those plastic milk jugs, turn trash into dollars

Editor:
Let's face it folks, many of us in Southeast Kentucky often feel like we're the unwanted relatives of the Kentucky Legislature and when it comes to public policy it often appears plans are very workable for urban areas, but just don't cut the mustard here at home. At the very least, it's hard to find anybody in our neck of the woods who believe we really have a voice when it comes to state issues. Unfortunately, we are partly to blame for this. Be honest, when was the last time you called your legislator?

This week, legislators are considering an issue of vital importance to us who live in the mountains. It's called the Bottle Bill, more formerly known as House Bill 371. In a nutshell, this bill will establish refunds on all containers made of glass, aluminum, or steel in which beverages are sold. You will be able to take any of these containers to a redemption center, which can be a

recycling facility, a school, a grocery store (to name a few), and they will give you money for them.

That's right! It means you would be paid for plastic milk jugs and plastic pop bottles, too. Just imagine, no more milk jugs in our river. No more plastic bottles to litter our roads. This picture is a pretty one.

Our representatives want to know what the people back home think about issues. You can let them know if you think this is a good idea or not by making a free call to 1-800-372-7181 or send a fax to 502-564-6543.

Because Southeast Kentucky consumes more pop than any place else in Kentucky and because we have more open dumps, our voice is very important. This is your chance, start dialing!

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Writer upset over recent letter to editor

Editor:
I was greatly upset by the letter from Mr. Goble concerning Deana Ratliff's letter to your paper. I have known Mrs. Ratliff for several years now and have found her to be a well educated person.

By the way let's set the record straight it's Diana not Denan.

I happen to agree with Mrs. Ratliff, it's time to quit the same old game year after year.

Mr. Goble, it wasn't that long ago that I remember your opinions and ideals were being debated in the paper concerning the commissioner and magistrate debate, I didn't appreciate their use of the freedom of the press to push their opinions concerning you anymore than what you have done with Mrs. Ratliff's freedom to use the press.

I do not know if you know Mrs. Ratliff or not, but according to her she didn't know you but by your name from the paper. But for you to imply that she has an "agenda" or that "she doesn't want our people to have a public forum to speak out" or that "she has a job to protect" or that "there may be issues that she or those she may represent, does not want raised in public," or "questions she does not want asked" is a little bit more than unfair of you. If you had taken time to check you would have found out she is very concerned about out county and government. But in the words of someone more famous than your quote concerning Shakespeare about her. Christ commanded us "why behold the mote in your brother's eye, but not the beam in your own eye, thou hypocrite remove the beam from your own eye and then you may clearly see to remove the mote from thy brothers eye" — Matt. 7:3-5. He also said "judge not that ye be not judged for with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged"—Matt. 7:1-2.

But in your own words "let us not attack Ms. Ratliff but rather call her attention."

I fail to see how you could have read so much into a simple letter with no mention of names or groups. Mrs. Ratliff had done you no wrong yet used her letter as another soap box for you to stand on.

Mrs. Ratliff is not the only one tired of the nonsense we see each week in our paper from one group saying this group is wrong or the other way around. You may be quite surprised to find out just how many there are!

Robie G. Prater
David

House Bill 437 seen as a way to protect landowner and environment

Editor:
For more than 16 years, Kentuckians for the Commonwealth (KFTC) has worked to protect the environment and the rights of landowners, most notably when we stopped strip mining for coal without the permission of the landowner. It is for similar reasons that we are supporting and working to strengthen the Forest Conservation Act (House Bill 437 and Senate Bill 214) now before the state legislature.

One of KFTC's goals is to encourage the growth of long-term, locally controlled value-added timber industries. The timber and wood products industries provide much-needed jobs in and around Floyd County. But what will happen in a few years when our forests are devastated by uncontrolled logging and the boom is over?

And, who pays for the damages to the land that result now from unregulated logging? Presently, landowners are responsible for environmental damages caused by

commercial loggers. HB 437 and SB 214 would change that, by making loggers accountable for the damages they do.

The Forest Conservation Act would require that a Master Logger be present at all commercial logging operations. Master Loggers are trained in the use of Best Management Practices (BMPs) how to fell trees without damaging timber left standing, and basic safety and first aid.

The use of BMPs would also be mandated. This involves building roads so they don't wash out, con-

trolling erosion, staying out of streams and a minimal amount of reclamation.

Loggers—not landowners—would be responsible for correcting damage to the land.

The proposed logging requirements pertain to commercial loggers only. The Act recognizes the rights of private landowners to cut trees for non-commercial use without regulation.

All of these requirements clearly are in the interest of the landowner—and the larger community whose economy benefits from the timber industry.

KFTC is supporting an amendment to HB 437 and SB 214 requiring that a "Notice of Intent" be sent to the Division of Forestry stating who is logging, a description of the property and the signature of the landowner. Without such a notice, there is no reasonable way for the Division to know where the logging sites are located that it is suppose to monitor. We believe this also would cut down on timber theft, a frequent problem for private forest owners.

We are also working to shorten and strengthen the lengthy enforcement process now in the bill, and

add some reporting of timber harvests. This latter amendment is essential for conducting an accurate forest inventory and for both maintaining and expanding Kentucky's wood products industry.

KFTC is asking all concerned Kentuckians to contact their legislators in support of the Forest Conservation Act and amendments to strengthen the bill. Messages can be left for legislators by calling 1-800-272-7181. This is a landowners' right bill.

Wendy Hansen, Member
KFTC Land Reform Committee

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Herbert Spradlin

Herbert Spradlin, 85, of East Point, died Monday, February 16, 1998, at Kentucky Veterans Center, at Wilmore.

Born May 18, 1912 at Myrtle, he was the son of the late Henry and Florence Brown Spradlin. He was a former welder for Clark Equipment in Lima, Ohio. He attended the Little Paint First Church of God. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Army. He was a member of the American Legion, Louisville Post, the honorable Order of Kentucky Colonels, an aide-de-camp for the governor of New Mexico, and an honorary admiral for the Navy of Texas.

Survivors include his wife, Elva Baldrige; three sons, Charles Spradlin of Versailles, Larry Spradlin of El Paso, Texas, and Robert Spradlin of Flatwoods; two brothers, Scott Spradlin of Pikeville and Billy C. Spradlin of Prestonsburg; one sister, Garnet Fairchild of Prestonsburg; three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday, February 19, at 11 a.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Wayne Burch officiating.

Burial will be in the Baldrige Cemetery at East Point, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

In lieu of flowers, contributions suggested to Jessamine County Hospice, P.O. Box 873, Nicholasville, Ky. 40340.

Julia Mae Lawson

Julia Mae Lawson, 80, of McDermott, Ohio, formerly of Martin, died Friday, February 13, 1998, in Southern Ohio Medical Center, Portsmouth, Ohio, following an extended illness.

Born August 6, 1917 in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Fred Adams and Julia Lowe Adams. She was a member of the Cathedral of Tomorrow in Akron, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jimmy Lawson.

She is survived by one brother, Fred Adams Jr. of Folley Beach, South Carolina.

Funeral services were Monday, February 16, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with the Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Boyd Cemetery at Hi Hat, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Serving as pallbearers were Larry Conley, Jackie Conley, Barry Conley, Brian Conley, Gary Adams and Sam Warrens.

Stella Thurman

Stella Thurman, 88, of Barboursville, formerly of Wheelwright, died Monday, February 16, 1998, at Knox County General Hospital, following a short illness.

Born February 14, 1910 at Hi Hat, she was the daughter of the late Frank Vance and Mahaley McCurry Jones. She was a member of the First Baptist Church at Wheelwright for six years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard Thurman.

Survivors include two sons, Arnold Taylor of Barboursville, and Arnold Brown of Man, West Virginia; one daughter, Marzella Collins of Hi Hat; one sister, Delcia Slone of Ypsilanti, Michigan; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, February 18, 1998, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with clergymen Harve Johnson and Morris Ray Hall officiating.

Burial will be in Highlands Memory Gardens in Logan, West Virginia, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Donald Ray

"Big O" Martin

Donald Ray "Big O" Martin, 53, of Drift, died Monday, February 9, 1998, at Mousie.

Born July 28, 1944 in Floyd County, he was the son of Tandy Martin and Susie Cartmell Martin.

He is survived by one sister, Vinetta Bolen.

Funeral services were Wednesday, February 11, at Drift Pentecostal Church, with Ted Shannon officiating.

Burial was in the Lucy Hall Cemetery at McDowell, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Mattie Crisp

Mattie Crisp, 100, of Martin, died Tuesday, February 10, 1998, at her residence, following an extended illness.

Born June 20, 1897 at Red River in Wolff County, she was the daughter of the late William Jennings Conley and Laura Centers Conley. She was a member of the Faith Bible Church at Martin. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ed Crisp.

Survivors include four sons, Bill J. Crisp, Randolph Crisp, Donald Crisp and David Crisp, all of Martin; eight grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were Friday, February 13, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with Randolph Crisp and Donald Crisp officiating.

Burial was in the Crisp Family Cemetery at Bucks Branch, Martin, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Grandsons and great-grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

Reprinted due to an error.

Minnie Shepherd

Minnie Shepherd, 84, of Shiloh, Ohio, died Sunday, February 15, 1998, at Samaritan Hospital, Ashland, following an unexpected illness.

Born November 17, 1913 in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Emery and Savannah Moore Hicks. She moved to Shiloh in 1948. She was preceded in death by her husband, Adis Shepherd, in 1972.

Survivors include six daughters, Meradith Spoerr and Larby Jean Dye, both of Shiloh, Ohio, Amy Smith of New London, Ohio, Geneva Calame of Greenwich, Ohio, Gevone Bailey of Nova, Ohio, and Ethel Welter of Ashland, Ohio; two sons, Clyde Shepherd of Shiloh, Ohio, and David Shepherd of Polk, Ohio; one brother, Berlin Hicks of Greenwich, Ohio; 19 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Thursday, February 19, at 1 p.m., with Pastor Delmer Bailey officiating.

Burial will be in the Savannah Cemetery in Savannah, Ohio, under the direction of Eastman Funeral Home.

James Freddie Terry

James Freddie Terry, 77, of Dayton, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, died Sunday, January 11, 1998.

Born December 5, 1920, he was the son of the late William and Minnie Terry. He was a 1940 graduate of Wayland High School, an alumnus of Alice Lloyd College and attended Transylvania College in Lexington. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Air Force and attached to the 403 Bomb Squadron in the Asiatic Pacific Theatre of Operations, and was a retiree of G.M., Harrison Radiator Division, as an engineering mechanic.

Survivors include his wife, Bonnie Jay Hicks Terry; one daughter, Sharon Terry Murphy of Dayton, Ohio; one brother, Kermit R. Terry of Ashland; and one grandson.

Services were January 25, at the Woodland Cemetery Mausoleum Chapel, with Dr. Terral Hudson officiating. Arrangements were under the direction of Weaver Funeral Home in Ohio.

Eva Lovely

Eva Lovely, 87, of Hueysville, died Thursday, February 12, 1998, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

Born July 4, 1910 in Breathitt County, she was the daughter of the late Tribue and Becky Conley Lovely.

Survivors include one son, Basil Hale of Pierceton, Indiana; three daughters, Cynthia Salyers of Indiana, and Ruth Hale and Ruby Thomas, both of Woodsfield, Ohio; 41 grandchildren, 86 great-grandchildren and 19 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, February 15, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with the clergymen Bethel Bolen, Boone Allen and others officiating.

Burial was in the Compton Cemetery at Elm Rock, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Serving as pallbearers were Rick Thomas, Norman Hale Jr., Basil Hale Jr., Carter Wireman Jr., Jackie Miller and Richard Fackler.

Bernard "B.B." Hatcher

Bernard "B.B." Hatcher, 77, of Jacksonville, Florida, formerly of Harold, died Friday, February 13, 1998, in Florida, following an extended illness.

Born October 31, 1921 in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Dave and Lizzie Taylor Hatcher. He was retired from the U.S. Navy, a life-member of the VFW No. 8255 in Middleburg, and past commander and post chaplain of American Legion No. 283. He was a Pearl Harbor survivor.

Survivors include his wife, Fanny Justice Hatcher; one son, Lynn King of Jacksonville, Florida; three daughters, Loene Lawson of Harold, Clara Brown of Jacksonville, Florida, and Jan Brinley of Green Cove Springs, Florida; one brother, Wesley Hatcher of Lorain, Ohio; 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, February 16, at 11 a.m., at the Mother's Home Old Regular Baptist Church at Toler Creek, with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Hatcher Cemetery at Toler Creek, Harold, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

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Charles "Donnie"

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I am strong today because you gave the time to show me your strength.

You took me outdoors and taught me to remember God's beautiful world is a gift.

Strength and knowledge are mine because you are my dad.

Love, Baby Daughter,
Jennifer Robinson;
Granddaughters,
Ashley Ousley, Audrea Ousley, Alysia Robinson.

Love, Baby Son,
Jeff Robinson.
Granddaughter,
Trish Robinson.

John Collins

John Collins, 22, of Langley, died Thursday, February 12, 1998, at Mt. Sterling, in an auto accident.

Born December 28, 1975 at Martin, he was the son of Vanessa Huff Adkins of Langley and Glen Collins of Florida. He was a construction worker in Lexington, and a former student at Allen Central High School.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his stepfather, Larry Adkins of Langley; maternal grandmother, Melvina Layne Scott of Langley; two brothers, Scottie Huff and Gary Adkins, both of Langley; and one sister, Lanessa Collins of Prestonsburg.

Funeral services were Monday, February 16, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with Buddy Jones and others officiating.

Burial was in the Gibson Cemetery at Langley, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Serving as pallbearers were Scottie Huff, Dustin Hoover, Nathon Hoover, Todd Keathley, Heath Keathley, Matthew Perkins, Brandon Prater, Chris Bentley and several friends.

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Church honors community service

St. Martha's Catholic Church was the scene of a celebration honoring religious serving of the church and community in the Big Sandy Area on Sunday, February 1, 1998.

The celebration, consisting of aesper Prayer Service followed by a meal, was part of a World Day for Consecrated Life observance to recognize that work done by women and men living a vowed life of celibacy and service.

Eleven of the eighteen religious recognized are presently serving

in Floyd County. These include the following: Sister Eileen Schepers, Mountain Comprehensive Care, Sisters Marcella Marie Frazier and Ida Marie Deville, St. Vincent Mission, Sr. Ruth Ann Iwanski, David Appalachian Crafts, Sisters Emma Kritz and Mary Myron Stork, David High School, Sisters Carolyn Lambert and Kathleen Weigand, Mountain Christian Academy, Sr. Vivian Whitehead, Family Literacy, David Adult Education Program, Sr. Jan Barthel, Mt. Tabor Retreat Center, and Rev.

David Powers, Piast School.

The prayer service was planned by the Benedictine Sisters of Mt. Tabor. The meal, hosted by St. Martha's pastor Father John Moriarty, was prepared by Lay Minister Lou Ann Hutchinson. As a special tribute to the religious serving in the Big Sandy Area, Father John provided the dessert - two delicious cakes of his own baking.

In the informal sharing that accompanied the meal, it was discovered that the religious now serving Floyd and the surrounding

counties represented eleven different orders, and came from states as far away as Texas and New York. Their commitment to religious life and the service of others ranged from one to sixty-three years. Their cumulative years of service numbered over 700! They all felt they had cause to celebrate.



A life of service

St. Martha's Catholic Church held a celebration for the World Day for Consecrated Life observance Sunday, February 1. It recognizes work done by individuals living a vowed life of celibacy and service.

Rogers announces new toll-free number for Eastern PRIDE office

U.S. Rep. Harold "Hal" Rogers (KY-5) announced recently that The Center for Rural Development's new Eastern Kentucky PRIDE office now has a toll-free number.

The toll-free service has been established in cooperation with The Center for Rural Development to make it easier for citizens in Southern and Eastern Kentucky to call for information concerning PRIDE activities. The number is 1-888-K-PRIDE-Y (1-888-577-4339).

"Eastern Kentucky PRIDE is about cleaning our region, improving lives, protecting families, and forging a better future for our people," Rogers said.

"If we're going to be successful in ridding our region of sewage and garbage, then everyone must be a part of the effort. This toll-free number will enable people to call the PRIDE office so they can find out what is going on as we work together to improve our region and clean our environment."

Rogers and Kentucky Secretary of Natural Resources Jim Bickford announced the Eastern Kentucky PRIDE clean up initiative last year. It is the first comprehensive,

Applications available

Margo L. Grubbs, chair of the Kentucky Interest on Lawyers' Trust Accounts Fund, announced recently that grant applications are available to fund law-related programs of nonprofit organizations. Interested persons are invited to request an application from the Kentucky IOLTA Fund, at the KY Bar Center, 514 West Main Street, Frankfort, KY, 40601-1883.

Ms. Grubbs emphasized that all completed applications must be received in the IOLTA office by the close of business on Friday, May 29, to be considered for funding.

Each application received will undergo a thorough screening process by the IOLTA Board of Trustees and funding announcements will be made late September.

Since 1998, IOLTA, a voluntary and charitable partnership of Kentucky banks and attorneys, has returned almost \$3,000,000 to the Commonwealth for law-related education, legal projects or services.

Prayer service for grieving parents

A special prayer service for parents and others grieving the loss of an unborn child before birth will be held at St. Martha Church on Saturday, February 21, at 11 a.m. For more information, call the church at 874-9526. Reservations are appreciated, but not required.

region-wide, local-state-federal cooperative effort designed to address the serious challenge of cleaning up the region's rivers and streams of sewage and garbage, ending illegal trash dumps, promoting environmental awareness and education, and renewing pride in Eastern and Southern Kentucky.

The initiative is being coordi-

Printer student to participate in "The Night of the Iguana"

A Floyd County resident will participate in Morehead State University's theatre students' production of "The Night of the Iguana," Tuesday through Sunday, February 24-March 1.

Samantha Martin, the daughter of Neil and Jennifer Martin of Printer, will portray Charlotte in the production. She is a freshman theatre major.

Showtime for the presentation,

Foundation established

Three days before Christmas, 1997, a terrible accident occurred on the Mountain Parkway near the Morgan County line.

Several people were injured, three fatally. Mandy Brooke May, an 11-year-old student at Allen Elementary, suffered a severe spinal cord injury in the accident. Although temporarily paralyzed, there is hope that she will once again walk, according to her relatives.

She has made remarkable strides within the first days of her recovery,

People known as Melungeon

A special two-part program on mountain people known as Melungeon will be broadcast on WMMT-FM, Whitesburg, on consecutive weeks, Tuesday, February 17 and Tuesday, February 24. Both programs will begin at 7 pm.

These special features were produced at WETS-FM in Johnson City, Tennessee, by station manager Wayne Winkler, a descendant of Hancock County, Tennessee, Melungeons.

Winkler attended First Union, a gathering of Melungeons held on the campus of Clinch Valley College (CVC) in late July 1997. The result is "The Melungeon" which aired others involved in Melungeon reset.

The program on February 24 at 7 p.m. will feature a lecture given last September by Dr. Brent Kennedy at East Tennessee State University. In his talk, Kennedy outlines his theories on the origins of the Melungeons. In 1994 Kennedy published "The Melungeons: The Resurrection of a

nated by The Center for Rural Development in Somerset and covers the 40-county area served by the center. Rogers has already secured over \$25.5 million in federal funds to help pay for a variety of PRIDE initiatives, including the establishment of the PRIDE office at The Center and the new toll-free service.

which will be held in Kibbey Theatre, is 8 p.m. with a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, March 1.

Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$2 for senior citizens and high school students, and free to MSU students with a valid I.D. card. Because of limited seating, reservations are necessary.

Additional information and reservations are available by calling MSU's Theatre Box Office at (606) 783-2170.

but her long road to fully recover has just begun. Because insurance will not cover all her medical expenses and there will be a tremendous financial strain on the family, an account has been established in her name at the First Commonwealth Bank to accept donations on her behalf.

Anyone wishing to make a donation, can mail checks to the Mandy May Benefit Account, c/o First Commonwealth Bank, Attention: R. Allen, 169 N. Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Proud People; An Untold Story of Ethnic Cleansing in America. Kennedy contends that the Melungeons are descendants of Spanish and Portugese colonists who settled in what became the American southeast years before the English Settlement at Jamestown, and of Turkish sailors abandoned at Roanoke Island. These people moved inland, intermarried with Native Americans and African Americans, and became the first settlers in many part of Appalachia.

While the Melungeons are not well known in American culture, Kennedy maintains that there are hundreds of thousands of Melungeon descendants. Some of those whom Kennedy claims had Melungeon ancestry include Abraham, Lincoln and Elvis Presley. Kennedy's work has drawn criticism from anthropologists, historians, and genealogists. However, recent work by independent researchers seems to support some of Kennedy's theories.

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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 can't be taken over the phone.

Clark council to meet

The Clark Elementary School SBDM council will meet February 18, at 6 p.m. in the school library. Also, the PTA will meet February 19, at 7 p.m. in the library. Everyone is welcome.

Textbook Showcase

A Textbook Showcase will be held Thursday, February 19, at Perry Central, from 4-7 p.m. This year's feature adoption is mathematics.

Conservation district

The Floyd County Conservation District will meet Thursday, February 19, at 1:30 p.m. in the district office at 26 South Central Ave. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Open house

An open house will be held at Betsy Layne High School February 18, from 4-7 p.m. There will be a financial aid workshop beginning at 6 p.m.

In Memory of

Ina Jean Akers Lynch
Daughter of Ida Akers and Herbert Akers of Toler Creek



God saw she was getting tired, and a cure was not to be.

So He put His arms around her and whispered, "Come with Me."

With tearful eyes, we watched her suffer, and saw her fade away.

Although we loved her dearly, we could not make her stay.

A golden heart stopped beating, hard-working hands to rest.

God broke our hearts to prove to us, He only takes the best.

From Sister,
Mary L. Bautista and Family

In Memory of Carl Whitaker

WEAR THE EYES OF A GOOD SHEPHERD
by Vicky Poe

"They know my voice," the Shepherd cried, "they know the song I sing.

As I lead them to living waters, and praise the King of Kings.

The bread of life, they hunger for, for them His life He gave.

The Lamb of God, the sacrifice, the Shepherd knows the way.

The sheep trapped within the thickets—the lame, poor and blind.

While others pass them by, the Good Shepherd takes the time.

He hears the cry of others, and always lends a hand.

And give the Word of God to all, that come into his land.

When you knock, he's always open, when you ask, he always gives.

The Love of God is flowing out, for it's Jesus Christ that lives.

You never see him begging, for God supplies the grain.

To feed his flock—that hunger, for he asks in Jesus name."

Card of Thanks

The family of Carl Whitaker wishes to say thanks and blessings upon everyone who shared in our mourning: Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home; all the friends and neighbors who helped dig the grave; all the pallbearers; thanks for all the flowers; the food and money; the beautiful singing from all the different groups; the poem that was read; thanks for just being there.

There is an empty hole in our hearts, but God can mend the broken hearts. Thanks, Lord.

Sadly missed by everyone.

Wife, Geneva; Son, Tony; Lisa, Amber, and Holly
Daughter, Betty; Bill and Hope

Friends of May House to meet

The Friends of the Samuel May House will meet Tuesday, February 24, at 7 p.m. at the May House, North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. All interested persons should attend.

McDowell class reunion

Anyone interested in helping plan the McDowell 25th-year class reunion needs to be present at the first meeting February 18, at 7 p.m., at McDowell Elementary. Call Cherly Hall at 377-6398, for more information.

Red Cross First Aid Class

Prestonsburg Community College is offering a Red Cross Basic First Aid Class, Saturday, February 21, in room 151 in the Johnson Building. Attendance is limited. Call 886-3863, ext. 258, for more information or to register.

ACHS Class of '88 will have reunion

A reunion is being planned for the Allen Central Class of 1988. Any classmate who wants to attend and has not been contacted, should call Lisa D. Vance at (606) 358-4441 or Amy Hall at (606) 886-3682.

Date rape presentation to be held at PCC

There will be a presentation by the class of Modern Social Problems at the Prestonsburg Community College about the subject of date rape on Thursday, February 19.

The topic will be discussed by representatives of Mountain Comprehensive Care, and possibly an officer from the Kentucky State Police. The presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m. and last until 7:45 p.m., and will be held in the Pike Building's auditorium.

Church to open

The Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal Church will open February 22, at 6:30 p.m. The church is located on the Parkway Rt. 114, near the Floyd/Magoffin County line. Pastor is Michael Caldwell; associate pastor is Bill Shepherd. Everyone welcome.

Meeting for those interested in adoption

There will be an informational meeting for persons interested in learning more about the foster care and adoption programs in the Big Sandy area. One meeting is scheduled to be held on February 24, at 6:30 p.m. in the Social Services office in Inez. Another meeting is scheduled to be held on February 26, in the Social Services office in Paintsville. These meetings are free and opened to the public.

If you have any questions, call Martha Castle at (606) 298-7633 or Kathy Bohr at (606) 789-4373.

May Valley Family Resource Center

- February 25: Safety program on electricity by Big Sandy RECC.
- GED classes every Monday, 8:30-2:30.
- Health department nurse every Wednesday.
- Mountain Comprehensive Care counselor every Thursday per parent request.

For more information, call the center at 285-0321.

Mud Creek Community Family Resource and Youth Service Center

- Hunter Safety Education Class, February 23-25, at 6 p.m. at the center.
- Aerobic classes each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, at 6 p.m. in the center.
- P.A.C.E. classes (Parent and Child Education) Monday and Wednesdays, from 8:30-noon.
- GED classes on Fridays, from 8-11 a.m.

Shiitake Mushroom Workshop to be held in Grayson

A Shiitake Mushroom Production Workshop will be held February 21 in Grayson. \$10 registration fee required to cover lunch, spawn and one log for each participant. Call Pat Spicer at 886-2668 for more information.

Piarist School to hold entrance exams

The Piarist School will hold its first entrance test for students entering ninth or tenth grades in the fall on Saturday, March 7 at 9 a.m. The Piarist School is a small, private, tuition-free, college preparatory high school, located in Martin.

Founded in 1990, The Piarist School provides a college preparatory education, involving the development of an educational community which includes parents, teachers, students, and members of the local community as co-workers in promoting the physical, intellectual, and spiritual growth of its students. The Piarist School is not just a place for the conveyance of subject matter to objects to be educated, but is one where the creativity needed for the continuous renewal of society thrives and where formal and informal education are so integrated that the School becomes a center for social and cultural activities.

Following the three-hundred-year-old tradition of the Piarist Order, the group of Catholic priests who run the school, the philosophy of The Piarist School is that children of all social and economic backgrounds should have an opportunity to receive an education that

reflects Christian values. This will launch them on a life-long search for and love of truth, a search that will result in their participation in the building of a more humane world and in living a life consistent with the faith they profess and with the laws, traditions and cultural heritage of our democratic society. That is why the school is tuition-free and provides transportation for those students who need it.

Special emphasis is placed on the development of basic leadership qualities because college bound students will soon face responsibilities equal to their educational background, and the only way they will be able to cope with those challenges and lead others is if they are formed by a solid set of religious, moral, social and cultural principles. All of the graduates from The Piarist School have gone on to college, and most have received a good number of scholarships. The very first Piarist School graduates will graduate from college this year, including Leigh Ann Blackburn of Betsy Layne who will graduate from Transylvania University on May 23.

The school also has many athlet-

ic and extracurricular activities. Last year the school became a member of the Three Rivers Athletic Conference. This year it participates in cross country, basketball, and softball. The school has an active Y-Club that participates each year in the Kentucky Youth Assembly and the Kentucky United Nations Assembly. It has student activities such as an academic team and a newspaper, yearbook, literary magazine, drama club, and French club. One of the unique aspects of The Piarist School is that during the academic year all of its classes participate in one-week field trips to different parts of the Eastern United States and Canada. There is also a summer trip to France being sponsored by the school.

Students interested in learning more about The Piarist School can call and arrange for a visit. All students are required to take a standard high school placement test. The first test for the 1998-99 school year will be given on Saturday, March 7 at 9 a.m. For more information about the school or to register for the entrance test, write: The Piarist School, Highway 80, Box 870, Martin, KY 41649 or call 285-3950.

NOVA explores effects of extreme altitude on the brain in "Everest—The Death Zone"

In the wake of the Mt. Everest disaster that killed eight climbers in a single day in 1996, a NOVA team headed by three-time Everest summiteer and filmmaker David Breashears returns to the mountain to shed new light on the effects of extreme altitude on decision-making.

In "Everest—The Death Zone," airing on KET at 8 p.m., Tuesday, February 24, NOVA goes to new heights to learn why rational people can make astonishingly poor, and sometimes fatal, decisions on the world's highest peak.

Accompanying Breashears are Ed Viesturs, attempting his fifth Everest summit (a feat he has accomplished three times without supplemental oxygen), and David Carter, who had a failed attempt on Everest in 1991.

"Everest—The Death Zone" takes viewers all the way—from Base Camp at 17,600 feet, through the Khumbu Icefall that has swallowed a score of climbers, up the

precipitous Lhotse Face, into the Death Zone above 25,000 feet, past the high-altitude death traps of 1996 where corpses still litter the route, and on to the very pinnacle of the Earth at 29,028 feet.

In this punishing environment, Breashears and his NOVA team perform the first systematic tests of mental acuity ever done during an actual Everest climb. The tests involve responses to specially designed questions transmitted from Base Camp to the top of the mountain.

MRI scans of each climber's

brain are also done pre- and post-climb to look for possible long-term damage due to the low oxygen environment. In the process, scientists discover structural abnormalities in one of the climber's brains.

NOVA "Everest—The Death Zone," produced by the WGBH/Boston Science Unit in association with Channel 4, is closed-captioned for the deaf and hard-of-hearing.

Viewers can find out more about programming on KET by visiting the KET Web site at <http://www.ket.org>.

Card of Thanks

The family of Ernest Clinton "E. C." Moore wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to the Clergymen Wavis Alley, Clinton Moore, and other 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 efficient service.

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The family of Basel Dean Cook would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one: those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist Ministers for their comforting words, the Providence Regular Baptist Church and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

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CARD OF THANKS

We the family of Woodrow Bays, would like to thank Jeanie, Ethel and Sissy for being such wonderful people. Thank you so much for all you did, girls, in the passing of our love ones, words can't express the way we feel about all you did. You all are very special people to us and we love you very much. Our long-time neighbors, Neva Lewis and Sina and Fiem Blanton, no one could ever have any better ones than you. Thanks again for the food and all you did. Thanks for checking and seeing to things and just being our neighbors. You will never know how much it has meant to us for each visit and the word of kindness and concern. For Uncle Harvey, Harvey Layne, and Earl Bays, you sure showed Pops how much you loved him. I don't know what we would have done without you, we love you all very, very much and someday we'll all meet Granny and Pop again, then we won't see any more suffering over there. Sissy Ruth we love you so much for each time you call, each prayer. You were so much company to him just by calling and talking to him each day, and he would ask each day if I had talked to you and how you were. We know in our hearts if you could, you would have been there every day. Thanks to the nieces, nephews, and great nephews and nieces for every visit, food and flowers, and the pall bearers for the love you showed Pops. He knew you loved him and he loved all of you. His sisters and sister-in-law, Mary, you were just like a sister, he loved you all. Thank each one of you. Like he said, there is no reason why we all can't meet again. We love you all, Mary Lynn, just to say how it pleased him when you came; he would always say, that's Henderson's baby; we love you honey, we know how busy life is with kids and work, but thank you for taking time for him. Shelia, just got one thing to say that will explain it all about you: you're a jewel. Thanks, Von, for being so generous with Earl. To Margo, Sammie, Karen, Harvey L. and Tommy, you stood tall when we really needed you, we love you all very much and so did Pops. Della Ann S., you're a wonderful niece and a great person, thank you honey, for everything. We know each niece and nephew would have done anything they could do to help, but distance and jobs has away but we know you all loved him very much and he loved all of you, and so do we. Ray, the flowers you all sent, he really enjoyed them, you were very special to Pops. Shonna, thanks for always having change; you're very special don't every change. Sally Jo, we love you, thank for being so willing to do or to cook anything, he thought he would eat. It's not forgotten, he loved you too, honey.

To the in-laws, nieces, and nephews, and great ones too, you're a great bunch of people. We are honored to have such wonderful people on both sides.

To the Old Katy Friend singers, we thank you all and I know there was joy in heaven because the spirit it was so sweet, Bro. Warren Blanton and 3rd Ave. Singers, also John Kenneth, Lou, and Jane Blackburn, Myrtle and Bill Canterbury, thank you all for the wonderful singing. Someday Heaven's Choir will be getting some mighty good singers. Thanks to each preacher who visited, their comforting words and prayers. Thanks to Bro. Van West, and Bro. Manford Fannin for their many visits and prayers, and the nights you were called, the support and comforting words, the scriptures with the uplifting of God's power gave us so much strength. We love you brothers; we know how tired you must have been, but you were there, we could never repay you, but some day, the Lord will give you a crown. Thanks to all our friends and neighbors, faculty and staff at PCC, for the flowers, food and love and support you showed; we love you all. For all those who touched our lives in any way, we thank you.

H.R.M.C., for all those years of care you gave Pops, each time he was in the hospital. He loved you all in each department. He said you all were always so good to him and we love you for that special care.

Thanks to the officiating ministers, Bro. Bill Marsillett, Bro. William A. Canterbury, Bro. Richard Crisp, Bro. Van West, and Bro. Manford Fannin; may God bless and strengthening each one of you, we love you all. The power of God was surely in the services, because the spirit was so sweet, God bless each one of you.

Our deepest appreciation to Floyd Funeral Home, Larry, Cory, Tracy, and Dallas, you all are great people to us, we love you all. Thanks for everything. Thanks to Dr. Hieronymus and staff for the 20 some years you cared for Pops and Granny. We could not have asked for better care, we feel with your care Pops lived many more years than the doctors gave him when he retired. You all are special.

Thanks to the Katy Friend Freewill Baptist Church and the 3rd Ave. Freewill Baptist Church for the food and flowers, and a special thanks to Bro. and Sister Fannin for everything. Friends, Bill and Debbie, Bill and Betty, thanks for being there. You're great friends and prayer partners; we love you, the Bank Josephine employees for your kind words and prayers.

Friends, Bro. Charles and Zola, thanks for being that special brother and friend that only God can put together. We love you both, so did Pops. For each one who had a kind word to say, or any kind deed that was done, we appreciate each one of you for touching our lives. Our hearts are so sad and broken at this time with the loss of Pops and Grands so close together. Pops said he was going home, Saturday and he did; he also said he would see us in the morning. We're left with memories and trying to work our way home. We love each and everyone and may the good Lord watch and keep you all.

The family of Woodrow Bays, Bill and Minnie Bays,
William A. and Sherry Canterbury and Micaya.

CableVision communications launches anti-theft effort

Calling its prevalence "an affront to our loyal customers," CableVision Communications announced recently a multi-phased strategy to reduce theft of cable service in its system.

Cable theft is a felony offense that, according to cable industry sources, accounts for more than \$5 billion in lost revenue each year. The foregone revenue is manifested in many ways, including upward pressure on subscriber rates, lessened investment in plant, equipment and programming, and reduced franchise fees and taxes paid to the community. Test audits

recently conducted in the area suggest that the local cable system is not immune from such activity.

According to CableVision Communications officials, the anti-theft initiative begins with a multimedia education and amnesty phase intended to raise awareness of the problem and its consequences. During this period, those receiving unauthorized cable-service can come from without fear of reprisal. Thereafter, the cable system will conduct a house-to-house audit to pinpoint where theft continues to exist.

In announcing the campaign,

CableVision Communications Manager Dan Perry said, "Our objective is not to intimidate, or otherwise offend, legitimate customers or the community in general. We recognize that, in some cases, it may be our own operational or billing functions that resulted in a particular household receiving our service at no charge. We simply intend to rectify these and other cases—ideally through education—and ultimately ensure that our friends and neighbors, who subscribe to cable services, do not have to pay for the guy down the block who's receiving service free of charge." For those who fail to take advantage of this opportunity to come forward, however," concluded Perry, "we may, in cooperation with local enforcement personnel, seek to prosecute."

CableVision Communications serves over 3,000 customers in our local area.

Community Trust Bank to sponsor essay contest

Jean Hale, President and CEO of Community Trust Bank, recently announced an essay contest for graduating high school seniors in Pike, Floyd and Knott counties.

Each senior may submit an essay on the subject "What my community means to me." The essays from each area school will be reviewed by a panel of judges selected by the bank. One winner from each school will receive a \$500 award—payable to his/her college or trade school of choice.

Area high schools participating in this contest include: Pikeville, Shelby Valley, Pike County Central, Millard, Belfry, Phelps, Elkhorn City, Feds Creek, Allen Central, Betsy Layne, Floyd County Technical, Prestonsburg, South

Floyd, Knott County Central, Bethel Christian Academy, June Buchanan and Cordia High School and the Piast School.

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Correction to burley tobacco referendum ballot

All known eligible tobacco producers will be mailed a ballot on February 20, to vote in the tobacco referendum. The ballot, however, contains an error.

The month printed on the burley tobacco referendum ballot was incorrect. The ballot should have read, "are you in favor of marketing quotas for burley tobacco for the three marketing years beginning October 1, 1998?" Tobacco producers will express their opinion as to whether marketing quotas on a poundage basis will continue for the next three years. Quotas will remain in effect if less than one-third of the voting producers vote "no."

With the Congressional debate on tobacco issues, there may be possible major impacts on the current tobacco program. All eligible producers should vote and return ballots to the county Farm Service Agency office. Your opinion of the best way to handle the tobacco program may be best expressed by voting in the referendum. Ballots must be returned either by postmarked mail or in person to the county Farm Service Agency office by February 27. Ballots will be tabulated on March 4.

Producers who feel they are eligible to vote and do not receive a ballot should contact the Johnson-Floyd-Martin-Pike Farm Service Agency, 100 Left Fork Teays Branch Rd., Paintsville, or call 789-3766.

Clarification

In a photo with last week's story about stamp collecting, the Drift Postmaster, Vickie Boyd, was incorrectly identified as Edith Risner, the postmaster of Prestonsburg. Ms. Boyd was pictured assisting Ray Bradbury with voting on the Celebrate The Century stamp series, and she is the coordinator of the CTC program for the county.



First child

Richard and Amanda Boyd announce the birth of their first child, a son, Dustin Blake, born November 30, 1997, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Dustin weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. Dustin is the grandson of Mart and Mary Boyd of Dana and Hubert and Carolyn Goble of Banner.

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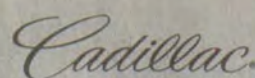
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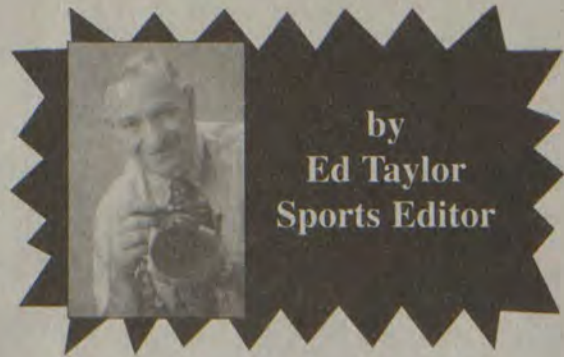
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**58th District
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Sportsmanship to be stressed as tourney tips off

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

It is just one week from today that the 66th Annual 58th District basketball tournament tips off at the Prestonsburg Fieldhouse, and what a tournament it is expected to be.

The Prestonsburg Blackcats and Allen Central Lady Rebels will carry the number one seeds in their respective divisions, but that doesn't guarantee a district championship. Both will be challenged heavily by the rest of the league.

Ron Hampton, Athletic Director at Prestonsburg High School, the host school, opened the meeting with the roll call of member schools. All four high school were represented by their respective athletic directors and coaches at May Lodge this past Friday morning.

The tournament rules were discussed by Hampton and other members of the district teams. Among those items discussed was sportsmanship: what to do about it?

This year a "traveling sportsmanship" trophy will be presented to the team who displays the best sportsman-

ship during the tournament.

"That includes fans, players, cheerleaders and everyone involved with that team," said County Athletic Director Pete Grigsby Jr. "Sportsmanship in the county is something that has to be addressed and dealt with. We are hoping this will be an incentive for all fans, players and all involved to come in and display that sportsmanship."

No special passes will be issued for the tournament, according to Hampton.

"Everyone pays," he said. "That's the way they did it last year. No coach's cards will be honored."

All who attend the game, cheerleaders, players, band and faculty members, as well as fans will enter the same gate. The rescue squad will be in charge of parking around the school.

All school bands will not be allowed to play while the ball is live. Also, when cheerleaders are on the floor,

the bands are to remain quiet because the cheerleaders are being judged at the time.

The committed overwhelmingly issued a call for the banning of powder, confetti and noise makers in the gym at the time of the tournament. Signs of bad taste will be taken down. School athletic directors are to watch their respective sections for such signs.

Bad fan behavior will not be tolerated for the tournament, with those who are disruptive being asked to leave the gym and they will not be welcomed back for the remainder of the tournament.

"Someone will have to stay with the pep sections," said Betsy Layne principal Coy Samons. "I did that last year at our gym and didn't have any problems. But, you will have to have someone there with them. Those who are caught, they should be escorted out."

A twelve-man all-conference team and a 10-man all-district team will be named at the conclusion of the

tournament. The All-Conference selections will be based on conference play during the past year. All-District is determined on how a player performs in the tournament.

A first and second place trophy will be presented to the winners and runners-up in both boys' and girls' cheerleading competition. Each player on the winning and runners-up team will receive a medallion. There will be a boys' and girls' coach of the year in conference competition.

Lewis Fugate, a student at Prestonsburg High School, will serve as the tournament's public address person. Fugate has been doing a superior job at Prestonsburg home games, boys' and girls'. Eddie Campbell will be the tournament's official scorer, while Don Willis will serve as the tournament's timer. The host school will handle the stats for the tournament.

Future sites were discussed for upcoming seasons. South Floyd will host the district next year with the tournament moving to Allen Central in the year 2000. Betsy Layne hosts the event in 2001 and it returns to

(See *Tourney*, page two)

Stopping the big man, key for Allen Central in district

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Seven days and counting. That is how many days remain as the 58th District basketball tournament tips off at the Prestonsburg Fieldhouse.

Coach Johnny Martin's Allen Central Rebels have had a great season but only the big men in the middle have hurt the smaller Rebels this season. The problem with that is they have to face one of those big men that has burned them in both games they played this season, Prestonsburg's Andy Jarvis.

But first, the Rebels must not look beyond the South Floyd Raiders, their first round opponent in the district tournament on Wednesday, February 25. While the Raiders don't have the big man in the middle like some clubs, still they pose a threat to the Rebels. South Floyd is playing better basketball and could be primed for the upset of the tournament.

Allen Central is a quick team, and plays with a lot of heart. The lack of size forced Coach Martin to play the season without a true center. His starting lineup resembles more a four-guard lineup than anything else.

At the start of the season, no one really believed in the Rebels but their coach and themselves. Coach Martin contended his team would be competitive and they have been. It has just been the likes of a Jarvis or J.R. Vanhoose that has caused the Rebels problems under the basket.

"We will have trouble with teams like Prestonsburg and Paintsville," said the Allen Central coach before the season began.

But Allen Central had hoped to make up for their lack of size with

hustle and determination. The Rebels are a pressing team and have made things miserable for most teams.

"No one has picked us in the top 10," said Coach Martin at the beginning of the season. "But, maybe that is good."

The Rebels are considered a threat to any team and have been in the top three or four in the regional polls all year.

Edmond Slone has been one of the reasons for the turn around. Slone's moves to the basket, the short jumper and an occasional three-point basket has given the Rebels a new look in a big man (6'2") if you consider that big.

But the play of Todd Howard has been nothing short of outstanding this season. Howard, one of the state's top scorers, is averaging 24 points per game. Howard himself predicted the Rebels would surprise some teams this year.

"We are going to come out and play hard with hopes of wearing the other teams down," he said before the season began. "We hope to be close going into the fourth quarter and win it then."

Wearing the opposition down is what has gotten the Rebels where they are. Their run-and-jump style defense and diving on the floor for loose balls has the fans believing Allen Central could be a surprise team.

"We have to play this way," said Coach Martin before the first game was played. "We're too small to try and take the ball inside." Allen Central has a 14-7 overall record. The Rebels and the new brand of "Johnny-ball" could very well be the dark horse in the region this year. Allen Central will face South Floyd in the first round of the 58th District basketball tournament next week.

No noise makers, no powder, no confetti permitted

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Up for two

Adams Middle School forward, Shawn Newsome (21) scored on this move to the basket against Osborne Monday night in the semifinals of the boys' grade school tournament. Adams overcame a 17-point deficit and posted a 65-61 win over the Eagles. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Martin turns back McDowell to advance

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Martin Lady Flashes struggled from the free-throw line but that didn't prevent them from advancing to the championship game of the girls' Floyd County Conference basketball tournament at Betsy Layne Friday night.

Martin hit only six-of-28 free throws, but got the inside scoring from Jaclyn Martin and outside game from Jaclyn Brown and Leigh Ann Brown. Martin scored 12 points and Leigh Ann Brown netted 10 to lead Martin to a 36-29 win

over the McDowell Lady Daredevils in the first round of the county tournament.

"We practice free throws in practice and they hit them in practice," said Martin coach "Bide" Click. "But when they get in a game, they seem not to concentrate."

Jaclyn Brown hit two timely three-pointers for the Lady Flashes in scoring nine points. The first one at the 1:35 mark gave Martin a 8-6 lead in the first quarter. Her second came in the second period with 2:52 to play, and gave Martin a 15-11

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Grade School tourney...

Adams pulls off stunner in win over Osborne Eagles

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

When the Adams Middle School Blackcats went to the locker room at halftime of their first round game, the coaching staff took a look at the scoreboard and they didn't like the way it read: Osborne 38, Adams 21.

But after a not-so-quiet speech in the locker room, the Blackcats returned to the floor, scored the first seven points of the third quarter and the rest is history as they pulled out a stunning 65-61 win over a very good Osborne Eagle basketball team.

"I asked one of my assistant coaches to pinch me and see if I was awake," said Adams coach Neil Turner. "I have never seen a game turn around like this one did in the third quarter."

Kevin Younce, perhaps one of the most underrated players in the county, poured in 24 points and was a key to the comeback for the Blackcats against Osborne.

What happened? Osborne coach Roger Johnson: "I decided at halftime we hadn't shown them our 1-3-1 defense yet and decided to open with that. That didn't last too long. They hit a couple of baskets over it and got the momentum going their way."

Turner's halftime speech may not have been fit for C-Span, but his players got the message. What was the message?

"After I settled down in the locker room, I told them the only way we were going to get back into the game was to take it one basket at a time. If we go out and shoot the threes we are going to get farther behind," said Turner.

Adams scored the first seven points of the third period in mounting the comeback. Younce had a

rebound basket, hit a layup and Shawn Newsome completed a three-point play and it was just a 10-point game, 38-28.

While the Blackcats were finding the basket, Osborne couldn't protect the basketball with seven turnovers in their first nine possessions. Adams took advantage of the mistakes and scored on five of those turnovers.

After a rebound basket by Wendell Tackett gave the Eagles a 12-point lead, Matt Turner and Ryan Martin had shot the Blackcats back into the game. Both went scoreless in the first half, but both hit back-to-back three-pointers to narrow the margin to six, 40-34.

An Osborne turnover, a layup by Younce. Another turnover, another layup by Younce at the 2:06 mark, a turnover by Osborne, a Younce rebound basket with 1:51 to play and it was 42-40 Eagles. Two more Eagle turnovers, Craig Fleenor ties the game, 42-42, with a short jumper at the 1:29 mark.

Another key to the game's final outcome had to be in the fourth quarter with less than a minute remaining, Tackett drove to the basket as he had done all night, and went up for the layup only to have his shot blocked by Younce. Adams recovered the loose ball and called a time out with 42 seconds to play.

"That was a key play in the game," said Turner. "Another key play was when we got a five-second call on (Michael) Hall."

That came in the fourth with the Eagles clinging to a 61-57 lead with just over a minute to play. The Eagles went to the stall and Hall forgot to move the basketball after his defensive man picked him up. The five-second call resulted. Ryan Martin then busted his second trey

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Sportsmanship, good or bad, is becoming big issue locally and abroad

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISH TO...

Jayneanne Hale, cheerleader for the Prestonsburg Blackcats. Jayneanne will turn 16 on Sunday, February 22. Happy birthday, Jayneanne, have a good one.

"A careful man I must be because a little boy or girl follows me." —John Wooden, former UCLA basketball coach.

I have written many, many articles in this column that has covered many subjects and drawn a large response from folks who read it every time it comes out in the paper. Some things I cover, some agree with me and others don't.

Never have I opened a round of discussion like I did when I wrote last week of the "poor sportsmanship" being shown at basketball games as we have witnessed this year.

I have received numerous calls, letters and just face-to-face comments from those who read the articles. I have not had anyone who has not agreed with me over the fact that something needs to be done. I

had one letter to the effect they support their coach while they do not condone his actions. But that is fine. I agree with that.

One particular letter I received today (Monday) came not from someone in Floyd County but an Assistant Professor of Education at one of our state universities and asked his name not be mentioned.

But the above quote from one of college's premiere coaches, John Wooden, is something that all parents, coaches and players need to adopt. But sad to say that the philosophy on good sportsmanship and being a model to follow, is not the one the famed Coach Wooden has but that of NBA pro Charles Barkley: "I don't want to be a kid's model, let their parents be their model to follow."

Pete Grigsby, Jr., our county athletic director, along with the county AD's, are searching for ways to curtail the bad sportsmanship that is so prevalent in

the county. They have bashed around several ideas and are looking for an answer.

As long as fans are permitted to act the way they do from the stands, then they will continue to do so. But when we really get serious in the county and take action against those who are disrupting the game, then and only then will things be right.

In the letter from the writer, he stated, and I agree, "we are destroying one of the best educational laboratories — sports!"

"I learned the three 'R's' - 'reading, 'riting, 'rithmetic ...in school but the three most important 'R's' — I learned at home: RESPECT, RESTRAINT and RESPONSIBILITY."

He went on to say, "We need to ask the question, what are we, as parents, teaching in our homes

today?" One point the writer made was, and I am glad that someone else besides myself recognizes this, no CHILD should have to leave home to find a "role model."

Mom, dad, grandparents, aunt, uncle, cousin, etc. "surely there is someone in each family that a youngster can use as a positive role model. Then, maybe not?"

In the National Federation Target Program handbook the following is found. "Interscholastic activities are laboratory courses in human relations as well as physical and emotional development. They are, in essence, AN INTEGRAL PART OF EDUCATION."

I repeat, coaches, in all sports, have in their care young people who one day will be part of America's political, educational and social system. You have in your hands, a young man or young lady who will or will not be a positive influence on society. You have the awesome responsibility of shaping and molding those young individuals into the future leaders this

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A Look At Sports



Big game

Adams center Kevin Younce scored 24 points in leading the Blackcats to a 65-61 win over the Osborne Eagles. The win placed Adams in the championship game Friday night at Betsy Layne. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Vanhoose tournament ready as Paintsville rolls

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

If the University of Kentucky would check out the stats that Paintsville's J.R. Vanhoose has put up of late, they would realize they let a blue chipper get away.

Vanhoose, who has been at his peak this season, scored a game-high 34 points and pulled in 24 rebounds (unofficially) in a 93-65 win over the Allen Central Rebels last Friday night at Allen Central.

Vanhoose did all but shoot the three-pointer, but he left that to teammate Todd Tackett who buried five treys, in scoring 19 points. Vanhoose had five blocked shots in the contest and four assists.

Allen Central played without the services of their second leading scorer, Edmond Slone, who was serving a one-game suspension.

Todd Howard shook the tight man-to-man defense that Paintsville tried to deploy on him in the person of Danny Scott, and scored 22 points for the Rebels. Howard had gotten a lot of respect from the opposition the second half of the season, and they have tried to make it miserable on him. He hit five three-point baskets in the outing.

But the play of one Gary Hunter was outstanding and inspiring as he dared the taller Tigers to challenge him as he drove to the basket scoring 25 points to lead Allen Central. Hunter was at the top of his game but it wasn't enough to carry the shorter Rebels.

Point guard Derek Howard and Tackett had little trouble with the entry pass to Vanhoose over the smaller Allen Central team, who played hard and never quit. They did tire in the fourth quarter as Paintsville went in front by 35 points.

Both schools have been fierce rivals since Allen Central knocked them out of the '93 regional in a semi-final game. The crowd was large and vocal as the Tigers visited with signs greeting them out of the locker room.

It didn't take long for Paintsville to establish control as Tackett set the stage with a long three-pointer for a 3-0 lead. Allen Central came as close as 7-6 in the first period before the Tigers put on a clinic in handling the basketball, racing out to a 34-14 lead after the opening quarter. Tackett had three of his five treys in the first quarter. Vanhoose put an exclamation point on the score with a dunk at the :04 mark of the period.

Allen Central could only play within 15 points of the Tigers in the second quarter. Howard drilled a three-pointer for a 44-29 game. The Rebels trailed 50-33 at the half.

Howard opened the Allen Central third with a trey, but Paintsville ran off the next seven points to lead 57-36. Allen Central looked intimidated underneath the basket and wasn't looking for their shots.

Allen Central went the first three minutes of the fourth quarter with a score until Howard hit two free

throws. Paintsville led 86-53. Vanhoose scored his 34th point with 5:30 to play, and then left the game. Paintsville's biggest lead was 36 points, 91-55. Howard drained two treys over the final four minutes for the final 93-65 margin.

Brain Jones scored in double figures for Allen Central with 10 points. The Rebels got little from the rest of their personnel. Nick Samons added four points, Jesse Hall had one as did Rodney Scott and Goble scored two.

Josh Griener finished with 12 points for the Tigers, with Howard netting 11.

Allen Central will host the Betsy Layne Bobcats in a make-up conference game Thursday night and will close out their regular season at home Friday night

by hosting Jim Rose and the Breathitt County Bobcats.



J.R. Vanhoose

PAINTSVILLE (93)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Vanhoose	12	0	14-10	34
Tackett	2	5	0-0	19
Howard	5	0	1-1	11
Griener	5	0	2-2	12
Trimble	2	0	0-0	4
Grim	2	0	0-0	4
Scott	2	0	0-0	4
Conley	2	0	0-0	4
Burchett	0	0	2-1	1

ALLEN CENTRAL (65)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Howard	1	5	6-5	22
Hunter	9	0	8-7	25
Samons	2	0	1-0	4
Hall	0	0	2-1	1
Jones	5	0	0-0	10
Scott	0	0	2-1	1
Goble	0	0	2-2	2

Paintsville.....34 16 24 19 - 93
Allen Central.....14 19 18 14 - 65

Sports

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great country needs. You owe it to them to be a positive influence on them while they are under your guidance.

But, let's take it a step further. Parents, our political system, our educational system and our social system is only going to be as strong as the future leaders you send into it from the home.

How imperative it is that you, as parents, be that role model at home and look for someone at school or elsewhere to be the role model your young person needs.

Rebecca Lobo, professional women's basketball coach once said, "Remember, little eyes are watching you!"

Here is a good item to close with. It is titled, "If The Shoe Fits."

"Please don't curse that boy down there;
He is my son, you see;
He's only just a boy you know,
He means the world to me.
I did not raise my son, dear fan,
For you to call him names;
He may not be a super-star

Adams

and it was a 61-60 game with under a minute to play. Osborne, in trying to go long, threw the ball out of bounds with Adams taking over. Younce hit two free throws with 55 seconds remaining, that gave the Blackcats the lead.

The Blackcats, leading 62-61, took a bad shot but Younce was there to grab the rebound and put it back in being fouled on the try. The basket gave Adams a 64-61 lead. Younce missed the free throw, but Shawn Newsome grabbed the rebound and forced up a shot. With 28 seconds left, Little missed the front of a bonus shot for Osborne and Adams took the ball and control of the game.

"Our kids played their hearts out in the second half," said Turner.

"We hit some big shots when we had to."

Younce was on the back end, offensively, against the Osborne 1-3-1 press, and got several easy baskets.

"Our players finally recognized that he was open under the basket and started getting him the ball," said the Adams coach. "We made some horrible passes in the first half. We couldn't get the ball to Kevin."

Newsome finished with 13 points for Adams. Fleenor added 11 and Turner tossed in eight and Martin seven. T.C. Hatfield scored two points.

The two teams played to a 15-15 tie after the first quarter, but the Eagles scored the first nine points

of the second quarter to lead 24-15. After a basket by Younce, the Blackcats turned the ball over five consecutive times as the Eagles soared to a 32-18 lead. They led by 17 at the half.

Michael Hall led all scorers with 26 points. Tackett finished with 16 and Tyler Hall had 11. Josh Johnson netted four, and Randall Mathews had two points as did Michael Little.

Adams earned a berth in Friday's championship game, and will face either Allen or Stumbo in the finals.

Tourney

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Prestonsburg in 2002.

Tickets for the tournament may be purchased in advance at the four participating schools.

Prestonsburg is the number-one seed in the boys' division and will face fourth-seed Betsy Layne on Wednesday, February 25 in a 8 p.m. game. Top-seeded Allen Central will meet South Floyd, tipping off at 6:30 p.m. in the girls' game.

The tournament picks back up on Thursday, February 26 with Betsy Layne and Prestonsburg girls, third and second seeds, meeting at 6:30 p.m. Allen Central and South Floyd meet at 8 p.m. in the final game of the first round.

The championship games will begin on Friday, February 27. The

girls' game will start thirty minutes earlier, 6 p.m., on Friday night because of the presentation of trophies after the title game. The boys will meet at 8 p.m.

The tournament will air on a delay basis over WPRG, Channel 5 the same night of the tournament. CableVision, Channel 7, will air the games the next day, beginning at 2 p.m. For other times, check the stations log.

The Double X, (WXLW/WXKZ) will air the games live, as will WOXY radio.

"We want all fans to come out and support their teams," said Grigsby. "We feel we will have a great tournament and the kids need your support."

Martin

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advantage.

McDowell, a very young team, was led by Jessica Adams and Megan Ousley, who both scored seven points. Ousley is a sixth grader at McDowell. Ashley Johnson, another sixth grader, scored five points as did Jessica Paige. Sara Johnson finished with four points.

Martin attempted 19 free throws in the fourth quarter alone, and hit only four. But McDowell could not take advantage of the cool shooting by the Lady Flashes.

Martin led 10-8 after the first quarter on two free throws by Leigh Ann Brown. The game was tied at 2-2 and again at 8-8. McDowell led 4-3 and 6-5 in the opening period.

Ashley Johnson buried a three-pointer with 4:24 to play in the second quarter that gave McDowell a 11-10 lead. Martin then scored the next 10 points to assume a 20-11 lead. Leigh Ann Brown hit a four-foot bank shot, Jaclyn Brown buried a trey to make it 15-11. But Leigh Ann Brown scored on a layup and knocked down a three-point basket that gave the Lady Flashes the nine-point advantage.

Johnson hit an 18-footer and Paige connected from 14-feet out to narrow the margin to 22-15 at the half.

Martin missed some easy baskets underneath and could not connect from the free-throw line as McDowell stayed around, trailing by five points all through the third period. Martin did manage to go up seven, 26-19, on a basket by Martin. On an assist from Terri "Sparkplug" Mullins, Jessica Isaac scored just before the third period ended to give Martin a 28-19 lead.

McDowell stayed around and refused to break as they pulled to within four of Martin, 31-27, on a steal by Ousley. Martin, who had

the lead, was rushing their shots instead of pulling the ball out. A free throw by Leigh Ann Brown and a rebound basket by Martin gave the Lady Flashes a 34-27 lead. McDowell could get no closer than the final six points.

Martin will await the winner of the Allen/Duff game in the finals of the tournament Friday night.

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Johnson Central continues to roll with two wins

By Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Coach Johnny Ray Turner's Golden Eagles of Johnson Central continue to play fine basketball and pulled out two victories last week over Lawrence County and Belfry, improving to 13-10 on the season.

Johnson Central posted a 77-73 win over Lawrence County last Friday night and came back Saturday night to defeat a good Belfry Pirate team, 73-68 in a 15th Region game.

The Eagles had to go to overtime to subdue Lawrence County. The Eagles placed four players in double figures, led by James Butcher's 19 points. Jason Shepherd added 18. Mitchell Coleman came off the bench and scored 12 points, but 10 of those came in the extra period that helped the Eagles to pull the win out. Tommy McKenzie had 11 points.

The two teams played to a 59-59 tie after regulation play, but the Eagles were four points better in the overtime, outscoring the

Bulldogs 18-14.

Coleman had but two points, before the overtime, and that came in the fourth period. He hit a three-point basket and three-of-three free throws in the extra period in scoring 10 of the 18 Johnson

lead after three quarters when Shepherd got involved in the offense. With only two free throws in first two periods, Shepherd netted 10 points in the third to give the Eagles the lead. McKenzie had a three-point basket in the quarter.

Golden Eagles edge both Lawrence County and Belfry

Central points. Heath Castle, who finished with eight points, had his second trey in the overtime.

Lawrence County led 11-9 after the opening period and took a 33-30 lead to the locker room at the half. Gerald Parker, who led all scorers with 20 points, had seven first-quarter points for the Bulldogs and tossed in six in the second period. He had a trey in each of the first two quarters.

Butcher kept the Eagles close with a big second period where he scored 14 points by hitting four three-point baskets. McKenzie also had a trey in the second period.

Johnson Central took a 44-42

Mike Cantrell led a Lawrence County rally in the final quarter as the Bulldogs outscored the Eagles 17-15 to tie the game at 59.

Dustin Burke finished with 18 points for the Bulldogs and Cantrell had 11 points.

It was a come-from-behind effort on the part of the Eagles against Belfry in winning by five, 73-68.

The Eagles, who trailed 31-27 at the half, outscored the Pirates 21-8 in the third quarter and had to hold off Belfry in the fourth period in taking the win.

Mitchell Coleman led the Eagles scoring with 16 points. Shepherd netted 15 and Butcher

added 12. Mike Bowlin scored 11 points and McKenzie totaled 10.

Mark Maynard led Belfry with 13 points with both Jonathan Wright and Jeremy Steele scoring 12 points apiece. Matt Slater had 11 points.

Belfry jumped out to a 20-8 first-quarter lead as seven Pirates got in the scoring column early. Coleman hit two treys in the second quarter for the Eagles in leading a 19-11 charge as the Eagles

were down by four points at the half.

Johnson Central held a 48-39 lead after three quarters but Maynard scored nine fourth-quarter points to lead a Pirate rally that fell short.

Johnson Central hit 25-of-32 free throws, while the Pirates made seven-of-11 attempts. McKenzie was perfect in the fourth quarter, hitting all six of his attempts from the charity stripe.



Close encounter

Allen Central's Nick Samons (12) was guarded by Paintsville's Derek Howard (4) when the two teams collided at Allen Central last Friday night. The Tigers roared to a 93-65 win over the Rebels. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Johnson pumps in 31:

Betsy Layne stings Pikeville 75-57

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Craig Johnson had seven three-point baskets and pumped in 31 points to lead the Betsy Layne Bobcats to a surprising 75-57 win over the Pikeville Panthers last Saturday night at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse.

Jay Arnett came off the Bobcat bench and scored 10 points while Neil Newsome netted 12.

"Jay played a good game for us," said Betsy Layne coach Tim Rice. "He came in and got us 10 points and got on the boards. He must have had eight rebounds in the game."

Betsy Layne had built a 33-point lead in the third quarter, and led 65-38 after three quarters. Three minutes into the fourth quarter Coach Rice emptied his bench.

"We played a lot of players the whole game," said the Betsy Layne mentor. "We played better defense than we had been playing. It was a good team effort. We hit the boards good and has the had the best rebounding game of the year."

Johnson, who played the first two minutes of the fourth quarter, did most of his damage in the third period where he hit five three-point baskets that broke the Panther defense.

The second quarter was marred by two ejections. Former elementary team mates Chase Gibson

(Pikeville) and Scott Collins (Betsy Layne) both were ejected after a shoving match in the second quarter with 2:40 left to play.

"I didn't do anything," said Collins of the ejection. "I thought Chase was playing a little dirty and I asked him to cool it. One thing led to another."

Both Gibson and Collins played at Betsy Layne Elementary.

"We just didn't give Pikeville any second shots at the basket," said Coach Rice of his team's effort on the boards. "Neil did a great job for us and Adam (Tackett) had a good game as well."

Newsome pulled down 12 rebounds while Tackett gathered in 10. Johnson had eight.

The Bobcats owned a 17-12 first-quarter lead with Johnson drilling a three and scoring seven points. Newsome had six first-quarter points for Betsy Layne.

The Bobcats took a 17-point lead to the locker room at the half leading 42-25. Johnson was unstoppable in the second quarter hitting the five three-point baskets and scoring 17 points in the period.

He drilled three-point basket number seven in the third quarter and scored seven points. Arnett had five in the third including a three-point basket.

Will Isom, who went scoreless in the first quarter, led the Panthers with 15 points. Jeremy Akers tossed

in 11 and John Mims scored nine. Another former Betsy Layne Bobcat, Shannon Potter, hit five consecutive free throws in the fourth quarter to finish with five points. He was fouled on a three-point attempt and hit all three. Gibson scored four points before his ejection.

Justin Bartley finished with seven points for Betsy Layne but

played a good floor game with six assists. Bradley Brooks, in a good outing, had six points. Michael Gross drilled a trey in the third for three points. Adam Tackett netted four and Collins had two points before being ejected.

Betsy Layne improved to 8-16 on the season and will close the regular season on the road at Fairview this Saturday night.



Top prospect

Osborne's Michael Hall (23) is just a seventh grader but he plays much more mature than his grade suggests. He scored 26 points for the Eagles against Adams last Monday night, but the Blackcats prevailed 65-61. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Greathouse injured as Sheldon Clark edges Prestonsburg, 50-42

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats, playing perhaps the best basketball in the district right now, got a shaking blow for the rest of the season last week when their leading scorer, Shelly Greathouse, went down with a knee injury at Sheldon Clark last week.

The Lady Blackcats took the Lady Cardinals to the wire before dropping a 50-42 decision on the road.

Greathouse went down hard to the court with 3:10 remaining in the first quarter. She had not scored in the game and her team was holding the lead.

As of Monday, coach Jackie Day Crisp did not know the status for Greathouse for the remainder of the season, including the upcoming district tournament. He could only speculate.

"I don't know right now," he said. "We are trying to get her in to see Dr. Shockey but haven't been able to yet. It doesn't look good. The knee is swollen and she is not able to extend it."

"I am expecting the worst, and I don't see how she can play any more this year. We have to go on the assumption that she will not return. We hope to have a definite answer this week."

Greathouse will not play in any of the two remaining regular season games and the 58th District tournament begins next Wednesday, February 25. Prestonsburg is scheduled to face Betsy Layne in the opening round.

Prestonsburg held a 13-8 lead after the first quarter behind the scoring of Brandi Wells. Wells hit a trey and scored eight first-quarter points. Freshman Amelia Conley had four points in the period.

Wells continued her scoring in the second quarter with her second three-point basket, scoring seven points. Conley and Crystal Slone had four points in the period to help lead Prestonsburg to a 30-25 halftime lead.

Sheldon Clark returned to the court and took advantage of the absence of Greathouse and pressed the Lady Blackcats.

"We just couldn't handle the pressure with Shelly out of the lineup," said Coach Crisp. "I really think we could have beaten Sheldon Clark with Shelly there."

With the Lady Blackcats' leading scorer gone, Prestonsburg could only score two points against the Lady Cardinals press and that came on a basket by Wells. Sheldon Clark outscored Prestonsburg 17-2 in the third and took a 42-32 lead. All five Lady Cardinal field goals were of the three-point variety. Mandy Harmon buried three and Jani Castle hit two.

Prestonsburg got back on track in the fourth period but it was too late as they could not overcome the lead of Sheldon Clark. The Lady Cardinals hit four-of-seven free throws down the stretch to seal the win.

Wells led Prestonsburg with her 19 points. Conley finished with 10 and Crystal Slone added eight. LaDonna Slone and Kimi Nunnery finished with three and two points each.

Harmon shared game-scoring honors with Wells with 19 points. Jenny Foley netted 13 for the Lady Cardinals. Castle finished with nine.

"I was starting to believe that we had a shot at winning the district tournament," said the Prestonsburg coach. "But the loss of Shelly is a big setback for us. We have to go on as if she will not be there. But we are hoping that she will be able to come back."

Prestonsburg fell to 7-17 on the season. They are 3-2 in the Floyd County Conference.

Prestonsburg has a make-up game remaining with Lawrence County to complete the regular season.

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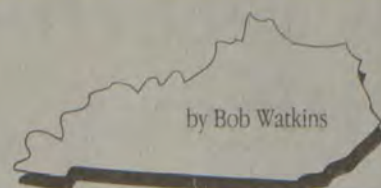
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SPORTS IN KENTUCKY



Murray State Racers and UK Wildcats make an interesting paradox

College basketball season in Kentucky, for the Div. I schools anyway, has been swift and curiously unhappy.

The Louisville Cardinals have been a disaster, 10-16.

Western Kentucky fired its coach. Morehead State has been no Cinderella story so far. And, Eastern Kentucky is still doing what Colonels' basketball has been doing since the '60s, rebuilding.

On the high side, creating an interesting paradox are UK and Murray State. If the Racers (24-3) played anywhere east of I-65, they would be household names and coach Mike Gottfried would have been anointed genius instead of another job-hopper (to replace David Hobbs at Alabama) by a media crowd obsessed with Tubby Smith standing, sitting, squatting, sweating.

Kentucky is 22-4 against arguably the best (fan) schedule in the school's history, but amazingly the Wildcats are more often the object of alligator tears and bad spin. No leader ... no go-to-guy ... no 3-point defense ... no home-court advantage. No this, no that.

The latest no-to is more a know-this: No chemistry. (Tubby's first team is Pitino leftovers still under hypnosis). And not enough court smarts to get the basketball to a 6-10 guy whose field goal accuracy is up there with the percentage that the Titanic will sink.

But the side-show phenomenon has become the media herd's willingness to give air and credence to a grumbling, unforgiving and unreasonable minority for which three home court losses (one to UofL) badly overshadows 22 good nights.

Perhaps more to the heart of UK's problem this season was put forth last week by a high school coach. "They just don't seem to be having any fun up there," he said. "You don't see many smiles."

Stay tuned.

WESTERN KY. COACH

An interesting list of "alleged" candidates to replace Matt Kilcullen at Western Kentucky has surfaced in Bowling Green. Among them: Tom Crean, assistant at Michigan State; Butch Beard, an ex-UofL star and head coaching stints in the NBA, and Howard University; Bobby Jones, an assistant at Minnesota and

former WKU star; Jerry Eaves, UofL assistant; and Dwane Casey, an assistant for the NBA Seattle SuperSonics.

Each has merit, but the view from here is the three best suited to making a high energy and long-term commitment to Hilltopper basketball are Crean, Casey and Beard.

Crean and Casey are proven recruiters. Beard's experience at both college and NBA levels, makes an impressive resume item.

Crean's downside is there is every reason to believe he would follow Ralph Willard's lead, use Western as a job hop.

Beard, a star at UofL, would probably use WKU as a stepping stone to being a candidate to replace Denny Crum.

Casey. Trappings of a prodigal son story. Charismatic and smooth, the former Western and UK assistant coach would be making a come-back from NCAA exile after being fingered for recruiting transgressions at Kentucky.

If Union County native Casey is interested, and I suspect he has already been working the phones, his pluses would seem to make him more than a viable candidate. More a perfect fit.

Stay tuned.

BELATED VALENTINE WISHES

With Valentine's Day thoughts and spirit still in the air, a confession. I am terrible romantic.

Hallmark television commercials make me teary-eyed. The love of writer C.S. Lewis and poet Joy Kilgus in the movie Shadowlands plucks heart strings.

And, among things I am terribly romantic about, is the well-being of college athletics, principally so-called revenue sports, basketball and football. Because of strong feelings I make no apology for carping about the sanctity of whom sports belongs to — fans, and fretting about the purity of motives of those who run them.

If I had three wishes, one of them would be — at every University of Kentucky home basketball game, all but a handful of the ticket allotment in the care of C.M. Newton and cronies, be re-allotted (not sold) to Wildcat fans who:

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C. In groups, children at Kosair Hospital and similar institutions able and want to, be brought to a game in Rupp Arena/Commonwealth Stadium, after which coaches Tubby Smith or Hal Mumme and players host them in the team's locker room area.

D. A permanent rotating lottery be in place to guarantee availability of rights to purchase tickets when a (registered) fan's name comes up.

E. Re-institute the UK Christmas Tournament with at least 50 percent of all tickets available for public purchase.

Fanciful notions of a romantic? You bet.

Here's hoping your Valentine's Day wish comes true.

C.M. NEWTON LOST HIS WAY?

The following is suggested reading for UK football and basketball fans. It is a portrayal of how athletics administrators can lose their way. With Commonwealth Stadium expansion and a proposed on-campus basketball arena being advocated (pushed?) by C.M. Newton, UK's director of athletics could easily have been the target when sports columnist Mike Lupica wrote:

"Private-seat licensing is the concept whereby you purchase the right to buy a seat, or two, or four, at your ballpark before you actually buy the tickets. It is much like paying an initiation to get into a country club, which is sort of fitting, since being able to afford sports events is more and more like being a member of a country club.

"...private-seat-licensed stadiums filled with people who effectively pay \$10,000 a seat. Because what these licenses really do is exclude young people, exclude working-class people, exclude everyone (except the wealthy), really.

"These licenses will imperil the ability to create tomorrow's sports fans from the standpoint that if teams (UK Athletics Inc.?) are not careful and don't plant the seeds for the future, I'm not sure that some-

one who has never played sports themselves, has never seen sports in person ... their entire relationship with sports will be one built around television."

Think about it.

KELLY PENDLETON: MISS BASKETBALL HOPEFUL, BUT...?

Webster County High's Kelly Pendleton's 2,923 points (and counting) places her 13th on the girls' all-time scoring list, passing Laura Bivens who had 2,779 points at Drakesboro, and Terica Hathaway of Providence, 2,825. Pendleton has a chance of breaking into the top 10. Sherry Gish of Muhlenberg County is 10th with 2,963.

Meanwhile, Webster County High School officials have put together a spiffed up glossy facts sheet to trumpet Pendleton's candidacy for Kentucky Miss Basketball. The school's all-time leading scorer was first-team All-State last season. The slick profile sheet rivals anything received here from Heisman Trophy candidates.

Impressive and beautifully presented, but incomplete. Not listed were Pendleton's academic achievements and list of contributions to her community.

51ST RECREATION BOWL

The field for the 51st annual Recreation Bowl at Mt. Sterling Aug. 22 is set and has an I-75 flavor. Rockcastle County and Lexington Catholic play the opener, then host Montgomery County plays Corbin in the nightcap. The Rec Bowl has a personal attraction for this space. Corbin is my hometown, and Lexington Catholic coach Bob Sphire, a native of Meade County, is an old friend.

READERS (RIGHT) WRITE

Being snowbound this reader got thinking about free throw shooting — UK's, UofL's and 'others'...

Ruth Botts of Mt. Sterling: "What a wonderful day for ladies' basketball. Recently the Montgomery County Lady Indians hit 20-of-20 from the free-throw line. Would it be possible for the (UK) Cats or (UofL) Cards to even come close that record in a regular season game? One can dream, can't one?"

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On the break

Osborne's Wendell Tackett (40) went hard to the basket and scored for the Eagles in grade school tournament play Monday night. Tackett scored 16 points but the Eagles dropped a heartbreaker to Adams 65-61. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Mullins sets record in weight lifting

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Prestonsburg Blackcats' weight lifting team made a good impression at Lexington Catholic High School last weekend thanks to some hard work by several weight lifters.

Hank Mullins set a new state record in the dead lift with a lift of 510 pounds. Mullins benched 275 pounds and placed first in the 155-pound class.

Other finishers in the top 12 included:

- 235 pound, Brandon Jarrell, 9th

- 220 pound, Mark Branham, 1st
- 195 pound, John Manns, 6th
- 195 pound, Ryan Turner, 9th
- 195 pound, Jarrod Hall, 10th
- 165 pound, Bryan Johnson, 2nd

- 145 pound, Adam Hall, 3rd
- 135 pound, Renford Syck, 4th
- 125 pound, Joe Lemaster, 4th

Over 30 schools and 485 lifters took part in the competition from around the state. The Blackcats had 38 football players participating, and placed fourth overall.

Prestonsburg will host a bench press competition for high school athletes on Saturday, February 28 at 10 a.m.



Solo

Martin's Jaclyn Brown (32) went under for an easy basket against McDowell last Monday night in a 36-29 win over the Lady Daredevils in the semifinals of the grade school tournament at Betsy Layne. Brown scored nine points in the win. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Floyd County Conference Basketball Standings

WOMEN		
Team	Conference	Overall
Allen Central	6-0	16-7
Prestonsburg	4-2	8-17
Betsy Layne	2-4	11-11
South Floyd	0-6	6-16

MEN		
Team	Conference	Overall
Prestonsburg	6-0	15-9
Allen Central	3-2	14-7
South Floyd	2-4	10-14
Betsy Layne	0-5	8-16

* Tuesday night games not included

WOW Holiday Classic was rewarding for schools

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The third annual Woodman of

the World John "Dog" Campbell Holiday Classic is growing into one of the more prestigious grade school tournaments in Eastern

Kentucky, and rivals the famed Rax/Pikeville College Classic held in January.

Allen Central baseball coach Kevin Spurlock, who was the tournament manager, took time to thank the sponsors of the tournament, Barry Spurlock, agent with Woodmen of the World, as well as Gary Compton of GC Grocery and Keith Parson of Flowers Baking Company.

"We appreciate all those who sponsored the tournament," said Spurlock. "Also, everyone who took part in helping out with it."

Free dinners were part of the festivities at the Allen Central gym. A door prize of \$50 was given away as well.

First place in the tournament went to the Virgie Eagles, while the Martin Purple Flash were the runners-up. Adams Middle School received the third-place trophy.

First place in cheerleading went to Virgie Elementary while the popular Allen cheerleaders

took home second place.

Virgie shot 79 percent from the free-throw line against Martin and won the team free-throw award. Chris Sinler of Johnson County won the individual free-throw trophy by hitting 83 percent from the line.

The leadership award, a very prestigious award, went to McDowell's Joe Skeans.

The award was based on G.P.A., extra-curricular, and community service.

An all-tournament team highlight the finals. Virgie placed four players on the squad. Named were: Kris Prater, Josh Goad, Tyler Branham and Brad Tackett. From Martin were: Ricky Lewis, Mike Murphy, Jarrod Harlow, and Keith Crum.

Shawn Newsome, Kevin Younce and Ryan Martin represented Adams Middle School. Virgie's John Tackett was the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

ALLEN CENTRAL FRESHMEN GO UNBEATEN

The just completed freshman basketball season was a banner one for the Allen Central Runnin' Rebels. Coach Kevin Spurlock's ball club finished 15-0 on the year, first time in school history. The Rebels defeated all the county teams and won the Prestonsburg 15th Region Freshman Shootout, defeating Sheldon Clark, Prestonsburg and Knott County Central.

Members of the frosh squad included: Larry Mullins, Nathan Tackett, Rodney Scott, Jeremy Hayes, Patrick Martin, Timmy Davis, David Watkins, Henry Napier, Justin Scott, Travis Francis and Dwight McKinney.



Leading break

Martin's Megan Hyden (21) dribbled around McDowell's Jessica Paige (23) during the grade school basketball tournament at Betsy Layne last Monday night. Hyden had six assists in the game that Martin won 36-29 over the Lady Daredevils. Martin will face the winner of the Duff/Allen game in Friday's championship game. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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The circus-like atmosphere of Daytona is finally over and it is time to get on with the business of trying to win the Winston Cup Championship. The two week long love affair that Daytona has with the fans sometimes gives the impression that the Daytona 500 awards more points than any other race on the schedule. The truth is that, besides the tremendous amount of publicity and money that a driver stands to win, the points that are awarded is the same as any other race on the schedule.

The current point system that NASCAR uses has been used since the 1975 season. The system rewards consistency throughout the season by awarding points to every driver in each race and awarding the same number of

points at each race regardless of the length of the race. It has built in incentives that reward teams for leading races and finishing near the front.

No racing series enjoys the competition that the NASCAR Winston Cup series affords the race fan each weekend. With so many teams capable of winning on any given weekend, a finish in the top five or top 10 is looked on as a good day's work.

The top five finishes are rewarded with a five-point separation between themselves and the next-highest finisher. The winner of the race receives the maximum 175 points for his trip to victory lane. Positions six through 10 are awarded a four-point separation. Starting with the 11th place finisher, the remainder of the field is separated by a three-point separation.

Now it is possible for a driver

to finish a race with more than the 175 points that the driver receives for winning the race.

This is where the all-important bonus plan comes into play. A driver can earn five bonus points by just leading one lap of a race. This bonus is usually claimed by several drivers, but the other bonus plan can only be claimed by one driver.

The driver that leads the most laps in the race picks up an additional five bonus points. The drivers are not the only ones to benefit from the bonus plan. The bonus plan leads to better racing within the race.

It is an incentive for a driver to stay in the lead even in the early stages of the race when otherwise he may just be content to stay in the pack until making his move near the end of the event.

Never was the awarding of bonus points ever more important

to a driver than in the final race of the 1992 season. Alan Kulwicki entered the Hooters 500 that day 30 points behind Davey Allison, but 10 points ahead of Bill Elliott. Allison got caught up in a wreck and had to retire from the race and that left Kulwicki and Elliott to battle it out for not only the win but the championship.

They ran 1-2 the entire second half of the race, and it soon became evident that the driver that would lead the most laps would claim the championship. Elliott went on to win the race and lead the race to pick up the five bonus points. It was just enough to give him the Winston Cup Championship.

Rockingham is the next stop on the schedule.

It doesn't have the same high banks as Daytona, or will the media arrive in mass, but the winner will still collect the same

amount of points toward the championship as those awarded in Daytona. So if a driver has those championship aspirations, he must treat each and every track with the same respect as is afforded Daytona.

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WALLACE'S FINISH 1-2, WHILE FORDS FINISH 1,2,3,4

Rusty Wallace of the Penske Miller Lite Ford Taurus claimed his first career Bud Shootout in 12 tries this past Sunday at Daytona Beach, Florida.

Wallace was followed across the finish line by three other Ford Tauruses driven by Kenny Wallace, Bill Elliott, and Jimmy Spencer. The highest finishing Chevrolet Monte Carlo was the number 33 driven by Ken Schrader.

After the race, Jeff Gordon, who was leading prior to the final restart complained to officials that Wallace had jumped the gun on the final restart, but NASCAR spokesperson, Jeff Motley, said, "At the point where the restart was to take place, the number 24 car (Jeff Gordon) had slowed down and the number two car maintained his speed. How do you penalize the number two for maintaining his speed?"

- Complete finishing order:
1. Rusty Wallace
 2. Kenny Wallace
 3. Bill Elliott
 4. Jimmy Spencer
 5. Ken Schrader
 6. Geoff Bodine
 7. Ernie Ivan
 8. Mark Martin
 9. John Andretti
 10. Todd Bodine
 11. Dale Jarrett
 12. Johnny Benson
 13. Mike Skinner
 14. Jeff Gordon
 15. Bobby Labonte
 16. Joe Nemechek
 17. Ward Burton

LABONTE BROTHERS ARE ON ROW ONE FOR DAYTONA

The front row is set. It's the first time in the race's history that brothers will start up front.

Bobby Labonte had been quick in practice all week, but not as fast as his brother, Terry — until the morning of qualifying.

Bobby's time was 46.77sec/192.415 mph in the Joe Gibbs Interstate Battery Pontiac. Brother Terry turned a 46.844sec/192.127 mph in a Rick Hendrick Chevrolet.

Ken Schrader qualified third with a speed of 191.787, while Dale Earnhardt was fourth with a 191.006, but only Bobby and Terry's spots are secure. The rest of the field for Sunday's Daytona 500 will be determined by qualifying races and second and third round qualifying.

PARROT AND ROUSH FORDS ARE READY FOR DAYTONA AND BEYOND

The 40th Annual Daytona 500 is still the biggest race in America for most racing fans and it's getting even bigger. The winner will receive \$1 million, while the runner-up will get \$500,000. The remaining 10 finishers will each take home a least \$100,000.

With this much money and prestige on the table for drivers this Sunday, you would think most teams, and especially the Ford teams who are still fine tuning the new Taurus, would be scrambling. But not Buddy Parrott, team manager for two of the Jack Roush Fords.

Parrott has been in racing for over 30 years. He's been there and seen it all, and this year, in spite of all the publicity about the new Ford Tauruses, Parrott believes Mark

Martin's number six Valvoline, or Jeff Burton's number 99 Exide Ford will win the Winston Cup championship.

To become one of the most successful crew chiefs in Winston Cup racing, Parrott career started off rather dull. He began mounting tires at Charlotte in 1967. Within three years, he had worked his way into the ranks of Winston Cup teams and was part of Bobby Isaac's 1970 championship team. Since then he has prepared cars that have won over 50 races. Some of the drivers he worked with before coming to Roush Racing in 1995 included Richard Petty, Rusty Wallace, Darrell Waltrip and Derrike Cope.

In his first season as crew chief on the number 99 driven by Jeff Burton, he had one pole and four top-10 finishes. In 1997, Burton had three wins, 22-top-five's, 35 top-10s, and one pole all in Parrott-prepared cars.

Prior to the beginning of the 1998 season, Parrott was picked by Roush to be general manager of Martin's number six Valvoline and Burton's Exide number 99 cars. One of his major jobs was getting a brand new style of car ready for Daytona and beyond.

"I really do no more than in the past," Parrott said. "This is the first

time I've been involved with a two-car team. But we've got all the ingredients needed to win a championship. Bobby Hudson, our shop foreman is one of the most knowledgeable in the business. He keeps the shop running, and sees to it that everything gets done on time. It's really been easier with the two-car operation than with just one car. With two cars we can share information and draw from each other's experiences."

However, things haven't been all ice cream and pie as both teams struggled to get the new Taurus program ready. According to Parrott, Roush almost decided to go with the old style Thunderbird for the first half of the 1998 season, then switch over to the Taurus.

"For a while we didn't know what we were going to run at Daytona," says Parrott. "And if it hadn't been for Jack we probably would have raced the Thunderbird for the early part of '98. But he got an extra wind-tunnel test, and that allowed us to build different cars within the template range NASCAR has given us. We did the best we could in the short time we had."

"But I've got to say that Gary Nelson and all the guys at NASCAR have worked really hard just to get us to Daytona. If it hadn't

been for Gary, we would have canned the Taurus and stuck with the T-bird. But they worked with us, and now I believe we have come up with a good car."

While all the Ford teams have struggled to prepare the new four-door body style of the Taurus up to par with the Chevrolet Monte Carlo, Parrott says the General Motors teams still have a big unanswered question they are facing.

"We've struggled all winter with the new Taurus body," Parrott says. "But those other boys (GM teams) have a new engine they have to worry about. And nobody knows what that new SB-2 is going to be like. What's the dependability of it? If a team loses a couple motors during the season, they're going to be out of it."

According to Parrott, except for crew chief, Jimmy Fennig and transport driver, Dennis Ritchie, Mark Martin will have all new team members on his number six car.

"We've got them from all walks of life, and from California to Maine," says Parrott. "But the end result is, Mark has a better team, and he's happy with it. He told me so. There's two things we want to do this year. First, we want to help NASCAR celebrate their 50th anniversary, and second, we want one of our teams seated at the head table in New York."

NASCAR ANNOUNCES NEW SPOILER

NASCAR issued a technical bulletin, Monday, February 2, that effects rear spoiler heights and front air dam clearances on all three makes of automobiles.

Chevrolet Monte Carlo: New spoiler height of 5 inches. This is down from 6 inches. Air dam clearance will be 5 inches up from 3.875 in 1997.

The Ford Taurus will not be the same as the Monte Carlo. The Ford Thunderbird's new spoiler height is 4.75 inches, down from 5.75. Front air dam will be a 5 inch clearance, up from 3.875 in 1987.

All Pontiac's will have a 5.375 inch spoiler height and a 4.625 inch front air dam clearance. In 1987, Pontiac had a 6.5-inch spoiler height and a 3.875 inch front air dam clearance.

These changes will take effect, starting with the February 22, GM Goodwrench 400 at Rockingham, North Carolina. They will apply to all tracks except the Daytona and Talladega super speedways.



Short jumper

McDowell's Megan Ousley (33) put up a shot over the outstretched arms of Martin's Jaclyn Martin in the semifinals of the girls' grade school tournament at Betsy Layne. Martin posted a 36-29 win over the Lady Daredevils. (photo by Ed Taylor)

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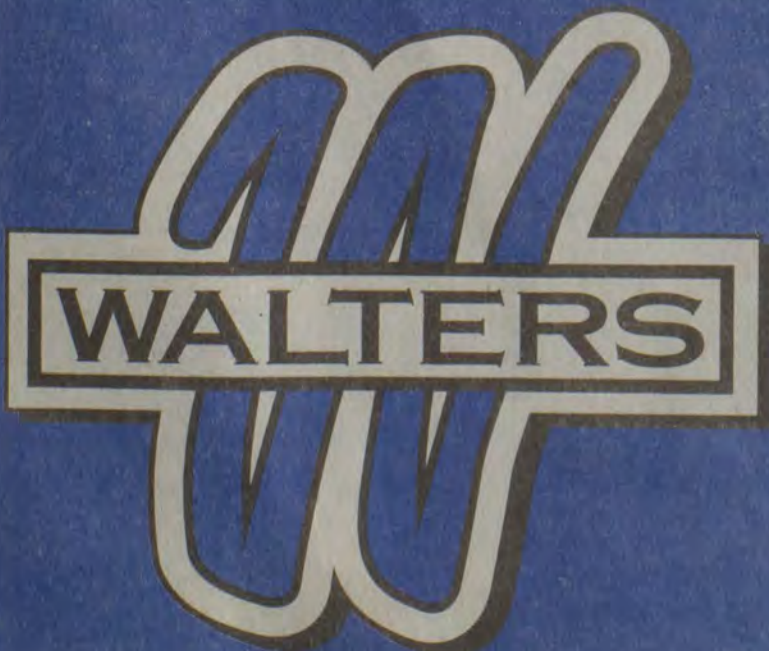
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Lifestyles

COST FREE SHOPPING SPREE

February 26, meet at Food City in Paintsville, at 5 p.m., for a valuable lesson on label reading to help save time and money during future grocery store trips. Packet on on label reading provided. Provided by the Living Well with Diabetes at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

In the chips

In still another attempt to promote thinness and do away with the popular theory that "fat is where it's at," Procter & Gamble is now test marketing potato chips and similar snack-type goodies made with a product billed as a "fat substitute."

Poison Oak



Clyde Pack

According to an article in the paper last week, it has taken more than 30 years and \$500 million to develop olestra, a synthetic chemical made from sugar and vegetable oil. However, the Food and Drug Administration, in approving the product in 1996, required companies to include a warning label saying the product may make you sick. A spokesman for the Center for Science in the Public Interest said the product gives people diarrhea and should be removed from the market.

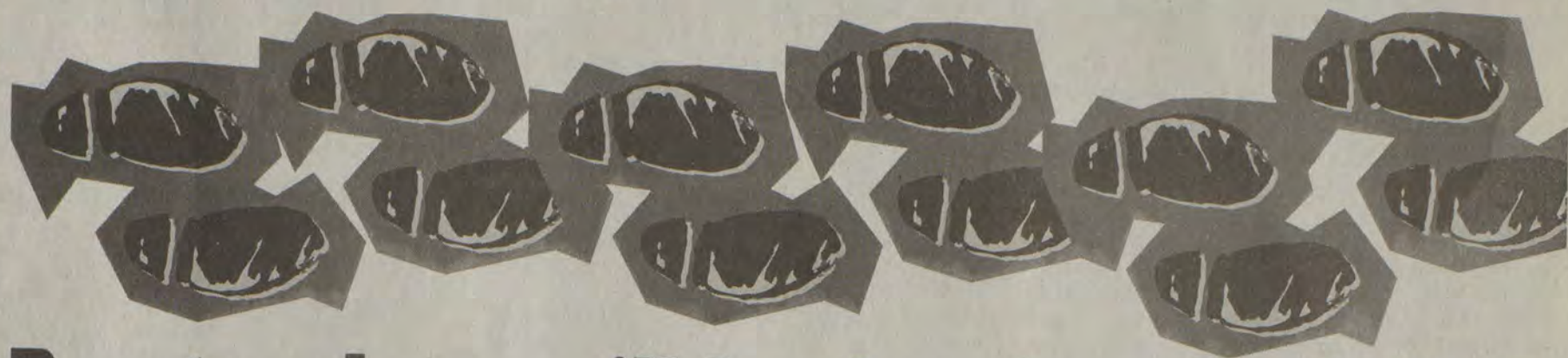
Nevertheless, similar labels haven't made much difference in the sale of tobacco products, and with people being what they are, will probably matter little here, either.

Oh, for those pre-Crisco days when I ate my first potato chip. Seriously, despite the fact that I usually can't remember what I had for breakfast this morning, I can remember the first time I ever tasted a potato chip. Not the exact day and hour, of course, but I can remember my sister, Mary Jean, and a neighbor, Georgene, who later married my older brother, Ulysses, and ended up being my sister-in-law, making home-made potato chips. I don't know if you could buy potato chips at the store in those days or not, but I doubt it; not at the Northeast Coal Company store, anyway. All I know is, that was my first potato chip experience. I was probably eight or ten years old when I watched them slice the potatoes into very thin pieces and fry them in an iron frying pan filled with boiling lard, which in those days was the shortening of choice, especially for coal miners' families.

As I look back, I count such experiences as yet another advantage of having an older sister. Even though I was a bit funny looking when I'd wear those hand-me-downs to school. By and large, I think things worked out for the better because not only did she make potato chips, she was also a great funny book buyer and candy maker.

Fat substitutes were in the far distant future when she'd make what we always referred to as "sea-foam" candy. She spooned it onto waxed paper and it was the richest tasting stuff you ever ate. As was the case with practically everything else that could have been considered a form of treat, little brother Joe and I would nearly always overdo it and end up with a belly ache.

Anyway, for right now at least, olestra is only in the chips. In a year or so, though, it may be a regular staple in our diet as we strive to set free the proverbial skinny person who supposedly lives within all of us.



Prestonsburg will be the site of MS Walk

Lace up your walking shoes for multiple sclerosis

The West Virginia Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society invites everyone in the Prestonsburg area to register for the 1998 MS Walk to be held Sunday, May 3, at Prestonsburg Community College. Registration begins at 1 p.m. and the MS Walk begins at 2 p.m.

"For over 50 years, the National MS Society continues to fight against MS with more services and more MS research than any such organization in the world," according to James Steenbergen, chairman of Board of Trustees. "The Society is the only voluntary MS group that meets the standards of all agencies that rate not-for-profit organizations," Steenbergen added.

The MS Walk will cover ten scenic kilometers (a little over six miles). Walkers will raise funds for every mile completed. Throughout the route, the society provides support services such as rest stops, refreshments, first aid, and entertainment, all donated by local groups.

Prizes will be awarded to walkers raising \$65 or more. Proceeds support the National MS Society's cutting edge research and local support programs to help people with MS maximize their lives and retain independence.

MS is a chronic, often disabling disease that attacks a person's central nervous system. The progress, severity, and specific symptoms of the disease can not be foreseen. The

symptoms run the gamut from slight blurring of vision to complete paralysis. Most people with MS are diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 40, but the unpredictable physical and emotional effects can occur for the rest of their lives. Participating in the MS Walk provides the public an opportunity to make a difference in the lives of a third of a million Americans who battle the disabling effects of MS daily.

Steenbergen states, "Our goal for the MS Walk this year is to recruit a new walker for each person with MS we serve. That's 2,500 walkers in the areas the local chapter covers, including West Virginia, two counties in Ohio and seven counties in Kentucky.

"The MS Walk gets bigger every year because individuals continue to be good neighbors and make a commitment to help find a cure for MS," Steenbergen said. "And it really is fun! You can form a team of friends, co-workers, clubs or others, or go on your own," he added.

The MS Walk in Prestonsburg is sponsored by Metro News Network, WSIP, Stone and Thomas, Frito Lay, Foodland, Tyler Mountain Water, Pepsi and York.

For more information about registering for the 1998 MS Walk, sponsoring walkers, or volunteering for the event, contact the West Virginia Chapter of the National MS Society at 1-800-628-5645 or visit the web site at: www.wv.nmss.org.

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Ten Years Ago (February 17, 1988)

The state Attorney General's office notified Commonwealth's Attorney Jerry Patton to begin ouster proceedings against Magistrate Eddie Caudill...Juanita Conn of Toler's Creek has found the cemetery where her relatives are buried had been desecrated, a high wall built around it, and her brother's headstone to be missing...The Floyd UMW members voted 233-85 to accept a new five-year contract with the Bituminous Coal Operator's Association...A David man, Forrest Mitchell, had his second degree arson charge dismissed by Circuit Judge Hollie Conley due to insufficient evidence...27-year-old Eddie Jones, suffered seven knife wounds when his estranged wife and 16-year-old boyfriend took their three small children from his Martin home...Last Friday, 40 tons of coal were spread over US 23 just north of the highway 80 overpass when a tractor-trailer driven by Robert Kestner of Whitten Trucking attempted to avoid hitting a pickup truck...There died: Woodrow Ratliff, 37, of Endicott, Tuesday of carbon monoxide poisoning...Clarinda Bailey, 60, of Garrett, Monday at her residence following a heart attack...Joe Hall, 99, of Dwale, Monday at Highlands Regional Medical Center...J.B. Case, 62, of Honaker, Wednesday at Highlands Regional Medical Center...Charles Robinson, 46, of Langley, February 7 at Central Baptist Hospital...Fannie Conley, 66, of Rockfork, February 5 at Highlands Regional Medical Center...Jerry Perkins, 34, of Pinetop, Thursday at his residence...David Vinson, 2

years, formerly of Wayland, in Kendallville, Indiana...James Setser, 89, of Auxier, February 9 at Mountain Manor Nursing Home...Alvin Tackett, 54, of Myra, February 12 at his home...and Lillian Hagans, 78, of Harold, February 9 at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Twenty Years Ago (February 15, 1978)

Kentucky was listed Monday, with four other states, as areas where the now-70-day-old coal strike has reduced electric power companies' stockpiles of coal to the point that they are threatened with power cutbacks...Approximately 130 U.M.W.A. members crowded the district courtroom here last Thursday afternoon in protest of the arrest of three union miners from a picket line at Harold earlier that day...Two men have, within the week, drawn 10-year pen terms after trial on first degree burglary charges stemming from a daylight break into a mobile home on Abbott Creek...Floyd County's schools returned to classwork Monday for the first time since Jan. 6, and for the first two days school was dismissed after lunch due to the increased threat of bad driving conditions...State Police arson investigator J. B. McKenzie arrested two Hi Hat men of charges linked to the fire

of a Hi Hat house on December 31, and the Sheriff's Department arrested a Middle Creek woman after finding 13 pints of liquor and seven fifths of wine in the house she was occupying...There died: Mrs. Hazel Craft All, 67, of Russell, last Friday at the home of a friend on Cow Creek; James B. Layne, 90, of Harold, Tuesday, February 7, at Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital in Ashland; Willard May, formerly of Langley, February 9 in Deland, Florida; George Emmitt Martin, 86, of Garrett, Friday at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Orville Ousley, 57, formerly of Martin, Monday at the VA Hospital in Fort Wayne, Indiana; Mrs. Opal Boyd Lafferty, 59, formerly of Dana, December 23 in Cambridge, Ohio where she currently lived; Curtis Ray Amburgy, 32, formerly of Bypro, Sunday morning in a car crash on New Circle Road, Lexington.

Thirty Years Ago (February 15, 1968)

Prestonsburg was designated Wednesday as an All-Kentucky City by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce...Floyd Countians got a glimpse of one of the famed Kennedy clan Wednesday afternoon when U.S. Senator Robert F. Kennedy and

Congressman Carl D. Perkins stopped briefly at the courthouse here...Resignation of George E. Evans Jr. as vice-president of Island Creek Coal Company and as president of the Evans Elkhorn Division of Island Creek, was announced this week...A budget of almost \$2 1/2 billion was asked by Gov. Louie B. Nunn in his budget message Tuesday night...There died: Mrs. Viney Clark, 74, last Thursday at the home of a son at Galveston; Mrs. Lauda Bryant, 58, of Martin, Monday at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Roma Crider, 92, Sunday at his home at Auxier; James Osborn, 91, of Abbott Creek, Tuesday at the Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Raymond Porter, 62, last Thursday at his home at Allen; Mrs. Josephine Conley, 68, of Prestonsburg, Monday at the Paintsville Hospital; Jack Hughes, 76, of River, formerly of Floyd County, last Tuesday at the Paintsville Clinic; Grover Stephens, 85, former postmaster at Hite, Tuesday at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville.

Forty Years Ago (February 13, 1958)

A tentative plan was submitted by a bond firm for a new courthouse and was approved, but the undertaking is merely in the talking stage...Surplus foodstuffs in addition to those now coming into Floyd County were asked by County Judge Henry Stumbo and County Attorney Robert S. Wellman in letters addressed, Wednesday, to Senators John Sherman Cooper and Thurston B. Morton

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Our Yesterdays

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

Society

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New grandson

Janice and Cleve Shepherd and Brenda and Abe Vanderpool, all of Lancer Bottom, Prestonsburg, have returned home after spending some time in Lexington with their new grandson, Ethan Clay Vanderpool. Ethan Clay was born February 10, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington.

Legislation membership and health insurance concerns addressed

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association had an entertaining, as well as an informative, session February 12, at May Lodge of Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

President Roberta Fugate opened the 10:30 a.m. meeting with a hearty welcome to those present. She called on Danny Branson for the invocation. Alice Martin led the salute to the flag and the group singing of "My Old Kentucky Home." The secretary's report was given by Imogene Caldwell and approved as read. Doris Osborne gave the treasurer's report.

Various committee reports were then given with much discussion on items within the reports. Alice Martin added to legislative chairperson Frank McGuire's presentation by citing the names of legislative members Floyd County retired teachers should contact to solicit support for passage of House Bill 532; a bill endorsed by KRTA for improvement of retired teacher benefits. Named by Martin were Senator Benny Ray Bailey and Representatives Greg Stumbo and Donnie Newsome. The toll free number for reaching the three was given as 1-800-372-7181.

It was pointed out during the ensuing discussion that active teachers as well as retired teachers should also call and make their wishes known as they, too, stand to benefit in the future.

While not as timely, written messages can also be sent to the foregoing legislators. Their mailing

address was given as Capitol Annex, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

Roberta Fugate stated that retired teachers might want to contact legislators in Johnson and Pike counties as well.

For further information on H.B. 532 and HB 313 and 314, the latter two also endorsed by KRTA, members were directed to call Frank Hatfield at 1-800-372-7181.

Jimmy Reynolds followed the legislative report with a membership update. He said membership is increasing with over two hundred now enrolled. He read a letter to the group that he and his committee plan to send to all Floyd County retired teachers. The letter stresses the importance of membership at both the local and state level.

Elmer Martin, assisted by Danny Branson, gave the health insurance report. Elmer's information dealt mostly with coverage for retired teachers over 65, whereas, Danny Branson addressed issues for teachers under 65. Their combined efforts were very extensive and contained information all retired teachers should have for current and future medical needs.

Alice Martin reported on notification. The usual procedures were followed for publicity, she said, except that everything had to be repeated because of the February postponement due to inclement weather.

In other committee matters, the association president, Fugate, asked Jimmy Reynolds to have copies of the amended by-laws ready for distribution at the next meeting. She also asked the history committee to bring their information up-to-date.

In new business, the President asked for delegates to the KRTA Convention in Louisville slated for April 14 and 15. Ruby Akers, Imogene Caldwell, Alice Martin, Danny Branson and Gene Davis were elected to go, with Jimmy Reynolds and Bert Layne serving as alternates. Roberta Fugate, as KRTA Executive Council Member

will also attend.

Several suggestions were made that should prove helpful to FCRTA. One idea, suggested by Judy Music, is to have door prizes for future meetings. Judy will chair the committee that works on this.

Bert Layne suggested that inasmuch as many retired teachers had worked free of charge at ball games during their active years, that they be given lifetime passes to future games. This will be looked into soon.

There were several other recommendations from those present and these were put in the "Suggestion Box," which will remain as a permanent fixture at future FCRTA meetings.

The officers of the organization welcome members' ideas as the increase in yearly meetings offers more opportunity for varied and interesting programs.

The meeting adjourned following the benediction by Danny Branson.

Those registering at the meeting were: Ruby Akers, Judith P. Music, Imogene Caldwell, Bert Layne, Marsella C. Bradley, L. B. Price, Etta C. Scott, Marie C. Mullins, Doris Osborne, Jo Ann Johnson, Ann Stumbo, Andrew J. Crider, Lloyd Wells, Jimmy Reynolds, Daniel Branson, Frank McGuire, Elmer Martin, Roberta Fugate and Alice O. Martin.

The next scheduled meeting of FCRTA is Thursday, March 5. If you are not being contacted by phone prior to meetings, call 285-3030.

Miriam Rebekah Lodge hold meeting

A regular meeting of Miriam Rebekah Lodge #31 was held February 3. The Noble Grand Lorena Wallen, presided over the meeting.

Prior to the meeting those in attendance gathered in the dining room and enjoyed refreshments and an hour of fellowship with one another—celebrating the Valentine season.

After the opening of the meeting, attention was called to the sick list. Some are improving while other names have been added to the list. They will be remembered in prayer.

A list of shut-in members was made. The members agreed to send them a valentine to let them know that the members are thinking of them, and wish them a "Happy Valentine's Day."

A discussion was held regarding the raising of dues. After much discussion it was decided to wait until further notice to take a vote on this matter.

Installation of two members who had not been installed was held.

The lodge deputy, Jean Hickman, was in charge and Sue Moore served as deputy marshal. Dora Johns was installed as outside guardian and Deborah Johns as musician.

Members present were Lorena Wallen, Hope Whitten, Sue Moore, Paulena Owens, Jean Hickman, Deborah Johns, Dora Johns, and Mabel Jean LeMaster.

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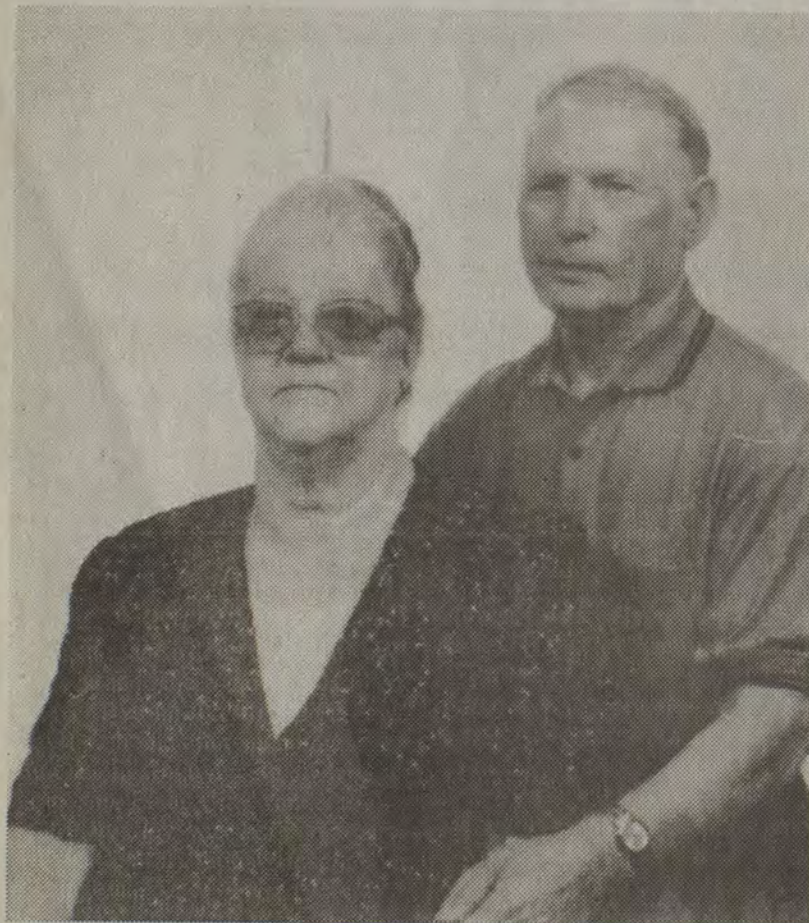
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ANNIVERSARIES



50th wedding anniversary

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Kristi Nelson, 21, of Prestonsburg, and Donnie Spears II, 24, of Prestonsburg.

Kimberly Frazier, 18, of Prestonsburg, and Jamie Meeks, 22, of Prestonsburg.

Jennifer Helfirch, 23, of Pierceton, Indiana, and Gary Stacy, 28, of Pierceton, Indiana.

Amanda Chafins, 19, of David, and Arthur J. Shepherd, 30, of David.

Suits Filed

Editor's note: Suits filed are not indicative of guilt, but represent only the claims of those filing the action.

Deborah Luster vs. Daniel Luster of Auxier; petition for dissolution of marriage.

American States Insurance et al. vs. Fannie Walters; alleged property damage.

Ford Motor Credit Company of Livonia, Michigan vs. Ernest Lewis of Ivel; alleged debt.

Margaret Prater et al. vs. Caroline Wallace of Blue River; compensation for injuries sustained on or about January 17, 1998 on US 23.

Carolyn Carroll of Inez vs. Lloyd Maynard of Inez; compensation for injuries sustained on or about January 27, 1997 on US 23.

Mack Tackett of Allen vs. Thelma H. Tackett of Prestonsburg; petition for dissolution of marriage.

TransFinancial Bank of Martin vs. Jimmy Wilhite et al. of Beaver; alleged debt.

Gary D. Johnson of Hi Hat vs. Dennis Johnson of Bypro; compensation for injuries sustained on or about December 23, 1996 on KY 122.

Dora Hurley of Betsy Layne vs. James Hurley of Betsy Layne; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Kathy Davis of Hippo vs. Deanie Davis of Hippo; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Ford Motor Credit Company of Livonia, Michigan vs. Hugh D. Conn et al. of Banner; alleged debt.

Delmar Webb vs. Winn-Dixie Montgomery, Inc. of Frankfort; compensation for injuries sustained on or about October 3, 1997 in Prestonsburg.

Bruce Rice of Banner vs. Karen W. Rice; petition for dissolution of marriage.

David York of Harold vs. Milody G. York of Pikeville; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Colonial Insurance Company et al. vs. Darrell Hall of Bevsinsville; alleged debt.

Commonwealth for Jessica Blevins vs. Joseph Kidd of Harold; petition for child support and health insurance.

Cathy Jacobs vs. Charles Collins et al. of Printer; compensation for injuries sustained on or about October 14, 1997 in Floyd County.

Deborah Hall et al. of Bevsinsville vs. Brenda Martin et al. of Bevsinsville; compensation for injuries sustained on or about December 6, 1996 on KY 979.

Pearl Trammell of Prestonsburg vs. Clarence Trammell, Jr. of Prestonsburg; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Deonna Hall of Beaver vs. Rodney Hall of Morganton, North Carolina; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Jody Mullins et al. vs. Wilmer Cody et al.; petition to appeal Kentucky Board of Education's administrative action.

Commonwealth for James Bailey vs. Jennifer Bailey of Banner; petition for child support and health insurance.

James Justice et al. of Harold vs. David Layne of Prestonsburg; compensation for injuries sustained on or about December 13, 1997 on Rt. 23.

Dispatch Logs

Editor's note: Dispatch logs are taken from the logs of the Prestonsburg Police Department.

February 9

8:17 a.m. — Highland Heights

maintenance reported someone had robbed a pop machine there.

8:44 p.m. — Super 8 Motel reported a male subject was hanging around the lobby annoying the clerk.

February 10

3:23 a.m. — An officer found two doors open at PHS; one to the gym and the other to the equipment room.

4:17 a.m. — Super 8 Motel called regarding an earlier complaint of a man annoying a clerk in their lobby, who was back again.

9:08 a.m. — An accident without injuries was reported at PCC.

3:44 p.m. — Wilson Equipment reported two cars were racing at the straight stretch on 302.

3:57 p.m. — Hyden's BP reported the theft of a CB radio.

4:30 p.m. — A Circle Drive man reported dogs were on his back porch.

5:47 p.m. — Cliffside maintenance reported a station wagon had "burned the tires off" while leaving the project.

7:22 p.m. — Rite Aid Pharmacy reported that a male subject had tried to fill a prescription with no date, and when he was refused, he became mad and used obscenities at the staff.

8:09 p.m. — A woman at Mayo Trailer Court reported that her husband was on her front porch, and she hadn't seen him in two years, and she wanted him removed.

11:30 p.m. — Loud music was reported at an apartment at Cliffside.

February 11

12:48 a.m. — An anonymous report was made regarding an 8-year-old boy wandering around the area of SuperAmerica because he thought his mom had left him.

6:00 p.m. — A male subject in a blue vehicle tried to pickup two female juveniles near Country at Heart.

10:25 p.m. — Maintenance at Dixie Heights reported several males in an apartment there.

February 12

1:54 a.m. — Super 8 Motel reported hearing a woman yelling for help on the first floor.

5:45 a.m. — An accident without injuries was reported at Hardee's parking lot.

9:50 a.m. — A man at the Blue Sky Motel reported some money had been stolen from him.

11:38 a.m. — An accident without injuries was reported at the Lancer 4-Way lights.

11:43 a.m. — A South Lake Drive business reported the theft of some items.

3:18 p.m. — Wal-Mart reported three shoplifters.

5:22 p.m. — A Highland Heights woman reported her boyfriend had assaulted her in her apartment.

6:23 p.m. — A shoplifter was reported at Food City.

10:29 p.m. — A female at Cliffside reported "noise from another apartment was disturbing her sister who was dying."

10:32 p.m. — The county jail reported a man in a diabetic coma needed transport to the hospital.

11:46 p.m. — A Goble-Roberts man reported noise coming from an apartment there.

February 13

7:30 a.m. — A minor accident without injuries was reported as one coal truck had backed into another across from the Cardinal Mart.

8:24 a.m. — A Lancer woman reported her house was "destroyed and her jewelry stolen" and that she had an EPO against her husband.

9:09 a.m. — PES reported an intoxicated woman was trying to pick up a child there.

9:27 a.m. — PHS reported vandalism.

8:11 p.m. — A Bevins Street resident reported a prowler.

8:49 p.m. — Wendy's reported loud teens playing music, and they couldn't hear at the drive-thru.

10:20 p.m. — A Holiday Inn guest wanted an uninvited subject removed from a private party.

10:50 p.m. — The Holiday Inn guest reported the subject was again back at the party.

11:20 p.m. — The Holiday Inn guest was again causing problems at the private party.

February 14

12:36 a.m. — An anonymous report of a passed-out subject in his vehicle with the hood up at the Jenny Wiley Village.

1:03 a.m. — An extremely intoxicated male at the Full House Cafe was causing trouble.

1:21 p.m. — A woman at West Prestonsburg reported her neighbor's barking dog was bothering her.

1:24 p.m. — A Green Acres woman reported money was missing from her purse.

4:47 p.m. — A power line was reported down at the Holiday Inn.

6:05 p.m. — A domestic dispute was reported at Cliffside.

10:00 p.m. — A Highland Heights man reported a verbal dispute with another man over a dog.

February 15

12:06 a.m. — McDonald's reported that they were ready to close and an unruly subject was waiting in their parking lot and the employees were nervous about it.

12:09 a.m. — Food City reported a female had told them she needed EMS to take her to HRMC because she had a domestic dispute earlier.

12:15 a.m. — Reno's reported a male subject is inside wanting a ride home and has a knife and some jewelry with him.

2:43 a.m. — Some women at the Full House Cafe reported their purses stolen.

11:20 a.m. — Super 8 Motel

reported a resident had stereo equipment stolen.

12:32 a.m. — Praise Assembly Church reported an intoxicated man

had come into the church and left.

3:39 p.m. — An accident with injuries was reported in front of Advance Auto.

David students help with "Sixteen Tons"

Sixteen tons (of fruit). What do you get? Help from David School.

As one of its community service projects each year, David School unloads the truck that delivers the fruit to Our Lady of the Mountains School for its annual citrus sale. In December, a busload of more than 40 students and staff spent the day picking up, passing and stacking 16, actually 17 tons of fruit boxes.

"The job was a little messier than usual this year," said Susan Chafin, citrus chairperson. "The trucking company decided to haul kelp packed in ice on the same load. Some of the ice melted and soaked the boxes stacked closest to the kelp. When the kids picked up those boxes, fruit rolled everywhere! That meant some of the fruit they unloaded had to be reloaded for replacement."

Chafin was impressed with the work ethic she saw in the David students who worked cheerfully and steadily. The students formed a long line that picked up box after box and passed each box to the student standing behind until each box was stacked in a spot designated for its type of fruit.

"They unloaded 1,372 boxes of fruit," said Chafin. "Some of the students handled every box."

Our Lady of the Mountains School's fruit sale is one of its major fundraisers. Parents take

orders in November. When the fruit arrives in December, each piece is inspected for quality by parent volunteers before it is picked up or delivered.

This year the school sold fruit worth more than \$20,000 for a net profit of \$7,268.



Students from the David School helped unload a truck at Our Lady of the Mountains School for the annual "citrus drive."



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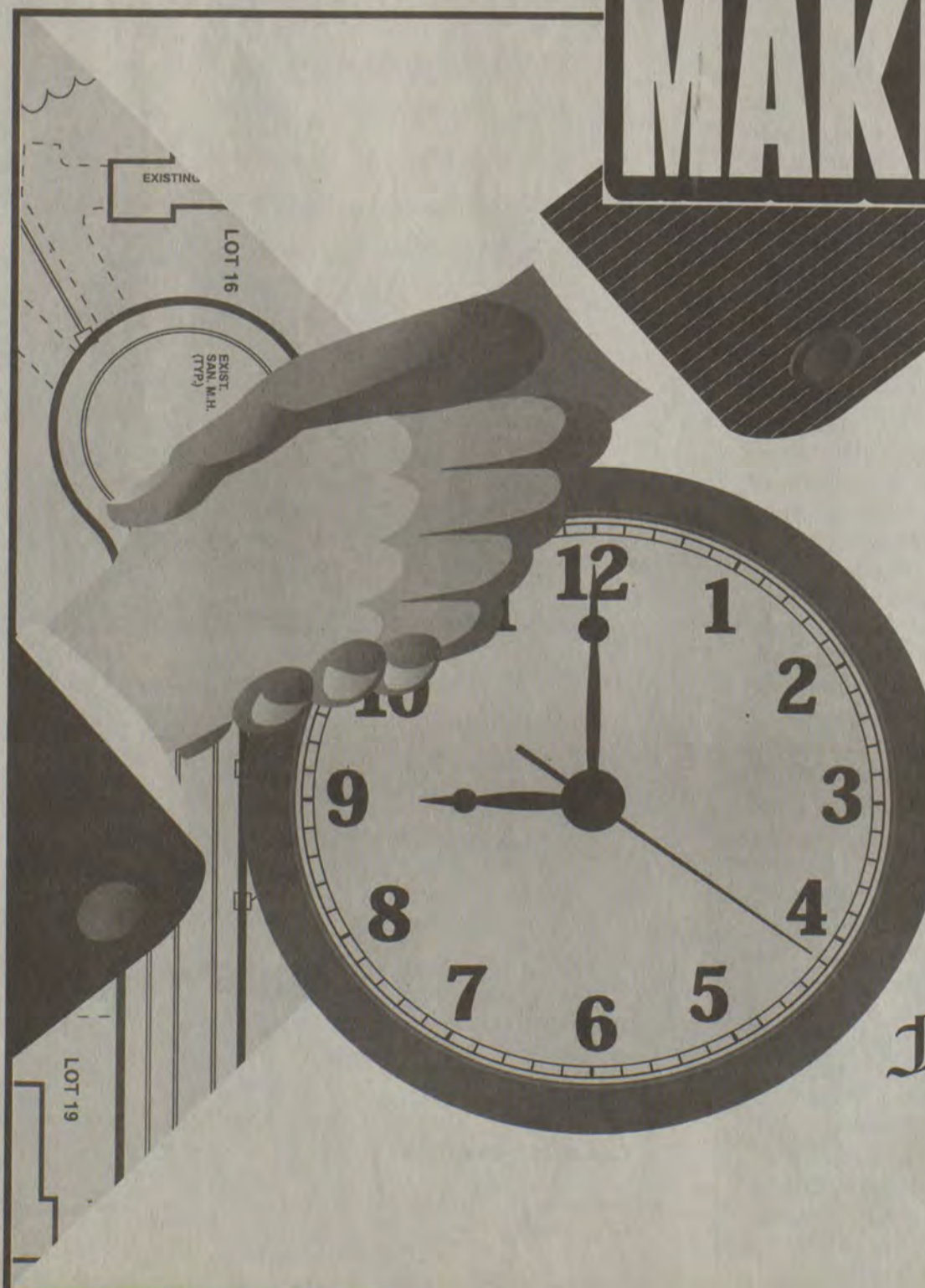
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Doughnuts were made during "D" week at May Valley Elementary by Anna Shepherd's K-1 class. Pictured is Seth Perry.

MSU to host "Preview Day"

For prospective college students and their parents, Saturday, February 21, is a date to mark on the calendar and attend Morehead State University's "Preview Day." "Preview Day will provide information that will help high school students make a smooth transition into college," said Sandra Barker, assistant director of admissions. "The day lets students experience life as if they were actually a college student," she said.

The campus visitors will start with registration, refreshments and an opportunity to view displays of University offerings, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Crager Room, Adron Doran University Center.

Participants will then be welcomed by MSU administrators and student speaker Sheila Perry, Morehead junior exercise science major.

"The day lets students experience life as if they were actually a college student," Barker said.

The morning will conclude with students attending mini classes before the lunch break. Mainstreet, MSU, the University's food services, will be open for those who desire to purchase lunch on cam-

pus. The University Bookstore also will be open during this time.

In the afternoon, visitors will enjoy spotlights of the university's programs and a performance by MSU's varsity cheerleaders who recently won their eighth consecutive national cheerleading title.

Concluding the activities, students will receive an overview of college life, visit various academic departments and tour the campus.

Participants may register in advance by phone or at the door on that day.

Additional information on the Preview Day is available from MSU's Office of Admissions at 1-800-585-6781 or (606) 783-2000.

Preston joins Matewan Banks

Matewan Banks has announced the addition of Cathy Preston to its lending staff. Cathy has been in banking for 20 years, formerly working for The Bank Josephine of Prestonsburg and most recently working with Citizens National Bank of Paintsville.

Cathy and her husband Darrell, a Prestonsburg City Police Officer, reside at Ivel, with their two children, Leigh Ann, 19 and Brett, 12.



Cathy Preston

Cathy attended high school in Germany and attended Prestonsburg Community College upon returning to the area. She is also a graduate of the Kentucky School of Banking and Commercial Lending School in Norman, Oklahoma.

While living in the Prestonsburg/Paintsville area, Cathy has been involved in many civic activities including the Paintsville Kiwanis Club, the Prestonsburg Jaycees, the American Cancer Society, the Prestonsburg Chamber of Commerce and was runner-up as the Kentucky Small Business Advocate of the Year. She has also been involved with the area's HAP Little League and the Betsy Layne Basketball Training League.

Cathy is now a lending officer with Matewan Banks located on North Mayo Trail, Pikeville. Office hours are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday, and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday. Cathy can be reached by calling (606) 432-4411 or 1-800-4-MATEWAN.

BIRTHDAYS



Fifth birthday

Kristen Leighanne Layne celebrated her fifth birthday on January 7. Her parents are James and Kimberly Layne of Langley. She is the sister of Zachary and Megan. Her grandparents are Jessie Artrip and Gloria Layne, both of Langley, and the late Scott Layne. Her great-grandparents are Ida Artrip, Ida Click, Virginia Nicholson, and Curt Layne.



Third birthday

Megan Elizabeth Layne celebrated her third birthday on December 6. Her parents are James and Kimberly Layne of Langley. She is the little sister of Zachary and Kristen. Her grandparents are Jessie Artrip and Gloria Layne of Langley and the late Scott Layne. She also is the great-granddaughter of Ida Artrip, Ida Click, Virginia Nicholson and Curt Layne.

Yesterdays

(Continued from page one)

and Congressman Carl D. Perkins...The census of needy families in Floyd County now being completed by teachers may run as high as 800 instead of 400 as originally calculated from a superficial survey made a few weeks ago...Orville Mitchell, 39, of Grethel, died at the Methodist Hospital Saturday of injuries suffered at Grethel, Jan. 27 when a circular saw caught and hurled a slab against his head...Two Floyd men were killed in traffic accidents over the past week. Jack Manns, 51, of Wayland, died Sunday when the auto in which he was riding plunged over the mountain on the Buckingham-Dry Creek road. William Howard Centers, 31, of Betsy Layne, was one of four men who were killed in a car-truck collision at Elkton, Md., last week...Showing at the Abigail this Saturday is a hot one, "Eat 'em Alive," a "different" kind of flick which shows footage of eight life and death struggles including fights between a dog and rattler, a king snake and rattler, two turtles, among other exciting conflicts...Prestonsburg High School's huge, new gymnasium—largest and finest in Eastern Kentucky—will open its doors Saturday evening for the first basketball play to be staged on its floor...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Turner Vance Jr., of Wheelwright, a son, recently; to Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Stephens, a daughter, Feb. 6 at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. John S. Rodebaugh, of Prestonsburg, a daughter, Rayanna Lea, Feb. 13 at their home...There died: Bishop Morrison, 65, of Prestonsburg, last Thursday at his home; Reuben Tackett, 77, last Wednesday at home at Hi Hat; William R. Hamilton, 74, last Thursday at his home at Amba; Mrs. Ida Holbrook, 57, Feb. 1 at her home at Halo; Sam Smith, 68, of Garrett, Tuesday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Mrs. Rebecca May, 79, of Langley, Thursday at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Martin; Steve Johnson, 78, last Wednesday at his home at Wheelwright; Mrs. Nannie M. Slone, 51, of Estill, Saturday at the McDowell Memorial Hospital.

Fifty Years Ago (February 19, 1948)

During the week-end numerous homes in half a dozen Floyd towns were flooded after steady rain had washed away the last vestiges of the three-week-old ice and snow that had blanketed this section...Truck mine operators of the county organized Sunday in a meeting at Martin...An ordinance fixing a penalty for disposal of garbage in the corporate limits of Prestonsburg was enacted by the City Council at its Monday night meeting...State Senator Doug Hays, of McDowell, saw his state liquor monopoly

meet apparent defeat Tuesday...Wayland's first high school football team and its coach, "Copper" John Campbell, were honored Saturday night at a banquet sponsored by the Wayland Lions Club...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Huddleston, a daughter, Sunday...There died: King Osborne, 65, Feb. 9 at his home at McDowell; Lafayette (Shorty) Davis, 58, former engineer for the C. & O. Railway at Martin, Saturday in a Detroit hospital; Rev. Whetzel Blair, 94, Monday at the home of a daughter at Boldman; Mrs. Anna Case Wallen, 40, of McDowell, Saturday at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin; Mrs. Tallie Dingus Graham, 34, of Flemingsburg, last Wednesday at the home of her mother at Martin; S. B. Salyer, 73, Friday at his home at Minnie.

Sixty Years Ago (February 17, 1938)

Within 15 minutes, death claimed the lives of two Floyd coal miners in mine accidents within a few miles of each other last Friday. Buren Castle, 41, of Wayland, was killed instantly in a slatefall in the mines of the Wayland Elkhorn Coal Corporation and shortly afterward, Henry Brown, 50, of Lackey, died in the Stumbo Memorial Hospital after an accident at the Central Elkhorn Coal Company's mine at Lackey...Continuing his investigation of the shooting of Jesse Collins, 23, Commonwealth's Attorney O. C. Hall said last week that he and Sheriff Dial Salisbury were present when a bullet, alleged to have been fired through Collins' body, was dug from bloodstained soil at the scene of the shooting in Melvin...Plans for a debate tournament here, the annual Floyd County oratorical contest at Martin and graduation exercises for all Floyd County high schools here were made Saturday at a meeting of county school principals in the office of County Superintendent Town Hall...Bottling the scoring attack of the highly-rated Garrett Black Devils, an underrated Auxier quintet defeated the Garrett team, 19-10 in an upset victory last week...Married: Miss Elsie Draughn, and Curtis Patton, of Hueysville, Jan. 29 at Garrett. Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Varney A. Smiley, of Prestonsburg, a son, Andrew Jackson, Feb. 2 at their home; to Mr. and Mrs. Wes Hatfield, of Martin, a daughter, Nancy May, recently; to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Archer, a daughter, Martha Frances, last week at the Paintsville Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Underwood, of Prestonsburg, twins, last week...There died: Mrs. Zola Howerton Banks, Friday at her home at Cliff; Emma Grace Flack, 14, of Brandy Keg, Monday at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin.

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WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS



Branson-Howard to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Branson of Allen, announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Daneque La'Beau, to Jack Kyle Howard, the son of Jack T. and Sharon Howard of Dwale. The wedding will take place March 14, at 1:30 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church of Prestonsburg. The gracious custom of an open wedding will be observed.



Hall-Davis engagement

Redgy and Clarissa Hall of Okeechobee, Florida, formerly of Floyd County, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Shanna, to Kelly Lawrence Davis, son of Kim Davis and Darlyne Davis of Orlando, Florida. Shanna is the granddaughter of Roszella Lewis and Virgil and Jane Hall, all of Okeechobee, Florida. Kelly is the son of Betty Davis and Theresa Urgelles, both of Orlando, Florida.



Rice-Collins to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Rice, of Louisville, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Terri Ellen, and Christopher Brian Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Collins of Prestonsburg. Miss Rice is currently employed by Century 21 Dampler, and is a realtor in Lexington. Mr. Collins is self-employed. The wedding will be held on April 18, at 3 p.m., at the Andover Country Club in Lexington. The gracious custom of an open wedding will be held.



Jessica Bradbury and Scott Esmond

February wedding planned

Jessica Dawn Bradbury and Scott Louis Esmond will be married on February 21 at the Together Forever Wedding Chapel in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. Minister Don D. Todd will perform the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Phil and Carol Bradbury of Georgetown. She is a 1994 graduate of the University of Louisville and has recently graduated from the Strand College of Hair Design in Myrtle Beach. She is also an alumni member of the Chi Omega Sorority.

The groom is the son of John and Janice Esmond of Myrtle Beach,

South Carolina. He is a graduate of Deering High School of Portland, Maine. He is now serving his third year in the United States Navy as quarter master and petty officer 3rd class.

The matron of honor will be Sarah Esmond of Westbrook, Maine. The best man will be the groom's brother, Chris Esmond, of Westbrook, Maine.

A reception will be held at Harry the Hats in Myrtle Beach.

The couple will spend their honeymoon in Myrtle Beach before making their home in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

NEW ARRIVALS

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February 4: A son, Jerhco Jay Thacker, to Judy Thornsbury of Printer.

February 6: A son, Dillion Mickey Eugene, to Khristy and Mickey Williams of Salyersville; a son, Dakota Seth, to Tonya and Dustin Conn of Stanville; a daughter, Michaela Lee, to Ronald Dwight and Heidi Gail Gayheart of Drift.

February 7: A son, Richard Neil Jr., to Andrea and Richard Grace of Sitka; a daughter, Madison Kaylyn, to Stacey Lynn Clay of Staffordsville.

February 8: A son, Jeremiah Baeuck, to Julianne and Gorden Rider of East Point.

February 10: A son, Nathanael Lee, to Vernita and Richard Wilcox of Van Lear; a son, Christopher David Hall, to Pamela Lynn Hunter of Topmost.

Son born to Vanderpools

Jennifer and Jason Vanderpool announce the birth of their first child, a son, Ethan Clay, born Tuesday, February 10, at 9:55 a.m. at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington.

Ethan Clay weighed 6 lbs. 13 oz. and was 19 inches long.

He is the grandson of Cleve and Janice Shepherd and Abe and Brenda Vanderpool, all of Lancer Bottom, Prestonsburg.

He is the great-grandson of Gardis and Maudie Ousley of Middle Creek; Bud and Juanita Shepherd of Abbott Creek; Betty and Abe Vanderpool of Cow Creek; and Oma Hughes of Prestonsburg and the late Arthur Hughes.

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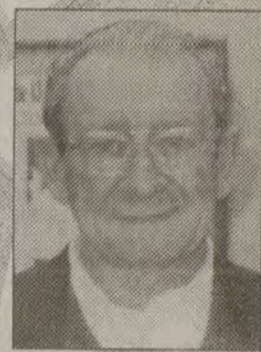
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HASH BROWN CASSEROLE

32 oz. frozen Southern-style potatoes
16 oz. sour cream
1 stick butter
2 c. finely shredded mild Cheddar cheese
1 c. cream of chicken soup (no water)
Seasoned salt and onion salt
Melt butter. Mix everything together. Save a little cheese to put on top. Bake at 350° for 1 hour and 20 minutes. (Turn over the last 20 minutes).
Sonya Maynard

BROCCOLI CORNBREAD

1 small onion, chopped fine
1 small container cottage cheese
3 eggs
1 stick margarine, softened
2 boxes Jiffy cornmeal mix
1 box chopped broccoli, thawed
Put in a 9 x 13-inch pan. Bake at 400°.
Linda Burchett

PEACH COBBLER

1 can peaches, sprinkled with sugar
1 c. self-rising flour
1 c. sugar
1 c. milk
Mix all together. Pour into a 9 x 13-inch pan. Bake at 375° until golden brown or desired doneness.
Teresa Hayes

CHEESE BISCUITS

1/4 lb. cheese (sharp)
1 c. flour
1/2 c. butter or margarine
Crumble cheese and butter in flour until thoroughly mixed. Shape in small balls and bake on cookie sheet for 10 to 15 minutes in a 350° oven.

KENTUCKY CORN BREAD

1 1/2 c. self-rising meal
1/2 c. Western oil
2 eggs
1 can creamed corn
1 c. sour cream
1/2 c. grated cheese (medium sharp)
3 Tbsp. green onions
Mix all ingredients except the cheese. Put half the mixture in greased, hot skillet. Spread cheese on top. Add the rest of the mixture. Bake at 450° for 30 minutes.

QUICK AND EASY HOT ROLLS

1/2 c. sugar
2 tsp. salt
3 c. hot water
1/2 c. vegetable oil
7 or 8 c. (bread) flour
4 pkg. yeast
Combine the sugar, salt, water and oil. Use mixer on low speed. Blend until sugar dissolves. Add 1 cup of the flour and yeast; beat in. Add enough of the flour on table and start kneading until dough is smooth. Pinch off and place in a well-greased pan.
*Let rise until doubled in size. Add small amount of margarine on top. Bake at 350° for 10 to 15 minutes until browned on top and bottom. Makes 16 cloverleaf rolls.
Note: Bread flour makes rolls lighter, but can use regular flour. Quick rise yeast can be used.
*These rolls need to rise once after placing them in the pan.
Teresa Hayes

CHICKEN STEAKS

1 (3 lb.) fryer
1 c. pancake mix
1/2 c. milk
1 egg
Salt and pepper to taste
To prepare chicken steaks, remove legs and thighs. Using a sharp paring knife, remove all bones and tendons. Next, remove meat from breast bone. The meat is then tenderized with a hand tenderizing handle. Cut tenderized meat into 2-inch squares. Dip in pancake batter and cook for 3 minutes in deep fat at 350°. Yields 12 servings.

HONEY CHICKEN

3 lb. chicken
1/2 c. honey
1/2 stick melted butter
1 tsp. curry powder
1 tsp. salt
1/4 c. mustard
Mix the ingredients well. Put chicken in pan and cover with mixture. Bake at 350° for 1 hour. Turn

and bake for another 10 minutes. Serve with rice or mashed potatoes.
Paul and Gail Fitzpatrick

PEPPERED PORK CHOPS

2 lb. boneless pork chops
Salt and pepper
1/4 c. Wesson oil
2 1/2 c. sliced green peppers
1 c. chopped onion
1 (15 oz.) can Hunt's tomato herb sauce
1 c. chicken broth
1/4 tsp. cayenne pepper
1/8 tsp. cayenne pepper
Hot cooked rice
Sprinkle chops with salt and pepper. Coat lightly with flour. In Dutch oven, brown chops in oil. Remove. In 1 tablespoon drippings, saute peppers and onion until beginning to soften. Stir in remaining ingredients except rice. Place chops in sauce. Simmer, covered, for 45 minutes or until chops are tender. Remove chops and simmer, uncovered, to thicken sauce, if desired. Serve over rice. Makes 8 servings.

VEGETABLE DELIGHT

3 carrots
3 potatoes
1 large onion
3 stalks celery
1 stick butter
Red dried pepper, salt and pepper to taste
Cut up vegetables into desired sizes. Sprinkle spices on top and mix well. Add butter over top. Place in microwave oven, covered, and cook 10 minutes. Mix well. Return to oven and cook for 5 to 8 more minutes.
Jacky Blackburn Sr.

"BIG EASY" SOUP

8-10 small new red potatoes, scrubbed, skin on
2 cans (15 oz.) Veg*All Cajun Mixed Vegetables, with liquid
1 can (15 oz.) whole kernel corn, drained
1/2 lb. smoked sausage links, cut in 1/4" slices or 1 lb. cooked and diced chicken or 1/2 lb. peeled and deveined shrimp or a combination of all three
Hot pepper sauce to taste (optional)
Add water if desired
In a large soup kettle, boil potatoes until tender (10-12 min.). Remove potatoes from water. Reserve about 1 cup of the water. Allow potatoes to cool slightly and cut into quarters.
Return potatoes and water to soup kettle. Add Veg*All Cajun Mixed Vegetables with liquid, corn and meat. Simmer until heated through.
If desired, add hot sauce and more water.

SPICY SKILLET DINNER

1 lb. ground beef
1 pkg. (11/4 oz.) dry taco seasoning mix
1 cup water
1 can (15 oz.) Veg*All Hot 'n Spicy Mixed Vegetables, with liquid
1 1/2 cups instant rice-uncooked
In a large skillet, brown meat. Drain excess fat.
Stir in seasoning mix. Blend well.
Add water. Simmer 10 minutes. Add Veg*All Hot 'n Spicy Mixed Vegetables, with liquid. Heat through.
Add uncooked rice. Blend well. Cover and simmer 5 minutes or until liquid is absorbed and rice is tender. Stir again. Serve hot.
Serving suggestion: May be served in taco shells, topped with grated cheese.
Whether you're looking for a new side dish to spice up your meals or a different way to jazz up a favorite recipe, Veg*All Hot 'n Spicy Mixed Vegetables and Veg*All Cajun Mixed Vegetables are the answer, and will be available in select markets early in 1998.

PEACH-WALNUT UPSIDE DOWN CAKE

Topping:
1/4 cup fat-free caramel ice cream topping, divided
1 large (about 8 oz.) peach*
1/4 cup chopped walnuts
Cake:
1 1/3 cups all-purpose flour
3/4 teaspoon ground cardamom
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/8 teaspoon salt
1 1/2 cups powdered sugar
1/3 cup SunSweet Lighter Bake
3 tablespoons butter, cut up
1/4 teaspoon finely grated lemon peel
2 large eggs

Preheat oven to 350°F. Coat 9-inch cake pan with nonstick spray. Drizzle 2 tablespoons caramel topping in bottom of pan (warm caramel slightly if thick). Peel peach and cut into slices about 1/3-inch thick. Arrange slices, spoke-fashion, in pan. Sprinkle walnuts around peaches. Combine flour, cardamom, baking powder, cinnamon and salt; set aside. Combine powdered sugar, Lighter Bake, butter and lemon peel. Beat with electric mixer until light and creamy. Beat in eggs, one at a time. Gradually beat in dry ingredients, blending just until mixed. Carefully spread batter over peaches. Bake for 30 minutes or until pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 5 minutes in pan. Invert cake onto wire rack to cool. Just before serving, warm remaining caramel topping; brush over cake.
Makes 10 servings.
* or use 8 ounces frozen peach slices. Thaw on paper towels to drain excess liquid and slice to 1/3-inch thickness.

MAC 'N' CHEESE STUFFED TOMATO BOATS

4 large fresh Florida tomatoes
1 box (7.25 ounces) macaroni and cheese
1 cup thawed frozen peas
1 tortilla cut in 8 wedges or taco chips

Use tomatoes held at room temperature until fully ripe. Prepare macaroni and cheese as label directs. Meanwhile, cut tomatoes in halves. Scoop out pulp leaving 1/4-inch thick tomato shells; chop pulp. Stir chopped pulp and the peas into cooked macaroni and cheese. Spoon mixture into tomato halves, dividing evenly. In a microwaveable dish arrange stuffed tomatoes; microwave on HIGH (100 percent power) until macaroni mixture and tomatoes are heated through, about 2 minutes. Top each stuffed tomato with a tortilla wedge "sail." Serve if desired, with carrot and celery sticks and lettuce leaves.
Yield: 4 portions

ROMAN CHICKEN

1 tablespoon vegetable oil
1 pound boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cut into 1/4 inch thick strips
1 medium onion, chopped
1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
3 cups cooked rice
1 14.5 ounce can Italian-style stewed or diced tomatoes
1/2 cup (2 ounces) grated Parmesan cheese
Heat oil in large skillet over medium-high heat until hot. Add chicken, onion and Italian seasoning; cook and stir 5 to 7 minutes or until chicken begins to brown and

onion is tender. Add rice and tomatoes; cook 2 to 3 minutes or until thoroughly heated. Sprinkle with cheese; serve.
Makes 4 servings.

MARSHMALLOW TRUFFLES

1 pkg. (10 oz.) Jet-Puffed® Marshmallows, regular size (38 to 40)
2 cups (12 oz. pkg.) semi-sweet chocolate chips
Chopped pecans
Multi-colored sprinkles
Arrange marshmallows on tray; freeze 15 minutes.
Microwave chips in microwaveable bowl on HIGH 2 to 2 1/2 minutes or until smooth when stirred, stirring every minute.
Dip marshmallows into melted chocolate; turn until coated. Roll in pecans or sprinkles. Place on wax paper-lined tray. Refrigerate or keep in cool dry place.
Meringue-Topped Strawberry Shortcake
1 quart fresh strawberries
1/4 cup granulated sugar
2 1/3 cups Bisquick Original baking mix
3 tablespoons granulated sugar
3 tablespoons margarine, butter or spread,* melted
1/2 cup milk
2 egg whites
1/4 cup powdered sugar

1/4 cup granulated sugar
1 tablespoon sugar
Slice strawberries; sprinkle with 1/4 cup granulated sugar and let stand 1 hour.
Heat oven to 375°. Stir baking mix, 3 tablespoons granulated sugar, the margarine and milk until soft dough forms. Gently smooth into ball on surface dusted with baking mix. Knead 8 to 10 times. Pat dough in ungreased round pan, 9x11/2 inches.
Beat egg whites until foamy. Beat in powdered sugar and 1/4 cup granulated sugar, 1 tablespoon at a time; continue beating until stiff and glossy. Spread meringue on dough, sprinkle with 1 tablespoon granulated sugar.
Bake about 30 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 10 minutes. Run knife around edge to loosen; turn onto cloth-covered wire rack or plate. Turn meringue side up onto wire rack; cool completely. Serve with strawberries, 8 servings.
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Through Design Plus, businesses have the capability to test headlines, different offers, guarantees, terms, bonuses, and any other

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Don't miss out on this new wave of marketing, any local business can have a free listing in the new National Direct Internet Yellow Pages by simply filling out a form available by calling (606) 297-6558.

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Local customers and prospects can go to the National Direct Internet Yellow Pages at <http://www.ndiyp.com> and search

for what they want by area code. As long as your business is registered, your listing will pop up.

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Jerome Mollette, manager at the Prestonsburg McDonalds, recently received a certificate of completion in the ServSafe Serving Safe Food program. The certificate was presented by Wanda Mollette, ServSafe instructor and manager of the McDonald's Coal Run. The course teaches managers and employees the correct methods of handling and preparing food safely.

COMMERCE CORNER

by Carla Coburn
Executive Director
Floyd County
Chamber of Commerce

Members of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce will join together this Thursday, February 19 at Highlands Regional Medical Center to celebrate their MRI and Bone Density Lab. The social event and touring will be from 5-7 p.m. We appreciate HRMC for hosting our February "Business After Hours." If you would like to schedule an evening with our organization at your place of business, please contact our Executive Director, Carla Coburn.

The Floyd County Chamber of

Commerce has been busy this week. In addition to working on the second episode of The Chamber Show to be filmed on February 25 by Cablevision Communications, we've been working with one local entrepreneur on getting a new business started. The Chamber recommends that anyone with an idea for a business venture start the process by completing a Business Plan. This planning process will help you collect your ideas, and is essential in securing financing for start-up capital. One source for assistance with



Carla Coburn

the Business Plan is the Morehead State University Business Development Center in Pikeville (606) 432-5848. The Center also has frequent seminars on topics that would appeal to the small business person, such as the seminar held this past Tuesday at Matewan Bank in Pikeville on the subject of Business Recordkeeping. Once

you've gotten your Business Plan together, and are confident that you are dedicated to the long hours and hard work associated with being in business for yourself, then you should consider where you would like to locate your company. Chamber of Commerce can assist you in this process by recommending several of our qualified Realtor Members. Remember also that you'll be responsible for selecting a business name which must be registered, and you must have licenses from your county and city before operation can begin. The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce supports the entrepreneurial spirit, and feels that this is an asset to the business climate of our community. The Chamber Internet Seminar,

"How the Internet Can Help Local Business," has been scheduled for March 18 from 2 p.m.-5 p.m. at the Mountain Arts Center. The seminar will be instructed by professionals from KIH On-Line, Alan Coppock and Ben Sams, and will consist of the unveiling of the Chamber Web Site by Chris Kidd of Highlands Regional Medical Center, as well as presentations by Stephanie Baldwin of Manpower Temporary Services and Chris Conley of Prestonsburg Community College. We are also planning to have Chamber Member Computer retailers on hand to demonstrate equipment that can help you upgrade your office to the technological age. The seminar cost is \$15 for Chamber members and \$25 for non-members. We encourage you to pre-register by contacting the Chamber of Commerce.

This week, we welcome the following members who have dedicated their businesses as part of our organization: Jenny Wiley Liquors, State Wide Press and Christian Appalachian Project. Our business organization is growing, and if your business would like to take advantage of our membership services as these members are doing, contact your Chamber of Commerce today at (606) 886-0364. We are "business helping business."

P'burg identified as key market in GNC expansion

Prestonsburg has been designated a key market in the five-year expansion plan being launched by GNC Franchising, Inc., a subsidiary of General Nutrition Companies Inc. (NASDAQ:GNCI), a global leader in the nutritional supplement market.

According to Russell L. Cooper, GNC Franchising senior vice president and general manager,

Prestonsburg represents an ideal market for GNC Franchising because of its location, population and demographics. "Our success is linked to the ongoing growth of the nutritional supplement market," Cooper said. "As the baby boomer population ages and people continue to take a larger role in managing their own health, our stores must be positioned in markets like Prestonsburg," he added.

Special financing programs created for franchises that can effectively increase first-year cash flow by nearly 50 percent emphasize the company's commitment to its expansion market effort.

GNC Franchising was named the country's top franchise by Franchise Times in the magazine's annual ranking published in December. GNC is the national leader in the growing \$7.3 billion nutritional-supplement market and is the country's leading provider of products, services and information in the self-care and personal health enhancement specialty retail markets.

General Nutrition Companies, Inc., based in Pittsburgh, operates a network of 3,291 retail stores under the General Nutrition Centers, Nature Food Centre, Health and Diet Centre, Amphora, Nature's Fresh Northwest and GNC Live Well names.

The company's stores are located in all 50 states, Puerto Rico and 18 foreign countries. For more information on GNC's franchising opportunities, call 1-800-766-7099.



Agent of the year

Thomas L. Westfall has received the "Agent of the Year" award from Abode USA Realty for 1997. Westfall averaged closing two units a month for the year, and earned the professional designation G.R.I. as a graduate of the Realtor Institute. Westfall is married to Berniece Westfall who is also a Realtor with Abode USA Realty.

Record year for Trans Financial

Trans Financial Inc. (NASDAQ: TRFI) recently announced record net income for fourth quarter 1997 of \$6.4 million, or basic earnings per share of \$0.56 and diluted earnings per share of \$0.54. Fourth quarter net income resulted in a 20 percent increase, while diluted earnings per share increased 17 percent over fourth quarter 1996. Net income for full-year 1997 was a record \$23.9 million, or basic earnings per share of \$2.09 and diluted earnings per share of \$2.04.

Fourth quarter earnings represent a return on average assets of 1.22%

and return on average equity of 17.13 percent, compared to 1.10 percent and 16.41 percent for fourth quarter 1996. The efficiency ratio reached an all-time low of 59.96% for the quarter and 61.26% for the year.

"The year marked a number of successes for Trans Financial," said Vince Berta, president and chief executive officer. "We produced record earnings in all four quarters while, more importantly, increasing the momentum for 1998 through improved sales activity, an expanding distribution network and enhanced customer technology.



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Tips for fostering self-esteem in young children

As parents and caregivers, we have the privilege and responsibility of nurturing the self-worth and confidence of the young children in our care. Like the unfolding of a beautiful flower, each child is an unfolding miracle. We are the gardeners who provide the soil of their experiences and the moisture of our love. Here are some tips for ensuring a rich environment that will foster the growth of positive self-esteem.

***** SHOW AFFECTION:** A smile, a wink, a touch, a hand held, a kiss or a hug—such demonstrations of affection are essential and powerful affirmations of self-worth.

***HELP CHILDREN ACKNOWLEDGE AND BE Vision for East Kentucky award nominees sought

The East Kentucky Women in Leadership (EKWIL) program is accepting nominations of women and men who have made significant contributions to further women's progress in the region.

The first "Vision for East Kentucky Women Award" will be given during the 11th annual East Kentucky Leadership Conference which will be held in Ashland, April 24-25.

"There are a number of individuals who are qualified to receive this award," said Shirley Hamilton, director of community development at Morehead State University and a member of the East Kentucky Leadership Foundation board of directors. "We encourage you to read the guidelines and submit the names of those you think will be good candidates."

To be eligible for the award, the individual must be a resident of East Kentucky and meet the criteria: demonstrates vision, strategy and action in their efforts to confront issues which affect women in this area; includes others from diverse backgrounds in the solution process to inspire local resources to believe in the potential of women; provides effective leadership, through persistence, compassion, optimism and ethical behavior; enhances the value of women by drawing attention to skills, talents, contributions and demands of their multiple roles, and champions the dignity of all women, regardless of lifestyle choices.

To nominate an individual, complete a short biographical sketch, including the person's complete name and address, along with the nominator's name and address. Send these materials to Linda Gayheart, P.O. Box 105, Hindman, KY 41822 before the March 15 deadline. Her telephone number is (606) 785-0606.

Additional information on the award is available by calling local area development district offices: Betsie Carroll at Big Sandy ADD, (606) 886-2374.

Census Bureau to gather employment information

Data on characteristics of the nation's labor force, including people employed full-time or part-time, hours worked and earnings, and people unemployed or retired will be collected during the week of February 15 when employees of the Commerce Department's Census Bureau visit the area to conduct the Current Population Survey (CPS).

By law, the Census Bureau keeps all information about sample respondents and their households strictly confidential.

"CPS participants play an important role in providing labor force data that are used by decision-makers at both federal and local levels," said Susan Hardy, director of the Census Bureau's Charlotte regional office.

On March 6, the U.S. Department of Labor will release labor force statistics for the United States based on the data provided by households across the country in the February CPS.

Local households selected for the survey receive a letter from Martha Farnsworth Riche, director of the Census Bureau, informing them of the survey. Census Bureau interviewers carry an official identification card bearing their photograph and signature.

COMFORTABLE WITH THEIR FEELINGS. Instead of saying, "You're acting like a baby," say "I can see that your feelings are hurt." Guide children in recognizing and appropriately expressing both happy and so-called negative feelings.

***** ENCOURAGE EACH CHILD TO BE PLEASED WITH THEMSELVES.** Don't compare one child against another. Foster age-appropriate respect and admiration for others. Every child is special and uniquely important.

***** HELP CHILDREN FEEL CAPABLE.** Instead of "That's not the way to do it," say "Wow, that's a big job; let's see if we can do it together."

***** CREATE A STIMULATING ENVIRONMENT.** A reasonably rich, non-restrictive environment promotes positive self-esteem. Encourage children to play, move around and explore. A stimulating environment includes age-appropriate opportunities for social interaction.

Particularly in their first years, young children need to be lovingly talked with by parents, caregivers, and older children.

***** SET AND CALMLY ENFORCE LIMITS.** Children thrive on freedom, but also need limits. Make limits known and firmly hold to them.

Being the best we can be—that's what positive self-esteem is all about. It's love made visible.

***** BE REALISTIC IN YOUR EXPECTATIONS.** When expectations are reasonable and tailored to a child's individual personality and circumstances, the youngster experiences success. This success brings with it pleasurable feelings of accomplishment. Frequent successes build self-esteem.

***** GIVE CHILDREN QUALITY TIME.** This is particularly important for parents: Regularly give undivided attention to each child. A child's self-esteem

thrives on doing fun things together with the special grown-ups in his or her life.

***** PROVIDE CHOICES AND A SENSE OF CONTROL.** Instead of dictating a particular activity, give youngsters appropriate choices. "Do you want to build with blocks or draw?" The freedom

to choose develops a child's sense of control and forms a partial basis for self-discipline.

***** CHANNEL AND ENCOURAGE A CHILD'S DEVELOPING WILL.** When a child says no, acts stubborn, or insists on doing things without your help, don't be put off. Out of these early manifestations of willpower comes the later development of inner strength. Avoid breaking a child's will. Instead, guide it toward constructive and creative expression.

***** EMPHASIZE LEARNING.** Encourage young children to derive more enjoyment from learning than from reaching a performance goal. Lillian Katz, author and child development expert, encourages caregivers and parents to say, "Let's see how much we can find out about something," instead of "I want to see how good you are or how well you can do."

***** LET NATURE TAKE ITS COURSE.** Avoid hurrying or pushing children. Hurry sickness is contagious. Don't give it to the children you care for and love. Slow down. Allow each child to develop naturally according to his or her own pace and rhythms. Take time to smell the flowers and enjoy the miracle of childhood.

***** ATTEND TO THE CHILD'S PHYSICAL NEEDS.** Do your best to make sure the children you are responsible for receive proper rest, healthy food, fresh air and plenty of exercise.

***** DO SAY DO, DON'T SAY DON'T.** Emphasize the positive.

Tell children what they can do rather than what they cannot do. Use more "do's" than "don'ts." Rather than "Don't slam the door," try "Please close the door quietly."

***** GO OUT OF YOUR WAY TO BE ENCOURAGING.** Catch children being good, and let them know you noticed. Practice, again and again, pointing out specific behaviors that please you. Respond to sincere efforts. Reinforce positive works and actions. Freely express sincere appreciation.

We can stimulate self-esteem in many ways. However, the essence of awakening positive self-esteem in young children is to unconditionally accept and wholeheartedly cherish them. Equally important is accepting and cherishing ourselves and one another. Doing this creates an atmosphere that frees each of us to enjoy life, achieve our potential, and contribute to society's well-being.

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GOVERNMENT FORECLOSURE SALE
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1998
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AT THE SITE OF THE BELOW DESCRIBED PROPERTY OF HOUSE AND LOT LOCATED AT 1001 SUGAR LOAF BRANCH AT EMMA IN FLOYD COUNTY, KY



This is a nice three bedroom frame home on city water and private sewer. It is well located in a quiet neighborhood. It consists of a living room, kitchen, three bedrooms, and one bath. This property is considered suitable for the FmHA program. This would be an excellent buy for an investor interested in rental property or for resale after repairs. Payment of the current year's property taxes are the responsibility of the purchaser.

LEGAL NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that on Monday, February 23, 1998, at 1:00 p.m., at the property site, on 1001 Sugar Loaf Branch, Emma, Floyd Co., Kentucky, in order to raise the sum of \$43,434.172 principal, together with interest credit subsidy granted in the amount of \$19,668.00, plus interest in the amount of \$4,182.77, as of September 2, 1997, and interest thereafter on the principal at \$11.3037 per day from September 2, 1997, until the date of Judgement, plus interest on the Judgement amount (principal plus interest to the date of Judgement) at the rate of 5.49%, computed daily and compounded annually, until paid in full and for the costs of this action, pursuant to Judgement and Order of Sale, being Civil Action No. 97-300, on the Pikeville Docket of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, entered on October 21, 1997, in the case of United States of America vs. Joey Patrick, Patricia Patrick and Commonwealth of Kentucky, the following described property will be sold to the highest and best bidder:
 A house and lot located on Sugar Loaf Branch near Emma, Floyd County, Kentucky.
 Being all the same property conveyed by Deed dated March 30, 1988, and recorded in Deed Book 317, Page 549, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.
TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent (10%) of the bid price (in the form of a Certified Check made payable to the U. S. Marshal) on the day of sale with good and sufficient bond for the balance bearing interest at the rate of 5.49% per annum until paid, due and payable in thirty (30) days and said bond having the effect of a Judgement. Upon a default by the Purchaser, the deposit shall be forfeited and retained by the U. S. Marshal as a part of the proceeds of the sale, and the property shall again be offered for sale subject to confirmation by the Court.
 This sale shall be in bar and foreclosure of all right, title, interest, estate claim, demand or equity of redemption of the defendants and of all persons claiming by, through, under or against them, provided the purchase price is equal to two-thirds of the appraised value. If the purchase price is not equal to two-thirds of the appraised value, the Deed shall contain a lien in favor of the delendants reflecting the right of the defendants to redeem during the period provided by law (KRS 426.530).
 Inquiries should be directed to:
THOMAS W. KEETH
 Community Development Manager
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 Prestonsburg, Kentucky
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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.93, notice is hereby given that Progress Land Corporation, H.C. 82, Box 1045, Arnold Fork Road, Kite, Kentucky 41828, has applied for Phase III bond release on Permit Number 836-8031 which was last issued on November 5, 1993. The application covers an area of approximately 10.45 acres located 1.5 mile south of Weeksbury, Floyd County, Kentucky. The permit area is approximately 3.50 miles south of the junction of Ky. 466 with Hwy. 122 and south of Left Fork of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees, 18 minutes, 32 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 42 minutes, 04 seconds. The bond now in effect for Permit Number 836-8031 is a surety of \$7,800.00. One hundred percent (100%) of the remainder of the original

bond amount of \$20,300.00 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in the fall of 1991. All disturbed areas have been seeded as to provide adequate growth for plant species and provide appropriate conditions for the surrounding wildlife. Results thus far indicate growth of vegetation is according to re-vegetation plan.

"This is the final advertisement of the application." 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, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by March 20, 1998.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for March 23, 1998, at 1:00 p.m., at the Prestonsburg Regional Office of the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1455. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 20, 1998.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Northern Elkhorn Coal Company, Catlettsburg, KY 41129 has applied for Phase III bond release on permit 436-5191, which was last issued on 08/08/84. The application covers an surface area of approximately 5.00 acres and underlies an additional 11.00 acres located 0.2 miles East of Northern in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.2 miles east from SR 80 junction with Goose Creek Road and located 0.05 miles east of Goose Creek. The latitude is 37°-30'-27". The longitude is 82° 48' 42".

The original bond that was in effect for permit 436-5191 was a surety bond of \$20,000. Approximately 100% of the original bond amount of \$20,000 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: Backfilling and grading, redistribution of the available topsoil, revegetation hand planting of trees in accordance with approved plan completed. Results achieved includes stabilization of backfilling, establishment of permanent vegetative species and establishment of tree species.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601, by April 4, 1998.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on April 6, 1998 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 4, 1998.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Peter Fork Mining Company, P.O. Box 2666, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502 has applied for Phase I bond release on Increment No. 11 of Permit No. 898-0042 which was last issued on

June 2, 1992. The application covers an area of approximately 9.61 acres located 0.3 miles south of Osborne in Floyd County.

The permit is approximately 0.4 miles south from KY 1426's junction with Cager Road and located 0.1 miles east of the Left Fork of Toler Creek. The latitude is 37° 28' 05". The longitude is 82° 35' 08".

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 11 is a Certificate of Deposit in the amount of twenty nine thousand two hundred dollars (\$29,200.00). Approximately sixty percent (60%) of the original bond amount of twenty nine thousand two hundred dollars (\$29,200.00) is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in the Fall of 1995.

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, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by April 9th, 1998.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for April 14th, 1998 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office located at 109 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 9th, 1998.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 415 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606-886-2330) intends to apply for Phase I Bond Release on Permit No. 836-5288 which was last issued on February 17, 1997. The operation covers a surface area of approximately 1.90 acre, and an underground area of approximately 362.19 acres for a total permit area of 364.09 acres.

The operation is located approximately 1.6 mile northeast of Hi-Hat in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 1.5 mile southeast KY 122's junction with the Spewing Camp Branch road. The latitude is 37°-24'-40" and the longitude is 82°-43'-22", and the operation is located on the McDowell 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle maps.

The performance bond (Surety) currently in affect for the operation is \$ 1 7 , 3 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 60% of this amount is included in this request for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in fall 1997. Results thus far achieved include: initial establishment of vegetation in accordance with the approved post mining land use plan.

Written comments,

objections, and request for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601, by March 27, 1998.

A hearing date for this bond release request has been set for March 30, 1998, at 1:00 p.m., at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 27, 1998.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 436-5181, Major Revision

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 413 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining operation located 1.3 mile northeast of Garrett in Floyd County. The major revision will add no surface or underground area, and the total of 482.08 acres within the permitted area will not be changed by this major revision.

The proposed major revision is approximately 0.6 mile south of the junction of the Goose Creek Road and KY 680, and is approximately 0.05 mile northeast of Goose Creek. The latitude is 37°-29'-30". The longitude is 82°-48'-40".

The proposed major revision is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be affected by the major revision is owned by Elk Horn Coal corporation. The mineral is owned by Elk Horn Coal Corporation.

The major revision proposes to revise the post mining land use of the surface disturbance for Increments No. 1 and 5 of the operation.

The major revision 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 a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, Ky., 40601. W-2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-0268, Operator Change

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Carbon Tech Fuels, Inc., P.O. Box 218, Ivel, Kentucky 41642, intends to revise permit number 836-0268 to change the operator. The operator presently approved is RO-CO Resources, Inc., P.O. Box 1257, 1296 Slone's

Recreational Therapist

Pikeville Methodist Hospital has an opening for a Recreational Therapist. This full-time position would provide recreational therapy assessment, treatment, and discharge planning for psychiatric department patients. Coordinates, supervises and evaluates recreational therapy activities and department staff.

A Bachelor's degree with a major emphasis in Therapeutic Recreation required. NCTR eligibility is required and certification is preferred. Must obtain CPR certification prior to performing patient care duties. Must obtain CPI certification within one year of employment.

Qualified applicants should fax or mail a resumé to the Human Resources Department at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.



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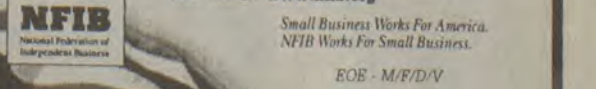
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Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502. The new operator will be D. Triplett Enterprises, Inc., P.O. Box 375, 129 Maple Street, Wheelwright, Kentucky 41669.

The operation is located 3.50 miles west of Honaker in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 1.50 mile southwest from KY 2030's junction with KY 1426 and located 3.50 miles west of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River. The operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37° 31' 20" and longitude 82° 40' 37."

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, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S., 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number (898-5891), Operator Change

(1) In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, Notice is hereby given that Tennessee Construction Company, P.O. Box 1036, U.S. 23 North, Pikeville, Ky. 41501, intends to revise Permit Number 898-5891 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is Tennessee Construction Company, P.O. Box 1036, U.S. 23 North, Pikeville, Ky. 41501.

The new operator will be Branham and Baker Underground Corporation, P.O. Box 271, 148 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

(2) The operation is located 0.7 mile west of Millard in Pike County. The operation is approximately 1.5 mile southwest from Ky. 80's junction with CR 1322 and located on Hopkins Creek. The operation is located on the Millard and Hellier U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at: Latitude 37° 23' 22" and longitude 82° 27' 20".

(3) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining and Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 109 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Ky. 41501.

Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Midland Food Services, L.L.C. doing business as Pizza Hut at 1168 N. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, by Micheal J. Monahan, 6060 Rockside Woods, Blvd. Suite 110, Independence, OH, hereby declares its intention to apply for a license as a retail beer dealer, under the state law.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION FOR INFORMING THE PUBLIC OF POSSIBLE IMPACT TO AN IMPORTANT LAND RESOURCE SANDY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Development is considering an application for financial assistance sponsored by the Sandy Valley Water District.

The proposed project consists of approximately 3 miles of water lines, three new 212,000 gallon water storage tanks, one 150,000 gallon water storage tank to be water blasted and repainted, new office building and one booster pumping station. The primary beneficiaries will be approximately 31 households at Lackens Branch and Mims Branch. If contingency funds allow, water service could also be considered to residents of close proximity.

If implemented, the proposed action may impact important farmland and designated flood plain within the corridors and/or sites of the proposed improvements. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of this possible result and to request comments concerning (1) the impacts of the proposed location of farmland and flood plain (2) alternative sites or actions that would avoid these impacts, and (3) methods that could be used to reduce these impacts.

The proposed action is available for review at the following Rural Development Office:

RURAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICE
220 WEST FIRST STREET
MOREHEAD, KENTUCKY 40351

Any person interested in commenting on the proposed action may do so by sending such comments within 30 days following the date of this publication to: Joseph C. Frazier, USDA-RD, 220 West First Street, Morehead, Kentucky 40351.

Federal Law prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, handicap, and age under this program.

PUBLIC SALE

Date and time of public sale: February 27, 1998 at 11:00.

Type of collateral: 1988 Honda Civic S/N 8471
Contract Date: 07/08/95.

Location: Call Mike Haney for location, 886-2321.

First Commonwealth Bank, 169 North Arnold

Ave., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

PUBLIC SALE

Date and time of public sale: February 27, 1998 at 11:00.

Type of collateral: 1989 Dodge Raider.
Contract Date: 09/20/96.

Location: Mike Haney for location, 886-2321.

First Commonwealth Bank, 169 North Arnold Ave., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

PUBLIC SALE

Date and time of Public Sale: February 27, 1998 at 11:00.

Type of Collateral: 1996 Mercury Cougar X-R7 S/N 7816.
Contract Date: 11/30/95.

Location: Call Mike Haney for location at 886-2321,
First Commonwealth Bank, 169 North Arnold Ave., Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

SANDY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT, 6:30 P.M. MARCH 2, 1998 AT THE WATER DISTRICT OFFICE, 524 GEORGE ROAD, BETSY LAYNE, KENTUCKY 41605

A public meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. on March 2, 1998 at the water district's office at 524 George Road, Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605, for the purpose of providing general information to the public regarding the proposed Water System Improvements project. The public is invited to attend and comment on such issues as economic and environmental impacts, service area, alternatives to the project or any other pertinent issues.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Surface Mining and Reclamation and Enforcement, Division of Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County.

Buck Coal,

Incorporation, 436-0107, issued 98/01/27.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following items will be offered at public sale on March 6, 1998 at 11:00 a.m. The sale will be held at the Old Corn Fork School approximately 2 miles up Corn Fork Road, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

1973 Sheffield 12 x 60 Mobile Home, Serial #55074

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ORDINANCE NO. 3-98

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY AMENDING SECTION 72.46 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, the City of Prestonsburg has adopted an ordinance covering the impoundment and towing of vehicles in the City, cited as Section 72.46, and;

WHEREAS, said ordinance was adopted in 1984 and set rates for the towing and storage of towed vehicles, and;

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that said rates are outdated and that other areas of the ordinance require amendment,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, that Section 72.46 of the ordinances of the City be amended as follows:

(A) The city may impound a motor vehicle stopped or standing upon a street or public way within its jurisdiction in violation of an ordinance or statute prohibiting parking, stopping, or standing

in the location, manner, or at the time the vehicle is cited or for any other lawful reason.

(B) In addition to the fines levied for the parking or traffic offense, the owner of the motor vehicle will be required to pay all reasonable towing, handling, and storage charges upon the impounded vehicle.

(C) The city may condition the release of an impounded vehicle upon the payment of the towing, handling, and storage charges imposed thereon unless the owner or other person entitled to possession challenges the validity of the impoundment pursuant to Section 72.47(A). A vehicle may be released to the owner or other person entitled to possession only upon proof of ownership or right to possession. The city may require a security bond in the amount equal to the fines and fees accrued as of the date of the hearing request, or \$75, whichever is less, or other assurances of indemnification from a person who is not the registered owner of the vehicle prior to releasing the vehicle to that person.

(Ord. 5-84. Passed 7-23-84)

(D) Each wrecker service that is on the city's rotation roster shall be required to enter into an agreement with the city, setting forth the following provisions:

(1) Each wrecker service which has signed a similar agreement with the city will be placed on a "rotation roster," listed in alphabetical order. This roster will be maintained in the office of the dispatcher, whose job it will be to dispatch the appropriate wrecker service.

(2) The dispatcher will call each wrecker service, in turn, from the roster until the list is completed; at which time the dispatcher will begin the list anew with the first service so listed. The roster shall show the date, time, and reason for contacting the respective wrecker service, and the name of the service which was called. The roster shall also include when a contracting wrecker service was called and was unable to respond. The city shall furnish a copy of the roster upon request.

(3) The wrecker service agrees that it will provide wrecker service on a 24-hour basis, and that it will respond promptly to any and every call by the dispatcher, unless extenuating circumstances prevail, which will be reported by the dispatcher and recorded on the roster. The dispatcher shall then make a call to the next contracting wrecker service listed on the roster. When the service, that is first on the roster, responds to a call between 12 a.m. and 6 a.m., it shall remain as first for any calls after 6 a.m. All vehicles will be towed to the wrecker service place of business.

(4) The wrecker service further agrees that the fees for the towing and storage (if required) will at no time exceed the following limits:

(a) For impounding passenger vehicles and trucks up to one ton: \$35.

(b) For impound storage: \$5 per day per vehicle.

(c) For towing a wrecked vehicle: \$100.00.

(d) For storing a wrecked vehicle: \$10.00 per day.

(5) The parties further mutually agree and understand that the owner of a vehicle to be towed has the right to specify a towing service of his choice, and that the dispatcher shall contact that service and record it on the roster at the time for use of the service.

(6) The wrecker service shall provide proof of liability insurance of at least \$750,000.00 to the city and the insurer shall be required to notify the city of any lapse in coverage. The wrecker service further agrees to use modern equipment and each wrecker shall be properly marked with the owners name, be boom equipped, be hydraulic wheel lift equipped, have a light bar, broom, shovel and fire extinguisher.

(7) The wrecker service agrees to indemnify and save harmless the city for any and all damage claims arising from the use of the subject wrecker service for any injuries to property or persons. The wrecker service agrees to

carry insurance sufficient to protect the city from all claims for damages or injuries as herein stated. The foregoing insurance shall also cover the vehicle being towed or stored, and shall insure the contents thereof.

(8) It is mutually agreed and understood that the agreement may be canceled or terminated by the wrecker service upon giving 30 days' advance written notice to the City Clerk/ Tax Collector. The agreement may also be terminated by the city by giving 30 days advance written notice of its intent to so terminate. Failure to comply with any of the provisions set out in the agreement shall constitute a cause for cancellation by the city, and failure shall be identified in any written notice of intent to cancel.

(9) As a valuable consideration to the execution of the agreement, the city agrees to limit the use of wrecker services to those businesses located within five highway miles of the municipal building located on North Lake Drive. (Ord. 6-86, passed 1986)

Section 2:

All Ordinances or any parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of the Ordinance are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3:

This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and publication as required by law.

Adopted this 9th day of February, 1998.

Jerry Fannin, Mayor

Attest: Sue W. Webb, City Clerk

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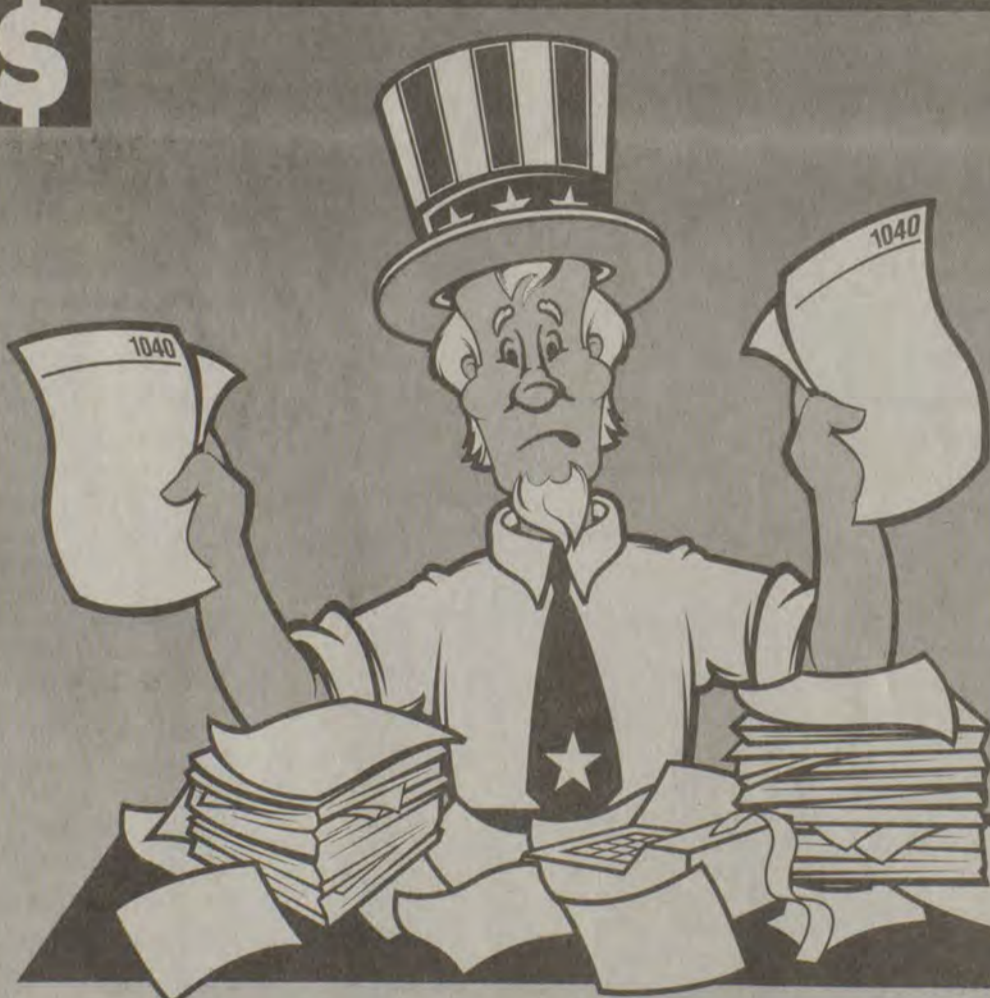
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