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Judge stays Mullins' suspension

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Floyd County School Board Member Jody Mullins will be allowed to participate in board meetings after Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill granted a stay Wednesday, barring Mullins' suspension by members of Kentucky Board of Education. Caudill ruled that there would be "no harm" to either side in the case by allowing Mullins to re-

main on the board because the Floyd system is under state management and any decision the board makes is subject to state veto.

A state Supreme Court decision related to the removal of school board members says that if board members are found to have violated the law, they must be removed from office, Caudill said. He added that it is not clear whether the state school board can levy any other sanctions,

such as suspensions.

Robert Stopher, the attorney representing the members of the Kentucky Board of Education, argued that the state board could impose sanctions short of removal.

"This is an ironic argument," Stopher said. "They want it to go back to the state board for imposition of a greater sanction?"

Under laws governing administrative hearings, which was what Mullins' ouster hearing was

conducted under, the state board has the "inherent" right to impose less severe penalties, Stopher said.

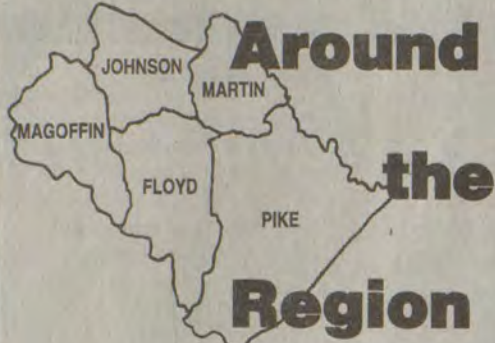
Mullins' attorney, former board attorney Jerry Patton, said state board members were certain they did not want his client removed from office.

"I think the state board sent a clear message," Patton said. "Commissioner Cody asked that

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Mullins will be allowed to vote as a member of the county board.



Murder suspect pleads not guilty

Two defendants weep during pre-trial hearing

by Bill Jones
(Greeneville) Sun Staff Writer

Lillelid murder case defendants Natasha W. Cornett, 19, and Karen R. Howell, 18, wept as they left the courtroom during an afternoon break in a Tuesday evidence hearing at the Greene County Courthouse.

Of the two, Howell appeared the more distraught. Sobs could be heard coming from the women jurors' lounge where Cornett, Howell and codefendant Crystal R. Sturgill, 18, were taken during the break.

None of the other defendants showed emotion. It was the first time during a long series of hearings that have taken place since last fall that any of the six young Kentuckians charged with murdering three members of the Lillelid family had become obviously distraught.

Cornett's and Howell's tears came at the end of a portion of the evidence hearing in which crime scene photos were being discussed. Later, one of Cornett's defense attorneys said that Tuesday was the first time his client had seen those photos.

Much of the discussion in the courtroom prior to the afternoon break had centered on admissibility of victims' clothing, including 6-year-old Tabitha Lillelid's mud-caked shoes, which defense attorneys were asking the court to bar the jury from seeing because of their potentially "inflammatory nature."

Defense attorneys also had sought to have 2-year-old Peter Lillelid's shoes excluded from introduction during the trial. Peter's left shoe, according to Third Judicial District Attorney General C. Berkeley Bell, had a blood stain on its sole. Tests showed, he said, that the blood came from either Tabitha or Peter.

Judge James E. Beckner, who presided over the

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MOVING DAY

Before ribbon cutting ceremonies at the McDowell Preschool/Headstart Wednesday, teachers Lynn Slone and Judy Stumbo received some help setting up learning centers from Floyd County Judge-Executive Ben Hale. On hand for the ceremonies were Randal Burchett, architect; Mike Howell, director of the Community Action Program; Kenny Osborne, McDowell Elementary principal; and Elmer Johnson, Magistrate.

photo by
Janice Shepherd



Members express disbelief, okay trip

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

With the financial condition of the Floyd County School System continuing to be the main topic of concern for board members, significant expenditures by schools continue to come under close scrutiny.

A request from Prestonsburg High School principal Thomas Tackett for a professional development trip to Washington, D.C., for math teachers, estimated to cost over \$9,000, was thoroughly discussed at Tuesday's board meeting.

According to Tackett, four math teachers, four social studies teachers, the guidance counselor and Tackett himself want to attend the math conference scheduled for April 2-4.

Board member Johnnie Ross, who apparently did his homework on information about the conference, told Tackett his figures indicate the trip should cost significantly less.

Concerns centered around the fact that social studies teachers were going to a conference that didn't offer any courses to integrate math and social studies, Ross said.

The social studies teachers could only take three hours of courses over the three-day period, Ross said.

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Rulings are a million-dollar double-whammy for schools

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Not many businesses could recover from a million dollar loss and it doesn't appear that the Floyd County Board of Education will either.

At Tuesday's board meeting, board members were informed of two significant court losses, which will most likely amount to just over \$1 million.

Two former and one current school administrator—Pete Grigsby Jr., Tommy Thompson and Wayne Ratliff—won a civil lawsuit they filed after their jobs were eliminated during a reorganization of the central office in 1993.

Special Judge Stephen "Nick" Frazier issued a ruling in late December in favor

of the three and ordered them reinstated to their prior positions. Frazier also ruled the three are entitled to back pay, interest, benefits, retirement and sick leave.

The board at that time violated the state's Open Meeting Law by discussing the reorganization in a closed session, Frazier ruled. The state Supreme Court had previously ruled that the board violated the Open Meetings Law. The cost of the judgment is continuing to be calculated, state officials said.

Board members discussed the ruling in closed session Tuesday and did not comment.

The school district also lost a case with EUA Cognex Corporation, the company which the district contracted with for energy management service, in the

amount of \$627,612.

According to the February 11 award of the arbitrator, the school system must pay \$453,360 by March 12. The remaining balance is to be paid over a four-year period with three payments of \$87,185 and a final payment of \$17,317.

Apparently no one appeared to represent the district at the arbitration hearing which was held in January in Massachusetts, according to the letter from the arbitrator.

School officials did not comment on the judgment.

Associate Education Commissioner Tom Willis said school officials had at one time apparently tried to break the

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Mitchell offered life sentence in exchange for plea of guilty

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

Billie Jo Mitchell was shot to death at her home on November 2, allegedly at the hands of her estranged husband, Andy Mitchell; and prosecutors have apparently offered him a deal which would spare his life.

Assistant Commonwealth Attorney Brett Davis told Ms. Mitchell's mother, Novella Mosley, Thursday that prosecutors have made Andy Mitchell an offer of life in prison without parole for 25 years.

Mitchell could face the death penalty if convicted of the capital murder charge, although, prosecutors have not indicated if they will seek the death penalty.

"We made an offer of life in prison if (Mitchell and his attorney) agree on no parole for 25 years," Davis told Mosley

after a pre-trial conference in Floyd Circuit Court. "...That's the most we could offer."

When contacted Thursday afternoon, Davis said he could not comment about the proposed plea agreement.

Mitchell's attorney, Kristi Gray, said Thursday afternoon that she has not dis-

"...My client and I are not able to discuss the plea agreement without the results of the police investigation."

—defense attorney Kristi Gray

cussed the offer with her client.

"There's a great deal of discovery and evidence I haven't received yet," Gray said. "...My client and I are not able to discuss the plea agreement without the results of the police investigation."

Mitchell's pre-trial conference was continued Thursday and rescheduled for

May 1.

Davis explained to Mrs. Mitchell's mother that testing results of evidence taken during the investigation into her daughter's death have not been completed.

"DNA evidence takes generally about six months after the samples are taken," Davis said.

Mitchell's attorney said she anticipates the results of the investigation would be made available to her by May, but noted there's the possibility of a delay with the forensic lab.

Floyd Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill has set aside three weeks for the murder trial, which has been tentatively scheduled for October 12-30.

Security during Mitchell's hearing Thursday was heightened with persons

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Natasha Wallen Cornett conferred with her attorney during an evidentiary hearing this week. Cornett and five other Eastern Kentucky youths go on trial Monday for the murders of three members of a Tennessee family. (photo by Jody Snyder, The Greeneville Sun)



Security during a pre-trial conference hearing for accused murderer Andy Mitchell was enhanced Thursday with locked doors and persons entering the circuit court building on Court Street being searched. Bailiff Jena Crisp searched a female who entered the building prior to Mitchell's hearing. (photo by Chris McDavid)

Defendants

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hearing and will preside at the upcoming trial of Cornett, Howell, Sturgill, Jason Blake Bryant, 15, Edward Dean Mullins, 20, and Joseph Lance Risner, 21, said that both sets of children's shoes could be presented as evidence.

No blood-soaked underwear

The judge drew the line, however, at blood-soaked underwear taken from the bodies of victims Vidar and Delfina Lillelid, 34 and 28 respectively, parents of the two children. Tabitha died of gunshot wounds on April 7, the day following the attack.

Despite two bullet wounds, Peter survived the attack in which his parents and sister were fatally shot near Baileyton last April 6.

"You can tell the jury about it without showing blood-soaked underwear," the judge told Bell. "Outside clothing, I don't have a problem with."

Over defense objections, the judge ruled that any of the victims' exterior clothing that carried mud, blood stains or tire marks would be admissible during the trial, which is expected to begin at the Greene County Courthouse in early March.

Testimony during an earlier hearing in the case indicated that the bodies of Vidar and Delfina Lillelid had been run over by their own van, allegedly stolen by their assailants, as the victims lay fatally wounded in a muddy ditch along Payne Hollow Lane near Baileyton.

Other argument was heard

Tuesday afternoon concerning children's toys that had been found in the stolen van when it was stopped in Arizona with the defendants aboard, two days after the Lillelid murders last April.

Judge Beckner ruled that those toys, and other property of the Lillelids found in the van, also would be admissible during the trial, for which jury selection is scheduled to begin next Monday at the Bradley County Courthouse in Cleveland, in Bradley County.

When the defendants were brought back to the courtroom at the conclusion of the afternoon break, both Cornett and Howell had composed themselves.

Mullins gets new attorney

In another development on Tuesday, Steve Owens, the lawyer from Pikeville, Ky., who represents Edward Dean Mullins, said he had hired a new co-counsel to replace Johnson City attorney Fred Lance, who had been assisting with Mullins' defense.

Mountain City attorney Randy Fallin, Owens said, has been hired to replace Lance, because it was learned that Lance did not have sufficient murder trial experience to qualify for service in a capital murder case under state law.

During the hearing, Judge Beckner went through a 40-page evidence list that had been prepared by the District Attorney's office, as Bell and defense lawyers argued

over admissibility of individual items.

Defense lawyers had requested the evidence hearing, saying they were unsure which items of evidence applied to their own individual clients. Defense lawyers had also said last month that they wanted an opportunity to voice objections to the prosecution's proposed evidence.

The list included more than 1,200 separate items and photographs when the hearing began at 9 a.m., but was reduced by dozens of items before the proceeding adjourned at 6 p.m.

Late in the proceedings Tuesday, Bell said the number of prospective prosecution witnesses was "down to 67."

No fewer than 15 large boxes and plastic containers of evidence were stacked in front of the prosecution table during the hearing Tuesday. They were ordered secured at the Crime Laboratory on College Street after the hearing, pending review by a defense criminologist today.

Bell voluntarily withdrew numerous items from the list of prospective trial exhibits - most of them because they duplicated other exhibits - and the judge excluded others, some in response to defense objections.

Arizona letters excluded

Among the items excluded after defense attorneys objected was a series of letters allegedly written by some of the defendants to other defendants while the six suspects were in custody in Arizona last April.

The letters had been seized by Arizona corrections officers and turned over to the U.S. marshals who accompanied the adult defendants from Arizona to the Knoxville airport when they were extradited to Tennessee.

Tuesday, Bell told the court, in response to a defense objection to introduction of the letters, that he didn't know who found the letters in Arizona.

Without the ability to establish

who found the letters and passed them to the U.S. marshals, Judge Beckner ruled, the letters could not be admitted during the upcoming trial.

Although the Arizona letters will not be admitted into evidence, Bell announced late in Tuesday's hearing that a number of "notes" between certain of the defendants had been intercepted in the Greene County Detention Center. "Apparently, they are still trying to communicate," Bell said.

He noted that prosecutors probably would not seek to introduce the recently discovered notes into evidence, but might use them for cross-examination purposes during the trial, should the defendants take the witness stand.

The defendants won a few points during Tuesday's hearing. In one instance, Judge Beckner ruled that items - allegedly with an occult connection - found on Natasha Cornett's bed in Kentucky after the murders could not be admitted into evidence.

The judge also agreed with defense objections to a photo of a portion of Cornett's bedroom wall, saying it would be permissible for prosecutors to introduce a photo of the entire wall, if they wished, but not just part of it.

But the judge also ruled that a number of items - including a book on black magic - with possible occult connections that were found in the Lillelid van after the defendants were arrested could be admitted into evidence.

During the hearing, the judge noted that prosecutors have said they plan to call no experts on the occult or Satanism during the trial.

"Had these things been left at home in Kentucky, they would not have been admissible," Beckner said. But since the defendants had brought the items along, he said, they could be used to show possible motive, state of mind and intent.

In response to a defense motion late in the hearing, Judge Beckner ruled that potential testimony from

Greene County Detective Sgt. Jeff Morgan about how the bodies of victims were arranged could not be admitted if Morgan were to say the bodies were arranged in "an inverted cross," because that would represent a conclusion on Morgan's part.

The judge said, however, that a detailed explanation of how the bodies were arranged would be admissible.

Razor blades allowed

The defense also lost in an attempt to bar razor blades found in a so-called "shared wallet" the defendants had when they were arrested. Testimony at previous hearings indicated that Howell and Cornett had cuts on their persons and that blood was found on the razor blades.

Other testimony had suggested that several of the defendants engaged in a form of self-mutilation in which razor blades were used to "release the pain."

Defense attorneys, however, were partially successful in an attempt to

keep out of evidence a photo of Tabitha Lillelid that allegedly had been found in the shared wallet the defendants had with them when arrested in Arizona.

Judge Beckner ruled that the front of the photo could be shown - but not a message apparently written on the back by Vidar Lillelid calling Tabitha "my favorite girl."

During the hearing, Bell charged at one point that the defendants had kept items taken from the victims as "trophies." He unsuccessfully tried to get a piece of a belt found on the defendants admitted into evidence.

Bell noted that Vidar Lillelid had been known to wear a belt, but that none was found on his body, and that the piece of belt found on the defendants was, in fact, part of Vidar's missing belt.

Judge Beckner ruled, however, that the claim was too speculative to be allowed without more proof as to the belt fragment's origin.

Jury selection in the trial begins Monday, February 23, in Cleveland, Tennessee.



CHILDREN AT THE Drift Head Start Center used their imagination to build towers with blocks. The children will move into a new school Monday at McDowell. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

Headstart students will move to new school

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

Youngsters in the Drift/McDowell area will enter a new learning environment Monday with the opening of the preschool/Headstart building at McDowell Elementary.

The building is brand new, and so are the learning activities that fill the three classrooms in the school. Teachers Judy Stumbo and Lynn Slone, along with Ernestine Shelton, education coordinator, were busy Wednesday setting up their learning centers, which contain such items as books, blocks, puppets, and play kitchens.

"The children will have access to much more developmentally appropriate material than at the old facility," Stumbo said.

"The materials will just about teach themselves," Slone added.

Both teachers said they were looking forward to seeing the children's excitement when they entered their new building.

"Just to see the children's eyes and the expressions on their faces and on their parents' faces, too; it means a lot to their parents, too," Stumbo said.

The students have been attending classes in a building at the old Drift Elementary. That building, which is located in the flood plain, cost too much to maintain, because it flooded every time the creek got high, according to Jim Osborne, former chief of operations for the Floyd County Board of Education.

"We've been flooded six or seven times in the last ten years - one year we were flooded twice," Slone said.

Osborne estimated that it cost from \$8,000 to \$10,000 to clean up

the building after a flood. Osborne and the board wanted a new building for the children and asked Community Action Program, which heads the Headstart operation in the region, what could be done to achieve that goal. Mike Howell, director of the Community Action Program, said Wednesday.

The new building has been in the works for several years, and is a combined effort of local, state and federal officials working together, according to Floyd County Judge-Executive and Community Action Program chairman Ben Hale.

"This is an example of local government working with state government working with federal government and then working with the local school system to have a better environment for Headstart students in the McDowell area. It was a project that was definitely needed for that area," Hale said.

Community Action Program awarded \$40,000 to the project. A \$240,000 Community Development Block Grant finished the program. The project was often delayed, first because it had to be bid three times, and then because of problems encountered with site development.

The contracting company, Dream Homes and Land Development, encountered problems when they began foundation work, architect Randy Burchett explained.

Burchett said they found utilities that were not documented. Those utilities included gas pipes that had to be rerouted.

"We had some hurdles to cross," Hale added.

The school has one more hurdle to cross - a building inspection, but architect Burchett said "everything was covered," and that the school was ready to open.

Mullins

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he be removed, but they did not want to remove Mr. Mullins."

Patton said there are only two options under state laws regarding the ouster of board members, "removal or no removal."

Stopher countered that in the state board's written order of their findings, they made it clear the violations were "quite serious" and that if Mullins failed to abide by the order, they would seek his ouster.

As for which side may suffer the greatest harm by a stay being issued, Patton said that the voters in Mullins' district would suffer because there would be no representation for them on the board.

Caudill reminded Patton that the voters of that district would be represented because while board members are elected from districts, they are to represent the interests of the entire school district.

Stopher claimed state board members and the public trust would be harmed by the appearance that their authority has been undermined. He added that the state board has been given the responsibility by state lawmakers to oversee the management of the public

schools.

Caudill disagreed with Stopher's argument, but did let stand the directive from the state board that Mullins receive additional training in finance and management.

Earlier this month, six members of state school board voted to suspend Mullins and former board member B.J. Newsome from their board seats after the two were found guilty of non-feasance. They were found not guilty of charges of willful neglect of duty and misconduct in office.

Mullins and Newsome filed a lawsuit last week claiming the state board lacked the authority to suspend them and that their due process rights had been violated.

Prior to the start of Wednesday's hearing, Newsome, who was named as a party to the suit, was dismissed from the claim because he resigned from the board to run for another office.

Stopher said he will inform the state board members of Caudill's decision and it will be the board's decision whether to appeal the ruling.

Mitchell

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entering the building being searched by bailiffs Elmo Allen and Jena Crisp.

The front doors to the building were secured before and during the court proceeding, and Judge Caudill announced that anyone who left the courtroom during a recess would not be permitted to return.

Mitchell was indicted by a Floyd County Grand Jury four days after Ms. Mitchell's slaying. He was charged with capital murder; three counts of stalking; rape and burglary.

Andy Mitchell was found in the Tram area suffering from a single gunshot wound to the chest shortly after his wife's body was discovered in her Ivel home.

Mitchell was guarded by police officers for nearly a week while he recovered from the gunshot wound at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He was lodged in the Floyd County jail when he was released from the hospital.

A media release from the state police said that Ms. Mitchell's murder and Andy Mitchell's wound were related. KSP officials have declined to comment on the matter.

From his hospital bed two days after the murder, Mitchell denied shooting his wife and said he was shot himself while standing on Ms. Mitchell's front porch. He also said

he did not know who shot him or which direction the shot came from.

Ernest Lafferty, who was one of three people who discovered Ms. Mitchell's body, says he saw a man, whom he believes was Andy Mitchell, leave the murder scene uninjured seconds after hearing five gunshots ring out from the residence.

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Rulings

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five-year contract with the energy management firm and stopped making payments on the contract.

Under that contract, the company projected \$87,185 savings to the district in energy costs per year and the school system was responsible for paying that amount, Willis said.

The company installed environmental controls in some schools which would prevent the heating and cooling systems from operating while no one was in the building.

Last week during a budget workshop, state officials warned that rulings in those two cases could be disastrous financially for the school system, which could be facing a budget deficit for its fourth straight year.

During the workshop, Kentucky Department of Education financial advisor Kenya Koch reported that a balanced budget is being developed, but that pending civil lawsuits and other various financial obligations could result in a deficit.

Floyd gets second state highway garage at Minnie

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

In an effort to better serve Floyd County during inclement weather, and other needs, the Kentucky Transportation Department officially opened its new state highway garage last Wednesday. The new garage is located on Route 680 at Minnie.

The new facility was built to cut down the response time in attending to roads in the southern part of the county, according to Hugh

Sammons, maintenance supervisor at the Allen garage.

"Before the new facility, the crews had to come all the way to the Allen garage to get what they needed to clear roads," Sammons said. "That was wasted time. Now, with the new facility at Minnie, that won't be necessary."

Thirty-five crewmen were stationed at the Allen garage, which was built in the mid to late '60s. Seventeen of those crewmen will remain at the old 36 station, and 18 of them will man the new facility.

"The crew doesn't mind splitting up," said Dickie Stumbo, who will be the timekeeper at the new station. "Most of them will be working closer to home and won't have to travel as far."

According to Sammons, the new station will serve the southern part of the county, while the Allen station will focus on the northern part.

"If you drew a line from Martin to Harold, everything south of that line, the new station will take care of. Here at Allen, we will continue

to serve the needs in the northern part of the county."

"Increase in road mileage required a new station," Stumbo said. "The new station was needful and part of the planning budget of legislation in 1996."

According to Delores Dingus,

Transportation Cabinet representative, only Pike County has more than one maintenance garage, "and they have three."

"Now, we will be better able to serve the needs of the county with the addition of the Minnie garage," she said. "It has been needed for a

long time."

Thus far this winter, more than 800 tons of salt have been spread over Floyd County highways, according to Stumbo.

Dingus said the new garage would hold a grand opening celebration later in the year.

Security company owner dies

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

The owner of a Prestonsburg security company died Wednesday night after he apparently had a heart attack while driving on Route 114.

Jessie James Collins, 59, of Prestonsburg, was pronounced dead at the scene by Floyd County Coroner Roger Nelson. He was the owner of Collins Security in Prestonsburg.

Collins is survived by his wife, Susie Prater Collins; four daughters, Jennifer, Jeanie, Brittany and

Briana, all of Prestonsburg; three brothers; and two sisters.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Floyd Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation will be held after 10 a.m. Friday (today).

Nelson said Thursday afternoon that "from all indications, (Collins) had a heart attack. The wreck never killed him."

A Kentucky State Police media release erroneously indicates Collins was killed as a result of a fatal traffic accident.

The coroner said Collins

received no trauma in the accident which would have caused his death, and that his vehicle was probably traveling about ten miles per hour when the car hit a tree.

Nelson said Collins' vehicle went off the road, down a small embankment and through a yard before hitting the tree. He noted that the vehicle did not receive very much damage during the accident.

Collins was apparently en route to Prestonsburg when the incident occurred. The media release indicates the mishap occurred around 10:30 p.m. Wednesday on Route 114, about two miles west of Prestonsburg.

KSP trooper Steve Slone is investigating the incident. He was assisted at the scene by trooper Matthew Scott and Floyd County chief deputy Linzie Hunt.



Moving toward progress

It was like a family gathering when these state highway employees posed for a picture just before half of the group moved on to the new state highway garage at Minnie this past Wednesday. The new Minnie facility will allow road crews quicker response time to road conditions in Floyd County. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Trip

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Tackett said the courses applied to the social studies teachers and that he wanted the groups of teachers to become "closer."

"The social studies teachers haven't been to Washington, D.C.," Tackett said.

Ross said he was concerned because the trip would virtually wipe out the school's professional development fund.

Tackett said the projected cost was just an estimate and he expected the costs to actually be \$4,000 to \$5,000. He conceded that Ross' "figures are closer and ours aren't." He added that a portion of the math teachers' expenses can be paid from an Eisenhower grant the district received.

Scheduled to attend the meeting are Tackett, with a history certification; counselor Claude Ronald Robinson, with a math certification; Janie Castle, with a math certification; Tina Crum, with a math certification; Sharon Vaughan, with a math certification; Lisa Anderson, with a math certification; Bobby Hamilton, with a special education certification; Jackie Crisp with a health and physical education certification; Chris L. Thomsberry, with a history/political science certification; and Caren Clark, with a history/political science certification.

The female teachers registered for the trip are listed to room together, but the male teachers have signed up for single rooms, Ross said.

Tackett said the women had agreed to room together and that all the men going have not received confirmation that they have rooms.

Ross also noted that rooms could be obtained at costs between \$99 to \$154 nightly, instead of the projected \$200 per night that Tackett submitted.

Rooms are assigned by personnel conducting the conference, Tackett said.

Board chairman Terry Dotson said he was concerned that a more detailed budget was not submitted and asked if documentation would be submitted after the trip to show the actual costs.

Tackett said it would, and that he

expected costs to be significantly lower than estimated.

Tackett added that the school's site based council had authorized the expenditure.

Ross said it was his understanding the council did not have all the information regarding the trip when a decision to approve it was made.

The board ultimately approved the request and Ross added, "I hope someone on the council is watching this and saying 'I can't believe this is happening. Quite honestly, I feel this is too much money to spend on three hours of training.'"

Board members Carol Stumbo, Ross and Dotson all agreed that they were not opposed to such professional development ventures, but cautioned that schools should take a closer look at how to make those funds stretch to provide the most services.



Happy Birthday

Katie Crum, daughter of Cindy Yates of Wheelwright and Frank and Sandy Crum of Ripley, West Virginia, will be celebrating her eighth birthday Monday, February 23. Katie is in the second grade at Osborne Elementary, and plays on both the area's basketball and tee-ball children's leagues. She has three brothers; Zachary, Dylan, and Dalton. Her grandparents are Joe and Audrey Yates of Wheelwright, and Belmont and Vera Crum of Ripley. She is the great-granddaughter of Gladys Pack of Price and the late Bill Pack.

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, "we may, in cooperation with local enforcement personnel, seek to prosecute."

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

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—First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

Viewpoint

Quote of the week...

"Old burglars never die, they just steal away."

—Glen Gilbreath

Editorial

Pass the bill, not the buck

by Scott Perry

What about this Bottle Bill?

The legislation, sponsored by Representative Greg Stumbo, proposes to place deposits on containers—plastic, glass and aluminum—that consumers would pay up front but get back when the containers were redeemed.

That used to be the only way you could buy a bottle of pop...in returnable bottles...and we remember scouring our neighborhood as a kid, wagon in tow, hoping to collect enough bottles for a trip to the movies.

So, what's the big deal? It's been done before.

Opponents complain that this legislation will create financial hardships for poor people and the elderly.

That's a pretty lame argument.

Any extra costs paid for containers can be recovered when they are turned back in.

So where is the burden?

What is really a shame about this legislation is that it wasn't enacted years ago.

How many floating garbage dumps might

we have avoided; how many millions of dollars spent on stream cleanups might we have saved if people disposed of their garbage in a responsible manner?

Trouble is, too many people still don't get it, or they don't care that what they pitch out their windows or over the riverbanks costs all of us money, threatens our health and messes up our planet...needlessly.

It's too bad we should have to make trash valuable to get it cleaned up, but that's the predicament we're in.

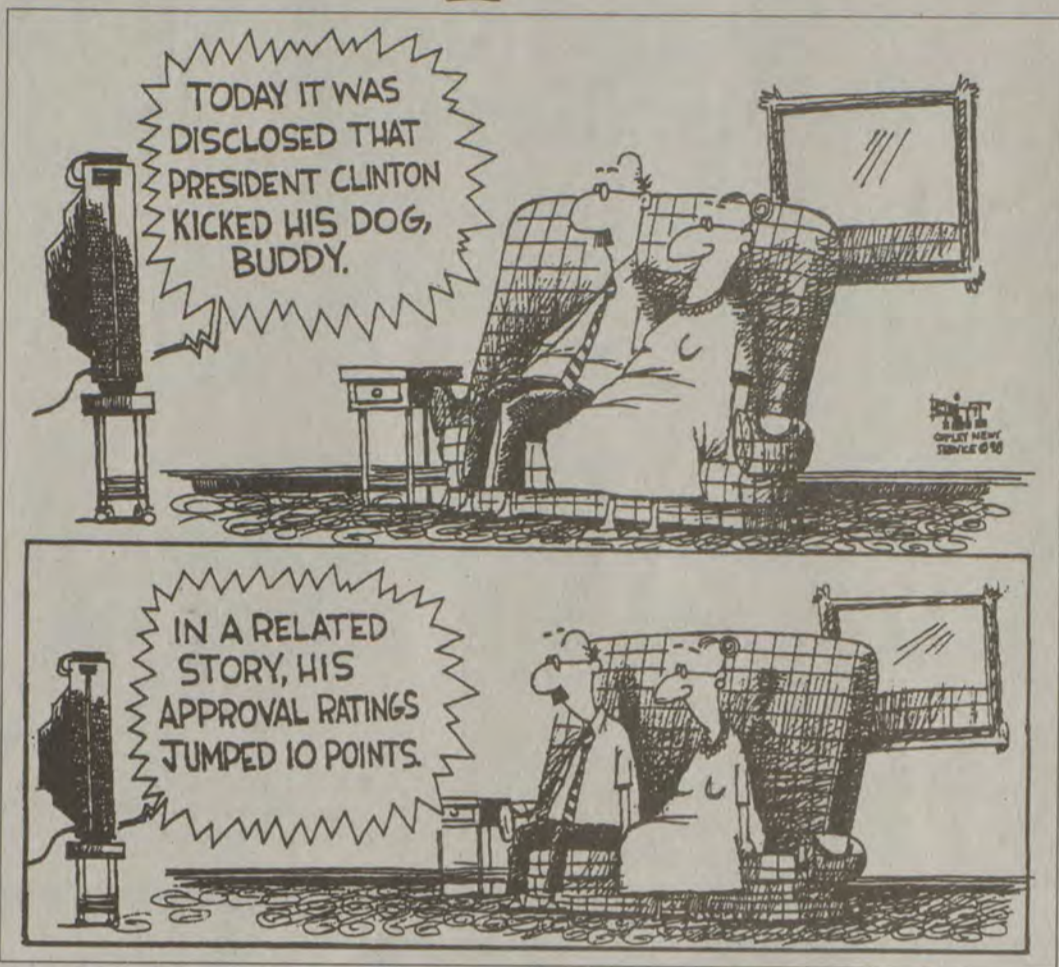
Responsible people won't be hurt by this legislation one bit, whether they are poor or elderly.

Only those who don't give a hoot will continue to pollute.

When they do, though, under this legislation, there'll be a bunch of kids, young and old, with wagons waiting to cash in on their ignorance.

We say pass the bill and let's quit passing the buck.

And use some of the money raised by the Bottle Bill to bottle up illegal dumpers and deposit them in jail.



Letters to the Editor

Reader feels living outside city not so bad; praises Times

Editor:

This letter is in response to a Prestonsburg City Council meeting I watched on television. I would like to say to all of the city council that I lived in the city of Prestonsburg for 31 years and if there is any advantage to living in that city, I for one would like to know what it is. I have been out of the city for almost 13 years now and the advantages of living out of the city are about 3 to 1. I don't have to ask the city or get a permit every time I want to do something on my own property, and since I don't have to pay your city tax, it doesn't cost me anymore to live outside the city.

You have made a lot of improvements in the middle of town, but what about the people who pay their taxes but don't live in the middle of town? They sure don't get their fair share. I agree the city as well as the county needs to make progress, but I don't agree on some of the methods you both use.

As for Scott Perry and the Floyd County Times, they tell the good as well as the bad. If you don't want bad things published then don't do them. I think we need to keep Mr. Perry and the Floyd County Times.

Betty Puckett
Prestonsburg

Weeksbury Community Club thanks judge, magistrate for new bridge

Editor:

The Weeksbury Community Club expresses sincere gratitude to Judge Ben Hale, the members of the Fiscal Court, and a special thanks to our magistrate, Mr. Elmer Ray Johnson for our new concrete bridge to our Community Park. This bridge has been badly needed for the last twenty years. It has been promised by several administrations. Now it is finally a reality!

Now the hundreds that visit our park annually can safely enter the park. Now our fire department can bring the truck across the bridge to service the residents of Minerva Lane.

We also express our appreciation for the daily cooperation of Judge Hale and Magistrate Johnson for their efforts in aiding us in all our community projects such as garbage disposal for clean-up campaigns, materials for our park, our two new picnic tables, our new grill, and scraping and clean-up of sections of our park.

Many times our county officials are criti-

cized for not doing their duty, and rightly so. When they do make special efforts, even above the call of duty, they deserve to be complimented.

Peggy S. Bradford
President
Weeksbury Community Club

Vietnam Vet says thanks for new flag at Wheelwright Memorial

Editor:

I would just like to thank Mayor Jerry Fanin and the City of Prestonsburg for changing the American Flag in Wheelwright.

The mayor sent firefighters and the ladder truck to the city to replace the flag at the Veteran's Memorial in Wheelwright.

Robert Farmer
Vietnam Veteran
Wheelwright

Paintsville resident opposes House Bill 371

Editor:

I am writing to express my concerns about House Bill 371. I would like to say, that as a businessman and resident of Eastern Kentucky, I am adamantly opposed to this bill. If approved, this bill would in fact, create a tax, as it is entirely supported by unredeemed deposits. The cost of the bill is placed squarely upon the consumer, therefore becoming a tax.

Many of the residents of Kentucky, particularly east Kentucky, are dependent upon every hard earned dollar. This bill would reduce disposable income significantly. A five or ten dollar reduction may not seem like a lot to some, but to the less privileged and elderly citizens of Kentucky it will be devastating.

Furthermore, to obtain a refund for the deposits you have paid on virtually every item in a grocery store, you may have to travel a significant distance. There will be an additional cost in manufacturing these products, therefore the price the consumer pays at store level, will be higher.

Considering that approximately 65 percent of Kentucky's population lives on the border of non bottle bill states, it is certainly reasonable to assume that with higher prices, along with a deposit (tax), the tax paying citizens of Kentucky will shop elsewhere. And this my friends will cost a lot of jobs.

Barry Rosier
Paintsville

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Letters to the editor policy

Letters to the Editor are welcomed by The Floyd County Times.

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Opinions expressed in letters are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the newspaper. Send letters to: The Editor, The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 391, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.

Bills on the move

Bills are moving through the Legislature at an unprecedented pace. And while the blizzard slowed action down, House members worked at a quicker pace last week to clear any possible backlog. Several major pieces of legislation competed for top billing in the headlines.

I know many organizations here in Floyd County play bingo to raise money for their worthy causes. A measure, approved by the House, gives charities who play bingo for a profit more margin in their profit requirements than determined by current law. Now charitable organizations must meet a 40 percent threshold of profit. If House Bill 263 makes it through the Senate, charities that keep 35 to 39 percent of profits would face a one year probation but could continue

operating bingo games if they could raise their profit share above 40 percent. Charities would have an entire year to reach the 40 percent level. If they drop beneath 30 percent profit, however, they would lose their license for a year rather than the two years under the current law.

Consumer legislation was approved to curb unscrupulous check cashing practices by businesses that cash checks for a fee in advance. These businesses that enjoy a thriving business in the Commonwealth cash payroll and post-dated personal checks charging a large fee. In other words it's an "I will give you money now if you promise to pay me back in two weeks." Consumer groups say they are a loan business, not a check cashing business as they charge exceptionally high fees for such services. This new legislation limits fees charged for cashing a check not exceeding \$15 per \$100 for a period of fourteen days.

House Bill 226 creates limitations on fees charged to process these checks. It requires these businesses to make their practices known to individuals who use these services. Annual reports filed with the Department of Financial Institutions will also be required.

An important provision of the legislation directs that the check cashing business cannot charge a customer who enters into a deferred deposit agreement with theft by deception.

While this legislation does not perhaps answer all the problems in which these businesses are suspected, generally it is a good beginning. During the upcoming interim, these check cashing businesses will continue to be monitored and additional legislation can possibly be considered during the next session.

With the House gallery fixed with motorcyclists, we passed House Bill 106, legislation that allows those 21 and older the liberty of riding the beautiful Kentucky country byways without a helmet. It was approved with an amendment that requires the motorcyclist to have a health insurance sticker attached to the license plate.

Also drawing hoards of spectators was the public hearing on my legislation, the container recycling legislation. Distributors who packed the committee room would pay the state 5 cents for every bottle under 20 ounces and 10 cents per bottle over 20 ounces when they send bottles to retailers in Kentucky. The cost would then pass to the retailers who pass it on to customers. Customers would get back their deposit when they return their bottle to recycling centers located in each county. The recycling centers would sell the products to processing companies. The intent of this bill, House Bill 371 is to remove litter from roadsides and waterways. I love East Kentucky and have worked hard to promote the tourism industry here. How many tourists do you think want to drive to the Arts Center in Floyd County or Jenny Wiley State Park along highways where soft drink bottles and milk jugs line the roadways? We must be responsible for our actions and promote our area. In my bill, the only person who will pay extra for their soft drinks will be the ones who roll that car window down and toss out litter.

A highly technical crime bill, House Bill 455, was passed from the House Committee on Judiciary. The committee spent several meetings debating this complex price of legislation which contains charges in the current laws for sex offenders, hate crimes, police certification, gang offenses, geriatric parole and mentally ill and violent offenders sentencing. It covers a wide range of issues and I'm sure there will be a continued discussion of its new provisions as it comes before the full House.

I welcome your opinions on these bills or any other pending before the Legislature. You can contact me while I am in Frankfort by using the toll-free legislative meetings at 1-800-372-7181.

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Trade openings are available at the Job Corps Centers

Six Job Corps centers, including the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center in Prestonsburg, have openings immediately. Openings for young men and women who want to learn skills leading to careers in business, carpentry, health occupations and other fields are available now. The Prestonsburg center had five applications last week, and graduated six students on January 29. Graduations occur every other week, so there are continual openings for the opportunity to attend the centers, and the number of positions available vary from week to week, officials say.

Job Corps, a U.S. Department of Labor program, provides disadvantaged people ages 16-24 with the opportunity to receive basic education through GED and college-level courses, as well as train in health occupations, food service, hotel and other fields.

"Right now, we have a wide variety of trade opportunities available through Job Corps," said James Bodnar, Job Corps' Region III director. "Our students not only

learn a skill from trained professionals, they are introduced to a career path for their future."

Men and women interested in learning more about the program and the openings at the Kentucky centers can call the offices at Frenchburg, (606) 768-2111; Carl D. Perkins, (800) 497-4001; Great Onyx, (502) 286-8824; Earle C. Clements, (502) 389-2419; Pine Knot, (606) 354-2176; or Whitney M. Young, (800) 786-3298.

Kentucky's Job Corps centers offer many options for prospective students. For example, students at the Clements Job Corps Center in Morganfield, Ky. and the Frenchburg Job Corps Center in Mariba, Ky. can learn auto mechanics, bricklaying and carpentry.

Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center in Prestonsburg, Ky. and the Whitney M. Young Job Corps Center in Simpsonville, Ky. train students in word processing, building maintenance, culinary arts and many other trades.

Students interested in outdoor

maintenance trades such as landscaping or tree trimming can enroll at the Great Onyx Job Corps Center in Mammoth Cave, Ky., or the Pine Knot Job Corps Center in Pine Knot, Ky. These centers also offer trades such as painting and welding.

Primarily, Job Corps is a residential program, providing students with room, board and some spending money while they learn. Some centers provide day care, and offer programs to people who live at home and train at the center.

Graduates complete for entry-level jobs in a number of industries, often earning hourly salaries of up to \$12.

"Job Corps is often the answer for young men and women who don't have a clear path yet for their lives. We offer a safe way to learn skills that will make them a success," said Bodnar.

There are 18 Job Corps centers in Region III, which is comprised of Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Kentucky, West Virginia and Washington, D.C.



The Mountain Arts Children's Theatre presented "A Christmas Carol," featuring the five-to-eight year age group. Pictured are top left: Taylor Boyd, Kendra Hall, Chris Caldwell, Lara Daniels. Bottom left: Kaitlin Turner, Jordan Tackett, Laurice Rosier. Not pictured is Seth Jones.

School board under Dotson's leadership

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

Floyd County's Board of Education and the school system is under new leadership with the election Tuesday of Terry Dotson as the chairman and the arrival of Dr. Bill Rideout as the interim state manager.

Board members worked through a long agenda at Tuesday's meeting and ended the marathon session after midnight. Several items—mainly contractual issues—were tabled because the board has not yet hired a board attorney.

Former board attorney Jerry Patton resigned last week.

Board members voted to send contracts for a special education consultant and a union contract for the system's bus drivers to the Department of Education for review before taking any action.

Special education director Brenda Fish said that the district is under a court order to provide the consultant and that she has been trying since last April to get the contract approved.

Dotson said the board did not have enough information to make an informed decision on the issue and added that the board is trying to be cooperative.

"We are working in a unique situation and we're working as rapidly as we can," Dotson said. "We don't want to be a hindrance."

Board members also asked that attorney Kevin Noland, who heads the state education department's legal office, review applicants for the board attorney job to ensure they are knowledgeable in school law.

Applicants for the job include William Francis, who worked as board attorney from the late 80s to early 90s; Floyd County native Tim Crawford, who represents school boards in McCreary, Whitley, Knox, and Jackson counties, and Barbourville Independent schools; former board attorney Cliff Latta, who served from 1992-95; Carole Conway of Pikeville; Robert G. Miller Jr. of Paintsville, who works for the firm of Perry, Preston and Miller; and Tom Smith of Prestonsburg, who has served as special counsel to the board on

various issues.

Also Tuesday:

- Dotson said one issue which continues to hamper the board is the lack of an official form which clearly indicates that expenditures coming before the board have been approved by state officials.

The board asked that a form be developed by state officials which will show that any expenditures coming before them have been approved by state officials.

Associate Education Commissioner Tom Willis said a form could be designed.

- The board tabled a proposal from county athletic director Pete Grigsby Jr. to adopt policies and bylaws and a constitution for county high schools. A decision was made to table the issue when some high school and elementary principals said they had not seen the final draft of the document. The board asked Grigsby to make sure all principals had a copy.

- A contract for Workers' Compensation insurance awarded to Tom W. Lykins Insurance by the Kentucky Board of Education, acting as the Floyd board, was affirmed. The cost of the insurance is \$101,903.

- Board members tabled staff allocations to schools until more information is provided on over-staffing. Kenya Koch, with the state department of education, said the district is over the approved allotment by nine teaching positions. She cautioned the board to review the projected allotments carefully.

- The board voted to lift a hiring freeze in the district provided that positions were filled only if leaving vacancies would disrupt the educational process in the classrooms.

- A request by Betsy Layne High School principal Coy Sammons to rename the high school gym after former board member Tommy Boyd was tabled. The board said the issue should first be presented to the community. Board members agreed it should be a decision of the Betsy Layne community, not the board.

- The board approved appointments to a committee to consider transportation boundaries in the school system.

Letters

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Urges voters to support HB 434 to improve access to education

Editor:

I am writing in support of House Bill 434. The education bill will assure access to education for low-income Kentuckians. This bill would continue support services for low-income Kentuckians while they are in school by using state dollars that are already targeted for this program.

The figures used in this bill are 1995 figures, so this bill would not require any new money. It is money that is already there.

The only way for families to get into self-sufficient jobs and earn a

living wage is through education. The sponsors of the bill realize this and so should the rest of society, as well as the Cabinet for Families and Children.

I would like to send my heartfelt thanks to the sponsors of this bill, Representative Tom Burch and co-sponsors, Greg Stumbo, Charles Stiler, Joni Jenkins, Marie Rader, Barbara White Colter and Will Scott. These are people who know how important an education is to people in their area.

I would like for everyone to call their representatives and senators and ask them to support House Bill 434, the education bill, so that Kentucky can move ahead and prosper. The legislative message line number is 1-800-372-7181.

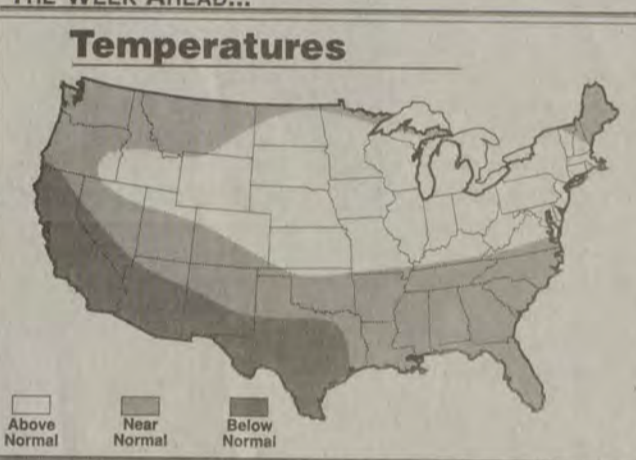
Sherri Barker
Prestonsburg

Forecast for Floyd County, KY

LOCAL 7-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Cloudy with a shower. 49	Cloudy. 35	Clouds and sun. 51/34	Clouds and sun; mild. 56/36	Clouds and sun; mild. 55/39	Clouds and sun; mild. 60/40	Partly sunny and pleasant. 62/42	Clouds and sun; pleasant. 60/41

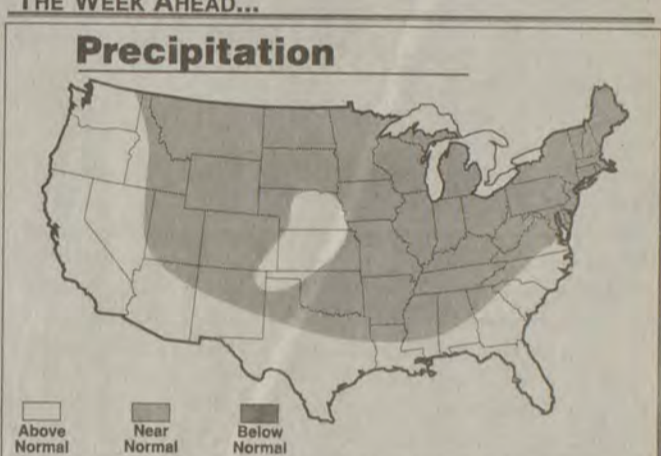
THE WEEK AHEAD...



NATIONAL SUMMARY

Stormy weather will continue across the nation during the period. One storm will bring wet weather from the Southwest to the Southeast, while the next storm will take aim at areas in the Plains. The Northeast and mid-Atlantic will slowly begin to dry out, but the Northwest will get pounded with wind and rain.

THE WEEK AHEAD...



U.S. TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Today			Saturday			Sunday			Monday			Tuesday		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Atlanta	63	38	pc	60	40	pc	59	40	pc	61	43	pc	65	46	pc
Boston	47	35	c	43	30	pc	48	33	pc	46	31	pc	45	32	pc
Chicago	38	28	c	45	32	pc	47	33	pc	48	36	pc	48	32	sh
Cleveland	42	33	sf	43	31	c	48	33	pc	48	34	pc	51	35	pc
Denver	49	22	s	57	31	pc	55	28	pc	51	24	pc	47	20	pc
Des Moines	37	25	sf	48	36	pc	47	32	pc	47	33	pc	51	32	pc
Detroit	40	30	sf	44	31	pc	50	35	pc	52	34	pc	47	30	pc
Houston	66	45	s	65	50	pc	67	49	pc	67	49	pc	67	49	pc
Indianapolis	43	30	c	47	33	pc	52	36	pc	51	39	pc	73	54	pc
Kansas City	45	29	c	56	39	pc	55	36	pc	54	36	pc	64	42	pc
Louisville	66	45	s	65	50	pc	64	42	pc	62	41	sh	64	42	pc
Miami	82	63	sh	78	61	pc	78	63	pc	79	64	pc	81	63	pc
Minn.-St. Paul	22	c	44	33	pc	47	32	pc	47	27	sh	43	24	pc	
New Orleans	65	45	s	65	46	pc	65	49	c	70	53	pc	72	53	pc
New York City	48	38	c	47	34	pc	48	38	pc	49	35	pc	48	37	pc
Omaha	39	24	c	56	37	pc	57	36	pc	54	32	pc	48	26	pc
Phoenix	60	45	r	68	49	pc	69	47	pc	67	44	pc	66	44	pc
San Francisco	58	46	pc	57	45	sh	54	43	sh	54	42	sh	57	45	pc
Seattle	52	45	r	53	38	sh	50	37	sh	51	37	pc	51	39	pc
Washington	66	39	c	56	36	pc	55	37	pc	57	37	pc	55	40	pc

SUN & MOON

	Sunrise	Sunset
Fri.	7:15 a.m.	6:15 p.m.
Sat.	7:14 a.m.	6:16 p.m.

	Moonrise	Moonset
Fri.	1:57 a.m.	12:28 p.m.
Sat.	2:53 a.m.	1:16 p.m.

Moon Phases



Weather (W):
s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy,
sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain,
sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, l-ice.

WORLD TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Today			Saturday			Sunday			Monday			Tuesday		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Amsterdam	60	49	pc	50	35	r	36	28	pc	45	41	s	54	47	s
Berlin	53	46	pc	59	45	s	46	27	pc	37	34	pc	47	43	s
Buenos Aires	83	65	pc	78	66	sh	84	64	pc	85	64	pc	84	65	pc
Cairo	57	39	pc	60	42	s	65	44	sh	63	44	sh	67	51	pc
Jerusalem	48	35	sh	52	37	s	58	42	sh	57	38	sh	56	43	pc
Johannesburg	79	64	c	83	65	pc	87	65	pc	85	62	pc	82	60	pc
London	62	49	pc	51	36	r	38	32	sh	52	46	s	59	49	s
Madrid	67	43	s	57	29	c	50	31	pc	54	32	s	54	33	s
Mexico City	77	44	s	73	47	s	75	49	pc	76	49	pc	75	47	pc
Moscow	32	20	c	30	29	c	46	32	c	34	11	pc	26	25	s
Paris	60	45	s	48	31	r	34	23	pc	41	34	pc	49	40	s
Rio de Janeiro	85	73	sh	83	75	sh	87	77	pc	87	77	pc	87	76	pc
Rome	65	43	s	64	45	s	65	44	pc	53	32	c	49	33	r
San Juan	87	73	s	85	75	s	88	74	pc	88	74	pc	86	74	pc
Seoul	51	33	sh	39	21	c	48	31	pc	48	30	pc	48	29	pc
Sydney	85	65	s	77	70	pc	82	67	pc	77	69	s	78	68	s
Toronto	33	23	sn	37	26	pc	40	27	pc	43	29	pc	45	29	pc
Tokyo	64	56	r	57	33	r	55	45	pc	55	49	pc	61	52	r
Winnipeg	30	11	pc	36	18	pc	37	15	sh	32	5	sf	23	3	pc
Zurich	55	41	s	56	40	s	41	26	pc	33	27	sn	40	32	c

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Floyd nurse receives award

Floyd County Health Department Nurse Lucreasie Reed, RN, is the recipient of the 1998 Catholic Health Initiative/CARITAS Health Services Nursing Practice Award at the eighth annual Spalding University Board of Overseers Leadership in Nursing Awards. The awards ceremony will take place on Tuesday, February 24, in the Galt House East Hotel Grand Ballroom.

Reed is a staff nurse at Floyd County Health Department in Prestonsburg. She will receive a cash award of \$500 and a distinctive marble and crystal statuette. Spalding's Leadership in

Nursing award highlights the hard work and dedication of all the region's nurses. Those who exemplify the very highest ideals of the nursing profession will be uniquely honored.

Spalding's board of overseers established the Leadership in Nursing Awards in 1991, to recognize the many contributions and outstanding role models of the nursing profession. The awards are open to registered or licensed practical nurses (currently practicing or retired) in Kentucky and southern Indiana. Spalding University has honored 44 outstanding nurses in the past seven years.



Lucreasie Reed

END-TIME CHRONICLES

by Randy Slone

It is my belief that the majority of Christians today do not believe they can understand the Bible. After all, why should the typical Christian possess the personal confidence to believe that he, or she, can understand the Bible when the greatest theological minds throughout the world are still arguing about it?

Many fundamentalist Christians believe the "high-minded, overly-educated" theologians are in disagreement because they lack true spiritual understanding from God. They claim, "True preachers of God do not go to college to learn how to preach and true preachers of God are not paid!" However, the simple truth is that fundamentalist denominations do not agree either, and every one of them claim to have the "spirit of truth" helping them.

Theologians claim fundamentalists lack the academic understanding to foundamentalize their interpretations. Is this a surprise? So why aren't theologians in some sort of universal agreement?

Evangelists claim we don't pay enough tithes. How convenient for them, since they hope to be on the receiving end of the bulk donations! Christian cult organizations claim we must get in touch with God's only "channel of communication" for the Earth. I thought that was why God provided us with a Bible; how naive of me! Other groups claim we don't call God by His proper name, or Jesus by His Jewish name, or we don't have the correct name above the congregation door. I've been called various names also. (I'll probably be called a few more when this article is published), but I am not offended unless the name is disrespectful.

Just recently, it was brought to my attention that I was not using the "original" Bible. I guess that means I'll have to begin attending seminary and learn to read ancient Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek (since that was what the original Bible was written in). But wait! I can't do that, or else I'll become too educated and lose any chance for "spiritual understanding." The good news is that I have not yet heard anyone argue about what color the cover of the Bible has to be. [A very learned Christian brother of mine read this article before publication, and he informed me that there was a major dispute about 100 years ago in a Christian denomination resulting in the requirement for all members to own Bibles with "black covers only!" I stand corrected.]

I apologize for the sarcasm, but it does help to illustrate the foolishness and irrelevance of most of these opinions. Does it seem reasonable that our compassionate, almighty, all-knowing, and all-powerful creator would provide us with His inspired word, knowing all the while that we would not be able to understand it? Confusion and disorder within the Christian brother-

hood is a direct result of the intervention of Satan and the carnality of our thinking. Paul said, "God is not a God of disorder, but of peace." (1 Corinthians 14:33) Modern day denominationalism is the same old problem Paul condemned in 1 Corinthians 3:3-4, "You are still worldly...For when one says, I follow Paul, and another, I follow Apollos, are you not mere men?" Satan has had a field day since the reformation, warring against the

into this emotional nexus, causing us to retaliate toward any significant criticism. Consequently, this misplaced loyalty toward the defense of a denomination cripples any hope toward an impartial Bible study. This is the reason many Christians become angry when a doctrine within their denomination is questioned or criticized; they take it very personal.

Understanding God's word is an individual responsibility which applies to EVERY Christian (with the exception of those who may be handicapped in severe ways). But how can we achieve an accurate understanding of the Bible? As stated earlier, we cannot rely on indoctrination, tradition, majority consensus, the teaching of our Church leaders (they

don't agree either), our parents or relatives, or even our personal feelings. There is a correct "methodology" which, when coupled with sincerity and reliance upon the Holy Spirit, will lead ANY typical person to a very accurate understanding of the Bible. The "nuts-and-bolts" of this system will be discussed in Part 2 of this article.

We appreciate your questions or comments! Send to SEAL FEEDBACK, P.O. Box 268, Weeksbury, KY 41667.

"Can I Accurately Understand the Bible?" (Part 1)

Church with the motto, "Divide and conquer!"

So why can't sincere Christians agree on doctrinal and Biblical issues? Don't we all read and study essentially the same Bible? A lot of insight on this subject can be gained by listening to the response of Christians in defending their various doctrinal beliefs and religious affiliations.

"I have been taught this way all of my life." [INDOCTRINATION—Christian enemy No. 1. Jesus said, "And no one after drinking old wine wants the new, for he says, the old is better." (Luke 5:39)]

"Almost all Christians believe this way." [MAJORITY OPINION—Christian enemy No. 2. Jesus said, "Enter the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it." (Matthew 7:13)]

"The greatest leaders of the Church have taught this for 200 years." [TRADITIONALISM—Christian enemy No. 3. Jesus said, "Thus you nullify the word of God by your tradition that you have handed down." (Mark 7:13)]

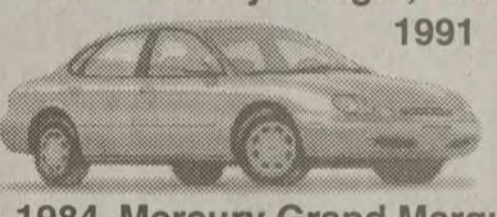
"I don't have time to study the Bible. My pastor is a good man and I believe what he tells me." [DISTRACTION AND LAZINESS—Christian enemies No. 4 and 5. Jesus said, "But seek FIRST his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." (Matthew 6:33)]

"I can't really prove it from the Bible, but I believe it (i.e. some doctrine) with all of my heart." [NON-BIBLICAL DOCTRINES BASED ON FEELINGS OF EMOTIONS—Christian enemy No. 6. Proverbs 14:12 states, "There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death." (Proverbs 14:12)]

There are also more subtle reasons why we have difficulty with Biblical and doctrinal agreement. Very often, we attend a denomination in which our parent(s) or close family relatives were long-time members. Any tendency to doubt the doctrinal accuracy of this denomination stirs deep emotions of betrayal toward our family. In addition, long-term friendships and fond childhood memories are integrated

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REGIONAL OBITUARIES

Johnson County

Delores Jean Wilcox Conley McFaddin, 68, died February 16. She was a retired employee of the Johnson County Schools. She is survived by her husband, Paul McFaddin. Funeral services were February 19, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Marjorie Huff Grant, 59, of Red Bush, died February 11. She is survived by her husband, Frank Grant. Funeral services were February 14, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Pauline F. Tackett, 70, of Staffordsville, died February 14. She is survived by her husband, F.M. Tackett. Funeral services were February 17, at the Staffordsville Freewill Baptist Church, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Angela Marie Zimmerer Bohr, 82, of Meally, died February 7. She was a retired cafeteria manager and church secretary. She was preceded in death by her husband, William George Bohr. Funeral services were February 10, at the St. Michael's Catholic Church.

Henley Clarence Dutton, 74, of Williamsport, died February 9. He was a retired teacher. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ellen Wells Dutton. Funeral services were February 11, at the Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Alka Mayo Stapleton, 93, of Paintsville, died February 10. She was preceded in death by her husband, Dow Stapleton. Funeral services were February 13, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Mike Staniford, 81, of Paintsville, died February 9. He was a retired coal miner. He is survived by his wife, Judy Lynn Mahan Staniford. Funeral services were

February 12, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Tom Blackburn, 78, of East Point, died February 10. He was employed in the maintenance department at the Floyd County Board of Education. He is survived by his wife, Estalene Hatfield Blackburn. Funeral services were February 12, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Pike County

James "Rounder" Hager, 74, of Ransom, died Thursday, February 12. He was a retired coal miner, employed 31 years by Island Creek Coal Company. He is survived by his wife, Beatrice Hatfield Hager. Funeral services were February 15, at the Samaria Primitive Baptist Church, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home of Belfry.

Howard Anderson Jr., 56, of Kimper, died February 12. He was a retired coal miner. He is survived by his mother, Francis Justice Anderson of Kimper, and his wife, Clarsie Mae Chapman Anderson. Funeral services were February 15, at the Grapevine Primitive Baptist Church, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services-Pike County Chapel.

Ruby Jean Tackett Meade, 48, of Virgie, died February 15. She is survived by her mother, Spicy McPeck. Funeral services were February 18, at the R.S. Jones and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Calvin C. Ray, 73, of Virgie, died February 13. He was a retired boiler operator. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Edna Ray. Funeral services were February 16, at the residence, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Patty Sue Tackett, 56, of Pikeville, died February 12. She was a manager of an apartment complex and manager of Franklin

Asset. She is survived by her husband, Morgan and Otta Coleman Adkins of Wolfpit. Funeral services were February 15, at the Lucas & Hall Funeral Home Chapel.

Oma Leo Young McCown, 64, of Little Fork, Cane, died February 11. She is survived by her husband, Ernest "Red" McCown. Funeral services were February 14, at the Energyville Freewill Baptist Church, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

June Maynard, 79, of Pinsonfork, died February 10. She was a seamstress. She was preceded in death by her husband, Della Maynard. Funeral services were February 13, at the Rogers Funeral Home Chapel.

Beulah B. Boyd, 82, of Pikeville, died February 10. She was preceded in death by her husband, Orman T. Boyd. Funeral services were February 12, at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Glean Kelly, 61, of Ashcamp, died February 10. He was a coal miner. He is survived by his wife, Connie Marinda Williams Kelly. Funeral services were February 13, at the Jesus is Lord Church, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Johnie L. Nichols, 99, of Pikeville, died February 13. He was a retired farmer and timberman and an ordained minister. He was preceded in death by his wife, Trixie Blackburn Nichols. Funeral services were February 16, at the Lucas & Hall Funeral Home Chapel.

Barbara Louise Fields, 32, of Pikeville, died February 14, the result of injuries sustained in an accident. She was a disabled factory machine operator. She is survived by her mother, Brenda Gail Cartmill Fields. Funeral services were February 17, at the J.W. Call

and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Ora J. Blackburn, 81, of Lookout, died February 14. She was preceded in death by her husband, Earnel W. Blackburn. Funeral services were February 16, at the Marrowbone Missionary Baptist Church, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Billy R. Skeens, 63, of Elkhorn City, died February 16. He was a Social Security Administration claims administrator. He is survived by his wife, Betty Lester Skeens. Funeral services were February 18, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Magoffin County

Mike Helton, 45, of Salyersville, died February 7. He was a general laborer. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Montgomery Helton. Funeral services were February 10, at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel.

Ruie Penix Carty, 90, of Salyersville, died February 8. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edgar Carty. Funeral services were February 11, at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel.

Ada Penix, 84, of Salyersville, died February 3. Funeral services were February 7, at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral

Home Chapel.

Martha Blanton, 47, of Salyersville, died February 9. Funeral services were February 10, at the Flat Fork Freewill Baptist Church.

Martin County

Willis Preston, 62, of Inez, died Monday, February 17. He was a veteran of the United States Army. Funeral services were February 19, at the Phelps and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Edith Fletcher Jude, 61, of Inez, died February 4. She was preceded in death by her husband, Russell Jude. Funeral services were February 7, at 1 p.m., at the Sidney Church at Pilgrim, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Randall Collins, 42, of Pilgrim, died February 11. He is survived by his wife, Reva White Collins, and his mother, Mary Scott Collins of Martin County. Funeral services were February 14, at the Sidney Church at Pilgrim, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Dottie Louise Callahan West, 54, of Inez, died February 16. She was employed by the Martin County Board of Education as a teacher for 27 years. Survivors include her husband, Dave West.

Funeral services were February 18, at the Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home Chapel.

Knott County

Henry W. Owens, 69, of Hazard, died Saturday, February 14. He was preceded in death by his wife, Vonnie B. Owens. Funeral services were February 17, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel.

Adam Smith, 65, of Dwarf, died February 9. He is survived by his wife, Florence Jean Smith. Funeral services were February 12, at the Dwarf Baptist Church, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Henrietta Raichel, 68, of Sassafras, died February 10. She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnnie Raichel. Funeral services were February 12, at the Smithboro Baptist Church, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Devert Richie, 84, of Hindman, died February 12. Funeral services were February 12, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel.

Mary O. Sparkman, 88, of Hindman, died Friday, February 13. She was preceded in death by her husband, Fred Sparkman. Funeral services were February 16, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel.

PAUL PRATHER

PROSPECTIVES ON FAITH

My deadline requires me to write this column days before it appears in your newspaper, a tricky matter for any guy who hopes to comment on breaking news.

As I write, the political melodrama involving President Bill Clinton and former White House intern Monica Lewinsky dominates the TV newscasts.

By the time you read this, I know, the allegations concerning the president may have shifted significantly. He may have conceded his guilt or proven his innocence. In any case, you might simply be exhausted with the entire scandal.

Still, for the moment, at least, this brouhaha illustrates several cosmic principles that bear upon face in our own lives:

1.) If you always behave with integrity, you don't have to worry about someone else bringing your secrets to light.

When I was a teenager, I sacked groceries in a supermarket. For reasons I've since forgotten, the federal government imposed an embargo on sugar from foreign nations. That action drastically cut the amount of sugar available in stores here.

Many store managers scrambled to buy sugar on the black market or else they hoarded sugar they'd purchased before the embargo and sold it to their customers at vastly inflated prices. Some of their actions were illegal.

Federal officers suddenly began appearing in stores, rifling through back rooms, searching for contraband. The managers who had cheated, now panicked.

But the gruff old guy who ran the store where I worked never broke a sweat.

"Not a bit worried," he told me, puffing a cigar stub. "You know why?"

I shook my head. "I didn't do anything wrong," he said. "If you do what's right, you don't have to spend your life looking over your shoulder. Let that be a lesson to you."

In the Clinton mess, obviously, somebody didn't do right.

Perhaps the President and Lewinsky committed adultery, and then one or both of them subsequently lied about it under oath. Or perhaps Lewinsky concocted an elaborate lie when she told her friend Linda Tripp, who was secretly recording Lewinsky's confessions, that an affair really had

taken place. I don't know.

But one thing's for sure. If everyone had acted properly all along, nobody would be quaking with fear today. And the nation wouldn't be in this turmoil.

2.) Few people always do what's right. We're a fallen species. We mess up.

Before we judge President Clinton or Lewinsky too harshly, we'd do well to imagine how we might act if we were given the unimaginable opportunities for power and pride the White House offers.

3.) "Fool me once, shame on you; fool me twice, shame on me." That's a quote from the fictional Grandma Pyle, Gomer Pyle's grandmother.



Paul Prather

fabric of human nature. Bill and Hillary Clinton portray themselves as progressives who despise even the slightest perceived mistreatment of women, gays or racial minorities.

Yet Bill Clinton is accused of having used both the Arkansas governor's job and America's presidency to solicit sex from vulnerable women who worked for his administrations in pink-collar jobs, women his inferiors in prestige, power and pay.

Meanwhile his staunchly feminist wife plays the role of Tammy Wynette's "Stand By Your Man" kind of woman, the kind Hillary once dismissed in disgust.

6.) If everyone keeps seeking "an eye for an eye," we'll all soon be blind.

The basis for much of the ire aimed at Clinton by his enemies these past five years is a seething desire to get even with Democrats

for their persecutions of Robert Bork and Clarence Thomas, two conservative nominees for the Supreme Court.

If Democrats flail the next Republican president to avenge Clinton, we face a future in which no person will be able to hold any major public office for long.

7.) Bill Clinton is still our president. We have a duty to pray for him.

8.) God is still God, and He's bigger than any political scandal.

Easter crafts class offered at college

Easter is only a month and a half away. That's still plenty of time to learn Easter crafts to give your house a new, bright look for the spring season.

PCC's CE/CS office is offering an Easter crafts class for your entertainment. Tuesday, March 3 and March 10, come to PCC from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and learn interesting new crafts for the Spring season.

For more information, or to register, call the CE/CS Office Monday through Friday at 886-3863, Ext. 258 from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

OBITUARIES

Carrie Hall Wicker

Carrie Hall Wicker, 70, of Douglas, Georgia, died Tuesday, January 13, 1998, following an extended illness.

Born January 24, 1927 in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Ambrose and Rosie Martin Hall.

Survivors include her husband, Mart Wicker; three daughters, Mary Caldwell of Beaver, Ohio, and Tammy Wicker and Amy Espitia, both of Douglas, Georgia; eight sons, Jimmy Wicker of Tifton, Georgia, William Wicker, Stacy Wicker and Johnny Wicker, all of Douglas, Georgia, Tim Wicker of Belleville, Michigan, George Wicker of Beaver, Ohio, Clinton Wicker of Enigma, Georgia, and Calvin Fred Wicker of Thomasville, Georgia; three sisters, Goldie Keathley of Lincoln Park, Michigan, and Alvie Rapp and Nannie Tackett, both of Beaver, Ohio; 22 grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Thursday, January 15, at 4 p.m., at the Sims Funeral Home in Douglas, Georgia, with Rev. Sime Morris officiating. Burial was in the Douglas City Cemetery in Douglas, Georgia.

Serving as pallbearers were Tim Wicker Jr., Ronnie Wicker, William Wicker Jr., Jason Caldwell, Charles Mart Wicker and George Wicker Jr.

Dora Ford

Dora Ford, 75, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, February 17, 1998, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Born February 2, 1923 in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Addie Smith Adkins and Melvin Adkins. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bill Ford. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include two sons, Tommy Ford of Lack and Ronnie Ford of Louisville; one daughter, Phyllis Adkins of Fords Branch; one sister, Morrell Jeffers of Cleveland, Ohio; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, February 20, at 11 a.m., at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel, with Billy Ford and Bob Ford officiating.

Burial will be in the Dan Adkins Cemetery at Fords Branch, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Mamie Carroll

Mamie Carroll, 40, of Island Creek, died Thursday, February 12, 1998, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Born March 15, 1957 in Pike County, she was the daughter of Minnie Belle Bartley Hamilton and Clifford Hamilton.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her husband, Ronnie Carroll; two sons, Ronnie Carroll Jr. of Tram and Redgia McMillan of Morehead; four daughters, Minnie Fields of Pikeville, and Rhonda Carroll, Mary Belle Carroll and Mamie L. Carroll, all of Island Creek; two brothers, Marvin Hamilton of Lower Pompey and Danny Hamilton of Morehead; one sister, Janice Sue Hamilton of Island Creek; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, February 15, at 11 a.m., at the Island Creek Old Regular Baptist Church, with the Old Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Willard Bartley Cemetery, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Hazel Newsome Jones

Hazel Newsome Jones, 70, of Ashtabula, Ohio, formerly of McDowell, died Saturday, February 14, 1998, at her residence.

Born April 4, 1927 at McDowell, she was the daughter of the late William and Mary Tackett Newsome. She moved from McDowell to Ashtabula nine years ago. She was preceded in death by her husband, Clark Jones.

Survivors include two sons, Bill Jones of Saybrook, Ohio, and Eddie Jones of Ashtabula, Ohio; four brothers, Chester Newsome and William Newsome Jr., both of Ashtabula, Ohio, Earl Newsome of Allen, and Edward Newsome of Willard, Ohio; six sisters, Drexie Myers of Hampton, Virginia, Maciel Miller of North Carolina, Sylvia Tuttle and Marie Tuttle, both of Willard, Ohio, Maxine Weams of Kingsville, Ohio, and Mildred Stiles of North Kingsville, Ohio; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were Thursday, February 19, at the Burton Funeral Home Chapel in N. Kingsville, Ohio, with Rev. Evon Hamalton officiating. Burial was in the Greenlawn Memory Gardens.

Arley Boyd

Arley Boyd, 72, of Dana, died Tuesday, February 17, 1998, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington.

Born October 10, 1925 at Dana, he was the son of the late Bennie and Rosie Jarrell Boyd. He was a self-employed carpenter and veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Emogene Jarrell Boyd; three sons, T.J. Boyd and Clifton Boyd and Benjamin B. Boyd, all of Dana; two daughters, Caroline Dillion and Arlene Mitchell, both of Dana; 14 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be February 21, at 11 a.m., at the Little Salem Old Regular Baptist Church at Dana, with the Old Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Wilford Boyd Cemetery at Dana, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation will be at the church.

Jessie James Collins

Jessie James Collins, 59, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, February 18, 1998.

Born May 3, 1938 at Buffalo, he was the son of the late Huey and Ora Mae Spears Collins Martin. He was the owner of Collins Security in Prestonsburg.

Survivors include his wife, Susie Prater Collins; four daughters, Jennifer Collins, Jeanie Collins, Brittany Collins and Briana Collins, all of Prestonsburg; three brothers, L.K. Collins of McCombs, Otto Collins of Flat Rock, Michigan, and John H. Collins of Allen; and two sisters, Barbara Slone of Martin and Venice Garrett of Chelsea, Michigan.

Funeral services will be Saturday, February 21, at 2 p.m., at the Floyd Funeral Home Chapel.

Burial will be in the Prater Family Cemetery at Middle Creek, under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

Coffee house, rally

Martin Church of Christ will hold a free coffee house at the church, on March 19, at 7 p.m. Also, Fifth Sunday Rally will be held March 29, at 6 p.m. with special music and a puppet show.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Classes offered on Excel Spreadsheet program

Prestonsburg Community College's CE/CS office will offer classes on the Excel Spreadsheet program, accessing the internet and using E-mail, beginning February 26, from 6-9 in the Johnson building. Call 886-3863, ext. 258 for more information or to register.

Annual meeting

The board of directors of Appalachian Research and Defense Fund of Kentucky Inc. will hold an annual meeting on Saturday, February 21, at 11 a.m. at the U.K. Law School, Room 138 in Lexington. The meeting is open to the public.

Depressed anonymous

This new 12-step group in the Big Sandy area will meet every Thursday, at 7 p.m. in the conference room of the Big Sandy Area Development office, located on Cliff Road, behind Schwan's. Call 886-0483 for more information.

Autism meeting rescheduled

The Kentucky Autism Training Center (KATC) has rescheduled their informational meeting on autism for Wednesday, March 4, from 5-8 p.m. at the Mountain Arts Center. The speaker will be Dr. John Burke, director of KATC. Call (502) 852-4631 or (800) 344-8635 for more information.

Entrance test

The Piarist School will hold its first entrance test for students entering the ninth or tenth grades in the fall on March 7, at 9 a.m. The school is a small, private, tuition-free, college preparatory high school, located in Martin. Call 285-3950 or write for more information: The Piarist School, Hwy. 80, Box 870, Martin, KY 41649.

Music in the Air Festival

The third annual Music in the Air Festival will be held August 22, at Indian Fort Theater in Berea. Application now being accepted for craft exhibitors, independent business exhibitors and food vendors. Call Betty Jo Foster at 1-800-265-9040 for an application or more information.

Transition training class

The CE/CS office at Prestonsburg Community College will offer a transition training course beginning March 3, from 6-9 p.m. in the Johnson building. Call 886-3863, ext. 258 for more information or to register.

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.

Tutoring review

The office of continuing education and community services of Prestonsburg Community College will hold a special tutoring review for the mathematics portion of the National ACT exam, on March 3-5, from 6-8 p.m. at PCC. The next ACT test will be held April 4. Call 886-3863 for information or to register.

Red Cross Basic 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.

Shiitake Mushroom Workshop

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.

10th Annual Airborne Affair in Ohio

The 10th annual General M.B. Ridgway Airborne Affair will be held April 24 and 25 in Dayton, Ohio. Many veterans of the 11th,

13th, 17th, 101st plus the special forces will join the 82nd airborne for the reunion. For complete details and membership: Call: Shirley Gossett or write Airborne of Ohio, 937-898-5977, 5459 Northcutt Pl., Dayton, Oh. 45414-3742.

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.

Meeting to be held for those interested in adoption/foster care

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.

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.

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.

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.

HIV/AIDS update

Our Lady of the Way Hospital will offer a two-hour HIV/AIDS update on March 11, at the Seton Complex. Registration begins at 1 p.m.; workshop starts at 1:15 p.m. Preregistration required by March 6. Call 285-5181, ext. 301 for more information.

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Employee of the Year

A long-time employee of Jenny Wiley State Resort Park has been chosen a Department of Parks Employee of the Year.

Patricia Orsborne was recognized Thursday, January 29 during a surprise ceremony at the park. Parks Commissioner Kenny Rapier presented her with a plaque. He was joined in the ceremony by Park Manager Vicki Ewen.

A ten-year veteran of the department this April, Orsborne is an accountant senior in the park's business office. She was nominated for recognition by former Park Manager Jim Kennedy.

"Mrs. Orsborne has demonstrated exceptional leadership and unusual personal initiative," according to the nomination letter. During 1997, she took on the additional duties of park business manager for more than four months while maintaining her existing duties. "There is no question that the exemplary efforts of this dedicated and devoted employee fully justify her recognition," the nomination letter said.

A tearful Orsborne accepted the award, but not before commenting "I just did my job, but without the other employees here, I couldn't have done it."

Patricia is the daughter of G.C. Blair, a life-long Floyd County resident, and the late Sarah Blair. Her sister is Cindy Blair of Daytona Beach, Florida, and Daniel Blair of Wasilla,

Alaska, is her brother. She and her husband, Donald, live at Tram with their two daughters, 17-year-old LaDonna and Monica, 11. Both girls attend school at Betsy Layne, and Mr. Orsborne is a school bus driver with the Floyd County school system.

Besides being given a plaque, Patricia Orsborne was given a certificate for a two-night stay at any park in the state, complete with six meals, for two. "It'll be like a honeymoon," she said.

The presentation is one of a series scheduled throughout the park system as part of RARE - Rewards and Recognition for Employees. The program was developed in 1994-95 to honor the accomplishments of exceptional state employees. A panel of park system employees considers award nominations from each of seven regions.



Patricia Orsborne of Tram was named Kentucky Department of Parks Employee of the Year last Thursday. She is an accountant senior at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park where she has worked for ten years. (photo by Cindy Yates)

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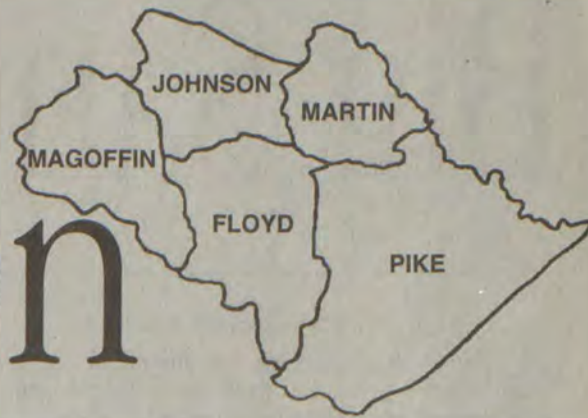
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Around The Region

Regional RE Events



Childbirth classes at Pikeville Methodist

February 24th—Prepared Childbirth Classes will be held February 24 at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

This class is for women who are between their sixth and seventh month of pregnancy and a support person.

Class meets once each week, either on Tuesday or Thursday evenings, from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital Education Center.

Call 437-3938 to register. The classes are free.

Starting your own business seminar February 26

"Starting your own business" is a seminar to be offered by the Morehead State University East Kentucky Small Business Development Center. This seminar will be presented on Thursday, February 26, from 1 p.m.-3:00 p.m. and will be instructed by Michael Morley, general management consultant with the Small Business Development Center. This seminar will be presented at the Morehead State University Big Sandy Extended Campus Center in Prestonsburg.

Topics to be covered at this seminar will include: Choosing A Business, Choosing A Business Structure, Examining The Business Market, Building A Business Plan, Financing Your Business and Business License and Taxes.

The number of people who can attend this seminar will be limited by available space. For additional information or to pre-register, contact Linda or Mike at the East Kentucky Small Business Development Center, (606) 432-5848.

This seminar is being presented free of charge.

This is a partnership program with the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Couple admits faking robbery

by Mark Grayson
The Martin County Sun

A Martin County couple caught up in a scheme to defraud their insurance company was arrested Tuesday by sheriff's deputies after confessing Monday.

Mark A. and Mary Mills of Twelve Oaks Trailer Park near Inez, were charged with falsely reporting an incident by Chief Deputy F.D. "Pete" Fitzpatrick after confessing to a scam which involved faking a burglary of their apartment last Friday. Mary Mills called the sheriff's office and reported that her home had been broken into and that she needed a theft report filled out, Fitzpatrick said.

But after investigating the matter, police discovered an intricate scheme to beat the insurance company representing a rent-to-own company in Paintsville where the couple had rented a stereo system.

Included in the deal from the rent-to-own company was an insurance policy, which included theft protection. Ms. Mills told police Monday that her husband had "traded the \$1,000 stereo system to a Johnson County man for a \$100 motorcycle," but that he had done it without her knowledge and allowed her to file the theft report.

Mark Mills said he had not had time to call police and tell them the stereo had indeed not been stolen, but that he "was going to get around to it as soon as he could." He said he did not see anything wrong with trading the stereo because "it was a present from his wife and he should be able to do what he wanted to with it."

The couple had made only two payments on the stereo.

Murder suspect enters not guilty plea

by Jerry Pennington
Big Sandy News, Louisa

A Webbsville man facing capital murder charges in connection with a New Year's Day shooting pleaded not guilty on Friday.

James Matthew Church, 19, is accused of murdering Brenda Kay Burchette, 31, of Webbsville, on January 1, the day after a New Year's Eve party at a mobile home on Diamond Ridge. The indictment also charges that Church was engaged in raping the woman when the murder occurred, prompting prosecutors to seek the death penalty against the man.

Under Kentucky law, the death penalty can be sought in a murder case when there is an aggravating circumstance. Commonwealth's Attorney Anna D. Melvin said there is evidence in this case showing that rape was an aggravating factor.

Church's arraignment on Friday was held at the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center in Paintsville because of security reasons. Lawrence Circuit Judge James A. Knight said Church had received threats.

"We're here to protect the defendant as well as the public," Knight said.

Church's attorney, Lawrence County Public Defender Michael Hogan, had filed a motion asking that Church be present at all hearings in the case against him, but Knight said due to the circumstances surrounding the case, it would be at the court's discretion in each hearing.

"The reason we're having the hearings here today is to protect the defendant," Knight said. "He's not out and exposed to anybody. I'm not going to put this boy at risk and take him out to the courthouse in Louisa every time."

Five indicted following 'chop shop' investigation

by Charles Longton
Paintsville Herald

As a result of an investigation that seized stolen motor vehicles in September at a suspected chop shop on Rt. 460 near Oil Springs, indictments of five Eastern Kentuckians were handed down last Thursday for charges relating to "interstate transportation, possession, and sale of stolen motor vehicles and equipment."

The chop shop was allegedly in operation in a three-county area, including Johnson, Wolfe and Morgan counties.

The charges against the five men total 21 counts.

If found guilty, each man could serve as maximum punishment of ten years imprisonment and pay a \$25,000 fine for each count.

The charges read as follows:

- Roy Shannon Spriggs, 48, of Johnson County, is charged with eight counts of allegedly transporting, possessing, and sale of motor vehicles and equipment which were stolen in Columbus, Ohio, in August 1997 and brought to Kentucky.

- James Ronald Cook, 40, of Van Lear, is charged with four counts of similar conduct relating to the same vehicles as Spriggs is charged.

- Lamaza Ray LeMaster, 39, of Staffordsville, is charged with one count of allegedly receiving, possessing and disposing of a stolen motor vehicle.

- Ralph Brewer, 38, and Carl D. Trent, 42, of Campton, are each charged with four counts of receiving, possession, and disposing of stolen motor vehicles and equipment.

In Count 1 of the indictment, Spriggs, Cook, Brewer, Trent and LeMaster face charges that sometime near August 23, 1997 to September 8, 1997, the five men allegedly aided and abetted, received, possessed, concealed, stored, bartered, sold and disposed of a "hydraulic hammer" which was knowingly stolen from Columbus, Ohio, in August.

The remaining counts accuse some of the men on a variety of charges involving the unlawful interstate commerce of a stolen 1989 GMC Rollback truck, a 1996 Ford tractor, a 1997 John Deere Tractor, a 1996 Melore (Bobcat) Mini Excavator, and a Gooseneck Tailking Trailer having a value of \$5,000.

Note: An indictment is not an indication of guilt, but a determination by a grand jury that allegations warrant a court hearing.

Hogan had also asked that during court proceedings, the defendant be in civilian clothes instead of a prison uniform and be unshackled.

"There will be, we anticipate, and given the fact that there are members of the media here at the arraignment, a lot of attention drawn to this case," Hogan said during the arraignment. "This could have a damaging

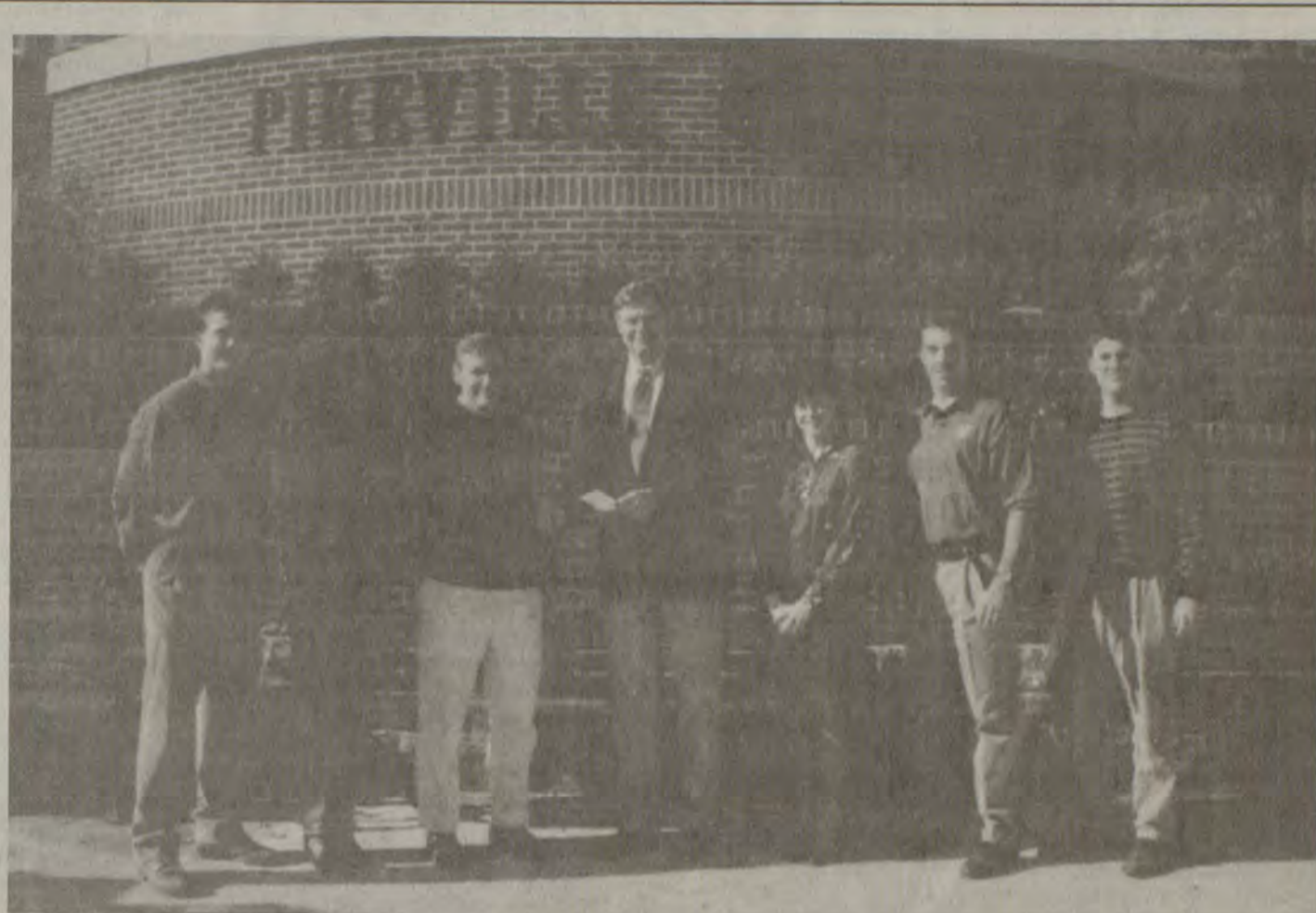
effect to a potential jury pool for the defendant if he were brought into court in restraints."

Melvin said she had no objection to Church appearing in civilian clothing.

Other motions considered at the arraignment included a defense motion for the Commonwealth's Attorney's office to produce an audio tape that was in their posses-

sion. Knight said the defense should have the tape by today.

Also, Melvin said family members of the victim said they had received numerous phone calls from Church, so Knight ordered a block on the phones so no future contact could be made. No trial date was set, but a pre-trial conference is scheduled for March 13 in Lawrence Circuit Court.



Pikeville College president Hal Smith received a donation on behalf of Jim Booth and The Elite Insurance Agency for the complete renovation of the College's tennis facilities. Presenting the contribution is Bob Ford of The Elite Agency. On hand for this presentation were, from left: tennis team members Jesse Rudd and Jeremy Shepherd; Ford; Smith; head tennis coaches Frances Coleman and John Kitchen; and team member Todd Kitchen. This gift will enable Pikeville College to complete the tennis renovations by mid-June 1998.

Johnson students shaken as bus bumped

by Charles Longton
Paintsville Herald

A county school bus was hit head-on in Oil Springs Monday by a vehicle traveling north on route 825 shortly after school let out.

"There were about 40 students on the bus," said county school Superintendent Orville Hamilton.

Some of the children suffered minor injuries and sprained ankles while others were just shaken.

The driver of the bus, James W. Crace, 56, of Staffordsville, was unharmed.

"He must have been going at least 55-60 miles per hour when he struck the bus," Crace said of the oncoming car.

Crace veered the bus as far to the right side of the road as space permitted without

going into a ditch, but the oncoming Ford crossed the center line and struck the bus, knocking it even further to the side, leaving it dangerously close to slipping off the road.

"On unposted streets the speed limit is 55 miles per hour," said Investigator Lafferty, of the Kentucky State Police.

Route 825 has no posted speed signs.

"By law, he was not speeding," said Lafferty. "But due to conditions, he was probably going too fast."

The driver of the 1992 Ford Thunderbird, Anthony Lyons, 21, of Denver, was taken to Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center for treatment and was transported to the U.K. Chandler Medical Center to treat a pelvic injury he sustained in the accident.

Blood tests on Lyon were taken to Paul B. Hall, "although nothing is suspected,"

said Lafferty.

Michael Music, 18, of Denver, a passenger in the Thunderbird, was also transported to U.K. Medical Center Monday evening.

Students who needed immediate medical attention were taken directly to the emergency room by rescue squads and ambulances at the scene; however, Hamilton said that all of the children riding the bus were eventually transported to Paul B. Hall to be checked out.

The impact of the collision left the Ford with its front end completely mangled — the bus practically undamaged.

"It's a miracle," said Hamilton, concerning the students' safety.

Hamilton said that the minimal damage done to the school bus "shows the safety of the vehicle," and "the safety that it provides the students who ride them."

Board looks at Johns' contract, expenses

by Kim Stacy
Appalachian News-Express

any increase the board would choose to give him following an evaluation.

The second part deals with a paragraph in the contract requiring Johns to receive prior approval from the board in order to be reimbursed for travel outside the school district.

"Previously, no approval was required by the board," said Hopkins. "Mr. Chenoweth feels the language is too severe for Mr. Johns to attend educational functions. The discussion concerns changing the contract so no prior approval would be needed."

"The paragraph prohibits Mr. Johns from being reimbursed. For example, if Mr. Johns

was called to Frankfort on the spur of the moment to meet with the state's education commissioner, then according to the contract the board would not have to reimburse him."

The board members said they did not want to prohibit Johns from conducting school-related business, but at the same time did not want to give him free rein on being reimbursed for expenses.

"The board should give prior approval on the superintendent's travels to monitor the superintendent's action, as well as to maintain the budget," said board member John Blackburn.

Four Elkhorn City Junior High students suspended for drugs

by David Gross
Appalachian News-Express

Police are investigating an alleged drug incident at Elkhorn City Junior High School that has already resulted in four student suspensions last week, with more pending, a school official said last Thursday.

Some students at the school reportedly were caught last Monday distributing Valium pills "like they were candy" to other students. Elkhorn City Police Chief Paul Floyd acknowledged some drugs might have been disseminated, but would neither confirm, nor deny whether Valiums were involved.

Assistant Principal E. Lee Ratliff said cigarettes were confiscated from several students and illicit drugs were found inside some of the packs.

Blood tests are being conducted on some of the students allegedly involved, Ratliff said. More suspensions could be handed out later in the investigation.

Names of the suspected students were not released because they are juveniles, and apparently no charges have been filed.

The scope of the investigation at this point includes from two to five students, Floyd said. He said he could not release further details that might "jeopardize the prosecution of this case."

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Driver charged with murder
 A fatal two-car accident last month in Magoffin County has resulted in the driver of one of the vehicles being charged with murder and assault.

Steve Gibson was listed as the driver of a 1986 Pontiac Grand Am when he and three passengers were involved in the two-vehicle collision.

Apparently, Gibson lost control of his vehicle on Route 30, crossed the center line and collided with a second vehicle driven by Noah Butler "N.B." Bailey, who was traveling in the opposite direction.

Gibson was thrown from the vehicle and escaped with several treatable injuries.

A passenger, Jack Gibson, was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident. One of the two remaining passengers in the Gibson vehicle also received minor injuries.

Bailey was treated for injuries during a short stay at Paul P. Hall Regional Medical Center in Paintsville.

Assault charges stem from the physical damages that were sustained by the surviving passengers and Bailey.

Gibson's case has been waived to the grand jury which will convene in March. He is currently in custody and is scheduled to appear in circuit court February 19 for a bond hearing. — *The Salyersville Independent*

Benji Mann taken into custody

An escapee originally arrested for the burglary of the Magoffin County Court Clerk's office has been apprehended after nine days on the run.

Benji Mann, one of three arrested and charged with the theft of almost \$3,000 taken from the office of

Jude gets five years after plea bargain

A Martin County man who was on parole for criminal mischief in connection with the break-in and ransacking of the Martin County Alternative School accepted a plea bargain agreement of five years in the pen last week after pleading guilty to the botched break-in of the Inez Drug Store.

Clayton Jude, 20, of Inez, appeared before Circuit Judge James A. Knight, who will decide whether to accept or reject the deal made by Commonwealth's Attorney Anna D. Melvin and Public Defender Mary Lou Chandler.

Knight is expected to announce his decision on March 27, in Martin Circuit Court.

The attempted break-in took place last fall when KSP Trooper Rick Conn found Jude inside the drug store after neighbors had reported hearing a commotion in the building.

Conn was able to travel from his home in Paintsville to Inez and still catch Jude in the store where he was still attempting to gain entrance. — *The Martin County Sun*

Trouble is still brewing over sewer hookups

Trouble is still brewing over sewer hookups in Inez. One business in Inez is still not a Inez Wastewater customer and "never will be," said Outlaw Customs' owner Darrell Burke.

"Charles Muncy (Inez Wastewater Superintendent) has been to see me on two separate occasions and both

Road plan contains millions for Lawrence

If all goes as planned, Lawrence County could see four major projects totaling \$16.3 million within the next six years.

Gov. Paul Patton released his six-year road plan to the Kentucky General Assembly last week, which contained funding for the Lawrence County projects.

These projects include the widening of Ky. 644 beginning at Ky. 2565 (Old U.S. 23); the addition of a left turn lane at the junction of Ky. 32 and Ky. 2565 near Louisa; and the construction of an interchange at the U.S. 23-Ky. 3 intersection at Louisa. — *The Big Sandy News, Louisa*

Property stolen from construction site is recovered

Nearly \$80,000 worth of equipment stolen from a Louisa land development site was recovered over the weekend.

Local attorney and developer Gene Wilson had reported that someone stole a 1979 Chevrolet dump truck valued at \$10,000, a flatbed lowboy trailer worth \$2,000, and a 1990 John Deere bulldozer worth \$65,000 sometime between last Wednesday night and Thursday morning from a site along U.S. 23. All of the equipment was uninsured for theft.

Wilson put up a \$5,000 reward for anyone who

Eight nabbed in undercover drug operation

A 13-month area-wide undercover drug trafficking investigation conducted by the Kentucky state Police culminated Tuesday with the arrests of dozens of suspects throughout the KSP's Morehead Post area.

Eight Morgan County residents were caught in an area-wide roundup of suspects, begun early Tuesday morning by state police and local law enforcement agencies. Officers said warrants have been obtained for several additional suspects in the Morgan County area.

Arrested at their residences and charged with a total of 25 felony counts of trafficking in drugs were Stacy Dickerson, 23, of West Liberty; Rose Poe, 36, of West Liberty; Justin Rexroad, 18, Liberty Road; Rodney Stephens, 20, Liberty Road; Lon Bailey, 26, Liberty Road; Misty Smith, 22, West Liberty; Kenneth Connolly, 26, West Liberty; and Amanda Stephens, 20, Liberty Road. — *Licking Valley Courier, West Liberty*

Pistol found at school; student is suspended

A seventh grade student at Morgan County Middle School has been suspended from classes for ten days for bringing a handgun to school.

County Court Clerk H.B. Arnett on January 26, has been brought into custody. — *The Salyersville Independent*

Landfill case goes to Supreme Court

A Florida company that lost a federal court bid to build a landfill in Magoffin County that would handle up to 10,000 tons of out-of-state waste a day will ask the U.S. Supreme Court to hear its case.

The company, East Kentucky Resources, was turned down last year by the 6th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The court ruled that company failed to prove that 1991 state law allowing local control over landfills violated the U.S. Constitution's protections of interstate commerce. — *The Salyersville Independent*

Fletcher reappointed to Salyersville water board

Kenny Fletcher was unanimously approved for a second four-year term on the Salyersville Water Commission following his appointment by Mayor Joe Howard.

Members of the Salyersville City Council voiced only praise for the job done by Fletcher during his expired term.

Fletcher recently came under fire when a daily newspaper reported that four vehicles were purchased by the commission from a Pikeville auto dealership, formerly part-owned by Fletcher's father, Melvin Fletcher. — *The Salyersville Independent*

times I have explained to him that I have no intention of signing up on the sewer, ever," Burke said. "I have a 1,000 gallon septic tank and a leach bed, both of which are health department approved. I wash cars for a living and I don't think it is fair to ask me to pay for the water I use and pay again to dispose of it, too."

Burke said he is willing to sign up if he is charged only for bathrooms and the usual water supply excluding his car washing.

"I will agree to have a separate meter set for my bathroom use and gladly pay the water and sewer bill on my bathroom facilities," Burke told The SUN Saturday. "I have told Mr. Muncy that and he will not accept my offer. Since he has been unwilling to compromise, I told him to 'kiss my behind. I will shut down, stay home and go on food stamps before I hook up onto the system!" — *The Martin County Sun*

It's Slone till 2002

Martin County Board of Education Superintendent Bill Slone received good news at Monday's regular monthly meeting. By a 5-0 vote, members of the board agreed to grant Mr. Slone a two-year extension of his contract. When added to the remaining balance of his current contract, the addition will allow the superintendent to remain in office until the year 2002.

No specific pay raise is attached to the contract. Slone will receive the same amount of pay increase as is granted to all other certified personnel employed by the board. — *The Martin County Sun*

could provide information leading to the arrest and conviction of whoever took the equipment.

On Friday, Wilson's truck and trailer were spotted along an old road near Hitchens in Carter County. Wilson said someone had read about the theft in The Daily Independent of Ashland, and recognized the vehicle so they called police.

Police began to concentrate on that area, and later found the stolen bulldozer as well. — *The Big Sandy News, Louisa*

Lawrence couple indicted on charges of endangering minor

Two Webbville residents charged with five counts each of endangering the welfare of a minor and one count each of trafficking in marijuana were among 15 indictments issued Friday by a Lawrence County Grand Jury.

Cindy Burns, 28, and William Church, 26, both face charges after police went to their residence to investigate a domestic violence complaint.

Kentucky State Police Trooper Randy McCarty entered the home on November 2 and discovered various types of drug paraphernalia and a box containing about four pounds of marijuana. He also determined that the welfare of five children in the home — ages eight, six, four, three, and one — was very poor. — *The Big Sandy News, Louisa*

According to Middle School principal Helen Pennington, the weapon was discovered February 10 in a locker after two students reported that a classmate had brought a pistol to school with him that morning on the school bus.

Pennington said the gun was not loaded. She said nine students were interviewed by administrative personnel in connection with the matter, but said the investigation revealed no reason why the student decided to bring the weapon to school. — *Licking Valley Courier, West Liberty*

School board pays for roof work; approves raises for teachers

The Morgan County Board of Education last week approved payment of \$160,423.20 to a roofing contractor for work done on the roof at the central high school.

The board also approved amendments to the school district budget reflecting an increase of \$53,500 for salary raises for teachers and a \$141,777.96 reduction in the district's contingency fund. — *Licking Valley Courier, West Liberty*

Coal Run to consider fate of police force

Coal Run Village City Commission has decided to wait at least one more month before deciding the fate of its police department.

Commissioners voted in December to suspend the one-man police department so they could find an officer who has completed police training at Eastern Kentucky University.

Former policeman Joel T. Bowles had been given one year from the date of his January 1997 hiring to begin the training at EKVU, but as late as December had not made plans to attend the school. — *Appalachian News Express*

Plans for new high school is squashed

The dream of the consolidated Cumberland Valley High School has been ten years in the making, but that dream could be fading fast.

Pike County school officials say the school, which would consolidate Feds Creek, Millard and Elkhorn, may no longer be feasible and would be much too expensive to build.

The issue was raised earlier in the week at the school

Judge candidate named in lawsuit

A candidate in this May's primary for county judge-executive considered by many to be his party's front-runner is being sued for allegedly authorizing loggers to harvest timber on a piece of land in Hager Hill without first getting the property owners' permission.

Paul D. Brown Sr., who is running on the Democratic ticket in the judge's race, is being sued by Robert and Sue Fraser of Hager Hill. Logger Phillip Clark and logging company G.P. Clark Logging are also named as defendants in the suit.

According to the Frasers' suit, filed in Johnson Circuit Court Tuesday, Clark and G.P. Clark Logging allegedly came upon their land without first notifying the Frasers, cut and removed timber from the property and damaged the contour and surface of the land.

(A lawsuit represents only one side of a dispute.) — *The Paintsville Herald*

Sewer gas prompts courthouse closure

Offices at the courthouse closed early last Thursday after a clogged sewage line backed up toilets and filled

board's regular monthly meeting when a board member asked for an update on the new school.

School Superintendent Reo Johns remarked, "We're not going to build that school. We're going to go up to Jackson Rowe, build a gym and a couple of classrooms and call that Feds Creek." — *Appalachian News Express*

Tennessee pair jailed for stealing vehicle

A Tennessee pair staying at a local motel was arrested early Tuesday morning after they were accused of stealing a car from Knoxville, authorities said.

Ronnalee Amavizea, 42, and Robert Wayne Collins, 29, both of Knoxville, were arrested without incident by State Alcohol Beverage Control Officer Johnny Adkins, Pikeville Police Officer Kevin Belcher, and PPD Officer Bruce Anderson.

Police reports indicate that Adkins noticed the vehicle parked at Colley Motel. He walked by the vehicle and saw wires sticking out of the dashboard.

A check on the license plate proved the car was stolen from Knoxville, the report said.

After an investigation, Amavizea and Collins were arrested at the Colley Motel and lodged in the Pike County Detention Center. — *Appalachian News Express*

the building with a potentially deadly gas. County Judge-Executive Gail Gillem ordered the building evacuated after the problem was discovered. Officials feared methane in the sewer gas could ignite explosively.

By Friday, the problem was solved and courthouse offices resumed normal operation. — *The Paintsville Herald*

Patton proposes \$20 million in road repairs for Johnson

Under a plan offered by Gov. Paul Patton and presented to the General Assembly, now meeting in Frankfort, Johnson County could see over \$20 million worth of road projects as part of a \$4 billion statewide road plan.

The governor is calling for his proposed projects to be placed on the state's six-year road plan, which must be approved by the legislature.

The Johnson County improvement projects include the reconstruction of portions of old KY Route 3 to create a new access road to the site of a new federal prison in Martin County; reconstruction of two portions of Route 40; and replacement of a bridge at Big Paint Creek and Barnetts Creek. — *The Paintsville Herald*

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Child's Play

Poet Ogden Nash once wrote, "Everybody who has a baby thinks everybody who hasn't a baby ought to have a baby." Years later, his statement still rings true. I became privy to this infantile bit of information by a childless friend of mine, who related her experience of spending an afternoon with a mother of six small children.

"You really should have a child," the woman said to my friend. "They're such a joy. Get out of that dog dish! Ya wanna get worms? You don't know what you're missing."

"Yes, I know, but..." My friend's reply was cut short by her friend shouting, "Get out of the toilet! Now, where was I. Oh, yes, you aren't getting any younger."

My friend started to answer when they heard a crash.

"Where are you, Stevie?" the woman asked as we passed the shattered remains of an antique china cabinet. "You're in big trouble this time."

"Lisa did it!" the child screamed as his mother pulled him out from under the bed.

"Lisa's at school! Stay in your room until your dad gets home."

We left the child to play with his toys and watch his television and began looking for the two-year-old. We found her under the kitchen table with a butcher knife up her nose.

"Didn't I tell you to stop sticking knives up your nose? You're going to destroy your mucous membranes!" the woman shrieked. "It's exhausting work, but it's gratifying."

"I'm sure it is," my friend said nervously. "But I'm not sure about having children."

"Children make a house a home," the woman said.

My friend looked at the crayon graffiti on the wallpaper, the grape juice stains on the carpet and thought that the only thing the children in this home were making was a mess.

"It's heart-warming to hear a child call you mommie," the woman said.

"Mommie," the two-year-old whined. "Stevie put his gerbil in the fish tank and it quit swimming."

"If I hear mommie one more time I'm going to scream. Now, where were we? Ah, yes. You don't want to have a child. How selfish. You're one of those liberated women."

"I just want to be able to support a child properly. I would want to quit my job so I could devote quality time to my child."

"Quality time? I'll tell you about quality time..." Just as she started to explain her theory, they were jolted by an explosion from the family room.

"Put that gun up!" the woman screamed.

"You mean you have guns in your house?" my friend asked.

"I thought they weren't loaded," the woman said.

"Maybe you just need a little help once in a while," my friend said compassionately.

"Thanks," the woman said as she gathered up her purse and keys.

"That wasn't an offer," my friend said quickly.

Just then the phone rang and the friend hung up looking particularly dejected.

"What's wrong?" my friend asked.

"No, it was good news," the woman said tearfully. "That was the doctor's office. We're going to have another little bundle of joy."

by Chuck Shepherd

News of the Weird

— **The Blessed Family Unit:** In December, a judge in Montgomery County, Md., awarded custody of a two-year-old boy to his biological mother, Latrena D. Pixley, 23, despite the fact that she murdered an infant daughter in 1992 for crying too much. (She was given a suspended sentence for the murder and found a job, during which she engaged in credit-card fraud, to which she later pleaded guilty. The judge sent her to prison for that but changed his mind and let her out a few months later.) And the month before, Bertha Bromley, 34, was sentenced to probation in Edwardsville, Ill., for attempting to strangle her nine-month-old boy, and social workers say they are working toward eventually reuniting mother and son.

— The Times of London reported in January that 10,000 current or former Irish soldiers have filed claims that they suffered hearing loss while in the military, either on firing ranges or playing in army bands, and judges have been rewarding them to the tune of about \$33,000 per claim, on average. In addition, reported the Times, just recently the first claim was filed against the army for compensation for skin cancer, by an Irish soldier on a peacekeeping mission in Lebanon who said he should have been issued sunscreen.

SEEDS OF OUR DESTRUCTION

— In December, Iowa Wesleyan College announced it would award an honorary degree in business to Cambodian tycoon Teng Bunma, who is a

Theatre to showcase diverse music

Appalfocks of America Association (AAA), owner and operator of the Historic Stonewall Theatre, has released its 1998 schedule of events that range from a performance by native American musicians and dancers from South Dakota to a performance on Halloween night by Ghost Town Swing, a band from West Virginia.

AAA received the Historic Stonewall Theatre (Circa 1905) from Irwin R. Cohen of R-C Theatres, Inc. of Reisterstown, Maryland, in 1991, and after basic renovation was accomplished, AAA opened the former twin-cinema and turn-of-the-century opera house as a center for the literary and performing arts. That was in May of 1992, and the Historic Stonewall Theatre has drawn thousands to Clifton Forge by featuring a wide diversity of live entertainment the year around.

Floyd County native M. Ray Allen, founder and president of AAA, a not for profit organization established in 1985 to promote drug-free living via programs in the literary and performing arts, said, "This year, Nashville recording artist Dan Seals and Nashville's Goose Creek Symphony will perform at the Historic Stonewall Theatre that is the site for more than 60 performance dates."

Allen went on to say that the events scheduled represent a wide variety of entertainment that includes drama, dance, Bluegrass, country music, gospel music, rock 'n roll music, swing music, popular music and poetry. He noted that three performances, a country music show, a musical comedy, and a rock 'n roll concert, have been held at the Historic Stonewall Theatre in 1998 in January and February, making 1998 the busiest year in terms of scheduled events at the theatre.

Remaining on AAA's schedule of events in February are the 3rd Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Concert featuring Pastor W. L. Cannon, Jr. and the choir of the First Baptist of Covington at 7 p.m. on Saturday, 21; the Expressions with special guest, Jodi Whittaker, performing a gospel music concert on Saturday, 27 at 7 p.m. and Jack and the Big Tree, a musical comedy by Lime Kiln Arts, on Saturday, 28 at 7 p.m.

March events include: Bibbie June's Mild West Show, a musical variety show with nostalgic songs from the "Old West" at 8 p.m. on Saturday 7; the Coffee House Poetry Reading and Original Songs sponsored by Appalachian South Writers' Cooperative at 7 p.m. on Friday 13; The Virginia Opry featuring Nothing Fancy from Lexington, Virginia, on Saturday 14; A Night of Native American Music and Dance featuring the Trail of Years Dance Troupe at 8 p.m. on Friday 20; Big Country 101 Country Music Show featuring Second Time Around at 8 p.m. on Saturday 21; Like Meat Loves Salt, a musical comedy by Lime Kiln Arts, at 8 p.m. on Friday 27; and the Virginia Junior Opry, a country music show featuring students from grades one through college from several Southwest Virginia counties, at 8 p.m. on Saturday 28.

April performances are A Night on Broadway, featuring area vocalists and musicians performing a benefit for the Historic Stonewall Theatre, at 8 p.m. on Saturday 4; the Virginia Opry at 8 p.m. on Friday 10; Goose Creek Symphony in concert performing past hits and songs from its next album at 8 p.m. on Friday 17; a musical night with Bob Campbell and special guests at 8 p.m. on Saturday 18; and The Silver Sword, a musical comedy by Lime Kiln Arts, at 8 p.m. on Saturday 25.

May events are Free Mel Greenberg, an award-win-

ning drama by Katie Letcher Lyle, on Friday 1 and Saturday 2 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday 3 at 3 p.m.; The Virginia Opry at 8 p.m. on Saturday 9; Opry of the Virginia's Country Music Show at 8 p.m. on Saturday 16; Rock Music Concert featuring River Trip and guests at 8 p.m. on Saturday 23; Gospel Music Concert at 8 p.m. on Friday 29 and Big Country 101 Bluegrass Jamboree at 8 p.m. on Saturday 30.

June performances are The Virginia Junior Opry at 8 p.m. on Saturday 6; The Virginia Opry at 8 p.m. on Saturday 13; Coffee House Poetry Reading and Original



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the Appalachian South Writers' Cooperative at 7 p.m. on Friday 19 at 7 p.m.; Big Country 101 Bluegrass Jamboree, featuring Solid State and Acoustic Endeavors at 8 p.m. on Saturday 20; Golden Triangle of Country Music Talent Showcase with Bob Campbell and contestants at 8 p.m. on Friday 26; and Big Country 101 and WKEY's benefit for the Stonewall Theatre featuring live music from the historic Stonewall Theatre from noon til 10 p.m. on Saturday 27.

July features a musical benefit for the Stonewall Theatre on Stonewall Theatre Day, Wednesday 1, at 8 p.m.; The Virginia Opry featuring Nashville recording artist Dan Seals and his band at 8 p.m. Friday 3; and Opry of the Virginias' Country Music Show at 8 p.m. on Saturday 11.

August shows are Pop Music Concert featuring the Downing Brothers' Band at 8 p.m. on Saturday 1; The Virginia Opry at 8 p.m. on Saturday 8; Musical Tribute to Elvis, a benefit for the Stonewall Theatre, at 8 p.m. on Saturday 15; Murder in the Magnolias, a comedy to be presented by the Stonewall Players and the Clifton Forge Players at 8 p.m. on Friday 21; and Saturday 22 and at 3 p.m. on Sunday 23, Gospel Music Concert at 8 p.m. on Friday and Golden Triangle of Country Music Talent Showcase with Bob Campbell and contestants at 8 p.m. on Saturday 29.

September events feature the Virginia Opry on Saturday 12, at 8 p.m.; Coffee House Poetry Reading and Original Songs on Friday, 18 at 8 p.m.; The Virginia Junior Opry at 8 p.m. on Saturday, 19 and A Night of Dance featuring area dance troupes at 8 a.m.

on Saturday, 26.

October is "National Country Music Month," and AAA has scheduled the Opry of the Virginias to kick off the celebration with a "Country Music Show," at 8 p.m. on Saturday 3, and the Virginia Junior Opry will perform at 8 p.m. on Saturday 10. The 3rd Annual Stonewall Follies, a musical variety show presented by the Stonewall Players is set for 8 p.m. on Friday 16. The Virginia Opry will celebrate its 6th anniversary with "A

Night of Country Music," on Saturday 17 at 8 p.m., and Blue Moon Productions from Danville, Virginia, will help celebrate "National Country Music Month" by featuring three Virginia state championship bands: Shallow Creek and Virginia Sonrize from the Danville area and Code Blue from Virginia Beach. The All-State Bluegrass Show will begin at 8 p.m. on Saturday 24. The Clifton Forge Players will conduct Halloween for Kids from 6-9 p.m. on Friday 30, and Ghost Town Swing, a band from West Virginia, will end the month's events by performing in concert on Halloween, Saturday 31, at 9 p.m.

November performances will feature the Opry of the Virginias' Country Music Show at 8 p.m. on Saturday 7; a drama by the Stonewall Players on Friday 13 and Saturday 14 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday Saturday 7, a drama by the Stonewall Players on Friday 13 and Saturday 14 at 8 p.m. and on Sunday at 3 p.m.; a Gospel Music Concert at 8 p.m. on Friday 20; and The Virginia Opry on Saturday 21 at 8 p.m.

December events include the Coffee House Poetry Reading and Original Songs at 8 p.m. on Friday 4, The Virginia Junior Opry's "Country Music Show in Celebration of AAA's 13th Anniversary" at 8 p.m. on Saturday 5; a drama or musical production (TBA) by the Stonewall Players and the Clifton Forge Players on Friday 11 and Saturday 12 at 8 p.m.; and The Virginia Opry's "6th Annual Country Christmas Show" at 8 p.m. on Saturday 19.

Tickets to performances may be reserved at advance prices by contacting the Stonewall Theatre's box office at (540) 863-9606 or Olde Forge Travel in Clifton Forge at (502) 862-1234 or Creations of Sorts in Lewisburg, West Virginia, at (304) 647-9970. Group rates are available for some shows. AAA can be contacted by calling (540) 862-7407 for further information.

Allen concluded, "Such stars as Tex Ritter, Roy Rogers, Gene Autry, Hopalong Cassidy, Bob Steele, Tom Mix, Lash LeRue, Burl Ives graced the stage at the historic Stonewall Theatre before AAA received it as a donation; since then, Bill Pinkney and the Original Drifters, Goose Creek Symphony, The Easter Brothers and Mike Seeger have performed on this unique and original stage where part of a Hollywood movie was filmed in 1929."

AAA receives funding from the Virginia Commission for the Arts, the City of Clifton Forge and the Virginia State Police Association, and the not for profit organization conducts drama workshops, creative writing workshops and presents drama to schools in addition to its operation of the historic Stonewall Theatre.



Goose Creek Symphony

close adviser to Prime Minister Hun Sen and who has long been suspected of cocaine trafficking. Teng Bunma recently made international headlines when he shot out a Royal Air Cambodge airliner's tires in retaliation for lost luggage and a short time later for pulling a gun on the crew of an Orient Thai Airlines flight so they wouldn't take off before his companions arrived. (In January, when it was pointed out that Teng Bunma had been denied a U.S. visa because of the drug allegations, the college withdrew the degree.)

— On the heels of reports that Sweden forcibly sterilized 60,000 people with inferior genes between 1935 and 1976, Stockholm's second-largest newspaper Aftonbladet reported in September that gov-

— **Things You Thought Didn't Happen Anymore:** An agency of the International Chamber of Commerce in London reported in January that a total of 51 people on ships were killed in 1997 in attacks by pirates. The prime areas of concern were near Indonesia, India, the Philippines and Brazil.

ernment-supported dentists had force-fed candy to mentally handicapped people in ten-year experiments to help determine whether sugar facilitates tooth decay. (It does.)

— Charles Keating Is a Lucky Man: In October, Mr. Cen Huanreng, mayor of a village in Guangdong province, China, was convicted of selling about \$2.1 million worth of public property and then gambling away the money at a Macau casino. He was sentenced to death. (The report did not say when he would die, but execution usually comes swiftly after sentencing and is rarely announced in the press.)

— Marijuana festivals were held in October in Spain (first time) and in November in Amsterdam (10th annual Cannabis Cup, sponsored by High Times magazine). In Madrid, 50 growers competed for plant quali-

ty awards by blind-sampling each other's work. In Amsterdam, 2,000 people taste-tested the products of many vendors. (Publicist Jody Miller, who said she had been high for three days solely on secondhand smoke, tried to explain how it is possible to taste-test so much dope: "You have to pace yourself.")

— The New England Journal of Medicine reported in December that at least half the drugs donated to Bosnia and Herzegovina during the war (perhaps many of them from U.S. companies, though no company or country was identified in the article) were useless and even dangerous, apparently donated largely for the benefit of the company and not the recipients. Not only were 17,000 tons of drugs out of date (or spoiled, or with untranslated instructions), and not only did most or all of the companies get charitable tax deductions in their own countries, but disposal costs of about \$2,000 a ton fell to the World Health Organization.

— In August, two cities debated plans to reduce the amount of dog poop in municipal parks and on sidewalks. The city of Christchurch, New Zealand, was contemplating installing a series of anonymous "poopcams" around town to catch dog owners who neglect their scooping duty. And Tel Aviv, Israel, announced that squads of plainclothes police officers armed with cameras and night-vision equipment were on duty around the clock photographing violators of its ordinance.

FIRST THINGS FIRST

— In July, long-haired defensive end Brent Burnstein walked out of the Tennessee Oilers' training camp, thus putting his lucrative career in jeopardy, rather than submit to the traditional rookie haircut at the hands of veteran players. And in November, five football players from Leguna-Acona (N.M.) High School quit the team just before the first playoff

SOAP UPDATES

by
Seli
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ALL MY CHILDREN: Tad became more aware of Adam's feelings for Joy, whom they now realized was the Mystery Woman. David found Allie and Jake in bed together. Later, after David gave Liza the drug to do in Adam, Adam told her he'll never give up on their love. Meddling Marian's actions could upset Jake and Liza's plan for David. Brooke told Edmund she wants to be part of bringing Jim to justice. **Wait To See:** David makes some startling admissions.

ANOTHER WORLD: Shane was rushed to the emergency room where Lila told him she's pregnant. Shane died after uttering one last word. Vicky urged Donna not to tell Jake she was in the car with Shane. Later, Donna learned Michael also died in the accident. After learning Jake never warned Shane about the hazardous roads, Lila vowed vengeance on him. Matt confronted Carl about the death of an old acquaintance. **Wait To See:** Lila plots her revenge.

AS THE WORLD TURNS: Emily broke off her engagement to David. Later, Margo accused David of working with James.

Carly stormed out when a surprised Jack balked at marrying her right away. Later, Jack overheard Hal propose to Carly. Holden begged Matt to let him escape, but James arrived before Matt could act. Later, Holden tried to get an SOS out on a matchbook cover. **Wait To See:** Barbara's fears about James could prove true.

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL: Thorne was furious when Ridge suggested Thorne was responsible for Taylor leaving town with the baby. Lauren and Jonny grew closer. In Greenland, Rush made a decision to find Lauren. After helping Amber redeem Brooke's pawned diamond bracelet, Rick agreed to act as her manager. Stephanie continued to be suspicious of Brooke's miscarriage story. Maureen told Maggie that Sheila was a suspect in her husband's death. Maggie left with a Garvin family home movie. **Wait To See:** Nick and Maggie discuss trapping Sheila.

DAYS OF OUR LIVES: Susan was stunned when Kristen told her to return baby Elvis or Sister Mary Moira will die. Plagued by jungle

fever madness, Celeste was drawn to Jonesy's townhouse. Peter came to Jennifer's memorial service brandishing a machine gun. Later, he escaped while being booked. Stefano, John, and Roman freed Sister Mary. Laura and Jack rejoiced to find Jennifer alive. Billie was shocked to learn Kate was behind a plot to keep Bo and Hope apart. **Wait To See:** Celeste faces a crisis.

GENERAL HOSPITAL: After reassuring Katherine of his feelings, Stefan secretly gazed at Laura's portrait. Helena ordered Alexis to see to it that Katherine buys a stone bench for Wyndemere. Lucky suspected Liz had been raped. Robin was uneasy with Jason's growing closeness to baby Michael. Amy caught Alan popping pills. Felicia coached Mac on how to kiss like James. **Wait To See:** Carly learns Robin knows the truth.

GUIDING LIGHT: Michelle tried to believe that Jesse had moved on with his life, while Drew knew Jesse hadn't forgotten her. Rob told Dinah they needed to make a deal. Vanessa told Matt

Maureen guided her back to her family. Cassie was upset to see Rob in town. Annie gloated as Josh begged for Reva's life. **Wait To See:** Annie prepares for her triumph over Reva.

ONE LIFE TO LIVE: Stonecliff started a fire that engulfed her and Sonya. Dorian's efforts to save them were thwarted by a bolted door. Kevin was injured while saving Cassie. Later, Dorian blamed Mel for the tragedies. Georgie exacerbated Bo and Nora's problems. Max told Blair about Ian's death. Later, Joey broke the news to Kelly. Blair told Todd she'll exonerate him (in the rape of Barbara Graham) in exchange for full custody of Starr. **Wait To See:** Dorian shares her pain with Viki.

PORT CHARLES: Rex moved in on Danielle (Eve in disguise) and implicated himself in Serena's kidnapping. Later, Kevin learned Rex had given Lucy a slow-acting but deadly poison. Scott was cleared of all charges. Ellen got Matt to reveal he's not the man they think he is. While Lucy grew weaker, Katherine told Kevin of Rex's fear of spiders which could bring them a step closer to finding the antidote. Chris sent Matt an anonymous letter in hopes of getting him to leave Port Charles. **Wait To See:** Grace makes a startling realization.

SUNSET BEACH: Annie lured Olivia to a remote cabin and sedated her with a drug that will cause her to forget everything that happened that day. Olivia went into labor before the doctor could arrive to deliver the baby which Annie planned to give to Caitlin. Michael saw the photograph Virginia took of Lena's ravaged face. Meg returned to Tim's hospital room, unaware that Ben was there preparing to silence Tim for good. **Wait To See:** Olivia gives birth.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS: Hoping to end Sharon's apparent obsession over Cassie, Victor asked Grace not to bring the child to the ranch so often. Meanwhile, Alice called the police to report her daughter (Cassie) had been kidnapped. As Chris and Paul spent a romantic Valentine's Day together, Kay urged Danny not to give up on winning back Chris' love. Veronica had fantasies of having Joshua learn she's alive. Jill met Ben, the man who has her father's (William) corneas. Victor then put Ben in charge of Newman Enterprises organ/tissue donation campaign. **Wait To See:** Grace makes a decision about her and Cassie's future.

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NATASHA'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You could end up being the silent partner in an enterprise. Discord arises midweek with a cantankerous co-worker. Ego considerations cause you to blunder into selfish behavior this weekend.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Career objectives will be achieved, but it's better to work from behind the scenes than to engage in pitched battle. Keep peace on the home front. Some are just looking for an excuse to argue.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) The financial picture for you should be improving. In fact, you should be able to plan that special vacation trip you've anticipated. Family members are cooperative over the weekend.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You'll get your career on the right track this week. Still, further planning is needed. The weekend is relaxing and invigorates you for the week to come.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Loved ones should have a good

time together, although the accent this week falls on home-based activities later on. Some could be burning the midnight oil this weekend with additional work tasks.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You're ready to begin a new work push. However, you'll still be finishing up some matters left over from the recent past. The weekend highlights good times with friends.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Although you have your eye on something you'd like to buy, continue with a sound fiscal policy. Concentrate on investments and savings programs. This frugality will be handsomely rewarded.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Make a point of getting good value for your money. A child accuses you of being inattentive. This weekend, it's best to be more aggressive with those who are overly dominant.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) More thinking is required before making a career

move. You do not make a very good champion for your special cause because you're pushing too hard. This weekend, avoid raising controversial issues with loved ones.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your spending habits are inconsistent this week, alternating between cheapness and extravagance. If you can't get what your heart is set on, you tend to become indiscriminate. Recognize this to prevent it.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You'll be relieved that a recent problem is solved to your satisfaction. Alternative plans needn't be second best. This weekend, stick to your high standards and don't be swayed by an unscrupulous type.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You could find yourself returning an item you purchased recently. Still, pleasure pursuits are accentuated toward the end of the week. Learn to handle guilt better by analyzing its source.

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Sally
Stone

The big midseason news is that **Tom Selleck** is starring in a new series called "The Closer," debuting on CBS February 28. It's a smart, slick show with Tom playing a smart, slick advertising executive who would appear to have everything under control. Sure he does! But while Tom's character, Jack McLaren, deals with these situations that disturb the smooth-running course of his life, we get to watch a well-meshed ensemble of fine actors at work. They include, besides Tom (whose last released film was "In and Out"), **Ed Asner** (recently a guest star on "Ask Harriet"), **Penelope Ann Miller** ("The Ruby Bridges Story"), **David Krumholtz** ("The Ice Storm"), and **Suzu Nakamura** (the upcoming "Deep Impact" with **Tea Leoni**).

ABC brings in new shows for midseason: On Tuesday, March 3, "Something So Right," starring **Jere Burns** and **Mel Harris**, debuts with two original episodes at 8:30 and 9:30 p.m. (eastern time). On March 10, the series moves to its regular slot at 8:30. "Soul Man" will go on hiatus, but is expected to return to the alphabet web later.

On March 11, "Ellen" goes on hiatus until April 22. Meanwhile,

"Two Guys, A Girl, and A Pizza Place," from "Mad About You" executive producer, **Danny Jacobson**, will air in the slot.

But before "Ellen" goes off the network, there's a very funny episode airing on February 25 called "It's a Gay, Gay, Gay World." In this one **Spence (Jeremy Piven)** sniffs a heavy dose of insecticide and wakes up in a world where homosexuality is the norm, and being straight is the "deviation." **Joe (David Anthony Higgins)** is in love with him, and

Paige (**Joely Fisher**) has tattoos and a buzz haircut. **Harvey Fierstein** guest stars as himself.

Finally, the rumor, which began on the Internet, that **Michael Richards** will star as Kramer in a "Seinfeld" spin-off will probably not happen. The actors who starred in the long-running series would rather move on to other characters in other productions. And that includes Richards, who sees his future in films.

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Weird

game, in order to go deer hunting. — Vanity Fair magazine reported in its January issue that when the warden at the Huntsville, Texas, prison was trying to accommodate the last requests of death-row inmate Larry Wayne White (who appeared in News of the Weird before, for an obvious reason) last May, he got his preferred last meal but not a last cigarette. The prison is a nonsmoking facility.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO US

— In 1988, Iranian Merhan Nasser, then 46, landed at Charles de Gaulle Airport near Paris after being denied entry into England because his passport, and United Nations refugee certificate, had been stolen. French authorities would not let him leave the airport, and there he has been ever since, in Terminal One, luggage at his side, reading, writing in his diary, studying economics, receiving food and newspapers from airport employees. News of the Weird (which gave status reports on Nasser in 1991 and 1995) has also been around since 1988, and with this column begins its 11th year. Charles de Gaulle spokeswoman Danielle Yzerman said, of Nasser, "An airport is kind of a place between heaven and earth; he has found a home here." So is a newspaper, and so has "News of the Weird."

EH-UUU, GROSS!



"I'm looking for a job, but not necessarily work."

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— In August, after an investigation, police in Compton, Calif., announced that they no longer believed that high school English teacher Shannan Barron, who is black, was the victim of a racist feces-dumping attack, as she had claimed. Their most helpful evidence was the crime lab's finding that the feces on her pants came from the inside and thus that it was probable that Barron had, as the police chief put it, a "personal accident."

— An August letter to the New England Journal of Medicine from Dr. Rachel L. Chin described a U.S. woman's infection from botfly larvae that she picked up in Peru. The patient was looking at spots on her legs when she saw things start to wiggle out. Eventually, seven maturing bugs, which had been gestating in the infection, emerged before she got medical help.

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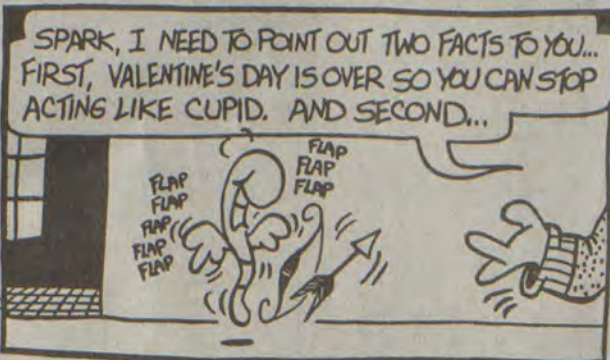
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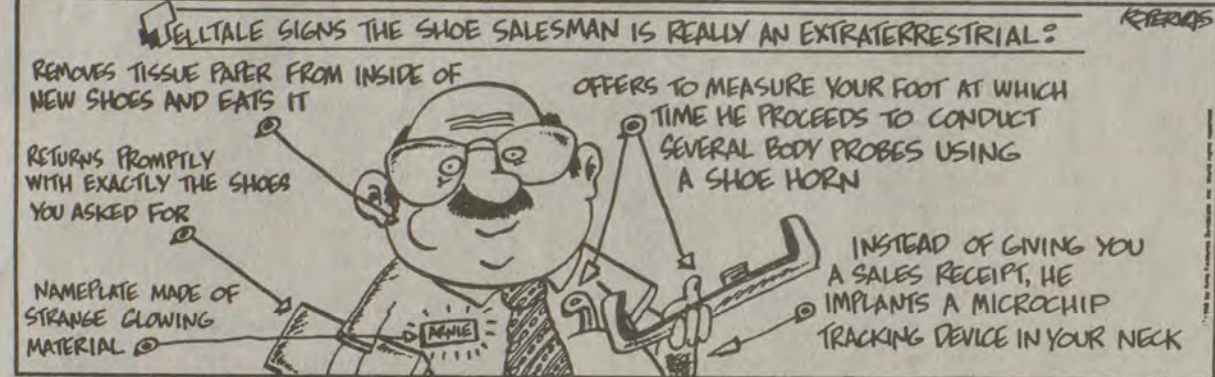
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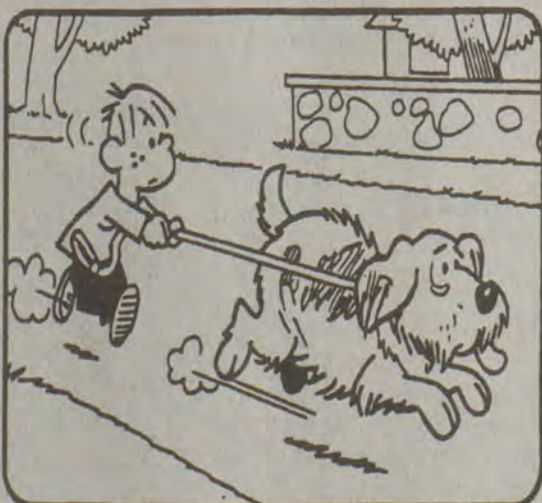
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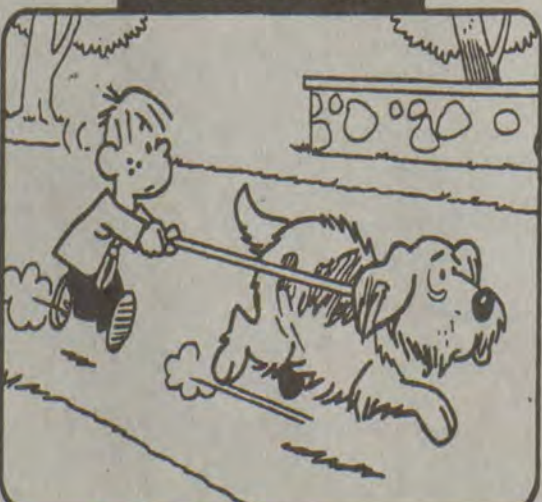
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Atmosphere
- Axis
- Continents
- Day
- Equator
- Life
- Night
- North Pole
- Oceans
- Planet
- Rivers
- Rotation
- South Pole
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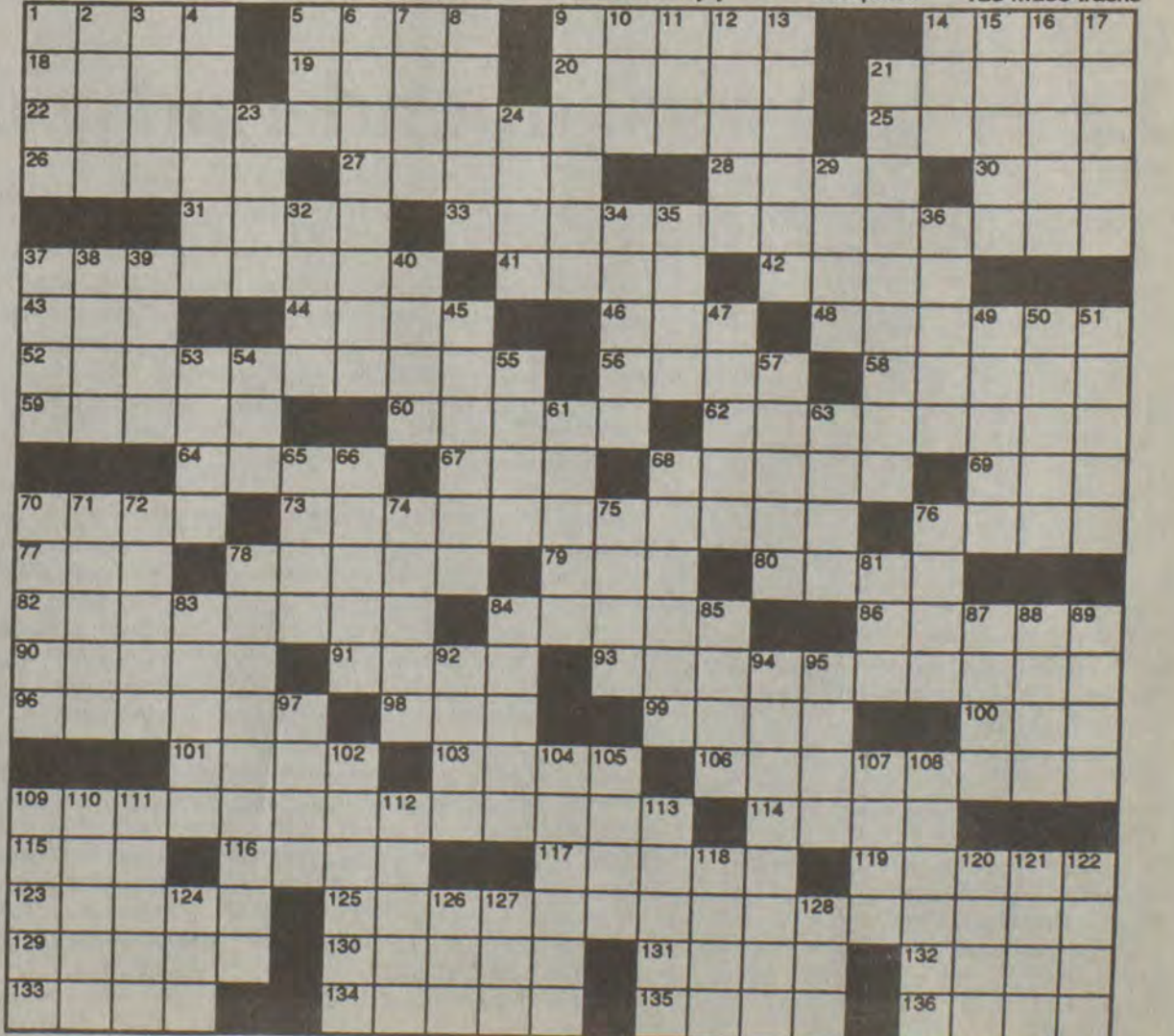


FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.

Differences: 1. Leash is shorter; 2. Tail is lower; 3. Wall is shorter; 4. House is missing; 5. Tongue is different; 6. Front paw is hidden.

Super Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Winter pear
 - 5 Worn-out
 - 9 Chocolate substitute
 - 14 Melville monomaniac
 - 16 Grenoble greeting
 - 19 Deborah of "The King and I"
 - 20 Popeye's favorite shade?
 - 21 Excuse
 - 22 Fiery Italian actress?
 - 25 Upscale shop
 - 26 French port, Le —
 - 27 — Lama
 - 28 Tells it like it isn't
 - 30 Appreciated, in the '50s
 - 31 Vast quantities
 - 33 Florid senator?
 - 37 Benevolent
 - 41 Rochester's love
 - 42 Mirror image?
 - 43 Inflatable item?
 - 44 Belmonts' bigwig
 - 46 — es
 - 48 Verbal explosion
 - 52 Blushing crooner?
 - 56 He's a love
 - 58 Neon's relative
 - 59 Get one's goat
 - 60 Rod of tennis
 - 62 Where yachts start
 - 64 Final test
 - 67 Party potable
 - 68 It begins "In the begin ning..."
 - 69 In-your-face item
 - 70 Disapproves, briefly
 - 73 Sanguine TV actor?
 - 76 Necklace part
 - 77 Monty's milieu
 - 78 Eva or Zsa Zsa
 - 79 Elm City collegian
 - 80 Ring material?
 - 82 Mrs. Jim Anderson
 - 84 Lowdown types
 - 86 Fit for a king
 - 90 Fuss with feathers
 - 91 Fashionable resort
 - 93 Red-hot receiver?
 - 96 Shy primates
 - 98 Red cap
 - 99 Shady character?
 - 100 "The Name of the Rose" title
 - 101 Crude cartel
 - 103 Change the decor
 - 106 Various
 - 109 Performer in the pink?
 - 114 Other, in Oviedo
 - 115 Soul, to Sartre
 - 116 Keep — (persevere)
 - 117 Like a cold
 - 119 Government security
 - 123 Carl of "Cosmos"
 - 125 Scarlet woman on TV?
 - 129 Use one's noodle
 - 130 Comic Robert
 - 131 Can.
 - 132 Penn of "Carlito's Way"
 - 133 Orient
 - 134 Falling ground
 - 135 Adolescent
 - 136 Nightly revenue
- DOWN**
- 1 Cantata
 - 2 — podrida
 - 3 Pole, for one
 - 4 Route
 - 5 Go downhill fast
 - 6 Certain jib
 - 7 Marineland performer
 - 8 Lifting refrain
 - 9 Standardize
 - 10 Mr. Baba
 - 11 — Tin Tin
 - 12 Racetracks
 - 13 Conviction
 - 14 Pie — mode
 - 15 Valkyrie name
 - 16 In re
 - 17 Church support?
 - 21 Hang out (with)
 - 23 Mailer's "The — Park"
 - 24 Auscultation sound
 - 29 Coup d'—
 - 32 "Three Men — Baby"
 - 34 Boss a waiter?
 - 35 Hot, in a way
 - 36 Full of joy
 - 37 NYPD target
 - 38 Flu, quaintly
 - 39 Director Hooper
 - 40 Veg out
 - 45 More like a pin
 - 47 Marian's man
 - 49 Dumbstruck
 - 50 "Andrea —"
 - 51 Wound up
 - 53 First name in fashion
 - 54 Trouble
 - 55 Arden and Plumb
 - 57 Reserved
 - 61 Unreserved
 - 63 Voice type
 - 65 Left open
 - 66 Actress
 - 68 Normand
 - 69 Sharp
 - 70 Conductor's concern
 - 71 Beatles bester
 - 72 State with Seoul?
 - 74 Recurring theme
 - 75 Pianist Templeton
 - 76 Draft material?
 - 78 Walk to a ship
 - 81 Be too interested?
 - 83 Columbus' birthplace
 - 84 Thirteen, to a baker
 - 85 Blood components
 - 87 Present
 - 88 "God's Little —"
 - 89 Stay ahead
 - 92 Bruce or Laura
 - 94 Staunch
 - 95 Take five
 - 97 Splinter group
 - 102 Yesterday's eggs
 - 104 Simply marvelous
 - 105 Acid suffix
 - 107 Northwest-ern st.
 - 108 Sturdy
 - 109 Immobile class
 - 110 Cornhusker city
 - 111 Kathie Lee's cohort
 - 112 In any way
 - 113 Like Peter or Catherine
 - 118 Proficient
 - 120 Recruit-to-be
 - 121 Mont.
 - 122 Unit of force
 - 124 Farm animal
 - 126 Word form for "recent"
 - 127 Start to paint
 - 128 Made tracks



by
Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Sports

Grade School
Tournament Finals
Tonight
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A Look At Sports

Sports news is not always good news

You would think that something like the game of basketball, football or baseball or any other sport would be good news to hear about. I mean, someone has to lose. That is never good news. But there is the news behind the news, and most often it is bad.

New Prestonsburg girls' coach Jackie Day Crisp, whose team was on a roll, all of a sudden gets some bad news: Shelly Greathouse, the team's leading scorer, may be out for the remainder of the season.

"We have her scheduled to meet with Dr. Shocky today (Wednesday)," said the Prestonsburg coach. "I just don't know. It doesn't look good."

Greathouse went down in the first quarter against Sheldon Clark two weeks ago. She is not able to extend her leg.

But that is not all the bad news for the Lady Blackcats. Last Monday night, Coach Crisp got more bad news when senior center Ladonna Slone went down and out with an injury.

"I hope it is not serious," said Crisp. "We will have it examined and see. I think I might have her back for the tournament, I don't know."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISH

This Monday, February 23, a very special little girl will be celebrating her eighth birthday. Have a happy day, Katie Crum, of Osborne Elementary. Hang onto that basketball and your day will come!

Here's another one. My good buddy Eric Combs celebrated number 17 this past Wednesday. Happy birthday, Eric. Have a good one!

- The Prestonsburg Fieldhouse looks great. It has been freshly painted and the place looks just great. What a great place to hold a high school district tournament. Parking may be a problem (not if you don't care to walk some) but once inside good basketball will make you forget the walk. Besides walking is good for you.

Thomas Tackett, school principal and Ron Hampton, school AD, are getting things in motion for the Big Show come next week.

- I wish I had been able to have seen "The Todd Tackett Show" last Tuesday night at Paintsville. The Clemson-bound Tiger set a new school record with 56 points. Some say it was more like 58 points.

Todd is a great basketball player and a great person. I still say he could have played for the Big Blue had the Big Blue opened their eyes and took J.R. and Todd as a package.

- I wish all the participants in tonight's county grade school finals the best. Have a good game!

- Tune in for a special edition of 15th

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Prestonsburg's Bailey inks with ECU

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Saying he was impressed with the Eastern Kentucky University facilities, Prestonsburg's 6'8", 280-pound offensive lineman, Adam Bailey, signed a letter-of-intent with the Colonels last week. Bailey said he will be "red shirt" his freshman year.

Bailey helped lead Prestonsburg to an 8-3 season last year. He had 55 "pancake" blocks last season and graded out over 90 percent on the offensive line each week, according to coach John Derossett. The Prestonsburg coach likes the choice Bailey made.

"I talked with Coach (Roy) Kidd the other day when he was getting ready to sign Adam, and he felt like if Adam comes down there, 'red shirts' a year, and gets in the weight room and works he could be a Division I-AA All-American," said

Derossett.

Bailey said he was excited about becoming a Colonel and playing for Coach Kidd.

"I'm really excited about going to ECU. You always hear about playing college football and this is the opportunity for me to do that," said Bailey. "This is Division I-AA, big time football in the OVC (Ohio Valley Conference). I'm excited and

have great expectations."

Bailey said he was interested in paving the way for others from Floyd County to take the same road

Lineman will "red shirt" freshman season

some day.

"I'll just go up there and prove something and make a way for other people from Eastern Kentucky," he said. "Hopefully, open some doors, not close doors, on opportunities to play college football. I'm looking forward to it and to give it

(See Bailey, page seven)



Signs with ECU

Prestonsburg's Adam Bailey signed a letter-of-intent to play football at Eastern Kentucky University this fall. Bailey is surrounded by family and friends at the signing. (photo by Ed Taylor)

FCEC Tournament...

Howell, Allen lead Stumbo past Eagles

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

It was grade school basketball at its finest when the Allen Eagles and John M. Stumbo Mustangs tangled in a semifinal game Wednesday night at the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse at Betsy Layne.

It was the sixth meeting of the season between the two county powerhouses with Stumbo getting the big win in a 47-46 victory. Both teams played hard and the fan excitement could be rivaled by none.

Josh Howell scored 13 points and Josh Allen finished with 12 for Stumbo in leading a balanced attack. Marcus Allen tossed in nine points.

Game-scoring honors went to Allen's Nick Clay, who finished with 20 points and Daniel Knausz netted 18 for the Eagles. But there was little help elsewhere offensively for the Eagles. Dustin Koger added four points, while Jacob Shepherd and Matt Setser scored two apiece.

Stumbo, who has carried the favorite's role all season, had to battle the Eagles in order to survive. The Eagles had their chance to win the game with the ball out of bounds and underneath their own basket.

Koger stood at the free-throw line with just five ticks of the clock left and a chance to tie the game. His first attempt bottomed the net but his second try veered off to the left, where Josh Allen tipped the ball to the back and out of bounds.

Allen had the ball with three seconds left after a time out. On the ensuing play, a lob pass to Clay underneath the Eagle basket, failed to materialize when the shot fell short. Josh Allen rebounded the basketball and held for the celebration.

The game was tied nine times over the fourth quarter. The biggest lead of the game belonged to Allen, seven points. The Eagles led 13-6 after the opening period.

Jack Slone's 17-foot jumper gave Stumbo a 21-19 lead at the half. The game was tied at 15-, 17 and 19 before Slone's basket.

Clay's rebound basket tied the score to start the third period at 21. Clay connected on two free throws to tie it again at 23.

Stumbo then got a short jumper and free throw from Howell and Josh Allen's long jumper gave the Mustangs a 28-23 lead.

Then Clay went to work. He scored the next seven points that gave Allen a 30-28 lead. Howell grabbed a loose ball and had a put back to tie the game at 30 after three quarters.

Knausz, a scrappy guard, found some lane space and drove the lane, scored, was fouled and converted the free throw to give Allen a 33-30 advantage. Howell tied the game at 34.

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Cleaning the boards

Stumbo's Josh Howell (21) came away with a rebound against Allen Wednesday night. The two teams met in the semifinals of the grade school tournament. It was the sixth meeting of the year between the two teams. Stumbo pulled out a 47-46 win. Howell scored 13 points to lead the Mustangs. (photo by Ed Taylor)

FCECA Tournament...

Lady 'Dawgs' upend Lady Eagles

Combs scores 25 as Duff defeats Allen

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

There will be a new Floyd County girls' basketball champion this season as defending title holder, Allen Lady Eagles, were upset in the semifinals of the Floyd County Elementary Conference tournament at Betsy Layne Wednesday night.

Beth Combs scored 25 points and had eight rebounds to lead the Lady 'Dawgs' to a 46-43 win over Allen.

Ramanda Music scored 34 points, pulled in 22 rebounds and had five block shots in the losing cause. Music did not have the help in the scoring column.

Combs took charge of the Lady Bulldogs' offense in the fourth quarter, following the direction of her coach, Ronnie Patton.

"I told Beth she had to have the ball and she needed to take charge on the floor," said a happy Duff coach. "She did just that. We played a great game."

Combs scored 13 points in the fourth quarter, looking like a player wanting the

basketball. Combs played like a player that would not be denied her chance. She scored all but one point in the fourth period. Amber Scott may have had the big single point when she hit the backside of a two-shot foul that gave the Lady Bulldogs a three-point lead with just seven seconds to play.

Allen had the ball and time running down. But on a busted play, the Lady Eagles turned the ball over on a walking violation.

Music tried single-handedly to bring another crown to Allen Elementary, but she was constantly being double and triple teamed when she received the basketball.

"We are getting beat by one player and we can't stop her," said Patton during the game. "Our players are not timing their jumping to defend her."

Music took the ball down low on a set play and was scoring or being fouled. It was on the free-throw line that the Lady Eagles struggled as well as on the floor handling the ball against the Duff press.

"I tried to get them to pull out of their

press in the fourth quarter," said Patton, as he wanted his team to play more conservative defense down the stretch, "but they have played it so much this season they failed to pull back."

Duff got after Allen all over the court defensively, and it showed early in the game. Allen committed 24 turnovers in the game but had 12 consecutive mistakes from the first quarter into the second.

The Lady Eagles settled down some midway of the second period and began to chip away at the Lady Bulldog lead.

Duff led 10-4 after the first quarter and led by as many as 10 points, 14-10 in the second period.

Allen started to get more into their set offense and pounded the ball down low to Music. She scored 11 straight points for a 16-15 game. A free throw by Lauren Robinson and Johnna Ison's basket gave Duff a 19-15 halftime lead.

Allen could never overcome the Lady Bulldogs. When they would make a run, Combs took charge and kept her team in

(See Dawgs, page seven)



Leads to victory

Duff Lady Bulldog Beth Combs (21) scored 25 points to lead her team to a berth in the finals of the grade school basketball tournament at Betsy Layne tonight. Combs and the Lady Bulldogs posted a 46-43 win over the Lady Eagles of Allen. (photo by Ed Taylor)

South Floyd pulls upset of Elkhorn City; rolls past Fleming-Neon over weekend

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The South Floyd Raiders posted double victories last week as district tournament time approaches, and the Raiders could be playing their best basketball heading into tournament play.

Coach Henry Webb's club posted a 59-51 win over Elkhorn City, the number-one seed in the 60th District. They came back on Saturday night and blew away Fleming-Neon, 101-66 at home.

"We played two good games last weekend," said Coach Webb. "Friday night's win against Elkhorn City was a big game for us because we beat a team that had been playing well and was the number one seed in their district."

The Raiders had to play without the services of Nick Compton, who missed the game with a sprained ankle. Timmy Butler got the start instead and responded with 20 points and hauled in ten rebounds.

"Timmy had a good game for us," said Webb. "But we are getting excellent play from all our bench."

Butler, in an unusual shooting night, did it all, both inside and outside. Butler stepped outside the three-point range and buried three treys.

Ryan Shannon finished with 13 points for the Raiders. Coby Little drained two three point baskets to finish with eight points. Justin Holbrook and Nathan Reed scored five points each with Byron Hall and Jimmy Stumbo netting two

apiece. Justin Paige had four points. South Floyd's defense shut down Elkhorn's B.J. Ratliff holding the high-scoring guard to just ten points. Coach Webb felt the defense on Ratliff, caused the Cougars' problems on offense overall.

"Our defense did a great job on B.J., who is an outstanding player," he said. "What it did was disrupt Elkhorn's offense."

Butler hit his first three-pointer in the opening quarter as South Floyd vaulted out to a 12-7 lead. Shannon had four points in the quarter. Reed completed a old-fashioned three-point play.

Both teams lit up the scoreboard in the second quarter with South Floyd coming out with a 36-26 half-time lead. Butler drained two treys and scored 12 points in the quarter. Little and Shannon has three-point baskets in a 24-19 run for the Raiders.

Elkhorn City caught the Raiders in the third quarter at 43-43 behind the scoring of Jeremy Dorton. Dorton, who had 23 points for the game and scored nine in the third to lead the 17-7 Cougar run.

But it was the Raiders doubling the score on Elkhorn in the fourth in a 16-8 run ignited by the Raiders' defense.

"This was a very good win for us," said Coach Webb. "When they made a run at us to tie the game, we came back and pulled back out to a nine-point lead."

It was homecoming at South Floyd last Saturday night when Fleming-Neon visited Raider Arena.

South Floyd got good play off the bench and rolled past Jenkins, going over the century mark for the second time this season.

Justin Holbrook, Ryan Shannon and Butler each scored 14 points to lead the Raiders. Ricky Ward came off the bench and sparked the Raiders with ten points. He hit two three-pointers in the game.

For the game, South Floyd drained 12 treys. Coby Little and Butler had three with Ward, Holbrook and Shannon hitting two apiece.

Coach Webb played his bench, and 13 of the 14 players on the roster made the scoring column.

It was a nail biter early until the Raiders started putting distance between themselves and the Pirates. South Floyd held to a one-point lead, 22-21, after the first quarter in a high offensive opening period.

"It was a good game early until we started widening the margin before halftime," said the South Floyd mentor. "We had several players playing well for us."

South Floyd's pressure defense and good ball movement helped the

Raiders to some easy baskets.

"Everyone got playing time, and I feel like all who played, played well," said Coach Webb. "This team is playing much better because of their hard work."

The Raiders picked up their ninth and ten wins this weekend, making the winningest team in South Floyd history. Never has a Raider team won ten games in a season. The previous best was eight.

Little finished with nine points for South Floyd. Justin Paige and Jimmy Stumbo netted eight each, while Byron Hall and Kyle Tackett scored six apiece. Tackett scored all six of his in the fourth quarter, including a three-point basket. Nathan Reed and Nick Compton tossed in two each. Compton was still nursing a sore ankle and saw limited playing time. P.J. Hall had one point. Ryan Manns played but did not score.

South Floyd will take the next few days and prepare for tournament play when they face Allen Central in a first round game in the 58th District tournament next Thursday.



Flying Eagle

Austin Clark (35) of Allen went for a layup against Stumbo Wednesday night in the first round of the grade school tournament. Josh Allen (15) looked on. Stumbo posted a 47-46 win over the Eagles. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Stumbo

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Brian Roberts, who went scoreless in the first half, gave Stumbo the lead on a 17-foot jumper. Marcus Allen followed by completing an old-fashioned three-point play for a 39-34 Stumbo lead.

Clay and Roberts traded baskets as Stumbo led 41-36. But Knausz, with his quick release, drilled a three-pointer and it was 41-39.

Roberts drained an 18-foot jumper, but Clay followed with two free throws and it was 43-41 Stumbo.

With 2:14 to play, Knausz went up the middle for a layup and tied the game at 43. Both teams exchanged turnovers but Matt Setser missed the front end of a bonus shot at the 1:40 mark.

Sixteen seconds later, Marcus Allen nailed a short jumper for a 45-43 Stumbo lead. But Knausz was not through. He sank a layup with 40 seconds to play to tie the game for the ninth time, 45-45.

With 21 seconds remaining on the scoreboard, Marcus Allen drove the middle of the lane, pulled up and hit a short jumper that proved to be the winning shot. Allen's shot gave Stumbo a 47-45 lead. With five seconds to play, Koger was fouled on a rebound.

Jeremy Daniels finished with seven points for Stumbo. Roberts had four and Slone netted two.

Stumbo faces the Adams Blackcats tonight in the boys' championship game at 7:30 p.m.

Prestonsburg settles issue with win over Betsy Layne

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

However the Lady Blackcats of Prestonsburg got their season off in '97 they did finish strong and strong enough to take second place and the number-two seed in next week's district tournament.

The Lady Blackcats were not about to settle for a tie for the second spot and posted a 53-50 win over the Betsy Layne Lady Cats last Monday in finishing 4-2 in the Floyd County Conference. Betsy Layne, who could have tied Prestonsburg for the second place position, fell to 2-4 in the conference.

Prestonsburg played without leading scorer, Shelly Greathouse, but got a balanced attack, led by Brandi Wells' 14 points. Crystal Slone and Jessi Burke each scored nine points and Kimi Nunnery added eight.

Jessica Clark led all scorers, finishing with 28 points for the game. Clark hit two three-point baskets. Sabrina Yates netted nine.

Betsy Layne, who trailed by nine points at the half, mounted a comeback in the fourth quarter, but a missed layup and, later, a turnover hurt the Lady Cats.

"We struggled to win," said Prestonsburg coach Jackie Day Crisp. "It wasn't easy. We missed Shelly out there and then we lost Ladonna (Slone) to an injury. She was playing good on defense when she got hurt."

Betsy Layne rallied in the fourth but Prestonsburg warded off the attempt.

"We had out chance to win the game," said Betsy Layne coach Bill Newsome. "We had a couple of senior mistakes that hurt us."

Slone scored six of her nine points in the first quarter to lead Prestonsburg to a 16-9 lead. Clark matched the total for Betsy Layne but Nunnery buried a trey and freshman Amelia Conley scored four points for Prestonsburg.

Prestonsburg camped out at the free-throw line in the second quarter where they did all their scoring. Going without a field goal, Prestonsburg hit 15-of-19 attempts to take a 31-22 halftime lead.

While Prestonsburg was connecting, Betsy Layne became disconnected. The Lady Cats shot 13 times from the charity stripe and hit only three.

Clark rallied the Lady Cats in the third quarter in a 16-10 run. Clark buried two treys and scored nine points to bring her team back to within three points of Prestonsburg, 41-38 after three quarters.

The two teams played even in the final quarter with Betsy Layne unable to capitalize on some Prestonsburg turnovers. Clark scored eight points in the fourth.

Wells buried her trey and had five points in the third period.

Prestonsburg, after dropping nine of their first 11 games, finished strong at 8-16 on the season. Betsy Layne evened their record at 11-11.

The two teams will meet for the third time this season when they tip off in the first round of the 58th District tournament on Thursday, February 26 at 6:30 p.m.



In between

This was the way it was for Allen's Ramanda Music in Wednesday night's semifinal game against Duff. Music found herself being double teamed the whole game. But still she scored 34 points and had 22 rebounds in a 46-43 loss to Duff (photo by Ed Taylor)

Dawgs

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front. Duff led 32-26 after three quarters.

Music led her team to within two points of Duff in the fourth quarter, 35-33. Combs hit two free throws, banked in a shot after driving to the middle, and repeated the feat again as Duff led 41-35. With 1:08 to play, Combs scored on a layup following a basket by Music.

Music hit two free throws with 41 seconds to play made it 43-41

but again Combs kept her team in front with two free throws with 16 seconds to play.

Rachel Mitchell scored six points for Allen and Beth Joseph added three.

Scott finished with five points for Duff. Leslie Martin, Donetta Mullins, Ison and Robinson scored four points apiece.

Duff meets Martin tonight at 6 p.m. for the championship.

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Sports

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Region Sports Forum this Monday night beginning at 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.. We will be looking at the upcoming district tournaments with our special guest.

How will the local teams match up? Will there be any surprises? Let's talk about it. Give us a call. The show is live and in living color!

- Duff coach Ronnie Patton was all decked out in his blue blazer at the semifinal game when his team won over Allen. Ronnie is one of the premiere coaches in our elementary system and does an excellent job.

I remember when Ronnie was at Maytown before moving on to Wayland and then Duff. He has had winning programs everywhere he has been. Maybe, just maybe, some day he will get a high school position.

- What a great job Prater Creek Elementary principal Zenith Hall is doing with the grade school tournament. It has been good. The crowds have been good and the excitement is unmatched in the county. All the games have been close ones and the fans have certainly been into it. If we could just capture some of that for high school games.

- Hayes Hamilton has his Stumbo Mustangs in the finals of the grade school tournament and Hayes tells me this is it. This will be his final year of coaching or anything else. He is retiring after this school year.

Hayes and I were talking the other day about the old days when his Mustangs and the old Wayland Wasps were arch rivals and seemed to always face each other in the county finals.

- The only national basketball championship that Floyd County has ever enjoyed was when Edgel "Bide" Click guided a group of girls' junior pro all-stars to a national title back in the late '80s. Bide is coaching the Martin Lady Flashes, along with Lynn Handshoe, and has the Lady Flashes in the finals of the county tournament.

- He is still scratching his head, watching video of last Monday's comeback against Osborne, but coach Neil Turner has his Adams Blackcats primed for a run at the county championship tonight as they face Stumbo.

Neil has his team playing with a 26-6 record. Outstanding.

- What a game between Stumbo and Allen Wednesday night! A one point victory for the Mustangs but they had to earn every bit of it. The Allen Eagles did not quit, but that is the makeup of a Jack Goodman coached team.

Can you imagine playing one team six times in one season? That is what happen between Allen and Stumbo. Final score: Stumbo 4, Allen 2.

- Ashland Gearheart has been around for several basketball seasons and we hope he is around for many more. His Allen Lady Eagles fell to Duff Wednesday night, but the game was close. Ashland is one of those many coaches we have in our system that does an excellent job. He is one of the friendliest persons you would ever want to meet. We need more like him.

Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports. Take the kids to church and Sunday School Sunday.

Bailey

110 percent."

EKU closed the '97 season with an 8-4 overall record and as champion of the OVC with a final 7-0 league mark. The Colonels participated in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs in '97 for the 17th time in the 20-year history of these playoffs and finished with a final ranking of 13th in the final USA Today/ESPN poll, and 15th in The Sports Network poll.

"I'm proud of him," said Paul Bailey, of his son Adam. "I'm really happy he is going to Eastern. We went down there and met the coaching staff. We were impressed with them. But we were more impressed with Eastern football."

But the elder Bailey said that he was more impressed with the university overall.

"I think it is going to be a good fit for him at the university," said Bailey.

Bailey said another plus was how close EKU is, affording his wife, Linda, and himself the opportunity to go and watch the Colonels play and watch Adam play for one of the better coaches in Division I-AA.

"That's true. He realizes that and I do too," said Bailey. "It's a good opportunity for him."

Linda Bailey was equally thrilled over her son's decision.

"I'm real happy and excited about it," she said. "It's a wonderful opportunity for him. Adam has always enjoyed football. He has played it since he was in the first and second grade, playing in the midget league."

Mrs. Bailey said she never encouraged nor discouraged her son from playing the game.

"Adam is a tremendous offensive lineman," said Coach Derossett. "He could single block anyone he played against. Adam's a big guy but he is a good athlete. That's one thing Coach Kidd likes, he had good feet and could move."

"He's not just a big sloppy kid, and they like that in an athlete. Also, the height. God gave him that, these colleges, they look for height and him being 6'8" was a real credit for him."

Bailey said he has goals set for himself but they don't include just being the best football player he can

be.

"I want to be the best football player I can be, that's true," he said, "but above all, I just want to be somebody that a little kid down the road somewhere might say, 'maybe I could play football like that.'"

Bailey is expected to be used as an offensive lineman with the Colonels, but he is looking to one day be on the defensive side of the football as well.

"Coach Kidd wants me to work out and get stronger and then I could go from the offense to the defensive line," said Bailey. "Coach Derossett has prepared me with the weight program he has set up and EKU's is real similar."

Bailey said he knows it is not going to be an easy road.

"It is going to be a lot of work," he said. "The hours and stuff like that will be longer. That is something I will have to adjust to. With the good attitude I had here at Prestonsburg that helped me get through, I'll just take that to Eastern."

Bailey said "red shirting" his freshman season will allow him to

"get a little speed on me."

"It will also give me a chance to get bigger and stronger," he said. "I have a lot of improvement, and in the next couple of years I should make an impact."

Bailey said he will be playing for a great motivator.

"He is a living legend," said Bailey of the EKU coach. "He has one of the best winning percentages in football. I had a chance to meet and talk with him. He is a heck of a person. He's a motivator, and he knows exactly what he wants to do. He does whatever it takes to accomplish it."

Prestonsburg principal Thomas Tackett believes that Bailey will make Floyd County proud.

"Adam Bailey is a fine kid to be around," said the school principal. "He smiles a lot. He is serious about his football. We just hope he goes down there and gets in that weight room and works hard for Coach Kidd and makes an Eastern Kentucky Colonel and makes Floyd County real proud of him."

Bailey is currently a member of the Prestonsburg basketball team.

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This Week

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All times Eastern

- **NASCAR's 50-Year Victory**
8:30 p.m. • Friday • ESPN
- **Busch GN, Goodwrench 200**
1 p.m. • Saturday • TNN
- **Winston Cup, Goodwrench 400**
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POINTS STANDINGS

WINSTON CUP	BUSCH	TRUCK (1997)
1. Dale Earnhardt, 185.	1. Joe Nemechek, 180.	1. Jack Sprague, 3,969.
2. Bobby Labonte, 175.	2. Jeff Purvis, 170.	2. Rich Bickle, 3,737.
3. Jeremy Mayfield, 165.	3. Mark Martin, 165.	3. Joe Ruttman, 3,736.
4. Ken Schrader, 160.	4. Buckshot Jones, 160.	4. Mike Bliss, 3,611.
4. Rusty Wallace, 160.	5. Randy LaJoie, 155.	5. Ron Hornaday, 3,574.
6. Ernie Irvan, 150.	6. Matt Kenseth, 150.	6. Jay Sauter, 3,467.
7. Mike Skinner, 147.	7. Michael Waltrip, 146.	7. Rick Carelli, 3,461.
8. Chad Little, 146.	8. Kevin Schwantz, 142.	8. Jimmy Hensley, 3,385.
9. Michael Waltrip, 138.	9. Jimmy Spencer, 138.	9. Chuck Bown, 3,320.
10. Bill Elliott, 134.	10. Phil Parsons, 134.	10. Kenny Irwin, 3,220.

FROM LAST WEEK

WINSTON CUP SERIES: Nineteen times Dale Earnhardt came up empty, and the legendary driver visited Daytona International Speedway's victory lane 30 times after winning other races. Finally, in his 20th try, Earnhardt captured stock car racing's most prestigious race, the Daytona 500.

A record crowd estimated at 185,000 watched Earnhardt hold off Bobby Labonte, Jeremy Mayfield, Kenny Schrader and Rusty Wallace for the 71st victory of his distinguished career. It ended a 59-race winless streak

that had stretched back to March 10, 1996.

BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL: Joe Nemechek, starting on the outside of the front row, was dominant in winning the NAPA Auto Parts 300, the annual Busch Grand National race held during Daytona Speedweeks.

Nemechek's victory marked the 15th time in 17 years in which the BGN race was won by a Winston Cup regular. The Lakeland, Fla., native held off fellow Chevrolet driver Jeff Purvis.

TOP TEN

Weekly rankings by NASCAR This Week writer Monte Dutton. Last week's ranking is in parentheses.

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| 1. Jeff Gordon (1)
Looking over shoulder | 6. Rusty Wallace (8)
Best Daytona ever |
| 2. Dale Earnhardt (5)
He's baaaacckkk | 7. Jeff Burton (4)
Still tuning Taurus |
| 3. Dale Jarrett (2)
Luckless in Daytona | 8. Terry Labonte (6)
Disappointing in 500 |
| 4. Mark Martin (3)
See above | 9. Kenny Schrader (10)
Played hurt at Daytona |
| 5. Bobby Labonte (7)
Coming on strong | 10. Bill Elliott (9)
High hopes |

ON THE SCHEDULE

Date	Race	1997 Winner	Pole
Feb. 22	Goodwrench 400, Rockingham, N.C.	J. Gordon	Martin
March 1	Las Vegas, Nev.	First event	
March 8	Primestar 500, Hampton, Ga.	Jarrett	R. Gordon
March 22	TranSouth 400, Darlington, S.C.	Jarrett	Jarrett
March 29	Food City 500, Bristol, Tenn.	J. Gordon	R. Wallace
April 5	Interstate 500, Fort Worth, Texas	J. Burton	Jarrett
April 19	Goody's 500, Martinsville, Va.	J. Gordon	K. Wallace
April 26	DieHard 500, Talladega, Ala.	Martin	Andretti
May 3	California 500, Fontana, Calif.	J. Gordon	Nemechek
May 16	The Winston, Concord, N.C.*	J. Gordon	Elliott
May 24	Coca-Cola 600, Concord, N.C.	J. Gordon	J. Gordon
May 31	Miller 500, Dover, Del.	Rudd	B. Labonte
June 6	Pontiac 400, Richmond, Va.	R. Wallace	T. Labonte
June 14	Miller 400, Brooklyn, Mich.	Jarrett	Jarrett
June 21	Pocono 500, Long Pond, Pa.	J. Gordon	Hamilton
June 28	Save Mart 300, Sonoma, Calif.	Martin	Martin
July 4	Pepsi 400, Daytona Beach, Fla.	Andretti	Skinner
July 12	Jiffy Lube 300, Loudon, N.H.	J. Burton	Schrader
July 26	Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa.	Jarrett	Nemechek
Aug. 1	Brickyard 400, Speedway, Ind.	Rudd	Irvan
Aug. 9	Bud at the Glen, Watkins Glen, N.Y.	J. Gordon	T. Bodine
Aug. 16	DeVilbiss 400, Brooklyn, Mich.	Martin	Benson
Aug. 22	Goody's 500, Bristol, Tenn.	Jarrett	K. Wallace
Aug. 30	CMT 300, Loudon, N.H.	J. Gordon	Schrader
Sept. 6	Southern 500, Darlington, S.C.	J. Gordon	B. Labonte

*All-star event

FEUD OF THE WEEK

Kenny Wallace vs. Loy Allen

After an incident on Feb. 12, Wallace climbed out of his car and walked right into a sucker punch thrown by Allen. Wallace was pulled away from Allen by track officials before he could return the favor.

Gazette Motorsports Writer Monte Dutton gives his opinion: "These are two unlikely combatants, but you could see why they were mad. Neither made the Daytona 500 starting field."

FROM THE ARCHIVES:

The rich history of NASCAR

Fred Lorenzen was 32 years of age when he took first place in the American 500 at North Carolina Motor Speedway in the fall of 1966. Amazingly, this victory would be the 26th and last of Lorenzen's all-too-brief career as a NASCAR superstar. He retired before the midpoint of the 1967 season, still haunted by the 1964 death of teammate Fireball Roberts and suffering from a bleeding ulcer. Lorenzen attempted a comeback from 1970 to 1972 but never again won a race. Now 63 and in business in his native Illinois, Lorenzen calls the decision to retire in 1967 "the biggest mistake of my life."

Teen-age Petty to drive full season on ASA circuit this year

By Monte Dutton
NASCAR This Week

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Adam Petty will drive a full season in the Midwest on the American Speed Association (ASA) circuit this year.

Official announcement of the deal, and an unveiling of the 17-year-old Petty's No. 45 race car, took place on Feb. 9 at a Port Orange grocery store.

Adam Petty, son of current Winston Cup driver Kyle, will be the fourth generation of racing Pettrys. Great-grandfather Lee was NASCAR's first three-time champion and finished his career with 54 victories. Grandfather

Richard won seven championships and a record 200 races. Kyle began his career in 1979 and has won eight races in more than 500 starts.

NO, SAYS NASCAR: Kenny Wallace, who helped brother Rusty win Sunday's Bud Shootout with some last-lap drafting help, was supposed to get the engine Rusty used in that event as a gesture of appreciation.

NASCAR put a stop to that by dismantling the engine as part of the post-race inspection of the winning car.

And Kenny, in a cruel turnabout, did not make the 500.

NEW EVERYTHING: Not

only does Ernie Irvan have a new car, a new team and a new sponsor. His wife, Kim, has a new baby.

Jared Lawrence Irvan was born at 7:56 p.m. Jan. 9 in Charlotte at Presbyterian Hospital. The baby was born at 7 pounds, 6 ounces, and was 19 inches long.

STILL LOOKING: Tom Kendall, who won the Sports Car Club of America's Trans-Am championship and 11 consecutive races last year, is virtually inactive this year.

Kendall attended the International Race of Champions luncheon at a local country club on Feb. 11. By virtue of his Trans-Am title, Kendall was one of 12

drivers competing in the IROC series, which got under way at Daytona International Speedway on Friday, Feb. 13.

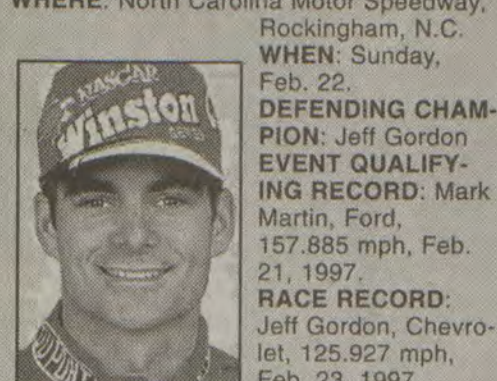
When he drew his starting position, Kendall followed Tony Stewart, the Indy Racing League champion who is also driving Busch Grand National Pontiacs for Joe Gibbs.

"Tony said he would probably drive 70 races this year," said Kendall. "Hmm. Let me do the math. Let's see, that means he's got 66 more races scheduled than I do."

Translation: The four IROC races (Daytona, Talladega, Michigan, Indianapolis) are the only stops on the Kendall tour.

THE WINSTON CUP CIRCUIT

THE WINSTON CUP SERIES
COMING UP: GOODWRENCH 400
WHERE: North Carolina Motor Speedway,
Rockingham, N.C.



Gordon

Daytona 500, Richard Petty won this race seven times, while three drivers — David Pearson, Cale Yarborough and still-active Rusty Wallace — have been to victory lane three times.

ALMOST HOME COOKING

The Ellerbe Springs Inn, located on U.S. Hwy. 220 north in the town of Ellerbe, is a charming restaurant featuring both old-fashioned Southern cuisine and hospitality.

NOTABLE: The last three editions of this race have seen Chevrolets cross the finish line first. Rusty Wallace won with a Pontiac in 1993 and a Ford in 1994. . . . Kyle Petty, Jeff Gordon and Dale Earnhardt are active drivers who have won this race twice.

BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL GOODWRENCH 200
WHERE: North Carolina Motor Speedway,

Rockingham, N.C.
WHEN: Saturday, Feb. 21.
DEFENDING CHAMPION: Mark Martin
TRACK QUALIFYING RECORD: David Green, Chevrolet, 153.419 mph, Oct. 20, 1994.
RACE RECORD: Mark Martin, Ford, 124.397 mph, Oct. 19, 1996.
OTHER FORMER WINNERS: Nine of Martin's record 32 BGN triumphs have occurred at North Carolina Motor Speedway. Dale Earnhardt, no longer active in the division, won four times. Harry Gant and Morgan Shepherd each claimed two victories.
NOTABLE: Martin has won the last four BGN races at the Rock. During his career, Martin has nine victories and three poles. . . . Ford drivers have claimed 10 victories at Rockingham, trailed by Pontiac with seven wins and Buick with five. Only four times has a Chevrolet visited victory lane.

PROFILE

Bobby Labonte



John Clark/NASCAR This Week

Bobby Labonte, right, was the pole winner for the Daytona 500.

The Daytona 500 pole winner is primed for the biggest season of his career. Coming off a victory at Atlanta in the final race of 1997, Labonte was the highest finishing Pontiac driver in the Winston Cup standings and also the first representative of a single-car team. His seventh-place finish was the best of his career.

Seven and a half years younger than brother Terry, the 1984 and 1996 Winston Cup champion, Bobby won the 1991 Busch Grand National title and finished second to Jeff Gordon in the 1993 battle for Winston Cup rookie of the year.

AGE: 33
WIFE: Donna
CHILD: Tyler (3).
CAR: No. 18 Interstate Batteries Pontiac Grand Prix, owned by ex-Washington Redskins football coach Joe Gibbs.

CAREER RECORD: 158 starts, 11 poles, 5 wins, 23 top fives, 55 top 10s, approximately \$6.6 million in earnings.

FIRSTS: Start (Oct. 16, 1997, at Atlanta), pole (Sept. 9, 1993, at Richmond), win (May 28, 1995, at Charlotte).

IS IT TIME FOR THIS TEAM TO START TALKING CHAMPIONSHIP?

"We've been together for a while now, and it felt good to finish in the top 10 in points last year as a single-car team. Most of the front-runners were two-car or multi-car teams. We're not a multi-car team yet, but we're going to be with Tony Stewart in a couple of years. He's going to run the Busch Series this year. That's helping out. It's going to be hard to do, but we're going to give it a shot. That's for sure."

IS THIS GOING TO BE A BREAKTHROUGH YEAR

FOR PONTIAC? "I think it will be a good year. Daytona is one thing. The rules are the same here as they were last year. When we get to Rockingham, the rules are going to be different than they were last year. We don't know exactly what we're going to be dealing with. We haven't had a car at Rockingham. We haven't had a car in the wind tunnel in that configuration. We're not sure, but we'll find out when we get there. It might be the best year for Pontiac in quite a while, but we'll have to wait and see."

HOW DOES IT FEEL TO GET OFF TO SUCH A FAST START? "Our guys have worked really hard over the winter and it has paid off. It's pretty amazing that Terry and I finished 1-2 in the last restrictor-plate race at Talladega and then qualified 1-2 for the Daytona 500. That's pretty cool."

TRIVIA

1. What driver was nicknamed "Tiger"?
2. What racing brothers swapped identities in 1940?
3. By what name was Martin David Robinson better known?

ANSWERS
1. Tom Pistone
2. Dick and Jim Rathman
3. Country singer and sometimes Winston Cup driver Marty Robbins

AROUND THE GARAGE

YOUR TURN

Letters From Our Readers

Dear NASCAR This Week,
I really like your weekly page. I read it in the Citrus County, Fla., Chronicle.

Your piece on Mark Martin, one of my favorite drivers, was great.

However, I didn't know Mark was a "Superman."

You list Mark as being 39 with children 25, 23, 23, 19 and 5.

Is this a "misprint"? Wow!

Good luck to all Ford drivers in 1998.

Jim Townshend
Crystal River, Fla.

Dear Jim,
Mark adopted four of wife Arlene's children from a previous marriage, which should explain their ages in relation to his own.

Dear NASCAR This Week,
I saw an interview with Johnny Benson on TV. He said he was getting all of Mark Martin's cars for his new team. How is he going to make the Thunderbird-Taurus car change, or can he run the Thunderbirds?

Jody L. Scheer
Wilson, N.C.

Dear Jody,
Benson will drive Tauruses, although the Thunderbird body will remain legal in 1998 and 1999. Changing a car from Thunderbird is largely a matter of changing the sheet metal, although there are other adjustments that have to be made.

If you've got a question or a comment, write: NASCAR This Week Your Turn, c/o The Gaston Gazette, 2500 E. Franklin Blvd., Gastonia, N.C. 28054

CREW OF THE WEEK

■ In order for Dale Earnhardt to win the Daytona 500 after 19 years of frustration, his Larry McReynolds-led pit crew had to get him out of the pits first on his final stop. This they did, enabling Earnhardt to put an end to a 59-race winless streak.

ON THE MARKET

Now available in bookstores, "Wide Open: Days and Nights on the NASCAR Tour" by Shaun Assael, is an honest account of the 1996 Cup season. Assael, who works for ESPN Magazine, traveled to the races, and also concentrated on the events that really define the sport.

RACING ON THE WEB

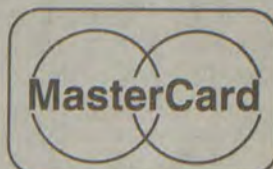
Daytona USA
www.daytonausa.com

Strong points: Lavish site extolling the attractions of the Daytona International Speedway's interactive tourist attraction. Dale Earnhardt's victorious Monte Carlo was just installed Monday morning after the Daytona 500. Also, there is the Momo Ferrari that won the Rolex 24 Hours of Daytona.

Weak points: Despite all the glitter and eye-catching color, there's not a lot of stock car racing substance here.

The Classifieds

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Real Estate For Sale

HOUSE FOR SALE: Contract no longer pending. 5 BR Brick Home, 2,800 sq. ft., 1 1/2 bath, four oak fireplaces with beveled mirrors. Large living room, kitchen, and dining area. Wrap around porch. Large fenced lot. Located out of city limits of Wheelwright. Priced to sell \$25,000 or 5,000 down, owner financing. Call 606-633-8759 or 407-952-6956.

HOUSE FOR SALE WEEKSBURY: Four bedrooms, large living room, dining room, and family room. Bath and half, new roof. Total carpeting. Also, 2 grave plots in Davis Memorial Gardens. Telephone: 706-359-7003.

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Legals

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 898-5937, Amendment No. 2

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Premier Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 130, Myra, Kentucky 41549, has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 3.0 miles southwest of Ligon in Pike and Floyd counties. The amendment will add 4.85 acres of surface disturbance making a total area of 595.70 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 4.0 miles northwest from Route 229/23 junction with Robinson Creek Road and located 0.4 mile west of Robinson Creek. The latitude is 37° 22' 34". The longitude is 82° 39' 00".

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell and Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Russell and Martha Walker, Earl and Gracie Brown, Clifford and Geneva Henson, Anthony Cerullo, Trenia Brown Cecil, Gene and Evie Vance, and ANR Coal Company, LLC.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 109 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501-9311. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objects or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application No. 836-5296, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Maple Ridge Mining Corporation, P.O. Box 219, Harold, Kentucky 41635, has applied for renewal of a permit for an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.00 mile southwest of Blue Moon in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 6.07 surface acres and will underlie 1,110.81 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 1,116.88 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.10 mile southwest from Morgan Fork Road's junction with Little Mud Creek Road and located adjacent to and 0.50 mile north of Morgan Fork of Little Mud Creek. The latitude is 37° 29' 28". The

longitude is 82° 42' 33".

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell and Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation. The operation will underlie land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Vannie Kidd, Reevis Hamilton, Leon Greer, Charles McKinney, Ted Meade, Vernedith Meade, William and Dorothy Martin, Sola Williams, Clayborne Bailey, Roy Spurlock, Estill Mullins, David Meade et al., Earl Lee and Katherine Hall, Ida Mae Newsome et al., Ella Martin, Charlie Elliot, John Hunter, Roger Lee and Patricia Hunter, Caner Hunter, Willie L. Lawson, and Earl Watson.

The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road, Morgan Fork Road. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road.

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 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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(right side facing cabinet),
2 02 Flow Meters,
1 Ferno Washington 02 Crash Bracket (To be installed beside the vertical backboard slot),
WIC-WAG Headlight System,
3 02 Outlets (2 on Action Wall, 1 on Squad Bench Wall),
Cot Mount Set for 35A Ferno Washington Amb. Cot.,
Flexible Action Light (Located at Front Switch Console),
2 Cast IV Hooks (Recessed in ceiling 1 over Cot, 1 over Squad Bench),
1 Interior Heater with Thermostat Control on separate Shoreline,
1 Code 3 MX7000 LightBar-Red/Clear/Red with intersection Lights which will be clear.
Lights/Siren Speakers recessed in grille.
Strobe Light/In Chassis park lights (Total 4)

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell and Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The surface area is owned by Alma Land Company. The area will underlie land owned by Alma Land Company, Hargis and Ruth Hall and Zella Martin. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public

road Stonecoal Branch Road. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road.

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 41653-1410. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. F-2/13, 2/20, 2/27 3/6

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE
In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Branham and Baker Coal Company, Inc., 148 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for Phase I bond release on Permit Number 836-0179 which was last issued on 11/25/97. The application covers an area of approximately 68 acres located 1.6 miles Northeast of Hippo in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 2 miles Southeast from Rt. 850 junction with Pitts Fork Road and located on Prater Fork of Brush Creek. The latitude is 37° 32' 48". The longitude is 82° 50' 30".
The bond now in effect for the increments 8 and 10 is \$251,600.00. Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$251,600.00 is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: grading, seeding, and tree planting.
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 4/13/98.
A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., 4/14/98 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 4/13/98.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5368

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 452 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, Ky. 41501, has filed an application for an underground coal mining and reclamation operation. This application proposes 4.24 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 118.0 acres, for a total proposed permit acreage of 122.24 acres, located 1.5 miles north of Drift in Floyd County.
The proposed operation is approximately 1.5 miles north from Ky. Hwy. 122's junction with Stonecoal Branch Road and located 1.0 mile east of Left Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37° 29' 30". The longitude is 82° 44' 46".
The proposed operation is located on the McDowell and Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The surface area is owned by Alma Land Company. The area will underlie land owned by Alma Land Company, Hargis and Ruth Hall and Zella Martin. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public

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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.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION I CIVIL ACTION NO. 97-CI-00788

Trans Financial Bank, N.A., Plaintiff
vs. Barry Stumbo and Sherry Stumbo, Defendants
BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment, Summary Judgment and Order of Sale signed on the 8th day of December, 1997, in the Floyd Circuit Court, Division I, I shall proceed to offer for sale, at the door of the Floyd County Courthouse, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the best bidder at public auction on Wednesday, March 4, 1998, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., or thereabout, upon terms of ten (10%) percent down at the time of sale with the balance on a credit of sixty (60) days, the following described property which is being sold for enforcement of liens in the amount of Twelve Thousand One Hundred Twenty-One Dollars and Eighty (\$12,121.80), plus interest at the rate of 9.8% per annum from April 30, 1997, until the date of Judgment, and for interest at the legal rate from date of Judgment, until paid owed to Plaintiff, Trans Financial Bank, N.A., by Defendants, Barry Stumbo and Sherry

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION II CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CI-00857

Harrison Rogers, Jr.; Lloyd Rogers; and Lois Jared, Plaintiff
vs. Thomas Dale Hall; Maxine Gibson; Highlands Regional Medical Center; and Billy Gene Hamilton...Defendants
By VIRTUE OF Summary Judgment and Order of Sale signed on the 29th day of January, 1997, in the Floyd Circuit Court, Division II, I shall proceed to offer for sale, at the door of the Floyd County Courthouse, Prestonsburg, Kentucky,

to the best bidder at public auction on Wednesday, March 4, 1998, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., or thereabout, upon terms of ten (10%) percent down at the time of sale with the balance on a credit of thirty (30) days, the following described property which is being sold for enforcement of liens, plus interest owed to Plaintiffs, Harrison Rogers, Jr.; Lloyd Rogers; and Lois Jared, by Defendants, Thomas Dale Hall; Maxine Gibson; Highlands Regional Medical Center; and Billy Gene Hamilton, with purchaser being required to assume and pay all real property taxes for the fiscal year 1997, said property being located in Floyd County, Kentucky, and particularly described as follows:

A CERTAIN tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky on Branham's Creek, containing one acre more or less.
BEGINNING at a metal stake and running in a northerly direction a distance of 219 feet to a metal stake; thence in an easterly direction a distance of 175 feet to a metal stake; thence in a southerly direction a distance of 240 feet; thence in a westerly direction a distance of 175 feet to the beginning.
BEING the same property conveyed to Maxine Gibson from Juanita Rogers by Deed dated April 20, 1990, lodged for record Deed Book 360, Page 620, Floyd County Clerk's Office.
For the purchase price of the above-described real estate, purchaser or purchasers must pay ten (10%) percent at the time of sale and execute bond for the balance with approved surety or securities bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid, and having the full force and effect of judgment, or purchaser may pay cash.
Bidders will have to comply promptly with these terms.
Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.
This the 11th day of February, 1998.
Eric D. Hall
Master Commissioner
P.O. Box 388
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Star-Lite Mining Co., Inc., General Delivery, Highway 122, Hi Hat, KY 41636, has applied for Phase III Bond Release on Permit Number 436-5201, which was last issued on January 16, 1998. The application covers an area of approximately 194.54 acres located on Orchard Branch of Jacks Creek 1.20 miles southwest of Bevinville, Floyd County, Kentucky.
The permit area is approximately 1.20 miles southwest of the junction of KY 1498 with KY 122 and 1.20 miles southwest of Left Fork of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees, 20 minutes, 54 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 44 minutes, 15 seconds.
The bond now in effect for Permit Number 436-5201 is a certificate of deposit of \$6,100.00. One hundred percent (100%) of the remainder of the original bond amount of \$10,000.00 is included in the application for release.
Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching com-

pleted in the Spring 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.
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 6, 1998.
A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for April 7, 1998 at 1:00 p.m. at the Prestonsburg Regional Office of the Department of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's, 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 April 6, 1998.

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The permit area is approximately 2 miles southeast from Rt. 850 junction with Pitts Fork Road and located on Prater Fork of Brush Creek. The latitude is 37° 32' 48". The longitude is 82° 50' 30".
The bond now in effect for the increment 17, 18, and 23 is \$ 5 7 4 , 4 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 60% of the original bond amount of \$574,400.00 is included in this application for release.
Reclamation work performed includes: grading and seeding.
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 3/30/98.
A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for 9:00 a.m., 03/31/98 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by 3/30/98.

Stumbo, said property being located in Floyd County, Kentucky, and particularly described as follows:

THIS BEING a certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky on Left Beaver Creek, at McDowell more particularly bounded and described as follows:
BEGINNING on an apple tree in the corner of County Road right-of-way, thence with road right-of-way S 69 degrees, W 86 feet to a post; thence leaving road right-of-way N 04 degrees, 30 feet W 150 feet to a stake; thence North 69 degrees, E 86 feet to a stake; thence S 04 feet 30 degrees, E 150 feet to the BEGINNING POINT.

For the purchase price of the above-described real estate, purchaser or purchasers must pay ten (10%) percent at the time of sale and execute bond for the balance with approved surety or securities bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid, and having the full force and effect of judgment, or purchaser may pay cash.
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"Wish that the Dow breaks 10,000 before I have to send you to college."



"I'll have to charge you extra for the fine print."

"Come Worship With Us"

AUXIER
Auxier Freewill Baptist Church, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Youth Meeting, 6:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; Thursday Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Bobby Joe Spencer; Assistant, Southie Fannin, Jr.

Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Rd.; Sunday Morning Services, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School 10:30; Bible Study, Wednesday 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. David Fultz.

ABBOTT
The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, J.J. Wright.

ALLEN
Allen First Baptist Church, Allen; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship at 7 p.m.; Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Arnold Turner.

Christ United Methodist, Allen, Ky.; Sunday School, 9:45; Worship, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sunday Night, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Kenneth Lemaster.

BANNER
Prater Creek Baptist Church, Prater Creek; Sunday School, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Kids for Christ Club meets; Sunday, 11:00 a.m., Jr. and Beginners Church meets; Independent Fundamental Baptist Church; Pastor, Gary Fish.

Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner, Sunday School, 10:00; Sunday Service, 7:00; Tuesday Bible Study, 6:30; Everyone Welcome. Pastor, David Shepherd.

BEAVER
Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist Church, Beaver, Rt. 979; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Philip T. Smith.

BETSY LAYNE
Betsy Layne United Methodist Church, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Randy Blackburn

Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night family training hour, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Judith Caudill.

Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist Church; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wed. Night Prayer & Youth Services, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Tracy Patton.

Calvary Southern Baptist Church, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m.; Youth Meeting, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday prayer meeting and Bible study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Troy Lee Tackett

Betsy Layne Church of Christ at Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Minister, Tommy J. Spears

BLUE RIVER
Middle Creek Baptist Church, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Service, 7:00 p.m.; Independent Fundamental; Pastor, Vernon Slone.

BONANZA
Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Herb Arms.

BUFFALO
Endicott Freewill Baptist Church; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Prayer Meeting and Youth Service, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. and the first Saturday each month at 7:00 p.m.; Sunday Service, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, B.J. Cridler

CORN FORK
Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday worship, 11 a.m.; Prayer Meeting and Youth, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Roger Music.

COW CREEK
Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.-11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m., 7:30 p.m.; 3rd Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon; Prayer Meeting and Youth Group, Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.; Pastor, Nathon Lafferty.

Benedict Baptist Church, Slick Rock Branch of Cow Creek, (half mile up Cow Creek on left); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Youth Service, 6 p.m. each Wednesday and Evening Service, 7 p.m. each Wednesday.

DANA
Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist Church, Dana; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Church, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Youth Meeting Sunday, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Jody Spencer; Assistance Pastor, Terry Hall.

DAVID
Goodloe Pentecostal Church, Rt. 850, David, Ky.; Sunday Night, 7 p.m.; Fourth Saturday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Kilmer Lambert.

DRIFT
Drift Pentecostal Church, Drift; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Ted Shannon.

Drift Independent Church, Drift; Thursday, 6:30; Sunday, 11:00.
Drift Freewill Baptist Church, Drift; Prayer Service, 6:30 p.m., Thursday; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Church Service, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Randy Turner.
Drift Presbyterian Church, Route 1101, Drift; Sunday Services, 11:00 a.m.; Part-time minister, Mary Alice Murray.

DENVER
Liberty Baptist Church, Denver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Night Bible Study, 6 p.m.; Pastor Merle Little.

DWALE
Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale, Ky.; service Saturday night, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday night, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Woodrow Crum.

EAST POINT
Free Pentecostal Church of God, East Point, Rt. 1428; Sunday School, 10:00; Sunday Service, 11:00; Sunday Night, 6:30; Thursday Night, 6:30; Pastor, Buster Hayton.

EMMA
Emma United Methodist, Emma, Ky.; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00; Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.; Paul Aiken, Pastor.

ESTILL
Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11:15 a.m.; Sunday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Wayne Stevens.

GARRETT
Rock Fork Regular Baptist Church, Garrett; 4th Sunday of each month at 9:30 a.m.; Moderator, Elder Earl Slone; Assistant Moderator, Elder Jerry Manns.
Rock Fork Freewill Baptist Church, Garrett, Ky.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.; Prayer Meeting, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Elder Brodey Amburgey.

First Baptist Church, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7:00 p.m.; Bible Study, 7:00 p.m., Wednesday; Pastor, Randy Osborne.

Garrett Church of God, Garrett; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Donald Bragg.

Garrett Community Christian Church, Route 550, Garrett, Ky.; Service Sunday

evening at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Regular meeting 2nd Saturday at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. Come and bring a friend. Everyone welcome. Pastor, Donnie Hackworth.

GOBLE ROBERTS ADDITION
Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:10 a.m.; Sunday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Kenneth E. Prater, Jr.

Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; 4th Saturday Night, Regular Service & Business, 6:00 p.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Paul D. Coleman.

GRETHEL
Grethel Baptist Church, State Route 3379, (Brancham's Creek Road), telephone 587-2043; Junior Church and Morning worship at 11:00; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth meeting Wednesday night 6:30 p.m.; Prayer meeting and bible study at 6:30.

HAROLD
Harold Church of Christ, at Harold. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.; Minister, James H. Harmon

Lower Toler Church of Christ at Harold. Sunday School 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study 6:30 p.m.; Minister, Doyle Meade.

HI HAT
The Church of God of Prophecy at Hi Hat, invites you to worship with us each week. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday night is family night! Everyone welcome! Pastor, Don Fraley, Jr.

United Christian Church, Meade Bottom, Hi Hat, Ky; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, 10:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. Brother, Bill Slone, Pastor

HUEYSVILLE
United Community Baptist Church, Hwy. 7, Hueysville, Ky. Service each Friday night, 7:00 p.m. and each Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Come worship with us and bring a friend. Everyone welcome. Pastor, Carlos Beverly.

Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville, Ky. Service each Thursday at 6:30 p.m. and the 4th Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Everyone welcome. Pastor, Jacob Jarvis.

IVEL
Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23, first exit (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Chuck Ferguson.

LACKEY
Lackey Freewill Baptist Church, Lackey. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Everyone Welcome. Pastor Johnny J. Collins, of Wayland. "If we meet and you forget me you have lost nothing, but if you meet Jesus and forget him you have lost everything."

LANCER
Lancer Baptist Church, Lancer, welcomes you to the services. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Tom Biddle.
Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist, Lancer-Water Gap Road; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Service, 7:00 p.m.; Youth Service Wednesday, 6:30; Pastor, Joe Coleman.

Pleasant Home Baptist Church, Lancer-Water gap Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 6 p.m.; Sunday Youth Meeting, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday programs available for children; Pastor, Mark Tackett.

LANGLEY
Maytown United Methodist Church, Langley; Morning Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Youth Sunday, 5:00 p.m.; Sunday Night, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Night, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Roy Harlow.

MARTIN
Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist Church, Stephens Branch; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Mid-Week Bible Study, Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.
Martin House of Worship, in Martin on

Old Post Office St. Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Sunday, Relief Society/Priesthood/Primary 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Meeting 11:40 a.m.; Wednesday Seminary 6:00 p.m.; Young Women/Young Men/Scouting 7:00 p.m.; Family History, Tuesday 12-8:00 p.m. and Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

First Assembly of God, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Missionettes & Royal Rangers, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Lorie Vannucci.

Trinity Chapel, Pentecostal Holiness Church, North Main Street, Martin; services: Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday evening worship, 7:00 p.m.; Thursday worship, 7:00 p.m.; Second Saturday Worship, 7:00 p.m.; Youth Activity nights, 1st and 3rd Saturday, 6:00 p.m.; Womens Ministries, 2nd Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Men's Ministries, 2nd Friday, 7:00 p.m.; Men's Bible study Monday evenings, 6:00 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Pastor.

Faith Bible Church, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Evening, 6 p.m.; Independent Fundamental Baptist; Pastor, Don Crisp.

Martin Freewill Baptist Church, Martin, Ky.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Bible Study, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Youth League, Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Pastor, John L. Blair.

First Baptist Church, Martin, Ky.; Bible Study, 10:00; Worship, 11:00; Evening Worship, 6:00; Mid Week, 7:00; Pastor, Pastor: Russ Taylor.

Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Friday, 7 p.m.; Sunday Morning, 11 a.m.; Deacon, Bud Crum.

Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Wednesday Youth Group, 7 p.m.; Evangelist, Gary Mitchell.

Martin Methodist Church; Sunday School, 10:00; Morning Worship, 11:00; Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7:00; Pastor, Roy Harlow.

Old Time Holiness Church; 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Brother John W. Patton. Friday Evening, 7:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Sunday School, 11:00; Everyone Welcome.

MAYTOWN
Maytown First Baptist Church, Main Street; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study at 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Bob Varney.

McDOWELL
McDowell First Baptist Church, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday prayer meeting, 7 p.m.; individual counseling and family counseling by appointment. Pastor, Harry Hargis.

MIDDLE CREEK
Fitzpatrick First Baptist Church, 2656 West Mt. Parkway Prestonsburg, (across from Clark Elem. School); Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Jennings West.

Spurlock Bible Church, Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Dan Heintzelman.

MOUNTAIN PARKWAY
Free Pentecostal Deliverance Church, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton, Saturday and Sunday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Patricia Cridler.

PRESTONSBURG
Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above WorldWide Equipment. Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00; Midweek, Thursday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Randy Hagens.

Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Sabbath School, 9:15; Church Service, 10:30; Pastor, Mike Foraker, 886-3459.

St. Martha Church, Water Gap; Saturday evening mass, 5 p.m.; Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Religious Education Classes, Sunday, 9:45-10:45 a.m.; Adult Class, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.; Pastor: Father John Moriarty.

Community United Methodist Church, 141 Burke Ave., (off University Drive), Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 11:00 a.m.;

Sunday evening worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday evening prayer service, 7 p.m.; classes for adults, youth and children; choir practice, Wednesday, 8 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Sam Knox.

The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Morning Worship, 11:00; Evening Worship, 6:00; Wednesday Prayer Meeting, 7:00; Pastor, Manford Fannin.

First Christian Church, 560 North Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg. No Wednesday evening or Sunday evening services at present. Bible study, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Minister, Kevin G. Jett.

Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, David Garrett.

First Baptist Church, (Irene Cole Memorial), 54 S. Front St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7:00 p.m.; S.M.A.S.H. 6:45 (on Wednesday); Wednesday night, 7 pm.; Bible Study & Prayer Meeting, 7:00 p.m.; Dr. S. Thomas Valentine, Pastor.

Praise Assembly, 1 mile North of Prestonsburg, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Praise & Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening services, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer & Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.; nursery provided. Pastor, J.M. Sloce.

Katy Friend Freewill Baptist Church, located two miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Van West.

First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. George C. Love.

First United Methodist Church, 138 S. Arnold Ave., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 9:45; Morning Worship, 10:55; Evening Worship, 7:00; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:00. Pastor, Reverend David Fultz.

Victory Christian Ministries Church, 1428 E. Prestonsburg; Sunday Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Wednesday Night, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Sherm Williams.

Parkway Baptist, Rt. 1428, Sugar Loaf, Prestonsburg; Sun. School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Ed Taylor.

Church of Christ, South Lake Drive; Sunday, 10 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.; Evangelist, Benny Blankenship.

St. James Episcopal Church, school starts 9:45. Enquire classes to begin in January. For more information, contact the Rev. Johnnie E. Ross, 886-8046.

Faith Freewill Baptist Church, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment on Rt. 1428. Buddy Jones, Pastor; Sunday School, 10:00; Worship, 11:00; Wednesday Prayer meeting, 7:00; Sunday Night Service at 6:00 p.m.

Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union; meets every Wednesday, 11:30-12:30 in J102. Lunch, discussion, travel available to all students, faculty and staff. French B. Harmon, Director; Ella C. Goble, president. For more information, call: 874-9468 or 478-2978.

First Church of God, Prestonsburg; Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:45; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Kids Bible Club, 7 p.m.; Pastor Allan Hutchinson.

Town Branch Community Baptist, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Evening, 6 p.m.

Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10; Morning Worship, 11; Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Pastor Clifford Austin.

Benedict Baptist Church, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning

Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Gordon Fitch.

PAINTSVILLE
Our Savior Lutheran Church, Sipp Bayes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville; Sunday School, 11:00 a.m.; WKLW (600 a.m.) "Chapel Window" 12:05 p.m. every Sunday; Pastor Rev. Rolland Bentrup.

PRINTER
Salisbury United Methodist Church, Printer; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship, 11:00; Evening Service, 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday Services, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Bobby G. Lawson.

STANVILLE
Mare Creek Church of Christ, at Stanville. Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship Service 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible School, 6:30 p.m.; Minister, Tommy D. Bush

WATER GAP
Trimble Chapel Free Will Baptist, Intersection of U.S. 23 and Ky. 80, Water Gap, Ky.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Night Service, 7:00; Wednesday youth meeting, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Joe Coleman.

WEEKSBURY
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.; Saturday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Pastor, John "Jay" Patton.

Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday, 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m.; Pastor, Mike Hall.

WHEELWRIGHT
Wheelwright United Methodist Church, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Worship, 11:00; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, 7:00 services; Pastor, Bobby Isaacs.

Bypro Church of God; Sunday School Services, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Services, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Night Services, 7:00 p.m.; Thursday Night Services, 7:00 p.m.

Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Evening Worship, 7 p.m.; Wednesday evening worship, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Louis Ferrari.

Free Pentecostal Holiness Church, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Friday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday School, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Louis Sanlan; Rev. David Pike, assistant pastor.

Lighthouse Temple, Hall Hollow, Wheelwright, Kentucky; Sunday Services, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday Services, 7:00; Pastor, Roy Cosby.

WEST PRESTONSBURG
Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Don Shepherd.

Family Worship Assembly, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Thursday night, Bible Study and Youth Power Hour; nursery provided; Pastor, Scott Lish.

The Church of God of Prophecy, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Night, 6 p.m.; Wednesday night, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Arner B. Whitaker.

Free United Baptist Church, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship, 6:30 p.m.; Midweek Prayer Service, 6:30 pm.

WAYLAND
Zion Deliverance Church, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Service, 7 p.m.; Saturday Evening Worship, 7 p.m.; Pastor, Ada Mosley.

Wayland United Methodist Church, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Bible Study, Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.; Pastor, Jack Howard.

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