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**Mullins, Newsome on the hot seat**

by Susan Allen  
Staff Writer

**Board members take the witness stand in hearing before state board panel. Defense will begin today in Frankfort.**

Deliberations could begin today by Kentucky Board of Education members whether to remove Floyd Board members Jody Mullins and B.J. Newsome from office.

Testimony in the ouster hearing for Mullins and Newsome began Wednesday and the two board members took the stand Thursday. They are charged with willful neglect of duty; official misconduct; and nonfeasance by state Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody.

Also testifying Thursday was former superintendent Gene Davis, who retired from

his job in October amid ouster threats by Cody.

Under questioning by Cody's attorney, Steve Wolnitzek, Mullins and Newsome admitted they were uninformed of their official duties when they took office in January 1997, and sought little help in determining what are their responsibilities.

The two are accused of authorizing expenditures of funds without state approval, as required under law; failing to take actions to reduce the district's budget deficit; and failure to address numerous problems noted in a state management audit conducted last September.

During Wednesday's testimony, Deputy

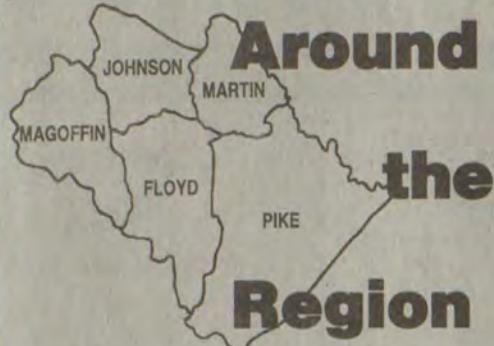
Education Commissioner Randy Kimbrough said the Floyd County School System was the worst managed system in the state.

During Thursday's testimony, Newsome testified first and said that he could not be blamed for the district's budget deficit at the end of the 1996-97 school year, but he admitted he knew the system was in financial trouble when he sought the office.

"I was aware they were in trouble," Newsome said. "I knew there were problems in finance and hiring. From what I read in the paper, it was from being overstaffed."

Newsome said he talked with teachers and

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**Pennington's sentence cut in half**

**The Governor's Budget**

The following is the complete text of Governor Paul Patton's budget address, given to members of the General Assembly this week in Frankfort.

Speaker Richards, President Saunders and members of the General Assembly, Justice Stephens and members of the Judiciary, Governor Henry and other members of the Executive, my fellow Kentuckians.

During these next several weeks, we'll debate as many as a thousand subjects, and pass hundreds of bills which will change the public policy of Kentucky. As important as many of these bills will be, none can compare in importance to the budget and the revenue base which supports it. I appreciate the opportunity to discuss our proposed budget with you, and the people of Kentucky.

This proposal outlines how I believe we should spend, over the next two years, 31 and a half billion dollars, almost as much as the annual budget of the United States just 57 years ago, more than the entire social security budget in 1970, and equal to this year's entire federal education budget.

We're the biggest business in the state, one of the largest enterprises in the nation. Bigger than Humana, Vencor and Lexmark combined.

Anyway you look at it, we spend a lot of money.

Developing this budget proposal was an awesome responsibility. The task of improving it, and making it the official public policy of the commonwealth now rests with you.

Where we spend our money is, for the most part, a matter of judgement. That final judgement lays with the people, and they've sent you here to exercise that responsibility on their behalf. I fully understand that. But you have to have some place to start, and that's what I present to you tonight, a starting point.

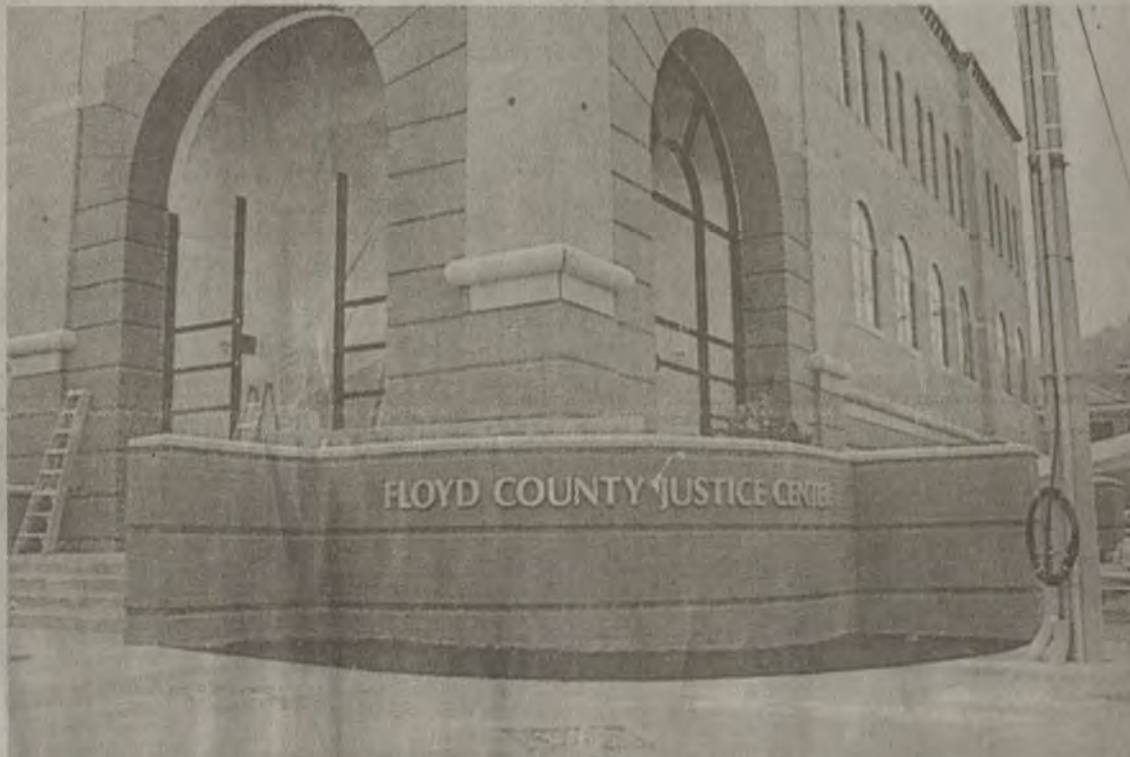
I know it's not perfect, but I know it'll be better after it's gone through that magnifi-

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**The Justice Files...**

Floyd County's new Justice Center is nearing completion, but not quick enough to make the scheduled February 6 opening, an architect's representative told members of the Floyd County Fiscal Court. Judge-Executive Ben Hale said he would assess fines of \$2,500 per day against the building contractor for each day past the contracted completion date that the building remained unfinished.

photo by  
Chris McDavid



**Two dead in murder, suicide in Lexington**

A Johnson County woman and a Floyd County man were found dead Wednesday in their Lexington townhouse, the victims of an apparent murder/suicide.

Responding to a call from the mother of one victim, police found the bodies of Carol Jane Jones, 37, formerly of Paintsville, and Rick Darrel Newman, 44, formerly of Melvin, shot to death in a bedroom.

Jones' mother, Nancy O'Connor Stewart, of Maysville, went to the townhouse the couple shared after learning that her daughter had not been to work for three days.

Police said Mrs. Stewart found the townhouse locked and had to break a window to get inside. She discovered the bodies of her daughter and Newman lying next to each other upstairs.

Lexington police said several weapons were found at the scene and that there appeared to have been a struggle. They have released no additional details.

Jones was the daughter of Eugene Stewart of Paintsville and Nancy O'Connor Stewart of Maysville. Funeral services will be held today, Friday, at 1:30 p.m. at St. Patrick Cemetery in Maysville.

Newman is the son of the late Estill and June Mullins Newman of Melvin. Funeral services are set for noon Saturday, January 24, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

**Board opens Pandora's Box in discussion of school boundaries**

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

The Floyd Board of Education addressed an apparently controversial subject Tuesday night that may eventually lead to the closing of a few elementary schools.

The board's discussion of a committee which would establish district boundaries in the system was quickly steered to the issue of closing schools to save costs.

The boundaries would require students to attend schools closest to their homes if the system provides them with transportation to or from school.

Board chairman Jody Mullins raised the boundary issue during the board's meeting Tuesday when he presented a list

of names for the committee.

But, transportation director David Layne told the board that if it wasn't going to "cut any schools out (of the system), there's no use in changing these district boundaries."

The list was questioned by the board and area residents when they indicated Mullins may have stacked the deck when he selected the committee to address busing boundaries in the school system.

After reviewing the list and discussing the matter, board member Terry Dotson suggested that one of the names, which Mullins was "heavily weighted" to have on the committee, be dropped and others be added to the list.

The list was initially questioned by the board when it discovered that some of the

committee members were no longer in the system and there were no elementary principals on the list.

The committee list included Linda Rice, Brent Allen, Maurice Allen, Greg Adams, Hansel Cooley Sr., Earl D. Ousley, Karen Johnson, Tom Willis, Randy Kimbrough, the four high school principals and interim superintendent Martin Carr.

"I just have a problem including people who are no longer with the system and excluding (other) people, especially principals of our grade schools," board member Johnnie Ross said Tuesday night.

Mullins defended himself by saying

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**Some wording is changed on invitation for state takeover**

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

Floyd County Board of Education members said Tuesday that an agreement for the requested state takeover of the system "is in spirit" with what it had agreed to last week, however, the board is seeking to change some wording in the document.

The board agreed to welcome a state takeover of the system last Wednesday during the first meeting with the board's three newest members.

During a discussion on the issue Tuesday night, board member Johnnie Ross questioned the wording in the agreement, which indicates the takeover will be for at least three years and does not clarify if the board will be permitted to conduct regular meetings.

Ross said the language of the document can be construed that board meetings would be up to the "discretion" of state Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody.

"It is agreed that while the Floyd County Board of Education may continue to meet..." Ross read from the agreement.

"When it says 'shall' it demands something," he said.

"When it says 'may,' it kind of might happen and it might not...I would just like some assurance from the commissioner's office...that (he) hopes that exercising (this) authority will be unnecessary, and to show further support."

Board member Terry Dotson said that the board did not see the formal document before voting on the issue, but said it "is in spirit what we agreed to do. Maybe

there's a word or two we don't like, but this is what we agreed to do."

Ross also mentioned state laws which indicate state-managed districts shall be under state supervision no longer than three consecutive school years unless the state board of education extends the time.

"If you look at the law..." Ross said, "(Cody) has the flexibility of (up) to three years and he didn't put in there that he would shorten it if our system seems to be run well. He has indicated that he might."

Associate Education Commissioner Tom Willis told board members Tuesday that the state board can always review the matter at a later date if the school system was

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**Members are in no hurry to begin search for super**

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

With an average of nearly one superintendent per year for Floyd County Schools in the last decade, the board of education treaded familiar waters Tuesday when it discussed searching for a new superintendent.

Terry Dotson, one of the newest members appointed to the board, noted that he did not think the board was ready to begin searching for a superintendent.

"Generally, I've learned when you get ready to go somewhere, you need to know where you're going," Dotson said. "...I don't think we're ready today to decide where we're going."

Dotson suggested that the board get a handle on the situation, such as a budget and an idea of the superintendent's salary, before the process is put into motion.

"I think it's going to be extremely difficult to start a search committee without some of those

(See Search, page five)

**The week ahead...**

The deadline for candidates to file for the May Primary ballot is 4 p.m. Tuesday, January 27. A drawing for ballot positions will be held Thursday, January 29, at 2 p.m. in the County Court Clerk's office. For information, call 886-3816 or 1-800-481-2009

# Boundaries

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that he was directed by state management support services commissioner Randy Kimbrough to exclude those principals.

"I didn't put this up here to be biased against anybody or anything else," the chairman said. "The only thing I was trying to do was try to get this board to save money on busing."

Layne told the board members that they were going to have to make up their minds about which schools students will have to attend.

Layne said that approximately 70 to 80 students are attending Allen Elementary, when they should be going to Adams Middle School.

"And you look and see why the enrollment's down here (at Adams Middle School)," the director said.

Layne also provided additional statistics of students who are going to schools out of their districts.

Layne presented a board policy which requires that students attend the school closest to their homes if they are transported by the buses.

"You're going to have to fix some boundaries and say 'if you

live in this area you're going to go to this school (if you are transported on the school's buses)," Layne said.

Ross asked Layne if the boundaries were solely for saving money, and added that there's more at stake than just saving money.

"Well, the whole name of the ball game is saving money," Layne said. "...You're going to (have to) ask yourself if you're going to cut out any schools."

Mullins noted that placing grade school principals on the committee to establish the boundaries could be a mistake if the system eventually decides to close some of the schools.

"We thought that the high school principals could look at it and not be biased about the whole deal, just go ahead and break it up and be fair about the whole thing," Mullins said.

"Now if we get a whole bunch of grade school principals, we just thought it would be too much of a committee."

A principal who attended the meeting was apparently offended by the chairman's comments.

"You've got people on this committee who are already out (of the system)," the principal said. "Every time you speak with these people (those on the committee list), they're saying 'close these schools down.' And you say we're biased. I think you need to look at some of your other people here — how biased they are."

Mullins said he selected Maurice Allen for the committee because he had already set the boundaries at one time.

But, Ross pointed out that Mullins said the previous boundaries would not work with the system because additional schools have been added.

"I didn't see those boundaries," Mullins said. "I'm new. I told names of people who I thought would be fair and come out with a plan to stop all these buses from going everywhere."

Board member Carol Stumbo told the chairman that the community has a good notion of where the boundaries need to be set, and agreed with Ross that "we need a better committee" and "get equal

representation of different people."

Mullins attempted to appoint Stumbo and Dotson to select the committee, but they declined to accept his offer. The chairman gave the job to Ross.

"If that's the chairman's recommendation, I wouldn't mind to serve (on the committee)," Ross said.

Another resident attending the meeting cautioned the board that there is a process which must be followed before a school can be closed.

"There's a lot of people in our community upset," he said. "They're hearing about closing this school and that school and I don't blame them..."

Ross clarified that the board was merely seeking to establish boundaries and not closing any of the schools.

"I'm just saying I think we need to have all the information that we can (get) in order to make a good decision," Ross said.

The board agreed to have Ross, Layne and interim superintendent Martin Carr work together to select a committee for the task.

# Takeover

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being managed properly by the local board.

Ross noted that Cody is required by state law to report to the local board on the status of the actions it can take during the takeover. "Looking at the same regulations, why could he not also put in this agreed order... that the time could be shortened," he said.

"Give us some incentive to work our butts off (so) the system gets back in line with what our children deserve and what the state expects," Ross added.

Board attorney Jerry Patton advised board chairman Jody Mullins and member B. J. Newsome not to vote on the matter of changing the wording or discussing the issue.

Patton said that "what they do tonight, might be reflected on some of the issues that they address" during their ouster hearings in Frankfort.

Hearings for the two began Wednesday in Frankfort on charges of willful neglect of duty, misconduct and nonfeasance in office.

"That's not to say the other three members should go ahead and execute it," Patton advised the board.

The board agreed to change the wording of the agreement for the state takeover, and present the state education commissioner with the revised document for acceptance.

"(Cody) has stated in this order that he has faith in this board..." Ross said. "I would like that to be an outward and visible sign that he believes that and believes in our ability."

### The board attorney's predicament

Patton said that representing Newsome and Mullins during the ouster hearings has got him in "a bit of a predicament."

The board attorney cautioned the board members that the advice he gives them "might appear to be advice that is somewhat tainted by virtue of the fact" he is representing the individuals.

"Does that give you a divided heart whether you can advise the

board on this document?" Ross asked.

Patton said it did not, but "it might give the appearance that it does and I want to avoid that at all costs. I don't want to appear to be impartial."

The issue was raised again later in the meeting, and two of the board members questioned the board attorney about keeping himself in that predicament.

Once again, Ross brought up the issue of a conflict and said he was concerned that Patton may not be able to represent the individuals and the board at the same time.

"I think if I got any kind of an ethical conflict or even get close to that, I'm going to level with you and tell you I've got a problem..." Patton said.

The board attorney said the state takeover was the only issue brought up during the meeting that directly dealt with the matter which would be taken up during the ouster hearings. "...And I just didn't feel it was appropriate to put myself in that position," he said.

Board member Carol Stumbo agreed with Ross.

"Quite honestly, I worry that it's not appropriate for you to keep yourself in that position," she said.

Patton told the board that he had obtained an opinion from the bar association and it "basically said I could do it."

"The only time there'd be a conflict is if the interests of Mr. Mullins or Mr. Newsome are opposite of that of the board's as a whole," the board attorney said.

Patton said he would be "the first to speak up" if he was put in that situation.

"The thought has entered my mind, and there's nothing that has occurred yet that bothers me," Stumbo said, adding that if it does, she would also voice her concerns.

Stumbo also questioned the board attorney about his fees for representing the individuals.

"I am volunteering my services," Patton said. "I have made that real clear on several occasions. This system is not paying me one penny. I'm paying all my expenses..."

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# Hearing

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principals in the school system to find out what the district's problems were, but he did not seek legal advice from the board attorney concerning his duties.

Wolnitzek asked Newsome why he balked at the first chance he had to abolish positions in the system, at a special meeting just after he took office, which would have resulted in a financial saving to the district.

Newsome said "It was a bad time for us," referring to Mullins and himself because the two had just taken their seats on the board. He added that the cuts were only classified positions and he thought certified positions could also be cut.

Discussions with former finance officer Gary Parsons that indicated the district could end the year with a budget surplus, swayed Newsome from looking further into the district's finances, he testified. He added that the board should have been able to rely on information from staff and the superintendent.

Newsome also said that state education officials had repeatedly given him conflicting information regarding the district's finances, and he was not told that all expenditures had to be approved by state officials.

Wolnitzek asked Newsome if he had read the law regarding procedures that have to be taken when a district is certified as a deficit district.

"No," Newsome said.

Newsome also said he did not see a copy of the district's policies and procedures manual until September, nine months after becoming a board member. He also said that no one was required to give a financial report at board meetings, but that Parsons did a verbal report at meetings, prior to Parsons' job being abolished in April.

According to the minutes of 38 board meetings between January and September, Wolnitzek pointed out that the district's deficit reduction plan was only an agenda item three times. He asked Newsome why the situation was not on every meeting agenda.

"We discussed it more than that," Newsome said.

"Why doesn't it show up in the minutes?" Wolnitzek asked. "Did you ever ask for the minutes to be amended?"

Newsome said he did not know why discussions were left out of the minutes and that it was difficult to recall all the discussions of a board meeting a month before.

Under questioning by his attorney, Jerry Patton, Newsome said he felt he had done nothing wrong and that he was concerned about the welfare and safety of students in the district. He added that he talked with state officials on numerous occasions about the system's problems.

Mullins testified that he was also unaware of his official duties as a board member when he assumed the office, and frequently used the term, "I'm just a plumber," in response to questions from Wolnitzek.

Much of the blame for his misinformation or lack of information was placed on former superintendent Davis by Mullins, who testified that Davis refused to honor board directives.

Mullins' assertions prompted Wolnitzek to ask him why he made the motion to hire Davis, who had no experience as a superintendent of schools.

"I made a mistake," Mullins said. "I'll take the heat for that one. I thought the man could do the job."

Mullins said when he would seek information from central office staff, he would have to follow a chain of command, set out by Davis, which prohibited him from talking with office personnel.

During Davis' testimony, the former superintendent denied such a chain of command existed.

Mullins also said that Davis had told the board that there would be a \$1 million surplus for the 1997-98 school year, but Mullins doubted those figures. Mullins said Davis had padded the budget to include adding 18 new teachers to the payroll.

An attempt was made to "evaluate" Davis, Mullins said, but there was not a four-fifths vote from the board to do anything with the findings. Instead, board members talked to Davis during a closed session about problems with the superintendent carrying out his job duties, Mullins said.

Mullins also seemed distressed that parts of the district's state-approved deficit reduction plan had

been deviated from and state officials did nothing to prevent that, he said.

"The board didn't find out about it until September (1996)," Mullins said. "The state didn't notify us until November. Why didn't the state come in and do something before I came on the board? Our district was under management by the state, why didn't they manage it?"

Most of the district's current problems developed under other administrations, Mullins said, and he said he didn't think he and Newsome should be held accountable for the district's problems.

During Davis' testimony, the former superintendent said that he had tried to make necessary cuts to balance the budget, but that some cuts had to be rescinded because the actions had taken place during an illegal meeting.

Wolnitzek asked Davis about Mullins' testimony that Davis refused to cut extended employment days for central office administrators because "He didn't have the heart to."

Davis denied the claim and said that the cuts could not be made because the deadline to do so under state law "had slipped up on me."

Davis told board members in a meeting last year that he would not cut the extended days because he felt it "was not fair" because some staff had been given back the extra employment days.

Also Thursday, Patton asked Davis about alleged omissions in the board's meeting minutes that Mullins and Newsome alluded to. Davis said that at times the tape recorder used by the secretary to record the meetings malfunctioned and that the tapes could not be heard clearly.

Davis said that sometimes he caught omissions from the record and corrected the minutes before the documents were given to the board.

Wolnitzek asked Davis if he was admitting that the board's official meeting records were inaccurate.

"The minutes do not reflect what all was said," Davis said. "The secretary would maybe miss

an item here and there. Sometimes I'd find it and go back and correct it."

Wolnitzek reminded Davis that the meeting minutes are the official record of the board's action.

"They stood after I went through them," Davis said.

Wolnitzek asked Davis about the lack of financial reports for board members at the monthly meetings.

Davis said when he took office as superintendent in March, he knew there were problems in the finance department and that's why he abolished the jobs of director of finance and chief of operations. Davis said he didn't feel the two were getting the job done and he assigned their duties to Dottie Hastings.

Under Wolnitzek's questioning, Davis admitted that Hastings was unable to put together a financial report for the board, but that "she tried."

Davis testified that some administrators would not follow his directives to produce information needed by him and the board. Wolnitzek asked Davis if he ever reprimanded an employee for failing to follow his orders.

"No," Davis said. "I didn't have the time and information to do that."

On Wednesday, Deputy Education Commissioner Randy Kimbrough testified about numerous instances where the board failed to get prior approval for expenditures in the district. She said she talked to Mullins and Newsome on numerous occasions about what procedures needed to be taken and how serious the budget deficit had become.


Kimbrough said Floyd County's

deficit would have been over a million dollars at the end of the 1996-97 school year if the district had not received approximately \$700,000 in unexpected revenues. The current deficit figure is at \$321,000.

She added that finance employees were not familiar with using the state's MUNIS accounting system; site-based decision making

council funds were not properly allocated to schools; and that the overall management of the district was in chaos.

Others testifying Thursday were transportation director David Layne and facilities director Greg Adams. The two offered little information about expenditures that were questioned by state officials.



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# Viewpoint

Quote of the week...

"Education is an ornament in prosperity and a refuge in adversity."

—Aristotle

Editorial

## A cure for what ails you

by Scott Perry

There's nothing like a road trip to break the monotony.

And, sometimes you don't have to travel too far to recharge your batteries.

We took such a trip this week, just a couple of blocks from the office, coming back a little less cynical and a lot more hopeful about education in Floyd County.

For once the story wasn't about how lousy a job the grownups are doing administering education, but about the kids.

We were invited to help rate the county's candidates for the state Governor's Scholars program and accepted without hesitation, having participated in the process before.

What a refreshing experience. A tough job, too.

There are some very talented young people in this county, and those we were asked to assess made up just a small sampling. It was representative enough, though, to remind us that we can sometimes get too wrapped up in negative issues to recognize the positive side of our schools.

We adults might be surprised to discover that while we're bickering about deficits and management deficiencies, a good many of the students in the schools we criticize are concentrating on making something of themselves. And they're doing a pretty good job of it.

Maybe kids are just more resilient than we are.

Maybe they've got a better sense of priorities.

One thing is for sure...they're a lot smarter than many of us give them credit for.

A lot more focused, too.

At any rate, we're glad we got the opportunity to get away from it all...the hearings, the finances, the politics...and to get back to the basics...the students.

We may be flunking when it comes to managing our educational system, but the kids are making the grades despite us.

That's the rest of the story...the best of the story.

Observing that talent firsthand is a great prescription for depression.

Try a dose for yourself.



## Letters to the Editor

### Children are supporting prayer in school

Editor:

I am a Sunday School teacher at the United Christian Church of God at Hi Hat. I am writing about the bill coming up concerning prayer in school. I thought that since children are the ones going to school, that maybe we should hear what they have to say. I am sending four short letters from my Sunday School class. These children are between seven and ten years old. Let's listen to what the kids have to say for a chance. God bless all of our children.

Mrs. Vicky L. Stone  
United Christian Church of God  
Hi Hat

...

I believe in Jesus, that is why I believe that we should be allowed to pray at school, if we want to.

Kayla Green

...

I think you should have prayer in school because Jesus needs prayer every day because people need prayer every day.

Stephanie Adams

...

I believe that there should be prayer in school. I am writing from The United Christian Church of God.

Shaun Collins

...

I think we should have prayer in school because we need to pray for God every day and everybody needs prayer every day.

Stacy Adams

### Writer suggests trading tobacco bases for hemp

Editor:

Thanks to Karen Armstrong-Cummin's for suggesting a summit meeting in Kentucky on tobacco (Lexington Herald-Leader, December 20, 1997, page B-1).

And thanks to President Clinton being interested in the good idea.

I have 2000 pounds of tobacco on my farm in Casey County, and wish to make these suggestions:

(1) If tobacco is to be outlawed or smoking rates to be reduced, how about trading our tobacco bases for hemp bases? Hemp has no chemicals (you could smoke a telephone pole and not get high), and can be used for rope, paper, clothing, etc. Hiding marijuana plants among a hemp crop is not really a problem. Marijuana is being hid all over everywhere anyway.

(2) Tobacco can be dried and pulverized into two powders, brown and white. Both are odorless and tasteless. Brown powder can be fed to animals, while white powder is good for humans. The protein is almost as good as meat, milk, and eggs, ask the FDA for details.

(3) If hemp paper means fewer trees cut, would it then be necessary to offer some compensation to tree farmers?

More trees mean more homes for birds. More birds mean fewer bugs. Fewer bugs mean less crop damage, fewer diseases, and less pesticides to poison the environment.

Utilization of my proposals would be a win-win situation for everybody. Thank you for reading this letter and considering these ideas.

William Ingram  
Dayton, Ohio

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Lifestyles, Business, all pictures ..... 2 p.m. Friday  
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News copy, all pictures ..... 5 p.m. Wednesday  
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## Changes Forecast for criminal justice system

"While I'm governor, let no criminal ever think that they can endanger our people or evade our laws because we lack the will or the resources to punish them," said Governor Patton last Friday as he stood among a class of state police cadets to announce another of his comprehensive reform plans, this time to the state's criminal justice system.

The Governor's proposal, which must be approved by the legislature, covers no less than nine different areas of the system, including victim's rights, minimum standards for police officers, a crackdown on gang activity and hate crimes, and a major change, from 50 to 85 percent, in the minimum amount of a violent offenders' sentence which must be served before they become eligible for parole.

To make room for the prisoners who would be required to serve out a longer portion of their sentence, the governor's plan also calls for a community confinement program for non-violent offenders, and additional funding to improve or expand some existing prisons, as well as the designing of a new facility.

The victim's rights section of the Patton proposal, among other things, establishes a victim-witness protection program, stresses the payment of restitution by offenders, and tries to increase growth of the crime victim's fund.

Some changes in sentencing guidelines are also a part of the governor's plan. In death penalty cases there would be an option of life without parole, while the scope of the death sentence would be broadened to include the murder of anyone under 12, the killing of a witness, and premeditated murder. Sentencing for major felonies will be set up to range from 20 to 50 years, and a sentencing scheme for sex offenders will create monitoring system for these criminals after they have been released from prison.

With Patton's plan, a bipartisan Criminal Justice Council comprised of General Assembly members as well as Executive and Judicial Branch officials would also be created to do studies, planning, and make recommendations on sentencing and other such issues.

As the state's urban areas expand and the rate of serious crime rises, the governor has been working to put together what he called a total commitment of more than \$245 million which "exceeds any prior commitment of the General Assembly or previous administration on this issue."

But although the state's criminal justice system stands to be reshaped by the increasingly familiar Patton method of radical reform, there are still a number of other interesting bills concerning criminal justice in Kentucky which are scheduled for consideration during the 1998 regular session of the General Assembly.

For instance, HB 268, if passed, will "require the Department of Corrections to work medium and maximum security prisoners outside the confines of penitentiaries on chain gangs."

And HB 290, which would require an amendment to the state constitution, would "establish procedure for imposing the costs of incarceration against convicted felons."

Aside from the obvious problems that would arise in attempting to implement HB 290, at a cost to the state of about \$40 per day for a single prisoner, the significance of this bill is easy to recognize.

There is also a bill to be considered which would abolish the death penalty, another bill "relating to the penalty phase of criminal trials to permit victim impact testimony to be introduced along with testimony relating to any physical, financial, or psychological harm suffered by the victim," and still another which would "prohibit execution of a person when evidence shows racial bias in prosecution or sentencing."

These are only a few of more than 1300 bills expected to be introduced in Frankfort during this legislative session. To leave a message with your legislator, call 1-800-372-7181.

## Political Party

by Dave Porter

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# Search

questions being answered first," Dotson said.

He also suggested that the board request state Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody provide assistance with information before the search begins. Dotson indicated there was no hurry since the state would be in the school system for approximately three years.

During Dotson's discussion, board member B.J. Newsome apparently thought Dotson was implying a search for a candidate from outside the county.

"You keep saying we're going out and out and out to get this person," Newsome said. "Are you saying we don't have anyone local?"

Dotson said he did not want to indicate the candidate would be sought outside the county, and clarified that his reference to "out" meant "outside this room."

Board chairman Jody Mullins said the question which needs to be addressed about the issue is whether the board was going to start a search and not who would be selected as a candidate.

Mullins noted that he did not "see the great emergency" in hiring a superintendent because of the state takeover and the state would be sending someone into the system "to make the decisions."

Associate Education Commissioner Tom Willis told the board last week that in another school district, the person appointed by Cody as a state manager was ultimately hired as the system's superintendent. He had also told the board that could be one option the board might consider.

Board member Carol Stumbo said that she believed the local board should start the search committee.

The issue was initially raised at the board meeting when member Johnnie Ross questioned interim superintendent Martin Carr about why "classified people" were not chosen to serve on the committee.

Ross said everybody has something to offer in the selection process and requested that Carr be directed to appoint a classified personnel representative to the committee.

"There's nothing in the law that requires that, but I think you can certainly add one," Carr said. "I'll take care of it."

Later in the meeting, Ross noted that he should not have requested the addition to the committee because state laws are "clear what the screening committee is to include."

Stumbo added that the law "doesn't prevent you from additional committee (members) if we want additional input, and I think we should encourage as much as we can as we go through this search process."

Ross said he was in favor of appointing the screening committee, but added that rushing the process would not benefit the school system.

"...[T]o run toward that finish line, I feel is probably not in the best interest of our students," he said.

Mullins appointed Dotson to the selection committee.

In other discussions Tuesday, the board opted not to approve the minutes of three October meetings because only two of the current board members were involved in the meetings.

The minutes of the meetings were tabled.

Another agenda item, "to create and abolish positions and report on transfer of personnel," was also tabled because state approval was not included in the meeting packets.

Stumbo and Ross agreed that they did not want to vote on anything that did not have proof of the state's approval.

"I just want to be able to, in clear conscience, respond to the state the way (it) has entrusted us to respond," Ross said.

Dotson questioned the board and Willis about not being provided with much instruction on the duties of a board member.

"Somebody's got to wake up and make commitments and tell us exactly what we can and can't do until we understand (these) things," he said.

Willis said the system's administrative staff is supposed to "tell you whether or not we've approved these..."

The board decided it would take up the item after it is provided with letters from the state and sugges-

tions of approval or disapproval.

A motion was later approved that written approval from Frankfort be provided in the board's meeting packets before it approves any type of expenditures, hiring or contracts.

The majority of the items on the agenda were not addressed at Tuesday's meeting. The board chose to have a special meeting later to address those issues, or include them on next month's agenda.

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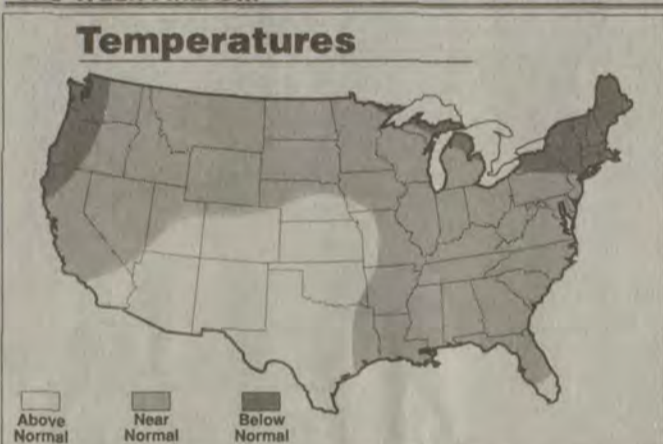
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### Forecast for Floyd County, KY

#### LOCAL 7-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Rain in the morning. 49	Cloudy 31	Mostly cloudy and cold. 38/24	Partly sunny. 45/30	Clouds and sun. 48/31	Clouds and sun. 46/33	Clouds and sun. 47/27	Partly sunny. 45/30

#### THE WEEK AHEAD...



#### NATIONAL SUMMARY

The Southwest will enjoy beautiful weather during the period. A ridge of high pressure will dominate, with plenty of sun and warm temperatures expected. In contrast, the Pacific Northwest will continue to remain wet as a series of storms pound the region. A couple of storms will plague the Northeast with cold and mixed precipitation. Southern Florida will feel balmy conditions, especially early in the period.

#### THE WEEK AHEAD...



## Prestonsburg man misses court, jailed

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

The owner of a local plumbing company landed himself in the custody of authorities Wednesday after he failed to appear for an arraignment in Floyd District Court that morning.

John Stamper, owner of John's Plumbing and HVAC of Prestonsburg, was arrested Wednesday afternoon, minutes before he was scheduled to appear for a second hearing.

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen issued a bench warrant for Stamper Wednesday morning when he failed to attend an arraignment on violations alleged by the state Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction for allegedly performing HVAC services without a license.

While in custody, Stamper was present for a preliminary hearing to determine if felony theft charges would be referred to a grand jury.

Stamper was charged with theft by deception after he allegedly charged Barry Spurlock \$3,600 to install a heating unit at a new home in Allen.

Spurlock later found out that Stamper's heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) license had been revoked.

Before the hearing began, Stamper's attorney requested that the court hearing be continued because his client wanted "to try to work it out with the complaining witness."

Assistant county attorney Lance Daniels objected to DeRossett's request, and called Ed Middleton, with the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction in Frankfort, to the stand to testify against Stamper.

Middleton testified that Stamper's HVAC license had been revoked by the state department after a hearing panel found that he was practicing without a license in February 1996.

The panel conducted a hearing in October 1997, and Stamper's license was revoked after he failed to appear before the hearing board.

Middleton said Stamper's work at Spurlock's residence was "poor quality," and the state agency is investigating other homes where Stamper worked.

Spurlock testified that he had Stamper do the work because of advertisements in the phone book and on the company van. He also said Stamper was working at a residence near the Allen home.

After paying another company \$1,700 to correct some of the work, Spurlock said "there were some repairs beyond...control."

Judge Allen referred Stamper's felony theft charge to the grand jury.

After his release from jail Wednesday, Stamper delivered documentation to the Times which indicates his plumbing license is valid.

Daniels had indicated that Stamper's plumbing license had also been revoked, but noted Thursday that the defendant was still a licensed plumber.

In another preliminary hearing Wednesday, Judge Allen referred the robbery charges against Anna Lucille Brown, 45, of Drift, to the grand jury.

Brown allegedly entered the home of Lola Hamilton armed with a knife on June 15, 1997 and stole property from the residence.

Hamilton said Wednesday that she had been hospitalized for some time prior to the burglary, and when she returned home, a window had been broken out of her house.

About a week later, Hamilton she said she was awakened by noises in the middle of the night.

"I turned on all the lights in the house," Hamilton said. "I saw (people wearing ski masks) walking through the kitchen. I screamed real loud and fell to the floor."

Hamilton said the three burglars grabbed her and taped her mouth. "They took me to my room and then taped my eyes," she said.

Hamilton said the items which were stolen from her residence have not been located by authorities.

Hamilton also said that the burglars stole her car during the incident and abandoned it near Prater Creek.

KSP detective Lee Weddington testified Wednesday that Rosemary Sammons and Don Morrison were also involved in the incident. He said Morrison has been charged, but Sammons has not.

In other hearings Wednesday: • Assault charges against Billy Music, who allegedly struck a pedestrian with a car, were amended to first degree wanton endangerment, a felony. Music is also charged with leaving the scene of an accident.

According to Prestonsburg patrolman Ron Diddle's testimony, Music was apparently not aware that he had hit John Fields. Diddle said Music returned to the scene after witnesses told him what had happened.

Judge Allen referred the matter to a grand jury.

• Second degree criminal abuse charges against James Parks were amended to a third degree offense because there was no "serious physical injury."

The amended charge is a class A misdemeanor and does not merit a preliminary hearing.

A pre-trial conference was scheduled for 2:30 p.m. on March 19.

#### U.S. TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Atlanta	56 38 r	47 31 pc	53 35 pc	54 37 pc	53 37 pc
Boston	35 34 sn	45 29 r	37 22 pc	35 23 pc	35 25 pc
Chicago	32 20 c	31 22 pc	36 26 pc	36 24 sn	37 24 pc
Cleveland	42 24 r	32 20 c	35 24 pc	38 26 c	39 28 sn
Denver	46 24 pc	57 27 pc	54 21 pc	52 21 pc	51 20 pc
Des Moines	29 17 c	34 25 pc	41 25 pc	37 22 pc	38 24 pc
Detroit	36 22 sf	31 19 c	35 23 pc	37 24 c	38 26 pc
Houston	59 37 s	62 40 pc	65 44 pc	65 43 pc	66 44 pc
Indianapolis	36 22 c	32 21 pc	40 29 pc	40 27 sh	41 29 pc
Kansas City	39 21 pc	43 28 pc	47 29 pc	41 26 pc	45 26 pc
Los Angeles	72 43 s	72 45 s	76 45 pc	71 46 pc	73 45 pc
Miami	80 69 sh	78 59 sh	76 62 pc	76 62 pc	77 61 pc
Minn.-St. Paul	24 14 sf	30 19 pc	33 18 pc	31 16 pc	35 19 pc
New Orleans	58 41 c	56 38 pc	62 43 pc	62 45 pc	62 45 pc
New York City	40 39 sn	45 28 pc	35 27 pc	38 28 pc	38 29 sh
Omaha	33 17 pc	41 24 pc	44 25 pc	39 22 pc	41 21 pc
Phoenix	73 46 s	71 47 s	72 49 s	73 49 pc	73 47 pc
San Francisco	56 47 c	58 46 pc	60 47 pc	57 43 pc	57 44 pc
Seattle	54 44 r	51 39 sh	50 41 pc	50 39 sh	49 39 sh
Washington	42 39 r	46 28 pc	44 29 pc	46 30 pc	43 31 sh

#### SUN & MOON

Sunrise		Sunset	
Fri.	7:42 a.m.	5:45 p.m.	
Sat.	7:41 a.m.	5:46 p.m.	
Moonrise		Moonset	
Fri.	3:13 a.m.	1:51 p.m.	
Sat.	4:11 a.m.	2:37 p.m.	
Moon Phases			
New	First	Full	Last
Jan 28	Feb 3	Feb 11	Feb 19

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

#### WORLD TRAVELER'S CITIES

City	Today	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Amsterdam	40 33 c	39 31 c	40 33 pc	43 35 s	45 40 s
Berlin	38 29 pc	35 26 sf	30 25 s	34 30 s	37 31 s
Buenos Aires	79 57 s	83 60 s	81 60 pc	81 56 pc	78 57 pc
Cairo	67 43 s	67 43 s	60 44 pc	63 47 pc	63 46 pc
Jerusalem	56 36 s	52 33 s	48 34 pc	50 36 pc	52 38 pc
Johannesburg	80 66 sh	84 62 pc	83 61 pc	84 64 pc	85 63 pc
London	43 36 pc	45 35 c	45 38 pc	47 39 pc	50 44 s
Madrid	55 37 s	41 30 r	44 26 pc	43 24 pc	44 26 pc
Mexico City	70 40 pc	61 38 sh	65 41 pc	66 41 pc	65 41 pc
Moscow	30 21 pc	27 10 c	14 -1 pc	9 -1 pc	19 18 pc
Paris	34 27 pc	36 28 c	37 29 c	38 31 pc	41 35 s
Rio de Janeiro	84 71 pc	83 75 pc	86 76 pc	87 76 pc	87 77 pc
Rome	46 38 c	49 34 pc	47 28 sh	43 27 sh	41 28 s
San Juan	84 73 pc	83 73 c	86 74 pc	86 73 pc	85 73 pc
Seoul	19 -5 pc	14 5 pc	26 10 pc	29 13 pc	27 6 pc
Sydney	85 71 pc	85 75 pc	79 65 pc	79 70 s	80 68 pc
Toronto	34 26 sn	28 9 c	28 18 s	35 21 pc	33 22 sn
Tokyo	47 41 r	42 26 s	40 32 pc	40 34 pc	48 47 pc
Winnipeg	14 -1 c	24 9 sn	23 3 sn	18 7 pc	25 6 pc
Zurich	35 30 pc	38 26 pc	30 21 c	31 25 pc	34 28 s

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# Budget address

(Continued from page one)

cent creation of our founding fathers, the legislative process.

Before I get down to the specifics, let's talk about what a budget is. In one sense of the word it's an authorization for the various branches of government to spend our revenue on specific things or services. But more than that, it's a promise by the government to deliver needed services to the people.

One of the most respected traits of human behavior is the commitment to keeping a promise. If an individual breaks a promise to us it's hard to have faith in what that person says after that.

The same is true of government. When our government promises, through its budget, to deliver a service that we need and want and then doesn't deliver, it breaks a promise too, and we feel betrayed. It doesn't matter that the cause was a lower revenue estimate than expected, it's still a promise broken.

It's better to be conservative and not make the promise until you're reasonably sure the money's going to be there, than it is to betray the people and cause them to lose faith in their government. It's my intention to keep every promise made in this proposal!!!!

Most of you've heard me say many times that the overall goal I'd like to achieve, during whatever time I have to occupy this office, is to put Kentucky on the path to attaining a standard of living and a quality of life comparable to the country as a whole. I know we can't achieve that in one term or even two, but I do believe that if we have the vision to see into the next generation, the freedom of mind to imagine Kentucky, not as it is but as it could be, and the courage to do what it takes to get us there, then we could build that kind of Kentucky and it could be here within the lifetime of most of us in this chamber!!!

Shortly after taking office, we spent a considerable amount of time working with our cabinet to develop a specific plan to achieve our overall goal. The result of that effort, was the development of five specific strategies, all designed to move the commonwealth forward.

We put those five strategies in this book and we all keep it close to us, so we can be sure that our actions are actually helping us achieve our goal. These five strategies are:

Enhance Economic Development. Improve the product of our educational system. Build self-sustaining families. Reduce crime and improve the financial condition of the state.

I can report to you tonight that this proposal supports all of these strategies.

The success of the first four of these objectives depends on achieving the fifth. One of our highest priorities has been to establish sound fiscal policies that would eliminate the constant cycle of optimistic budgets and recurring revenue shortfalls. In the fourteen years since 1980 we've had 10 revenue shortfalls. That's no way to run a railroad.

To address this problem we've developed four fundamental principles of fiscal management. These are: conservative, independent revenue forecasts; a structurally balanced budget; an adequate budget reserve trust fund and a fiscally responsible and logical capital investment program.

Dr. Ramsey, Merl Hackbart, and I are preparing a white paper on the details of this strategy for those who are interested in details.

Our policy of fiscal responsibility is one of the fundamental elements of our program to build a better Kentucky. Two years ago I submitted to you a continuation budget, so we could put the state on a sound financial footing. We're now prepared to reap the benefits of that conservative fiscal policy. We can now start to move Kentucky forward.

This is a good budget. It emphasizes our children. It will make our communities safer. It invests in the future. It begins to make substantial progress on our shared vision of a better Kentucky.

And now let me get down to the specifics.

Over the past two weeks, I've already talked about 8 areas in this budget which'll improve the lives of millions of Kentuckians. Let me review some of them.

This proposal continues our commitment to elementary and secondary education with a four percent increase, which will more than cover the cost of inflation. That's more than enough money to give teachers a cost of living adjustment!!! And I call upon this body to guarantee it, because they deserve it!!!

This budget significantly increases funding for the distinguished educator program, provides

92 million dollars for new schools, and nearly 25 million more dollars for pupil transportation over the biennium. It increases our spending on pre-schools, family resource centers and professional development for teachers. It puts more money in school technology, and increases funding for the minority teacher recruitment program by 169%!!!!

In addition to the 4% increase, we're adding 15 million extra dollars to begin a safe schools program, a program we can't start quickly enough to suit me!!

Speaking of safety brings me to another subject, pay raises for firefighters and police officers, in both state and local government. One of the foundations of our efforts to maintain a safe and orderly society is to have honest, competent, well-trained police officers and firefighters. This budget provides an extraordinary pay raise for almost every qualified law enforcement officer and firefighter in Kentucky!!!

This, of course, brings up another subject, state employee raises. In 1982 you passed a law which said that all state employees will get a minimum 5% raise, and not one administration since then, has fully funded that mandate. Our first budget did and this proposal does, too! We're not going to increase government services on the backs of state workers!!!

We've dedicated our administration to the children of Kentucky and we've asked you to dedicate this session to them.

In addition to funding elementary and secondary education and school safety, we've dedicated 13 million dollars to financing our share of the new state-federal partnership to provide children's health insurance!!!

We increased the general fund contribution to the budget of the Cabinet for Families and Children by 13.7% over the biennium.

We've funded our new child protective initiative and we've increased funding for the department of juvenile justice, by 48% over the biennium!!!

That's because one of the issues I've found which seriously concerns the people of Kentucky is the dramatic rise in juvenile crime. We're meeting that threat with a dramatic increase in spending on programs to address the problem of juveniles who break our laws.

Over 4 years, new funding for juvenile treatment programs will go up \$40 million, an increase of 144 percent from where it was just two years ago!!! We're going to treat our kids right but we're going to insist that they learn to live by the rules of our society!!!

We've increased funding to make our criminal justice program work better; we put in more money to help prevent domestic violence and child sexual abuse and we've funded a new office of early childhood development within my office to focus on ways to better serve our very young children.

We're going to accelerate the investment of the coal severance tax money and increase reimbursements to counties for housing juveniles and state prisoners.

We're going to increase the promotion of tourism, invest in our parks, and we've increased the Agriculture Department's budget by 40 percent. We're going to make sure that the Kentucky farmers get help marketing their products!!!

And we're going to fulfill our commitment to postsecondary education. Not only are we living up to our promise to put 100 million new dollars into our colleges and universities, we're going to do more, 18 million dollars more in fact. That extra money will be going directly to our students and their families through increased student financial aid. Our proposal fully funds our existing needs-based scholarship programs for the first time in the history of the Commonwealth!!!

In the second year of the biennium, we've allocated an additional 10 million dollars for more scholarships. I strongly suggest that this money be used to begin a new financial aid program based on academic performance, sometimes called a merit based scholarship program. I'm confident that the program I've been discussing with members of the General Assembly, will greatly increase participation in postsecondary education in Kentucky and will help us keep our best and brightest students here in the Commonwealth. I'm convinced it's something we can't afford not to do. I predict to you that before this biennium is over, most of the southern states will have a substantial merit based student financial aid program. We've got a chance to stay ahead of the curve in this important initiative, we can't afford to fall behind. I predict that a program similar to the one under discussion will be, ten years from now, the

most important piece of legislation enacted in the last session of the Kentucky General Assembly in the twentieth century!!!

One of our most important responsibilities is to invest in infrastructure, and none of our infrastructure is more important than roads.

I'll be submitting the details of our road program to you in a couple of week's but I do want you to know that we've responded to your requests to stop diverting road fund dollars to pay for general fund obligations. This budget begins to phase out that unsound practice!!!

And we're trying to get more money from the federal government to help pay for our transportation needs. One of the ways they're reducing the federal deficit in Washington is by diverting federal highway trust fund revenue to general fund uses. We're trying to stop that practice in Washington, just as we intend to do in Frankfort. I've spent a lot of time in the nation's capital as the lead governor on transportation issues. We haven't won the battle, but I think we're making headway.

Certainly our investment in roads is vital to our future, but we have other investment needs that we must attend to. This budget proposes that we invest \$860-million new dollars in basic infrastructure through the sale of bonds. That includes \$425-million dollars for postsecondary education, \$62.5-million dollars for new elementary and secondary schools, and \$76-million for our criminal justice system.

This is a substantial commitment to new infrastructure but let me remind you that our financial condition was so unstable when I took office that I recommended only 210-million dollars of new bonds in that first biennium, the lowest new indebtedness incurred by Kentucky in over 25 years. The total new debt incurred during my four years in office will be about average for an administration over the past two decades.

I'd like to point out one unique proposal in our budget, and that's the program to jump start our efforts to establish endowed chairs and professorships at our universities through a bond issue. This 110 million dollar proposal will allow us to demonstrate to these schools that we're serious about excellence and willing to fund it in a major way!!!

I know it's an unusual approach and I expect you to question it and evaluate the soundness of the proposal, as I have. I've found it to be a good idea and I support it. I hope you do too.

I know you've all heard about our surplus expenditure program and I know you're anxious to learn more about it. I'll be releasing it before the week's over and I hope you'll agree that it's the right way to spend the extra money that comes in when the economy does better than the economists expect.

Our new fiscal policy means that every budget proposal should contain a surplus expenditure program, but they're not likely to be as large as this one, because we'll seldom have an economy as strong as ours has been these past two years.

Our recommendation for the use of this surplus is to add to our budget reserve trust fund, make a major investment in our school and state government technology programs, and fund about 135 projects for all parts of the state. These projects will be geographically balanced and bipartisan.

I worked all last week listening to every legislator who wanted to support a project. We can't fund them all but I've devoted this past weekend to deciding which ones to recommend and in which order. I'm not quite finished but as I said, I'll finish the task this week.

My main priority is to make this program fair and productive for all Kentuckians. Let me assure you that there's never been a major budget proposal that's had as much legislative input as this one.

It will total \$500 million dollars. If the economy continues as strong as it is right now, all these projects will be funded. If the economy turns down, we won't be able to do all of it in this biennium but I'll commit to you, that if any part of this program is left unfunded after July 1st of 1999, those unfunded projects will be among my top priorities, if I'm ever honored to have the responsibility to submit another budget to you.

Yes, there are a lot of important initiatives and ongoing programs in this proposal but it's still not enough to allow us to catch up with the rest of the nation as quickly as I'd like, but it will allow us to gain ground.

We can gain ground, if we don't make ill-advised tax cuts.

Let me remind you one more time that we're in the process of cutting or eliminating six taxes

which'll save the people of Kentucky almost 300 million dollars a year when they're fully implemented in two more years. We've cut the personal income tax, the inheritance tax, the provider tax on physicians, your automobile property tax and taxes on private pensions. And we're paying back the intangibles tax improperly collected from Kentuckians. We've absorbed these cuts with growth revenue and frugal management of state government. The first legislative session of the next millennium when the governor and legislature that would have to absorb new tax cuts in the budget are in office, would be the proper time to address revenue reduction measures.

For this session, let us take the responsible course for our children, and invest in them!!!

I'll continue to talk to you and the people of Kentucky about this budget for the duration of the session. It's going to be an exciting 10 weeks.

Two weeks ago I called for a bipartisan effort to make it productive. I want to report to the people that we're making progress, in spite of serious and fundamental disagreements on important issues. I believe that most of the members of this General Assembly want to put personal and political differences aside. I'm trying to do that, and I'm willing to go that extra mile to make it work. We have a long way to go and it still may degenerate into the chaos some have predicted, but I pray that that doesn't happen. I can only hope, for the sake of Kentucky, that this effort to work together for the common good can last.

We still have some long days ahead of us. The disagreements will be many. The frustrations and fatigue will cause flare ups that we'll all have to apologize for, but our work must go on, too much is at stake. The future of Kentucky is at stake. The children of Kentucky are at stake. Let us not fail them!!!

Good night and God bless you!!!

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# REGIONAL OBITUARIES

## Johnson County

Omer Meek, 88, of Stanford, died January 15. He was a retired welder and miner. Funeral services were January 18, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

John Wayne Blair, 48, of Staffordsville, died January 14. Funeral services were January 18, at the Fairview Freewill Baptist Church, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

Paul Richmond, 68, of Van Lear, died January 12. He was a disabled miner. Funeral services were January 14, at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home Chapel.

Eva Wells, 81, of Van Lear, died January 13. She was preceded in death by her husband, Brown Low

Wells. Funeral services were January 16, at the Paintsville Funeral Home Chapel.

## Knott County

Elzie Campbell, 75, of Mousie, died January 13. He is survived by his wife, Irema Combs Campbell. Funeral services were January 16, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel.

## Pike County

Kathleen "Kathy" Alley, 45, of Island Creek, died January 14. She was employed 17 years at Dairy Cheer. She is survived by her husband, Arville Lee Alley. Funeral services were January 17, at the Island Creek Holiness Church in Jesus' Name, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Hent Slone, 73, of Ashcamp, died January 18, in Kingsport, Tennessee. He was a retired coal miner. He is survived by his wife, Julia Jackson Slone. Funeral services were January 21, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel.

Alvis Thacker, 77, of Shelbiana, died January 19. He was retired from the C&O Railroad. He was preceded in death by his wife, Easter Thacker. Funeral services were January 22, at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Catherine Brown Wright, 62, of Dorton, died January 18. She is survived by her parents, Isadore and Nancy Wright Brown of Dorton, and her husband, Thurman Wright. Funeral services were January 21, at the Lucas & Hall Funeral Home Chapel.

Keither Blackburn, 74, of Pikeville, died January 15. He is survived by his wife, Irene Hite Blackburn. Funeral services were January 18, at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

Lois Jean Cantrell, 34, of Pikeville, died January 14. She was self-employed. She is survived by her parents, Paul Young and Linda Smith, her stepfather, Alfred Smith, and her husband, George Cantrell. Funeral services were January 17, at the Justice Funeral Services Chapel.

Leonard Craig Branham, 38, of Kimper, died January 13. He was a coal truck driver. He is survived by his father, Teddy Branham of Meta, and his wife, Scarlett Branham. Funeral services were January 16, at the Meta Baptist Church, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services-Pike County Chapel.

Nona Vires, 82, of Varney, died January 14. She was preceded in death by her husband, Kermit Vires. Funeral services were January 17, at the Apple Orchard Old Regular Baptist Church, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services-Pike County Chapel.

Jeanette Tackett Coleman, 60, of Cynthia, died January 13. She is survived by her husband, Lowell T. Coleman. Funeral services were January 16, at the Lucas & Hall Funeral Home Chapel.

Ballard Justice, 80, of Millard, died January 14. He was employed by the Pike County Board of Education as a carpenter foreman. He is survived by his wife, Bessie Marie Karg Justice. Funeral services were January 17, at the Grace Baptist Church, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

## Martin County

Richard Lindsey Delong, 64, of Debord, died January 17. He is survived by his mother, Thelma "Trixie" Delong Tiller. Funeral services were January 19, at the Phelps and Son Funeral Home Chapel.

## Magoffin County

Lula Shepherd Fleming, 75, of Gunlock, died January 6. She is survived by her husband, Edgar Fleming. She was a retired employee of Chrysler Corporation. Funeral services were January 10, at the Brushy Fork Missionary Baptist Church, under the direction of the

Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home.

Rose Conley Rice, 77, of Salyersville, died January 8. She is survived by her husband, Samuel K. Rice. Funeral services were January 11, at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel.

Wava Fletcher White, 80, of Salyersville, died January 10. She was a retired postmaster. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Hoker Fletcher, and her second husband, Frealin White. Funeral services were January 13, at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home.

# OBITUARIES

## James Manns

James Manns, 63, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, January 21, 1998, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born October 9, 1934 at Langley, he was the son of Sally Hicks Manns of Allen and the late Tom Manns. He was a disabled laborer and member of the Church of Christ at Lancer.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Gladys Meade Manns; one brother, Kenneth Manns of Allen; and three sisters, Deborah Stephens, Vernie Johnson and Deanna Reynolds, all of Allen.

Funeral services will be Saturday, January 24, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with Evangelist Bennie Blankenship and Bruce Coleman officiating.

Burial will be in the Jeff Hunter Cemetery at Spurlock, Printer, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

## Theda Howington Montgomery

Theda Howington Montgomery, 72, of Salyersville, died Friday, January 16, 1998, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center in Paintsville.

Born July 4, 1925 in Magoffin County, she was the daughter of the late Henry Howington and Etta Prater. She was preceded in death by her husband, Samuel Montgomery. She was a member of the Stinson Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include two granddaughters, Sandra Lee Preston of Portsmouth, Ohio, and Hattie Gayle Bacon of Prestonsburg; and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were Sunday, January 18, at 1 p.m., at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home Chapel, with Ewell Sammons officiating.

Burial was in the Bluegrass Cemetery in Salyersville, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home, Salyersville.

This obituary is reprinted due to an error.

## Helen Ann Wiley Smith

Helen Ann Wiley Smith, 60, of New Port Richey, died December 4, 1997, at Columbia New Port Richey Hospital.

Born at Betsy Layne, she moved to New Port Richey 21 years ago from Tampa, where she was the manager for the state Department of Transportation for the west end of the Tampa Crosstown Expressway. She was a former school crossing guard for the Pasco County Sheriff's Office. She was a member of the Non-commissioned Officer Association Chapter 222 Auxiliary and a was a member of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include her husband, Herman H. "Smitty" Jr.; two sons, Michael and Craig, both of New Port Richey; three stepdaughters, Pam Smith, Mary Lewis and Linda Jonas, all of Westland, Michigan; her mother, Mable Wiley of Prestonsburg; four brothers, Jimmy Wiley of Columbus, Ohio, Gary Wiley of Ontario, California, Jack Wiley of Dearborn, Michigan, and Russell Wiley of Colorado Springs, Colorado; one sister, Betty Mullins of Wheelwright; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were under the direction of Morgan Funeral Home, New Port Richey.

## Beechie Blackburn Roop

Beechie Blackburn Roop, 93, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, January 20, 1998, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Born June 26, 1904 in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Margaret James Blackburn and Allen Harrison Blackburn. She was a member of the Betsy Layne Calvary Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Ambers Roop Sr.

Survivors include two sons, Ralph Allen Roop Sr. of Harold and Earl Roop of Pikeville; one daughter, Emilee "Virginia" Keene of Pikeville; 12 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday, January 23, at 11 a.m., at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. James C. Stratton officiating.

Burial will be in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

## Rick Darrel Newman

Rick Darrel Newman, 44, of Melvin, died Wednesday, January 21, 1998, in Lexington.

Born November 7, 1953 in Pikeville, he was the son of the late Estill and June Mullins Newman. He was a general laborer.

Survivors include one son, Jason Harley Newman of Winchester; one brother, Don Newman of Lexington; and one sister, Doris Compton of Lexington.

Funeral services will be Saturday, January 24, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with Raymond Bishop officiating.

Burial will be in the Newman Cemetery at Melvin, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation will be held after 4 p.m. Friday, at the funeral home.

## Yvonne "Mickey" Noble Lemanski

Yvonne "Mickey" Noble Lemanski, 62, of Woonsocket, Rhode Island, formerly of Garrett, died Tuesday, January 20, 1998, at the Hospice Care of Rhode Island, following a long illness.

Born December 24, 1935 at Garrett, she was the daughter of the late Adam and Susie Chaffins Noble. She was a receptionist with the Woonsocket Shelter Community Action Program and a member of the Woonsocket Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Darrell Shepherd of Sarasota, Florida and Christopher Sparks of Eugene, Oregon; two daughters, Susan Cox of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Tina Lemanski of Seekonk, Massachusetts; one sister, Phyllis Noble Prater of Munster, Indiana; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Saturday, January 24, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Wayne Stephens officiating.

Burial will be in the Chaffins Cemetery at Garret, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

## Pallbearers listed for Bertha Williamson

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Bertha Williamson were Wally Ridener, David Messer, Dwayne Messer, Freddie Ridener, Chad Adkins and Jeremy Hall.

## Transition training course

All current EMTs must complete a transition training course to upgrade training before June 30, 1999. Prestonsburg Community College will offer the course beginning February 17, from 6-8:30 p.m. Call 886-3863, ext. 258, to register or for more information.

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# HISTORICAL NOTES

By Henry P. Scaf  
(Reprint of an article published  
in the Floyd County Times on  
August 21, 1952.)

After September 1st, 1952, Praise, Kentucky, will no longer exist. By a directive of the U. S. Postal Service, the name of the post office at the mouth of Elkhorn Creek in Pike County will be changed from "Praise" to the name of the town which it serves—Elkhorn City.

However, Praise will linger in local memory, along with "Praise the Lord," the camp-meeting slogan from which the name was taken. "Praise the Lord" was the favorite expression of the famed Eastern Kentucky evangelist, George O. Barnes.

On August 5th, 1881, after breaking camp in Whitesburg, Barnes came to the mouth of Elkhorn and began setting up his tent. With him was his daughter Marie and the upright piano that always accompanied them on their travels through the Kentucky mountains.

In 1881 the town of Elkhorn City didn't exist. Only a few scattered farmsteads occupied the site. To prepare for the meeting, Barnes' followers began building their rude shanties and raising the evangelistic's huge, forty-by-fifty-foot tent.

Five hundred people congregated to watch the progress of the work, and their presence caused a certain amount of chaos and confusion. Meanwhile, thunderheads were gathering on the horizon, and men had forebodings of a mountain storm. Barnes urged his followers to finish the job of erecting the tent as soon as possible, but few were willing to help with the work when their own dwellings were unfinished. Nevertheless, with much cajolery and prodding, he finally got the tent set up.

After the tent was erected, the evangelist and some of his helpers climbed the nearby mountain and began looking for a pine tree that could serve them as a flagpole. The hillside was steep, and they had to go up a considerable distance in order to find a tree of the right size. When the pole was finally raised, they attached a red flag with white words: "Praise the Lord." Camp Praise the Lord had come into existence.

That night Barnes preached his first sermon. At its conclusion, when he invited the crowd to come to the altar and give their lives to Christ, he got no response. However, he was heartened by the fact that they had been deeply absorbed in the sermon, paying close attention to what he had to say. On the following day, when the news of his arrival spread further into the hinterlands, another hundred people showed up at the camp.

The second service, on August 6th, was scheduled to start at noon, but by then the heat and humidity

inside the tent were unbearable. Barnes considered postponing the sermon, but then, at the last moment, he decided to go ahead with it. Soon after the worship got underway, the expected storm finally broke in all its fury. Water that had gathered in the flapping folds of the tent began to come through the cracks of the cloth. While Marie played her hymns, water splattered over her piano. Men left the tent to see about their own dwellings, only to find them rain-soaked and uninhabitable.

By this time Barnes had decided that if he showed any deference to the storm and suspended the service, he would be showing obeisance to the Devil. Therefore, he preached on. The rain got worse, however, and where it had dripped, it now began to pour. Water ran around the legs of the pianist and began to gather on the trampled earth serving for a floor. When the rising water began to threaten the piano itself, the evangelist deferred to the elements and dismissed the service. The tent emptied quickly.

When the rain subsided, the camp was filled with the sodden, dreary, disconsolate faithful. Their shanties had been scant protection against the storm. However, under

Barnes' direction, they built a great fire in the center of the camp and began to dry out their strawbeds and wet clothing. As Barnes later recalled, "Even our lovely banner drooped and clung to the flagstaff, as if all was lost."

Like modern-day rock concerts, camp meetings had support systems—rows of wagons in which

However, when he laid his hands upon her, she suddenly became quiet and accepted the anointing without a word. Nine others were anointed during the same evening.

On another memorable occasion, Dr. M. B. Taylor, the notorious Red Fox of the Cumberlands, came to the camp and took his seat in the tent. At the conclusion of the sermon, he rose and confessed the Lord. The fact that he backslid fearfully several years after his conversion was no fault of Reverend Barnes.

Barnes' preaching and healing continued for several more days. On August 10th, some of the faithful became tourists and went off to see the nearby sights, like the "Big Narrows" and "The Towers" at the Breaks of the Sandy. They were mostly young folks, and though they were ill-prepared for the journey, they went without a care. When they failed to return after several hours, their friends at the camp began to worry. A party of men went in search of them and found them in a cabin five miles away. It was midnight when the party returned to camp, and the erstwhile tourists were wet, weary, and bedraggled.

On August 14th, another thun-

derstorm broke upon the camp, but this time a bucket and pan brigade was mobilized. Buckets were placed under every leak in the tent. There was much scurrying about, with cries of "Here it is!" and "I've got this one!"

Sunday, August 21st, 1881, marked the last day of the meeting. By noon the crowd was beginning to thin out, and Barnes, an experienced evangelist, knew that it was time to draw the meeting to a close. He later said that the Lord had showed him plainly that it was time to do so. When he preached on the theme of "Give Me Thy Heart," twenty-four confessed to the Lord and twenty-seven were anointed. That night forty more converted. By the meeting's end, 358 had con-

fessed and 356 had been anointed. "Praise the Lord," he said, over and over. He wasn't able to estimate how many people had been at the camp during the entire gathering, because they had come and gone. There may have been as many as a thousand.

On Monday the camp broke up. Marie and her piano were placed in Brother Ferrell's wagon, and Barnes took off for Pikeville on foot. They arrived before dark and supped with Ferrell. Barnes was domiciled in Colonel John Dils' spacious residence, and that night, he began preparing for his Pikeville meeting.

Camp Praise the Lord was no more. On September 1st, 1952, Praise Post Office will follow it into oblivion.

## They praised the Lord, but Praise is no more

vendors displayed their wares. Some vendors supplied food to the faithful, while others boarded them. Horse-swappers tied their "nags" to nearby trees or staked them along the creek bank. Patent medicine vendors were also on hand. At Camp Praise the Lord, for example, a man selling Kitchen's Vermifuge set up a rude hut and extolled the virtues of his product—a sure-fire remedy for intestinal worms.

Healing was a regular feature of Reverend Barnes' mountain gatherings. One night at Camp Praise the Lord, a mother brought him a little child afflicted with scrofula. When he approached the child, she screamed and clung to her mother.



An evangelist by the name of "General Howard" addressed a crowd at a camp meeting at Elkatawa, near Jackson in Breathitt County. The gentleman seated at right is Reverend Edward O. Guerrant, founder of the Highland Institute in Breathitt County and Adjutant to General Humphrey Marshall during the War Between the States. Guerrant's daughter Anne is the lady at the organ. (photo courtesy of the University of Kentucky Library, Lexington)

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## Hearing postponed for evaluation and conflict

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

The attorney for a Prestonsburg man, who barricaded himself in his home on January 14 after allegedly assaulting a doctor and two employees at Archer Clinic, said there may be an ethical conflict if he represents the defendant.

Luther Johnson, 60, was arrested when he surrendered to authorities after a two-hour standoff. He was charged with seven counts of first degree wanton endangerment and three counts of first degree assault.

Prior to a scheduled preliminary hearing Wednesday, his attorney, Ned Pillersdorf, said that he was "probably not allowed to represent" Johnson because he may be a witness to incidents following the alleged assaults.

Johnson, who allegedly assault-

ed Dr. Charles Hieronymus, Will Stratton and Danny Branson, reportedly refused to come out of his residence and was threatening suicide.

Minutes after his attorney arrived on the scene, Johnson surrendered to police.

Pillersdorf also told the court Wednesday that Johnson was "clearly having some confidence problems."

The attorney requested that a bond be considered for Johnson, who has been held at the Floyd County Adult Detention Center without bond since the incident.

Floyd District Judge James R. Allen declined to offer a bond for the defendant until Johnson undergoes a psychiatric evaluation at KCPC.

The judge postponed Wednesday's hearing because of the

attorney's statements and to review the results of the evaluation when they are available.

"I may get down there and stay," Johnson said, referring to the evaluation.

In another matter Thursday, Johnson was arraigned on harassment and menacing charges in district court.

According to court records, Johnson struck Stephen Todd Harris and repeatedly committed acts which alarmed and seriously annoyed Harris. Records indicate the alleged incident occurred in December.

Johnson declined to enter a plea to the charges, saying that he wanted to wait until the evaluation is complete.

Judge Allen entered a not-guilty plea to the charges. A pre-trial conference is scheduled for March 11.

## January is Volunteer Blood Donor Month

Every three seconds someone in the United States needs blood. Chances are that person could be your neighbor, family member—or you—because 97 percent of Americans who live to age 72 will need donated blood at some time in their lives.

President Bill Clinton has declared January 1998 as National Volunteer Blood Donor Month. To help ensure an adequate blood supply for our community, Central Kentucky Blood Center has joined with America's Blood Centers and other centers across the country in celebrating National Volunteer Blood Donor Month by promoting the 1998 donor theme: "Blood. Give a little so someone can live."

As the population ages, the need for blood increases. Americans 65 years and older use 43 percent of all donated blood. Keeping up with the increasing demand is challenging.

### Correction:

In Wednesday's listing of graduates at Eastern Kentucky University, the name of Claude Jennings Webb II was incorrectly listed as Claude Jennings Langley Webb. The graduate received a bachelor's degree in Police Administration from ECU at the end of the fall semester.

He is the son of Claude and Janet Webb of Langley.

In fact, patients in Central and Eastern Kentucky hospitals in 1997 used more blood than was donated by local residents. On the national level, 29 percent of previous donors who have not donated within the last year said they didn't because they were too busy or found donating blood inconvenient, according to a Louis Harris and Associates survey. Will there be enough blood available when you need it?

In declaring January 1998 to be National Volunteer Blood Donor Month, President Clinton stated, "Donating blood is one of the fastest, safest, and most important

ways we can help our fellow citizens. This simple act of generosity literally saves lives—bringing hope and help to millions of people across our nation."

To honor Kentucky volunteer blood donors and provide blood donor education information, Central Kentucky Blood Center is announcing a Children's Art Contest and a High School Scholarship and Essay Contest based on the theme, "Blood. Give a little so someone can live."

\* Children's Art Contest: Open to all 4th, 5th and 6th graders in CKBC's service area. The winning

design will appear on the Blood Center's summer campaign T-shirt given in appreciation to all donors who give blood in July and August.

\* High School Scholarship and Essay Contest: Open to all high school juniors and seniors in Central Kentucky Blood Center's service area. Three scholarships will be awarded for \$500, \$300 and \$100.

The entry deadline for both contests is March 31. For a detailed description of rules and prizes, contact Sally Baker, public relations manager, Central Kentucky Blood Center, 330 Waller Ave., Lexington, Ky., 40504, or call (606) 276-2534.

## Burglars steal tools and stereos

by Chris McDavid  
Staff Writer

Local authorities are investigating the burglary of a Floyd County business where more than \$5,000 worth of name-brand tools and various other items were stolen last week during an early morning heist.

According to Floyd detective Homer D. Neeley, Yearly Truck Sales and Equipment was burglarized around 2 a.m. last Tuesday.

The detective has a four-page list of items which were stolen from the business, located on Route 1428

near Allen Elementary.

Det. Neeley said all of the tools taken during the burglary were Proto® tools. He said three Pioneer® stereos were also taken from the business.

The perpetrators apparently entered a locked perimeter of the business and pried open the front door, according to the detective.

Det. Neeley said a pry bar, which is believed to have been used to force open the door, was conveniently left on a shelf inside the store.

After gaining entrance to the building, the detective said the bur-

glars got a key to a vending machine, removed the money box with an unknown amount of cash and returned the key to its original location.

Det. Neeley also said that tools from a vehicle parked inside the locked perimeter were also taken during the incident.

Although authorities indicate there is a suspect in the matter, the detective declined to identify the individual.

Anyone with additional information about the incident should contact the detective or the Floyd County Sheriff's Department.



### Where there's smoke...

There isn't always fire. Prestonsburg firefighters were called to a possible fire at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park Wednesday, but when they got there, they discovered a leaking hydraulic line in an elevator shaft had caused smoke, which set off fire alarms. Pictured donning fire protection gear is firefighter Darrell Sparks. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

# New Hospital Entrance

The newest addition to Pikeville Methodist Hospital is officially opened as of 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 10th. The new entrance/addition encompasses three doorways.

The first doorway is to be used as the main hospital entrance for patients, visitors and employees. The second doorway is to be used by patients who are walking into the hospital to be seen in the Emergency Room, Pediatric Urgent Care and the Adult Urgent Care Center. The third doorway is to be used by ambulance personnel only.

In addition to serving as the main entrance to Pikeville Methodist Hospital, the new portion of the hospital houses the Hospital Pharmacy Outlet, a new Gift Shop, Information Desk and Emergency Care Triage area.

The new hospital entrances will make traffic flow smoother and is the first step in an exciting process that will be a brand new facility.



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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.

**Group therapy**

Anyone interested in group therapy sessions for fibromyalgia, should contact Phyllis at 874-2769.

**Prepared workshops**

PCC's office of continuing education and community services announce workshops to prepare you to take the national ACT test. They

will be held January 24 and 31, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sessions will be from 10-noon and 1-3 each day. Space is limited. Call 886-3863, ext. 258 to register.

**Open registration**

Mountain Christian Academy will be having open registration for kindergarten classes beginning February 1. Enrollment is limited. Call 285-5141 for more information.

**Apples for Students Plus**

May Valley Elementary is participating in the Apples for Students Plus program and is asking community members and parents to save their Food City receipts and drop them off at Downtown Drug, Sassy Jo's and Martin Post Office. Call Karen Goble at 285-0883, ext. 211 for more information.

**Dysrhythmia workshop**

Our Lady of the Way Hospital will offer a basic dysrhythmia inter-

pretation workshop February 17 and 18, at the Seton Complex in Martin. Pre-registration is required. Call 285-5181, ext. 33 for information.

**McDowell Family Resource Youth Service Center**

- Free three-session parenting program February 9, 16 and 23, from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m. at the center. Call 377-2678 for info.
- Free GED classes each Thursday, from 8:30-2:30 p.m.
- A nurse from the health department is at the center each Monday. Call 377-2678 for list of services.
- After-school childcare from 1-5 p.m. for headstart-sixth grade. Registration is \$15 per child and \$1 per hour.
- Fluoride administered each Wednesday for primary-sixth grade students.

**Eating disorders class**

Carol May of Our Lady of the

Way Hospital will present an eating disorders class to the seventh grade students at Martin Middle School on Monday, January 26 and to eighth grade students January 28.

**ALC holds registration**

Alice Lloyd County will continue to hold Spring registration through January 27 in the Campbell Arts Center on the ALC campus.

For more information, call (606) 368-2101, ext. 4404 or 1-888-280-4ALC.

**Community Chorus begins rehearsals**

The PCC Community Chorus will begin rehearsals for the spring semester at the Mountain Arts Center on January 26, at 7 p.m. Doug Smith is the conductor,

accompanied by Marcia Adkins. There is a \$10 registration fee.

**Diabetes program**

A diabetes management program will be held January 26, from 5-6 p.m. in the Martin Room at Highlands Regional Medical Center. The program will discuss nutrition, exercise, hypo/hyperglycemia, sick days and foot care.

## PCC offers courses at South Floyd

Prestonsburg Community College will offer evening courses in business and computer science during the 1998 Spring Semester at South Floyd High School.

Courses to be taught at South Floyd this semester include BE 160: Introduction to Business, on Mondays and Wednesdays, and CIS 100: Introduction to Computers, on Monday evenings.

Registration will be held at South Floyd High School on Tuesday, January 6, at 2:30 p.m. Classes begin Wednesday, January 14, and are scheduled to run through May 1.

Students can also register for these courses at the Prestonsburg campus. All courses are University of Kentucky courses. PCC is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

In-state resident tuition for the Fall Semester is \$47 per credit hour for part-time students and \$635.75 for full-time (12 or more credit hours) students. Out-of-state tuition is slightly higher. Financial aid is still available, as well as a full range of advising and counseling services.

Senior citizens may take courses at PCC under the University of

Kentucky's Donovan Scholars Program, which allows anyone 65 or older to take courses tuition-free on a space-available basis.

Additional information about available classes, fields of study or a class schedule may be obtained by calling the Prestonsburg campus at (606) 886-3863, or the Pikeville campus at (606) 432-4800.

## Special Medicare enrollment period for working people

The three-month general open enrollment period from January 1 to March 31 for Medicare Part B coverage is for people age 65 or over (or who have been receiving Social Security Disability benefits for at least 24 months) who failed to sign up when they first had the chance. Most delayed enrollees pay a 10 percent surcharge for each year they could have enrolled but did not.

However, you may be able to delay enrollment in Part B without paying a premium penalty or waiting for a general enrollment period if you or your spouse are still working. You can enroll in Part B during an eight-month special enrollment period if you have group health plan coverage for that current employment at the time you first become eligible for Medicare. This special enrollment period begins with the month employment ends or the month your group health plan coverage ends, whichever comes first.

Part B coverage, also called "medical insurance," helps pay for doctors' care, outpatient hospital visits and other medical services not covered by Medicare's hospital insurance (Part A). People are offered the option of signing up for Part B at the same time they are automatically enrolled in Medicare's hospital insurance program. The basic monthly premium is \$43.80 monthly.

People who want to sign up for Part B Medicare coverage should call the Prestonsburg Social Security office or call Social Security's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, between 7 a.m. and 7

p.m., any business day. The lines are busiest early in the week and early in the month so it's best to call at other times," said Jim Kelly, Social Security district director for the Big Sandy Area.

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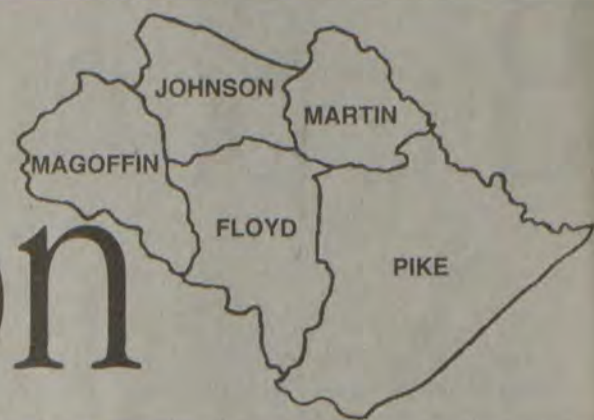
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# Around The Region

## Regional RE Events



### Bluegrass at MAC

"The Lonesome River Band" will be performing at the Mountain Arts Center for their first time in February '98.

The highly-rated group "The Lonesome River Band" will headline a special night of Bluegrass music at the Mountain Arts Center on Saturday, February 7. This event, known as "Bluegrass at the MAC," will also feature two other Bluegrass groups—"The Kentucky Mountain Grass" and "Brush Creek Grass."

### Applications available for Transylvania's academic camp

Transylvania University will hold its sixth annual Academic Camp for Appalachian students, July 5-17. The two-week camp will give high school students entering their junior or senior year the opportunity to experience college life for 12 days and will introduce these students to the liberal arts through discussion in nine academic areas. Students will also learn how to better their scores on standardized examinations. Transylvania professors will serve as teachers and Transylvania students will serve as mentors and group leaders.

The camp is free, however, a \$25 application fee is required. Enrollment is limited to 40 students. Applicants must have a B average and be recommended by two individuals, one of whom is a teacher or counselor who can verify that the student is interested in the camp and would benefit from attending.

For more information or an application, contact Dr. James Miller, professor of computer science and mathematics at Transylvania, at (606) 233-8155 or (606) 233-8228.

### Transylvania to host science and technology summer camp

Transylvania University is offering a science and technology camp for outstanding high school students in grades 10-12 from June 21-26.

The camp will enhance student's knowledge of sciences and their application as well as help students learn about the preparation for different careers in the ever-changing world of science. Students will take part in laboratory experiments and field trips.

For more information or an application, contact James Miller, professor of computer science and mathematics at Transylvania, at (606) 233-8155 or (606) 233-8228.

### Pikeville college to host "Science Overnight"

Attention fifth and sixth grade students: The Pikeville College Math/Science Resource Center is sponsoring its first Science Overnight from 7:00 p.m., Friday, Feb. 27 until 9:00 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 28. This "sleep-over" is totally math and science oriented. Participants will have the opportunity to tour science facilities, view science movies and learn about several optical devices.

The Science Overnight is open to currently enrolled fifth and sixth grade students. There is no cost for the overnight and food will be provided throughout the evening. Registration is limited to 20 students selected by Pikeville College science faculty from written applications received by Monday, February 23.

The decision of the judges is final and selected participants will be notified by phone and/or mail the week of February 23.

For more information, please contact Robert W. Arts, director of the Math/Science Resource Center, at (606) 437-3417.

## Pennington's sentence cut in half

by Ralph Davis  
The Paintsville Herald

A central figure in the conspiracy scandals which brought down the administration of former judge-executive Hobert Meade has had his criminal sentence reduced after giving assistance to the Federal Bureau of Investigation in a separate federal case involving a Pike County man.

Former Flat Gap auto broker Johnny Pennington, who pleaded guilty to a charge of conspiracy to commit fraud for allegedly helping Meade and former road supervisor Ernie VanHoose secretly purchase two dump trucks and resell them to the fiscal court at a profit, has had the twelve-month, one-day sentence he originally received in September lowered to six months after he helped the government in its prosecution of Henry "Wood" Keesee.

In addition to his six months in prison, Pennington has also been sentenced to six months of home incarceration upon his release and three years probation following his imprisonment, during which time he is to "participate in a program of testing and treatment for alcohol abuse." He was also ordered to pay \$14,650.50 in restitution to the Johnson County Fiscal Court and not to have any involvement in the auto business during his supervision.

Ironically, Pennington won his reduced jail sentence by tattling on Keesee, who had allegedly approached Pennington and told him he could get him a light sentence for a price.

Keesee, a former Pike County School Board member, had been indicted on one count of lying to the FBI and one count of attempted obstruction of justice.

Keesee faced the charges after allegedly offering to help Pennington get a lighter sentence in exchange for \$4,000 and for lying to FBI special agent Scott Barker

about it afterwards.

Keesee ultimately reached a plea agreement with the government, pleading guilty to the lying charge in exchange for the obstruction of justice charge being dropped.

Pennington, meanwhile, had apparently reached a deal with the U.S. Attorney's Office for his cooperation in convicting

Keesee even as he was being sentenced for his own crimes.

On the day of his sentencing, Assistant U.S. Attorney Pat Molloy filed a motion concerning Pennington. However, U.S. District Judge Joseph Hood ordered the motion sealed. The motion has since been ordered unsealed and made public, but will remain secret until January 27, when the deadline for the parties involved to object will have passed.

While it is not known what the order contains, it appears Pennington had an agreement with the U.S. Attorney's office for a lesser sentence in exchange for Pennington's assistance with other cases.

A motion by Pennington's attorney, John R. Triplett, indicates Pennington was "under the impression that cooperation in various cases including the United States v. Wood R. Kasee [sic], would earn the defendant a motion for sentence reduction filed by the United States."

Triplett goes on to say in his motion that he had "received a communication from the Federal Bureau of Investigation's officer in charge of the Wood R. Kasee [sic] case indicating full cooperation."

Molloy, in turn, filed a motion to that effect December 16, saying Pennington had provided "substantial assistance to the United States in the course of an investigation."

A hearing was held December 22 to consider Pennington's request for a lighter sentence. An order granting that request was filed January 12.



Pike County Judge/Executive Donna Damron and District Five Magistrate Hillman Dotson recently presented a \$2,500 contribution from the county for "Operation Sharing" to Mike Sanders, Pike County native and president of Christian Appalachian Project. Sanders' organization provides food, clothing and other necessities to needy Pike County citizens. Additionally, CAP has provided several thousands dollars worth of supplies for county building projects in recent years.

## Inmate escapees nabbed in Ohio

From the Licking Valley Courier

The two trustees who walked away from the Eastern Kentucky Correctional Complex at West Liberty Sunday, January 28, are back in custody.

Kentucky State Police said Brian Kidd, 24, and James Hood, 32, are currently lodged in the Fayette County, Ohio, Detention Center following their arrest over the weekend in Washington Court House, Ohio.

The escapees were arrested after being stopped for a traffic violation and questioned by Washington Court House police. Kidd was operating a Chevrolet Celebrity with improper registration plates when pulled over. The pair gave police false identities, but further investigation revealed they were escapees from E.K.C.C.

The investigation into the escape is continuing. Kidd and Hood were on an unsupervised three-man work detail when they walked away from the prison's hog farm and made their way down the hill to Ky. 191 where they are believed to have been picked

up by an accomplice in what appeared to have been a well-planned escape.

Kidd, of Sandy Hook, was serving a ten-year sentence for burglaries in Elliott, Rowan, Carter, and Morgan counties at the time of his escape. Hood was serving a 37-year sentence for robbery and burglary in

prison officials took too long to inform the public about the escape, the first at the prison since it opened eight years ago. The escape was discovered around 3:30 p.m., but many residents and stores near the prison didn't find out about it until several hours later and others complained that they

### Incident prompts changes at prison

Fayette and Kenton counties.

Letters received by newspapers, apparently written by the inmates and mailed after their escape, indicated their lives had been threatened because of knowledge they had of wrongdoing at the prison. Kidd accused the prison staff of theft, illegal gambling, and forcing inmates to work on private property for personal gain.

Prison officials have denied the charges. The escape prompted complaints from some local residents and businesses that

were stopped and their vehicles searched without explanation. Many recalled a town meeting held by Corrections Cabinet officials prior to the prison's opening at which they promised to notify residents near the prison promptly if an escape occurred.

West Liberty Police Chief Kenny Dulin said once the manhunt was launched, it took 30 minutes to an hour for his offices to get information about the escapees from the prison.

"At the time," he said, "we really didn't

know who we were looking for."

Prison spokesman Dan Hittepole said the reason was because it took some time to pull together information on the escapees and find pictures of them.

Dulin said the delay in getting the information was the only problem his agency experienced.

The escape has prompted tighter security measures at the prison to prevent future escapes, Hittepole said.

Minimum-security inmates will no longer be allowed outside their units without an escort. They will have to wear orange prison jumpsuits outside their units and undergo searches before leaving.

Also, on January 9, members of the prison's Emergency Squad went door-to-door updating the list of residents and adding businesses to be notified in the event of an escape. The lists will be updated every other year, Hittepole said.

If no other charges are lodged against Kidd and Hood, they will be charged with second degree escape and face additions to their sentences of one-to-five years.

## Johnson survives jump from Kermit Bridge

by Mark Grayson  
Martin County Sun

A routine traffic stop early last Wednesday morning turned life-threatening after David Johnson, 35, of Lovely, attempted to flee from officers of the Martin County Sheriff's Department and the Kermit City Police Department.

After police cornered Johnson on the Kermit Bridge, he proceeded to jump from the bridge approximately 60 to 70 feet into the waters of the Tug River. The waters are only eight to ten feet deep at this time of the year, police estimated.

Volunteer Deputy R.J. Alley, of the Martin County Sheriff's Department, attempted to stop the yellow 1981 Chevy van with Ohio plates, driven by Johnson after observing the vehicle weaving in the roadway in the Warfield area.

When Johnson failed to stop, a police chase proceeded south on KY Rt. 292. Johnson stopped his vehicle just shy of the Kermit Bridge with officer Alley in foot pursuit.

Johnson, then ran across the Kermit Bridge and was confronted about midway by Kermit City Police and Mingo County Sheriff's deputies. To avoid being captured, the fugitive jumped from the bridge into the frigid waters below.

Fearing that Johnson, who according to police reports is 6 ft. tall and weighs 180 lbs., possibly landed on the shallows or on the rocks on the river's side, officer Alley located Johnson swimming in the river just a few feet from where he had entered the water.

"I saw him go under after the splash and when he came back up a few seconds later, he was alive and trying to stay afloat," Alley stated.

### Pike County man gets \$2 million

A Pike County man who claimed he was injured when he dodged a flyrock at a strip mine will receive almost \$2 million.

Timothy "Pro" Blair of Virgie said he was driving his coal truck to a mining site owned by Miller Brothers Coal Inc., in Pike County on November 21, 1995 when the accident occurred.

Farmers Supply & Explosives Inc., which was doing contract blasting for the coal company, set off a blast when Blair was on the site.

The blast threw large flyrock at Blair's coal truck, Blair's attorney Bobby Rowe said. Fearing that one of the flyrock would come through the windshield of the truck, Blair dove to the passenger side and sustained severe injuries which left him

unable to return to any type of employment, according to the Prestonsburg attorney.

Blair sued, and a jury trial was scheduled for January 12 in Pike Circuit Court. Just four days before the trial was set to begin, a structured settlement was reached between the parties involved, Rowe said.

Blair will receive almost \$2 million in the settlement.

"Mr. Blair's biggest worry since he was injured has been losing his ability to provide for his family and put his children through college," Rowe said. "(Now) he will no longer have any financial worries. It is really great to see the legal system work to make a huge difference in people's lives."

Within minutes, Alley then notified dispatcher Sue Meeke and advised her of the situation and asked her to contact Kermit City Police to assist in the capture of Johnson, who was swimming back and forth in the river.

Kermit City Police Chief Scott Smith and officer James Smith, as well as Mingo County deputy Roger Johnson, responded to assist Alley on the West Virginia side of the riverbank and soon after, Martin County Deputy Jailer Larry Jude, as well as Volunteer Deputy C.A. Fitzpatrick responded from the Inez area to help locate the suspect.

Volunteers from the Kermit Fire Department, under the direction of Chief Wig Preece, came to assist bringing flood lights and manpower to help locate Johnson before the icy cold water could start taking its toll.

With several members from various departments searching both sides of the Tug River, officers James Smith and Johnson sighted the suspect lying near the shore on the Kentucky side of the river and alerted Fitzpatrick and others to his location.

After taking him into custody, the Martin County Emergency Services was dispatched to the scene to treat Johnson for hypothermia, exposure, and a suspected back injury.

"An attempt to capture a fleeing suspect soon turned into a search and rescue operation due to the fact that if not found and removed from the cold water Johnson's health would soon deteriorate," Fitzpatrick said.

Johnson was then treated by EMTs Steve McCoy and Kirby Preece, who later transported Johnson to Paul B. Hall Medical Center in Paintsville, where he was admitted for observation and released the following day.

Johnson was charged with operating a

motor vehicle under the influence of an intoxicating beverage, first offense; no operator's license; no insurance; and attempting to elude a police officer.

He is scheduled to appear in Martin District Court on February 9 for arraignment.

"The state lines or county lines are no longer a barrier to criminals fleeing justice, but with the cooperation that we have with the Kermit Police Department, the Mingo County Sheriff's Department, and other departments surrounding our county, suspects attempting to flee from justice no longer have anywhere to go," Alley said.

### Magoffin School Board says it will not rehire Wallace

The Magoffin County Board of Education voted last Thursday to not renew the contract of its superintendent.

Superintendent Howard Wallace's contract with the board expires June 30.

A former Boyd County educator, Wallace has been superintendent of the Magoffin school system since 1994 when he was hired after then-superintendent Carter Whitaker resigned. Whitaker and his board members, who also resigned, were under investigation by the state OEA for misconduct, and ouster hearings were imminent.

A new board was appointed by then-education commissioner Thomas Boysen. That board hired Wallace. An election in November 1994 brought new board members to the Magoffin County Board of Education. During their election campaign, some of those board members vowed to rid the system of Howard.

# Big Sandy Briefs

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### County workers back on job

Garbage collection was temporarily interrupted last week as county employees participated in a short-lived strike, seeking higher wages and more benefits.

The strike was initiated by about 20 employees that attempted to pressure the local government into giving \$2 raise or an alternative of a \$1 per hour raise and the added benefit of health insurance.

They also requested to be paid weekly and to have the power to dictate to the judge-executive who would be hired in their department in the future.

In order to short-circuit the situation, Magoffin County Judge-Executive Dr. Charles Hardin sent all of the 32 county employees (including those employees not involved in the strike) home for the day.

"We decided not to work on Friday and I told them that whoever wanted to work could report on Monday with a clean slate," said Hardin.

Every employee returned to work on January 12 under the provision provisions. —*The Salyersville Independent*

### City hopes sewer renovation project isn't down the drain

The Salyersville sewer expansion project was threatened this past week as federal grants were nearly rescinded at the funding deadline.

City fathers worked diligently to protect the project. Mayor Joe Howard visited Frankfort two days, petitioning Governor Paul Patton for help in preserving the funding and the project.

He also solicited help from Congressman Hal Rogers. Howard said the prognosis was good for the extension of funding.

The difference in costs is in the neighborhood of \$500,000, which means the budget shows a severe deficit.

If additional funding cannot be secured, then either sewer fees would have to be increased or more subscribers would have to be added to the system to generate the revenue. —*The Salyersville Independent*



Magoffin County

### Woman jailed after driving on ballfield

A Pikeville woman was jailed Saturday after she drove her car onto the Pikeville High School football field and attempted to get away through a locked gate, authorities said.

Karah C. Collins, 20, was arrested by Pikeville Police Officer Eddie Sword for criminal trespassing and criminal mischief.

According to the citation, a caretaker stopped Collins' vehicle after he caught her on the field, but she tried to get away by driving through the gate.

Collins damaged the field, the gate and a fence during the incident. The citation said there was allegedly another person in the vehicle, but he or she left the area before police arrived. —*The Appalachian News-Express*



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indicate he'd been at work impaired," Blackburn said.

Green was arrested early January 7 after police saw him cross the center line several times while driving on Chloe Road. He failed three field sobriety tests, according to police reports, and tests found his blood-alcohol level was .176 at the time of his arrest. City guidelines stipulate that any disciplinary action can only be taken by Pikeville City Commission upon the recommendation of the city attorney, Blackburn said. —*The Appalachian News-Express*

### Missing Hardy woman found

A Hardy woman who had been missing for nearly a month was found last Friday after the brother-in-law she had been traveling with was arrested, police said.

Sarah Ann Blankenship Estep, 29, was found walking the streets in Wheeling about 2 p.m. last Friday, a city police official said. Her brother-in-law, Ronnie Estep, 26, of Williamson, West Virginia, was arrested after he pulled a knife during a fight at Catholic Charities, a Wheeling homeless shelter, police said.

Ronnie Estep told police his name was "Randy Mullins" after his arrest. Police conducted a criminal background check that revealed "an extensive record," including a parole violation, which prompted a further investigation.

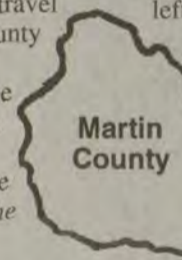
A tip from an unidentified source led police to find Sarah Estep the next day. —*The Appalachian News-Express*

### School bus stopped on hazardous, logging road

Road conditions are so bad on Popular Fork that a loaded school bus slipped into the ditch Monday morning. The mud from a logging operation has created such a hazard that sheriff's deputies have advised Martin County school officials not to let the buses travel that route until the mud is cleared from the county road.

A parent who lives along the road said she had contacted her magistrate who refused to fix it.

Chief Deputy F. D. Fitzpatrick said that the mud was about an inch thick on the road. —*The Martin County Sun*



Martin County

### Accused marijuana seller released on \$2,500 bond

A Martin County man accused of trafficking in marijuana is out on a \$2,500 cash bond.

James A. Crum, 40, was arrested after police

received a call for help from his wife, Dora. Martin County Sheriff Darrel Young said the call for help was cut off at least twice on January 13 and all the dispatcher could hear were screams for help.

A trace revealed the call came from the home of Dora Crum and when deputies arrived, Mrs. Crum told them that her husband had beaten and kicked her and left the scene.

As deputies took her statement, James Crum called from his father's home in Pike County to check on his wife's condition and to see "if the law was there."

Mrs. Crum told her husband the deputies were not there and she needed him to return home to take her to the hospital. As deputies listened, James Crum told his wife he had hidden something that would get her in trouble. When deputies checked, they discovered that Crum had hidden 16 oz. of marijuana in the trunk of an abandoned vehicle.

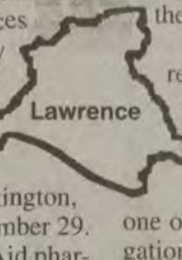
When Crum returned home, he was arrested by the deputies. —*The Martin County Sun*

### Ohio man arrested in prescription drug case

A South Point, Ohio man was arrested in Louisa last Thursday after police said he attempted to fill a prescription he had written himself on a stolen prescription pad.

Rick A. Fuller, 39, faces felony charges of fraud by falsifying a substance and criminal possession of a forged instrument for trying to obtain Loratab from the Rite Aid pharmacy on January 15. He also faces charges of obtaining a controlled substance by forgery and making a false or forged prescription for allegedly passing a prescription on January 6.

Louisa Police Chief Kevin T. Adkins said the prescription pad used was stolen from Huntington, West Virginia physician John A. Hunt on December 29. Police think Fuller has since been hitting Rite Aid pharmacies across the region to obtain painkillers, such as Lortab. —*The Big Sandy News, Louisa*



Lawrence County

### Board members to move meetings to area schools

Members of the Lawrence County Board of Education voted themselves right out of office Monday night, or at least out of an office building.

Lawrence Superintendent Eddie Michael said the main board of education office was running out of space, and the cheapest alternative available to create

more is to turn the board's meeting room into additional office space.

Board members said they could rotate the meetings among the district's six school buildings. —*The Big Sandy News, Louisa*

### Postmaster warns of mail scam in area

An international scam targeting businesses has hit the local area.

Louisa postmaster Tonya Bentley said she received a press release about letters that offer huge sums of money from the Nigerian government for the ability to transfer money into the target's bank account.

The sender alleges to be a senior civil servant in one of the Nigerian Ministries and refers to an investigation of "over-invoiced" contracts awarded by past government regimes.

Rather than return money to the government, the sender desires to transfer the money to a foreign account. For allowing them to make the transfer, averaging between \$10 million and \$60 million, the letter recipient is offered a 30 percent commission.

Initially, the victim is only asked to provide letterheads and perform invoicing to show completion of the contract. Once involved, however, the Nigerians inform the victims that "up front" money is needed to show faith or defray expenses. —*The Big Sandy News, Louisa*

### Board approves extra \$53,500 for teachers

The Morgan County Board of Education, at a special meeting last week, approved a draft general fund budget of \$9.8 million for 1998-99, reflecting a projected increase in expenditures of about 1.5 percent over last year. The budget includes \$53,500 for salary raises for teachers.

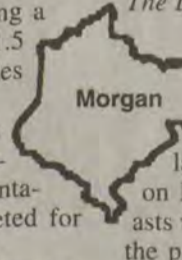
The increase for teacher salaries is \$20,500 more than proposed by the board during initial consultations with teacher representatives and will bring the total amount budgeted for teacher raises this year to \$167,000.

The Morgan County Teachers Association had submitted two proposals to the board for consideration, the highest of which asked for a \$172,500 increase in the budget for salaries.

Supt. Joe Dan Gold said board members are aware that teachers need more money and at the regular January board meeting agreed to meet in special session to give further consideration to the matter. Gold said following the special meeting, held January 15, he thought "the board put as much money in (the budget) for raises as they felt they could."

The \$53,000 for salaries is in addition to the mandatory 2 percent annual raises teachers received at the beginning of the year.

The additional raises are retroactive to the beginning of the school year and will be reflected on teachers' pay checks at the end of February, Gold said. —*The Licking Valley Courier, West Liberty*



Morgan County

### Tourism commission unveils plan to expand Old Mill Park

The West Liberty Tourism Commission last week unveiled plans to expand Old Mill Park on Riverside Drive. Popular with walking enthusiasts who utilize its quarter-mile, paved walking track, the park is now devoted largely to green space with scattered grills, picnic tables and benches, and a gazebo, which doubles as a picnic shelter and bandstand for summer concerts—all of which lie within the dike built by the Army Corps of Engineers to protect the city's first sewage treatment plant, which has since been dismantled and removed. An area outside the dike on the south side of the park also is the site for the mule-drawn sorghum mill and other attractions during the annual Sorghum Festival.

Expansion of the park with addition of new facilities on both sides of the area enclosed by the dike is expected to cost between \$150,000 and \$200,000. —*The Licking Valley Courier, West Liberty*

### Stalking, burglary tops indictments

A Mallie man was indicted last month by a Knott County Grand Jury for stalking and for burglary.

Douglas Slone, 28, of Mallie, was indicted for stalking in the first degree (two counts) for allegedly following Lonnie Slone and contacting her by phone. The incidents allegedly occurred on November 7 and November 22, 1997.

Douglas Slone was also indicted for burglary in the second degree for allegedly entering the home of and striking Lonnie Slone on November 22, 1997.

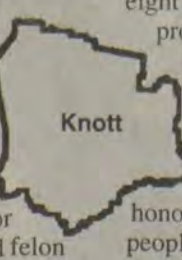
A \$15,000 property bond was set.

Tom Baker of Hindman was indicted for alleged possession of a handgun by a convicted felon on January 17, 1996.

Dean Combs, 42, of Mousie, was indicted for allegedly trafficking in marijuana under eight ounces and trafficking in controlled substance (marijuana)

within 1,000 yards of a school on December 17, 1996. Kenneth Caudill, 47, of Kite, was indicted for allegedly committing the offense of cultivating marijuana (over five plants) on August 22, 1996.

John Combs, 27, of Hindman Housing Project, was indicted for allegedly trafficking in marijuana under eight ounces two counts on January 14, 21, and 29, and promoting contraband in the first degree for allegedly introducing marijuana in the Knott County Jail on January 29. —*Troublesome Creek Times*



Knott County

### Combs honored

Elmer Ray Combs of Cordia School was honored for his many years of service to area young people with his induction to Kentucky's High School Coaching Hall of Fame.

Combs found statewide recognition as he led boys and girls track and cross country teams. He received several awards in the past two decades. —*Troublesome Creek Times*

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96 PLYMOUTH NEON	9725	7980 / 149 mo.
95 PONTIAC GRAND AM SE - V6	11025	7980 / 149 mo.
95 SATURN SL	11025	7980 / 149 mo.
95 DODGE INTREPID	11575	7980 / 149 mo.
96 MAZDA PROTEGE	10675	7980 / 149 mo.
96 NISSAN SENTRA XE	10225	7980 / 149 mo.
94 OLDS CUTLASS SUPREME	10900	7980 / 149 mo.
96 GEO PRIZM	11475	8980 / 169 mo.
96 HONDA CIVIC DX	13150	8980 / 169 mo.
95 MAZDA 626 LX	13150	8980 / 169 mo.
96 MERCURY SABLE GS	12675	8980 / 169 mo.
96 FORD TAURUS GL	11025	8980 / 169 mo.
96 BUICK SKYLARK CUSTOM	11025	8980 / 169 mo.
96 OLDS ACHIEVA	11900	8980 / 169 mo.
97 GEO PRIZM	11900	8980 / 169 mo.
95 OLDS CUTLASS SUPREME	11900	8980 / 169 mo.
97 CHEVY CAVALIER	12400	8980 / 169 mo.
95 FORD T-BIRD LX - V6	12100	8980 / 169 mo.
94 CHRYSLER NEW YORKER	9980	8980 / 169 mo.
96 EAGLE TALON	10980	8980 / 169 mo.
95 MAZDA 626 DX	14150	9980 / 189 mo.
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96 FORD RANGER XL - 28,000 miles	10650	7980
95 FORD F150 XL - Full size	8980 / 169 mo.	
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Sara Hopson

## Reunited and it feels so good

A fellow classmate called last week to schedule a meeting for our 30th high school class reunion. While it "took me a back" to realize we'd been out of school that long, it made me apprehensive about getting together again after all those years.

For me, class reunions rank evenly with stage fright and death when it comes to things I dread most. And I don't relish sharing my after high school life experiences with people I barely recognize. Another thing that makes me leery of these events is exaggeration; particularly about careers and children. The following is an example of my last reunion:

"Hi, Sharon," the man said, as he adjusted his bifocals and tried to read my name tag. "Don't you remember me? I'm the first boy you ever kissed."

There was absolutely no way I had kissed a man who looked as old as this one.

"Wait," I said, cautiously. "Didn't you teach English III?"

"I sat behind you in that class."

I walked away in disbelief. I couldn't imagine why I had paid out a fortune for a new dress, lost 40 pounds, and had my eye straightened just so some man could reminisce about a kiss I couldn't even remember.

"My daughter's doing wonderfully," I overheard a woman say. "She's a brain surgeon."

Another woman replied quickly, flashing her diamond as she spoke with her hands, "my daughter broke the sound barrier. She's been chosen to go to Jupiter."

I was becoming nauseous as the air started to elasticize with the stretching of truths.

"What are you doing now, Carl?" I asked.

"Sara! Glad to see you aren't as fat as you used to be. Well, I've got a small car dealership, and I'm sort of into real estate."

"Oh, shut up, Carl!" his wife said as she poured herself another drink. "I've heard that story so much tonight, I'm starting to believe it myself. What he means is there's a bunch of old junkers in our front yard, and we'd like to sell the house before it's repossessed."

Here I sat, listening to magnified conversations, in a room surrounded by elderly strangers. Shoulder to sagging shoulder with old men and women I couldn't even remember who were giving new meaning to the word prevaricate.

"Our son's great," one woman said. "He just received an Olympic medal for bravery."

"Oh, yeah," another woman shot back.

"Our son got one for truth and honesty."

"There's Sara, or I think it is," the woman said. "Honey, you could use a tuck."

At that precise moment, I was thinking about a right uppercut into a recently face-lifted jowl when I spied my old boyfriend across the room.

"Hi," I said confidently. "Remember me?"

"Phew! I'd never forget that breath," he said as he pinched his nostrils together. "Did you ever learn to breathe and kiss at the same time?"

"You never complained then," I said, hurtfully.

"When we were kissing, you weren't breathing."

(See Smile, page four)



The Lonesome River Band

## The sounds of the Lonesome River Band will flow at the MAC

The Lonesome River Band will bring a contemporary sound to traditional bluegrass music onstage at the Mountain Arts Center in February.

The highly-rated group will headline a special night of bluegrass music at the Arts Center on Saturday, February 7.

This event, known as "Bluegrass at the MAC," will also feature two other bluegrass groups, "The Kentucky Mountain Grass," and "Brush Creek Grass."

Exceptional songwriting from The Lonesome River Band's lead singer/bass player Ronnie Bowman, coupled with vocal and instrumental prowess, characterize the group's abilities.

The past five years have endowed the band with nearly unrivaled success in the bluegrass music industry, owing greatly to the leadership of Bonnie Bowman and Sammy Shelor, awarded the 1995 (International Bluegrass Music Association) Male Vocalist and Banjo

Player of the Year, respectively.

Sammy Shelor was again recognized for his outstanding talent by being named 1996 IBMA Banjo Player of the Year.

The additions of mandolin player/tenor singer Don Rigsby and national flat-picking guitar champion Kenny Smith effectively complete the lineup.

Tight vocal harmonies and instrumental virtuosity have allowed The Lonesome River Band to produce critically acclaimed recordings rendering them a virtual benchmark in Bluegrass and Acoustic Music. The Lonesome River Band has previously released some impressive recordings including "Carrying the Tradition," "Old Country Town" and more recently "One Step Forward."

Ronnie Bowman's solo project "Cold Virginia Night" released in 1995 was named IBMA Album of the Year, and

featured a combined effort from members of The Lonesome River Band as well as guest appearances by such notable artists as Tony Rice, Del McCoury, and Alison Krauss.

With the group's release of "One Step Forward," The Lonesome River Band has broadened the audience for bluegrass music with an energetic and exciting stage show that rivals anything currently in pop or country music. They are currently working on their next release which will take them another step forward on the road to success. The strength of the group's enviable vocal talent and the polished expertise of their playing, highlight a truly world-class act.

Showtime at the band's MAC concert is 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 and may be obtained by calling 886-2623; or toll-free, 1-888-MAC-ARTS, Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

distributed on the Internet. According to police investigators, Johnson had also promised the pornographers access to a NASA facility on nearby Wallops Island, Va., but no photos from that site were found.

### WELL-PUT

— The president of Poland's baseball industry association, defending baseball bats in June against calls that they be made illegal since they were being used in so many street muggings: "No baseball player in Poland would use a bat for any purpose other than playing the game. The relationship between a baseball player and his bat is something sacred."

— George Shea, of Nathan's Famous in Brooklyn, N.Y., acknowledging in July the continuing Japanese superiority in hot-dog eating contests, but pointing out American hopeful Joey Serrano of Philadelphia, who had just eaten 17 in 12 minutes: "This kid has the excitement you see only in a young athlete who is just becoming aware of the miracles his body can perform on the field of combat."

— Serge Engambe, a previously unemployed college graduate who signed on with former Congolese military dictator Denis Sassou-Nguesso, explaining in July why he accepted a militia job with an organization widely thought to butcher its enemies: "This is a unique chance in my life, in a country where young (college) graduates are not a priority of the government."

### CAN'T POSSIBLY BE TRUE

— In August, the Oregon Supreme Court ruled unanimously that Perry A. Lang, a white man, was entitled to worker compensation damages, despite the fact that his on-the-job injury came from being punched in the face by a black co-worker whom Lang had just racially insulted. The court said a sensitive colleague is just one of the "myriad of risks" workers face. And in July, the Hawaii Supreme Court took a similar position in upholding a law defining on-the-job illness to include stress that is caused by being disciplined for poor work.

— In September, Brother Eric Metivier, 28, was charged with aggravated assault on allegedly stabbing Brother Fernard Bremaud, 71, several times in a dispute at the Trappist Fathers monastery near Holland, Manitoba.

— According to interviews conducted by the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, the last deathbed utterance of tavern owner Anthony J. Golembiewski, 83, in August was "one, six, nine, five." Family members were puzzled, but one decided to buy a lottery ticket with the numbers. The ticket won \$23,500. Said Golembiewski's widow, "Andy, you son of a bitch, you even paid for your own funeral."

— During a televised visit to a nursing home in Tokyo in September, Japan's Emperor Akihito, trying to pick up the game of paper-scissors-rock, lost to resident Toshiko Arai, who showed scissors. Thus, by house custom, the emperor was obliged to give the woman a shoulder massage.

— In November, the University of Nebraska, whose football team was on its way to becoming national co-champions, announced it was awarding its first-ever, full athletic scholarship to Jennifer Daugherty, of Bloomington, Ill., for its women's bowling team.

### OUR ANIMAL FRIENDS

— New Zealand researcher Ingrid Visser's two-year study of killer whales, released in October in New Scientist magazine, revealed that orcas eat stingrays but only after tossing them around among themselves, Frisbee-like, apparently so they can position them in such a way as to avoid the stingers when they bite down. She said she once witnessed two whales binge on 18 stingrays in a six-hour period.

— At the Santiago, Chile, zoo in September, it took four hours' work with a crane to lift Protea, 9, a three-ton female elephant, out of a moat following a mating accident caused by a frisky but incompetent male named Jumbo, 10.

(Send your Weird News to Chuck Shepherd, P.O. Box 8306, St. Petersburg, Fla. 33738, or Weird@compuserve.com.)

by Chuck Shepherd

## News of the Weird

— Michael Guilbault, 19, pleaded guilty in December to robbing a Raleigh, N.C., convenience store two months earlier. According to the prosecutor, a delayed getaway helped police make the capture. Guilbault and his accomplice were to meet their friends Heather Beckwith, 18, and Curtis Johnson, 19, back at the getaway car nearby, but when the robbers arrived, they found the doors locked and the couple inside "in the act," as the prosecutor put it. Guilbault and his colleague were forced to wait until the couple had finished before they could get in the car, but by that time witnesses had noticed the two men pacing and yelling at the couple.

— In December, nationally-known Emory University business school professor Jeffrey A. Sonnenfeld, 43, abruptly resigned, and according to several news reports, it was because the school had discovered him on a video surveillance tape vandalizing a wall in a school corridor and suspected him to be the one who previously had gouged doors, woodwork and furniture in the building. Sonnenfeld had recently been passed over for the position of business school dean at Emory. Following that setback, Georgia Tech offered him a deanship but withdrew it after reports of the videotape emerged.

— Mayors Out of Control: In December, Mayor Daniel F. Devlin, 51, of Upper Darby, Pa., defeated for re-election the month before, was charged with robbing a local bank of \$1,500 by claiming to have a bomb. Three days earlier, Mayor Craig Johnson, 41, of Snow Hill, Md., was arrested and charged with malfeasance in office for permitting one of the town's police cars to be used in pornographic photos that were

# SOAP UPDATES

by  
Seli  
Groves

**ALL MY CHILDREN:** Jake and Allie had an unsettling feeling about David. Later, David let something incriminating about Jake "slip" out, forcing Joe to take action. Edmund learned Jim lied to him. Adam told Liza about an important decision. Liza told Marian to butt out of her love life. Marian, in turn, tried to threaten Adam into divorcing Liza. **Wait To See:** Adam consults someone with special powers.

**ANOTHER WORLD:** Lila tried to reconcile with Shane after learning of his drug discovery. Matt planned to start a pharmaceutical company. Carl found the initials A.C. on the pen in Hadley's apartment. Fearing what Grant might do to Paulina, Cindy tried to retrieve the bug (listening device) from her. Meanwhile, Grant stymied the investigation into the fire. Sofia innocently told Nick of Matt's connection to Alexander. **Wait To See:** Carl comes to an upsetting conclusion.

**AS THE WORLD TURNS:** Hal decided to change Margo's opinion of Carly. Kim caught Molly stealing money from her purse. Later, Holden told Molly to prove her love by telling the truth so he can be released from jail. James deliberately provoked Kirk into punching him. John feared his cancer had returned. James was put into the jail cell next to Holden's. **Wait To See:** Lily hopes Steve can help free Holden.

**THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL:** Eric and Lauren suffered deep cold and heard dogs barking as they relived their Greenland ordeal.

Amber put on a special "show" for Rick, hoping he'll finance her demo tape. Sheila freed herself but was unable to call James because Maggie and Mike were about to recapture her. While Taylor grappled with whom to name as her baby's father, Ridge was telling Brooke how happy he is that they're expecting a child. **Wait To See:** Brooke confronts Ridge with sad news.

**DAYS OF OUR LIVES:** As Bo prepared to tell Hope the truth about him and Billie in Rome, Hope told him Billie's pregnant. Carrie was increasingly upset at seeing Mike dance with his date. Meanwhile, Mike resolved to get on with his life. Laura and Celeste had a plan to trap Peter, while Peter and Stefano planned to use Laura to find Jennifer. Vivian rushed to marry Jonesy to become his legal heir, unaware that it all belonged to Stefano. As Kristen feared, Peter had a jungle madman attack and tried to strangle Laura. **Wait To See:** Susan and Edmund make a decision.

**GENERAL HOSPITAL:** Stefan told Katherine he, not Helena, was having her followed to protect her. Robin urged Brenda to resume modeling. A surprise ambush on the docks made Jason realize the baby could have been killed. James, still posing as Mac, proposed to Felicia. Justus rejected Edward's plea that he help save the Quartermaines from themselves. **Wait To See:** Carly returns for the baby's christening.

**GUIDING LIGHT:** Harley found Lizzie and returned her to

Phillip and Beth. Reva set Annie up for a fall, but as Annie and Alan's wedding day dawned, Reva wondered if Annie might win out after all. Dinah revealed that the tape that could help Abby was lost. Later, Rick learned Jesse had thrown the tape away. Matt acted to save Vanessa's life at the risk of the life of their unborn child. **Wait To See:** Fletcher and Holly face the truth about her feelings for Roger.

**ONE LIFE TO LIVE:** As Todd and Téa tried to win back the workers' loyalty, Max and Blair learned there's a problem with their scheme. R.J. and Jacara acknowledged their attraction to each other. Mel and Cassie followed Dorian to Canton where Dorian finally confronted Miss Stonecliff. Blair told Ian about the attempted take-over plan. Meanwhile, Kelly prepared to make a confession to him. Viki dodged Clint's invitation. **Wait To See:** Miss Stonecliff collapses.

**PORT CHARLES:** Determined to win the Quartermaine Residency, Chris began probing deeply into Matt's past, and learned he lied about his high school. As part of their plot to nail Rex, Lucy told Kevin and Scott she'll accept his proposal. With Kevin's help, Serena was able to identify more details about her kidnapper. Dr. May (Maggie Rush) chastised Joe and Karen for being late for the meeting. **Wait To See:** The verdict is in on Scott.

**SUNSET BEACH:** Mark escaped from Ben, and rushed to save Meg from him, only to be hit by the gaff. Tim caught Mark's dying words about the killer. Casey

and the others found Mark's killer dead and unmasked him. It was Grogan. Later, back in Sunset Beach, Ben entered a shabby room where he had a flashback to killing Mark. Vincent Duke, Bette's second husband, turned up asking for a loan. **Wait To See:** Meg begins to believe Tim may be right about Ben.

**THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS:** Sharon told Nick she'll tell him why she's in such a good mood at the right time. Later, Sharon told Doris the baby she gave up for adoption had been found. Michael failed to retrieve the manuscript. Chris persuaded the judge to read it based on Sasha's handwritten confession about the evil things Sasha did for Phyllis. Later, the judge ruled in Danny's favor, but Phyllis vowed to leave town with Daniel before Danny could take him. Veronica decided not to renew her prescribed medication. **Wait To See:** Cole is rocked by Ashley's statement.

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## HOME TIPS

**GARDEN TIP** — My wife asked me to begin adding eggshells to the coffee grounds we save to work into our garden as a soil supplement in addition to reducing our garbage volume. I dry the shells on a towel and then grind them in our electric coffee grinder.

The bonus in the deal is that the shells do an excellent job of cleaning the coffee grinder. Jack D., Ames, Iowa

**ON THE ROAD** — I have a suggestion for people who travel a lot. We have made a checklist for everything that we need to do before we leave our home for a period of time — turn down the refrigerator, notify the paperboy, notify the post office, adjust the thermostat, etc.

If you have a tendency to forget things, it helps to follow a checklist. Then you will know that everything has been taken care of. Rita L., Ravenna, Ohio

**COOL IT** — I needed an extra cooling rack for cakes recently. In desperation, I used the burner grate from my gas range. It worked great! Linda V., Wolfe City, Texas

**IN THE NEWS** — When my elderly mother had difficulty handling large sections of the newspaper, she would split the section down the fold and pick up one page at a time.

This way, she could keep up with the news without struggling. Kathy W., Sherburn, Minn.

**RECYCLE** — Hold onto your old cotton place mats. Sew ribbon, lace or hem binding (anything that will do the trick) on each side long enough to make a bow.

You've made a pretty apron for yourself or to bring when invited to dinner. Hilda K., Batavia, Ill.

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# TUNING IN

by  
Sally  
Stone

**IN FOCUS: Angelina Jolie.** On January 31, HBO will air "GIA," starring Angelina Jolie as the beautiful supermodel who became a world-famous star at age 18, and died just eight years later.

Angelina, a Cable ACE nominee for her role as Cornelia Wallace in "George Wallace," describes Gia Carangi as a woman "who seemed to have everything. But she just did-

n't seem to realize that her success as an international model couldn't last, and she would have nothing to replace it with when it was gone.

"Even if Gia hadn't die of AIDS — and she was one of the first women in America to die of the disease," Angelina said, "she was on the fast road to destruction because of drugs and pills and whatever else she took."

# CRITIC'S CORNER

by Mickey Greene

**TITANIC:** This is cinema at its best — a touching love story set in a sweeping disaster that forever changed the 20th century, the sinking of the *Titanic* on its maiden voyage in 1912.

As the movie opens, we see a salvage diver (Bill Paxton) sending his computer-driven robots into the wreck of the *Titanic*. He is looking for the Heart of the Ocean, a fabled diamond necklace which once belonged to the doomed King Louis XVI of France and said to have gone down with the equally ill-fated ocean liner. Newscasts of the quest are aired and an old lady, Rose, living with her granddaughter, sees one. She calls the salvage ship and reveals herself as a survivor of the disaster. Better yet, she knows about the necklace.

Flown to the salvage site, Rose tells her tale. At 17, she was a young woman being used as chattel by her mother (Frances Fisher), "sold" to the highest bidder as a bride. Her fiancé is the filthy-rich, conscienceless Cal Hockley (Billy Zane). Returning from a trip abroad, the trio board the new ocean liner for its maiden voyage to New York.

Also making the trip is Jack

Dawson (Leonardo DiCaprio), a steerage passenger who won his ticket in a poker game. An aspiring artist, he's making his way back from Paris. Once aboard, he spies the beautiful Rose (Kate Winslet) on the deck of the first-class accommodations. The attraction is immediate.

The romance begins when Rose, in desperation, contemplates jumping off the ship. She slips, but is saved by Jack. After the rescue, the two seek each other out at every turn, falling in love in the process and infuriating Rose's mother and fiancé, whose hired goon tries desperately to get rid of the young man. Of course, the culmination of the film is the ship's sinking, intertwined with the fate of the two lovers.

DiCaprio is a standout. Opposite him, Winslet is winsome and fetching and the chemistry works. Fisher as the controlling mother is excellent and Zane, the villainous fiancé, is phenomenal. However, it is Gloria Stuart, who portrays the elderly Rose, whose performance wins the day. Between her and DiCaprio, these are Oscar-worthy performances.

This is a four-star flick, the likes of which I haven't seen in years!

Angelina said playing Gia, "was not only emotionally draining, but I found myself worn out at the end of each day's shooting. It was as if I were also burning the candle at both ends, as she did."

**DIAL TONES:** Set your VCRs for "The Irish in America: Long Journey Home." This six-hour event airs on PBS starting January 26. It's a beautifully-produced saga about a people who enriched our country with their music, their humor, their poetry, and, indeed, their politicians. Be sure to tape the series for future viewing.

**Billy Wilder** fled from the Nazis in the early 1930s and came to America where he went on to produce, direct and write over 50 films, such as "The Lost Weekend," "Sunset Boulevard," and the brilliant, "Some Like it Hot." On February 4, PBS airs "Billy Wilder: The Human Comedy," an American Masters Special. Walter Matthau narrates.

**Kelsey Grammer** stars in HBO's upcoming "S\*N\*A\*F\*U," which is supposed to stand for Situation Normal All Fouled Up, but most veterans will know it in a different version. The flick is based on a book by retired Air Force colonel, James G. Burton, who faithfully recorded every stranger-than-fiction peccadillo of the Pentagon bureaucracy.

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## Smile

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"But you gave me your class ring."

"Not for keeps. I said you could wear it as long as you did my English homework."

"I've never been so humiliated," I said, indignantly.

"Yes, you have. Remember falling asleep in algebra and snoring with your mouth open? And the time your entire lunch stuck to your braces? That was a gas."

"Why did you date me if I was so terrible?"

"Boy, are you getting old and forgetful. You had a car and you let me drive."

"Sara!" I heard a familiar voice

call. "We've been looking all over for you."

"Do I look as old as these other people?"

"We're all the same age."

"Liar!" I screamed at the top of my lungs.

"Don't get hysterical, particularly when I have such exciting news to tell you. My daughter graduated from Harvard Law School, and she did so well, she's about to be appointed to the Supreme Court."

Thank heavens class reunions are spaced several years apart. That gives you a chance to think up better stories.

### Answers to Super Crossword

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by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

## A Look At Sports

### County tournament plans to be finalized next week in meeting

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Megan Harris of the Mountain Christian Academy Lady Falcons. Megan turned 11 today and is a fifth grade student at MCA.

Happy birthday, Megan, and have a great day.

#### FLOYD COUNTY TOURNAMENT

County basketball fans are eagerly awaiting the start of the biggest show in Floyd County when the elementary basketball tournament tips off the first week in February.

The new format will permit all the county teams to participate. The first round of games will be played at different sites. I wonder what problems that may cause if the girls team from one school plays at a separate site than the same school's boys team?

Harold Elementary is the host school for the county tournament unless they relinquish the privilege to Prater Creek. The semifinals and finals of the tournament must be held in a high school gym, according to rules adopted by the board of education.

The county tournament is the biggest around here, and the smaller grade school gyms just will not hold the people.

You think of the people that showed up and filled the lower arena at Allen Central last year, I mean for every session. There is no way it can be held in a grade school gym.

This year will be the first for the all-star classic that will follow the tournament. We have so many good grade school players, boys and girls, that it will be fun to watch them play the North against the South.

We will be previewing each team who make the semifinals here in the sports section. Should be a great tournament.

#### CLARK HAS SURGERY

I want to take this space to wish Natasha Clark a speedy recovery from knee surgery.

Natasha hurt her knee in practice for the Lady Knights of the Piast School on January 6 and had to have surgery. I understand that she will be out for the remainder of the season. She is a junior and will be back next year.

Shanna Clark, Betsy Layne, messed up her knee and cut her career short. But Shanna tried to come back too soon. Now Natasha, you mind the doctors and you'll be back next season for the Lady Knights. Keep your head up. We appreciate you!

#### PROS ABOVE THE LAW?

Chris Webber, Washington Wizards, was caught driving with expired tags and ended up being charged with many other counts. Again, an NBA player has demonstrated that money is not everything. Or, could it have been that Webber could not afford to buy his tags. Or, does he, like most professional athletes, think

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### Who is Will Isom?

## Allen Central finds out the hard way

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Who is Will Isom? Good question. To find the answer the Allen Central Rebels had to take to the hardwood to discover that Isom is one of the best kept secrets in high school basketball.

Isom is the Nazr Mohammed of high school basketball. Last year he saw precious little playing time and spent most of the time on the Pikeville junior varsity.

Not so this season. The 6'5" center wreaked havoc on the Allen Central defense and poured in 32 points to lead the Panthers to a 95-91 win over the Rebels in a Class "A" shootout Wednesday night.

There was no need for a shot clock as both teams used their speed in getting up and down the floor in the "nondefensive"

game.

Isom was a terror in the middle and around the paint area as the shorter Rebels could not handle his inside presence. With some outstanding passing by senior guard John Mims, who had 11

Isom so well in their high-post, low-post play. Gibson would take the feed at the free-throw line, dumping the ball inside to Isom.

While Allen Central could not contain the inside game of Isom, neither could

made the difference. Akers hit two treys and finished with 18 points. But the two-guard did his damage in the second half and particularly the fourth period. Held to just two points in the first half, Akers scored 11 in the fourth quarter that helped the Panthers to overcome the Rebels.

Allen Central led at each of the first three stops but could not contain the Panthers in the fourth period.

Howard scored 15 points in the opening quarter to stake the Rebels to a 26-24 lead. Edmund Slone and Jesse Hall sparked the Rebels in the second quarter as they went to the locker room leading 49-43. The Panthers tracked Howard in the second quarter denying him the basket.

Allen Central made their presence

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### Howard tosses in 34 points in first round loss to Pikeville

assists, Isom was taking the easy shot all night. But he did more. He pulled down 15 rebounds and had several put backs.

But there is more. Chase Gibson, who transferred to Pikeville instead of playing at Betsy Layne, continued his good play and finished with 22 points and 11 rebounds. But Gibson complimented

the Panthers stop the outside play of Todd Howard, the state's fourth-best scorer. Howard came into the game averaging just over 26 points per game and hit four treys in scoring 34 points.

The two teams mirrored each other in speed and aggressiveness but it was the play of Gibson and Jeremiah Akers that

## MCA edges McDowell in overtime

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

The Mountain Christian Academy Falcons outscored the McDowell Daredevils 13-10 in overtime and held on to post a 61-60 win over the Daredevils in a win that shocked many.

MCA got 21 points from Carlo Repuyan and 14 from Josh Caudill to lead in scoring.

McDowell was led by Jason Spriggs' 19 points. Justin Taylor added 13 and Joe Skeans had 10 points.

Caudill scored five of his points in overtime with Repuyan tossing in four in the extra period. MCA attempted 17 free throws in the extra three-minute period, connecting on seven.

The Falcons outscored McDowell 16-12 in the fourth quarter to tie the game at 48. McDowell led 36-32 after three quarters. Repuyan hit four consecutive free throws and had a three-point basket in the third period as the Falcons caught McDowell. Spriggs had six points for McDowell.

The Daredevils owned a 15-12 first-quarter lead. Spriggs had six points,

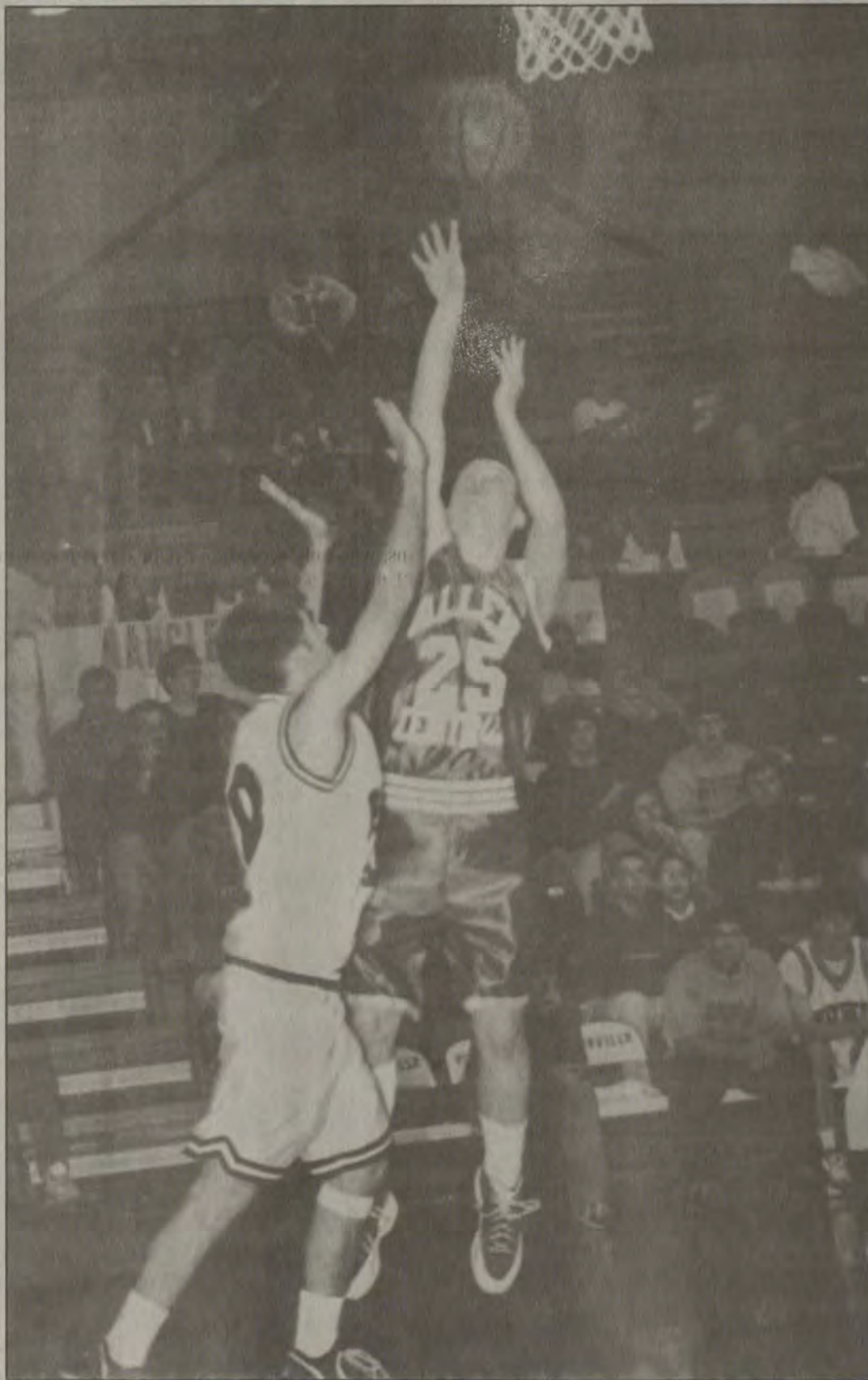
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### Toyota Classic tickets on sale at P'burg High

Looking for a bargain and wanting to take in some good basketball?

Prestonsburg High School has tickets on sale for the Toyota Classic tournament that runs from January 28-31.

Tickets are selling for \$5 and is for all games played that day. For more information or to purchase tickets contact athletic director Ron Hampton or Debbie Click at the high school.



### States

#### fourth best

Todd Howard (25) scored 34 points against Pikeville Wednesday night in the opening round of the boys Class "A" tournament at Pikeville. Howard is averaging over 26 points per game, fourth best in the state. (photo by Ed Taylor)



### Two of the best

Sophomore Scott Collins (24), Betsy Layne, was guarded by junior Joe Campbell (13) in district play at Betsy Layne last Tuesday night. Collins scored 13 points and Campbell had 11 in Prestonsburg's 81-64 win. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Blackcats avoid last year's pitfall with win over Bobcats

by Ed Taylor  
Sports Editor

Just before his team took to the floor to face host Betsy Layne, Prestonsburg coach Jack Pack said his team had not been playing well, but they would get better.

Well, you could never convince Betsy Layne coach Tim Rice that the Blackcats had shown signs of letting down after Prestonsburg routed the Bobcats 81-64 in district play at Betsy Layne Tuesday night.

Coming to the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse, the Blackcats had memories of last year's pit fall when the Bobcats upset them to throw the district race into a frenzy. But the Blackcats avoided the upset bid and won easily.

Tempers flared in the fourth quarter over a disputed call that saw Andy Jarvis pick up a technical foul. Jarvis went for a lob pass but hung on the rim when he came down, carrying an automatic technical. Coach Pack became upset over the call contending that Jarvis had to hang on the rim to avoid collapsing on a Betsy Layne player, which the rules allow. But the official thought his hanging on the rim was not necessary.

During the course of the discussion, Jarvis said something to the official that drew technical number two, which carries with it a one-game suspension (Thursday versus Johnson Central). For several minutes the discussion was heated between the officials and Coach Pack. The Prestonsburg coach received the game's third technical.

Betsy Layne standout Craig Johnson continues to be a target for district and regional teams as the basketball season enters its final four weeks. Johnson, a prolific three-point shooter, has seen all kinds of defenses but none like the Blackcats put on him. He did finish with 18 points to lead the Bobcats but he had to work for every basket. Johnson had only two treys in the game when he has been known to hit seven or eight. John Ortega and Wes Samons tracked the hot-shooting guard all over the court, denying him the ball.

Prestonsburg placed four players in double figures led by Ortega's 17 points. Jarvis, who is the state's sixth best scorer, was held to just 12 points after averaging over 25 points per game. He was missing close in jumpers he normally

(See Pit fall, page seven)



# MARTIN JUNIOR BASKETBALL



## Easy two

Prestonsburg's Andy Jarvis (24) scored on a basket underneath against Betsy Layne last Tuesday. Jarvis had 12 points as the Blackcats won over Betsy Layne 81-64. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## PEE WEE LEAGUE

### BLACK VS ORANGE

The Orange team defeated the black team 16-8 in last Saturday's junior basketball action in the Pee Wee division. Nick and Logan scored six points each for the Orange team. Sara had four points, Aaron Collins led the Black team with six points. Joshua Stone scored the other two.

The two teams played to a 4-4 tie after one quarter. The Orange team went on a 6-0 run in the second to lead 10-4 at the half.

### RED VS GREEN

The Green team posted a 18-7 win over the Red team. Chad scored all 18 points for the Green team. Blake Salisbury had six points for the Red with Jamie Mullins scoring one point.

### JUNIOR VARSITY

### PURPLE VS ORANGE

Jessica Isaac had 17 points while

Cody Harlow and Matthew Johnson scored 10 each to lead the Orange team to a 43-27 win over the Purple squad. Terri Mullins had six points.

Dustin had 23 points to lead the Purple and all scorers. Chris and Nakita had two points each.

## VARSITY LEAGUE

### GREEN VS BLUE

Josh Yates scored a game-high 20 points as the Green team defeated the Blue 55-47. Barry Sturgill added 13 points and Willard Hackworth had 10 points. Brett Whitaker, Daniel Sazabo and Jason Holbrook scored four points apiece.

Keith Crum scored 18 points to lead the Blue team. Jeremy Conn added 12. Jaclyn Brown scored seven while Brian Johnson scored six. Tabatha Caudill scored four points.

## TRAINING LEAGUE

### RED VS GOLD

Justin Jacobs scored 16 points to lead the Gold team to a 34-27 win over the Red team. Jacobs had six points in the third quarter and eight in the fourth after scoring just two in the first half. Josh Bailey added 11 points. Samantha Nelson, Justin Robinson, and Justin Cooley had

two points apiece. Josh Stumbo scored one point.

Robbie Vanderpool led all scorers with 17 points for the Red team. Chad Mynhier and Paul Reed had four points each. Ryan Bailey scored two.

It was a 4-4 game after the initial quarter. Vanderpool scored all four for the Red team. Jacobs and Bailey each had two points in the first period.

An 8-1 run in the second period gave the Red team a 12-5 lead at the half. Vanderpool had four points in the quarter.

But in the third period, the Gold team ruled as they outscored the Red 12-4 to lead 17-16 going into the final quarter. Jacobs then pumped in eight points in a 17-11 fourth period for the Gold team.

### BLUE VS PURPLE

In a one-sided affair, the Purple team rolled to a 49-3 win over the Blue team. Nick Music scored 15 points in the win for the Purple. Hall had 13 points and Casey Duncan added six as did Justin Webb. Turner netted four and Blanton had four points. Jeremy Pack finished with one point.

Hicks had two points for the Blue, with Johnson scoring one point.

## GREEN VS BLUE

Moore tossed in 18 points and Hall scored 17 to lead the Green team to a 49-10 win over the Blue team. J. Prater and C. Prater each finished with six points. Brown added two.

Matt Crabtree and Stanley Frasure scored four points each for the Blue team. Charles Robinson added two.



CHASE GIBSON (30) SCORED 22 points for Pikeville in the Panthers' 95-91 win over Allen Central Tuesday night. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Isom

known quickly by scoring off the tip off and making it 4-0 on a Pikeville turnover. The game was tied at 8 and again at 10 in the first quarter before Allen Central led 15-10. But the Panthers went to Isom, who kept in the game with ten first-quarter points.

Pikeville turned the ball over on three consecutive possessions with Allen Central moving out to a 36-28 lead with just over five minutes to play. The Rebels' biggest lead came at 49-40 with 2:01 to play in the third.

Isom opened the Panther third with two straight baskets, and Gibson tipped in a shot to tie the game at 49. Pikeville did not take their first lead until the 5:58 mark of the third period when they went in front 54-53 on a three-point basket by Akers. Pikeville's biggest lead was seven points, 63-56, with just over two minutes to play in the third.

Howard buried a trey, Gary Hunter hit a 17-footer, Jesse Hall scored underneath and Howard on a layup to give the Rebels a 66-65

lead after three quarters.

Allen Central appeared to wear down in the fourth quarter as they were bending over and tugging at their uniforms. Pikeville took advantage of the situation and ran their way out to a 79-75 lead with 4:21 left. Allen Central had poor execution on offense and took some forced shots.

But the Rebels were not ready to throw in the towel as they fought back and tied the game at 83 on a Hunter basket with just over three minutes to play.

Akers had the hot hand for the Panthers as he scored 11 straight points for Pikeville.

With 56 seconds to play, Nick Samons hit a big basket for a 89-88 game in favor of the Panthers.

Pikeville hit six consecutive free throws down the stretch to preserve the win for coach Dave Thomas.

"I thought Allen Central got a little bit tired in the fourth quarter," said the Pikeville mentor. "I don't think they shot as good as they were in the first half."

"I told our kids we have to guard

some way. We didn't guard them in the first half. Coach Martin was telling me before the game it could be one of those 100-to-100 something games.

"I told him we couldn't score a 100 points. Well, we didn't. But they almost did."

"Allen Central is a fun team to watch. I've watched them three other times. He does a great job with them. It's hard playing against a team like Allen Central."

Coach Thomas had praise for Mims, who only scored four points.

"I though he led us out there in breaking the press," said Thomas. "Our big guys got a lot buckets on the back end of it, but it took John to get it up there to them. I'm proud of our kids and we're working hard."

Pikeville has now won seven straight games, including a shocker over Paintsville two weeks ago.

"Our kids are not real worried about who we beat and how we beat them. We're just going to try and keep getting better and better as the year goes on."

Coach Thomas said his team

went pretty much to the game plan but the Rebels' press was better than he thought.

"We made some mistakes early against it," he said. "I told our kids that Allen Central was the best in our region at the press. We couldn't press them. They are a good club."

Pikeville will meet Elkhorn City tonight in the first semifinal game.

Allen Central will stand by until next week when will face another tough opponent in Prestonsburg at the Prestonsburg Fieldhouse Tuesday night.

## MCA

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Skeans hit three and scored five while Taylor tossed in four points.

McDowell was held to two field goals in the second period with MCA taking a 21-20 halftime lead. Repuyan had four in the third. Bart Barnette hit a three-pointer.

MCA shot 36 free throws in the game as four McDowell players left the game via the foul route.

Adam Ward scored eight points for McDowell. Shane Allen had four while J.R. Zimmerman scored two as did Gearheart.

Andrew Burchett finished with eight for MCA. Scalf had five points.

Neil Newsome and Brooks finished with six points apiece for the Bobcats. Adam Tackett scored four before fouling out. Michael Gross, Dougie Kidd and Anthony Tackett had two points apiece.

Prestonsburg (10-4) improved to 2-0 in the conference. Betsy Layne dropped to 5-9 on the year and 0-4 in the district.

The Bobcats will travel to Belfry tonight while Prestonsburg goes on the road to Shelby Valley.

## Pitfall

was dropping in. Kyle Conley scored 12 points while Joe Campbell finished with 11 points, and Nathan Leslie added 10. Adam Bailey, who may be headed for ECU on a football scholarship, had two points.

Scott Collins, who walked away from the Betsy Layne bench and removed his jersey as he went to the locker room after being taken out in the fourth quarter, scored 13 points. Collins later returned to the Bobcat bench. Justin Bartley hit three three-point baskets to finish with 11 points.

Prestonsburg built a 25-point lead, 70-45, with 6:36 to play in the game. But the Blackcats seemed to relax and became unfocused on the purpose of being on the floor. The Bobcats clawed their back into the contest by cutting the lead to 10 points with a 17-2 spurt that made it 72-62 with 2:29 to play.

Prestonsburg went four minutes and 30 seconds without a field goal. Collins started the run with a great move to the basket, Bartley drained a trey, Johnson hit four consecutive free throws, Bartley connected for two, Newsome had a rebound basket and Bradley Brooks competed the run with a layup.

Prestonsburg regrouped and scored the next seven points to extend the lead back to 15 points in winning by 17.

Betsy Layne led only once in the game and that came in the opening quarter. Adam Tackett gave the Bobcats a 2-0 lead and a three-point basket by Bartley made it a 5-2 game after Leslie tied it with short jumper. Prestonsburg scored the next seven points and was never headed. They led 16-12 after one quarter.

Betsy Layne was going to live or die by the three-point shot and their poor percentage from the arch

allowed the Blackcats to take a 18-point lead at the half, 42-24.

Ortega looked like the Blackcat of old when he would slash up the middle to the basket, pull for the short jumper, or bury a three-pointer.

Wes Samons had five assists in the game and scored eight points for Prestonsburg. Keathley came off the bench and added seven points and five boards. Jarvis had 12 rebounds and three blocked shots.

## Sports

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they are above the law.

That is one of many reasons that I cannot like professional basketball. The players are living in a world of their own and anything goes.

### HOWARD, JARVIS IN TOP 10

Allen Central's Todd Howard and Prestonsburg's Andy Jarvis are ranked in the top ten in scoring. Howard is fifth in the state, scoring at a better than 26 points per game. Jarvis is sixth at 25.5 points per outing.

Jarvis is fourth among the top ten percentage leaders. He is hitting just over 71 percent of his shots.

Allen Central continues to be the state's top-scoring team with an average of 87 points per game. They ranked eighth in the scoring margin, beating their opponents by an average of 17 points.

Prestonsburg is tenth in the state in field goal percentage hitting just over 54 percent of their shots. The Blackcats trail only Hopkinsville in three-point shooting. Prestonsburg has hit just over 54 percent of their shots from the

three-point arch.

Paintsville's J.R. Vanhose is seventh in the state in scoring. He is averaging 25.5 points per game. Vanhose is averaging over 14 rebounds per game, good for fifth in the state.

### FROSH TOURNAMENT

Four teams will take part in a freshman basketball tournament at Betsy Layne's D.W. Howard Fieldhouse this Saturday beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Betsy Layne, Allen Central, South Floyd and Prestonsburg will make up the field.

### SCHEDULE NOTE...

The girls' game between Harlan and Prestonsburg will be an afternoon affair. The Lady Blackcats and Lady Green Dragons will tip it off at 2:30 p.m.

The South Floyd/June Buchanan game, scheduled for Raider Arena this Saturday will get underway at 4:30 p.m.

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

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## Players of the Week



**Todd Howard**  
Senior at Allen Central  
34 points  
4 assists  
vs. Pikeville



**Sabrina Yates**  
Senior at Betsy Layne  
26 points  
19 rebounds, 4 assists  
vs. Millard

## The Floyd County Times

(Selected by Floyd County Times Sports Editor, Ed Taylor)

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1. Richard Petty 1,184	1. Richard Petty 555	1. Richard Petty 126	1. Lee Petty 7.600
2. Dave Marcis 835	2. Bobby Allison 336	2. David Pearson 113	2. Dick Hutcheson 8.670
3. Bobby Allison 718	3. David Pearson 301	3. Cale Yarborough 70	3. Rex White 8.983
4. Darrell Waltrip 720	4. Darrell Waltrip 275	4. Bobby Allison 59	4. Herb Thomas 9.017
5. Buddy Baker 699	5. Cale Yarborough 255	4. Darrell Waltrip 59	5. Ned Jarrett 9.153
Wins	Top 10 finishes	Consecutive Races Started	Winning percentage
1. Richard Petty 200	1. Richard Petty 712	1. Terry Labonte 569*	1. Herb Thomas 21%
2. David Pearson 105	2. Bobby Allison 446	2. Dale Earnhardt 546*	Tim Flock 21%
3. Bobby Allison 84	3. Darrell Waltrip 388	3. Richard Petty 514	3. David Pearson 18%
Darrell Waltrip 84	4. Buck Baker 372	4. Ricky Rudd 506*	4. Richard Petty 17%
5. Cale Yarborough 83	5. David Pearson 366	5. Darrell Waltrip 458	5. Fred Lorenzen 16%
		*Current	Fireball Roberts 16%
			Junior Johnson 16%

### FOR THE FANS

#### Tips for Daytona Speedweeks:

In most instances, hotel rooms will cost at least twice as much as normal, and a five-day minimum requirement is not unusual.

Rates and requirements will accelerate as the Feb. 15 Daytona 500 approaches.

Alternative lodging sites: Flagler Beach, Jacksonville, DeLand, Orlando.

Activities at Daytona International Speedway constitute only part of the racing action. Short-track races (Late Models, Sprints, Midgents) abound at nearby tracks such as Volusia County, New Smyrna and St. Augustine.

Tourist attractions: Daytona USA is a must-see for race fans.

Avoid the traffic snarl on International Speedway Boulevard by finding alternate routes to the speedway.

Be sure to book rental cars well in advance.

For those spending considerable time in Daytona, condo rentals are a less expensive route than hotel accommodations.

Take precautions and be careful. Armed robbery rates rise in Daytona during Speedweeks.

Visiting the Circle Track trade show at the Daytona civic center is a popular evening activity after the races.

### RACING NEWS

## A GUIDE TO WINSTON CUP OFF-SEASON CHANGES ... SO FAR

Car No.	Change Information
1	Number Steve Park to drive for Dale Earnhardt Inc.; formerly No. 14
2	Ownership Multicar team; merger with Kranefuss-Haas
4	Driver Bobby Hamilton replaces Sterling Marlin
8	Car Chevrolet Monte Carlo replaces Ford Thunderbird
9	Sponsor Cartoon Network comes on board
11	Sponsor Paychex comes on board
13	New team Jerry Nadeau will drive for Bill Elliott, Dan Marino and FirstPlus Financial
14	Number Loy Allen to drive for Richard Jackson at Daytona; formerly No. 1
15	Return After a year's absence, Bud Moore returns with driver Tim Steele.
16	Colors Predominantly blue and gold
17	Sponsor Speedblock/Builders Square-Hechingers comes on board
23	Sponsor Winston replaces Smokin' Joe's
26	New team Johnny Benson will drive Fords for Jack Roush and Cheerios.
28	Driver Kenny Irwin replaces Ernie Irvan
30	Driver Derrike Cope replaces Johnny Benson
36	Driver Ernie Irvan replaces Derrike Cope
37	Ownership Multicar team; merger with Penske Racing South
40	Driver Sterling Marlin replaces Robby Gordon
43	Driver John Andretti replaces Bobby Hamilton
50	Number Ricky Craven switches from 25 to 50
77	Driver Robert Pressley comes on board full time
91	Driver Kevin Lepage comes on board full time
97	Car Ford Taurus replaces Pontiac Grand Prix
98	Driver Greg Sacks replaces John Andretti *

### FROM THE ARCHIVES:

#### The rich history of NASCAR

Let the record note the following coincidences in NASCAR's growth. In the year (1964) that the great Fireball Roberts, the greatest star of his era, died after a fiery Charlotte Motor Speedway crash, Richard Petty won his first championship. Petty, who by the end of the 1960s was universally known as King Richard, won the last of his seven championships in 1979. The following year Dale Earnhardt won the first of his seven.

## Nascar's low-budget premiere featured cast of unknowns

By Monte Dutton  
NASCAR This Week

CHARLOTTE — On June 19, 1949, NASCAR ran its first Strictly Stock (later Grand National, then Winston Cup) race on a 3/4-mile dirt track where now a used-truck lot stands. Jim Roper, from, of all places, Kansas, won.

Big Bill France insisted that the cars match the name of the division because he wanted the fans to identify with the vehicles they were watching. Every single entrant drove his car to the track that day, but when they began practicing, the rutted track pro-

duced more wear and tear than the stock suspensions could withstand. After more than one wheel was peeled clear off the chassis, ripping loose the bolts, France huddled with the teams and allowed them to fortify the right fronts of their cars by welding steel drums to the insides of the wheels. He insisted on the inside because he did not want the fans to notice what was going on.

"That was the first NASCAR rule change," said Tim Flock, who finished fifth.

The only major accident occurred when a stern resident of rural Randleman flipped his

Buick on the main straight, caving in the roof but emerging unscathed. Lee Petty and son Richard had driven the Buick to Charlotte but had to hitch-hike home. Petty told Flock he didn't know what he was going to tell his wife. The Buick had been her "grocery-shopping car," he said.

**NO SILVER SPOON:** While many have noted that Winston Cup's Jeff Gordon has seldom performed, at any level, in equipment that was less than first-class, it is inaccurate to proclaim that Gordon was a rich kid. By and large, stepfather John Bickford was always able to place Gordon

in top-flight equipment because the kid's talent drew the attention of prominent car owners.

In fact, when Gordon first came south to attend Buck Baker's driving school at Rockingham, he had no money to pay the tuition. A trade-out deal was arranged.

"It was embarrassing," Gordon recalled. "I wasn't old enough to buy a hotel room or rent a car, so my mom had to come with me."

The rest, as they say, is history. "From the first moment that I sat in that (stock car) cockpit, I knew exactly what I wanted to do with my career," Gordon said.

## THE WINSTON CUP CIRCUIT

### T.WAYNE ROBERTSON WILL BE MISSED

CHARLOTTE - T.Wayne Robertson disappointed many a hard-bitten journalist who sought him out expecting some sleazy caricature of the American tobacco industry.

For the record, nothing could have been further from the truth.

Robertson, the president of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco's Sports Marketing Enterprises, died in a boating accident at approximately 7 a.m. on Jan. 14 while on a hunting expedition in Vermillion Parish, La.

A nonsmoker, Robertson championed the tobacco industry's cause by heading up its gargantuan promotional support of motorsports. He

was as familiar a figure in the NASCAR garage area as Bill France Jr. or Richard Petty.

Robertson was more closely identified with Winston Cup than with Winston. He rose to an important position within the RJR-Nabisco corporate hierarchy from a bottom rung in the marketing ladder. In the early 1970s, Robertson's job was to tow a stock car decorated in Winston's red-and-gold colors around the country. The Winston No. 1 Chevrolet was a forerunner of the "show cars" that now show up at malls and dealerships all over the country.

While defending an increasingly embattled industry, Robertson seldom allowed himself to be adver-

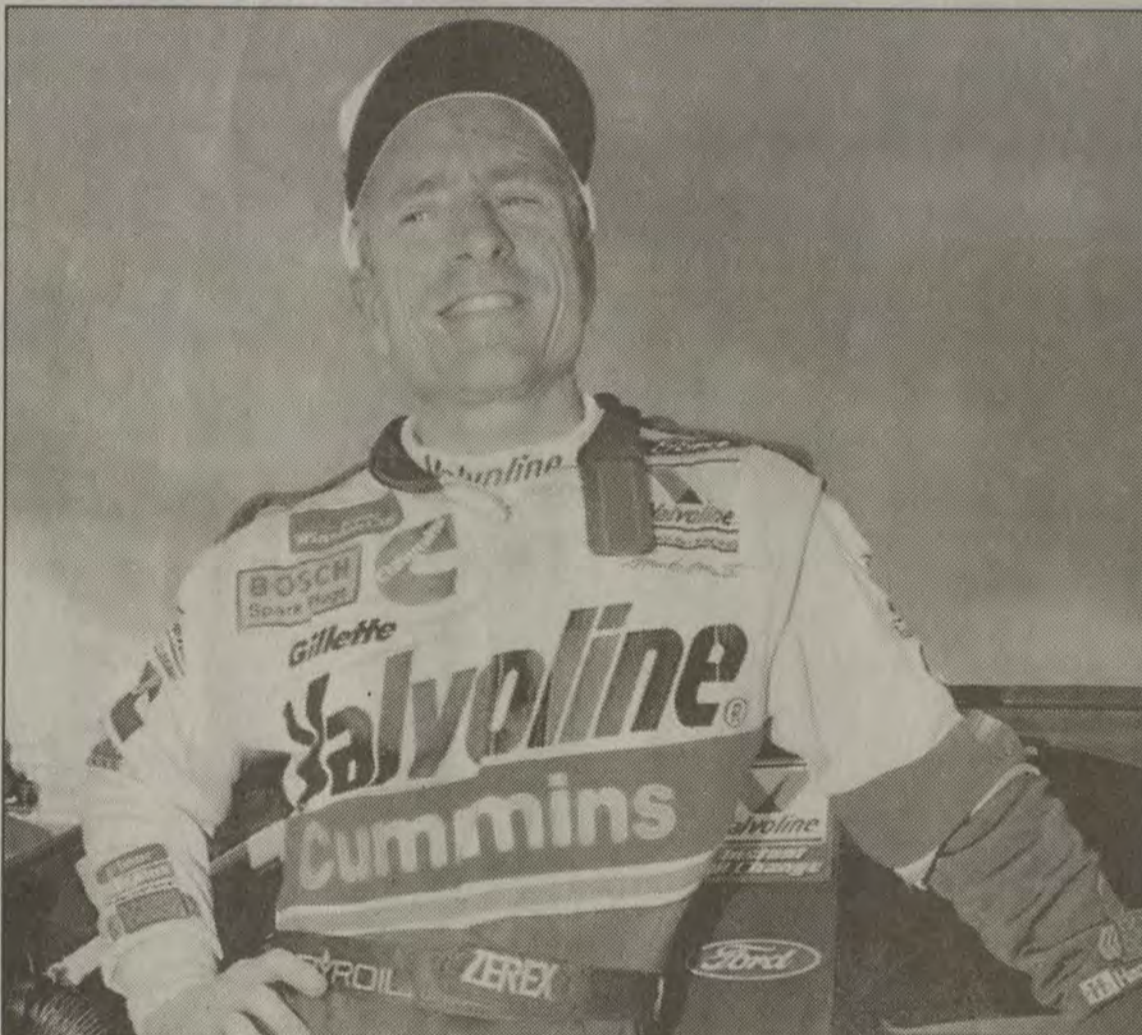
sarial. He patiently insisted that Winston had no interest in seeking out underage smokers, and that its motorsports program was directed only at increasing the company's market share among those who chose to smoke legally.

Typically, he pointed disarmingly at his own chubby build.

"Now me, I've got a problem that comes from eating too many hamburgers at McDonald's," he would say. "I know it's not good for me, and I try to keep it under control. But should the government tell me what I can and can't do? I don't think so. I think there are rights the government should not limit. It's un-American."

### PROFILE

## Mark Martin



Monte Dutton/NASCAR This Week

Mark Martin talks NASCAR this week.

**Mark Martin is coming off the finest year of his career.**

Martin was the third-place finisher in one of the more competitive Winston Cup title races in history. He won four races and also captured the International Race of Champions title. In addition, Martin became the all-time leader in Busch Grand National victories with 32, eclipsing the mark of 31 set by retired Jack Ingram.

**AGE:** 39

**WIFE:** Arlene.

**CHILDREN:** Amy, 25; Rachel, 23; Heather, 23; Stacey, 19; Matthew Clyde, 5.

**HOMETOWN:** Grew up in Batesville, Ark.; resides in Daytona Beach, Fla.

**CAR:** No. 6 Valvoline Ford Taurus, owned by Jack Roush.

**CAREER RECORD:** 347 starts, 22 wins, 34 poles, more than \$15 million in earnings.

**HOW HECTIC IS IT TO RACE THE DAYTONA 500 WITH A BRAND-NEW RACE CAR?** "The Daytona 500 comes at the wrong end of the year. I'd rather have the Super Bowl at the end of the year if we could. We've done our best, but we are expecting to go to Daytona with the Taurus and not be as competitive as with the Thunderbird."

**DO YOU WISH YOU WERE STILL DRIVING THE THUNDERBIRD?** "No. The Taurus is going to be a great race car, but it takes time. The focus is on a car that is still under development. We're getting ready, and we're working as hard as we possibly can. We don't

expect to be at a disadvantage anywhere except Daytona and Talladega."

**WHY DON'T YOU JUST RUN A THUNDERBIRD AT THOSE TRACKS?** "Ford Motor Co. wants us to run the Taurus, and there is no chance we will run the Thunderbird. We're just going to work as hard as we possibly can and hope for the best."

**DOES IT FRUSTRATE YOU THAT YOU HAVE NEVER WON THE WINSTON CUP CHAMPIONSHIP?** "More important to me is the fact that my car owner, Jack Roush, has never won the championship. To the extent that I yearn for a championship, the vast majority of that desire is based on the fact that I want to win one for Jack."

### YOUR TURN

READERS ASK THE QUESTIONS

Dear NASCAR This Week, I am a big fan of Jeff Gordon. I think he is the greatest that has come along in a long time. Why can't some of these booing people see this? He doesn't get any more favors than anyone else.

Inez South  
Bessemer City, N.C.

Dear NASCAR Fan, One thing you have to remember is that there are more than 40 cars in every Winston Cup race, meaning that when a driver like Gordon wins a lot of races, he tends to be opposed by fans of all the other drivers. Gordon has a considerable number of fans, and eventually we think the booing will subside.

Dear NASCAR This Week, I was a long-time fan of Lee Petty, then went on to pull for Richard Petty. I was never much on Kyle because of his hippie ways, but would like to know how Kyle let Felix Sabates wind up with Lee's number, 42.

Pete Crenshaw  
Gastonia, N.C.

Dear NASCAR Fan, As soon as Sabates became the owner of a car wearing No. 42, the number became his, at least by the way NASCAR determines such things. If and when Sabates decides to give up the number, it will go out of circulation until another owner requests it. Kyle Petty decided to take No. 44 when he left Sabates. Knowing the two men, we doubt Sabates would have kept the number had Kyle wanted it.

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

### ON THE MARKET

A NASCAR-inspired Monopoly game has blossomed into a big seller since it was introduced before Christmas. While available in many stores, the game is on sale at race tracks, in souvenir trailers, at motorsports trade shows and in hobby shops.

### TRIVIA

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1. What NASCAR race winner died in a Hickory, N.C., hotel fire on Nov. 13, 1955?
2. What second-generation driver won the Busch Grand National Championship in 1986-87?
3. Who was the truck driver that made his debut in Richard Petty's final race?

1. Buddy Shuman, 2. Larry Pearson, 3. Jeff Gordon

### AROUND THE GARAGE

### RACING ON THE WEB

Tim Richmond Memorial [www.geocities.com/MotOrCity/6024/trichmond.html](http://www.geocities.com/MotOrCity/6024/trichmond.html)

Overview: An extraordinary tribute to the legendary Richmond, who won 13 races between 1981 and 1987 before dying of AIDS at age 34 in 1989. Well-written bio and photo gallery of a great driver who, because of the awful circumstances of his death, has been virtually blacklisted by NASCAR. Weak points: None we could uncover.

**Screeeeech KABOOOOM!** Last week's bio of Phil Parsons featured a photo of ... Kenny Irwin Jr.?!?! We were just ... um ... testing your Nascar savvy! Yeah, that's it! But seriously: We apologize to the parties involved and to any of you who have already lithographed and framed last week's head shot and hung it over your bar.

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**PAINTBALL SUPPLIES:** Pawn Shop II, Highland Plaza 886-1247. Pawn Shop, Appletree Plaza 789-5276.

**FOR SALE:** Gibson guitar model #J200 with amplifier and case 886-2222.

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FOR RENT: Small, nice, clean, efficiency apartment. Electric, heat, air, furnished. \$165/month. Deposit required. Utilities extra. 886-6208.

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FOR RENT: 1 Bedroom Trailer. Good location. Real clean, private, near Prestonsburg and Lake. Utilities partly paid. 886-3941.

TRAILER FOR RENT: 2 BR, all electric. Newly remodeled. 285-3980.

TWO BEDROOM TRAILER FOR RENT at McDowell: Will accept HUD. Call 377-2400 or 285-9379.

ONE BEDROOM TRAILER: All utilities furnished. \$ 3 5 0 / m o n t h . Prestonsburg area. Private. 285-3061.

FOR RENT: Two trailers, clean, private. Call 886-0479 after 6:00 PM.

TRAILER FOR RENT: 1 BR at Bema in Knott County. Washer, dryer, stove, refrigerator, and water furnished. 946-2529 or 358-9617.

FOR RENT: 2 BR Trailer. Located near Clark School on Rt. 114 \$275/month + utilities. Available Feb. 9th. 606-285-9991 leave message.

TWO BEDROOM TRAILER FOR RENT: C/Air and Heat. In Auxier. 275/month \$100 Dep. 886-8895.

FOR RENT: Mobile Home on private lot. Two bedroom, refrigerator, and stove included. Must have references and deposit. Call 358-9142.

FOR RENT: Two - Three bedroom mobile home located on Cow Creek. \$375/month includes gas heat. Security deposit required. Call 874-2802 J. Davis.

FOR RENT: New model 14' x 65'. 2-bedroom, 2 bath, mobile home. Total electric. Stove and refrigerator, new carpet. Between Prestonsburg and Paintsville on old US. 23. Also have lots for rent. Call 886-9007.

AKERS TRAILER COURT in New Allen has several trailers for rent. 1 1/2 to 2 bedrooms. Call 874-8978 or 874-8039 after 5 p.m.

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**Mobile Home Lots For Rent**

LARGE PRIVATE TRAILER LOT with farm setting. All hookups available. \$145/month, \$145 deposit. Call 606-789-9428.

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TRAILER LOT FOR RENT: Contact 874-0440.

**Employment Available**

AVON: BUY OR SELL. Call Jancy at 886-2082.

LOOKING FOR TRUCK DRIVER: CDL License with hazmat. Experience required. Call 886-8123.

SERVICE TECHNICIAN: Additional Field Technician needed in the Pikeville/Prestonsburg

area. Now available for an individual with Electronics background and Mechanical aptitude. Excellent benefits package included. Call Service Manager for an Appointment, VanDyke, Inc., PO Box 2618, Ashland, KY 41105-2618, (800)826-3755.

MARTIN COUNTY HOME HEALTH / MINGO - WAYNE HOME HEALTH is now accepting applications for a Speech / Language Pathologist, Occupational Therapist and Physical Therapist. Applicant must be licensed in West Virginia and Kentucky. Service area is Mingo and Wayne counties in West Virginia and Martin County in Kentucky. Attractive benefits package available. May work full or part-time. If interested, please contact Madge May, RN, Assistant Administrator at 606-298-7748. Martin County Home Health is an equal opportunity employer.

WE HAVE POSITIONS AVAILABLE: Part-time to begin, office cleaning, floor maintenance, etc. Nights, days, and weekends. To receive consideration, submit brief resume to: Service Master, PO Box 244, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. No phone calls will be accepted.

**OFFICE MANAGER/SECRETARY**  
JOB REQUIREMENTS:  
Top computer and secretarial skills. Also requires an ability to work with diverse personalities. This is a full-time job with daily working hours of 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday-Friday. Job is located in Prestonsburg KY. Please send Resume with Cover Letter to Box 22, Prestonsburg, KY.

MICROSTATION TECHNICIAN: Progressive Eastern Kentucky based Civil Engineering firm has an immediate opening for an expert MicroStation Technician. Knowledge of and extensive experience with MicroStation V5.0 (or later) is a requirement. Salary dependent upon abilities. Call 606-436-2151 for an appointment or fax Resume to 606-436-2291.

ENGINEER: Progressive Eastern Kentucky based Civil Engineering firm has an immediate opening for an Engineer with Highway Design Experience. P.E. preferred, E.I.T. acceptable if proper experience/expertise. MicroStation experience a definite plus. Salary dependent upon abilities. Call 606-436-2151 for an appointment or fax Resume to 606-436-2291.

SEEKING A MOTIVATED ROUTE SALES PERSON to sale and deliver hot beverage products to the food service industry to the Eastern KY area. Requires great personality as well as some mechanical aptitude. We offer a competitive salary, commissions, company vehicle, and full benefits package. Send resume to: Consumers Choice Coffee, PO Box 32364, Louisville, KY 40232.

POSITION AVAILABLE: Dental Assistant. Experience preferred. Benefits include: paid vacation, holidays, and retirement plan. PO Box 444, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

SALES POSITION: Energetic, self motivated, go getter to sell cheer leading & dance uniforms to schools & youth groups. Draw + comm. \$30K + potential. Send resume to: PepQuarters, 4535 Poplar Level Road, Louisville Ky. 40213.

JOB OPPORTUNITY: Health Careers/Special Projects Coordinator The Southeast Area Health Education Center, a regional health education agency responsible for 16 counties in SE KY, is now accepting application for a health careers, providing health education programming in schools, and coordinating a summer health screening project with health professions students. Some knowledge of the health care system and familiarity with principles of community health and adult education helpful. A bachelor's degree in health education, community health, education or a related discipline required, master's degree preferred. Must demonstrate competence in planning, organizational skills, verbal and written communication, computer knowledge and ability to manage a variety of complex tasks. Residence within general vicinity of Prestonsburg required. Salary range: 25-28K depending on experience and background, excellent benefits. Submit resume to Karkie Tackett, Assistant Center Director, SE AHEC, 100 Medical Center Drive, Hazard, KY 41701.

AVAILABLE JANUARY 1: The Lexington Herald-Leader has a morning newspaper route available in the Paintsville/Louisa area. Route takes about four hours daily with an approximate profit potential of \$1,200 monthly. Dependable transportation and ability to post cash refundable bond required. Call 1-800-484-5577, ext. 7192.

AKC REGISTERED GOLDEN RETRIEVER PUPPIES: Six weeks old with shots. \$200 each 606-358-9743.

CHOCOLATE LABRADOR RETRIEVER PUPPIES for sale: AKC registered. 285-0273.

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LOOKING FOR WORK: Tree trimming of any kind. Also, Gutter and hillside cleaning, light hauling & fire wood for sale. Please call 886-8350.

**Work Wanted**

LOCAL CHURCH has opening for an organist. Anyone interested should mail resume to: General Delivery, 8097, KY. RT. 1428, Allen, KY 41601.

WANTED: Someone to care for elderly lady in Betsy Layne area. Part-time a live-in. Call 478-2614.

WANTED: Nurses and other licensed health professionals. Would you like to get away from the cold and snow? Would you like to keep that small town life style and live just 40 minutes from the beach and 2 hours from Orlando? Would you like to live near the lake where the crappie and bass fishing is great? You can talk to a local nurse who made the move and loves it.

NEED SOMEONE for live-in 285-3536 for more information.

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Call Clarissa Hall at 941-467-7052 if I'm not home, we've gone fishing so leave a message and I will call you back.

**Social Security Claims Services**

TURNED DOWN ON SOCIAL Security/SSI? Free Consultation. 1-800-896-1130. No fee unless we win your case.

**Computer Consultant**

CBT FOR CONSULTING on your computer needs for your home or office. Did Santa bring you a computer for Christmas? Need help hooking up or programming? Call CBT today at 886-8494.

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MARTIN CITY CAB Need a ride? Can't drive? We have fast service, friendly drivers serving all Floyd County and surrounding areas. Call 285-0320. Medicaid accepted. Judy Barnett, owner.

EAST KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION INC. Taxi Service. Friendly and courteous service, reasonable rates. Medicaid accepted. Wheelwright: 452-2402 Allen: 874-8546.

CHIMNEY CLEANING SERVICES AND PAINTING CO.: R.A. Taylor, professional interior with references. 886-8453.

**Mobile Home Movers**

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**Help Wanted**

HELP WANTED: Earn up to \$500 per week assembling products at home. No experience. INFO 1-504-646-1700 DEPT. KY-2276. (1-30-98)

AVON, FREE sample and products with start-up kit, only \$20. Call 1-800-840-4902.

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REMODELING SPECIALIST: Carpentry, electrical, masonry, vinyl and stucco. Charles Scott 874-9462.

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CONTRACTING: Boyd Contracting. Roofs, decks, porches. Home building and remodeling. Contract or by the hour. 478-1764 or 478-4230.

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**Miscellaneous**

VISIT THE LARGEST PANELING CENTER in Eastern Kentucky at Goble Lumber. Over 80 different prefinished panels in stock and as low as \$4.95 per panel. Call Goble Lumber, 874-9281.

**Flooring**

FLOOR COVERING, INSTALLATION, CARPET, HARDWOOD, CERAMIC TILE, AND VINYL. 377-2762 or 285-9887.

**Tree Service**

TREE CUTTING AND TRIMMING, Topping, brush removal, land clearing, etc. Large or small jobs. Free estimates. Call 874-9271

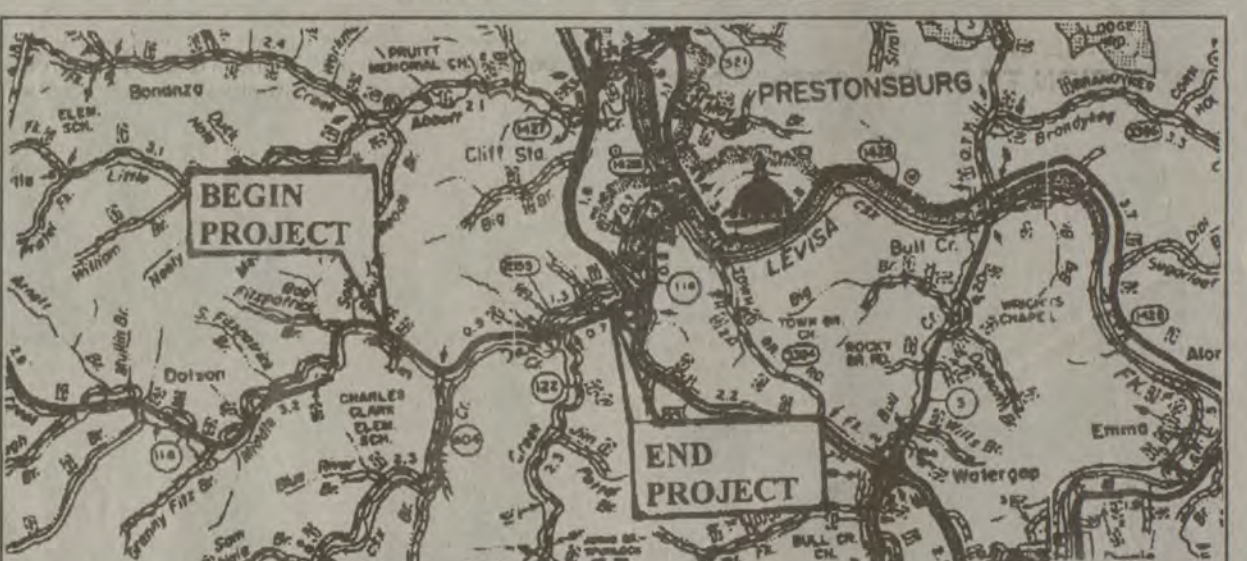
**Reward Offered**

LOST CHOCOLATE FEMALE LABRADOR RETRIEVER with red collar. Last seen in the Maytown area. Answers to the name of Brandi. 285-0273.

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OLD POCKET WATCHES, WRIST WATCHES, GOLD RINGS, ANY SCRAP GOLD. Will pay top dollar. 587-2946.

To place your ad in the classifieds, call Jen at 886-8506.



**LEGAL NOTICE FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING**  
FLOYD COUNTY (KY 114)  
RELOCATION FROM 1/2 MILE WEST OF CLARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO US 23  
FD04 036 0114 009-012  
ITEM NO. 12-296.0

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways has scheduled a Public Information Meeting for Thursday, January 29, 1998, from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at the Charles Clark Elementary School in Prestonsburg. The purpose of this meeting is to offer all interested persons the opportunity to become fully informed about the purpose of and need for the proposed highway project, its location and design features and to obtain from the public, comments, information, and recommendations on the proposed project. The public is invited to attend and encouraged to express viewpoints, opinions and ideas on this roadway improvement proposal and the affects it may have on the social, economic, and environmental resources of the area. Project exhibits, maps, right of way acquisition and relocation assistance information, and other pertinent data will be available at the Public Meeting and for a period of 15 days following the Public Meeting, at the Pikeville District Office.

This is an informal Public Meeting, which allows for attendance at any time between the hours of 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. The Transportation Cabinet and project Consulting Engineering Personnel will be available for questions on an individual basis. Handouts will be available at the meeting describing the objectives of the Public Meeting, the project purpose and need; the general project location, and the recommended design features. Oral and written statements will be accepted at the Public Meeting, and will be accepted, for a period of 15 days following the Public Meeting, at the Pikeville District Office, 101 North Mayo Trail, Pikeville, Ky. 41502. All statements and comments provided in conjunction with this Public Meeting will be considered by the Transportation Cabinet in the decision making process for the advancement of the project.

Once compiled, the summary from this Public Meeting and other supporting documentation will be made available for review and copying only after an Open Records Request has been received and approved. All Open Records Requests must be submitted to the Transportation Cabinet, Department of Administrative Services, State Office Building, Frankfort, Kentucky 40622.

In accordance with the "Americans With Disabilities Act," if you have a disability for which the Transportation Cabinet needs to provide accommodations, please notify Berita Castle in the Pikeville District Office at (606) 433-7791, by January 23, 1998. This request does not have to be in writing.

Charles W. Reichenbach, P.E.  
Chief District Engineer  
District #12-Office  
Kentucky Transportation Cabinet  
Department of Highways  
P.O. Box 2468  
Pikeville, Kentucky 41502

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant To Application Number (836-5325), Renewal**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Branham & Baker Coal Company, Inc., P.O. Box 271, 148 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 0.57 mile west of Wayland in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 3.87 surface acres and will underlie 739.85 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 743.72 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.61 mile west from KY Rt. 1086's junction with KY Rt. 7. The nearest stream is the Right Fork of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37° 26' 46". The longitude is 82° 49' 03".

The proposed operation is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Consolidation Coal Company of Kentucky. The operation will underlie land owned by: Ransom and Mary Marcum, Junior Martin, Jerome Messer, Tom Martin, Knott County Land Company and Consolidation Coal Company of Kentucky.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Ky. 40601. F-1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application 836-5273 Amendment No. 3**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Richardson Fuel, Inc., 16232 US Route 23, Catlettsburg, KY 41129 has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining operation and reclamation operation located 0.6 mile west of Hueysville in Floyd County. The amendment will add 6.0 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 3.5 acres making a total area of 890.4 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.3 mile east from Sayers Branch Road junction with SR 7 and located 0.07 south of Saltlick Creek. The latitude is 37° 29' 39". The longitude is 82° 51' 07".

The proposed amendment is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will underlie land owned by Norman Allen Heirs, Ben Combs, Stewart Howard, Dallas Cox Estate, Gordon Howard, Kelly Howard, Norma Martin, Juanita Cox, Barry L. Combs, and Arlie Jackson.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or request for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

F-1/16, W-1/21, F-1/23, W-1/28

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Clyde Boyd, H.C. 74, Box 635, Dana, KY 41615, has filed an application with the Natural

Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to propose to fill an area above the 100 year flood level and construct a bridge for access purposes. The property is located approximately 0.75 mile south of the junction of Route 23 and Route 1426 near Prater Creek of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

W-1/21, F-1/23

**EMPLOYMENT NOTICE**

Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Inc. is seeking to fill the position of a Program Manager. Applicants must have a Bachelor's + degree and 3+ years of office and/or personnel management experience preferably, but not necessarily in the transit, governmental, non-profit business. Salary shall be contingent on experience and education. All Resumes must be received no later than 3:00 p.m., Friday, January 23, 1998, at SVTS, 80 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1842. Voice: 606-886-1936/800-444-7433 Fax: 606-886-7039 E-mail: svts@itiseasy.com Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer. M/F/D

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Kimberly R. Hunt of 1334 Fk. Island Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is The Dew Drop Inn. The nature of the business will be beer by drink, bar/store, carry-out, juke box, band, arcade machines, pinball machines, pool table.

Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicants

lacks good moral character, or whether the applicants will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk no later than January 26, 1998, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information. Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for January 26, 1998, at the hour of 2:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit. Keith Bartley Floyd County Attorney W-1/21, F-1/23

**NOTICE**

The City of Prestonsburg will be accepting sealed bids on the following surplus property.

- 1—1985 Ford 4 Door (police cruiser)
- 2—1986 Ford 4 Door (police cruiser)
- 1—Sun Diagnostic Engine Tester (Interogater)
- 1—Elgin Sweeper Body

Bids will be accepted till 1/30/98, 4:00 p.m., City Hall.

If you wish to see the items listed—they can be seen at the City Garage, 8:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m., Mon.-Friday.

F&W-1/24, 1/28

**NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE**

Permit No. 836-0261 Lodestar Energy, Inc., 251 Tollage Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, gives notice blasting operations will be conducted on its coal mine permit of approximately 1084.30 surface acres owned by David Mayo and Dr. Porter Mayo, E.B. Sr. and Mary B. May Estate, David and Lois May, Eugene and Annis Goble, Woodrow

and Narcie Burchett, Jonah and Norma Stepp, M and M Enterprises, Joe and Margaret Spradlin and Mary Damron, S. P. Davidson Heirs, 3JM Company, Inc., Maurice Mayo, Wanda G. Hamilton, Et. al. Greg Horn, Taulby Fraley and Mary McGuire, H.L. Mayo Jr., Clifford Latta, et. al., Lonza Bowling, Martha Hager, Clyde D. F. R. Williams, Sallie Goble, Everett Kendrick Heirs, David and Della Clifton, Karden D. and Brent Clark, Dr. David White, Deway Lake Fish and Game, City of Prestonsburg, Julian and George Perry, and H.D. Fitzpatrick.

Said operation is located approximately 0.75 mile north west from KY 1428's junction with KY 3, and located 0.1 mile east of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River. The latitude is 37 deg. 41 min. 06 sec. The longitude is 82 deg. 45 min. 17 sec. Detonations of explosives will occur from sunrise to sunset. Entry blasting area will be regulated by signs and barriers. An authorized company representative will prohibit access to the blasting area by unauthorized person at least (10) ten minutes before each detonation. Before each blast is detonated, the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, three (3) long sounds of an air horn or siren; immediately before blast, three (3) short sounds of an air horn or siren. The all clear signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) long blast of an air horn or siren. These signals will be audible within one half mile of the blasting site. Events which could necessitate blasting at unscheduled times include, but are not limited to rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or deteriorated explosives which involve personnel, operational or public safety. Any major alteration of this blasting schedule will be published. This notice is published pursuant to KAR 405 and the regulations relating thereto, Kentucky Permit Number 836-0261 MSHA I. D. Number 15-17327. The attached sample blasting schedule will be published at least 10 days but not more than 30 days prior to the beginning of

blasting. The schedule will be published in the Floyd County Times.

The public utilities, residents within 1/2 mile radius of the operation

perimeter, DSMRE Prestonsburg Regional Office and Local govern-

ments will be mailed copies of the blasting schedule.

**Natasha's Stars**

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) It's a great week for visiting with friends. Though you're in top form in presenting your ideas, some you deal with may be evasive or guarded in their opinions.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) You'll want time for some private concerns. In fact, time by yourself leads to insightful thinking. It's a good time to shop, but you may be a tad critical over the weekend.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) There's a decided accent on leisure interests. You may take up a new hobby; others will meet with a new romance. Guard against careless spending over the weekend.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) The early part of the week will bring welcome career developments, but later, you may run into a few snags. Details need special tending. Accent family life this weekend.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Though it's a great week for couples to go out somewhere together, you could spoil things. You're too fixed in your way of thinking and perhaps overly critical of others.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) It's a good time to meet with bankers and deal with residential concerns. Work interests should also go well. Try to avoid frivolous spending over the weekend.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) It's a good week to meet with a child's teachers. Partners work well as a team, but at work, you may get bogged down with details. Don't dally over inconsequentials.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Things will progress nicely for you in business this week, but a partner or relative may feel you're not

paying them enough attention. Try to save time this weekend for close ties.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) You and a partner think alike this week. However, mixed trends affect your social picture this weekend. A minor difference may arise with a friend or you meet with envy.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Research about investment matters leads to good insights this week. Behind-the-scenes moves are favored in business, but guard against flippant speech this weekend.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) A new cultural interest may intrigue you this week.

Treat higher-ups with the proper respect. Social life is fun, but be sure to meet a partner halfway this weekend.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) An early start this week puts you ahead of the competition. Be alert for new opportunities. You shouldn't discuss your financial affairs with a friend who talks too much.

**Diane Amantea's Commentary**

**FROM THE MAILBAG:** Jeremiah C. of Roswell, Ga., writes: "It is your right to reveal your ignorance and stupidity, as you did when you shifted (in an anti-abortion column) to criticism of President Clinton and his wife, Hillary. To refer to them as 'the Lyin' King, Bill Clinton, and his phony wife, Hillary' is inexcusable. Then you go on to sneer at their 'running around the country, screaming about how we have to save our children, etc., etc.'" and "They don't really give a hoot about children, or anyone else for that matter."

"It may be that you are truly uninformed about the Clintons' efforts to see that women are provided education and counseling help during pregnancy, health services for them and their infants. You surely know, but choose to ignore, their efforts to provide children health insurance and educational opportunities from preschool through two years of college."

Dear Jeremiah: You missed my point entirely. I was pointing out the hypocrisy of the Clintons claiming they care for children when they willingly support the murder of helpless babies in the womb every day. Worse still, they support that hideous procedure, partial

birth abortion. If you really care for children, you care for all of them, not just the ones outside the womb!

Linnea B. of Princeton, Ill., writes: "In the past few weeks, I have read several articles on the Promise Keepers, and yours, by far, was honest and true!"

"My entire family are strong believers in the Promise Keepers and many were in attendance in Washington, D.C. (including my husband) ... This leads me to these so-called 'women' who felt the need to protest and harass. Is it boredom or just plain ignorance? If they would shut their traps and listen for a change, they would see what Promise Keepers is all about ... In fact, two of these women actually DID attend for a short time and they strolled through the crowd of men

TOPLESS. The surrounding men all turned their backs on these women (which I N.O.W. call PIGS). These men get applause from me ... Even if the Promise Keepers were 'strictly' for men, so what? Do you think Patricia Ireland shouts out, 'John ... Mark ... Bob ...' at her roll calls?"

Dear Linnea: Those women who went to this solemn event topless were right on the mark. After all, there's nothing much going on up top is there? Brainless would be a better description! And, kudos to you and your family! Thumbs up to Promise Keepers!

Send comments to Diane Amantea, King Features Weekly Service, 235 East 45th Street, New York, N.Y. 10017, or e-mail the editor: deckert@hearst.com.

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# "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. Crider

**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.

**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, (Branham's Creek Road), telephone 587-2043; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Youth Meeting, 5:30 p.m.; Evening Services, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Ronnie W. Blair.

**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.

**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**, Rt. 80, Martin; Wednesday Seminary at 6:00 p.m.; Young Men and Women at 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Relief Society/Priesthood, 9:30 a.m.; Sacrament Service, 11:20 a.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.; 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 Vamey.

**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 Crider.

**PRESTONSBURG**  
**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. Jeit.

**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 p.m.; 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**, 60 S. Arnold Ave., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00; Morning Worship, 11:00; Evening Worship, 7:00; Wed. Prayer Meeting, 7:00; Sun., WPRT AM, 11:00; Radio Broadcast WXXZ 105.5 FM; 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, Sperm 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.

**Priesthood/Relief Society**, 9:30 a.m. Sunday; Sunday School, 10:20; Sacrament, 11:30 a.m.; Wednesday evening, Mutual Activities, 7 p.m.; Seminary, 6 p.m.

**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 Bays 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**  
**Faith Revaltion 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 Hagans.

**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 Isaac.

**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; Wednesday Worship, 7 p.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Worship, 11:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 7 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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