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Mullins testifies at hearing

Floyd Board Chairman Jody Mullins testified during his ouster hearing last week in Frankfort that he and fellow board member B.J. Newsome had tried to make positive changes in the troubled school system. Steve Wolnitzek, attorney for Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody, questioned Mullins about his actions. (photo by Susan Allen)

State opts for suspensions over ousters of board pair

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

A quorum of the Kentucky Board of Education recommended Friday that Floyd County School Board Members Jody Mullins and B.J. Newsome be suspended from their seats for six months and receive training in management and finance.

The state board's decision came after a three-day hearing last week in Frankfort, where Mullins and Newsome faced charges of official misconduct, willful neglect of duty and non-feasance.

The board found the two guilty of non-feasance in office and cleared them on the misconduct and neglect of duty charges.

Hearing officer Ann Scheadel read the board's recommendations,

which will not be effective until a written order is prepared and the findings are adopted by the full state board. The state board is set to begin meeting February 3 in Frankfort.

Six state board members—Laken Cosby, Alcie Combs, Mar-

peal the decision.

Attorney Steve Wolnitzek, who represented Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody, who brought the charges, said he thought the state board wanted to give the two an opportunity to "become good board members."

"Perhaps this process will get their attention," Wolnitzek said. Maybe they will recognize they need to get things moving."

During closing arguments, attorney Jerry Patton, who represented Mullins and Newsome, said the two board members stepped into a difficult situation in January 1997 and the two did not seek the offices for "monetary gain or glory."

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Law says Newsome ineligible for board

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

After dodging an ouster attempt last week by state Education Commissioner Wilmer Cody, it appears that Floyd County School Board Member B.J. Newsome has ousted himself from the board.

On Monday, Newsome filed nomination papers for the District Three County Commissioner seat, which makes him ineligible to serve as a board member.

Newsome said Monday evening that he was going to contact the attorney general's office for an opinion on the issue.

State education officials declined to comment and said they are reviewing the situation.

Newsome avoided ouster from the office after three days of hearings last week when a tribunal of the State School Board found him and board chairman Jody Mullins guilty of nonfeasance. The panel recommended the two be suspended from their seats for six months; attend all board meetings as observers; and that they obtain additional training in man-

(See Newsome, page two)

Primary ballot races are finalized

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

The stage has been set for the battle between the Democrats in the May Primary Election, but all the players in the November election most likely won't be known until August.

Tuesday's filing deadline for candidates for county offices passed with a few latecomers filing against some incumbents, but all candidates could have opposition come November.

County Clerk Carla Boyd ex-

plained that potential candidates wanting to run as Independents have until April 27 to change their voter registrations, and will have until August 11 to file for office.

Since an Independent political party is not sanctioned in the county, candidates for the Independent ticket do not have to run in a primary election, Boyd said. The April 27 date to change party registration was set because there wasn't an election in the state last year, she said.

"I think it's just starting," Boyd said referring to the political races

in the county.

There was a small flurry of filings Tuesday afternoon as courthouse regulars rushed through the halls with voter registration cards.

Despite rumors that a mysterious candidate dubbed "El Beano," would file nomination papers at 3:59 p.m. Tuesday, no such character arrived to file at the appointed hour.

Final Democrat and Republican filings are:

County Judge-Executive
• Democrat— Incumbent Ben Hale of Blue River; Paul Hunt

Thompson of Wheelwright; Sandy Woods of Prestonsburg; and Dale McKinney of Martin.

• Republican— Randy N. Osborne of Prestonsburg.

County Clerk

• Democrat— Incumbent Carla "Robinson" Boyd of Eastern; Bonnie Shepherd of Prestonsburg; and Judge Martin Hale of Martin.

Sheriff

• Democrat— John K. Blackburn of Prestonsburg; Denver Spurluck of Prestonsburg; Arthur Kilburn Jr. of Martin; and Lloyd G. Powers of Auxier.

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• Democrat— Incumbent Roger Webb of Prestonsburg; Mark Vernon Hicks of McDowell; and Morgan Joseph of Prestonsburg.

County Commissioner District One

• Democrat— Gerald DeRossett of Prestonsburg; Avery Lowe of Prestonsburg; Roger Rowe of Prestonsburg; Jerome Greathouse of West Prestonsburg; Jackie D. Rice of East Point; and David Lee Burchett of Auxier.

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Martin counting on loan, taxes to save 'broke' city

by Susan Allen
Staff Writer

A shortfall in Martin's annual insurance premium tax and a problem-plagued sewer system have left the city broke and, unless a loan can be obtained, city services may have to be cut.

At Monday's city council meeting, Mayor Alan Whicker presented the grim news to council and a packed meeting hall.

Most of the audience members wanted to voice concerns about council's passage of five ordinances earlier this month, which either levied new taxes or raised rates of existing taxes.

Whicker said that the city is \$19,000 short of being able to pay current expenses and the city payroll.

"We can borrow the money to meet this month's bills in anticipation that next month will be better, but I can't tell you it will," Whicker said. "The bank is the only alternative."

Whicker explained that the insurance premium tax, which was raised this month to 11 percent of first year's premiums, is not a fixed rate and has failed to generate the same revenues as last year. He added that he has enacted a

spending freeze.

"It's not hard to put on a freeze when there's no money," Whicker said.

Whicker asked city attorney Tim Parker if he knew of any other alternatives than to apply for a bank loan.

"I volunteer to forego my salary until you can comfortably pay me," Parker said. "I don't know what you can do."

Councilman Rick Caudill asked how the city would repay the loan.

Parker said the city cannot end the fiscal year on June 30 with a

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City jumps river to annex mayor's land

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

The Prestonsburg City Council conducted the first reading of an ordinance Monday to annex property, part of which was recently purchased by Mayor Jerry Fannin, into the city limits.

The property, located near Stephens Branch, is "suitable for development for urban purposes and is contiguous to the current city limits," the ordinance states.

The proposed annexation involves crossing the Big Sandy River to reach the eleven-acre site, which is approximately two-thirds of a mile beyond the existing city boundary at Cliff.

Annexation laws require property to be annexed to be adjacent or contiguous to existing city boundaries.

The ordinance says the mayor, one of the property owners, has consented to the annexation, and that the other property owners

should be notified before the council considers a second reading.

Approximately three months after purchasing the property, the mayor requested that it be annexed into the city's limits.

City attorney Paul Burchett said Tuesday that a list of the other property has not been filed, but added he had the names of the other owners in his head.

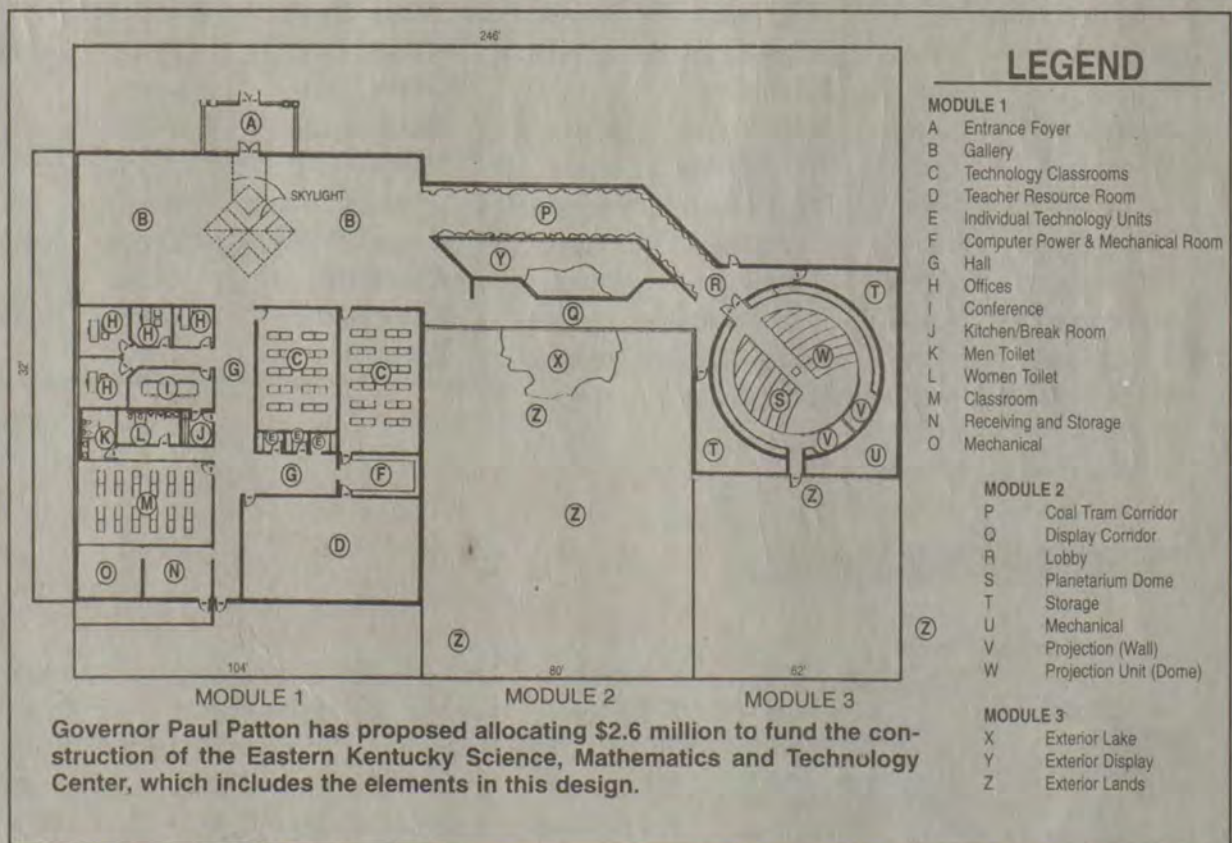
The city attorney said his "search" at the PVA's office reveals that there were only two known

property owners, Mayor Fannin and the state highway department, for the area proposed for annexation. Burchett noted that a section of the land is unclaimed.

"The state won't consent (to the annexation)," Burchett said Tuesday. "They won't resist it, but they won't consent."

State law requires that annexation notices be sent to each property owner listed on the county's

(See Annexation, page two)



Science, tech center makes governor's top 40 list

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

A project by the East Kentucky Center for Science, Mathematics, and Technology to build a technology center is ranked 29th on Governor Paul Patton's surplus expenditure plan.

Monday, Patton recommended awarding \$2.6 million to the project, which will broaden the horizons of students around the region.

"We've got a good shot at it. It's ranked high enough for us to get it," John Rosenberg, chairman of the science center's board of directors, said Tuesday.

"There's no reason a child from here can't be a Bill Gates of the next century," Rosenberg said. "It's the future for here. It's a great resource for the region. We can do the things we could only imagine."

The facility will house an exhibition area for both permanent and traveling exhibits. Interactive displays will give students hands-on experience with science technology, according to Rosenberg, who has degrees in science and law.

A technology resource center will be available for science teachers and students who are pursuing careers in science-related fields, Rosenberg said.

A dome-shaped planetar-

(See Center, page two)

Center

ium/multi-media area will give students a close-up look at the stars and at natural habitats. The large projection screens can also be used for other areas of teaching.

Annexation

(Continued from page one) property valuation administrator's (PVA) records for the year which the ordinance will be enacted.

The law also stipulates that the notices must be mailed no later than 14 days prior to the second reading of the ordinance.

In other action Monday, the city council approved the first reading of an ordinance which establishes fees and a rotation roster for wrecker services called by the city dispatcher.

The council apparently determined that the impounding and towing rates established in a 1984 ordinance were "outdated" and other areas of the old ordinance required amendment.

The issue of a rotation roster was brought before the city council during a December meeting.

Prestonsburg wrecker service owner Kent Rose addressed the council in December about what he alleged were unethical tactics by one of the area wrecker services, owned by three city police officers.

Rose said the city's wrecker call rotation was not being followed and that the officers' involvement in the wrecker business gives them an incentive to have cars towed.

The newly adopted ordinance requires that wrecker services enter into an agreement with the city before they are included on the rotation roster.

In other business, Mayor Fannin informed the council that a committee needed to be appointed to oversee the city E-911 operation.

Councilman Hansel Cooley Jr. told the mayor that the "original ordinance" related to the matter requires that the mayor appoint four council members to the committee.

Councilmen Trent Nairn, Gorman Collins Jr., Cooley, and Ralph Davis volunteered for the committee. The committee will meet and appoint a chairman at a later date.

Councilmen Danny Hamilton and Billy Ray Collins were not present at Monday's meeting.

Newsome

(Continued from page one) agement and finance.

As for Newsome filing for another office, under state law, a sitting board member is prohibited from becoming a candidate for an incompatible elective office and can be removed from office.

There are attorney general opinions which say "and if the office for which he became a candidate is incompatible with his position on the board, his position thereon is vacated."

A 1996 opinion regarding the law governing a board member's candidacy for elective office says, "This section expressly prohibits a member of a board of education from remaining on the board after becoming a candidate for any office which is incompatible with the office of school board member..."

Newsome declined to say why he is running for the commissioner seat, but said he went through last week's hearing to "clear his name."

"What would it have looked like if I'd up and resigned?" Newsome asked. "I had to do it for myself. I've said all along that I didn't do anything wrong. I had to have faith in myself. In my heart I didn't feel I did anything wrong. I didn't feel I was guilty. I felt I was innocent."

When asked why he filed for another public office when he said he took the board seat to improve the school system, Newsome said he thinks a state takeover will stymie the board.

"I worked many, many hours on problems in the school system," Newsome said. "I visited the schools to find out the needs. . . In my opinion, with the state takeover, they will send in their own team and call all the shots. It might hinder one from accomplishing things in the school system."

Newsome said he expects to decide this week if he will resign his seat.

Rosenberg said.

One access to the planetarium will be a journey through a coal mine. The tunnel will "look much like a mine looks," Rosenberg added, and may include a tram ride.

The other access will be through a glassed area which will give students a look at a wetland or botanical garden.

The project (without site acquisition) is estimated to cost \$2,649,604.

"I don't know if anyone could have forecast that it would come to fruition to build this center,"

Rosenberg said. "Everybody said to put it on the back burner."

He didn't; nor has his committee of concerned citizens and science teachers who dreamed of building a museum in Eastern Kentucky where students could get hands-on experience.

In just a couple of years, they went beyond the discussion and committee stages to incorporation of the East Kentucky Center for Science, Mathematics, and Technology. Last year, they hired a full-time director, Duane Sanders, to bring science to students.

When Floyd County Judge-

Executive Ben Hale approached the group about the governor's proposal to use coal severance tax dollars for other projects besides industrial site acquisitions, they were ready. They had discussed their idea for a facility so often, they knew what they wanted and quickly put their idea to paper and conceived a preliminary plan.

Representative Greg Stumbo presented the plan to the governor, Rosenberg said, and Senator Bennie Ray Bailey, budget chief of the Senate, also supported the project.

"This is an opportunity to say

that math, science, and technology is important to our region for education, tourism, and economic development. I think that's what the governor is saying.

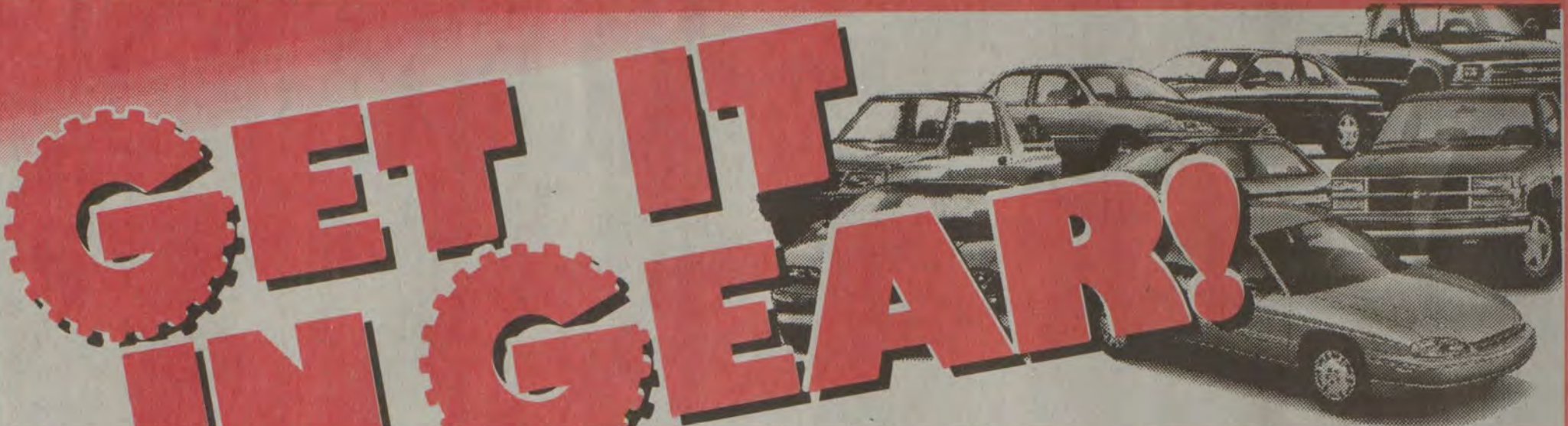
"This area has a wonderful history of culture. Now, we don't have to lose that. With the resources of this facility, we can prepare children for this global economy in an age when technology is so important."

The center's board of directors have been discussing potential sites in the region for the new facility. Those sites include a model coal mine at Betsy Layne; a moun-

taintop development area in Prestonsburg; the Combs Airport in Johnson County; and the Prestonsburg Community College campus.

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Notice is hereby given that Triple B Corporation, 2980 KY Rt. 321, Prestonsburg, Ky., has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Cabinet to construct a fill area. The property is located 0.50 miles Northeast of Prestonsburg along KY Rt. 321 and 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.

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Recycling expert to speak at P'burg college

The Community Biology Club and the Division of Biological Sciences at PCC have invited Jerry Hardt, Magoffin County Recycling Coordinator, to speak to the community on Friday evening, February 6, at 6 p.m., about the importance of recycling, re-using, and, thus, reducing the volume of materials we throw away every day.

Hardt will discuss the economic sense of recycling, as well, and how we can commit ourselves towards becoming a low-waste society, as opposed to being the most wasteful society in the world.

Dr. John Shiber, who heads the Community Biology Club, says, "This is an extremely timely topic, and I advise teachers to attend and to give extra points to students who do likewise. We all need to know about recycling."

A question and answer period will follow Hardt's talk, which is free and open to everyone, as are all Community Biology Club activities.

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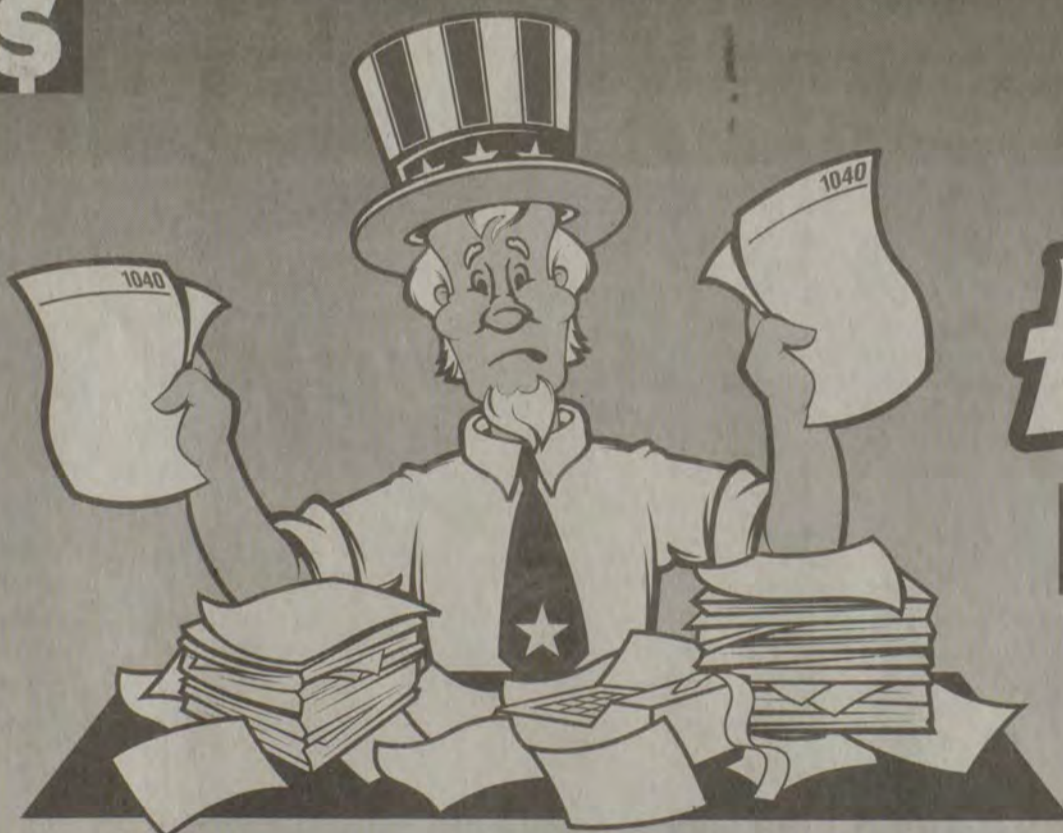
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Viewpoint

Quote of the week...

"The optimist proclaims that we live in the best of all possible worlds; and the pessimist fears this is true."

—James Branch Cabell

Editorial

Valuable to whom?

by Scott Perry

At first glance a casual observer might think the city of Prestonsburg's persistent effort to enlarge its boundaries borders on the bizarre, but there is obvious method to this madness.

Each annexation in recent years has served a particular purpose, even if the process has been questionable.

On at least three occasions, the city has avoided voter referendums on annexation proposals by careful design.

Twice, with the annexation of the Holiday Inn and again with the annexation of Center Stage night club, the city accessed those pieces of property by annexing sections of highway corridors, not the private property that lay between the existing city limits and the targeted areas.

According to an opinion from the state's Attorney General, that procedure is improper, unless annexation of the roadways themselves has some "municipal value."

As far as we know, the municipal value of the roads involved in those annexations was never explained, or questioned.

The third and most recent issue involves the annexation of hundreds of acres of uninhabited hilltop property where the city proposes to develop a golf course and recreational project. By drawing the annexation boundaries to encompass an area where no one lived, the city avoided

a vote on the proposal. Property owners have contested the action, though, and await a decision by the courts.

Beyond the hilltop development plans, the annexation provides the city the opportunity to come down from the mountain-top and annex other commercial property. Thunder Ridge was part of the original annexation, for example, and it is likely that Highlands Regional Medical Center, with its huge potential for providing city occupational tax revenues, is a plum city officials would like to pick.

The latest annexation plan, offered this week, is a bit curious.

It includes about eleven acres of undeveloped land owned, in part, by Mayor Jerry Fannin.

To access this particular piece of property, which is well beyond the existing city boundaries at Cliff, the city proposes to cross the Big Sandy River at a point opposite Stephens Branch.

To reach this "island" of property to be included in the city limits, you must either ford the river or travel through nearly two-thirds of a mile of unincorporated county territory.

So, what's the point? Well, if the property is included into the city limits, it would be eligible for city utility services, making it somewhat more valuable for development.

Valuable to whom? This one bears watching. Stay with us.



Letters to the Editor

Double standards

Editor:

The Division of Child Support Enforcement. What does this mean? Collecting child support from the absent parent, only if the absent parent is a male. Maybe the name should be changed to the division of child support enforcement for females.

I am the dad of three wonderful daughters. Each one I love very dearly. My two youngest daughters live with their mother. My oldest daughter who is 16 lives with me and has for the last three years. And during this time my former wife has not paid one red cent for child support, even though she has had several jobs in and around Prestonsburg. Isn't my oldest daughter deserving of child support?

I began the nursing program at Hazard Community College in the spring of 1995. And, during this time, I was drawing unemployment benefits. Then I was on welfare collecting money from AFDC. On both occasions I paid a percentage for child support.

I now have an associate degree in nursing. I will be required to pay more child support in the future. I don't have a problem with this because I love my children. The problem is I would like the court system and the Division of Child Support to treat everyone fairly. The absent parent should pay child support. It shouldn't matter what sex the absent parent is.

Some women want to be treated equally as males and they should be. I, for one, want to be treated equally to females, especially when it comes to collecting child support for my oldest daughter.

I have been down to the child support office in Prestonsburg and voiced displeasure. I've called Frankfort, but everyone wants to pass the buck. Maybe someone who reads this letter might have a suggestion on how this unfairness can be corrected.

Alan N. Ward
McDowell

Allen Elementary student encourages all schools to have "code green"

Editor:

Aren't you glad we have a plan to protect us during a dangerous situation? Last Wednesday, January 14th, Allen Elementary had to activate such a plan. The principal, Mrs. Gearhart, calmly came on the intercom and told all teachers to close and lock all doors and windows and declared a "code green."

We later learned the reason for the "code green" was a man with a gun threatened to

come to our school. He was alleged to have said he would hurt someone. Based upon this information Mrs. Gearhart decided to activate "code green."

Being a sixth grader at Allen Elementary I was one of hundreds who experienced the first and only "code green" at Allen Elementary to date. When the "code green" was announced I, along with all my other classmates, became frightened. The calm actions of the teachers kept everything under control.

However, not all schools have such a plan to protect their students. I am glad that Mrs. Gearhart has developed such a plan to protect the students at Allen Elementary.

I strongly suggest that all Floyd County Schools have a plan like "code green" to protect their students.

Jordan Caldwell

Protect our forests!

Editor:

The onslaught of unregulated logging in Kentucky is creating a landscape not unlike the devastation created by strip mining. Are we willing to stand by and watch our forests leave? Many of these trees are headed for Germany and Japan and sold back to us as veneer and particle board.

Where are the legislators with respect for the land and people, lawmakers who are not willing to let Eastern Kentucky be pillaged and mutilated again?

We only own the land for a short time. Is our legacy to our descendants going to be bare hills and polluted rivers?

You can help protect our forests by calling your senator or representative at 1-800-372-7181.

Patty Wallace
Louisa

Opposed to Budget Act

Editor:

We are writing regarding the 1997 Balanced Budget Act. We are strongly opposed to this piece of legislation. We are nurses for a homecare agency which serves the Pike County area.

It saddens us that not only may we lose our jobs, but even worse, what will happen to our patients when this piece of legislation goes into effect on February 5?

We truly do not understand how this can balance the budget. When this legislation becomes effective, our senior citizens are going to have to be taken out of their homes to other

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Letters to the editor policy

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

In accordance with our editorial page policy, all letters must include the signature, address and telephone number of the author.

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For those of us who were youngsters when America's space program first blasted off, the news that John Glenn will do an encore at age 77 is the right stuff.

As the first man to orbit the earth, Glenn became a real American hero at a time when our country needed a good dose of patriotism.

Glenn was a true pioneer of our "final frontier," and he'll be reviving that spirit as our first senior citizen (and the first U.S. Senator) to travel into the great beyond.

Doubt there will be any tickertape parades this go around...we've sort of taken our space exploration program for granted after all these years...but this trip should be no less remarkable than his first.

Too bad more of Glenn's Mercury program counterparts can't go with him.

Wouldn't that be a great 40-year reunion?

Coffee Break

by Scott Perry

The cynics suggest we ought to fill the space shuttle's cargo hold with a whole mess of congressmen and aim the spacecraft toward Mars, but we won't join the chorus.

There's enough space junk floating around out there already.

The President might want to hitch a ride, though, given the current state of his, um, affairs.

Poor old Bill can't go anywhere these days without the press hounds in pursuit, barking questions about his alleged paramours.

Maybe he ought to take a ride on the shuttle, if for nothing else but to get some peace and quiet.

Besides, there are some things you just can't do in a space suit.

Seriously, though, the President is in deep stuff this time.

If it is proven that he lied under oath about his alleged affairs, that's perjury.

If it is proven that he urged others to lie under oath, that's obstruction of justice.

So far, it's all just she-said, he-said, but the polls say most Americans think Clinton has not been completely honest in his denials of extramarital philandering.

That's enough to wreck his presidency even if the legal issues go unresolved.

For what it's worth, we hope he can hold on for the last few years of his term.

We can't stand the thought of having Al Gore in the Oval Office.

Whatever your views are on the latest presidential scandal, you have to have some respect for First Lady Hillary Clinton and First Daughter Chelsea for weathering this storm of humiliation.

It's hard for us to fathom the pain and suffering they must be enduring as a family as this "dirty linen" is aired in public.

They don't have the option of going their separate ways, either, because the leadership of the country must come before the interests of their family.

Imagine yourselves in their shoes. Someone once said that leadership is a dirty job, but somebody has to do it.

We are discovering now just how dirty it can get.

The Guv has released his budget surplus Top 40, and the Big Sandy region debuted at numbers 28, 29 and 40.

Fewer than half of the projects likely to be funded by a \$300 million surplus are located in far eastern or far western parts of the states, where coal is king in a lame-duck sort of way, while most of the Guv's top picks are in or about the state's "Golden Triangle."

Looks like that area may just go platinum.

Oh well, keep singin' the Blues. Maybe we'll make the hit parade someday.

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Letters

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facilities to have their lab work done.

May we remind you, this means increased ambulance transportation, increased hospital stays, increased emergency room visits, and therefore, increased Medicare billing.

The worst part of all this is that elderly patients, who could otherwise reside in their own homes in many instances, may be unable to do so. However, those who do not have relatives who can care for them are the ones who are really going to be hurting as they will not be able to go into a nursing home.

Medicare guidelines say that nursing homes can only accept "skilled" patients. If these patients were considered "skilled," home health could treat them. This is assuming there were enough beds in Pike County nursing homes to serve the hundreds of people in the county which will no longer be eligible for home health services as of February 5.

We feel certain there will be a lot of broken bones due to falls which could be prevented, and therefore, saving money if a nurse or nurse aide were in the home assisting these patients with their care.

Our option to balancing the budget seems to us to be leaving elderly homebound patients home alone unbathed, and in some instances, unfed with no medical attention and no outside support.

Imagine your 90-year-old grandmother bedridden with uncontrolled blood sugars and nearly blind as a result of her uncontrolled diabetes.

We cannot treat this lady in her home because Medicare says no! She cannot walk and will require an ambulance to take her from the home for medical attention. Or, imagine your 70-year-old grandpa who has had open heart surgery and cannot drive and is now on blood thinners for the rest of his life. We can no longer go into the home and monitor the thinness or thickness of his blood because Medicare says no!

As a result, while attempting to shave, he cuts himself, resulting in severe blood loss, or even worse, his blood gets too thick and he forms a blood clot which causes either a massive heart attack, collapsed lung, stroke, or even worse, death.

These are only two examples of the possible scenarios our patients and your loved ones will be facing as of February 5.

We strongly encourage the voting public to contact our representatives and congressman to express your concerns on how the 1997 Balanced Budget Act affects the health care of your and your loved ones.

Signed by registered nurses, Robin P. Adkins, Anneita Hall, Melisha White, Rick Prater, Yvonne Coleman, Vicki Hatfield, Barbara Hunt, Bethany Howard, Vicki Rowe, Genevieve Stiltner, Gwen Cecil, Toni M. Stiles, Kathy Coats, Sandra Gates, Dawnetta Marcum, Debbie Akers and Robin McPeck
Pikeville

May House on Internet

Editor:

I would like to invite all Big Sandy teachers with access to the Internet to check out following websites: www.dmfsoftware.com/mayhouse and www.geocities.com/heartland/9999.

These sites are designed to provide educational materials for teachers interested in exploring the history of the May House and its role in the development of the Big

Sandy Valley.

The first site contains over 100 photos relating to the May House project and this history of the house. The second site contains the full text of my book, "The Oldest House in the Valley." Key words in the text are hotlinked to photos in our Internet photo archive.

If you would like to take your class on a tour of the May House, contact me at the address listed below.

Robert Perry
Assoc. Prof. of English
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A New Deal For The 21st Century

With the firm conviction that it is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness, I, Dale McKinney, announce my candidacy to be the Democrat Party's nominee for Floyd County Judge-Executive in the May 1998 Primary election. If I am nominated and elected as County Judge-Executive, it will be my solemn promise to bring to Floyd County honest and effective government to the benefit of all of our people. Perhaps, for the first time in the 148 years since the County Court was authorized by our State Constitution.

As you know, I ran for the office of County Judge-Executive in the primary election of May, 1993. After a hard-fought campaign, a poll conducted two days before the election showed that I would win by a 11 percent margin. But this is Floyd County, and when the votes were counted in the Court House on election night, I lost the election by 2000 votes. My 11 percent lead predicted in the pre-election poll amounted to about 2000 votes and I lost by 2000 votes, which about equals the legendary political machine's captive and phantom vote here. So I actually never knew if I had really won or lost...Yet, 7000 Floyd County voters cast their ballot for me that day and I have never given up. I have worked relentlessly to change the nature of politics in Floyd County. And the political structure and nature of politics here has been changed forever.



Dale McKinney and Lloyd Blue Goble

Organizations such as United We're Strong, School Councils, Church Groups, Parents and Individuals have found their voice and their strength and have forced changes in the structure of the political machine that has dominated our lives for so long. The voters of Floyd County ended the Magistrate form of county government in November, 1996. And that ended their control of the Floyd County School Board elections in the Magistrate Districts. The Old System School Board effectively ended in 1997, with the State appointing three new school board members and assuming total man-

agement control of the school district in January, 1998. So, we have made a good start at putting our house in order.

But, no, the Old Guard has not given up; nor have they rolled over dead. They are running for County Judge-Executive and for the three Commissioner positions in the May Primary election. And this fact leaves our work unfinished.

Let us go into the 21st century with a clean slate of County Officials; and leave the tired and failed politics of the past behind us. We owe this to ourselves and to our children...“We have crossed the bay, the ocean lies before us...”

Thank you.

DALE MCKINNEY

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Among those participating in Make A Difference Day, held October 25, were Leah Vance and Carlotta Shannon. Make a Difference Day was held all over the county by Women In Community Service (WICS)

Make a Difference Day held

"Make A Difference Day" was held on October 25, all over the county by WICS, Women In Community Service, and their volunteers. Leah Vance and Carlotta

Shannon organized a project for Mountain Manor Nursing Home, where students from Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center made a difference for the clients there.

The volunteers for the "Make A Difference Day" did hand massages, manicures, and styled hair for the nursing home clients. They also played bingo with other clients. The nursing home provided refreshments for everyone.

The students that volunteered their time to make this day possible were: Temarcus Smith, Travis Smith, Patricia Anderson, Samantha Payne, Nicole Gregor, Tommy Fox, Shenika Jones, Diane Brooks, Sherrod Tombs, Tyeshia Greene, Lanshanda Gilliam, Wilmer Green, and Asia Acosta.

Afterwards, the students were treated to lunch at Long John Silvers and each student was given a complimentary dessert.

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Editor's note: The Floyd County Times does not identify victims of alleged sex crimes.

Two Floyd men jailed charged with rape

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

One week after the alleged rape of a Floyd County woman, two Weeksbury residents were taken into custody Thursday and accused of the crime.

Douglas Patton, 31, and Eddie Frank Collins, 45, both of Weeksbury, were arrested at the courthouse Thursday afternoon. Both were charged with first degree rape.

The alleged victim apparently identified Patton and Collins to local authorities as the men who allegedly raped her on January 15.

Judge James R. Allen entered not-guilty pleas to Patton's and

Collins' felony charges during arraignments Friday morning in Floyd District Court.

A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Wednesday (today) to determine if there is probable cause to refer the matter to a grand jury.

Collins and Patton were being held at the Floyd County Adult Detention Center in lieu of \$50,000 partially-secured bonds. Patton was later released on the partially-secured bond, and Collins was apparently released on a surety bond.

David resident arrested on fugitives warrant

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Floyd County man was jailed Friday on a fugitive's warrant after he allegedly fled the state of Ohio and failed to show for several court appearances.

Ricky E. Estep, 29, of David, was taken into custody Friday by KSP trooper Byron Hansford on the fugitive's warrant.

Court records indicate Estep was charged with drug abuse in February 1996 in Lawrence County Municipal Court, in Ohio, and failed to appear for a review hearing on October 4, 1996.

Estep also failed to appear for another review hearing on January 6, 1997 and an arraignment on December 8, 1997, the records indi-

cate. Judge James R. Allen delayed Estep's court appearance Monday in Floyd District Court to give the defendant an opportunity to speak with an attorney before deciding whether or not to waive an extradition hearing.

After speaking with attorney Mike Greer, a public defender, Estep refused to waive the hearing Tuesday and decided to fight extradition to Ohio.

Assistant county attorney Lance Daniels apparently indicated he would be seeking official documentation from Ohio authorities for the extradition hearing.

Estep will be released from custody if the hearing is not held within 30 days on the matter.

Suspended

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The two "relied upon help" from the superintendent and that they tried to comply with provisions under the law to make sure expenditures were approved by the state prior to their local approval.

Patton said that Deputy Education Commissioner Randy Kimbrough gave two different interpretations of the statute regarding expenditures and contracts related to deficit school districts.

"I can argue the law is subject to different interpretations, I don't think that's in dispute," Patton said. "(Kimbrough) gave two different interpretations and she knows more about the law than I. That's a perfect illustration how difficult the law is to follow."

Kimbrough's testimony cited state law which requires deficit school districts, such as Floyd, to obtain prior approval for all expenditures.

Wolnitzek, representing Cody, told the board that Newsome and Mullins appeared to be "very nice gentleman," but he didn't want them to "oversee 42 million taxpayer dollars."

State officials attempted to work with the two board members "numerous times," but Newsome and Mullins failed to follow their lead, Wolnitzek said.

"I and other taxpayers of this state have spent a fortune in Floyd County because board members don't do their job," Wolnitzek said. "There needs to be new (leadership) in town and change things. Mr. Mullins said he didn't want to do

anything to hurt the instructional program, but he voted to cut \$120,000 (from the program). He voted for that, but he would not vote to cut employees."

Wolnitzek said charges were not brought because there was a budget deficit at the end of June, but because the two board members did nothing to address the shortfall. He noted that from January 1997 through September 1997, that the budget deficit was listed just three times as an agenda item.

The school system is maintaining space for 11,000 students, but has approximately 7,500 enrolled, Wolnitzek said. He pointed out that the board did not discuss closing any schools or setting district attendance boundaries.

"It's a tough choice to close schools, but they wanted these jobs. Nobody held a gun to their heads," Wolnitzek said. "They said the superintendent wouldn't give them any information, but they won't do anything about it."

In the state board's decision, Mullins and Newsome must attend all board meetings as observers and present proof that they have received six hours of finance and management training from the Kentucky School Boards Association.

In July, the two must appear at the state board meeting in Danville to show proof they have complied with the board's order. If they fail to do so, the state board can extend the suspension or seek their removal from office.

P'burg residence robbed

by Chris McDavid
Staff Writer

A Prestonsburg woman was found unharmed Friday night after two unidentified subjects wielded a gun at her boyfriend's residence and apparently fled the scene with items from a safe.

Gloria Shepherd, 42, who was "secured" by the perpetrators after she directed them to the location of the safe, was discovered by her boyfriend some time after the incident.

According to a Kentucky State Police Pikeville Post 9 media release, Shepherd was apparently alone at her boyfriend's Prestonsburg residence Friday afternoon when two white males knocked on the door and asked for Shepherd's boyfriend by name.

Shepherd reportedly told the

subjects that her boyfriend was not home and also advised them where he could be located, the release says.

"At that time, one of the subjects brandished a gun and asked if her boyfriend had a safe," the release says.

Shepherd's hands and ankles were "secured" by the perpetrators after she directed them to the location of the safe, according to the release.

The release does not indicate what was taken from the residence.

KSP Detective Paul Estep, who is investigating the incident, could

not be contacted Monday or Tuesday for additional details on the incident.

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department assisted Det. Estep Friday at the scene of the armed robbery.

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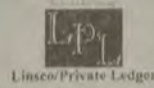
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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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.

Martin Church of Christ

- February 4 and 11: Biblical Symposium, Dinosaurs in the Bible at 6:30 p.m. with Greg Nichols speaker.
- February 13: Sweetheart dinner at 7 p.m.
- February 19: Coffee house, free coffee.

Ups of Down Syndrome

The Ups of Down Syndrome support group will meet Sunday, February 8, at 4 p.m., at the American Electric Power building (beside Big Lots) in Pikeville. Call (606) 377-6142 or 478-5099 for more information.

MMS meeting

Martin Middle School site-based meeting will be held Monday, February 2, at 6 p.m. at the school. The meeting is open to the public.

Collecting for Mr. Rogers' Sweater Drive

Martin Middle School Youth Service Center is a collection site for Mr. Rogers' Sweater Drive. If you would like to donate, bring it to the center between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Swing class

The Paintsville Community Center will continue to offer the Tuesday Swing Club. Beginning Swing class meets at 6:30 p.m. February's feature Swing Dance is

The Shag, from 7:30-9 p.m. Call 789-2612 for more information.

Retired teachers to meet

The Floyd County Retired Teachers will meet February 5 in the dining area of May Lodge at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Registration begins at 10 a.m.; meeting at 10:30. Jenny Howard of the Adult Literacy Program will be the guest speaker.

Scholarship applications

The Floyd County Farm Bureau Federation and the Kentucky Farm Bureau Federation are accepting scholarship applications. Four \$2,000 scholarships for graduating seniors whose parents have been a member of the Floyd County Farm Bureau for at least two years; several \$1,000 to \$10,000 scholarships if applicant's parents are a Farm Bureau member, in any county of Kentucky. Applications are available at the Farm Bureau Office, 207 South Lake Drive, the senior sponsors and/or guidance counselors at the high schools.

Organizational meeting for Area 16 Special Olympics

Area 16 Special Olympics will hold an organizational meeting January 29, at 6 p.m. at the Matewan Bank meeting room on North May Trail. Refreshments, door prizes.

Poetry reading, signing party

A poetry reading and signing party will be given in honor of Ken R. Stone, professor of English at Prestonsburg Community College, on January 28, at 10:20 in the art gallery, Magoffin Building. A reception will following.

ACHS council meeting

The Allen Central High School regular site-based council meeting will be held Tuesday, February 3, at 6 p.m. in the library. The meeting is open to the public.

Beauty pageant

Valentine's Beauty Pageant will be held Sunday, February 7, at 3 p.m. for ages 0-16 years. Contact Martin Middle School at 285-3011.

ACHS advisory council meeting

The Allen Central Youth Service Center advisory council will meet January 29, at 6 p.m. at the center.

East Kentucky Homegrown to meet

East Kentucky Homegrown will meet at the Floyd County Extension Office on February 3, at 5 p.m. They will discuss plans for pastured poultry program, the Neighbor-to-Neighbor program and project plans. Call Pat Spicer at 886-2668 for more information.

Shiitake Mushroom Workshop

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

JW Pioneer

Festival committee will meet

The Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival Committee will meet Monday, February 2, at 6 p.m. in the conference room at Prestonsburg City Hall. The group will discuss subcommittees and bylaws.

Group therapy

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

Cheerleading championships

The 12th annual Mountain Classic Cheerleading Championships will be held Saturday, February 28, at the Pikeville High School Gymnasium for elementary and junior high squads. For more

information, call Lisa Wheeler at (606) 432-0185 during school hours.

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.

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.

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 29, 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.

Open house

Betsy Layne High School will be hosting an open house February 4, from 4-7 p.m. and a Financial Aid Workshop at 6 p.m. in the library.

Dysrhythmia workshop

Our Lady of the Way Hospital will offer a basic dysrhythmia interpretation workshop February 17 and 18, at the Seton Complex in Martin. Pre-registration is required. Call 285-5181, ext. 33 for information.

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OBITUARIES

Carlos Eugene "Huck" Lafferty

Carlos Eugene "Huck" Lafferty, 59, of Hippo, died Sunday, January 25, 1998, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital, following a long illness.

Born November 16, 1938 at Garrett, he was the son of the late Ezra and Rosemary Thornsberry Lafferty. He was a retired machine drill press operator and a member of James W. Alley Lodge No. 869, F&AM, at Wayland, since 1963.

Survivors include his wife, Kathryn Fannin Lafferty; two sons, Brian Keith Lafferty of Hueysville and Dwayne Carlos Lafferty of Hippo; one daughter, Kimberly Kay Lafferty Sturgill of Lexington; four brothers, Donald Lafferty of Paintsville, Paul Lafferty of Hindman, and Ralph Lafferty and Anthony Lafferty, both of Hippo; three sisters, Marilyn Lafferty Patton of Michigan, Dema Lafferty of Martin, and Marina Lafferty Fehrenbach of Shelbyville; and one grandson.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, January 28, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with clergymen Ted Shannon and Jerry Manns officiating.

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

Serving as pallbearers will be Brian Lafferty, Steven Lafferty, Anthony Lafferty, John Runyon, Doug Moore, Clifford Blanton and Jack L. Salyers.

Woodrow Bays

Woodrow Bays, 79, of Prestonsburg, died Saturday, January 24, 1998, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born December 5, 1918 at West Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Sam and Della Coburn Bays. He was a retired coal miner with Island Creek Coal Company of Wheelwright. He was a member of the UMW since 1945 and the Katy Friend Freewill Baptist Church since April 17, 1977.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mollie Miller Bays.

Survivors include one son, William Edd "Bill" Bays of Prestonsburg; one brother, William Harvey Bays of Prestonsburg; four sisters, Renia Bays Blair of Paintsville, Betty Jo Bays Hackworth of Prestonsburg, Elsie Bays Sherman of Elkhorn City, and Olga Bays Owens of Blue River; one granddaughter and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral services were Tuesday, January 27, at 2 p.m., at the home of Woodrow Bays on Riverside Drive, Prestonsburg.

Burial was in Richmond Cemetery in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Floyd Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

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Stallard Hall

Stallard Hall, 82, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, January 23, 1998, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

Born September 13, 1915 at Boldman, he was the son of the late Walter Hall and Lula Hatfield Hall. He was a retired coal miner and a factory worker for the Whirlpool Corporation in Clyde, Ohio. He was a member of the Church of Christ at Toler Creek and a member of the Salyersville Masonic Lodge.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Mindy Francis Newsome Hall.

Survivors include his wife, Virgie Parsons Hall; two sons, Cledas Hall of Fremont, Ohio, and Charles Hall of Wellington; two daughters, Catherine Meade of Harold and Brenda Hall of Wellington; two stepdaughters, Linda Lyon of Thelma and Henrietta Osborne of Auxier; three stepsons, Stanley Niece and Phillip D. Niece, both of Harold, and Russell Niece of Staffordsville; three brothers, John Hall and Lefe Hall, both of Pocatello, Idaho, and Frank Hall of Teaberry; two sisters, Eula Lish of Pocatello, Idaho, and Flora Bell Kirsteater of Wellton, Arizona; 16 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, January 26, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with the clergymen Oscar Tackett and Doyle Meade officiating.

Burial was in the Meade Cemetery at Harold, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Serving as pallbearers were James Meade, Willie Meade, Steve Hall, Cleadis B. Hall, Bennie Hall, Ricky Lacy, Staton Neece, Phillip Niece, Jammie Fultz and Benjamin Hall.

Elsie Irene Layne Leisure

Elsie Irene Layne Leisure, 75, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, died December 1, 1997, at the University of Michigan Hospital, following a brief illness.

Born October 6, 1922 at Tram, she was the daughter of the late Lee and Cindy Layne. She retired from Chrysler Corporation (King Sealy) in 1975. She volunteered her time to the Salvation Army, where she served meals and did homecare sitting. She was a Christian.

Survivors include one son, Ronald Layne of Ypsilanti, Michigan; two daughters, Debra Leisure of Garfield Heights, Ohio, and Carol Pappas of Ypsilanti, Michigan; two brothers, Hubert Layne of Elizabethton, Tennessee, and Bertram Layne of Tram; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were December 6, at 11 a.m., at the Janowiak Funeral Home Greer-Logan Chapel, with Ken Wilson officiating. Burial was in the Highland Cemetery.

Juanita Shelton

Juanita Shelton, 62, of Fisty, died Friday, January 23, 1998, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born October 25, 1935 in Knott County, she was the daughter of the late Robert and Elizabeth Bryant Hollifield. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Robert Shelton.

Survivors include four sons, Kenny Shelton, Roy Delmer Shelton and Sonny Shelton, all of Fisty, and Robert David Shelton of Dwarf; one brother, Samuel Hollifield of Teaberry; five grandchildren, one step-grandchild, two great-grandchildren and two step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, January 26, at 11 a.m., at the Clear Creek Old Regular Baptist Church at Fisty, with Cullen Caudill and other ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Beech Creek Cemetery at Emmalena, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Ellis Estill Newsome

Ellis Estill Newsome, 61, of Teaberry, died Saturday, January 23, 1998, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born July 8, 1936 at Grethel, he was the son of the late Alvin and Nannie Newsome. He was a disabled construction worker.

Survivors include his wife, Minnie Mae Allen Newsome; two sons, Ellis Michael Newsome of Conover, North Carolina, and Jesse Newsome of Craynor; two daughters, Brenda Lee Hinkle and Teresa Newsome, both of Teaberry; four brothers, Charles Newsome of Martin, Bobby Ray Newsome of Teaberry, James D. Newsome of Clyde, Ohio, and Ronnie Newsome of Prestonsburg; four sisters, Clara Jean Morris of Teaberry, Cindy Hamilton of Grethel, Roberta Donthan of Cave Run, and Martha Reynolds of Medway, Ohio; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, January 24, at 11 a.m., at the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church at Teaberry, with the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Dewey Newsome Cemetery at Teaberry, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

James Clinard Kendrick

James Clinard Kendrick, 53, of McDowell, died Monday, January 26, 1998, at the St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington, following an extended illness.

Born August 14, 1944 in Pike County, he was the son of the late Clinard and Flora Rowe Kendrick. He was a disabled coal miner.

Survivors include his wife, Vonda G. Addis Kendrick; two sons, James Richard Kendrick of Lexington and Anthony Dale Kendrick of McDowell; one daughter, Donna L. Hall of Drift; two brothers, Curtis Kendrick and Elmer D. Kendrick, both of Elkhorn City; three sisters, Evelyn J. Hansen of East Point, Michigan, Margaret Coleman of Pikeville and Carolyn Allen of Elkhorn City; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were Thursday, January 29, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with Roy Cosby officiating.

Burial was in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Yvonne "Mickey" Noble Lemanski

Yvonne "Mickey" Noble Lemanski, 62, of Woonsocket, Rhode Island, formerly of Garrett, died Tuesday, January 20, 1998, at the Philip Hulitar Hospice Center in Providence, Rhode Island, following a brief 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, Jason Cox and Jenna Cox, both of Corpus Christi, Texas, and Elizabeth Lemanski of Seekonk, Massachusetts.

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

Burial was in the Chaffins Cemetery at Garret, with Hall Funeral Home, Martin, caring for those arrangements.

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Beatrice Layne Walters

Beatrice Layne Walters, 82, of Betsy Layne, died Thursday, January 22, 1998, at her residence.

Born November 6, 1915 in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Effie Nunnery Layne and Goldie Layne. She worked part-time for Betsy Layne Post Office and at a defense plant during World War II. She was a member of the Freewill Baptist Faith.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. Luther E. Walters.

Survivors include two sons, Roger Dean Walters of Peoria, Illinois, and Luther Eugene Walters of Highlands, Texas; one daughter, Vivian Blayton of Millersville, Maryland; two brothers, Virgil Layne of Ashland and Guy Layne of Cincinnati, Ohio; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Sunday, January 25, at 2 p.m., at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Arnold B. Johnson officiating.

Burial was in the Bush Cemetery at Harold, under the direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Pallbearers listed for Gomer Blackburn

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Gomer Blackburn were Scotty Caudill, Randy Holbrook, Darrin Caudill, Bradley Caudill, Jerry Lewis, Shane Cook, Mark Moore, Carl Moore and Lamar Tackett.



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LEGISLATIVE PERSPECTIVE

with Rep. Gregory D. Stumbo
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With opening ceremonies dispensed with, the General Assembly got down to the serious business of lawmaking last week, conducting committee meetings and passing legislation on to the floor of the House. Three hundred and four bills have been filed and assigned to the appropriate committees for consideration. And for the first time in my memory, House members voted on significant legislation during the first week of the session. The first bill considered, House Bill 16 was a measure allowing local school districts the choice of offering slow or fast pitch girls' softball. A heated debate occurred with those against the bill declaring that districts choosing to offer only slow pitch eliminated opportunities for girls to vie for college scholarships. Evidently, colleges only offer scholarships to young women for fast pitch softball. The legislation did finally pass and is now in the Senate

for their consideration.

The diversity of the legislation being voted upon is amazing. Not only has the issue of slow pitch versus fast pitch girls' softball been debated at length, but the question of lethal injection for the death penalty also has already been debated. House Bill 27 took less time to discuss on the House floor than did the slow pitch/fast pitch softball question. But groups who disagree with the death penalty were at the Capitol in force for the vote and anti-death penalty legislators expressed their views in emotional speeches. Lethal injection did handily receive approval from House members, and will be the method utilized by the Commonwealth in executing death sentences if the Senate also approves the measure.

In another ninety degree turn, House members approved a six hundred plus page bill simply making

technical changes in the Cabinet for Human Resources. These types of measures are referred to as reorganization bills and are often confirming executive orders already issued by the Governor. They have very little impact upon the average Kentuckian.

My legislation raising juror's pay was approved by the House Committee on the Judiciary. The pay received by Circuit and District Court juries will increase from \$12.50 per day to \$25 per day. The existing fees were established in 1978 when the court system was revised and have not been changed since.

The issue of prayer in school seems to surface every session, and following tradition, similar prayer in school bills were passed from House and Senate Committees the same day last week. Both bills, different from those introduced in the past, set

down specific guidelines regarding students praying in school during noninstructional time.

Other legislation awaiting action in committees range from regulating the discharge of boat sewage, the purchase of the Calumet trophies for display at the Kentucky Horse Park, identifying and legitimizing those individuals dispersing alternative medicine, prohibiting unsolicited electronic junk mail from being transmitted to Kentuckians, to bills dealing with gang violence and a bill allowing the creation of prison chain gangs. The span of topics is enormous.

And you can discuss any of these bills with me by contacting me at home on weekends, or using the toll-free legislative message line available to all Kentuckians at 1-800-372-7181.

To follow these issues or any other

ers receiving legislative consideration, you can also view the Kentucky Educational Television's review of General Assembly action aired each evening on KET. You can also subscribe to the daily Legislative Record that follows the daily action of legislative process. To subscribe, contact the Public bill room, 700 Capital Avenue, Room 80, Frankfort, KY 40601.

Volunteers of America of Kentucky to oversee transitional housing program in Prestonsburg

For fourteen Prestonsburg area families, Volunteers of America of Kentucky will provide a new lease on life.

Upon successful completion of residential treatment by Mountain Comprehensive Care at The Layne House, ten women with children will be accepted for the Volunteers of America Transitional Housing Program. The remaining participants will come from emergency shelters.

The Volunteers of America Transitional Housing Program will assist in the leasing of apartments within a five county area for 12-18 months to each of the participating families.

The program allows these families to have a stable environment during the early stages of their recovery from chemical dependency.

At the Transitional Housing Program, the participating families are placed in affordable, suitable apartments. Intensive case management is also provided in order to empower these families to function independently. Volunteers of

America will offer housing counseling and seminars focusing on basic life skills, money management, housekeeping, nutrition, parenting, employability and time management.

Rent is subsidized through the grant in the initial phase of the program.

The ability of the participant to take over the rent when they have reached a point of independence and self-sufficiency is a unique characteristic of the program. This allows the family to establish a foundation of stability while not

Martin appointed to state association

Lenville C. Martin of Martin was appointed to the Kentucky Board of Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Contractors.

Martin was appointed in January by Governor Paul Patton to replace John H. Knight, whose term has expired.

Martin will serve for a term ending June 30, 2000.

requiring the family to relocate again. The Transitional Housing program will provide follow-up services for the families.

Volunteers of America of Kentucky is the state's largest provider of case management services for homeless families. Through a continuum of care that is founded on intensive client services, Volunteers of America addresses the root causes of homelessness. Keeping with his approach and philosophy, Volunteers of America of Kentucky has proven itself a successful human services provider. The agency returns to stability 3 out of every 4 homeless families it serves.

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Named to Dean's List

Lowell Dewayne, of Hueysville, was named to the Dean's List at Alice Lloyd College for the fall term. He is the son of Lowell Dean and Melvia D. Shepherd.

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OBITUARIES

Edna Tackett King

Edna Tackett King, 83, of Corinth, Mississippi, formerly of Melvin, died Thursday, January 22, 1998 in Mississippi.

Born March 13, 1914, she was the daughter of the late Will Tackett and Willa Ann Worrix Tackett.

Survivors include her husband, Estill King; two sons, Jesse G. King of Corinth, Mississippi, and Donald P. King of Indianapolis, Indiana; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, January 26, at 11 a.m., at the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church, with elder Monroe Jones, Ellis Holbrook and other ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Buckingham Cemetery, under the direction of R.S. Jones and Son Funeral Home, Virgie.

Serving as active pallbearers were Mike King, Ed Gray, Greg Gray, Boog Gray, Jai Brown, Terry Amburgey, Nick Mattingly, and Jamie Brown.

Honorary pallbearer was Rodney Amburgey.

Georgia Shannon Amburgey

Georgia Shannon Amburgey, 65, of Raven, died Tuesday, January 27, 1998, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

Born August 18, 1932 in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Claude and Maude Bradley Slone.

Survivors include her husband, Thomas E. Amburgey; and one brother, Edward Slone of Oklahoma.

Funeral services will be Friday, January 30, 1998, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home Chapel, with the ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

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

Visitation will be after 6 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Osey Crawford

Osey Crawford, 90, of Hi Hat, died Friday, January 23, 1998, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following a long illness.

Born April 11, 1907 at Hi Hat, she was the daughter of the late Sill and Nancy Reynolds Newman. She was a member of the Church of God of Prophecy since 1980.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herbert Crawford.

Survivors include three sons, Charles Crawford of Dearborn Heights, Michigan, Willis Crawford of Monroe, Michigan, and Arvel Ray Crawford of River Rouge, Michigan; three daughters, Ecie Stewart of Taylor, Michigan, Clozetta Hamilton of Beaver, and Wanda Jo Ross of Hi Hat; one brother, Orby Newman of Hi Hat; one sister, Martha Newman of Hi Hat; 26 grandchildren, 35 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, January 26, at 11 a.m., at the Church of God of Prophecy at Hi Hat, with the clergymen Don Fraley Jr. and Church of God of Prophecy ministers officiating.

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

Serving as pallbearers were Tony Stewart, Kenneth Crawford, Keith Crawford, Paul Crawford, Rusty Hamilton, Chester Shell, Herbie Crawford, Mark Bye, Jerry Marker and James Crawford.

Mary Nerva Johnson

Mary Nerva Johnson of Edgewater, Florida, formerly of Blue River, died January 17, 1998.

Born January 11, 1915 at Blue River, she was the daughter of the late Lem and Susie Johnson.

Survivors include one brother, Wayne Johnson of Lady Lake, Florida; and two grandsons.

Funeral services were Tuesday, January 20, 1998, at the Settle-Wilder Chapel in Edgewater, Florida, with Rev. Dr. Lawrence Tee officiating. Burial was in the Edgewater Cemetery in Edgewater, Florida.

Card of Thanks

The family of Gomer C. Blackburn would like to express their deepest appreciation to all relatives, friends and neighbors who sent flowers, food, prayers, gave donations, just came by, or spoke a comforting word upon the passing of our loved one. A special thanks to the Freewill Baptist Church of Wheelwright and Pastor Louis Ferrari for his kind and comforting words; and all others who helped with the services. Thanks, also, to the sheriff's department for their assistance with traffic control; and the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and professional service during our time of sorrow. We sincerely appreciate and thank everyone.

THE FAMILY OF GOMER C. BLACKBURN

Card of Thanks

The family of Morris Vaughn Isaac wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to the clergyman, Ted Shannon, for this comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF MORRIS VAUGHN ISAAC

Card of Thanks

The family of Edgar (Pee Wee) Click wishes to gratefully acknowledge the thoughtfulness and kindness of friends, relatives, and neighbors upon the loss of our loving brother. Thanks to all who sent flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to Clergyman Jerry Manns and singers Gladys Gibson and Mrs. Bobby Warrix for their comforting words and songs; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

THE FAMILY OF EDGAR (PEE WEE) CLICK

Card of Thanks

The family of Lessley "B.O." Scott wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers, and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to the clergymen, Donnie Hackworth and Jerry Manns, for their comforting words; Our Lady of the Way Hospital, doctors and nursing staff; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

THE FAMILY OF LESSLEY "B.O." SCOTT

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Johnnie M. Banks would like to thank the Rockfork Regular Baptist Ministers, members of the church, the many friends, neighbors and family who helped comfort them in their time of sorrow. We also thank those who sent flowers, food and for their prayers. We would like to express our appreciation to the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their assistance and to the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their very kind and professional service.

The family of Johnnie M. Banks

Card of Thanks

The family of Thomas Virgil "Spike" Cox Jr. would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent flowers and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to the clergyman, Lorie Vannucci, for his comforting words; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF THOMAS VIRGIL "SPIKE" COX JR.

Card of Thanks

The family of Arnold L. Collins would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the clergymen, Chuck Ferguson and Willis Adkins, for their comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

THE FAMILY OF ARNOLD L. COLLINS

Card of Thanks

The family of Ivery Samons wishes to thank all of those who were so kind and considerate during our time of grief. We want to thank those who sent food, flowers or gifts of love. We especially want to thank the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF IVERY SAMONS

Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival committee establishes bylaws

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

The Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival committee drew up its bylaws Monday night during a meeting at Prestonsburg City Hall.

Although it has been formed for almost two years, the committee had not established operating procedures. Chairperson Donna Blackburn-Wells said the former Jenny Wiley Festival had dissolved, and bylaws from that festival were void for the new festival.

Included in the new bylaws are

stipulations that a member can be removed from the committee if he/she misses three consecutive meetings "without just cause."

Committee members who cannot attend a meeting should contact Wells or festival secretary Sue Webb.

To become part of the committee, individuals must attend three consecutive meetings before they can become voted into membership.

Members agreed on the bylaws, but requested clarification on some items. Carol Sparks questioned a statement that committee members

or their immediate families cannot be eligible to receive monetary gain from any activities of the festival. Sparks, although agreeing with the basic wording of the bylaw, thought that might keep some people from participating in events.

Several members thought the bylaw could mean that — because bands are given donations to participate in the festival parade — band members could not serve on the committee.

"Our purpose is to enlarge the festival," Blackburn said. "A way to enlarge the festival is get everybody

involved. Everybody here must use discretion."

She said she had comments, in the past, about favoritism shown to the family of committee members, and that's what she wanted to avoid with the Pioneer Festival.

The bylaw was changed to state that committee members or their immediate families cannot be eligible to receive monetary gain from any competitive event of the festival unless specifically waived by the committee.

Other bylaws state:
• The committee reserves the

right to bid or negotiate any and all contracts or proposals except where state or other laws or ordinances of the city restrict.

• All checks shall be required to have two signatures and all expenditures over \$100 must have prior committee approval.

• The meetings shall be conducted by Robert's Rules of Order and all non-committee members and/or citizens wishing to address the committee shall make it known prior to the start of the committee meeting.

In other business:

• Donna Blackburn-Wells was elected chairman; Norm Marcum, vice chair; and Sue Webb, secretary/treasurer.

• Finance and Revenue, Pioneer Bowl, and Activities committees were formed.

The festival committee will meet February 2 at 6 p.m. at city hall, and the bylaws will be presented to the committee for approval. The entertainment committee will meet one hour prior to the meeting at the same location.

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• Democrat— Doug Allen of Wayland; Larry Foster Stumbo of McDowell; Arnold Dean Daniels of Hippo; Jimmy "Gabe" Turner of Drift; Brad Martin of Langley; Jackie Edford Owens of Hueysville; Bobby D. Whitaker of Hueysville; Charles E. Stone of Blue River; Kenneth Roberts of Garrett; and Jimmy Dye of Hi Hat.

County Commissioner District Three

• Democrat— Russell Johnson of Wheelwright; Lennix (Cola Ray) Akers of Harold; Eral Tackett of Harold; B.J. Newsome of Betsy Layne; Clyde Isaac of Bypro; and Lowell Samons of Banner.

• Republican— Larry C. Roberts of Banner.

Coroner

• Democrat— Incumbent Roger Gene Nelson of Dwale; and Tommy Hall of Allen.

Property Valuation Administrator

• Democrat— Incumbent Lovel Hall of Langley is unopposed.

County Attorney

• Democrat— Incumbent Keith Bartley of Prestonsburg, unopposed.

Justice of the Peace District One

• Democrat— William R. Callihan of East Point and E. Bucky Collins of Prestonsburg.

Justice of the Peace District Two

• Democrat— Arthur J. Shepherd of David.

Justice of the Peace District Three

• Democrat— Glenn O. Frazier of Price.

Justice of the Peace District Four

• Democrat— Lee Roberts of Harold.

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• Democrat— Homer D. Neeley of Prestonsburg; Gary Wolfe of Prestonsburg; William "Neal" Clevenger of West Prestonsburg; and Reed Stamper Jr. of West Prestonsburg.

Constable District Two

• Democrat— Incumbent Bob Hackworth of Martin; and James Hoover of Eastern.

Constable District Three

• Democrat— Robert Caudill of McDowell; incumbent Tandy B. Hamilton of McDowell; Paul D. Younce of Melvin; and Gary E. Blankenship of McDowell.

• Republican— John B. Samons of Martin.

Constable District Four

• Democrat— Arnold Bob McKinney of Harold; John Kidd of Harold; and incumbent Paul Stilton of Harold.

County Surveyor

• Democrat— John Fred

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District Judge 31st District

• Incumbent James R. Allen is unopposed.

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• Republican— Jim Bunning of Southgate and Barry Metcalf of Richmond.

U.S. House of Representatives Fifth District

• Democrat— Sidney Jane Bailey-Bamer of Langley.

• Republican— Incumbent Hal Rogers of Somerset.

State Races

State Representative 94th District

• Democrat— Lester W. Herman of Pikeville; Ira Edsel Branham of Pikeville; Joe H. Harris of South Williamson; Robert D. McIninch of Prestonsburg; and Jim Pruitt of Pikeville.

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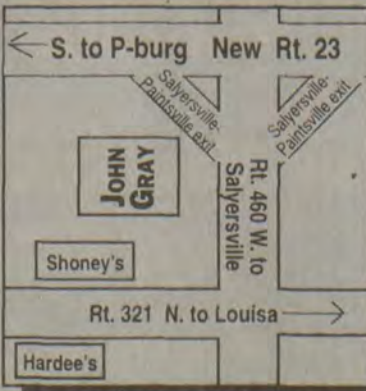
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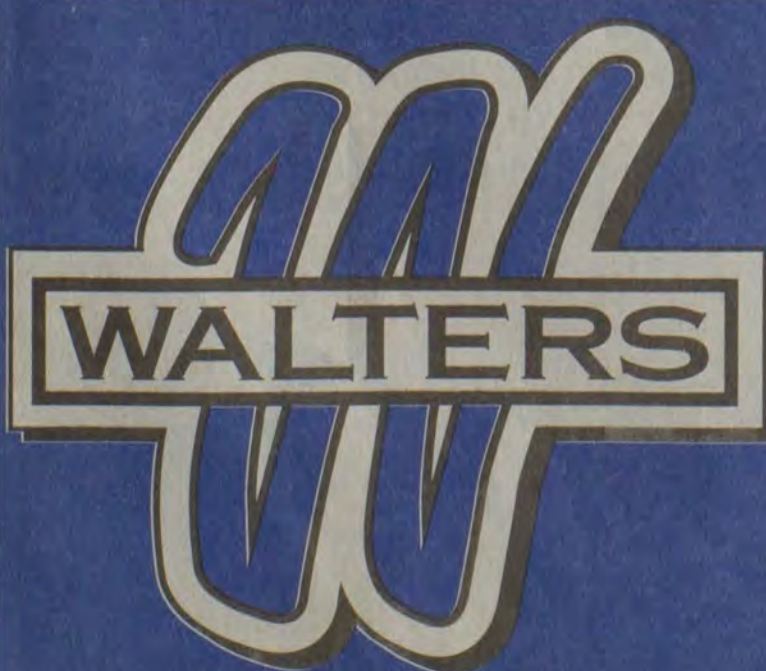
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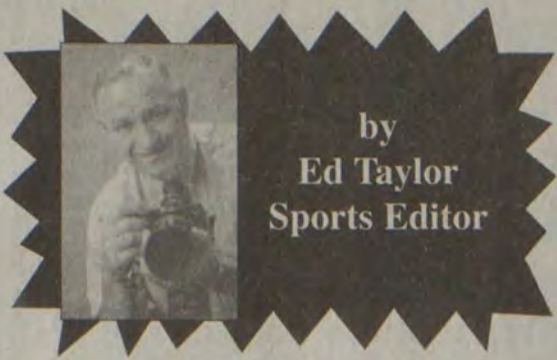
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Vanhoose, Tigers make statement in finals

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Before the boys All "A" Regional Classic began, Paintsville coach Bill Mike Runyon was still steaming over a one-point overtime loss to the Pikeville Panthers. He stated over a radio program that he was hoping his Tigers would meet the Panthers in the finals of the boys' Class "A" Regional tournament on the Panthers' home floor.

Runyon, on the program, promised the outcome would be different and it was. The only motivation the Tigers needed was to be reminded that Pikeville is the only regional team this year to inflict a defeat on the state's number-12 team.

For J.R. Vanhoose, the only motivation he needed was remembrance - he fouled out in the first minute of the overtime. Todd Tackett remembered he was not even available to play when the two teams had met earlier.

All those memories added up to a 84-51 win for the Tigers over Pikeville, who were dismantled in the first eight minutes of the game. Vanhoose was a player on a

mission and the taunting he took in the first game was soon forgotten as he slammed in four dunks and dominated the game from the first whistle. Vanhoose finished with a game-high, tournament-high 41 points and pulled down 18 rebounds.

His dunks were statement makers to let the packed fieldhouse that the Tigers were still the team to beat for a trip to Rupp Arena in March.

Tackett finished with 13 points and it was a quiet 13 as he was looking inside for Vanhoose. Derek Howard had 10 points for the Tigers.

The only real bright spot for the Panthers came in the form of freshman Chase Gibson. The frosh scored 14 points before fouling out in the fourth period. He drew the raves of the crowd with two big baskets over Vanhoose in the middle and a blocked shot of the Marshall signee.

It was the next play after Gibson blocked one of

Vanhoose's shots when the big center took a pass to the low post and slammed it home with both hands to the thunderous applause of the Paintsville faithful, and those who know good basketball.

Four minutes later, Vanhoose took a pass and, with his back to the basket, brought everyone to their feet,

including the television people, with a monstrous back-hand slam. Again in the third and fourth quarters, the leading Mr.

Basketball candidate slammed home thunderous dunks as the Tigers were breezing past the Panthers.

The first quarter was dominated by the 6' 9" center as he scored 12 points to lead the Tigers to a 23-4 first-quarter lead. But Vanhoose proved he was more than just an inside player, but that he could also hit the outside shot as well. Three times he stepped outside and hit a 15-foot jumper that would make Todd Tackett proud.

At the half, Paintsville had built a 42-19 advantage.

Outside of Gibson, Pikeville could not generate any offense in the first half. He scored all four of the Panthers' points in the first quarter and had four in the second period on two great moves for a freshman. Paintsville held the high-scoring Jeremy Akers scoreless in the first half.

Paintsville's biggest lead came on a Grim layup to make it a 62-36 game with 50 seconds left in the third period.

Coach Runyon did not bring in his bench until the 2:40 mark of the final stanza. Matt Grim hit a three-point basket that gave the Tigers a 84-50 lead.

Will Isom, a senior, finished with 14 points for Pikeville as the only other double figure scorer. Akers scored all seven of his points in the second half. Mims added six, and Miller scored three, as did Deskins.

Greiner, Pack and Mitchell had three points apiece for Paintsville. Trimble finished with four, and Mark Grim scoring two. Ethan Blackburn had one point.

Paintsville will meet Bardstown in the first round of the boys' state Class A tournament Thursday night at 9:30 p.m.

Marshall signee scores 43 points in 84-51 win

Ortega rescues Blackcats at Shelby Valley, 70-59

by Ed Taylor

It was a very, very physical basketball game when Prestonsburg visited Shelby Valley last Friday night in regional basketball action. It was a very difficult game for even the officials to call. Tempers flared, although it was only verbal. Concerned fans journeyed onto the floor, and one Wildcat fan wanted to take on the Prestonsburg cheering section. The game had it all, even some anxious moments.

But the game also had its heroes, and Prestonsburg found theirs in John Ortega, who scored 21 points to rescue the Blackcats from a threatened defeat. Prestonsburg pulled out a 70-59 win over the Wildcats in overtime.

Ortega, who had only five points after three quarters, stepped up his game in the fourth period and into overtime. Prestonsburg did not look like a team that was to challenge for a regional title this year. They appeared to just be going through the motions on the court with uncertain passes and at times, confusion. It was hard for Blackcat fans to believe their team had only scored 36 points in three quarters. They trailed Shelby Valley 42-36 after three periods.

The anxious moments came in the fourth quarter after Ortega had led the Cats to a 48-48 tie with Shelby Valley. Senior Andy Jarvis had gone high for a rebound when a Shelby Valley player undercut him (not intentionally) and Jarvis went hard to the floor. Jarvis was not hurt and continued to play.

How physical was the game? The two teams combined to shoot 76 free throws. Prestonsburg attempted 51 to Shelby Valley's 25. Jarvis, himself, had 21 attempts and made 12, finishing with 22 points. Ortega connected on 11-of-18 tries.

Prestonsburg outscored Shelby Valley 20-9 in the four minute extra period, and only had two field goals. The Blackcats were at the charity stripe for 21 attempts in the extra period, hitting 15.

The Cats found themselves trailing by 14 points to the Wildcats in the third quarter, only to rally back and trail by six after three.

Jarvis sank two free throws to start the fourth quarter and then it was all Ortega. He scored on a

steal for a 42-40 game. But the Wildcats went back in front 46-40 on baskets by Chris Johnson and Jason Chaney. After a rebound basket by Nathan Leslie, Ortega buried back-to-back three-pointers to tie the game at 48-48 with 2:37 to play in regulation play. His free throw at the 1:02 mark gave Prestonsburg their first lead of the game, 49-48.

Shelby Valley had control of the basket and was running down the clock for the final shot of the game. But Ortega stole the ball and was fouled at the other end where he made one-of-two free throws to give Prestonsburg the lead.

Trailing by one, Shelby Valley again held the ball with for the final shot, but was called for a walking violation. Jarvis was fouled at the other end and hit the back end of a two-shot foul to give Prestonsburg a two-point lead, 50-48 with 13 seconds to play. Shelby Valley had the last possession of regulation play and made good of it. Sterlin Isaac slipped underneath and scored on a layup just before the horn to tie the game at 50-50.

A block shot by Jarvis in the overtime, a steal by Jason Keathley and some poor shot selection by Shelby Valley allowed the Blackcats to score the first eight points of the overtime for a 58-50 lead.

Joe Campbell, who finished with nine points, hit a three-pointer off the right side to start the overtime. Prestonsburg then went to the free-throw line for 20 attempts before Leslie scored underneath and was fouled completing a three-point play with 34 seconds to play in the overtime.

Prestonsburg looked like a team whose mind was elsewhere in the first three quarters, as they fell behind by as many as 14 points in the third period. They looked slow in their transition game and Shelby Valley was beating them down court.

Jarvis completed a three-point play with 3:48 to play in the third with Prestonsburg going on a 11-3 spurt to cut the margin to six, 42-36 after three. Jarvis and Ortega scored all 11 points for Prestonsburg in the run. Jarvis had two three-point plays the old-fashioned way.

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Has big game

Prestonsburg's John Ortega (42) hit a jumper over two Shelby Valley defenders in scoring 21 points and leading Prestonsburg to a 70-59 overtime win over the Wildcats. Prestonsburg plays in the Toyota Classic this weekend. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Prestonsburg will play in the Toyota Classic in Frankfort beginning Thursday night. Tickets for the Classic are on sale now at the high school.



Rolls toward the basket

The Prestonsburg Blackcats and South Floyd Lady Raiders matched up in a district game this past Monday night, a game that was vital for both teams in the conference race. Crystal Slone (32) scored on this play in the second half and scored four points in a 74-47 win over the Lady Raiders. Prestonsburg must travel to Betsy Layne this Thursday night to face the Lady Cats who are playing good basketball. Prestonsburg will venture to Lawrence County this Saturday afternoon. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Balanced scoring gives Prestonsburg win over South Floyd Lady Raiders

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Senior Jessie Burke broke out of a mild scoring slump and teamed with Shelly Greathouse and Brandi Wells to lead the Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats to a 74-47 win over the South Floyd Lady Raiders Monday night at Prestonsburg.

Burke, who did not score against Harlan last Saturday, was in control against the Lady Raiders, hitting long jumpers, turnaround bank shots and put backs. Burke finished with 14 points in the game. Greathouse led all scorers with 18 points, and Wells tossed in 16.

Greathouse had three three-point baskets in the game and was three-of-four from the charity stripe.

Misty Berger led South Floyd with 12 points, while Olivia Stewart added nine and Martha Crawford eight.

South Floyd is still looking for their first-ever win over a district school. The Lady Raiders, with the loss of Jo Jo Pack for the year, is looking to the younger players to step in and contribute the rest of the

way.

Coach John Martin substituted freely, looking for the right combination on the floor.

South Floyd had trouble handling the trapping defense of the Lady Blackcats, and had 22 turnovers for the game.

The Lady Blackcats looked like the team of old when they would trap their opponent at mid-court, and steal the ball or force an errant pass.

After Greathouse gave Prestonsburg a 3-0 lead with a three-pointer to start the game, the next eight points came off layups before Greathouse drained another three for a 14-4 Prestonsburg lead in the first.

Stewart hit a long jumper and Berger a short jumper in scoring the first four points for South Floyd. The Lady Raiders got a field goal and free throw from Margaret Crawford and a Berger rebound basket to cut the lead to five, 14-9 with two minutes to play. But Greathouse hit her third trey of the quarter and it was an 18-9 game. Berger and Stewart scored the final four points of the quarter to pull the Lady Raiders to within three, 18-13, after the

first quarter.

South Floyd went over four minutes before they scored in the second quarter, falling behind 28-13. Burke had a rebound basket and hit a long 14-footer to give the Lady Blackcats a 15-point cushion. Angie Tackett broke the drought for South Floyd with a basket at the 3:59 mark. Led by Greathouse, Prestonsburg raced out to a 39-17 lead before leading 39-20 at the half.

Burke took charge on the boards in the third quarter and hit a nice turnaround eight-footer, and a rebound basket as Prestonsburg went up 57-34. Wells had three steals and scored all three times in the third period. She took a nice assist from Greathouse and laid it in to give the 23-point advantage to Prestonsburg.

Burke scored the first six points of the fourth quarter for Prestonsburg, hitting shots at long range, short range and under the basket.

Brooke Coleman completed a 8-0 run with a three-point basket that gave Prestonsburg a 73-42 lead, their biggest of the game.

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Burke scores 15

Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats upends Phelps

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats defense took charge in the second and third quarters to allow coach Jackie Day Crisp's team to record their fourth win of the season, a 50-36 win over the Lady Hornets of Phelps.

"We played well, but we are not where we should be," said Coach Crisp. "We are getting better. We dropped a couple of games we should have won, but that's part of it."

Jessi Burke tossed in 15 points to lead the Lady Blackcats scoring. Shelly Greathouse added 10 and Brandi Wells netted nine points.

Courtney Mercer and Renee Maynard had 11 points each to lead Phelps.

Phelps took control early and led 14-9 after the first quarter. Mercer and Erika Fannin, who finished with five points, had three point baskets and five points in the first

quarter for the Lady Hornets. Shaunna Ratliff had four first period points.

Greathouse busted her three-pointer and scored five points for Prestonsburg. Burke had the other four points.

Wells entered the game in the second period and Prestonsburg stepped up their defense as they held the Lady Hornets to just two field goals by Maynard in the second quarter.

Wells had five points and a three-point basket. Burke scored five in the second stanza. Prestonsburg led 22-18 at the half.

The Lady Blackcats defense picked up where they left off in the third quarter. Kimi Nunnery hit a three-point basket and Burke had four points as Prestonsburg extended their lead to 10 points, 34-24.

Greathouse had four points in the fourth stanza as did LaDonna Slone.

Crystal Slone added five points for the game as did Nunnery. Slone

finished with four and Brandi Slone had two.

Prestonsburg (4-13) will enter-

tain the Lady Dragons of Harlan in a 2:30 afternoon game this Saturday.



Big man in the middle

Prestonsburg's Andy Jarvis (24) scored 22 points as the Blackcats posted a 70-59 win over the Shelby Valley Wildcats last Friday night at Shelby Valley. Jarvis had 16 rebounds and three blocked shots in the game the Cats won in overtime. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Blackcats

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Shelby Valley led 15-8 after the first quarter. The Cats trailed 17-10 in the second but rallied back to tie the game at 17-17 on some good defensive play by Kyle Conley.

Prestonsburg never could wrestle the lead from the Wildcats, and trailed 28-21 at the half.

Chris Johnson led all scorers with 24 points. Isaac finished with 11 and Brad Johnson eight.

Leslie totaled 10 points for Prestonsburg while Keathley scored four with Conley and Wes Samons netting two apiece.

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SHELBY VALLEY (59)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Chaney	1	1	0-0	5
B. Johnson	2	1	2-1	8
C. Johnson	7	0	14-10	24
Wright	2	0	4-2	6
Isaac	4	1	0-0	11
Newsome	1	0	3-2	4
Hall	0	0	2-1	2

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PRESTONSURG (70)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Samons	0	0	2-2	2
Campbell	2	1	2-2	9
Leslie	4	0	2-2	10
Ortega	2	2	18-11	21
Jarvis	5	0	21-12	22
Keathley	1	0	6-2	4

Prestonsburg

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Angie Tackett had five points for South Floyd. Amanda Compton, who played a good floor game, Lindsey Hall and Brandi Damron had three points apiece. Stacia Stanley hit a three-point basket for three points.

Crystal Slone had a good game with 11 points and six rebounds. Freshman Amelia Conley got her first start against South Floyd and had seven points to go with five rebounds. Ladonna Slone and Kimi Nunnery scored two points each and Nicole Samons had one point.

Prestonsburg improved to 2-1 in the conference and 6-14 overall. South Floyd dropped to 0-4 in the conference and 3-12 overall.

Prestonsburg has a big conference match-up this Thursday night at Betsy Layne. South Floyd travels to Pike Central tomorrow night.

SOUTH FLOYD (47)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Morgan	1	0	0-0	2
Berger	5	0	2-2	12
Stewart	4	0	2-1	9
Compton	1	0	2-1	3
Crawford	1	1	4-3	8
Tackett	2	0	3-1	5
L. Hall	1	0	2-1	3
Stanley	0	1	0-0	3
Damron	0	0	2-2	2
S. Tackett	0	0	2-0	0

PRESTONSURG (74)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Burke	7	0	0-0	14
L. Slone	1	0	0-0	2
Wells	7	0	4-2	16
G'house	3	3	4-3	18
Nunnery	1	0	5-0	2
C. Slone	5	0	2-1	11
Conley	2	0	6-3	7
Coleman	0	1	0-0	3
Howell	0	0	1-0	0
Samons	0	0	2-1	1
Adams	0	0	1-0	0

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Allen Central's pressure subdues Shelby Valley

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

It was a different-looking Allen Central team than fans had seen in the first 15 games of the '97-98 season. Coach Anthony Moore's Lady Rebels were active and all over the court against Shelby Valley with the result a 65-49 win over a very good Lady Wildcat team.

The win improved Allen Central to 12-4 overall on the season. It was their first game since winning the Girls All "A" Classic last week.

Four players scored in double figures for the Lady Rebels led by Crystal Martin's 17 points. Jessica Martin, Misty Scott and Natalie Cooley each added 10 points. Eighth grader Ramanda Music scored eight points.

The leading factor for a win was Allen Central relentless pressure defense that forced Shelby Valley into 23 turnovers. This was just one of the new looks of the Lady Rebels. The other was the way they ran their offense, as it appeared Coach Moore had taken a page from boys' coach Johnny Martin's play book. The Lady Rebels had excellent ball movement in slashing to the basket and getting open jumpers from the outside.

Scott, Jessica Martin and Jennifer Hopkins combined for four three-point baskets. Hopkins had two in the game. Timely baskets? Cooley provided that as did Jessica Martin. Scott hit a couple of her patented "lane leaners" and the Lady Rebels were taking on a different look, one the fans will like.

At one moment in the second quarter the Lady Rebels defense forced Shelby Valley into six consecutive turnovers as they built a 10-point lead, 22-12. Hopkins' long trey gave Allen Central the big lead. With 10 seconds remaining in the second quarter, Hopkins buried her second trey for a 29-16 halftime lead for Allen Central.

Allen Central mixed their defenses well but found the stingy 2-3 zone their best as Shelby Valley had to work hard to get a shot off.

The Lady Rebels would trap out of the zone when the ball went to the corners.

The Lady Rebels appeared to tire some in the third quarter as Shelby Valley seemed to get their second wind. The Lady Wildcats cut a 19-point Allen Central lead down to seven, 42-35, with 1:40 to play in the third period. Summer Jones' rebound basket after an Allen Central turnover put Shelby Valley back in the game.

Cooley and Jessica Martin led a fourth charge that pulled Allen

Central back out to a sizable lead. Music's rebound basket made it a 49-37 game. Later, Scott's steal gave the Lady Rebels a 15-point cushion and the lead went to 17 on a free throw by Shannon Sizemore.

Summer Jones and Tasha Bakay scored 12 points each to lead Shelby Valley. Candice Tackett finished with 11. Ashley Damron scored seven points. Jones had two three-point baskets.

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ALLEN CENTRAL (65)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Music	3	0	4-2	8
J. Martin	3	1	2-1	10
Scott	3	1	2-1	10
C. Martin	5	0	12-7	17
Cooley	5	0	0-0	10
Hopkins	0	2	0-0	6
Hall	0	0	2-2	2
Sizemore	0	0	2-1	1
Osborne	0	0	2-1	1

SHELBY VALLEY (49)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Damron	1	0	3-1	3
Tackett	5	0	1-1	11
Jones	2	2	4-2	12
Bakay	5	0	2-2	12
Wright	2	0	1-0	4
A. Damron	2	0	4-3	7

Allen Central.....	11	18	14	23	-	65
Shelby Valley.....	7	9	19	14	-	49



Chase is on

South Floyd's Olivia Stewart (24) chased after Prestonsburg's Brandi Wells (10) as Wells scored on this layup Monday night at Prestonsburg. Wells scored 16 points in the game. Prestonsburg posted a 74-47 win over the South Floyd Lady Raiders. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Elementary basketball tourney previewed on Sports Forum

The Floyd County grade school basketball tournament is set to begin the first week in February.

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Free throws help June Buchanan in 61-56 win over South Floyd

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

June Buchanan hit 12-of-15 free throws in the fourth quarter and went on to post a 61-56 win over the South Floyd Lady Raiders in a Saturday afternoon game at Raider Arena.

Megan Smith, who scored 16 points in the game, hit seven-of-eight from the charity stripe, and Leslie Campbell connected on five-of-six as Buchanan outscored the Lady Raiders 21-16 in the fourth quarter.

Martha Crawford had 16 points to lead the Lady Raiders. Shawna Hall netted 10 with Olivia Stewart and Misty Berger scoring eight apiece.

The two teams played to a 40-40 game after three quarters. Lynn Gibson opened the fourth quarter with a hot hand and scored six of her 16 points in the period as Buchanan established the lead early in the period. They maintained the margin from the free-throw line as Jonda Conley had the only other field goal in the period.

Smith hit a three-pointer and scored five points in the opening quarter to give Buchanan a 16-11 first-quarter lead. Conley and Gibson both had four points in the initial period.

Berger hit the first of her two three-point baskets in the first quarter, with Hall scoring four points. South Floyd was a point better in the second period, with Crawford hitting two three-point baskets and scoring 10 points. South Floyd trailed 28-24 at the half. Buchanan hit six-of-11 free throws in the quarter to stay in front.

Margaret Morgan was perfect from the charity stripe in the third quarter to lead a South Floyd rally that tied the game at 40-40 in the third period. Morgan scored six of her seven points in the quarter.

The Lady Raiders got two treys in the fourth quarter but just could not hold Buchanan off from the free-throw line. Amanda Compton and Berger hit treys in the final period with Stewart scoring four points in the stanza. But, again, it was from the free-throw line that June Buchanan made it count.

Compton finished with five points for South Floyd. Stewart and Berger scored eight apiece. Lindsey Hall added two points.

South Floyd (3-11) travels to Pike Central Thursday night.

SOUTH FLOYD (56)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Morgan	1	0	6-5	7
Hall	4	0	2-2	10
Compton	1	1	2-0	5
Berger	1	2	0-0	8
Stewart	4	0	0-0	8
Crawford	2	2	5-4	16
Hall	1	0	0-0	2

Buchanan.....	16	12	12	21	-	61
South Floyd.....	11	13	16	16	-	56

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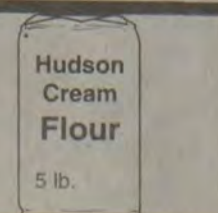
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ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL

Hall, Tackett, Johnson combine to lead Osborne past MCA

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

spot as of last week. Bart Barnette and Josh Caudill had 11 each to lead the Falcons. Buchett added seven and Carlos Repuyon scored eight points. Osborne led 16-13 after the first quarter with the Falcons staying close. Barnett scored six points in the first period for MCA. Johnson had five first-quarter points for Osborne. Hall added four and Tyler Hall hit a three-point basket. Hall had seven second-quarter points to lead the Eagles on a 20-7 second-quarter flight past the Falcons and a 36-20 halftime lead. Tackett scored seven points in the

quarter as well. Greer, Hall and O'Neal had two points apiece for MCA. Mathews and Tyler Hall finished with seven points for the Eagles. Jordan Curry had a three-pointer in the third quarter to finish with three points. Leon Brown, Heath Hall, Charles Ray and Landon Hall each scored two points.

Osborne wins over Betsy Layne

The Osborne Eagles used a balanced scoring attack to hold off

the Betsy Layne Bobcats and went on to post a 56-47 victory over the defending county champions. Michael Hall tossed in 16 points and Wendell Tackett added 14 for the Eagles. Randall Matthews had 11 points with Tyler Hall just missing double figures with eight points.

Game-scoring honors went to Betsy Layne's Dustin Elkins who finished with 20 points. Jeremy Clark and Michael Rogers scored five apiece.

Tackett had 10 of his 14 points in the first quarter to stake Osborne to a 16-14 lead. Elkins scored eight in the opening period for Betsy Layne.

Betsy Layne caught the Eagles in the second quarter behind the shooting of Bobo Hamilton. Hamilton had a three-point basket and scored five of his nine points as the two teams went to the locker room tied at 25-25.

Betsy Layne could only score six points in the third period as they opened the second half cold. Michael Hall scored six third quarter points and Mathews added five, including a three-point basket, to give the Eagles a 39-31 lead after three quarters.

four. Molly Burchett led MCA with 10 points. Megan Harris scored seven.

Auxier Lady Hornets drop game to Lady Eagles

Kandice Mitchell scored 30 points to lead the Osborne Lady Eagles to a 59-21 win over the Lady Hornets of Auxier. Lekita Johnson scored 10 points in the win, with Tabitha Berger and Brandy Anderson tossing in six each. Brittany Boyd had five points.

Tiffany Rowe, Rhonda Shepherd and Annie Vanover scored five points each to lead Auxier. Jamie Rowland had three points in the game. Virginia Webb added two points and Meredith Powers had one.

Greathouse scores:

Prestonsburg falls to Harlan

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Prestonsburg's last lead came in the second quarter when they held their biggest margin, 13-11, on a three-point basket by Wells. Harlan had taken a 11-10 lead on a basket by Clem to start the second period.

After Wells' trey, the Lady Dragons went on a 11-0 run that netted them a 22-13 lead. Prestonsburg was giving Harlan three and four shots at the basket. Prestonsburg trailed 24-17 at the half.

Greathouse hit her second three-pointer in the third period to keep the Lady Blackcats close at 28-22. But Harlan extended their lead to 18 points, 40-22, with a 14-0 spurt. Harlan led 41-25 at the end of three quarters.

After Greathouse completed an old-fashioned three-point play to start the fourth, Harlan ran off 11 unanswered points to assume a 57-28 lead. Kimi Nunnery, Wells and Howell each hit a trey in the final minute of the game for Prestonsburg.

Prestonsburg fell to 5-14 on the season. The Lady Blackcats will travel to Betsy Layne this Thursday night for an important conference

game with the Lady Bobcats. They travel to Lawrence County on Saturday night.

HARLAN (71)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Greer	4	0	8-6	14
Hatfield	5	0	5-4	14
Clem	2	2	8-6	16
Hamm	2	0	3-2	6
Powell	1	0	0-0	2
Jacobs	4	0	3-3	17
Scruggs	2	0	0-0	4
Mize	0	0	2-2	2
Sutton	1	0	0-0	2

PRESTONSBURG (39)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Burke	0	0	0-0	0
L. Slone	0	0	0-0	0
Greathouse	6	1	3-3	18
C. Slone	3	0	0-0	6
Nunnery	0	1	0-0	3
Wells	1	2	0-0	8
Conley	0	0	2-1	1
Howell	0	1	0-0	3

Harlan.....	9	15	17	30	- 71
Prestonsburg.....	10	7	8	14	- 39

MCA FALLS AT OSBORNE

Kandice Mitchell had a career-high 28 points to lead the Lady Eagles of Osborne past the Mountain Christian Academy 56-17.

Mitchell scored 10 points in each of the first and third quarters. She tossed in eight second-quarter points and did not play in the fourth.

Lekita Johnson added 12 for the Lady Eagles with Tabitha Berger scoring six points. Sheena Hall and Brandi Powers had two points each. Nicole Tackett added

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Blackcats fall to Golden Eagles

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

For the record, it was Johnson Central 83, Prestonsburg 77. But the loss to the Golden Eagles may have started when Prestonsburg won over Betsy Layne last Tuesday night. It was in the conference game that senior Andy Jarvis was whistled for two technical fouls and ejected from the game. The ejection carried an automatic one-game suspension, which Jarvis served against Johnson Central.

But that isn't to take anything away from the Golden Eagles, who, perhaps, are playing their best basketball right now. "They got 28 points from their center position," said Johnson Central coach Johnny Ray Turner. "But still they didn't have Jarvis in the game. We're playing better basketball right now. We played well against Prestonsburg."

Johnson Central shot 83 percent from the free-throw line, hitting 30-of-36 free throws. James Butcher buried three treys and scored 16 points in the game. Jason Shepherd led the Golden Eagles with 22 points, 11 of those from the charity stripe.

Wes Samons topped Prestonsburg's scoring with 19 points. He drained three treys. Jason Keathley, filling in for Jarvis, netted 18 points. Nathan Leslie tossed in 10. John Ortega hit two treys and had 14 points. Joe Campbell had eight points.

Johnson Central trailed 15-13 after the first quarter but scored 30 points in the second quarter and

led 43-36 at the half. Shepherd scored nine of his 22 points in the quarter to spark the Eagles. Tommy McKenzie had five points, including a trey, and Donnie Chandler added four points.

Prestonsburg never could overcome the Eagles in dropping their fifth game of the season.

Prestonsburg hit nine-of-12 free throws and had six three-pointers in the game.

EAGLES SOAR OVER BOBCATS

Coach Turner saw his team, on Friday night, lead and then fall behind only to come back and post an 87-82 win over coach Jim Rose and the Breathitt County Bobcats.

Johnson Central jumped out to an 11-point lead, 20-9, in the first quarter but allowed Breathitt County to put 31 points on the scoreboard in the second quarter.

Johnson Central trailed by nine points, 64-55 after three quarters but held Breathitt County to just eight points in the final stanza, pulling out the win with a 17-8 run.

"We had the lead and let it get away from us in the second quarter," said Coach Turner. "We came back out and played well in the third quarter and the fourth."

James Butcher scored 30 points to lead Johnson Central. Jason Shepherd added 14, while Tommy McKenzie scored 16.

Kyle Moore led all scorers with 29 points for Breathitt County. Tim Baronet netted 21 with Kyle

Lively scoring 11 points.

Johnson Central hit 26-of-35 free throws in the game and had five three-point baskets.

PRESTONSBURG (77)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Samons	4	3	0-0	19
Campbell	2	1	2-1	8
Leslie	4	0	4-2	10
Ortega	3	2	2-2	14
Keathley	7	0	4-4	18
Conley	3	0	0-0	6
Bailey	1	0	0-0	2

JOHNSON CENTRAL (83)

players	fg	3pt	fta-m	tp
Robinette	3	0	2-2	8
Butcher	1	3	10-5	16
White	3	0	0-0	6
Bowlin	3	0	2-2	8
O'Bryan	0	0	2-2	2
Shepherd	4	1	16-11	22
Chandler	2	0	0-0	4
McKenzie	2	1	2-2	9
Coleman	1	0	6-6	8

Prestonsburg.....15 21 20 21 - 77
Johnson Central...13 30 20 20 - 83



Pile up

It was a mess when both Prestonsburg and Shelby Valley went scrambling for the basketball which eluded everyone. Prestonsburg overcame a 14-point Shelby Valley lead and disposed of the Wildcats 70-59 in overtime. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Yates' 26 points, 19 rebounds lead Betsy Layne girls

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

After a subpar performance against South Floyd last week, the Betsy Layne Lady Cats found their game and ripped the Millard Lady Mustangs 82-43 in regional basketball action Monday night at Betsy Layne.

Sabrina Yates had career highs in two categories, finishing with a game-high 26 points and she hauled down 19 rebounds. She had four steals and two assists for a complete night.

"Sabrina played a great game for us," said Betsy Layne Coach Bill Newsome. "We finally started hitting some of our free throws."

The Lady Cats, who have struggled from the charity stripe, connected on 24-of-38 attempts.

Junior guard Jessica Clark came out of her shooting slump and finished with 18 points. Shenna Akers, who is playing good basketball, added ten points from off the Betsy Layne bench. Heather Kidd totaled ten points. Amanda Hall hit the game's lone three-point basket and netted eight points for the game. Freshman Jenny Parsons scored four points for the Lady Cats. Leslie Hopkins, Heather Hamilton and Susan Maynard had two points apiece.

Coach Newsome said his ball club hasn't been playing that well

of late.

"We're struggling bad," he said. "Some of our good players' games have went downhill. Hopefully, tonight they will have gotten it back."

Betsy Layne mixed their defense up in the second half and held the Lady Mustangs to just 13 second-half points. Coach Newsome played almost his entire team.

"We got to play a lot of people," he said. "We didn't play that well against South Floyd the other night and we need to get back to playing good basketball."

Stephanie Kinney led the Lady Mustangs with 12 points. Ashley Ratliff scored in double figures with 11. Pam Ratliff added six.

Betsy Layne again had to play without the services of Rachel Thompson, who has missed the last three games. But Coach Newsome is hoping her return will be soon.

"She is supposed to go to the doctor Tuesday," he explained. "Hopefully they will give her a release to play again. I'm hoping that she will be at practice Tuesday."

Betsy Layne scored 25 points in the second quarter to take a 44-30 halftime lead after leading 19-13 after the first quarter. They outscored Millard 14-6 in the third and 24-7 in the fourth.

drained two three-pointers Randall Matthews hit two treys in scoring eight points in the second period that led Osborne on a 19-12 run and a 30-24 halftime lead. Knausz scored six points in the period for Allen.

Clark and Stephens scored four each for Allen. Jacob Shepherd and Burke finished with two each while Matt Setser scored one point. Matthews finished with eight points. Josh Johnson added six for Osborne. Tyler Hall netted four. Charles Ray and Leon Brown had two and one points, respectively.

The Lady Cats improved to 8-7 overall on the season and will host Magoffin County this Thursday night.

Clay-less Allen falls to Osborne 55-48

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Allen Eagles had to play without the service of center Nick Clay, and it hurt as the Eagles fell to another team of Eagles, Osborne, 55-48 in grade school basketball last week.

Michael Hall, a seventh grader, had a team-high 25 points for Osborne, and Wendell Tackett added 11 points to lead Osborne.

Allen had to play without a true center with the absence of Clay. Daniel Knausz led Allen and all scorers with 28 points. Koger netted seven points.

Osborne hit five three-pointers in the game, while Allen had two.

Allen led 12-11 at the first stop behind Knausz, who had eight points in the first period. Hall



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Adams rolls with win over Harold

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Coach Neil Turner's Adams Middle School Blackcats continued their winning ways with a 77-36 victory over Harold last Friday night in elementary basketball.

The win improved the Blackcats to 23-6 overall and 15-1 in conference play.

Coach Turner played everyone in the win as his starters saw limited playing time with the bench scoring the majority of the points.

Ryan Martin and Matt Slone led

the Blackcat charge with 11 points each. Craig Fleenor added ten with Shawn Newsome scoring eight points and Josh Murdock seven. Aaron Neeley, Philip Allen and Chris Kidd netted six points apiece. Others who scored were: Zach Slone, four; Jeff Allen and Chris Spriggs, three each; T.C. Hatfield, two.

Casey Brown, one of the many good young players coming up, led Harold with 14 points. Ben Kidd netted seven with Chris Smith and Justin Tackett scoring five each. Newsome added three points and

Kidd had two.

Martin scored nine of his 11 points in the first quarter to stake the Blackcats to a 27-7 first-quarter lead. Philip Allen had seven in the opening period, with Fleenor scoring six for Adams.

Brown had five of Harold's seven points in the first quarter. He hit a three-pointer. Kidd had the other two.

Aaron Neeley entered the game in the second period and promptly buried two three-point baskets. Adams led 45-14 at the half.

Coach Turner inserted his starters to start the second half, but they were soon replaced by the reserves, who finished out the game. Slone scored seven of his 11 points in the fourth quarter. Jeff Allen drained a three-pointer with Zach Slone and Chris Kidd scoring four each in the fourth period.

Allen edges Osborne

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Ramanda Music scored ten of her 29 points in the fourth quarter as the Allen Lady Eagles soared past Osborne, 44-34, in girls basketball.

Lekita Johnson scored 14 points to lead Osborne. Kandance Mitchell had 12 points in the game. Tabatha Berger scored eight points.

Allen led 7-5 after the first quarter behind Music's four points. Berger had all five of Osborne's

points in the opening period.

A 12-4 second quarter gave Allen a 19-9 halftime lead. Music had eight points in the quarter. Allen led 30-22 after three quarters. Mitchell scored eight points in the fourth quarter for Osborne.

Beth Joseph finished with eight points for Allen. Mitchell added four, and Rachel Hall had two. Falon Osborne netted one point for Allen.

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SPORTS IN KENTUCKY

High school football stars saying 'no' to Mumme has several 'meanings'

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Front-line high school football prospects and Kentucky natives who — while the papers are not signed yet — have said "no" to UK coach Hal Mumme.

What does it mean, the defection of so much skilled football beef to a state that produces precious little?

Means... despite the hype and spanking-new optimism, UK football is still not prime time for the best prospects, even home grown ones. Rival recruiters can still waltz into town and put Rose/Sugar/Orange Bowl in a sentence with "...been there, we're going back and we want you to go along."

Means ... rival recruiters can wink, "say, I hear UK is talking a new on-campus basketball arena?"

Means ... "So, when is the last time a UK linebacker made All-American?"

Means ... despite the hype and Tim Couch mania — while Hal Mumme can match rivals with first-rate training facilities, possibility of stadium expansion, and fan support second only to, say Tennessee, (only because of Neyland Stadium's enormity) the hot news item a week before football signing period is whether or not UK will purchase Rupp Arena.

Means ... despite the hype and wide-open style, Hal Mumme posing ultimatums to high school prospects ("...sign with us now or forget it.") is as laughable and naive as it would be Travis Ford telling Tayshaun Prince "Campbellsville. Sign ... now or never."

And yet, on this last point, the UK's coach basic premise is understandable. If a high school hot-shot doesn't know three months after his high school season has ended, how he feels about playing at an SEC school nearest home, then he probably should go elsewhere.

What UK's inability to lure the four youngsters mentioned here means is — To borrow and paraphrase from Cuba Gooding Jr. in the movie Jerry McGuire ... show me the mo!

To land the best of the best, UK football must show more than style. Has to be a winning season and a bowl game and proof of momentum that it is moving up the SEC food chain.

Only then can UK's coach 'go for it on fourth down' in the recruiting season. Only then can he talk ultimatums and get away with it.

TUBBY'S 'FIDDLERS'

Seven game win streak, an 18-2 record and virtually certain to post a seventh consecutive 20-win season (three 30-win ones), and No. 7 ranked Kentucky is still the object of worry wart-ism.

The Warts have progressed from 'boo-who, no Rick Pitino' to 'alas, no go-to guy' to the latest — oh my, bad defense against the 3-point shot.

Yet, Tubby Smith's Wildcats manage to fiddle along, find ways to win games. Fiddlers?

Exactly 40 years ago this week Kentucky had a 12-4 record and was ranked 9th in the polls. UK had been blitzed by 19 points at Georgia Tech, and coach Adolph Rupp lamented how ordinary his 1957-58 team was.

Critics suggested Rupp had lost his touch. The team ... nothing if not tenacious and determined, stayed on course. Even when the post-season All-SEC team included no Wildcat, they kept going. Those of us old enough to remember can see parallels with the Fiddlin' Five and Tubby's team.

Both were situational, lackluster at times, but rising to occasions. Each was a spotty shooting outfit, but hard working and good rebounders.

Rupp platooned Ed Beck (defense and rebounding) and Don Mills (scorer) at center much the way Smith shuffles Jamaal Magloire and Nazr Mohammed.

The backcourt similarities are notable as well — Jeff Sheppard to Vernon Hatton and Wayne Turner to Adrian Smith. At forward just as Scott Padgett has worked hard to sharpen his skills and played his way to star quality, so did Johnny Cox go on to All-American honors. All around, Allan Edwards has much in common with John Crigler. And, in their rolls off the bench Saul Smith and Cameron Mills are reminiscent of Billy Ray Cassidy and Earl Adkins.

What happened to Rupp's Fiddlin' Five in 1958? They won the NCAA championship.

UK TOSSES EAST CAROLINA A (\$\$\$) BONE TO GO QUIETLY

University of Kentucky's teflon-coated C.M. Newton was in the news again last week. East Carolina University officials broke the gentleman's code and went public with tacit disapproval of UK breach of contract that would have had the Wildcats playing the Pirates in Greenville next September.

In the principle-of-the-thing portion of a letter to Kentucky governor Paul Patton, North Carolina

attorney general Mike Easley said, "By attempting to break the contract, UK signals that it is acceptable to renege on a commitment purely for financial reasons regardless of the hardship caused to others."

The aforementioned excerpt earns Easley 9.0 for style and perfect 10.0 for public opinion points, but zero on AGSOP (attorney's grasp of standard operating procedures) in college sports. Laughable.

University of Kentucky's director of athletics agreed to and signed a contract for the football Wildcats to play at East Carolina because the game amounted to a reasonable chance for a road win. And the Pirates program would reap a nice harvest from a full house in its renovated stadium against an SEC opponent with a Heisman Trophy candidate at the controls.

When shortsighted UK brass realized Hal Mumme's team would have to play UofL in Louisville next season, leaving only five home games, Newton dumped the agreement with East Carolina and threw \$175,000 at the problem, expecting ECU to go away.

By last week East Carolina director of athletics Mike Hamrick was not only refusing to go quietly, but went to the I-word, Newton's lack of integrity. UK's AD was outraged and set up his skirmish line behind weak-kneed logic that schools bail out on each other all the time in matters involving schedules.

For Newton it is a predictable end to a subpar fiscal year performance when coupled with an estimated \$200,000 UK athletics had to pony up to buy off ex-trainer Joanne Hauser in a lawsuit earlier this winter. A hunch here is another ticket price hike is on its way to your pocket book.

All this leaves some of us to wonder ... Kentucky's flagship university pays its top athletic department officials six-figure salaries, with perks and blue ribbon benefits package, to be responsible caretakers. Yet, these men are somehow unable to efficiently plan an 11-game football schedule without having to shell out a \$175,000 forfeiture fee.

Ah, the life of teflon-coated college administrators.

LOUISVILLE AND WESTERN RENEW RIVALRIES

In a heartening turn of events the University of Louisville and Western Kentucky University agreed to resume playing football and basketball beginning this fall when the Hilltoppers play the Cards in Papa John Stadium.

The basketball Cardinals and Hilltoppers will play again also, one game in each of the next two seasons, both in Freedom Hall. The series renewal comes with UofL getting its way and Western coming to terms with its place in the basketball food chain.

The one-time annual UofL-WKU series was cancelled three years ago because then Hilltoppers coach Ralph Willard wanted UofL to play in Bowling Green in alternate years. UofL refused.

Now, with Willard long gone (to Pittsburgh), and Western basketball fallen on lean times, Hilltopper brass is ready to deal again from the prevailing point of view ... we're

willing to play turkey because we need the guarantee money.

LARRY GILBERT

While we observe a moment of silence for departed Kentucky golf legend Larry Gilbert (he is now), we ought to consider wistfully Gilbert's office. For the working days of his life he managed to spend in sunny meadows and fairways and high greens. Think of all the birds he heard sing and blue skies and smell of fresh green grass.

You leave us things to ponder, Larry.

LSU'S DALE BROWN & MEDIA 'TUNES'

Those of you who recall last year's media songs of praise and how wonderful LSU coach Dale Brown was for the Southeastern Conference, please stand up. And remain standing until the same media preachers who penned sonatas to honor Brown, do a return engagement to sing a tune about how Brown knew nothing about cash and gifts going to Lester Earl (now a star at Kansas) by members of LSU's coaching staff.

WORTH REPEATING

Texas A&M coach Tony Barone to Sports Illustrated on the growing number of foreign student-athletes playing college basketball in the U.S.: "They haven't been spoiled yet. They look at gym shoes as a gift. They're amazed at the first-class travel and first-class uniforms, and they're delighted at the opportunity to get a first-class education."

And so it goes. Have a point of view you would like to share? Write to Bob Watkins, Sports In Ky. P.O. Box 124, Glendale, Ky. 42740. Or, E-Mail SptsInKy@aol.com.

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Floyd County Basketball Standings

MEN	CONFERENCE	OVERALL
Allen Central	3-0	10-4
Prestonsburg	3-0	11-5
South Floyd	1-3	6-11
Betsy Layne	0-3	5-13

WOMEN	CONFERENCE	OVERALL
Allen Central	5-0	12-4
Prestonsburg	1-1	6-14
Betsy Layne	1-2	9-7
South Floyd	0-3	3-12



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Herman Lester files for 94th State Representative seat

Herman Lester announced Monday that he has filed for the May Democratic Primary seeking nomination for the 94th State Representative seat. That district encompasses 20 precincts in Pike County and Beech Grove, Garrett, Bosco, Cliff 2, Jack Allen, Abbott, Rough and Tough, Auxier, Middle Creek and part of Cow Creek in Floyd County.



He said "I would like to thank all the people who have called and urged me to run. They have talked me into it and I am in. I think I can bring a fresh approach and lots of new issues to the Legislature for all of us in Pike and Floyd counties. We have a whole host of important concerns for our area ranging from jobs, health care and insurance, auto insurance, workers' compensation, taxes, infrastructure of roads, water and sewer projects and on and on. We can't afford to waste time or resources, so we better get busy and I'll volunteer to help."

Herman lives in Pikeville and is married to Julie Osborne Lester, and has three children, Wesley, Vanessa and Max. Julie is the daughter of Don and Drema Osborne of Lancer. Don is the retired Postmaster of Prestonsburg, and Drema has recently retired as Director of Nursing at Highlands Hospital. Herman and family attend Pikeville United Methodist Church. He is a lifelong resident of Pike County, who has practiced law in Pike and Floyd counties for 24 years.

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Lifestyles

Community unites to fulfill youngster's Christmas wish

Adjusting the comfort zone

On the thermostat in our kitchen are written these words: *comfort zone*.

Generally, Wilma and I keep the little arrow well within the lines that identify that area. Once in a while, though, it will seem too hot or too cold for one of us and we'll move the dial a tad. Invariably, the other will complain. Nobody, it seems, wants to be outside his (or her) comfort zone.

Unfortunately, comfort zones extend far beyond the thermostat on the kitchen wall and in order to survive in today's society, we've had to adjust by stretching the space between the lines. In some instances, of course, it's not that difficult and is simply the result of natural transition.

For example, as a kid growing up in an Eastern Kentucky coal camp, comfort had little to do with the temperature. Neither did it pertain to what we had. It had everything to do, however, with who we were. We

laughed and played our way through those long days, and without realizing it, were secure in the knowledge that we'd find a warm bed when darkness chased

us home and a hot breakfast when we were roused from the covers the next morning. In those days our comfort thrived in the form of an inner peace that, no doubt, grew from knowing we were protected.

But, as nature would have it, we grew into adults, because the protectors ourselves, and saw our comfort zones expand. I can certainly live with that.

I'm afraid, though, that, at least in some cases, I am having difficulty expanding. For instance, I still have vivid memories of Mr. Chandler (the first principal I ever had at the H.S. Howes Community School) bending the biggest boy in school over a desk and wearing him out with a paddle because he was heard on the playground cursing in front of a little girl.

Turn on the TV tonight and see how long you can watch a program, especially a sitcom, before you hear an obscenity. And, more likely than not, it'll come from the mouth of a girl.

I guess I'm old-fashioned, but I'm just not comfortable with that.

And what about all this goofy stuff going on with professional athletes. Although practically everyone agrees that, by and large, many of them are overpaid, at the same time, you can't blame them for making as much as they can in a career that might not last more than five or six years. My comfort zone is tested, though, by those guys who rant and rave and do all those outlandish things to get the attention they should be getting from their athletic prowess.

Am I the only one uncomfortable with tattoos, orange hair and nose rings?

And what about this practice of addressing one's spouse as the "significant other?" This occurs, of course, in an attempt to save embarrassment for the couple in question who is apparently "together," but not married. Instead of making a mistake in their case, the politically correct thing to do is to infer that actual, legally married couples aren't.

Call me an old fogy, but my comfort zone will never be in sync with thinking like that.

Poison Oak



Clyde Pack

by Janice Shepherd
 Managing Editor

Six-year-old Steven Hamilton of Teaberry found out that when you make a wish, sometimes it comes true.

One day last summer, the youngster was shopping with his grandparents at a farmer's market in Lexington, when a woman questioned him about a scar on the back of his head.

When the woman learned the scar was from surgery to remove a brain tumor and that Stephen was undergoing radiation treatment, she asked Steven if he could have anything in the world, what would he wish for. The youngster asked for a "little bitty motorbike," Steven's father, Ricky, said last week.

The woman represented the Dream Factory in Lexington, an agency that grants the wishes of children who have been through a traumatic experience, but she could not grant Steven's wish because of safety concerns. Nor could she grant his second wish, a four-wheeler, but she could grant his third, a trip to Disney World.

Stephen and his family were flown to Orlando, Florida, where the youngster saw the ocean, the Magic Kingdom and Universal Studios.

"You name it, he did it," his mom, Rebecca recalled.

But Steven's first wish still hadn't been filled, and Teaberry postmaster, Ruth Lafferty, learned about the youngster's desire for a motorbike. Members of her family, the community, and her postmaster friends pooled their money for a bike, but it wasn't enough.

Lafferty contacted Wes Blackburn, owner of the Prestonsburg Honda shop, to find out how much money she needed. When Blackburn learned about the youngster's wish, he donated the rest of money for the bike, Lafferty said.

At Christmas, Steven's parents told him he had a package at the post office. When the youngster opened the door at the post office to get his package, he stopped, turned around and walked back toward his parents.

"When he opened the door, he came back to us like he couldn't believe it," Ricky Hamilton said. "I said, 'Bud, that bike's for you.' He was the happiest kid in the world."

"He got on it and sat on it. He was so excited, he was shaking all over," Ruth Lafferty recalled.

"At first, were worried about Steven having it," Ricky Hamilton said. "Then we looked at it like 'that's what he wants,' so we bought a helmet, chest

guard, and safety pads."

Because their son's illness affected his balance, the Honda dirt bike has training wheels, and the Hamiltons make Steven don safety gear before going for a ride.

Steven was diagnosed last May with Immature Teratoma, a tumor in the brain's cerebellum area. (The cerebellum controls movement and balance.) When he suffered severe headaches, an emergency room doctor said Steven had migraines, but because Rebecca

Hamilton had seen family members suffer from migraines, she knew this was different.

Rebecca and Ricky took their son to Dr. Norman, a pediatrician at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital who has since moved. Dr. Norman discovered that Steven was losing his balance. He did a brain scan and discovered a mass that was "between a golf ball and tennis ball" in size, Ricky Hamilton said.

The youngster was immediately

transported by ambulance to the University of Kentucky Children's Hospital where he received more intensive scans. They confirmed Dr. Norman's diagnosis and told the family the tumor was malignant.

"It's hard (to hear that)," Rebecca recalled. "You hit the floor when you just find out it's a tumor. To find out it was malignant, it was heart-wrenching. The only thing that got us through it was prayer. The phone never stopped ringing. Some of the family even called TBN (Trinity Broadcasting Network) and put him on the prayer list. That's what got us through it." Steven was scheduled for surgery, but it was postponed twice because of emergency surgery for other children. Less than one week after he was diagnosed, Steven underwent surgery. The tumor had been discovered in its early stages and surgeons were able to remove all of the tumor.

Steven was given radiation treatments and chemotherapy treatments. Through it all, Steven didn't suffer as much as other children the parents had watched go through the treatments at UK.

"We have seen other kids a lot worse off than Stephen," Ricky said. "Through the community and their help, and the prayers that went up from Tennessee to Michigan to Ohio to Idaho, we think with all the prayers, Steven was blessed. The help from the community helped us survive. The prayers helped Stephen do so good."

"They (the physicians) thought he'd get infections (from a shunt for the chemotherapy) and get sick from the chemo. Where he was blessed was when everything stayed on schedule. We saw a lot of kids have trouble with them (the shunts), but they took Steven's out before Christmas. They took it out early because he's doing so well and so good."

Steven was scheduled to return to first grade at Osborne Elementary in the middle of February, but he was doing so well, he was back in class in the week of Thanksgiving.

"He missed school real bad. He missed all of his classmates," Ricky said. "He's been to school every day except the days he goes to the doctor. He took a couple of sick spells at school. We were called to school. He was sick at his stomach. (When we got there) his stomach got to feeling better. We asked him to come home and rest.

(See Wish, page ten)

"Is it mine?"



Steven Hamilton's wish came true when he was presented with a Honda dirt bike at the Teaberry Post Office.

Ten Years Ago Today (January 27, 1988)

Monday night's Prestonsburg City Council meeting addressed such topics as applying for an Urban Development Action Grant and a possible three percent tax to be levied on restaurants to apply to the tourism industry...Circuit Clerk Frank Derossset was sworn in for an unprecedented fifth term by Circuit Judge Hollie Conley...A coal truck driver from Deboard Trucking Company became the test case for a coal spill law as the City of Prestonsburg took him to court...William Wells became the second member of the Bank Josephine board of directors to resign in a little over a month...Three accidents involving coal trucks in two days have left one woman dead and two children injured...There died: Johnie Prater, Sr., 68, of Norwalk, Ohio, formerly of Blue River, Thursday at his residence there...Belva Anne Hockensmith, 79, of Lexington, formerly of Prestonsburg, Friday in Valdosta, Georgia...Inis Roberts, 78, of Prestonsburg, Saturday at Highlands Regional Medical Center...Melvin Jones, 80, of Ligon, Friday at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital...Robert L. Allen, 101, at South Shore Convalescent Home...Sid Tackett, 71, of Wheelwright, Saturday at St. Joseph's Hospital...John Paul Biliter, 58, of Martin, Thursday at the Good Samaritan Hospital...Marlan Hall, 76, of Marion, Ohio, formerly of Wheelwright, Sunday in Marion...Edsel R. Slone, 51, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, formerly of Floyd County, Friday at his residence...Adam K. Daniels, Friday at Cabell-Huntington Hospital...Ellarose

Archer, 66, of Lexington, Saturday at Central Baptist Hospital...Franklin D. Howard, 43, of Fredville, Friday at Highlands Regional Medical Center...Devert Owens, 70, January 2 at St. Joseph's Hospital...Troy Mullins, 80, of Dema, Tuesday at Highlands Regional Medical Center...Emily S. Howell, 98, formerly of Drift, Saturday at Willard, Ohio...James G. Jenkins, 55, formerly of Wayland, January 7 in Columbus, Ohio...Opal P. Goodman, 83, of Prestonsburg, Saturday at the residence of her son...Delores M. Hood, 55, of California, formerly of Virgie, January 14 in Modesto, California...Marie H. Reynolds, 64, of McDowell, Friday at Printer from injuries sustained in an automobile accident...Frankie Bowlin, 63, formerly of Floyd County, Sunday at University Medical Center in Columbia, Missouri.

Twenty Years Ago (January 25, 1978)

Floyd County, which was all but paralyzed by 10 to 12 inches of snow which fell last Tuesday, was thrown into a state of near-emergency when an additional six to eight inches of new accumulation was recorded Thursday and Friday, in the apparent climax to possibly the worst series of winter storms

in the county's history...Bush & Burchett, Prestonsburg contractors, submitted the low bid Tuesday on construction of the bridge to span Beaver Creek and connect the present KY 80 with the Floyd County Park being built near Allen...Drivers receiving speeding citations in Floyd county have, under the new district court system, the "convenience" of paying their fines by mail, without having to appear in court,

and some have already taken advantage of the opportunity, cutting down the court caseload which is growing while the court has been pretty well paralyzed by a record snowfall...There died: George Dewey Conn, 78, of Martin, Monday at St. Mary's

Hospital in Huntington, W. Va.; William Castle, 59, formerly of Floyd County, Sunday at St. Joseph's Hospital, Ann Arbor, Michigan; Anna Tackett Johnson, 65, of Melvin, Saturday at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mrs. Nettie Boyd Tackett, 80, of Harold, January 10 in Paintsville; Catherine Miller Sparks, 48, of Spurlock, January 16 at Paintsville General Hospital; Rev. Willis (Ticky) Booth, 49, formerly of Ligon, last week at his home in Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. Mary Jane Harris, 86, formerly of Langley, Sunday at Hester Memorial Nursing Home in Dayton, Ohio;

Mrs. Ella Johnson, formerly of this county, Saturday in Tarpon Springs, Florida; Dennie Slone, 64, of Allen, Monday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Viney Holbrook Adams, 84, of Middle Creek, last Thursday at her home; Grover Handshoe, 56, native of Knott County, Sunday at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mrs. Rosa Hatfield Hunt, 91, of Prestonsburg, last Friday at Mountain Manor Nursing Home.

Thirty Years Ago (January 25, 1968)

A fire, which broke out while the City Council was in session last Thursday night, burned away the roof and entire second floor of the Municipal Building here at a loss of \$75,000...Ambulances, fire trucks and State Police cruisers raced to the scenes of reported tragedies Monday night, only to find that the unknown persons who had made telephone calls for help had spread false alarms...Proposed construction of two buildings on the campus of the Prestonsburg Community College will not be delayed as a result of the cutback made this week in federal construction funds...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Grover Tussey, of Allen, a son, Grover Mark, Dec. 23 at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; to Mr. and Mrs. Hubert E. Halbert, of Langley, a son, Wesley Ferrell, Jan. 23 at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Davis, a daughter, Julia Lee, Jan. 11 at Somerset, Ky...There died: Boyd Adams, 83, native of Brainard, Sunday at the Paintsville Hospital; Robert Ousley, 44,

(See Yesterdays, page four)

Our Yesterdays

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

Society

Correction:

An article in the society section of last week's Floyd County Times incorrectly listed the new officers for the Highlands Regional Medical Center Auxiliary.

Officers installed at a January 13 meeting of the auxiliary were Helene Branham, president; Garnett Fairchild, vice president; and Gloria Shepherd, secretary-treasurer.

Gladys Allen installed the new officers for 1998.

Johnson reunion to be held

The gathering of the families of Elisha (Anna, Josephine) Johnson will be held at the Dorton Elementary School, Dorton, Sunday May 24, beginning at 1 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring covered dishes of choice, including meats, drinks, desserts, and ice.

A short memorial service will be held after lunch in the school gymnasium. There will be singing provided by the Troy Johnson family. There will also be a Bible reading

and remembrance of deceased family members. (Any family member who wishes to sing is encouraged to do so.)

A family tree book will be provided and updated from 1979-1997. There is a small fee of \$5 per book. This will be used for postage, and expenses of reunion. Those who cannot attend and wish to purchase a book should notify Neva Jo Kennedy, 39 Burnette Rd. Lot 24, Pikeville, Ky. 41501, or call 631-9929 or leave a message.

Families are asked to bring some type of handmade craft to be used as prizes for the following: youngest, oldest family-traveled farthest, most family members present, door prizes, etc.

A photographer will be on hand for those who wish to have family portraits made.

GFWC-KFWC Drift Woman's Club

The GFWC-KFWC Drift Woman's Club's annual Christmas meeting was held at the Viola

Bailey Community Center building in McDowell on December 15.

Ruby Akers, president, welcomed members and guests and read a poem, "A Smile of Love," by Mollie Jane Sexton.

Mildred Salisbury presented the devotional and asked the blessing.

Karen Slone, the hostess, was assisted by Roberta Luxmore. The group played games. Each person received a gift or prize. The story of the Candy Cane was read and each person became "A Candy Maker's Witness."

The candy maker began with a stick of pure white hard candy, white to symbolize the Virgin birth and the sinless nature of Jesus; and hard to symbolize the solid rock, the foundation of the church and firmness of the promises of God.

The president emphasized that the club's future lies in its membership. Each member was challenged to recruit at least one new member. Women who are enthusiastic and dedicated and have a desire to make their community better, are being recruited.

Attending were Ruby Akers, Lorraine Conley, Brooksie Gearheart, Celia Little, Roberta Luxmore, Alma Mosley, Mildred Salisbury, Alice Skeans, Karen Slone, Geraldine Ward, Kathryn Youmans, Euka Hicks and Susan Beth Stephens.

Rebekahs meet

The regular meeting of Miriam Rebekah Lodge No. 31 was held Tuesday, January 20, with Noble Grand Lorena Wallen, presiding.

The meeting was opened in regular form with the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag recited.

Members on the sick list were recorded and get-well cards were signed to be mailed to them. They will also be remembered in prayer.

Bills and communications were presented and complied with.

The noble grand gave a report on the visit to Mountain Manor Nursing Home. The members gathered there on the third Sunday of the month for singing and visiting with the residents.

The secretary read the semi-annual report of the Lodge regarding membership and finances. The per capita tax was allowed and will be mailed to the Rebekah Assembly of Kentucky.

A history of the life of Thomas Wildey, founder of Odd Fellowship on the North American Continent, was read by Noble Grand Lorena Wallen.

A discussion was held regarding a Valentine party at the next meeting on February 3. This was agreed to and all member are encouraged to attend and bring their favorite dish of food.

Those attending the meeting were Lorena Wallen, Hope Whitten, Paulena Owens, Jean Hickman, Violetta Wright and Mable Jean LeMaster.

SUNSHINE LINES

by Beverly Carroll

Senior citizens, please be aware of the Low-Income Home Energy Crisis Assistance Program that began in the Big Sandy area on January 5. This program is available for those who qualify, through March 31 or until funds have been depleted.

So far the weather hasn't been bitterly cold in our region of the Appalachians. However, if we were to experience what the people in the Northeast have had to endure, there could easily be more need in our area than there are resources to care for those needs.

To qualify you must:

- meet the 110 percent poverty guidelines;
- be without heat if your household heats with coal, wood or kerosene; or,
- if your household heats with propane or fuel oil and has only a four-day supply of fuel remaining; or,
- if you have received a past

due/disconnect notice if you heat with either natural gas or electric.

To apply go to your local Community Action Program (CAP). For an application to be considered complete you must take with you all of the following:

- social security numbers of all residing in the household;
- birth dates of all people residing in the household; and,
- last month's "proof of income" for each person residing in the household; and where applicable,

• disconnect notice from your household's heating source or utility company.

Also, senior citizens and low-income households within the 110 percent poverty guidelines, please note that if you have no heat whatsoever, or if your furnace or heating source is broken, it may be that

you could qualify for free maintenance repairs on your furnace, or heating unit. For more information about repairs call your local CAP office. The telephone numbers of the CAP offices serving the Big Sandy area are:

- Floyd County, 874-2965
- Johnson County, 789-3641
- Magoffin County, 349-2217
- Martin County, 298-3217
- Pike County—432-2775

Is there a guarantee that all in need of heating assistance, who meet the guidelines, will receive help from this program? No!

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Hopefully, the weather will have mercy on us this winter so that all who need help for warming their homes will be able to get that

help. I shiver at the thought of our struggling senior citizens, or any deserving person for that matter, "being left in the cold."

Maybe there will be no lack of funds for heating this winter. I suppose a lot of what we are yet to experience depends on El Niño. We just might find ourselves having a greater need for assistance in the spring, if rains in the mountains have no place to go because of swollen streams and rivers.

Senior citizens, remember that the Kentucky Benefits Counseling Program (KBCP) is here to refer you to organization(s) dedicated to filling your needs whenever resources are available. It is also here to help you through the maze of bureaucratic red tape that often stands between the senior citizens and receiving the benefit(s) that are legally and rightfully theirs.

For more information about this program especially designed for senior citizens, contact your benefits counseling coordinator for the Big Sandy area, Charles Slone Fairchild at 886-3876 or toll-free at 1-800-556-3876.

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January 16: A son, Braxton Nick Hamilton, to Sherri Ann Newsome of Bypro; a daughter, Chelsey Ada Jenae, to Melissa and Larry M. DeLong of Pilgrim; a daughter, Emily Morgan, to Stephanie M. and Roy H. Kidd Jr. of Ivel; a daughter, Adara Raelyn, to Jennifer Marie and Kelly Ray Dyer of Hindman.

January 17: A son, Noah Bradley, to Michelle and Bradley

Neal Frisby of Allen.

January 19: A daughter, Morgan Leann, to Glenda and Greg Marshall of Blue River; a son, Zachery Nathaniel, to Tonya Rea and James Bradley Waller of Beauty; a son, Ryan Bradley, to Lora Ann and Elza Maynard Jr. of Pilgrim; a son, Cory Arkle Lee, to Loretta and Mark Mollett of Tomahawk.

January 20: A daughter, Angela Dawn Hayden, to Anita Kay Nelson of Martin.

BIRTHDAYS



Look who turned 2

Kirklin D. Collins celebrated his second birthday with family and friends on December 28 at the home of his grandparents. He is the son of Roberta Collins and grandson of Treva and Orris Collins, all of Honaker.



Fourth birthday

Emery Blake McCoy of Prestonsburg celebrated his fourth birthday Friday, January 23. His party consisted of a Winnie-the-Pooh cake and many gifts. He was surrounded by friends and family members, including four cousins from ages one to three. He is the son of Jennifer and Jason Kendrick of Prestonsburg.



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Suits Filed

Editor's note: Suits filed are not indicative of guilt, but represent only the claims of those filing the action. Some suits listed were filed earlier this year, and are being printed now in an effort to update our readers.

Sandra Zemo of Prestonsburg vs. Kenneth Zemo of Prestonsburg; petition for dissolution of marriage.

BankAmerica Housing Services vs. Ricky Wright of Martin et al.; alleged debt.

BankAmerica Housing Services vs. Curtis Collins of Betsy Layne et al.; alleged debt.

Peggy Conn of Auxier vs. Millard Conn of Jackson; petition for dissolution of marriage.

TransFinancial Bank of Martin vs. Bessie Hall of Teaberry; alleged debt.

Delmar Johnson of Prestonsburg et al. vs. Sysco/Louisville Food Services of Frankfort; petition for damages sustained on or about November 7, 1996 in Floyd County.

James R. Music vs. Costain Coal Company of Louisville; compensation for alleged property damage.

Gary Jeter of West Liberty vs. David Carroll of Wheelwright; compensation for alleged violation of due process.

Jason Shannon of Prestonsburg vs. Lindon Frazier of McDowell; compensation for alleged injuries sustained on or about July 4, 1997 on Rt. 122 at Price.

Alicia Dawson of Prestonsburg vs. Michael Williams of Wintonsville; compensation for alleged injuries sustained on or about February 20, 1997 at the intersection of Rts. 114/122.

Jessica W. Rice of Prestonsburg vs. John L. Rice of Lomansville; petition for dissolution of marriage.

James Moore of Lovely vs. Mack Trucks et al. of Allentown, Pennsylvania; compensation for alleged defective equipment.

Inez Deposit Bank of Inez vs. Clifton Raines of Wooton et al.; alleged debt.

Harlan National Bank of Harlan vs. Denver Hunter of Estill; alleged debt.

Ford Motor Credit Company of Livonia, Michigan vs. Ricky Boyd of Dana; alleged debt.

Harlan National Bank of Harlan vs. Donald Skeens of Prestonsburg et al.; alleged debt.

Mary Crider vs. Jeff Jenkins of Salyersville et al.; compensation for alleged injuries sustained on or about June 3, 1997.

Thomas Rose et al. vs. Sam Doyle of Prestonsburg; partition of real property.

Malcom Layne of Ivel vs. Bobbi Layne of Allen; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Wallace Collins of Stanville vs. Peggy Collins of Stanville; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Shane Cook of Melvin vs. Carol C. Cook of Ligon; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Deanna Hughes of Martin vs. Don Hughes of Garrett; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Missouri Fannin of Prestonsburg vs. Marvin Fannin, Jr. of Van Lear; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Lisa Kidd Jervis vs. Lonnie Jervis of Prestonsburg; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Johnny Hall of Ivel et al. vs. Ronnie Sexton of Kite et al.; compensation for wrongful death.

Jonathan Johnson of Weeksbury vs. Janet Johnson of East Bernstadt; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Brenda Hall of Langley vs. Larry Hall of Prestonsburg; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Carl D. Howard et al. vs. Felicia Bailey of Inez; compensation for injuries sustained on or about November 14, 1997 on Rt. 114.

Property Transfers

Jimmy Crum and Karen Crum to Denver Adkins and Thomas Hackworth and Willis Ousley; property on Beaver Creek.

Dennis Conn and Margaret Conn to Gabriel Conn and Faye Etta Conn; property location not listed.

Mable Trammel, Laynetta Trammel, Stephanie Chadwick and Roland Chadwick to Mary Alice Mays; property located on Otter Creek.

James O. Elliot and Rose L. Elliot to Pearl Greene and Paul Greene; property located in Floyd County.

Patricia Sargent McCoy to Roger Dean Lawson; property location not listed.

Linda Lou Hall, Brenda Hall Akers and Edward Akers, and Debra Goble to Raymond Goble and Brenda Goble; property location not listed.

Curtis Dean Hall to Jeffrey Dewayne Newsome; property located on Frasures Creek.

Keith Williams and Loretta Lynn Williams to Charles T. Hamilton and Helen Betty Hamilton; property located on Big Mud Creek.

Clifford Tackett and Claudeen Tackett to Gertrude Burke; property location not listed.

Ruby Elaine Meyers to Millis Hall; property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Jackie D. Burchett and Anna L. Burchett to John Henry Jarrell; warranty deed to property located on Beaver Creek.

Talt Hicks and Pearl Hicks to Raymond Lawson and Peggy Lawson; property located on Stone Coal Creek.

Dan Martin and Judith A. Martin to Phillip Martin and Helen K. Martin; property located on Right Beaver Creek.

The City of Wheelwright to David Hall; property located in Floyd County.

Wynona Mullins to Billy Gene Mullins; property located on Jack's Creek.

Dora Shepherd Salyers to Calvin Shepherd; quitclaim deed to property location not listed.

Kevin S. Platt and Lisa A. Platt to Elesia A. Music; property located in Floyd County.

Randall Isaac and Kathleen Isaac to Michael O'Neil and Linda O'Neil; property located on Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek.

William Williamson to Edward Lee Goble and Sarah Jane Goble; property located in Floyd County.

Mary Lou Howell, Clearance Bentley and Kathy Bentley, Lawrence Bentley, Marrow Bentley Jr. and Loretta Bentley, Loydean Bentley and Jeanette Bentley, Terry Hamilton and Joann Hamilton, Milford Bryant and Augustine Bryant, and Bob Tackett and Delores Tackett to Terry Hamilton and Joann Hamilton; property located in Floyd County.

Lizzie Hays to Esther Hamilton Sammons; property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Nora George to Timothy William Cook; quitclaim deed to property located on Little Paint Creek.

Norcie Jervis to Garland Lewis Arnett, Jr. and Lisa Lynn Arnett; property located on Middle Creek.

Steve Pack and Vickie Pack, Jerry Fannin, Hansel Cooley and Frances Cooley, David Lane and Paula Lane to West Rentals, Inc.; property located in Floyd County.

Angela Marie Slone Hall to Truman Hall; property located on Jacks Creek.

Jim Tackett and Hannah Tackett to Keith Tackett and Pamela Tackett; property located in Floyd County.

Lois Marshall, Geneva Harman and Russell Harman, Henry M.

Wilkinson and Diane Wilkinson to William James Powers; property located on Johns Creek.

Dewey Howell and Kathy Howell to Bobby Collins and Michelle Collins; property located on Frasures Creek.

Sandra P. Dillman et vir D. Gene Dillman to Gilford Smith et ux Wilma Faye Smith; property located on Turkey Creek.

Cecil R. Hatton, C.R. Hatton and Billie Kay Hatton to Peerless Properties, Inc.; property location not listed.

Phyllis Johnson Boyd to Randy R. Boyd and Rhonda Boyd; property located on Otter Creek.

Dave Harvey and Leila Harvey to Ellis Little; property located in Floyd County.

Marriages

Rosie Lee Damron, 40, of Printer and David Hall, 39, of Martin.

Kerry Ann Barcroft, 48, of Prestonsburg, and Thomas James Tackett, 58, of Prestonsburg.

Jeri E. Charles, 21, of Auxier, and Jack Endicott, Jr., 27, of Burlington.

Irene Hall, 33, of Endicott, and George Dock Hale, Jr., 36, of Martin.

Amy Hamilton, 18, of Grethel, and Curtis Dean Hall, 27, of Grethel.

Billie J. Collins, 51, of Prestonsburg, and Billy J. Webb, 51, of Prestonsburg.

Mary F. Keel, 23, of Auxier, and Bobby M. Moore, 20, of Auxier.

Nancy Amburgey, 22, of Martin, and Donald G. Rose, 23, of Martin.

Monica Estep, 22, of Prestonsburg, and Shawn Spradlin, 22, of Prestonsburg.

Misty McCray, 16, of Wheelwright, and Joey Tackett, 17, of Ligon.

Prestonsburg Police Dispatch Logs

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

January 19
12:01 a.m. — EMS was requested to come to a Goble-Roberts residence where a man had been cut by a bottle and was bleeding heavily and had difficulty breathing.

3:47 a.m. — Dispatch was notified that a vehicle had tried to cross the Town Branch Bridge.

8:46 a.m. — A Front Street resident reported stolen money.

9:31 a.m. — A West Main Street male needed EMS because he was possibly experiencing a heart attack.

9:57 p.m. — A truck lying on its top was reported to be located between Tiger Mart and Cliff.

10:38 p.m. — KSP advised dispatch that a Res-Q Ambulance employee had stabbed himself in the arm.

11:56 p.m. — The Layne House advised dispatch that a female was trying to crawl in through a back window.

January 20
12:22 a.m. — The Layne House reported a female patient was beating her head against the wall.

12:54 a.m. — The Layne House reported an intoxicated female that needed transport to jail.

8:30 p.m. — Dispatch was notified that someone due to be singing at the Mountain Arts Center had a warrant that needed serving on him.

10:33 p.m. — A Highland Heights man reported he had been having problems with his wife and was thinking about suicide and wanted help.

January 21
2:28 p.m. — AMS reported some pills found on a student.

4:50 p.m. — Mountain Manor reported rollerblading in their park-

ing lot.
5:38 p.m. — A Goble-Roberts female requested extra patrol because her ex-boyfriend was coming by late at night.

9:13 p.m. — A Highland Heights man reported a black dog had backed his child into a corner and had tried to bite his wife.

9:32 p.m. — A furnace fire was reported on Corn Fork Road.

January 22
12:02 a.m. — A South Evergreen Street resident reported that a vacant house had someone in it.

1:51 p.m. — Wal-Mart reported a shoplifter in custody with a small child.

7:11 p.m. — Sparks from a transformer was reported behind Ralph's Market Place.

9:01 p.m. — A Highland Heights man reported that he had sold a car to a woman and she had not transferred the car into her name, and he wanted to make sure she did not drive it until she did transfer it.

10:12 p.m. — A Highland Heights resident reported a structure fire near there.

January 23
12:26 a.m. — A Highland Heights resident reported that loud music was keeping him awake.

3:52 p.m. — PHS gym doors were found open.

9:31 a.m. — AMS reported that one of their students had a high fever.

10:16 a.m. — An Indian Hills woman reported hearing a loud explosion then her lights went out.

8:04 p.m. — Thunder Ridge security reported having difficulty with an ex-boyfriend of one of their employees.

9:45 p.m. — Holiday Inn reported a possible fight in progress at the front of their building.

9:50 p.m. — A Highland Heights resident reported that a female neighbor was in her apartment playing loud music, and had her boyfriend there with her that she had a DVO against.

January 24
3:03 p.m. — A report was made of a man at Cliff experiencing chills and was not responding.

5:41 p.m. — A man at Town Center needed EMS with a cut he had gotten on his arm at Wal-Mart.

6:00 p.m. — A male resident at the Super 8 Motel reported smelling chloroform.

10:43 p.m. — A woman on Hager Street advised dispatch she could not go home because her son was there and he had a history of abusing her.

January 25
1:06 a.m. — PHS had the lunch room door left open and someone had anonymously reported it.

11:54 a.m. — McDonald's reported an irate customer.

2:23 p.m. — A Goble-Roberts woman reported she was sleepy and sick and thought she had carbon monoxide poisoning.

4:40 p.m. — A man needed police escort to take his twins back to their mother at Goble-Roberts.

Restaurant, School, and Mobile Home Park Inspections

Editor's Note: All inspections are made by Floyd County Health Department environmentalists John L. Bailey, Russell Wallace, and Mark Johnson.

• Clark Elementary, not rated: inspection made due to a complaint. Investigation concluded complaint invalid.

• Slone Trailer Park, Blue River, 96; Driveways with potholes and ponding of water. Mobile home park littered with debris.

• McDonald's, Prestonsburg, 96; Three-compartment sink soiled with food waste, not clean. Floors not clean in preparation area. Walls not clean in sandwich preparation area.

• Little Caesar's, Prestonsburg,

89; Pizza pans stored with corn meal; stored uncovered on wire rack shelving. Handle touching food on pizza-making table. No hair restraints worn. Pizza conveyer (oven) not clean. Bottom of reach-in refrigeration units not clean. Single serve cups for sauce improperly stored — not inverted. Dumpsters not provided with lids.

Floors not clean in preparation area and in walk-in cooler.

• Allen Central, 93; Floor and ceiling tile needs repair. Two fire extinguishers discharged. No violations for sanitation. Very clean.

• Martin Middle School, not rated. Follow-up inspection. Critical item corrected.

• Prestonsburg Community College, food service, 95; Bottom of chest-type freezer not clean. Clean utensils not inverted. Floors not clean in preparation area. Ceiling climate control vent soiled with dust in preparation area.

• Food World, Prestonsburg, 90 in deli and 90 in retail; Critical items found. Outer opening not protected — exit door at base (1/2 crack) in preparation area. Outdated baby food jars. No backflow preventer provided on hose at mop sink. Owner given ten days to correct critical violations.

Other violations: (in deli area) Improper storage of wiping cloths. Hand sink soiled. No hand towels provided in deli service area. Mixer head and microwave not clean. Ceiling tile not in place in storage area located in preparation room.

(In meat room) Ceiling in bad repair. Climate control vents soiled. No hand towels provided at hand sink. Single serve articles rack rusted and not maintained. Lights not shielded.

(In storage area) No self-closing doors in restroom.

(In retail area) Upright display in frozen food section not clean. Shelving dusty.

Note: Several dented cans. Recommend spot checking shelves for can defects. Will follow up on progress during next inspections.

• Martin's Carryout, Garrett, 98; No thermometers in milk cooler. Ceiling needs repair.

• Murphy's Restaurant, Martin, 86; Fish thawed at room temperature. No hair restraints. Counter top needs repair. Refrigerator door needs repair. Wiping cloths not properly stored. Coke heads need to be cleaned. Exhaust fan needs to be cleaned. No self-closing door on restrooms. Floor, walls, and ceilings need repairs.

• Goble Concession, Dwale, 98; Improper storage of single serve articles (coffee filters). Premises littered with debris.

• A & C Jiffy Mart, Prestonsburg, 99; Shelving soiled with dust. Most refrigerators inaction at current time. Limited food supplies.

• Happy Mart No. 40, Auxier, 97; Soiled shelving (dusty). No lid provided for dumpster.

• Allen Central cafeteria, 100; Very clean. Excellent repair. No violations.

To Catch a Thief

Note: The Floyd County Sheriff's Department will be providing information on a weekly basis concerning thefts in the county. Motorized items reported stolen will include the vehicle's VIN (vehicle identification number), engine number or serial number when provided.

• JVC camcorder, model number GR-M7a, reported stolen November 24 from the Prestonsburg area.

• Super Star radio, a police scanner and pocket respirator, reported stolen December 18 from the Water Gap area.

• one set of gauges, hoses and torch, two pipe wrenches, two pair of vice grips, two adjustable wrenches, an AM/FM cassette radio and one set of ratchet-type Allen

wrenches, reported stolen December 15 from the McDowell area.

• ten double eagle silver dollars dated 1923, four Indian head quarters and strong box were reported stolen November 25 from the Banner area.

• two RCA videocassette recorders, serial numbers 011297294 and 214563539, model 301, and Panasonic videocassette recorder, serial number F65A4499285, with remote control, reported stolen November 18 from the Prater School.

• four-wheeler, VIN JKALFB11PB501307, engine number LF400AE501699, model number KLF400-B1, stolen November 14 from the Old Middle Creek area.

• 32-inch television, videocassette recorder and Nintendo game system reported stolen November 1 from the Prestonsburg area.

• RCA 25-inch television with built-in video cassette recorder, reported stolen October 16 from the McDowell area.

• Murray five horsepower push mower and Sunbeam gas grill, reported stolen October 8 from the Dwale area.

• 10-inch Mitre saw, vacuum cleaner, Marlin .22 bolt action rifle, .357 Ruger (Colt 45 style), 13-inch Hitachi TV with VCR, serial number V52654852, electric can opener, Calphalon stock pot, red tool box, electric drill and saw, belt sander, Arctic sleeping bag, and over 300 CDs, reported stolen September 26 from Little Paint area.

• 14K rope chain with diamond heart necklace, 14K gold nugget bracelet, white 14K wedding band, three white 14K diamond rings and 14K hoop earrings, reported stolen September 26 from the Abbott Mountain area.

• Homelite weedeater reported stolen September 22 from the David area.

• push-type gasoline lawnmower, reported stolen September 24 from the Auxier area.

• Murray, 22-inch cut five horsepower high wheel lawnmower, red, serial number 7291804373N00034, model number 22535X92A, reported stolen July 30 from behind the National Guard Armory.

• Homelite, PLT 3400 weedeater, red or blue, model/serial number Vt15090-A, reported stolen between July 22 and July 24 from Pike/Floyd Hollow. There are points of identification which the owner can verify.

• 1995, S-10 pickup, black, VIN 1GCCS1446SK127434, Tag number 0232BA, reported stolen June 28 from the Branhams Creek area. In the vehicle was a 9mm handgun.

• 1996, Honda TRX 300, four-wheeler, red, VIN 4787E1507VA803556; engine number 8902944; reported stolen April 11 from the Tinker Fork area of Mud Creek.

• 1993, Honda 4TRAX, four-wheeler, red, VIN 4787E1504PA517389; engine number TE15E8521735; reported stolen February 4 from the Martin area.

• Model 66 stainless steel .357 Smith & Wesson revolver, serial number 9K84984, reported stolen June 16 from the Prestonsburg area.

• 1996 Honda TRX 300, four-wheeler, red, VIN 4787E1502TA823386, red, reported stolen December 10 from the Martin area.

• Sears Craftsman 20-inch cut mulcher/mower, gray aluminum color, serial number 090392M-009939; reported stolen in April from the Maytown area.

Anyone with information about any of the stolen items listed should call sheriff's detective Homer Neeley at 886-6711. Anyone wanting to report items stolen can also call detective Neeley.

To assist in the recovery of stolen items, persons should record all serial and VIN numbers on their property and a hidden identification mark that cannot be changed should also be put on the merchandise.

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AG NEWS

NOW IS THE TIME TO BAT-PROOF YOUR HOME

by Patricia Gale Spicer
Floyd County Cooperative
Extension Service
Agent for Agriculture and
Natural Resources

Bats are interesting, useful animals. A single little brown bat (one of the most common house-

dwelling bats) may eat 600 mosquitoes in an hour. Yet the presence of a bat in the house probably causes more alarm than does any other wildlife species.

Many of the fears that people have about bats is based on myth and misunderstandings. Most bats are not rabid and bat droppings in buildings are usually not a source of histoplasmosis. They are not aggressive and will not attack

people or pets. Kentucky bats do not feed on blood.

All wildlife species are protected by Kentucky law, and it is against the law to kill bats in Kentucky unless it is determined the bats are damaging your property.

There are no pesticides registered for controlling bats in Kentucky. Insect bombs and commercial fumigation using methyl-

bromide are against the law and pose significant health hazards to humans.

Home remedies including moth balls, ultrasonic devices, bright lights, chemical repellents including dog and cat repellents, sulfur candles, strong wind current, or glue boards are not completely successful or recommended.

The only permanent solution in dealing with problem bats is to

build them out, or "bat-proof" the building.

Time spent locating and sealing all entrances now will save additional time and frustration in the future because bats return each year to their nursery colony.

This is a good time of year to bat-proof your home because most bats migrate and will not return until spring.

Never seal openings from mid-

May through July because flightless young bats may be present. Sealing bats inside a building causes the bats to quickly starve, creating an unsanitary and smelly problem.

For more information on bat-proofing your home, contact Pat Spicer at the extension office at 886-2668 and ask for FOR-48 "Bats: Information for Kentucky Homeowners."

WEDDINGS ENGAGEMENTS

Hall-Baker exchange vows in Puerto Rico



July wedding planned

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Stallard, of Prestonsburg, and Mr. and Mrs. John Montgomery, of Lexington, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their children, Tracey Michele Stallard and John Rennick Montgomery, both of Winchester. Ms. Stallard is employed by MCSI in Lexington and also attends classes at Lexington Community College. Mr. Montgomery is employed by UPS in Lexington. A late July wedding is planned.



Mr. and Mrs. Jim Baker

Debra Karen Hall and Jim Baker were united in marriage, November 29, in San Juan, Puerto Rico, by Rev. David Valentine. The ceremony was held outdoors at the historical gates at Old San Juan.

Dr. Hall is the daughter of Lloyd G. and Amanda Neeley Hall of Goble-Roberts Addition, Prestonsburg. She is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School, University of Kentucky and U.K. College of Medicine. After completing a three-year residency at McLeod Medical Center in Florence, South Carolina, she returned to Prestonsburg to specialize in family practice at the Harold Primary Care Clinic.

Baker is the son of Jim and Gwen Baker of Harrogate, Tennessee. He graduated from

Middlesboro High School, attended Central Florida University, the University of Kentucky and graduated from Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tennessee. He graduated the Kentucky State Police Academy and is employed as a Kentucky State Police trooper at Post 9 in Pikeville.

After the ceremony, a reception was given aboard the Fascination Cruise Ship, and the couple embarked from San Juan on a seven-day honeymoon cruise, visiting the islands of St. Thomas, St. Maarten, Dominica, Barbados and Martinique.

Since returning from their honeymoon, the couple is residing in their new home on Spurlock Creek, Prestonsburg.



Anne Brosnan and Rev. Timothy Lawson

Brosnan-Lawson to wed

Anne Laura Brosnan and Rev. Timothy Michael Lawson, both of Berea, announce their forthcoming marriage on February 14, at 2 p.m., at Dixie Park Full Gospel Baptist Church, 700 Powell St. N., Berea. A reception will follow at Baird Lounge in the Alumni Building at Berea.

Miss Brosnan, originally from Minneapolis, Minnesota, is the daughter of Lawrence and Claudia Brosnan of Boise, Idaho. She is an active member of the Dixie Park Full Gospel Baptist Church and is

planning to return to Berea College in the fall of '98 to pursue a degree in child and family studies.

Rev. Lawson, a 1990 graduate of McDowell High School, is originally from Drift. He is the son of Michael Lawson of Drift and Dottie Lawson of Lexington. He graduated from Berea College in 1994 with a degree in music education and is now employed as the full-time music minister of Dixie Park Full Gospel Baptist Church.

The gracious custom of an open wedding will be observed.

Yesterdays

(Continued from page one)

Monday near his home on the Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek when the auto on which he was working slipped from a jack and fell on him; Mrs. Ethel Collins Gresham, 56, formerly of Prestonsburg, Sunday at her home at Louisville; Wayne Helton, 53, of Martin, Sunday at the home of a relative at Minnie; William S. Conley, 72, of Water Gap, Saturday at Warsaw, Ind.; Ben Mosley, 84, Sunday at his home at Minnie; Foster Richardson, 57, native of Middle Creek, Jan. 10 at Silver Lake, Indiana.

Forty Years Ago (January 23, 1958)

A plea of harmony between Mayor and City Council and a flat declaration of war on bootlegging were voted by Mayor Bill Napier in the second meeting of the year of the Prestonsburg City Council Monday night...The new water plant in the Mayo Addition here was placed in operation about ten days ago...Ted Salisbury, 56, of Martin, died Monday shortly after his left foot was severed by a train and after he had suffered internal injuries...A Dwale man is in the Johnson County jail at Paintsville facing a possible murder charge in the pistol-slaying late Wednesday afternoon of Charles Stapleton, 54, formerly of Allen...Mrs. Amy Begley, one of the oldest teachers in Floyd County, was honored at a silver tea Sunday afternoon by the Maytown school faculty...An ad in this week's Times lauded the Edsel as having "out-ahead jet-grille styling"...There died: Rev. Carl Layne, 54, of Betsy Layne, Friday at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Werner Fannin, 92, of Handshoe, Friday at his home; Mrs. Virgie Johnson, 35, of Dema, at her home Tuesday; Mrs. Lucy Hall, 84, last Thursday at the home of a son at Martin; Mrs. Fannie May Boyd, 79, Monday at her home at Garrett; Mrs. Pearl Parson, 54, formerly of Honaker, last Thursday at New London, O.; Mrs. Frances Moore, 37, of McDowell, Friday at the McDowell Memorial Hospital; John McKinney, 82, Friday at his home at Amba; Mrs. Tilda Scott, 82, of Endicott, Saturday at the home of a son at Tram; Thomas J. Sturgill, 78, Tuesday at his home on the Left Fork of Toler Creek; Burnham Gayheart, 39, formerly of Garrett, Jan. 7 in Newark, Delaware; Lee Damron, 83, of Louisa, formerly of Boldman, Thursday of last week at home.

Fifty Years Ago (January 22, 1948)

As the Floyd Circuit Court turned to its major criminal docket, three Floyd County men have been convicted within the week in murder trials, a fourth was convicted of voluntary manslaughter and two others drew pen terms for breaking and entering...Two Floyd Countians were killed in mine accidents this week. Bill Jones, 54, of Hueysville, died a short time after being crushed, Monday noon, by a slatefall in the Diamond Elkhorn Coal Company mine near Hueysville. At Wayland, Wednesday afternoon, Joe Wicker, 31, of Garrett, was killed when he was caught between the mine roof and the motor he was operating...The town of Martin this week had two claimants to the office of Police Judge—Kessie Akers, who was elected by popular vote in November, 1945, and G. D. Ryan, who was appointed to the

office last week by Governor Earle C. Clements...The Prestonsburg City Council jumped ahead of the State Legislature Monday night when it passed an ordinance prohibiting the sale and use of fireworks inside the city limits...Former Magistrate Jim Hill is in serious condition at the Prestonsburg General Hospital with a skull fracture, the result of a fall Tuesday morning over an embankment near the home of his son, Scott Hill, on the Abbott road...The Floyd County Fish & Game Club next week will launch a membership drive, with a goal of 1,000 members for 1948, it was announced by club secretary Ray Stephens...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. James Edward Alley, a son, James Edward, Jr., Jan. 5 at their home here; to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Honaker, of Martin, a daughter, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital...There died: James Franklin Murray, 47, Inland Steel Company mine foreman, of Wheelwright, last Wednesday; Mrs. Mindy Hall, 79, at home near Galveston, last Thursday; J. D. (John Doty) Martin, Floyd County driller, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Cephus Moore, at Orkney, Thursday; Mrs. Bertha Coleman Littleton, 43, of Martin, Monday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Geneva Stanley, 11, of Garrett, at the Stumbo Memorial Hospital, Lackey, Wednesday; Jean Ellen Waller, three months old, of Water Gap, Tuesday; Orville S. Robinette, 39, Floyd native, at home at Dayton, O., Saturday; Mrs. Siller Johnson Little, 77, at the home of a daughter at Topmost, Friday; Beulah Calhoun, 17, of David, Saturday at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Andrew J. Music, 54, of Pikeville, formerly of this county, Friday at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Mrs. Mary Ann Allen, 63, Floyd County native, Sunday at home at Ashland.

Sixty Years Ago (January 27, 1938)

Six men and five women were jailed Monday night following a drunken free-for-all brawl on the first floor of the courthouse as the trial of Commonwealth vs. Willie Justice for the slaying of Tivis Sellards recessed...Citing roadhouse liquor dispensers as the source of most of Floyd County crime, the January grand jurors in their final report, recommended that courts of proper authority make stringent regulations affecting them...During the past year the National Youth Administration has furnished part-time employment for approximately 500 youths, 18 to 25 years of age, in Floyd County...Thirteen-year-old Jewel Pritchard, of Garrett, was named Floyd County's champion grade school speller for the third consecutive year, at the annual spelling bee conducted here last Friday by the Floyd County Board of Education...A basketball team, hitherto given little publicity, but which has compiled a winning record as good as any in Kentucky, is that of the McDowell High School which in 16 games this season has won 14...Herbie Davis and his Southern-Airs, Swing Band, will play at the Club Rustique this week...There died: William R. Halbert, 32, Tuesday at the home of his father at Martin; Mrs. Florence Belcher Lowman, 37, Thursday at her home at Betsy Layne; Alice Nolen, 16, formerly of this county, recently at Ashland; Cynthia Whitaker, 29, Tuesday at the home of a daughter at Alphoretta.

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BUSINESS/REAL ESTATE

Columbia Gas of Kentucky introduces new logo

There's a new look on a well-known company these days. Columbia Gas of Kentucky is introducing a new logo to the public as part of a corporate name change by the company's holding company in Reston, Virginia this week.

On January 20, the Columbia Gas System changed its name to Columbia Energy Group, reflecting its intention to be a major player in the energy markets of the future.

Oliver G. Richard III, chairman, CEO and president of Columbia

Energy Group, told a news conference at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., that the name is part of a sweeping program to more accurately reflect what Columbia already has become: "an energy provider that intends to compete aggressively across the breadth of a dramatically changing industry."

"Our customers' needs and the regulatory and marketplace framework in which we provide products and services offer new challenges and opportunities," Richard said.

"The new corporate logo visually portrays the Columbia Energy Group as a family of distinct business units with shared vision and values. Wherever our customers see the Columbia logo, whether in the context of regulated natural gas transmission or distribution or in nonregulated electricity or natural gas marketing, they can be assured of receiving the same quality of expertise and customer service they've come to expect from a Columbia company.

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. Vice President and General Manager Joseph W. Kelly said, "The new corporate name and logo reflect the broad range of energy products and services offered by the various Columbia companies. Columbia Gas of Kentucky will continue to focus on the safe and reliable delivery of natural gas to its customers."

Columbia's name change reflects its expanded participation in the energy marketplace. For example, in the third quarter of 1997, Columbia tied for 13th on a trade publication's list of the top 20 North American gas marketers. Columbia Energy also began electricity trading last month, Richard said.

The Columbia Energy Group, headquartered in Reston, Virginia,



is one of the nation's leading energy groups, with assets of about \$6 billion. Its operating companies are engaged in all phases of the natural gas business plus marketing, fuel management services and electric power generation, sales and trading. Columbia companies, directly or indirectly, serve more than seven million natural gas customers—12 percent of the nation's total—in 15 states and the District of Columbia.

Columbia Gas of Kentucky employs over 300 people in its Kentucky Service area and serves approximately 136,000 customers in 60 Kentucky communities.

Information about the Columbia Energy Group is available on the World Wide Web at www.columbienergygroup.com. Columbia stock continues to trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol CG.

AEP schedules teacher workshops

American Electric Power (NYSE:AEP), in conjunction with universities and organizations in five states, will offer 15 workshops for teachers K-12 this summer. Course topics include energy, the environment, economics, community development, scientific inquiry and education technology.

Each workshop provides teachers with hands-on experiences, real-world perspectives, and materials, technologies and strategies to improve student achievement. The workshops range from two to 10

days and offer graduates credit. Many include tours.

Course fees vary—most are free, and teachers can apply for housing, meal and mileage reimbursements. Class sizes range from 15 to 30 teachers, with first priority given to educators living and teaching within AEP's service territory in Kentucky, West Virginia, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Virginia and Tennessee.

For applications or more information, write Barry Schumann, AEP Corporate Communications, 1

Riverside Plaza, Columbus, Ohio 43215, or check the education programs section on AEP's World Wide Web site at <http://www.aep.com>.

COMMERCE CORNER

by Carla Coburn
Executive Director
Chamber of Commerce

This past week our executive director has been busy working on projects for the Chamber of Commerce Conference/Seminar Committee. The goal of the Conference/Seminar Committee is to assist in the planning of conferences and seminars that will bring group revenue to Chamber businesses, and thus positively impact our county economy. This week the Chamber was asked to assist a physicians group in planning a regional seminar regarding healthcare. Our executive director will work to involve area Chambers of Commerce in the full day event to take place this summer.



Carla Coburn

This week the Chamber also assisted member, John Rosenberg, in an effort to bring the Kentucky Center for Public Interest meeting to our county this spring. The group consists of civic leaders throughout the state whose sole purpose is to improve the Bluegrass State. We are proud to provide these organizational services on behalf of our Conference/Seminar Committee, and hope to improve the business climate for all members by promoting our area.

Last week our executive director began her second semester of graduate study at the Morehead Extended Campus in Prestonsburg.

This term she will be studying topics in healthcare, and will hopefully be able to implement that knowledge to make our business insurance project a success.

The One Stop Council recently held the semi-annual meeting of their full board and partners for this effort with the goal of consolidating services in a one-stop shop environment. The group which received a substantial state grant last year for the project is still in the process of purchasing the equipment to make the project a reality. Our Prestonsburg Department for Employment Services is one of the Comprehensive Sites for the project, and has undergone renovation to accomplish the goals of a more customer friendly atmosphere. If you have an opportunity to visit the faculty, Office Manager-Debbie Allen, can inform you of how this new process can assist your business in recruiting employees.

This week we welcome the following members who have dedicated their businesses as a part of our organization. Mountain Comprehensive Care Center and Lodestar Energy. Our business organization is growing, and if your business would like to take advantage of our membership services as these members are doing, contact your Chamber of Commerce today at (606) 886-0364. We are "business helping business."

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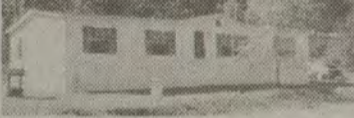
ROUTE 114, MIDDLE CREEK—3 bedrooms, L.R., D.R., kitchen, 1 bath, and utility room. Offers central heat & air, fireplace (Buck stove), blacktop drive and city water. Private but convenient to Prestonsburg. (V-00119)



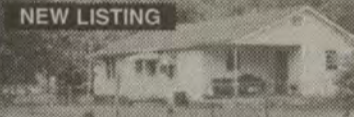
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LOTS / ACREAGE:

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***** LOTS & LAND LISTINGS *****

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Real Estate and Mining Equipment

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1998

10:00 a.m. - RT. 119, SIDNEY—Tract of land with approximately 875 ft. road frontage.

DIRECTIONS: Property is located across the road from the Chevron Service Station in Sidney.

11:00 a.m. - DIX FORK—Approximately 800 ft. road frontage with 36 acres more or less total property. Property includes a 3 bedroom, brick house with approx. 1100 sq. ft.

DIRECTIONS: From Sidney, go approximately one mile east on Rt. 119 (toward Williamson), turn right onto Dix Fork. Property is approximately one mile on the right.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 1998

10:00 a.m. - LANCER—Approximately 15 acre tract of land with approximately one acre level.

DIRECTIONS: From Prestonsburg take Rt. 1428 toward Jenny Wiley State Park. Property is next to Ray Howard Furniture and across the road from Briarwood Subdivision.

11:00 a.m. - MCDOWELL - REAL ESTATE: 40' x 60' metal shop building with bay doors on each end. Situated on approximately 2 acres of bottomland. Blacktop road.

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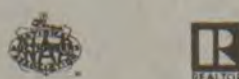


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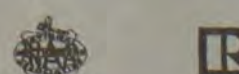


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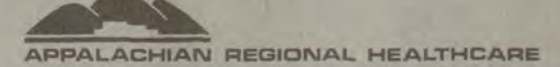
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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on Monday, February 23, 1998, at 1:00 p.m., at the property site, on 1001 Sugar Loaf Branch, Emma, Floyd Co., Kentucky, in order to raise the sum of \$43,434,172 principal, together with interest credit subsidy granted in the amount of \$19,668.00, plus interest in the amount of \$4,182.77, as of September 2, 1997, and interest thereafter on the principal at \$11.3037 per day from September 2, 1997, until the date of Judgement, plus interest on the Judgement amount (principal plus interest to the date of Judgement) at the rate of 5.49%, computed daily and compounded annually, until paid in full and for the costs of this action, pursuant to Judgement and Order of Sale, being Civil Action No. 97-300, on the Pikeville Docket of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, entered on October 21, 1997, in the case of United States of America vs. Joey Patrick, Patricia Patrick and Commonwealth of Kentucky, the following described property will be sold to the highest and best bidder: A house and lot located on Sugar Loaf Branch near Emma, Floyd County, Kentucky. Being all the same property conveyed by Deed dated March 30, 1988, and recorded in Deed Book 317, Page 549, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office. TERMS OF SALE: Ten percent (10%) of the bid price (in the form of a Certified Check made payable to the U. S. Marshal) on the day of sale with good and sufficient bond for the balance bearing interest at the rate of 5.49% per annum until paid, due and payable in thirty (30) days and said bond having the effect of a Judgement. Upon a default by the Purchaser, the deposit shall be forfeited and retained by the U. S. Marshal as a part of the proceeds of the sale, and the property shall again be offered for sale subject to confirmation by the Court. This sale shall be in bar and foreclosure of all right, title, interest, estate claim, demand or equity of redemption of the defendants and of all persons claiming by, through, under or against them, provided the purchase price is equal to two-thirds of the appraised value. If the purchase price is not equal to two-thirds of the appraised value, the Deed shall contain a lien in favor of the defendants reflecting the right of the defendants to redeem during the period provided by law (KRS 426.530). Inquiries should be directed to:

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NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.93, notice is hereby given that Progress Land Corporation, H.C. 82, Box 1045, Arnold Fork Road, Kite, Kentucky 41828, has applied for Phase III bond release on Permit Number 836-8031 which was last issued on November 5, 1993. The application covers an area of approximately 10.45 acres located 1.5 mile south of Weebury, Floyd County, Kentucky.

The permit area is approximately 3.50 miles south of the junction of Ky. 466 with Hwy. 122 and south of Left Fork of Beaver Creek. The latitude is 37 degrees, 18 minutes, 32 seconds. The longitude is 82 degrees, 42 minutes, 04 seconds.

The bond now in effect for Permit Number 836-8031 is a surety of \$7,800.00. One hundred percent (100%) of the remainder of the original bond amount of \$20,300.00 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in the fall of 1991. All disturbed areas have been seeded as to provide adequate growth for plant species and provide appropriate conditions for the surrounding wildlife. Results thus far indicate growth of vegetation is according to re-vegetation plan.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by March 20, 1998.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for March 23, 1998, at 1:00 p.m., at the Prestonsburg Regional Office of the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1455. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by March 20, 1998.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.93, notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 415 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606-886-2330) intends to apply for Phase III Bond Release Permit No. 436-0099 which was last issued on March 7, 1989. The operation cover a surface area of 46.56 acres.

The operation is located 2.6 miles south of Langley in Floyd County and is approximately 2.6 miles south of the junction of KY 80 with KY 777.

The latitude is 37°-29'-00" and the longitude is 82°-47'-08", and is located on the Wayland 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle map.

The performance bond (Surety) now in effect for the operation is \$3,300.00. 100% of the original bond of \$355,900.00 is to be included in this application for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in June, 1990.

Results thus far achieved include: establishment of vegetation, and the post mining land use in accordance with the approved post mining land use plan.

Written comments, objections, and request for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601 by March 13, 1998.

A public hearing on the application has been set for March 16, 1998, at 1:00 p.m., at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The scheduled public hearing will be cancelled if the Cabinet does not receive a request for the public hearing or informal conference by March 13, 1998.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CI-00630

First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg, Kentucky...Plaintiff

Vs. Bob Branham, Inc., d/b/a Arrowwood Hardware Company, Robert C. Branham and Frances L. Branham...Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the December 15, 1997 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 30th day of January, 1997 at the hour of 10:30 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:

TRACT I-BEING THE SAME property conveyed to the parties of the first part (Robert C. Branham and Frances L. Branham), by Deed dated the 14th day of September, 1956, from Flossie McGuire and Hobart McGuire, her husband, which is duly recorded in Deed Book 164, Page 386, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk and is more particularly described as follows:

Lying and being in the Mayo Subdivision of the city of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, and being Lots No.'s 127, 128, 159 and 160, as shown by the plat of said Subdivision recorded in Deed book 139, Page 629, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office. The oil and gas having been heretofore excepted same is not hereby conveyed.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include, costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effort of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 30 day of December, 1997.

EARL MARTIN MCGUIRE
Master Commissioner, Floyd Circuit Court
P.O. Box 1257
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CIVIL ACTION NO. 97-CI-00453

First Commonwealth

Bank of Prestonsburg, Kentucky...Plaintiff

Vs. RND, Inc.; Floyd County, Kentucky; Big Sandy Area Development District; East Kentucky Economic Development and Jobs Creation Corporation D/B/A Eastern Kentucky Corporation; and Floyd County Development Authority...Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the October 9, 1997 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 30th day of January, 1997 at the hour of 10:00 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel property located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky;

Being the same property conveyed Floyd County Development Authority from United Central Industrial Supply Company by deed dated the 6th day of October, 1993 and recorded in Deed Book 371, page 95 in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

A certain tract or parcel of land, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky and more particularly described as follows:

BOUNDARY "A" beginning on a stake corner to H.G. Hagons and Rebecca Preston land; thence running with H.G. Hagons line to the G.W. Allen line; thence with G.W. Allen line to Wess Flannery line; thence with Wess Flannery line to A. J. Davidson Allen line; thence with A.J. Davidson line to the J.M. Allen line; thence with the Rebecca Preston line; thence on around the hill to a Poplar on the west bank of drain; thence on around the hill to the center between a Hickory and a Buckeye tree on the point; thence down the side of the point to the Beaver Highway #80; thence with the meander of said branch to the John Allen line; thence with the A.J. Davidson line to the beginning.

BOUNDARY "B", TRACT #1. Containing 6.75 acres more or less and described as follows: Beginning on a stake in the center of Rebecca Preston branch from which a large Silver Maple bears S 32-00 E 7 feet, then up the hill with the land of Ella Preston etc. N 8-30 W 83.4 feet to a stake, thence N 13-00 E 174.6 feet to a stake, then N 45-35 W 134 feet (passing one foot right of a large Chestnut tree at Plus 98 feet) to a stake, then N 73-15 W 164 feet to a stake four feet right of a scrubby White Oak, then N 44-15 W 55.2 feet to a stake, then N 8-30 W 85 feet to a stake, then N 4-20 EW 114.5 feet to a fence post in line of land of Hiram Hagons, then down the hill with his line N 82-45 W 342.4 feet to a stake in lower edge of the old county road a corner to B.L.C. May, thence with a line of same S 80-15 W 42 feet to a stake in the Centerline of Beaver Highway, then with the Centerline of said Highway to center of Rebecca Preston branch, then with the center of said branch to beginning, containing 6.75 acres more or less.

TRACT #2 Containing 4.27 acres more or less and described as follows: Beginning on a hickory on the point opposite where John and Arzilla used to live, said hickory standing about three hundred feet

from the house built by them, then around the hill S 29-30 W 174.6 feet to a stake from which a bunch of papaws bear N 11-00 W 27 feet, then S 74-00 W 164 feet to a poplar on the bank of a drain, then up the hill S 22-30 E 460 feet to a Black Oak, then around the hill S 59-00 W 150 feet to a stake from which a Maple bears N 85-00 E 4 feet then up a point, S 46-00 E 134 feet to a Sycamore, S 68-00 E 194.6 feet to an Ash, two sugars and an Elm in a Poplar stump, then around the hill, N 38-15 E 127 feet to a stake from which a White Oak bears N 27-00 E 8 feet, then down a point N 5-00 W 132.8 feet to a stake, then N 17-30 W 122.8 feet to a stake, then N 11-15 W 92.4 feet to a Black Oak and a Sugar. Same course 118.4 feet to a stake, then N 10-25 W 132.4 feet to a stake, then N 19-30 W 63 feet to a stake 8 feet right of a White Oak, then N 14-35 W 138.2 feet to the beginning, containing 4.27 acres more or less.

BOUNDARY "C". This is a deed to clarify rights and title of the property line between Anna Preston and Virnus Isaac, beginning at an iron stake which is a marker of United Fuel Gas Co. Transmission line. Thence running East up the point within three feet of the North side of a large Hickory tree, thence up the point to top of point to a red oak tree, thence running down the hill to near a Walnut stump, thence back across the end of bottom to Highway 80, thence running with Highway 80 to a stake at the beginning.

A portion of the afore described surface land has been platted and a map of said plat know as the Preston Addition has filed in the office of the Floyd County Clerk on October 27, 1967, designated Map File No., 352.

There is excepted and reserved from the property hereby conveyed that portion of said property conveyed to the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Department of Transportation, from Elmo Elkhorn—Division of Envirotech, by Deed of Conveyance, dated April 11, 1978, of record in Deed Book 238, at Page No. 42, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include, costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effort of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property as a further security.

CONSIDER AMERICORPS

The Appalachian Self-Sufficiency Program—an Americorps Project—seeks an individual with a minimum of high school diploma/GED, college preferred, to serve as a volunteer in its program at its Knott County office. A small living allowance is provided together with an educational award for those who complete 900 hours of service. Good written and oral communication skills and problem solving skills are required along with a team player attitude and a self-directed work ethic.

Duties of members require skills in two or more of the following:

- One-on-one mentoring of DSI participants to overcome barriers to employment
- Ability to access and use local resources
- Computer skills in data base and word processing
- Organizing and conducting issue oriented community meetings
- Being trained for and then conducting community workshops on life skills

Application packets may be picked up at the Big Sandy Area Development District Office in Prestonsburg or the local Department For Employment Services Office and returned to the same no later than 4:00 p.m. on February 6, 1998.

The Big Sandy Area Development District is An Equal Opportunity Employer.

Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 30th day of December, 1997.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CIVIL ACTION NO. 97-CI-00503

First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg, Kentucky...Plaintiff

Vs.

S and E Foods, Inc. d/b/a Martin's Finest Cash Saver; and Stephen R. Farthing; Emma B. Farthing, husband and wife; and Keathley Land Inc.; and Jack Keathley and Winnie M. Keathley; and Commonwealth of Kentucky, Revenue Cabinet; and Kentucky Food Stores, Inc.; and Floyd County, Kentucky...Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE

By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the December 15, 1997 Term in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 30th day of January, 1997 at the hour of 11:00 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property, to-wit:

Being the same property conveyed to Stephen R. Farthing and Emma B. Farthing, his wife, from Keathley Lands, Inc., a Kentucky corporation, and Jack Keathley and Winnie Keathley, by deed dated 2nd day of November, 1989, recorded in Deed Book 332, at page 013, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office, and being more particularly described as follows:

Being Lots No. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38 of Block F of New Martin Addition as shown on Plat File No. 424, in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office including all improvements located thereon. Said lots are fronting on Main Street.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include, costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effort of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 30th day of December, 1997.
 Earl Martin McGuire
 Master Commissioner,
 Floyd Circuit Court
 P.O. Box 1257
 Prestonsburg,
 Kentucky 41653

FLOODPLAINS AND WETLANDS NOTICE OF EXPLANATION

The City of Prestonsburg plans to extend water service into the Buffalo Creek community of Floyd County. The proposed project consists of approximately 11.0 miles of water lines, an estimated 200,000 gallon water storage tank and one booster pumping station. The primary beneficiaries will be approximately 120 households in the Buffalo Creek Area.

Portions of this project are located in the 100-year floodplain and project activities, by virtue of their type and scope, must be conducted in the 100-year floodplain.

The proposed construction will conform with all applicable local, state and federal floodplain construction standards. The proposed action will not affect the floodplain elevation.

Completion of this project will provide the 120+ homes within the Buffalo Creek community with a steady source of clean water. It is the City's judgment that the project activities will not adversely affect the 100-year floodplain, and that benefits to be derived from the project outweigh consideration of Executive Orders 11988 and 11990.

Agencies involved in the project are the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (Kentucky Community Development Block Grant); USDA Rural Development Community Facilities loan program; and/or sources of conventional financing.

Comments on the proposed project will be accepted until the close of business Monday, February 16, 1998. Comments should be sent to Mayor Jerry Fannin, City of Prestonsburg, 90 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. A more detailed description of the project and the FIA flood maps are available for citizen review by contacting Sandra Saad at the Big Sandy Area Development District, 100 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Signed: Jerry Fannin, Mayor, City of Prestonsburg, and Certifying Officer.

The City of Prestonsburg is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant To Application No. 898-5979

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Premier Elkhorn Coal Company, P.O. Box 130, Myra, KY 41549 has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.0 mile northeast of Wales in Pike and Floyd counties. The proposed operation will disturb 14.38 surface acres and will underlie 1599.45 acres making a total area of 1613.83 acres within the proposed permit boundary.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.2 miles northwest from CR-3514's junction with SR-122 and is located at the head of Arnold Fork. The latitude is 37° 21' 02" N and the longitude is 82° 38' 09" W.

The proposed operation is located on the Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The proposed operation will disturb land owned by Enterprise Coal

Company and will underlie land owned by McKinley Akers; McKinney & Nellie Akers; Nellie Akers, Lola H. Anderson; Conley & Eartha Bartley; Randall Bentley; Garrie & Shirley Caudill; Turner Elkhorn Mining Co.; Rosy Ellen Bates Cole; Elbert & Sara Jane Cole Estate; Larry & Maggie Collett; Millard & Juanita Collier; John & Ethel Collins; Enterprise Coal Company; The Elk Horn Coal Corporation; Valley Supply Corporation; Claudetta Edwards; Tammy & Morris Gilliam; Grover & Jacqueline Gillum; Harold Ed & Pamela Jean Gunther; Bill Hall; Burnis Eugene & Lorretta Hall; Jacqueline Hall; Millard & Alvaria Hall; Milton & Dellie hall; Russell & Juanita Hall; Silas & Leona Hall; Walter Hall; Walter & Janet Hall; Dixie Harmon; William Hickman III; Mid State Homes, Inc.; Phil & Shirley Hughes; Danny Hylton; Howard & Pearl Hylton; Alberta Johnson; Estill Johnson; Hassell & Alberta Johnson; Hassell & Daisie Johnson; Johnny & Shirley Johnson; Rosa Johnson; Sterling Johnson; Russell & Maudie Johnson; Raymond & Helua Jones; Charles & Patricia Justice; Buck & Ruth Keens; Ella Keens; Marie Lay; Franklin & Dorothy Little; Pete Little; Daniel & Carol Lyon; Ellis & Bertha Newsome; Milburn Newsome; Paul E. & Vada Faye Newsome; Kevi, Rosana & Kenneth Ray, Jr.; Dora Reynolds Estate; Augustus Palmer; Waclaw, Alexandria & Sonny Platkus; John D. & Maudie Simpkins; Bill & Patricia Slone; Foster & Violet Slone; Garner Slone; Harve & Delia Slone; Violet Slone; Susie Smith; William & Loretta Stanley; Carl F. & Mabel Tackett; Claudis Tackett; Curtis Edward Tackett; Debbie (Cole) Tackett; Fawn Tackett; Marion Tackett; Paul & Frankie Tackett; Brack & Helen Younce; Douglas M. & Emma Younce; Henry Younce; Perry Younce; and Jody Michael & Trudy Wright. The operation will use the underground method of mining.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, 109 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, KY 41501. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 1 CIVIL ACTION NO. 97-CI-00676

Matthew National Bank F.S.B...Plaintiff
 Vs.
 Elizabeth Miller...Defendant

NOTICE OF SALE
 By virtue of a Judgement and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered at the December 15, 1997 Term, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 30th day of January, 1997 at the hour of 11:30 a.m., same being a day of the regular term of the Floyd Circuit Court, on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum, the following described property to-wit:
 On the Waters of Middle Creek and more particularly described as follows, to-wit:
 Beginning at a concrete highway right-of-way monument 85 feet left (north) of Kentucky 114 centerline station 4717 plus 95; thence N 30 degrees 08' 11" W 44.505

feet to a point 02 feet north of station 4717 plus 53.87; thence N 41 degrees 50' 06" E 15,872 feet to a point in the center of a headwall on the inlet end of a culvert under old (abandoned portion of) KY 114; thence containing N 41 degrees 50' 06" E 99.625 feet to a PK nail in a 14-inch bent Sycamore; thence S 34 degrees 31' 51" E 169.117 feet to a fence post; thence following old fence N 51 degrees 00' 00" E 52.549 feet to an iron stake beside a fence post, thence N 52 degrees 13' 52" E 23.910 feet to a 2 inch Pine, thence N 545 degrees 32' 16" E 39.30 feet to a 14-inch Pine; thence N 52 degrees 45' 09" E 69.365 feet to a 3-inch Pine; thence N 49 degrees 33' 06" E 292.742 feet to a 28-inch oak on point; thence downhill following old fence S 5 degrees 50' 51" E 33.430 feet to a 10-inch Pine; thence S 11 degrees 07' 08" E 75.812 feet to a PK nail in the base of an 18-inch Pine; thence S 12 degrees 18' 34" E 86.851 feet to a PK nail in the base of a 12-inch Pine, thence S 10 degrees 16'00"W 41.660 feet to a nail in a fence post; thence S 11 degrees 29' 26" W 64.111 feet to a point in the KY 114 right-of-way line said point being 195.73 feet N of said highway centerline station 4725 plus 09.36; thence with said right-of-way line the following Calls: N 63 degrees 59' 32" W 217.210 feet to a point 190 feet N of station 4722 plus 50; thence N 87 degrees 04' 39" W 166.761 feet to a point 100 feet N of station 4721 plus 00; thence N 55 degrees 26' 49" W 304.708 feet to a point of beginning.

The above described parcel of land contains 162,544.96 square feet or 3.732 acres. Being the same land conveyed be Darrell E. Hampton and Diana Hampton; his wife, to Elizabeth Miller, single, by deed dated December 10, 1996, and recorded in Deed Book 400, Page 837, Floyd County Records.

The amount of money to be raised by this sale shall include, costs of advertising of this sale and the fees and commissions for conducting this sale.

For the purchase price the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgment with a lien retained upon said property as a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 30 day of December, 1997.

Earl Martin McGuire
 Master Commissioner
 Floyd Circuit Court
 P.O. Box 1257
 Prestonsburg,
 Kentucky 41653

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

February 5, 1998, at 10:45 a.m. or thereabout, a 1995 Legend Legacy 14x52 Mobile Home S/N#HL50702AL will be sold to the highest bidder for cash "as is where is" at Hylton Mobile Homes, U.S. 23, lvel, Ky., under the terms of a Consumer Security Agreement. The mobile home may be inspected before the sale. The bank reserves the right to bid. The buyer will pay all taxes and transfer fees.

Community Trust Bank
 Collection Department
 Pikeville, Ky.
 Greg Justice,
 Auctioneer

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission, for and on behalf of the City of Prestonsburg, has drafted the "Prestonsburg Regional Facilities Plan, Allen Area

Partition," and shall conduct a public hearing to solicit comments and recommendations regarding same. This draft plan, developed according to Kentucky Administrative Regulations, is a revision of the approved Allen 201 Facilities Plan, and sets out the intent of the City of Prestonsburg to provide sewer services along US 23 from the Watergap area south to the Rolling Hills Subdivision, to include the areas of the City of Allen, New Allen and Dwale. The public hearing will be held at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, February 5, 1998 at the Prestonsburg Municipal Building, 90 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

Persons interested in further information regarding the draft plan or seeking a copy of the draft plan may contact Mr. Seldon Horne, Superintendent, Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission at 2103 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 or by calling 606-886-6871.

Comments obtained from the public hearing and any written comments received on or before February 27, 1998 will be considered in finalizing the draft plan which is to be submitted not later than March 2, 1998. Any and all persons who believe any condition of the draft plan inappropriate, inaccurate, incomplete, or otherwise not in the best interest of the public and the environment, shall raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all reasonably available arguments and factual background supporting their position, including all supporting materials, to Mr. Seldon Horne, Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission, 2103 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, by 4:30 p.m., February 27, 1998.

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

The City of Prestonsburg in and through the Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission is requesting qualifications statements from engineering firms wishing to assist in the planning and estimating of costs for sewer facilities to be included in the Prestonsburg Regional Facilities Plan, as well as certain designs and construction phase services for the Allen Area Sewer Project.

The complete Request for Qualifications package can be obtained by calling Sandra Saad at the Big Sandy Area Development District at (606) 886-2374. Submissions should include six (6) copies of the qualifications statements in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Prestonsburg Regional Facilities Plan—Engineering Services" on the exterior. Submissions should be made to Sandra Saad, Big Sandy Area Development District, 100 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The deadline for receipt of submissions is 4 p.m., Wednesday, February 11, 1998.

Submissions will be evaluated and ranked by members of the Commission on the basis of materials received, reference checks and other appropriate means. The Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission reserves the right to schedule interviews with any or all respondents solely at its discretion.

Attention of respondents to this RFQ is called to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1974, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order 11246 and the Certification of Non-Segregate d Facilities, all of which may be incorporated into any contract issued as a result of this solicitation.

The City of Prestonsburg is an Equal

Opportunity Employer.
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
 February 5, 1998, at 10:30 a.m., or thereabout, a 1996 Fleetwood Claremont, 14x66 Mobile Home S/N#VAFLS19A4 3404-CM12 will be sold to the highest bidder for cash "as is where is" at Hylton Mobile Homes, U.S. 23, lvel, Ky., under the terms of a Retail Installment Contract and Security Agreement. The mobile home may be inspected before the sale. The bank reserves the right to bid. The buyer will pay all taxes and transfer fees.
 Community Trust Bank
 Collection Department
 Pikeville, Ky.
 Greg Justice,
 Auctioneer

NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF FUNDS

Kentucky Housing Corporation
 1231 Louisville Rd.
 Frankfort, KY 40601
 F. Lynn Lualen, Chief Executive Officer

To all interested agencies, groups and persons:

On or about February 6, 1998, Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) will request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release Federal funds for the following project:

Project: Housing Oriented Ministries Established for Service (Homes), Inc., Home Owner Rehabilitation Project

Purpose: Acquisition and rehabilitation or reconstruction of approximately 10 structures to provide safe, decent and sanitary housing to low-

income persons.
 Location: Floyd County, Kentucky, Letcher County, Kentucky, Knott County, Kentucky
 Estimated Cost of Project: \$600,837
 An Environmental Review Record respecting the within project has been made by KHC which documents the environmental review of the project. The Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying upon request during normal business hours.

All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for consideration by KHC to the Chief Executive Officer. Such written comments should be received at the above address on or before February 4, 1998. All such comments so received will be considered and KHC will not request the release of Federal funds or take any administrative action on the date specified in the preceding sentence.

KHC will undertake the project described above with HOME funds from the U.S. Department of

Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under Title III of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. KHC is certifying that KHC as State Participating Jurisdiction consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if the action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making, and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, KHC may use the HOME funds and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and other related laws and authorities. HUD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) The certification was not in fact executed by KHC's Certifying Officer; or (b) KHC has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to §58.41 or to make the written determination decision required by §§58.47, 58.53 or 58.64 for the project, as applicable; or (c) KHC has omitted one or more of the

steps set forth as Subparts F and G for the preparation and completion of an Environmental Assessment; or (d) No opportunity was given to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation or its Executive Director to review the effect of the project on a property listed on the National Register of Historic Places, or found to be eligible for such listing by the Secretary of Interior, in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800; or (e) Objections have been made by a Federal Agency.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to: Mr. Frederick A. Russell, Senior Environmental Advisor, Offices of Community Planning & Development, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 75 Spring St. SW, Suite 270, Atlanta, Ga. 30303. Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by HUD. No objection received after February 20, 1998 will be considered by HUD.

NOTICE (OF FILING OF SETTLEMENT)

I, Frank DeRossett, Jr., Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following settlements of estates have been filed in my office. Anyone desiring to take exception to said settlement must do so on or before February 28th, 1998, at 9:00 a.m.

Settlement	Case Number	Estate Of:	Fiduciary	Date Filed
Final	95-P-00055	James Vanderpool	Hershell J. Hall	June 2, 1997
Final	97-P-00119	Ella M. Ousley	Shirley Dingus	Dec. 19, 1997
Final	96-P-00205	Ermon Williams	Fannin Allen Garnett Vaughan	Dec. 15, 1997
Final	94-P-00081	Jeanette M. Bowles	William Kendrick	Jan. 16, 1998

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

I, Frank DeRossett, Jr., Clerk of the Floyd District Court, do hereby certify that the following persons have been appointed fiduciaries by the District Court. All persons indebted to an estate should settle with the fiduciary within six months from the date of appointment.

Date of Appointment	Case Number	Estate of:	Fiduciary	Attorney
12-19-97	97-P-00448	Name Change		
12-19-97	97-P-00447	Emily Erian Sturgill H.C. 74, Box 750 Betsy Layne, KY 41605	H. Gene Sturgill 1108 Myra Barns Pikeville, KY 41501	Michael Debourbon P.O. Box 339 Pikeville, KY 41502
12-22-97	97-P-00449	Leo Moore P.O. Box 180 Wayland, KY	Madonna Moore P.O. Box 180 Wayland, KY	C. Granham Martin P.O. Box 790 Salersville, KY
12-22-97	97-P-00450	Petition to Dispense		
12-29-97	97-P-00451	Elmer Campbell P.O. Box 386 Allen, KY 41601	Crace Campbell P.O. Box 386 Allen, KY 41601	
12-29-97	97-P-00452	Daniel Lee Rowe 358 Alumlick Rd. Martin, KY 41649	358 Alumlick Road Martin, KY 41649	
01-05-97	98-P-00001	Diamond Johnson P.O. Box 401 Weeksbury, KY	Buril Johnson P.O. Box 401 Weeksbury, KY	
01-09-98	98-P-00002 98-P-00003 98-P-00006	No Adv. (Name Change) No Adv. (Order Disp.) John J. Bartuka P.O. Box 216 Wheelwright, KY 41669	Fredua Bartuka P.O. Box 216 Wheelwright, KY 41669	
01-08-98	98-P-00005	Tolby Fraley Prestonsburg, KY 41653 No Adv. (Order Disp.) Name Change	Ella Elizabeth McGuire 3003 KY. Rt. 321 Prestonsburg, KY 41653	William S. Kendrick P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653
01-12-98	98-P-00009	Alex Montival Johnson Jr. P.O. Box 14 Auxier, KY 41602	Margie E. Johnson P.O. Box 14 Auxier, KY 41602	NA
01-09-98	98-P-00010 98-P-00011	Petition to Dispense Dave Harvey Box 759 Garrett, KY	Leila Harvey Box 759 Garrett, KY	
01-12-98	98-P-00012	Laura Jarrell P.O. Box 167 Martin, KY 41649	John Jarrell P.O. Box 167 Martin, KY 41649	
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STIR-FRY GREEN BEANS WITH PORK, ONION AND TOMATOES

Cooking Sauce:
 1 tablespoon soy sauce
 1 teaspoon sugar
 1 tablespoon dry sherry
 1 teaspoon red wine vinegar
 1/4 cup chicken stock
 1 pound green beans
 3 tablespoons peanut oil
 2 cloves garlic, minced
 1 tablespoon minced fresh ginger root
 1 onion, thinly sliced and separated into rings
 1/2 pound lean ground pork
 2 tomatoes, seeded and cut into sixths
 2 teaspoons cornstarch dissolved in 1 tablespoon water
Garnish:
 3 scallions, thinly sliced
 Combine cooking sauce ingredients thoroughly and set aside.
 Prepare beans by cutting them diagonally into 1-inch lengths. Heat a wok or large skillet and add 2 tablespoons of the oil. Add green beans and stir-fry for 3 to 4 minutes. Remove beans with a slotted spoon and set aside. Add 1 more tablespoon of oil to wok; add garlic, ginger, and onion and stir-fry for 30 seconds just until vegetables are fragrant. Add pork and cook, stirring frequently, until pork is no longer pink. Add tomatoes and green beans, stir-frying for 2 minutes, just until beans are tender-crisp. Pour in cooking sauce mixture and cook, stirring for 1 minute. Add dissolved cornstarch, stirring until sauce thickens. Top with scallions and serve with rice.
 Serves 4 to 6.

caramelized onions.
 4 or 5 whole heads garlic (about 1/2 pound)
 3 1/2 tablespoons fruity olive oil
 1 tablespoon butter or margarine
 2 large onions, chopped
 1/3 cup flour
 1/2 cup dry sherry
 4 cups chicken stock
 2 tablespoons lemon juice
 1 cup whole milk
 Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

GARNISH:
 1 tablespoon chopped parsley
 Preheat oven to 325°F. Slice off the top 1/4 inch of each head of garlic. Remove some of the outer skin, leaving the head intact. Place root side down in a small baking pan or garlic roaster. Drizzle each head with a teaspoon of oil. Bake 50 to 60 minutes or until garlic is very soft and golden. Cool, then squeeze out each clove of garlic and mince or mash.

In a large saucepan heat butter and 2 more tablespoons olive oil. Add garlic and onions and sauté slowly, stirring occasionally, for 8 to 10 minutes, until onions are golden. Add flour and stir for 5 minutes, scraping up bits from bottom of pan. Stir in sherry, mixing until combined. Gradually stir in chicken stock. Add lemon juice and bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer covered 13 to 20 minutes. Add milk, salt and pepper to taste. Heat through and serve immediately in bowls garnished with parsley.
 Serves 6.

ROASTED VEGETABLE CASSEROLE

A hearty meal by itself or as an accompaniment to grilled or roasted meats.

1/4 cup olive oil
 4 or 5 medium red potatoes, unpeeled, and cut in 1/2-inch cubes
 3 medium zucchini, cut in 1 1/2-inch chunks
 1 large onion, thinly sliced
 4 to 5 medium tomatoes (about 1 pound), diced
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
 1/2 cup chopped fresh thyme or lemon thyme
 2 teaspoons chopped fresh oregano
 2/3 cup plus 2 tablespoons freshly grated Parmesan or Asiago cheese
 1/3 cup water
 2 teaspoons white wine vinegar
 Preheat oven to 425°F. Oil a 9 x 13-inch baking dish with 1 tablespoon oil.

Combine potatoes, zucchini, onion, and tomatoes in baking dish. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Add herbs and 2/3 cup cheese, tossing until well-mixed.

Combine water and vinegar. Drizzle over potato mixture. Spread vegetables out evenly in baking pan, then sprinkle with remaining 3 tablespoons of olive oil. Bake on upper rack of oven until potatoes are tender, turning occasionally, for about 50 minutes. Add more salt and pepper to taste. Sprinkle with the remaining 2 tablespoons cheese and bake 10 minutes more. Serve immediately.
 Serves 6 to 8.

GREEK-STYLE CHICKEN

Greek olives, fresh herbs and tomatoes, and tangy feta cheese make this dish both colorful and savory.

4 half chicken breast pieces, skinned and boned
 3 tablespoons lemon juice
 Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
 2 tablespoons olive oil
 1 tablespoon butter
 2 cloves garlic, minced
 1 medium onion, chopped
 4 tomatoes, peeled, seeded, and coarsely chopped
 1 cup dry white wine
 2 tablespoons chopped fresh

basil
 1 teaspoon chopped fresh oregano
 3/4 cup pitted Greek olives
 1/4 cup chopped parsley
 1/3 cup crumbled feta cheese
GARNISH:
 lemon slices

Sprinkle chicken with 1 tablespoon lemon juice and salt and pepper. Set aside 15 minutes. In a large skillet, heat 1 tablespoon oil and butter. Add chicken and saute, turning so pieces are lightly browned on both sides. Remove chicken. Add remaining 1 tablespoon of oil to skillet and sauté garlic and onion until softened. Add tomatoes and wine. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer 5 to 6 minutes until liquid is reduced by half. Return chicken to skillet and add remaining 2 tablespoons lemon juice, basil, oregano, and olives. Simmer until chicken is tender, 4 to 6 minutes. Sprinkle feta cheese over top, and sprinkle with parsley. Taste for seasoning. Garnish with lemon slices and serve.
 Serves 4.

FRESH SALMON WITH TRICOLORED PEPPERCORN SAUCE

Elegant, simple, and sure to draw raves!
 1/2 lemon
 salmon steaks or fillets to serve 4
 2 1/2 tablespoons butter (don't substitute)
 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
 1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice
 1 tablespoon finely crushed tricolored peppercorns
 Squeeze juice from lemon half

over salmon and barbecue or broil salmon—don't overcook. Melt butter, mixing in mustard and lemon juice. When salmon fillets are done, sprinkle crushed peppercorns evenly over them, then drizzle melted butter sauce over everything. Serve immediately.
 Serves 4.

CHOCOLATE "TO DIE FOR" BROWNIES

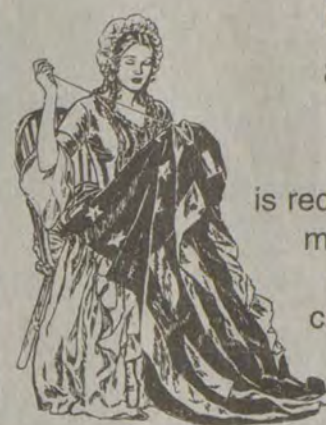
1 cup butter or margarine, softened
 1 cup granulated sugar
 1 cup packed light brown sugar
 2 large eggs
 1/4 cup milk
 1 teaspoon vanilla
 3 cups Pioneer Biscuits & Baking Mix
 1/2 cup cocoa
 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
 1/2 cup milk chocolate chips
 1/2 cup white chocolate chips
 1/2 cup prepared white chocolate frosting
 Heat oven to 350°. In large mixer bowl, beat butter, granulated sugar and brown sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs; beat well. Add milk and vanilla, beating to combine. Slowly add baking mix and cocoa, beating on low speed to combine. Stir in all chocolate chips. Pour mixture into a greased 13x9-inch baking pan. Bake for 33 to 37 minutes or until center is set. Cool completely in pan. Drizzle with frosting. (Place frosting in heavy-duty plastic bag; snip off one corner. Drizzle frosting in a decorative design on top of brownies.) Makes 2 dozen bars.

PEACHY GINGER CREAM PUFFS

Makes 8 to 10 servings
 1 cup water
 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons margarine
 1 cup flour
 1/4 teaspoon ginger
 1/4 teaspoon salt
 4 eggs
 Powdered sugar
 1 quart peach ice cream or yogurt
 Combine water and margarine in a medium saucepan, bring to a boil. Add flour, ginger and salt all at once, stirring vigorously over medium heat about 1 minute or until mixture leaves side of pan and

forms a smooth ball. Remove from heat; cool slightly, about 2 to 3 minutes. Add eggs to flour mixture, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Continue beating until mixture is smooth. Drop batter into 8 to 10 rounds, using 1/3 to 1/2 cup measure, and placing them 2 inches apart on a very lightly greased baking sheet. Bake at 400°F, for 20 to 25 minutes or until golden brown and puffed. Cut tops of cream puffs. Pull out and discard soft dough on inside. Fill cream puffs evenly with large scoop of peach ice cream or yogurt; replace top of cream puffs. Sift powdered sugar over cream puffs. Serve immediately.

One person can make a difference



Betsy Ross did, and so can you! The Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival

is recruiting volunteers who want to make a difference. Teens and adults interested in arts and crafts, sports, beauty pageants, parades, and the excitement of building a festival should attend a meeting January 26 at 5:30 p.m. at Prestonsburg City Hall. Needed are volunteers with ideas, enthusiasm, and energy. Call 886-3091 after 5 and leave a message; or, days, 886-2335 and ask for Sue

CARAMELIZED VEGETABLE SOUP STOCK

For those who prefer a meatless all-purpose stock, this recipe produces a flavorful broth good on its own or as a basis for any number of dishes. Freeze it in ice cubes to add as a flavor enhancer to almost any savory dish.

3 tablespoons olive oil
 3 large cloves garlic, peeled and halved
 2 large onions, peeled and quartered
 3 large leeks, white part only, chopped (reserve green leek tops)
 4 large carrots, peeled and cut into chunks
 3 large stalks celery, cut into 3-inch pieces (reserve leaves for broth)
 1 small turnip, peeled and cut into chunks
 10 cups water
 1 cup coarsely chopped parsley, including stems
 1/4 cup coarsely chopped fresh thyme, including stems
 1 bay leaf
 1/4 teaspoon peppercorns
 1/4 teaspoon allspice
 2 slices fresh ginger, cut into 1/8-inch thick slices
 Salt and freshly ground pepper to taste.

In a large heavy bottomed soup pot or Dutch oven, heat 2 tablespoons of the oil. Add garlic, onions, leeks, carrots, celery, and turnip and sauté at a very low heat, stirring frequently, for 50 to 60 minutes until vegetables are golden and slightly caramelized. Add water and the remaining herbs and spices and reserved celery leaves. Cover the stock entirely with the reserved green leek tops. Bring to a boil, reduce heat, and simmer for 1 1/2 hours. Strain the stock into a bowl through a sieve or colander, pressing firmly on the solids to extract as much of the liquid as possible, then discard vegetables. Add salt and pepper to taste to the broth. Cool and refrigerate or freeze.
 Makes 8 cups.

ROASTED GARLIC AND ONION SOUP

A rich-tasting and satisfying savory soup with the wonderful flavors of roasted garlic and

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He wanted to say. He loves going to school."
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 "I'm scared to death it will be back," Rebecca said. "We try to get back to normal, but it's hard to do. Meeting other parents and seeing how they were handling it (their children's illnesses) helped a lot."
 "The doctors were amazed at how well he handled everything. He didn't get real weak. Children

don't sit and worry like adults do. I get a lot of strength from watching him. He's not asked one time 'why has this happened to me.' I take it month by month.
 "We really thank the people in Knott and Johnson counties and in the different states for every single thing they did. Nothing I can say can tell you how I feel, just thank you. If (these people) could just see him now as his hair grows back. Except for his hair, you can't tell he's been sick. He's always been full of energy."

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**Ten
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You don't need a million dollars to become a successful investor. What you do need is the determination and patience to follow some basic, proven investment strategies. The Kentucky Society of CPAs offers ten timeless investment strategies to get you started.

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**Four keys
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wealth,
achieve
financial
goals**

Everyone needs to build financial security for their family. In reality, however, many people are doing little or nothing to reach their financial goals. According to statistics, Americans save less than virtually any major country in the world.

Almost everyone understands they need to take control of their money, but many don't understand some of the basic keys to building financial security.

**Are You Ready
For Retirement?**

Community bankers offer low fees and personal service

(NU) - Have you ever been outraged after checking your bank statement and noticing the cost of extra service fees? Or have you been charged for calls to your bank to inquire about an account balance?

Both practices occur regularly at most of the nation's larger banks and have left large numbers of customers more than a little annoyed.

The story is different at the nation's community banks, however, where the staff usually knows

customers by name. Recent surveys indicate that service fees at community banks are significantly lower than those charged by large, multi-state banks:

• "Average fees reported for banks that were part of multistate organizations in 1996 were in most cases significantly higher than the average fees charged by banks that were not part of such organizations," says a report to Congress prepared by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

• "Big banks have found additional sources of service fee income, from charging for live teller contact to ATM and online transactions," according to a survey by Bauer Financial Reports. "In contrast, community banks appear to have held the line on service fees."

"Our bankers are perplexed when they hear that large banks charge customers for calling and interacting with a computer," says Kenneth A. Guenther, executive

vice president of the Independent Bankers Association of America.

"Almost 100 percent of our members—98.5 percent—have bank staff to answer the phone and customers' questions. All without charging one cent."

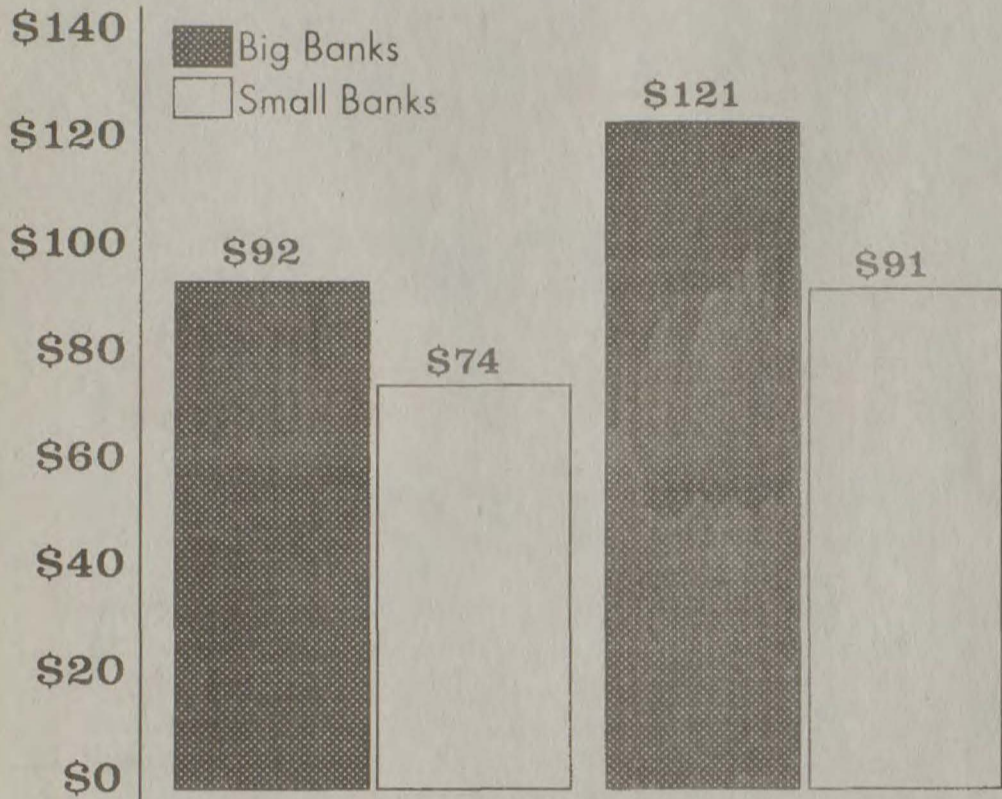
IBAA's new consumer slogan describes what local banks offer: "Your Community Bank: On Your Corner, In Your Corner."

"Community banks are concerned that anyone who uses their services be treated fairly and reasonably, whether they're a customer or not," says IBAA President Bill Sones, who heads the State Bank and Trust Co. in Brookhaven, Miss. "Independent community bankers play an integral part in their communities," Sones says. "Customers get one-on-one, personalized service."

IBAA represents more than 5,500 independent community banks with more than 15,000 locations nationwide. Association banks hold nearly \$375 billion in insured deposits, \$445 billion in assets, and more than \$240 billion in loans for consumers, small businesses and farms in the communities they serve.

To find a community bank near you, call the IBAA at 1-888-500-5538, or visit the IBAA Web site at www.ibaa.org. Also, look for the "Your Community Bank: On Your Corner, In Your Corner" symbol when you shop for banking services.

Big Banks, Bigger Fees Big Banks, Bigger Fees Average Annual Fees in 1996



Generation X, think about retirement

(NAPS)—If you're like most people? you've been told to save your money since you were a child. Now, it's more important than ever to heed such advice. Fewer employer pension plans and likely cuts in Social Security and Medicare mean the sooner you plan and prepare for your retirement, the better off you're likely to be when you're no longer quite so young.

If you're in your 20s or 30s, it's imperative that you start saving for retirement now. Even if Social Security continues at current levels, which experts say is unlikely, the

maximum payment to retirees is just \$14,976 a year. And if Medicare is cut, which is even more likely, retirees will have to use their savings to pay at least a portion of their medical expenses. Bluntly stated, if you don't start saving now, you may literally be facing poverty in your old age. But don't fret, by starting early and regularly putting aside a minimal amount, the power of compounding can leave you with quite a tidy sum by retirement.

Unfortunately, few young people realize this and many don't get the retirement investment information they need. According to a recent survey, younger workers are not sufficiently targeted by the investment education programs of companies with defined contribution retirement plans. They are thus less likely to participate and, when they do, contribute lesser amounts.

The solution to this impending retirement crisis is obvious: better education and an earlier beginning to saving for retirement. For a start, here are some tips from financial experts at Diversified Investment Advisors, an investment advisory firm, located in Purchase, New York that services \$9 billion of retirement plan assets:

• Take advantage of defined contribution accounts (such as 401(k), 403(b) and 457) as they're tax

deterred and many employers will match some percentage of your contribution.

• Studies show that employees who start to invest as little as \$1,600 a year—\$30 a week—in a defined contribution plan can accumulate as much as \$183,000 over 30 years.

• Finding ways to save may be easier than you think. One way is to "pay yourself first." Make your contribution to your own future the first thing you spend your money on, not the last—if there's anything left.

Keep these facts in mind and you may find you'll be better able to keep yourself out of financial difficulties as you grow older.

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50	51,237
55	27,961

Calculations based on a 7% rate of return with interest reinvested and tax deferred.

Source: Diversified Investment Advisors

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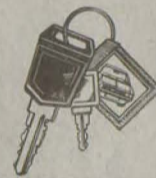


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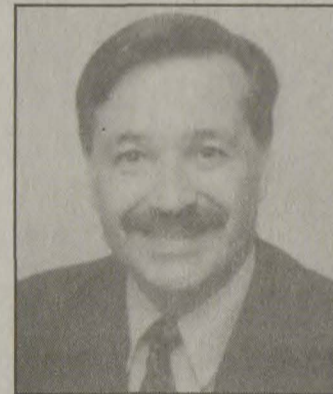
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Planning your retirement requires financial foresight

With the number of years people are spending in retirement increasing, it's become more important than ever to plan your retirement budget carefully. If you're not sure how much you'll need to finance your leisure years, read what the Kentucky Society of CPAs has to say about developing a retirement budget.

A LIFESTYLE DECISION

CPAs say you'll need 70 to 80 percent of your pre-retirement income to maintain your standard of living in retirement. However, the exact amount depends on the type of retirement you have in mind. For example, some retirees who have traveled extensively on business may look forward to spending their retirement years close to home.

Others have long dreamed of a retirement filled with trips to exotic destinations. The more expensive your hobbies, interests, and leisure time activities, the more money you'll need in retirement.

ASSESSING YOUR EXPENSES

While some of your expenses will remain the same in your retirement years, others may not. Take the time before you reach retirement to estimate these expenses so that you can anticipate how much

retirement income you'll need. For example, you can count on spending less on work-related expenses, such as business clothing, dry cleaning, lunches out, and commuting costs.

If your mortgage will be paid off by the time you retire, you won't need to send that monthly check to the bank, but keep in mind that there's no getting away from property taxes, homeowners insurance, and maintenance expenses, all of which are likely to increase over time. And remember, when you're in the house more often, you can expect to pay more for heat, air conditioning, electric, and other utilities.

Taxes are another area where you should see expenses drop. At

coverage for retirees, more retirees are faced with the expense of buying health insurance on their own. Add the cost of out-of-pocket medical expenses, like prescription drugs which are not covered by some plans, and health care becomes a major budget item.

When planning your retirement budget, keep in mind that you'll need to factor in inflation to account for the gradual increase in the cost of living. According to The Wall Street Journal, inflation has averaged four percent in the United States since 1926. If you need help determining how inflation impacts your retirement budget, you might want to consult with a CPA.

lower or to a smaller home with lower taxes.

- Consider a reverse mortgage. If you choose to stay put, a reverse mortgage can help you tap into the equity in your home. Essentially, you borrow against your home's value and you receive the proceeds in the form of regular monthly payments, as a lump sum, a line of credit, or some combination of the above. However, CPAs recommend that you take the time to understand the financial implications of reverse mortgages before entering into such arrangements, however.

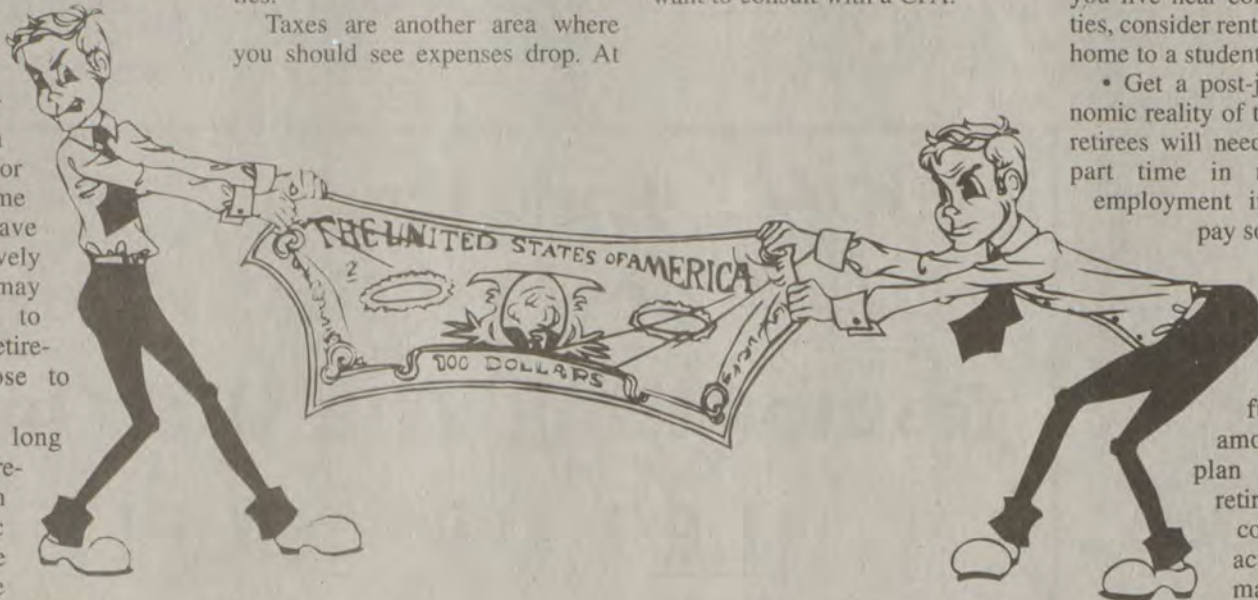
- Rent out a room. If your children have moved out of the nest and you live near colleges or universities, consider renting a room in your home to a student.

- Get a post-job job. The economic reality of today is that many retirees will need to work at least part time in retirement. Your employment income will help pay some of your living expenses and postpone the time when you need to dip into your retirement funds. If you're among those who plan to work during retirement, build your contacts before you actually retire and make your wishes known. This task

will help to ensure that more business and opportunities come your way. Remember, planning for your retirement requires as much foresight as it does math skills.

CPAs can help you put your financial house in order and assist you in planning for your future financial well-being, but only you can make the vision of your retirement years a reality through disciplined savings.

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STRETCHING YOUR RETIREMENT DOLLARS

If you're concerned about outliving your retirement funds, don't despair. There are some ways you can extend your retirement nest egg. Here are a few suggestions.

- Make a move. If your current home is bigger than you need, consider selling it and relocating to an area where the cost of living is

least part of your Social Security benefits will be tax free, and since the tax rules don't consider pension payments earned income, you won't pay Social Security taxes on your monthly pension. Your total income is likely to be less in retirement than it was while you were working, which means you'll pay less income tax.

One expense you're likely to see significantly increase after retirement is the cost of health care. As employers cut back on health care

Ten timeless investment strategies

You don't need a million dollars to become a successful investor. What you do need is the determination and patience to follow some basic, proven investment strategies. The Kentucky Society of CPAs offers ten timeless investment strategies to get you started.

1. Select investments that suit your goals.

The best investments for your portfolio depend on your personal goals and time frames, as well as on general market conditions. Safe investments with low price volatility may be appropriate for short-term goals - such as saving for a down payment on a home in a year or so. For long-term goals like saving for retirement, you can select growth investments with less concern about short-term price fluctuations.

2. Spread your money around.

Allocating your assets among cash, stocks, and bonds can reduce risks and increase total returns, because gains in one market often offset losses in another. The right balance for you depends on your age, your assets, and your tolerance for risk. It's also important to diversify your money within a specific type of investment. One of the easiest ways to diversify your portfolio is to invest in mutual funds, which allow you to own a range of stocks and bonds.

3. Buy gradually.

Rather than trying to time the market, try dollar-cost averaging—the process of investing a fixed dollar amount in a stock or mutual fund on a regular basis, typically monthly. When you follow this approach, your money buys more shares when the price is low and fewer shares when the price is higher. Over time, this strategy evens out the price you pay for your shares.

4. Aim to beat inflation.

Inflation steadily erodes the value of your money. As the cost of living goes up, your investments need to earn more than the current inflation rate to stay ahead of the game. Investing in stock is the best way to beat inflation. Although there is the risk that you may lose part or all of your investment, over the long run, stocks have outperformed other investment vehicles by a significant margin.

5. Know your risk tolerance.

The amount of risk you are willing to take often

determines your return. Typically, the more volatile an investment is, the more profit you can make, but also the more loss you may incur. Safe investments generally promise a specific but more limited return and don't always keep pace with inflation.

6. Take advantage of laddering.

When you ladder your investments, such as CDs or bonds, you vary their maturity dates so that you have access to your money at pre-planned intervals. The strategy, used effectively, can provide you with a steady stream of income and protect you in the event interest rates drop significantly.

7. Know when to sell.

Sometimes, the difference between winning and losing in the stock market isn't knowing when to buy, it's knowing when to sell. When you buy a stock, set an upside and downside price target. When the stock reaches your target high, reevaluate it. If it's still strong, hold onto it. If the stock price remains flat or drops, it may be time to sell and cut your losses.

8. Invest for the long term.

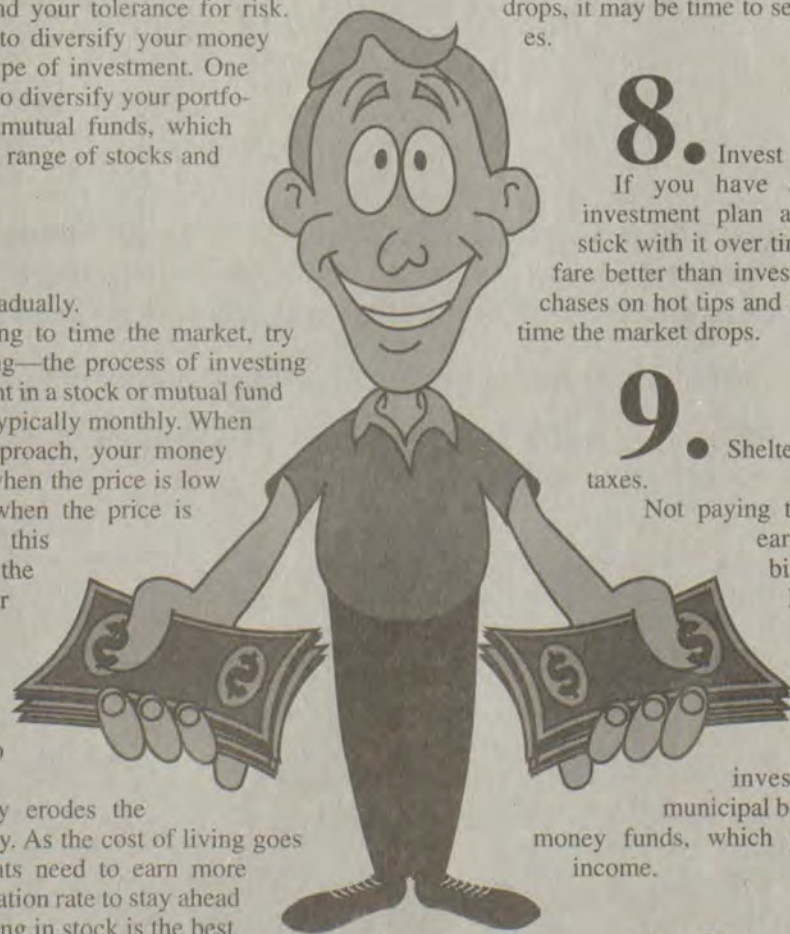
If you have a well-thought-out investment plan and the patience to stick with it over time, you are likely to fare better than investors who make purchases on hot tips and sell in a panic every time the market drops.

9. Shelter investments from taxes.

Not paying taxes on investment earnings can make a big difference over the long run in your total investment. To maximize your after-tax return, consider taking advantage of investments, such as municipal bonds and tax-exempt money funds, which provide tax-exempt income.

10. Keep tabs on your portfolio.

You should periodically review your investments and asset allocation in light of your changing goals, tax laws, and investment performance and opportunities. This will help to ensure that your money keeps working for you.



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Social Security benefits:

What you can count on, what you can't

When it comes to Social Security benefits, people have a lot of misconceptions about what to expect. Some people are convinced they'll never see a Social Security check. Others mistakenly believe they can live entirely on their Social Security checks alone during their retirement years. The Kentucky Society of CPAs offers the following overview to clarify how Social Security can and can't help you during your retirement years.

You can count on getting an estimate of your benefits from the Social Security Administration (SSA). To learn more about your benefits, visit the local SSA office or call 1-800-772-1213 and ask for Form 7004-SM, Personal Earnings and Benefit Estimate Statement. You also can download Form 7004 from the SSA's Internet site. In three to four weeks, you'll receive a statement that shows your Social Security earnings history and how much taxes you have paid into the program. It also estimates your future benefits (in today's dollars) and explains how to qualify for benefits. Check your benefit statement carefully to be sure it is correct.

You can't count on retiring with full benefits at age 65. Today, the normal retirement age is 65, but that is gradually changing. If you were born between 1943 and 1954, the retirement age for receiving full Social Security benefits will be 66. Thereafter, the retirement age for receiving full benefits will continue to be raised in two-month increments so that if you were born in 1960 or later, you won't qualify for full benefits until you reach age 67.

You can count on receiving benefits even if you're working.

According to the SSA, there's no law against working after you retire, but there are limits on what you can earn without affecting your monthly benefits. Generally, the exempt amount increases each year with increases in the national average wage index. In determining whether your income is within the

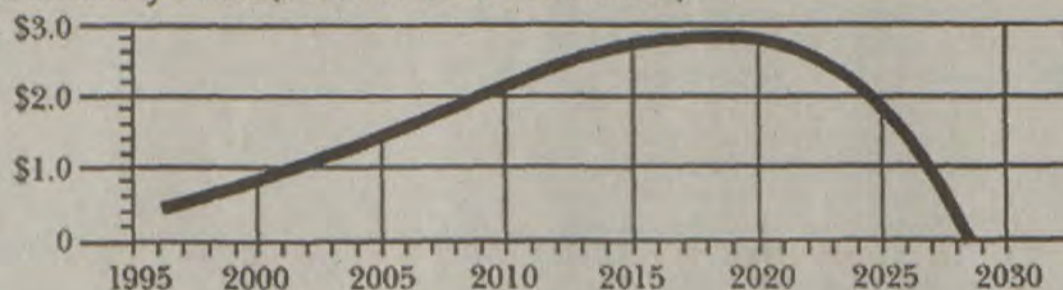
actual earnings. The IRS will send you a check to make up the difference if your estimate was too high. If your estimate was too low, the overpayment will be withheld from your checks during the following year.

You can count on receiving more if you delay receiving benefits. The

SSA suggests you apply for benefits a few months before you are scheduled to begin receiving them.

You can count on cost-of-living increases. Unlike most pension plans, Social Security benefits automatically increase as the cost of living goes up. Each year, benefits rise by the same percentage as the advance in the Consumer Price Index. You can't count on your benefits being totally tax free. For the majority of beneficiaries, Social Security benefits are totally tax free. But retirees with higher incomes may find themselves taxed on 50 percent of their

Social Security benefits—or 85 percent for the most affluent. You may want to consult a CPA if you need help determining what portion of your Social Security benefits are taxable.

Projected Social Security Trust Fund Assets (OASDI)
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limit, count only compensation and net income from self-employment. Other income, such as that from interest, dividends, capital gains, gifts, or inheritances, does not affect your monthly benefit. If you are under age 65, you could earn \$8,640 in 1997. Earn more than \$8,640, and your benefit check was reduced by \$1 for every \$2 over the limit.

If you were between the ages of 65 and 69 in 1997, you could earn up to \$13,500 and still receive your entire benefit check. However, if you earn more than this sum, your benefit check was reduced by \$1 for every \$3 over the limit. Once you reach age 70, you can earn an unlimited amount and still receive the full amount of Social Security benefits to which you are entitled.

If you plan to work, you will need to provide the SSA with an estimate of your future earnings. Your benefits are based on this estimate, so it's important to be as accurate as possible. At the end of each year, you file a report of your

later you start collecting, the larger your payments. If you continue working past age 65, you can earn delayed-retirement credits which, based on your age, increase your benefits by a certain percentage for each year you delay benefits up to age 70. This delay means that each Social Security check you collect when you retire will be larger than it would have been if you started taking benefits at your normal retirement age. Once you turn age 70, the amount you're eligible for won't increase any further.

If you return to work after you start receiving benefits, your additional earnings could result in a high benefit. The SSA automatically recomputes the benefit amount as additional earnings are credited to your earning record. You can't count on getting Social Security benefits automatically. Don't expect your benefits to appear automatically in your mailbox the day you're eligible to receive them. You'll have to ask the SSA to start paying them and you'll need to pro-

The ins and outs of 401(k) plans

The 401(k) plan offers employees one of the best ways to boost their retirement income. But in order to make the most of this employer-sponsored retirement plan, it's important to know all the intrinsic ins and outs. To help you make the most of your plan, the Kentucky Society of CPAs offers the following advice on putting money in and taking money out of a 401(k) plan.

lar, up to a certain limit. That's the equivalent of getting a return of 50 percent or 100 percent on your money.

Most company plans offer a number of investment options, including stock funds, fixed-income funds, money market accounts, and company stock, and allow you to move your money from one fund to another. The further you are from retirement age, the stronger the case for investing a majority of your assets in stocks, historically the best-performing investment category.

leave a company, your 401(k) can go with you. Basically, you have three options when you leave your job:

(1) you can leave your money in your old company's plan, provided that you have at least \$3,500 in the account;

(2) you can roll over your balance into your new company's plan, if your employer agrees; and

(3) you can deposit the money into a rollover IRA.

Bear in mind that if you choose to move your 401(k), you should have your company deposit the money directly into your new employer's plan or into an IRA. If you take possession of the check, your employer is required to withhold 20 percent for income taxes.

(See **Ins and outs**, page five)

INVESTING IN A 401(k)

You invest in a 401(k) plan by having a percentage of your salary automatically deducted from your paycheck and deposited in your plan. Typically, you can deposit 15 percent of your salary each year, up to a maximum dollar amount—\$9,500 in 1997. (Some employers cap contributions at a lesser percentage.) The ceiling, which is set by law, is adjusted by the Internal Revenue Service annually for inflation. Three factors make the 401(k) a deal you can't afford to pass up.

1) First, the amount you deposit in your 401(k) plan is deducted before your wages are taxed, which means you defer paying federal income tax on this money earmarked for your retirement. So, the more money you put in your 401(k), the lower your taxable income and the less tax you pay.

2) The earnings on your investment also grow tax-free until withdrawn.

3) And if the tax advantages aren't convincing enough, how does free money sound? For every dollar an employee contributes, many companies kick in 50 cents or a dol-

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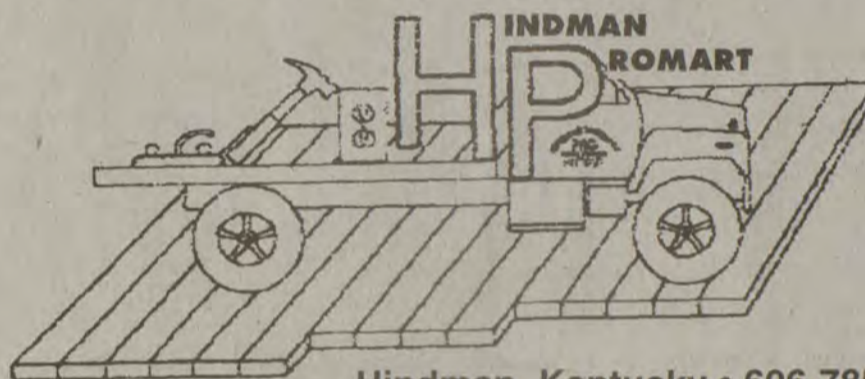
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1) THEY'RE EASY TO OPEN.

You can set up an IRA at most banks, brokerage houses, or trust companies.

What's more, you generally can roll over funds from other qualified retirement plans into IRAs without any tax ramifications.



2) TAX-DEFERRED COMPOUNDING OF INTEREST CAN MAKE YOUR INVESTMENTS GROW FASTER.

Any amounts set aside in an

IRA earn interest tax-deferred until the time of withdrawal.

Since you do not have to pay income tax as your earnings grow, your investments may compound faster than if invested in taxable instruments. What's more, you may be subject to a lower tax rate on the earnings if you withdraw the money at retirement, when you are likely to be in a lower tax bracket.



3) YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR A TAX DEDUCTION.

Some taxpayers also may deduct their IRA contributions directly from their income for the year. To claim a deduction on your 1997 tax return, you must establish an IRA and make your contribution by April 15, 1998.

You qualify for the deduction if neither you nor your spouse are active participants in an employer-maintained retirement plan. For the 1997 tax year, you may each contribute up to \$2,000 to an IRA — this is true even if

your spouse doesn't work — and you can claim a deduction of \$4,000, as long as you had at least \$4,000 in earned income.

If you or your spouse are covered by a plan, an income test determines how much of your IRA contribution is deductible.

Married couples filing jointly can still claim a full deduction of up to \$4,000 per year if their adjusted gross income (AGI) is less than \$40,000.

Single taxpayers can claim a full deduction if their AGI is below \$25,000.

The new tax law raises those limits by \$10,000 for couples and \$5,000 for singles in 1998.

Partial deductions are also allowed for singles with AGIs between \$25,000 and \$34,999, or married couples filing jointly with AGIs between \$40,000 and \$49,999. For every \$5 over the ceilings of \$25,000 and \$40,000, you lose \$1 in deductions. No deduction is allowed for an IRA contribution if you are covered by a retirement plan and your AGI exceeds \$50,000 if married or \$35,000 if single.

Be aware, too, that beginning in

1998, the deductibility of your IRA contribution will not be affected by whether the individual's spouse is an active participant in an employer's retirement plan, unless the couple has an AGI above \$150,000.



4) YOU CAN STRUCTURE IRA WITHDRAWALS TO MEET YOUR FINANCIAL NEEDS.

Generally, you can withdraw funds without incurring penalties once you reach age 59. At that time, you can opt to take money out in a lump sum or withdraw it as needed. If you've saved substantial amounts in your IRA, you should be aware that the 15-percent excise tax on excess distributions from IRAs and other qualified plans has been suspended through 1999. Under the prior law, you would have faced a 15-percent excise tax on withdrawals of more than \$160,000 in 1997.

An option for those who need to tap into their IRA prior to reaching

age 59 is to withdraw the money in the form of an annuity that is, periodic distributions made at specific intervals. The amount of the annuity payment is based on your life expectancy or the joint life expectancy of you and your beneficiary.



5) YOU CAN MAKE PENALTY-FREE HARDSHIP WITHDRAWALS.

Beginning in 1997, you also may tap into your IRA to pay qualified medical expenses that exceed 7.5 percent of your adjusted gross income without incurring the 10-percent penalty. In addition, unemployed workers who have been receiving unemployment benefits under federal or state law for at least 12 weeks may make penalty-free IRA withdrawals to the extent of qualified medical insurance premiums paid during the year.

As a result of the new tax law, beginning in 1998, first-time home buyers also will be able to make penalty-free withdrawals as will

certain taxpayers withdrawing funds for qualified higher education costs.



6) YOU HAVE FLEXIBILITY IN MANAGING YOUR IRA INVESTMENTS.

IRAs are self-directed, which means you choose how to invest the money. You can invest your IRA in just about anything, including stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, Treasury issues, mutual funds, and U.S. minted gold and silver coins.

However, you may not use an IRA to invest in collectibles, such as art, stamps, and antiques.

In addition to these advantages, CPAs urge taxpayers to remember that they must rely on their own retirement savings to fund their golden years, and that an IRA is one of many vehicles to do this.

The IRA will become even more valuable in 1998 when you may be allowed to establish an IRA permitting tax-free withdrawals at retirement and in certain other situations.

Finding the right financial adviser

(NAPS)—Could you perform your own surgery? Would you feel comfortable defending yourself in a lawsuit? Does your experience behind the wheel qualify you to rebuild your car's transmission? Probably not.

Once considered a luxury, professional service and advice is now regarded by most people as a necessity when dealing with the complexities of today's world. Many of us turn to professionals who are better educated, more highly skilled or more experienced than ourselves for help. Then it's not surprising to find that when Americans were asked to evaluate their relationships with the financial advisers who help them navigate today's complex financial markets, they responded with overwhelming satisfaction.

According to a recent survey conducted by OppenheimerFunds, Inc., 93 percent of those who use a financial advisor including securities brokers, financial planners, bank representatives and insurance agents say they are satisfied with the financial advice they received. In addition to appreciating the quality of the advice, 94 percent of those surveyed said they were satisfied with the personal service and attention they received; 63 percent of them had gone as far as referring a friend or relative to their advisor.

"These findings stand to end the notion that most investors are unhappy with their financial

advisors," said Bridget A. Macaskill, president and CEO of OppenheimerFunds. "Investors express overwhelming satisfaction with their advisors. That ought to be encouraging news to



anyone in need of financial advice."

Although this survey adds credence to the notion that those who rely on professional financial advice are overwhelmingly satisfied,

many Americans still haven't gotten the message. Whether saving for a home, a child's education, or retirement, many people make half-hearted attempts at financial planning or, worse, do nothing at all.

"It's too complicated," "I don't have time," "I don't know where to begin." When it comes to putting together a financial plan, these are just some of the excuses we use to rationalize our own lack of action.

Many Americans would like to get started with the help of a financial advisor but don't know how to find one. OppenheimerFunds created a tool to help.

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Ins and outs—(Continued from page four)

TAPPING INTO YOUR 401(k) PLAN BEFORE RETIREMENT

If you're younger than age 59 (55 if you've taken early retirement), you may be able to withdraw from your 401(k) without penalty if you're experiencing a financial hardship and need money to pay medical expenses. However, other early distributions may result in a 10-percent penalty plus regular income taxes on the amount withdrawn.

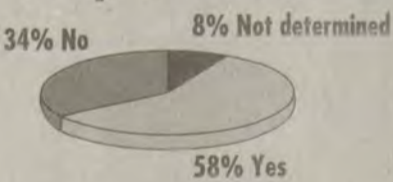
But don't let these tough withdrawal rules stop you from investing in a 401(k) because most plans allow you to borrow up to half the balance in your 401(k) to a maximum of \$50,000. Rules governing 401(k) borrowing require that you repay the loan in five years (up to 30 years if you're using the money to purchase your primary residence). Otherwise, the amount you borrowed is treated as a withdrawal subject to a 10-percent IRS penalty as well as any income taxes due. If you leave your job, most employers require that you repay the loan in full to avoid having the unpaid balance treated as a withdrawal.

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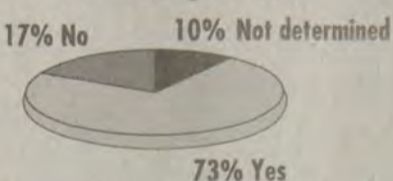
Once you're retired and you've reached age 59 (55 if you took an early retirement), you can withdraw money from your 401(k) without the 10-percent penalty. Some employers allow you to keep your 401(k) with the company at retirement, but most don't allow you to make sporadic withdrawals. When you're ready to start tapping into your 401(k), you'll need to transfer it to a rollover IRA where you can make taxable withdrawals as needed. The 401(k) plan is undoubtedly one of the best retirement savings vehicles around. To maximize the

benefits you receive from your plan, CPAs say it's important that you fully understand the ins and outs of contributing and withdrawing.

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IRA Roth big help to some investors

by John P. Anderson C.F.P., C.P.A.

If you are an IRA owner, the new tax law may have given you the financial planning opportunity of a lifetime. The tax legislation enacted in 1997 created a new breed of individual retirement account known as "Roth IRA." Beginning in 1998, this new Roth IRA will give some owners of existing IRAs the opportunity to eliminate thousands of dollars of future income tax.

The Roth IRA is the opposite of a regular IRA. With a regular IRA, you get a tax deduction when you make a contribution, and you pay the tax later when you start taking distributions. With a Roth IRA, there is no deduction when you make a contribution, but distributions are completely tax-free as long as certain requirements are met. Further, unlike existing IRAs, there is no requirement that you start taking money out by age 70.5. This option allows for more tax-free growth while you are alive. The Roth IRA can also be more useful in reducing estate taxes than a traditional IRA.

For most investors, the decision to make future contributions to the Roth IRA will probably make sense, especially if deductible contributions have been reduced or eliminated because you participate in a qualified plan at work.

The real benefit of the Roth IRA, however, is the ability to convert an existing IRA into a Roth IRA beginning in 1998. Not all IRAs are eligible for conversion. Only IRA own-

ers with Adjusted Gross Income of \$100,000 or less will be able to convert existing IRAs to the new Roth. Thus, if you are a business owner or investor and have the ability to control your income, you should consider deferring income into 1990 in order to take advantage of the conversion feature.

If you elect to make the conversion, you must pay income tax on the amount converted. If you make the conversion in 1998, the IRS will give you a tax break by allowing the tax to be spread out and paid over a four-year period. The ten percent pre-age 59.5 penalty does not apply to a Roth conversion, so age is not an issue. Whether or not to convert an existing IRA to a Roth IRA requires careful analysis of tax, retirement and investment issues relevant to your particular situation. The bottom line for most taxpayers is "will the future benefits outweigh the current costs?" There are primarily four key points each eligible IRA owner needs to consider before answering that question.

The first thing you need to determine is how long will it be until you start making withdrawals from the account? Generally, the longer the period until you start taking money

out, the more advantageous it will be to convert to a Roth. That is because the longer the time period, the more tax-free money you will be able to accumulate.

Then look at the rate of return you will be getting on the underlying investment. The higher the return, the better off you will be. Here is where the real financial windfall occurs. According to Ibbotson and Associates, Inc., the average yearly return on Blue Chip stocks since 1925 has been 10.5 percent. Smaller stocks have averaged 12 percent. United States Government bonds have averaged 4 percent and corporate bonds 6.5 percent.

Thus, the benefits of investing a Roth IRA in a well-diversified portfolio of stocks and bonds could be enormous when you consider the amount of money that could be accumulated over a long period of time due to tax-free compound growth. While other tax advantaged investments are available, the Roth IRA is the only vehicle that gives investors the opportunity to invest in stocks and stock mutual funds completely tax free for little cost.

Next, consider the total amount you might convert, and how much

tax would be due as a result of the conversion. You will need to look at your tax bracket, and determine what portion of the converted amount would be taxable. On the other hand, the more money you have in your IRA, the more it may make sense to make the conversion since the tax-free growth and estate tax savings may far outweigh the up front tax costs.

Finally, try to pay any tax due from assets outside the IRA. Since the Roth IRA is tax free, you need to keep as much money as possible in it. Pay the tax with other taxable assets outside the IRA. This strategy allows you to maximize the net, after-tax return on your overall investment portfolio.

The decision to convert an existing IRA to a Roth IRA is complex, and should be analyzed carefully. There are still some unanswered questions in the conversion laws, but those should be addressed soon. If you meet the eligibility requirements and converting to a Roth IRA makes sense for you in the long run, you will need to make the conversion in 1998 in order to gain the favorable tax treatment. Although confusing at first glance, the Roth IRA offers some long range planning opportunities that most IRA owners simply cannot afford to overlook.

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Steps to ease your investment worries, future

by Cuyler W. Findlay

(NAPS)—What will the new year bring? No one knows for sure, but by following these 10 steps you may feel more comfortable about your family's finances:

1 Make a plan: This means getting to know yourself and your goals by asking questions like: How much can I afford to invest? How much risk can I tolerate? How much time do I have to invest before I need the proceeds of my investments — when will I retire? Do I need income now or can I focus on growth of capital? Am I investing for my own needs, or for others, such as my children's education? How much control over my financial future do I want?

2 Get the help you need: If you decide mutual funds are right for you, find funds that fit your requirements. Remember that past performance is no indication of the future but look at the reputation and the investment approach of the fund's manager and investment adviser. Determine if you want to pay sales commissions. If you are investing for the long term, choose one that shares your view.

3 Put compounding to work: Let your money start working for you now.

Historically, investing even a small amount today could be worth more to you than a larger amount later.

4 Remember time is on your side: Investing in stocks and bonds has almost always provided positive returns over longer periods of time.

5 Take a long-term view: Be patient. You may understand the value of time, but having patience to ride through down markets is a quality that will keep you from bailing out of a good investment.

6 Set realistic expectations: Knowing your own tolerance for risk will help. If the long-term return of the stock market is about 10 percent a year, don't aim for 15 percent — unless you have the capital to withstand the additional risk that comes with the higher return you expect.

7 Diversify: This can mean owning several stocks if you invest in the stock market, or owning different types of mutual funds to help offset the risk of being concentrated in a single investment style or asset class.

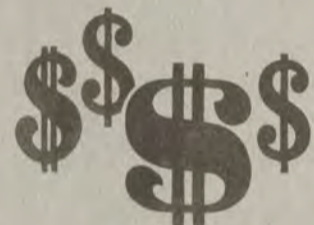
8 Think globally: This is the logical extension of diversification. Look beyond investments in your home economy. Chances are that other countries and

other stock markets have more growth potential.

9 Keep the promise you made to yourself: This means sticking to a well-planned investment program. It also means investing regularly and consistently. If your program called for you to invest a certain amount every month, do it. If it meant not investing in the latest stock market rumors, don't do it.

10 Review your plan: Things change. Go back periodically and take another look at the plan to make sure it fits your current perspective.

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401(k) Plans:

A wise choice for your golden retirement

(NAPS)—Will you have enough money to afford your current lifestyle once you retire?

There's a good chance that you and many other workers may not. Some people instead spend their retirement years struggling to make ends meet. What can you do to avoid that situation?

With a typical worker's retirement lasting as long as 20 to 30 years, making sure you have enough money for those years can be a difficult task. Consider the following:

A married couple earning between \$50,000 and \$100,000 can expect Social Security to replace only 16 percent of their income during the average retirement.

Few people stay at a company long enough (at least five years) to qualify for a traditional employer-paid pension plan.

Many people find it difficult to save more than 5 percent of their pre-tax income.

The good news is that 401(k) retirement plans can help you take control of your future and ensure a financially secure retirement. Typically, 401(k) plans — named for the section of the tax code that permits them — let employees contribute a percentage of their salary to

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(NAPS)—Everyone needs to build financial security for their family. In reality, however, many people are doing little or nothing to reach their financial goals. According to statistics, Americans save less than virtually any major country in the world.

Almost everyone understands they need to take control of their money, but many don't understand some of the basic keys to building financial security. Here are four from the experts at Primerica Financial Services that will help you achieve your financial goals.

1. Pay Yourself First. — This is good common sense. Before anyone else gets a claim to your money, pay yourself by putting a set amount aside in a savings or investment account. A standard rule of thumb is to save 10 percent of your income. Each time you get a raise, adjust your savings amount up to 10 percent of that amount. If you can save more, that's even better, but 10 percent will get you going in the right direction.

2. The Power of Time — When it comes to achieving financial security, time is, without a doubt, the most important tool you have. It overcomes a million shortcomings a modest income and even some poor habits. Time, combined with two other important elements, rate of return and consistency, is a powerful key to achieving financial security.

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4. The Importance Of Rate of Return — The impact of rate of return when combined with time is significant. If \$1,000 were deposited for a child at 6 percent for 65 years, the amount at the end of that time would be \$44,000. If the same \$1,000 was deposited at 9 percent for the same length of time, the amount the child would receive would be \$270,000. The difference would be \$226,000. Now you see why the rate of return you receive on your savings or investment account is so important.

While there are many other "fine points" in money management, these four keys will get you started on the path to financial success.

on both the amount contributed and the investment income.

Often, the employer will match a portion of the employee's contribution. According to Bruce Gordon, vice president of Manulife Financial, one of North America's largest life insurance companies, the 401(k) is fast becoming the principal retirement vehicle for many employees. "By automatic payroll deduction, it offers a painless and convenient way to save for the future. A well-managed 401(k) plan can help a participant ensure a comfortable lifestyle in retirement."

There are several reasons for the 401(k)'s popularity among employees:

- Many employers match the first 3 percent to 6 percent you contribute to the plan with a specified amount — it's like getting free money.
- Most plans offer several investment funds to pick from and the ability to easily switch funds or change asset allocations.
- Since you contribute to your 401(k) with pre-tax dollars, it reduces your income and you pay Uncle Sam less money.
- Your 401(k) plan is portable. When you leave a company, the

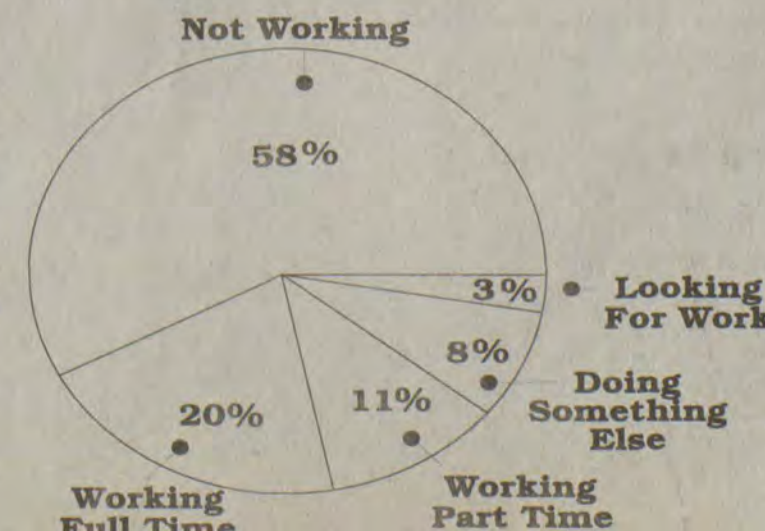
money you contributed plus everything it earned leaves with you.

The 401(k) plan, if invested properly, can be your nest-egg builder for those golden years. Yet, 25 percent of those who are eligible to invest in their 401(k)s are not doing so. And of those who do contribute, 35 percent are not saving the maximum amount permitted under their plan. How can you take full advantage of your 401(k)? Here are some tips:

- If you haven't started contributing to your 401(k) already...then start now!
- Save the maximum amount allowable by your employer's plan.
- Take some investment risks in the equities market to help you beat out inflation, especially if you are ten or more years away from retirement.
- Resist raiding your account. When you leave a company, roll over the entire balance of your 401(k) into another tax-deterred savings plan.
- If your company doesn't have a 401(k) plan, it's time to ask your employer to consider offering one. If you are self-employed, consider starting a Keogh, a plan that lets self-employed workers save for retirement on a tax-deferred basis, or a personal IRA. Pick a plan that suits your personal needs. But remember, it's important to start saving for your golden years as soon as possible. Manulife Financial offers a free brochure on retirement planning. Just call 1-800-397-7854.

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Edward Jones answers your IRA questions

In the past, IRA legislation has been proposed by Congress, but little meaningful legislation resulted. However, the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 created a new retirement savings vehicle with the Roth IRA.

this amount can be spread equally over the 1998, 1999, and 2000 and 2001 tax years. But remember, this special provision is only available for conversions in 1998.

What is the Roth IRA?

The Roth IRA is an alternative to the traditional IRA. Individuals may begin making contributions to a Roth IRA on January 1. Contributions are not tax deductible. Funds inside the Roth IRA will grow tax-deferred, and after a minimum of five years and reaching age 59 1/2, distributions from a Roth IRA will be tax free. Unlike the traditional IRA, distributions are not required at age 70 1/2, so your funds continue to grow.

Who can have a Roth IRA?

Generally, anyone of any age who has earned income can contribute to a Roth IRA. In fact, if you are married and only one spouse has earned income, a Roth IRA contribution can still be made for the non-working spouse as long as there is adequate earned income to cover the contribution.

However, the legislation set some limitations on eligibility based on income. Specifically, the ability to contribute to a Roth IRA is phased out for single taxpayers having Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) of \$95,000 to \$110,000; and for those married filing jointly, the phase-out range is \$150,000 to \$160,000.

How much can I contribute?

Individuals may contribute up to \$2,000 per year or 100 percent of earned income (whichever is less) to a Roth IRA. Please note, this is not in addition to contributions you might make to a traditional IRA. The legislation stipulates total contributions to all IRAs may not be more than \$2,000 per year; for example, you could contribute \$1,000 to a traditional IRA and \$1,000 to a Roth IRA in the same year.

What about my existing IRA?

Most people have two options concerning their current IRAs. The first option is to do nothing. Individuals are free to leave their IRAs in place and even continue making contributions. Taxpayers with an AGI less than \$100,000 (whether single or married filing jointly) will have the option of converting their traditional IRA into a Roth IRA, and may convert all or part of it.

How does the conversion work?

When a taxpayer chooses to convert their traditional IRA into a Roth IRA, they must pay taxes on the tax-deductible contributions and accumulated earnings. The 10 percent early distribution penalty for those under age 59 1/2 will not apply as long as the converted funds remain in the Roth IRA. The legislation does have a special provision to ease the tax burden for those who elect to convert into the Roth IRA in 1998.

How does this special taxation work?

The amount of the conversion subject to taxation determines the amount to be taxed. The taxes due on

What happens if someone converts after 1998?

The taxes are due on the taxable amount of the conversion in the tax year the conversion takes place. There is no special tax treatment for conversions after 1998. All other rules apply: The taxpayer's AGI must be less than \$100,000 in the year of the conversion, and there is no 10 percent early withdrawal penalty for those under age 59 1/2 as long as the funds remain in the Roth IRA for a minimum of five years. Be sure to consult a tax professional for assistance before converting your IRA.

When are Roth IRA distributions tax free?

Once the funds have been in the Roth IRA for at least five years and the owner has reached 59 1/2, distributions from the account are tax free. Funds can also be removed tax and penalty free in the instances of death, disability,

Convert or keep your IRA?

- Joan has a \$40,000 IRA
- 30 years to retirement-20 years in retirement
- 28 percent tax bracket-8 percent return

Amount of taxes owed on \$40,000 at time of conversion:

Annual after-tax payout from Roth IRA:

Annual after-tax increase in payout if IRA is converted to Roth IRA:

purchase (\$10,000 maximum, and the funds must have been in the account at least five years).

What if I withdraw funds from the Roth IRA prior to the five-year and age 59 1/2 rule?

For Roth IRAs funded via contributions: Contributions

may be withdrawn tax and penalty free.

However, amounts withdrawn in excess of contributions are subject to ordinary income taxes and 10 percent penalty if they've been in the account less than five years and the owner is under age 59 1/2 (if the owner is over age 59 1/2, the 10 percent penalty is not applicable).

For Roth IRAs funded via conversion: Any withdrawals made less than five years after the conversion are subject to a 10 percent penalty for the first five years (subject to passage of the October 29, 1997, Tax Technical Corrections Act.)

Who should consider a Roth IRA?

Individuals who have retirement income needs at least five years in the future should find the Roth IRA appealing. Those who believe they will be in the same or higher tax bracket when they begin to take income/distributions from the account should consider the Roth IRA. Taxpayers over age 59 1/2, continuing to save for retirement should also consider the Roth IRA.

The new IRA will be a way for income earning individuals to continue making contributions past age 70 1/2, in addition to being a great savings vehicle for those who don't need current income.

Traditional IRA vs. Roth IRA

	Deductible IRA
Value at Retirement:	\$328,988
Net income if taken as lump sum at retirement:	\$236,871
Annual after-tax income at retirement:	\$ 25,127

Assumptions:
 10 percent rate of return
 28 percent tax bracket (now and at retirement)
 \$2,000 annual contribution for 30 years
 30 years in retirement

How can I decide which IRA to use?

Your local Edward Jones investment representative can help. Edward Jones has developed calculations to help you determine whether you should be contributing to a traditional IRA (and whether the contributions are tax deductible) or to the new Roth IRA. Your investment representative can also guide you through the steps to decide whether converting your current IRA to a Roth IRA makes sense.

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Rules of the Road

Rule #1

Have a plan.

Experienced travelers will tell you that getting there is half the fun, but unless you know where you're headed, you'll waste a lot of time and money along the way. The same can be said for investing.

Road Test

The stock and bond markets offer hundreds of attractive investments every day, and most investors don't have any trouble finding some they would like to own. After all, if you don't know where you're going, any road will take you there. What can be tricky is identifying the investments you should own.

The most important factor is selecting an investment for your portfolio is not its yield or its tax advantages, but whether it can help you reach your long-term objectives. As simple as that sounds, it's not always easy to put into practice.

Most individuals aren't interested in trading stocks and bonds frequently for short-term profits. Generally, their investment goals are conservative and frequently, they're a long way off.

Goal Tending

It's not difficult to find high-quality, long-term investments that can help you fund your child's education 10 years from now, or allow you to retire comfortably in 20 years. What can be very difficult, however, is resisting the temptation to abandon long-term investments when you're faced with a temporary decline in the stock market or a hot new investment fad. That's why a written plan is so important.

Successful investing requires specific objectives and a plan for achieving them. It also requires discipline and more than a little patience. A written investment plan can help provide all of those.

A Grand Plan

Your plan should define your long-term goals and your needs for safety and return. As you face investment decisions over the years, your plan will help you stay focused on the long term, so it's easier to say no to high-yielding speculative investments that might become temporarily popular.

Consider your plan an investment in your investments. One of the most valuable services your investment representatives will ever provide is helping you develop a long-term plan to meet your personal needs. Over the years, he or she also can help provide the discipline you'll need to ignore short-term distractions and stick with your plan.

As your consider your financial goals, remember, getting there may be half the fun, but unless you know exactly where you're headed, you could wind up going nowhere.

Rule #2

Don't be blinded by taxes

One of our customers recently told us he'd figured out why Uncle Sam wears such a tall hat. "When he passes it around at tax time," the gentleman explained, "just think

how much it has to hold."

The topic of taxes is always a popular one (although not necessarily a pleasant one), particularly given the uncertainty that surrounds tax laws.

Tax Talk

No one wants to pay more than his or her fair share at tax time, but investment decisions based solely on tax considerations are all too often not good decisions. Quality should come first.

Tax laws change frequently, and tax advantages can disappear quickly. If you're considering an investment for its tax benefits, make sure its quality is consistent with that of your other investments. If it's now, those tax-advantaged securities may eventually put your at a disadvantage.

Similarly, if there are high quality investments that can help you reach your financial goals, don't give up on them just because tax law changes eliminate some of their tax benefits.

Many Happy Returns

IRAs are a good example. When IRAs were fully deductible, millions of investors were faithful contributors. When tax law changes forced many to give up their deductions, far too many also gave up on IRAs.

IRAs are still an excellent way to save, because they allow you to put off paying taxes on your earnings until the time you withdraw the funds. In the long run, that makes a big difference.

A 35-year-old in the 28 percent tax bracket who contributes \$2,000 annually to a taxable retirement plan earning 8 percent will accumulate more than \$160,000 by the time he retires. In a tax-deferred IRA, however, that same amount would grow to more than \$244,000.

If you need tax relief, there are a number of high-quality investments that will provide it. Remember, however, choosing investments that allow you to build long-term financial independence is far more important than choosing those that offer the short-term benefit of a tax deduction.

Rule #3

Stick To Quality

As investments strategies go, Rule #3 offers pretty simple advice. Downright boring, some might say. Yet of all the factors to consider when investing quality is quite possibly the most important. Unfortunately, it's also among those most easily overlooked.

Cleaning Closets

If you're looking for a tip on today's hot investments, the best we can do is this: ignore them. At Edward Jones, we're not big on investment fads. To us, it's a lot like trying to stay ahead of the latest fashions. By the time the average person gets around to buying, the fad is already fading.

Bad shopping decisions can be hidden in the back of the closet or donated to a rummage sale. Bad investing decisions stay with your longer.

In our experience, investment success depends on buying and holding the stocks and bonds of

high-quality in a well-diversified portfolio. A fine home can't be built from inferior materials, regardless of the talents of the builder. Similarly, the soundness of your overall investment strategy is only as good as the quality of the individual investments you own.

We believe that a long-term approach is the best way to take advantage of growth opportunities without taking unnecessary risks. Obviously, that takes time. It also takes discipline.

Ho Hum

Investing in high-quality companies for the long term has historically been very rewarding for investors seeking financial security. However, it isn't terribly exciting. When a speculative new investment gains popularity, it can be tempting to follow the crowd. Resist that temptation.

The long-term potential of an investment isn't determined by the amount of conversation it generates on the golf course or by the number of people in your office who buy it. As your mother used to say; the fact that everyone else is doing it doesn't make it right. She knew something about quality investing.

In Good Company

No single attribute defines quality, but we recommend that our customers look for well-managed companies with long track records of growth and performance. Growth is shared with stockholders in the form of increasing dividends. Many high-quality companies can boast of 10, 20, or even 30 years of consecutive dividend increases.

In very limited amounts, aggressive investments may be appropriate for young investors. However, the Edward Jones Investment Policy Committee recommends that they never constitute more than 15 percent of a portfolio. In later years, individuals should stick exclusively with very high-quality holdings.

If after reading this, you'd still like a hot tip on investments, here's one of the best: if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

Rule #4

Price Only Matters When You're Selling

Buy low; sell high. As general investment advice, most investment professionals would tell you that's right on the money. As a long-term investment strategy, however, most also would tell you it's easier said than done.

Wanna Bet?

Some investors believe that successful investing depends on predicting the stock market's ups and downs. They buy and sell frequently, trying to time the highs and lows of stock prices. Generally, these individuals consider themselves traders. At Edward Jones, we consider them gamblers, and in our

experience, they're up against some pretty tough odds.

We strongly believe that high-quality stocks and stock mutual funds are critical to long-term financial security. We don't believe, however, that investors should take necessary risks. That belief guides our investment philosophy: buy the stocks of high-quality companies and hold them for the long-term as part of a diversified portfolio.

The Long and the Short of it

To reach long-term objectives like a financially secure retirement, you need long-term, high-quality equity investments. Yet when current events or economic changes cause stock prices to change, many investors are tempted to move money in or out of equities on a short-term basis. We think that's a lot like pulling up the carrots in your vegetable garden to see how they're doing. Whether you're investing or gardening, your chances of success are about the

same.

Get Rich Slow

The long-term value of your investments is determined by the performance and growth of the companies you own. Long-term owners of high-quality growing companies like McDonald's, Pepsico, Coca-Cola and AT&T have been very successful, despite short-term price fluctuations. Don't

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Rules

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let short-term price considerations scare you away from a long-term value. If you own the stocks of well-managed, growing companies, a temporary price decline often creates an opportunity to add to your holdings at a lower cost.

Of course, from time to time a company experiences fundamental changes in its business management that impact its quality as an investment. Even if a company has performed well for you in the past, if it no longer meets your long-term needs, it does not belong in your portfolio.

Market fluctuation is a fact of life for those who own equities, but from time to time it tests the courage of even long-term investors. As long as your portfolio is diversified and you stay focused on high-quality companies, however, the worst thing that market fluctuation can do is scare you away from owning stocks.

Rule #5

Diversify

Will Rogers once said, "If you put all your eggs in one basket, watch that basket." When it comes to investments, however, if you put all your eggs in one basket, watch out! No single investment performs well under all conditions. If a large portion of your portfolio is concentrated in one type of investment and bad news causes it value to drop unexpectedly your long-term financial security may be in jeopardy.

The Ups and Downs

Unless you own a pretty reliable crystal ball, you owe it to yourself to protect your financial security by diversifying your investments. Diversification spreads your assets among a variety of high-quality securities, so your success is not tied to one company or one type of investment.

Bad news for stockholders is generally good news for bondholders, and vice versa. Although you can't control the factors that cause investment prices to fluctuate, you can diversify your portfolio to smooth out the ups and downs.

A well-diversified portfolio includes cash and cash equivalents like money-market accounts; fixed-income investments like CDs,

bonds and fixed annuities; investments that provide growth and income, like mutual funds and utility stocks; and growth investments like individual stocks, stock mutual funds and variable annuities.

Weight Watching

In addition to diversifying your portfolio, you need to diversify the investments with each broad category. In the area of fixed income, for example, your bonds should be spread among different types of bonds and securities with short-, intermediate- and long-term maturities.

Diversification also means paying attention to the weight of each stock in our portfolio. In recent years, many blue-chip stocks have appreciated considerably in price. While many are still very good investments to own, remember what they say about having too much of a good thing.

If one or two stocks in your portfolio have appreciated in price a great deal more than others, they represent too large a portion of your stock holdings. It's not always easy to sell an investment that has performed well for you, but it's risky to become too closely tied to the fortunes of just one or two companies.

How do you make sure your portfolio is adequately diversified? We recommend an annual checkup. If it has been more than 12 months since you last met with your investment representative to review your portfolio, do yourself a favor to schedule a meeting today. It's the best investment you can make in your investments.

Rule #6

Buy To Keep

Spend much time on Wall Street, and you'll quickly discover that the only taller than the buildings are some of the tales you'll hear.

Despite legends of vast fortunes made on one or two trades, most successful investors make their money over time, not overnight. The most consistently successful strategy for building long-term financial security is to buy and hold high-quality common stocks.

Once Upon A Time.

At Edward Jones, we only know one story, and we've been telling it for years. To some, that might sound less than exciting, but we haven't tired of it yet. Like most long-term investors, we don't need a lot of thrills. We're just looking for happy endings.

Common Stocks, Common Sense.

Most of the customers who invest with us share the same goal: to accumulate enough wealth to ensure a lifetime of financial independence. There aren't very many ways to do that, and only one we know of that doesn't carry unnecessary risks. Buy high-quality common stocks, hold them for the long term, and reinvest your dividends.

Historically, common stocks have provided higher long-term returns than any other type of investment. When you buy a stock, you become part owner of the company, and you share financially in its growth and success. As earnings and dividends grow, so does the stream of income you receive from your investment.

Most managers of successful companies don't seek all of their growth in one or two years. They know there are greater rewards in steady, reliable growth that can be sustained over time. Most individuals say they want the same thing from their investments. It's a pretty simple strategy. Unfortunately, some consider it pretty boring. And that calls to mind a little story.

Hare Racing.

When the tortoise and the hare ran their famous race, it wasn't much of a spectator event (at least for fans of the tortoise). The hare took off quickly and seemed like a sure winner. As all good tortoise fans (and buy-and-hold investors) know, however, long-term performance is what really matters. Trading stocks frequently for quick profits or gambling on speculative new investments may sound exciting, but in the long run, it's a loser's game.

A buy-and-hold investment strategy might not be terribly thrilling, but it's the best way we know to build and protect your long-term financial security. The stock and bond markets aren't the place for thrill seeking. That's what tortoise races are for.

Rule #7

Your First Loss Is Your Best One

Cut bait. Some fishermen find it hard to do, even when it makes sense. Maybe it's because they're patient by nature. Anyone who really enjoys fishing is used to giving things time. When a fisherman thinks he's in the right spot, it's tough to get him to move on, even when there's nothing biting.

Some investors are the same way. At Edward Jones, we're long-term investors, and so are most of the folks who work with us. They stick with one strategy: buy and hold quality investments. As far as we know, that's the most consistently successful formula for building financial security. However, it's not foolproof. Over a lifetime of investing, mistakes are bound to happen. You can't always keep from making mistakes, but you can keep from making them worse.

The Companies You Keep.

Imagine you buy two stocks. One does very well, but the other disappointments you. Which one do you keep? Many individuals quickly sell stocks that perform well in order to take their profits. Meanwhile, they hold on to those that perform poorly, hoping for a recovery. As one very successful investor put it, they cut flowers and water their weeds.

Follow that strategy for very long, and you'll eventually have a portfolio of under performing investments. True, the sales of your appreciated investments will provide you with funds to reinvest, but there is no guarantee that what you choose will do as well as what you're replacing.

When The Chips Are Down.

Even blue-chip investments can experience temporary price declines. Many companies struggle for a period of time, but the good ones recover. As long as the principles and products that made the company successful are still intact, the investment is probably still a good one. A short-term price drop

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To address this problem affecting every family in the community, Our Lady of the Way Hospital recently acquired a DEXA scanner called the "Eclipse" from Norland Medical Systems that represents state of the art diagnostic equipment to measure bone density. The test is painless, quick and noninvasive. It is currently reimbursed by most insurance companies including Medicare, and is available upon request through your physician.

The radiology department has the knowledge and training to address this new technology, as medication are now available to patients for this disease. These medications can build bone density and slow down the bone density loss where it had been diagnosed through the testing procedure now provided at Our Lady of the Way Hospital.

Ask your physician about osteoporosis and DEXA scans. Call Our Lady of the Way Radiology Department for appointments at (606) 285-5181, extension 354.



OUR LADY OF THE WAY HOSPITAL

Rules

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can be considered a buying opportunity.

From time to time, however, you'll own an investment whose basic nature changes dramatically. If that happens, think about why you originally bought it. If there has been a fundamental change in the company's approach to business or in its management, it's no longer the same investment, and it doesn't belong in your portfolio. To minimize your losses, acknowledge the problem and act quickly.

Cutting Your Losses.

Cutting bait doesn't come easily because it feels a little like giving up, but when you're fishing, it can save you time and frustration. When you're investing, it can save you a lot more than that.

Rule #8

Make Your Decisions Carefully.

It's a funny thing about investment decisions. Even people who have trouble with their own are more than happy to help with yours. The next time you pick up some free investment advice at a cocktail party or on the golf course, before you rush to act on it, remember that in most cases, you get what you pay for.

Investment decisions are some of the most important that you'll ever make. Be willing to invest a little time in them.

Slow And Steady.

Too often, emotions cloud investment decisions. Afraid to miss what's billed as a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, some individuals make hasty decisions without considering risk. Don't let yourself be rushed by a hot stock tip, a headline with a high rate or by anyone selling investments. Your investment representative is there to assist you, not to confuse you. If you have questions, ask them, and if you need to ask twice, go ahead. You have a right to a full explanation of any investment you may be considering.

Rule #9

Once You Decide, Act.

When is the best time to invest? Unless you're pretty good with a crystal ball and can predict movements of the stock market, when it comes to high-quality investments, the best answer is the sooner the better.

"Buy low and sell high" is good advice, but it's easier said than done. At Edward Jones, we believe it's time in the market, not timing the market, that counts.

Timeless Advice.

Imagine that you invested \$5,000 in the Standard & Poor's 500 every year from 1986 to 1995. If your timing was perfect and you always invested on the one day of the year that the market was at its lowest, your \$50,000 would have to have grown to \$116,955, as of March 29, 1996.

What if your timing was less than perfect? What if it was downright awful? Even if you invested on the worst day of each year, your \$50,000 would still have grown to \$98,451 as of March 29, 1996.

The Sooner The Better.

With or without a crystal ball, chances are slim that you will make your investments on either the best or worst day of the year. The time to invest in the stock market is when you need long-term growth and inflation protection. Time is an investor's greatest ally.

Rule #10

Review Your Plan.

Given the ups and downs that accompany a lifetime of investing, it's not too surprising that even long-term investors occasionally lost their sense of direction. That's when an investment plan is valuable.

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The most successful investors we have known are those who have thought carefully about their long-term financial goals, and then developed long-term plans to achieve them.

Writing your investment plan is an important step, but it's only the

first step. Short-term declines in stock and bond prices are bound to test your resolve. Even with a plan, you'll need discipline and more than a little patience. If you're convinced that your plan is the right one, however, stick with it. In the long run, you'll be rewarded.

Are We There Yet?

How do you know if your plan is the right one? If it considers your personal financial objectives and meets your needs for safety and return, that's a good start.

Keep in mind, however, that no investment strategy is one-size-fits-all. Over the course of your lifetime, your economic situation will change and so will your goals. When they do, your investment plan should change, too. Regular reviews can make sure that it does.

Tailor Made.

A review of your investment strategy will tell you not only how far you are from your destination, but whether the route you're following is the right one to take you there. Use it as an opportunity to see where you've been. If you've drifted off course, act quickly to get back on track.

How often should you review your plan? For most of us, once a year is about right. If you're doing it more frequently, you may be reacting to short-term market movements instead of long-term considerations. Wait longer than a year, and simple problems can compound.

If you haven't done so in the last 12 months, sit down with your investment representative and update your plan. When you're traveling, false starts and wrong turns can cost you precious time. When you're investing, they'll cost you a great deal more than that.

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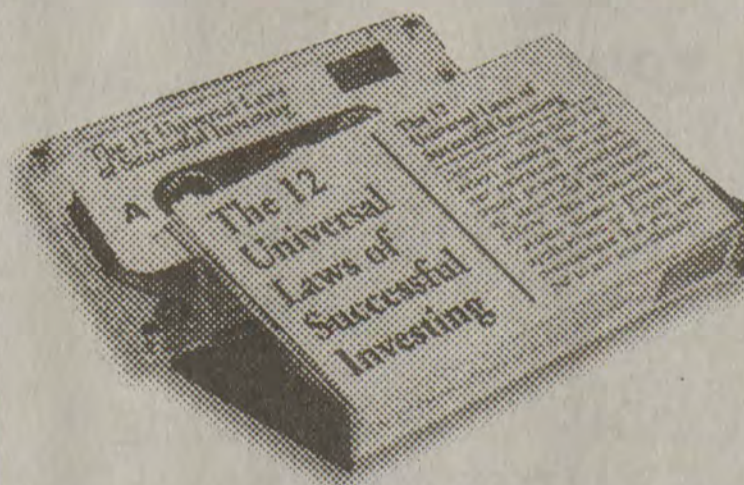
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