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Briefs

Take a chance — for a kid

Members of the Kentucky State Police are raising funds to support their Trooper Island summer camp that annually serves about 700 underprivileged boys and girls, 10 to 12 years old. Troopers are selling chances to win one of two Polaris 500 ATVs. Tickets are \$3 each. Locally, contact Trooper Mike Goble at Pikeville Post 9 at 606/433-7711, or stop by the post on US 23, south of Weddington Plaza from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

State's First Lady recognized in DC

Judi Patton, wife of Gov. Paul Patton, was recognized Friday in Washington, DC, for her work to stop domestic violence. The recognition came during the national administration's announcement of grants to the states from Violence Against Women Act funds. Kentucky's First Lady is co-chair of the Governor's Council on Domestic Violence and has received several awards for her efforts to protect families and children. She writes about her commitment in today's Letters to the Editor section.

PC alums schedule meet

Pikeville College is now planning its annual Alumni/Senior Weekend, set for May 6-8. All alumni are invited, but special recognition will be given to the '9' years, the classes of 1929, '39, '49, '59, '69, '79, and '89. The reunions coincide with the spring graduation, May 8 at 2 p.m. For information on weekend activities, contact the Alumni Relations Office, 606/432-9326.

KFTC slates meeting on welfare reform

The impact of welfare reform on individuals and the local economy is the subject of a public meeting scheduled for Friday at 6 p.m. at the Floyd County Public Library in Prestonsburg. The meeting, sponsored by Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, is aimed at policymakers, social workers, welfare recipients, elected officials and other concerned citizens. It is designed, according to a KFTC press release, to "build a common understanding among all perspectives of the current economic realities and to create solutions that address the needs of low-wage workers and non-workers." For information, call 606/886-0043.

Public meetings

- 911 Advisory Council, Wednesday, 7 p.m., Fiscal Courtroom, Courthouse
- David Community Development Corporation, Thursday, 7 p.m., The David School. Agenda item: vote on ceding sewer system to Prestonsburg City Utilities
- Prestonsburg City Council, Monday, 6 p.m., City Hall
- Floyd County Health Department Board, Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Health Department

Firing of PHS teacher upheld

by Pam Shingler
Editor
and
Willie Elliott
Staff Writer

Editor's note: This story contains some language that may be found objectionable.

The dismissal last fall of a Prestonsburg High School English teacher over charges of immoral conduct has been upheld by an educational tribunal which heard a stream of witnesses in a hearing conducted during January and February.

Jerry Lafferty was fired on September 1, 1998, on more than 30 charges ranging from showing pornographic movies to students to soliciting gifts from students. Lafferty was president of the Floyd County Education Association at the time of his termination.

The decision of the tribunal was affirmed last Friday by a representative of the state attorney general's office, which conducted the hear-

ing. The tribunal found "a preponderance of evidence" that on at least one occasion Lafferty got a student to come to his home to watch pornographic movies and, apparently on another occasion, got a student not only to watch such a movie, but also to masturbate with him.

These actions were ruled not only immoral, but also "unbecoming a teacher" and violations of the professional code of ethics for school personnel.

According to the tribunal's final order, Lafferty talked with students in his class about the size of male students' genitalia, naming individual students and making comparisons. In addition, he reportedly had conversations with students about which students were or were not circumcised.

The tribunal also found evidence to substantiate the charge that Lafferty put his hand on a student's leg, squeezed the leg and

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Donald Wireman

Driver killed on 114

by Pam Shingler
Editor

A Floyd County school bus driver died Saturday following an accident on KY 114 on the western side of Prestonsburg at the mouth of Spurlock Creek Road.

Donald Wireman, 63, of David, who had driven a school bus for the local system since 1992, died at Cabell Huntington Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia, shortly before 6 p.m.

According to a Kentucky State Police report, the victim was traveling east, toward Prestonsburg, when the accident occurred at about 12:30 p.m.

A UPS truck was apparently stopped in the westbound lane to make a turn when a flatbed truck, driven by Darrell Williams, came upon it. Williams reportedly tried to stop and lost control of the truck which slid into the eastbound lane.

Williams' truck apparently slid backwards and the Wireman vehi-

cle ran under it. The victim was extracted from the van by members of the Floyd County Rescue Squad, according to squad member Lee Schoolcraft who was on the scene.

Wireman was first transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center and then flown to the Huntington hospital.

No information was available on Williams, but, according to Schoolcraft, the truck driver was walking around at the scene and was apparently not seriously injured. The UPS truck and driver were not harmed in the accident.

Originally from Magoffin County, the victim was also an auctioneer and a relief bus driver for Enchanted World Travel of Paintsville.

He was the widower of the late Ruthlo Shepherd Wireman and the father of Rick Wireman and Debbie Wireman, both of Silver Lake, Indiana.

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Floyd County Deputy Lance Hall (right), Sheriff John K. Blackburn, and Lt. Ricky Thornsberry looked over the cache of drugs they confiscated during a weekend roundup that ended Monday night. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

Ten people arrested in weekend drug roundup

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

About \$100,000 worth of drugs were confiscated by Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn and his deputies during a "weekend drug roundup."

Ten people were charged with various drug activities during the four-day drug sting. Arrested were Jeff Carroll, 29, of Martin; Columbus Quillen, 56, of Dwale; Michael Kevin Ousley, 21, of Martin; James A. Blair, 28, of

Allen; Linzie Joe Lowe, 28, of Prestonsburg; Todd Harris, 28, of Allen; Harlin Joe Schenck, 47, of Texas; Danny Stephens, 26, of Allen; James Lafferty, 21, of Dwale; and Mike Bertram, 31, of Martin.

Bertram was arrested after he allegedly made a sale of drugs near the Mountain Christian Academy at Martin. He was charged with trafficking drugs within a thousand yards of a school, a felony offense.

In separate instances, Quillen,

Ousley, Blair, Lowe, Harris and Schenck were charged with trafficking in a controlled substance.

Schenck was arrested February 20 for alleged drug and automobile violations after deputies pulled him over on a suspicious vehicle traffic stop. After a background check, officers discovered Schenck was a fugitive from Texas authorities and was apparently wanted for a parole violation.

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Child custody suit tied to murder

by Pam Shingler
Editor

A David woman has petitioned Floyd Circuit Court to restrict the visitation rights of her child's father who has been implicated in the alleged murder of her late husband.

Evelyn Clark Bear has asked that her ex-husband, Robin D. Flanery, formerly of Floyd County and now stationed with the military at

Rainbow City, Alabama, be restricted from seeing their child.

Her request follows the murder of her husband, Ted Samuel Bear, allegedly at the hands of her former brother-in-law, Darrin Ray Flanery, 30, of Gadsden, Alabama, Robin Flanery's brother.

The incident occurred January 2, when Evelyn Bear and her husband went to Gadsden, to pick up the child, who had spent the Christmas

holidays with the father.

According to Gadsden police reports, the victim was found shot in the back of the head, with a handgun, near the back door of the residence. Darrin Flanery was charged with murder on January 4. Evelyn Bear's petition before the court states that the accused murderer was assisted by her former husband.

(See Custody, page three)

Council takes steps to solve sewer problems

by Willie Elliott
Staff Writer

The agenda for the Martin City Council on Thursday night called for a closed session to discuss pending litigation — the Environmental Protection Agency vs. City of Martin, but council member Joe Howard asked that the discussion be done in open session.

After selecting Thomasine Robinson as acting mayor in the absence of Mayor Allen Whicker, the council discussed this topic

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You know spring can't be far behind when the garden plants and bulbs arrive at the garden and farm stores. Donald Bayes of Prestonsburg looks over the various plants at the Country Boy Farm Supply Store, operated by Jim Helmondollar on South Lake Drive. (photo by Willie Elliott)



On Monday afternoon Joey Ratliff with Davis Elliott Contractors was high above the traffic on KY 80 installing one of the traffic lights at the Lancer-Watergap cloverleaf where KY 80 and US 23 meet. This makes two sets of lights at this location. At presstime highway officials did not know when the new lights would be in operation. (photo by Willie Elliott)

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Council

that has dominated most meetings in the last year.

"Since this affects everybody, I think we should discuss it so everyone will know what is going on," said Howard.

City attorney Tim Parker said he saw no reason why the discussion could not be done in open session.

The council had some positive news to report.

Robinson and Howard recently met with representatives of the state Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet who told Howard and Robinson they did not want to fine the city of Martin but did want some kind of evidence that the city was doing something about correcting the sewage problem.

The council agreed to set aside \$5,000 to get work started on the problem with lift station number

five located near McDonald's.

Representatives from the engineering firm Hayworth, Meyer and Boleyn met with Rick McCoy from the sewage department and agreed there was no room to get the lift station out of the flood plain.

The state indicated that the city could take longer to fix the lift station as long as it was not leaking. The state also asked the city to provide a profit/loss statement.

The council approved a plan to buy a spare motor for the lift station. Now, any leakage will be limited to the time it takes to switch the motors. The council continues to look for other funding sources for improving the sewage problem.

The city also approved the right of entry to the Corps of Engineers. This approval will allow the Corps to do core drilling in the upper part of the city. The Corps and city are

looking at plans to move the city out of the flood plain.

The council gave the fire department permission to purchase a van. The fire department plans to sell the old van and use \$500 to purchase a different van. The city will not be out any money for the purchase.

The council approved the purchase of a computer for Martin Water Works. The purchase has been recommended by the Big Sandy Area Development District. The water works department will take the money from petty cash. Thomasine Robinson said she approved of the purchase but was surprised the works department had that kind of money in petty cash.

The council also had the first reading of a police ordinance. State and federal agencies that provide grants to the city request such an ordinance. An ordinance of this

type has been lost or never existed. Thomasine Robinson said she thought that one never existed. "You just don't lose an ordinance," said Robinson. Action will be taken on the ordinance at the next meeting.

Agenda items dealing with a pay raise for Estill Newsome, business license delinquencies, and alcoholic beverage license delinquencies were tabled until the next regular meeting which will be March 22.

Whicker and council member Mahendra Varia were not present at the meeting.

Driver

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The funeral is today at 1 p.m. at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater and Dunn Chapel in Salyersville, with burial to follow in the Wireman Cemetery at Waldo.

This was the second fatality on KY 114 in just over a week. Ronnie Cordle of Prestonsburg was killed in an accident near Frasure's Apartments on February 18.

In addition to the rescue squad, KSP Troopers B. Hansford and M. Watson were assisted at Saturday's accident by members of Prestonsburg Police and Fire departments and Respond Ambulance.

Correction

It was incorrectly stated in last Friday's edition of the Times that Pikeville Methodist Hospital was believed to have had a reduction in staff or in hours. According to spokesperson Myra Miller, the hospital has not reduced staff and, in fact, during the last pay period "paid more overtime than we had paid in a year." The Times regrets the error.

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Firing

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told the student, "You have nice hairy legs."

The teacher also was found to have provided a student with a pornographic movie on one occasion.

Although the tribunal found Lafferty's alleged telling to students of a titillating dream to have been inappropriate, it acceded that the incident was done in a joking manner.

Several allegations that Lafferty solicited students to do errands for him or buy gifts for him were not substantiated. Allegations that he had essentially traded grades for favors also were dismissed. However, the tribunal did find one instance in which Lafferty had a student, who had been ill and was on campus to find out his assignments, take the teacher's car for an oil change.

A further allegation that Lafferty directed one of his students to grade student tests, assign letter grades to

the tests, and enter the scores in the grade book was substantiated, but the tribunal said there was "nothing inappropriate" about using the student assistant.

The tribunal did not find sufficient evidence on other sex-related charges. Names of the students who testified before the tribunal were blacked out on the final order.

The charges covered incidents alleged to have occurred between 1996 and 1998.

Lafferty's contract with the local school system was terminated by then-interim superintendent Mike King, following an investigation. The tribunal's opinion is that the termination was justified under state law.

Lafferty, who began teaching at PHS in 1987, has the right to appeal the tribunal's decision by filing a petition in Floyd County Circuit Court within 30 days. He is represented by attorneys with the firm of Brooks and Fitzpatrick of Lexington, who said yesterday that they do plan to appeal.

According to a local attorney, the findings of the tribunal could lead to a civil suit being filed against Lafferty by parents of the students.

Under education reform, teachers and school administrators whose contracts are terminated are entitled to a hearing by a tribunal, which consists of an administrator, a teacher, and a layperson, all from outside the accused's school district.

tribut.

"The tribunal has spoken and there were no winners in this situation, except those classes that will be forthcoming to Prestonsburg High School," said Woodrow Arnold Carter, interim superintendent of the county school system.

Custody

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Evelyn Bear and Robin Flanery were married at Betsy Layne in 1985. They have had joint custody of the child since their separation in 1997 and subsequent divorce in Alabama in January of 1998. Both had remarried.

According to the petition, the child lived with the mother during the couple's "frequent separations," including the times when the father was on military duty separate from the couple's residence.

Also according to the petition, the child "witnessed the events that led to the death" of her stepfather.

Evelyn Bear is asking that her ex-husband be restricted from seeing the child until the murder case in Alabama is resolved.

The victim, Teddy Samuel Bear, who was 27 at the time of his death, was originally from Bone Cave, Tenn., according to his death certificate. He was buried there on January 8.

Contracts let for Allen projects

by Willie Elliott
 Staff Writer

At Monday night's regularly-scheduled meeting, Allen City Commission members learned that the contracts have been signed and construction will begin soon on the sewage systems on two separate projects.

K. Carrender Construction Company Inc. will do the work in Allen city and Dwale for \$1,107,009.50, and HP Contracting Inc. will do the work in the New Allen area for \$1,049,259.25.

The council also reimbursed city policeman Virgil Conn \$258.49 that he spent to have the emergency lights moved from the back of his cruiser to the top. This was done to meet state requirements.

The council directed Conn to clean a house site on Tandy Street that has become an eyesore to the community. The council also agreed to tell a city resident to fill in a pond that did not meet the city ordinance and was dangerous.

Cindy Parsons reported that the street light near her mother's house had been installed. City attorney Stacy Marshall reported that he was in regular communication with the Environmental Protection Agency about the sewage project.

Arrested

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The drug charge was added to arrest warrant after officers discovered a bag of marijuana in his possession, drug paraphernalia and possession of prescription drugs.

Additional charges are pending, Sheriff Blackburn said, but would not elaborate on those charges.

In this weekend's round-up, Danny Stephens was charged with possession of a controlled substance and James Lafferty was charged with driving under the influence of drugs. Jeff Carroll was lodged in jail on charges of trafficking in marijuana.

The drug round-up began Friday and concluded Monday afternoon after a month-long covert operation. Confiscated drugs included Loracet, Loratab, Tylox, Valium, and various Schedule III non-narcotic medications.

Lt. Ricky Thornsberry said most

of the drugs were painkillers.

Sheriff's officers also seized scales, calculators and police scanners during the round-up.

Sheriff's deputies Lance Hall and Charles Ousley also participated in the operation. The arrests were made after a month-long investigation, according to Sheriff Blackburn.

Blackburn said he is sending a message to local drug dealers to halt their illegal trafficking or get out of the county.

"If you're dealing drugs, don't blame me if you see me coming through your door," Blackburn said.

Anyone who has any information regarding illegal activity in the county can call the sheriff's office at 886-6171. The department will accept anonymous tips.

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Viewpoint

Quote of the week...

Idealism springs from deep feelings, but feelings are nothing without the formulated idea that keeps them whole.

—Jacques Barzun

Wednesday, March 3, 1999 A4

Editorial

Nightmares and dreams

You have to wonder if we can ever get it right — coverage of this thing dubiously called an education system.

We are besieged by those who say, "Tell how far we've come, how much better we are than we were. Write about the positive things we're doing. Say how we've taken the politics out of the system. Let the people know that everything we do is for the children."

Sure to follow, often close by, are the calls demanding to know: "How can you ignore what's going on? Report that the system is as corrupt as it's ever been. Tell them about the deals being cut. If you say anything good about this system, you are betraying the children."

If we print good news about the schools and/or members of the school board, the naysayers accuse us of selling out, of abandoning the cause, of being suckered in.

If we print negative news about the schools and/or members of the school board, the pollyannas accuse us of pandering to the naysayers, of refusing to look at the total picture, of adding to the poor image of the system.

Perhaps when it comes to education, none of us in Floyd County can get it right. Perhaps we don't have whatever it takes to make it go.

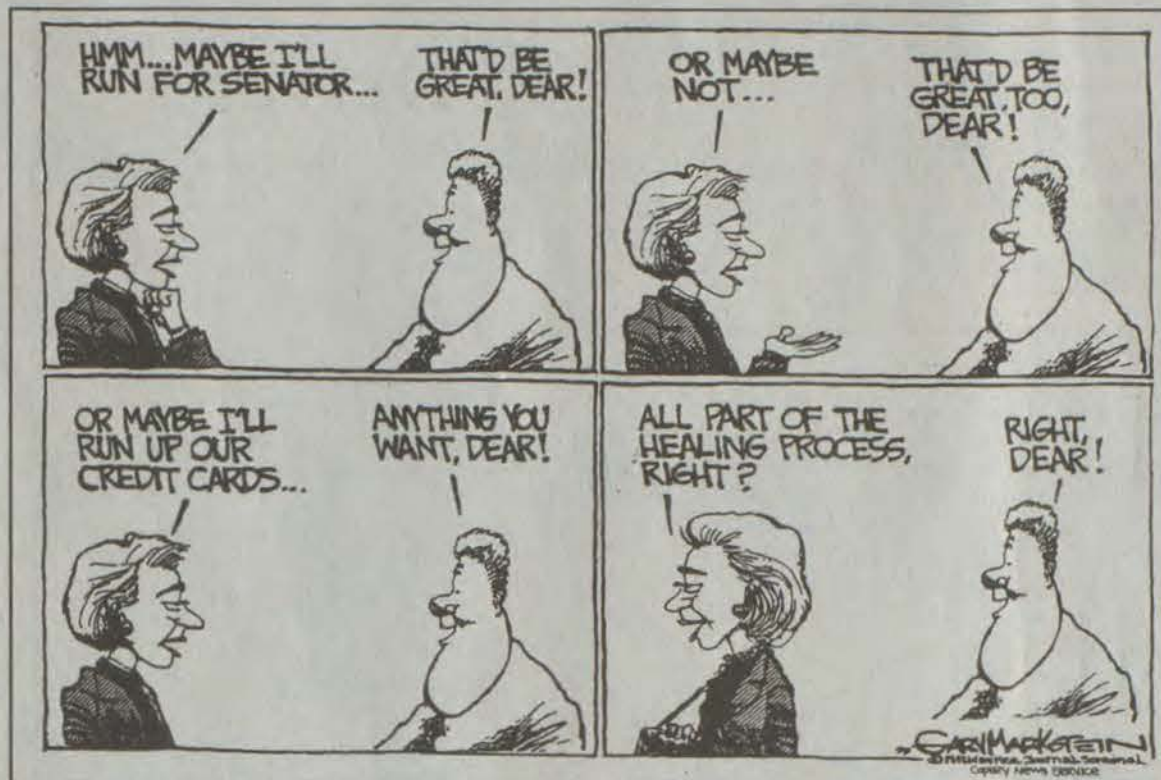
After all, we've had years and years in which to perfect a system that is inadequate and incapable of being fully analyzed.

We've had how many superintendents in the last decade — 10, 12, whatever, double digits, anyway? We've had board members gain immensely in many ways. We've had slackers in the central office, people on extended paid leave. We've had principals who've lacked the ability and/or the will to lead. We've had good teachers who've covered for hideous ones, some of whom should never have been in the classroom in the first place and some of whom long overstayed their usefulness. We've allowed almost as many students to drop out as to graduate.

We've witnessed the humiliation of having state officials tell us what we can and cannot do. We've been failed miserably in some respects by those same state officials.

Student performance remains spotty. Many parents seem more concerned about their children having an athletic field than about their achievements in the field of academics.

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Letters to the Editor

CHILDREN NEED BETTER ROADS

Editor:
This is to express my feelings about better roads for our school children to travel to and from school. I think that our Transportation Cabinet should get out and travel those roads and see for themselves what our children have to travel on, in their school buses to and from school.

KY 3379 out at Galveston at Branham's Creek, is not just a dangerous road. My daughter and son-in-law, Richard and Connie Porter, were killed there on December 7, 1995, almost four years ago.

So let's try to make the state put up guardrails on KY 3379, and others that need it, as well. So, let's get more of our coal taxes for the roads, also. Almost a year ago we got some sloppy patching on KY

3379. I was told a year ago that we would receive another four miles of black top. But we did not receive it, yet. Hog wash!

Back in the counties where coal is mined, coal trucks have also torn up the roads. I think that after they get finished mining, they should go back and fix those roads where they have torn them up. I think that this is what is messing these roads up. And fix these roads with the coal taxes.

If someone out there agrees with me on getting better roads for our school children to get to and from school, just call me or send me a letter at P.O. Box 267, Harold, Ky. 41635; phone, 606/587-2722.

Den Hunter
Harold

ISSUE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MUST BE ADDRESSED BY COMMUNITY

Editor:
I read with interest the recent insert on domestic violence in the Floyd County Times. Public discussion about this crime is critical, for every year in Kentucky, thousands of our neighbors, friends and loved ones are harmed by domestic abuse. It is no longer acceptable for us to allow domestic violence and the pain it inflicts on women and children to remain behind closed doors.

In our administration, Paul and I are trying to improve the lives of Kentucky citizens. We cannot succeed, however, if some families are left behind because they face the terror of domestic abuse. As a result, we prioritized domestic violence and child victimization as crimes which will receive our focused attention and effort.

Ending domestic violence in the lives of every

Kentuckian cannot be accomplished, however, if it is undertaken only by a Governor, a First Lady, or even government as a whole. It must be undertaken as a mission of every community and every Kentuckian. Safety in the home and a zero tolerance for violence must be the causes of every citizen.

I am proud that in eastern Kentucky, local communities are increasing their awareness of domestic violence and decreasing their tolerance for this crime. Your efforts in Floyd County are to be commended, and I hope, replicated in other counties in Kentucky. On behalf of all Kentucky families, Paul and I thank you.

Judi C. Patton
First Lady
Frankfort

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT FOR CAMPAIGN REFORM ADVOCATED

Editor:
An initiative to amend the U.S. Constitution to reform campaign financing has just been launched by One Person, One Vote. All polls demonstrate that the vast majority of Americans favor campaign finance reform. Yet, meaningful reform is frustrated by the recalcitrance of the politicians and by the U.S. Supreme Court which has found most limits to be unconstitutional.

One Person, One Vote will collect the names of those voters who support the constitutional amendment. Candidates for political office will then be made aware of the extensive number of votes that they stand to gain or lose by their position on this issue. The politicians will be forced into passing this constitutional amendment, without alteration.

The amendment will
• Limit the amount an individual can contribute to a campaign to \$200;

• Only allow contributions from individual persons, not PACs, political parties, corporations or labor unions; and

• Prohibit contributions from individuals residing outside of the candidate's district.

Names will initially be collected via the Internet. Supporters can log onto the web site of One Person, One Vote. The web site is found at <http://www.oneperson-onevote.com>. They can then enter their name and address to register their support. This American travesty will be ended.

We are all tired of the politicians being bought and paid for. Let's clean up this mess, so that our elected officials will be answerable to us, not the special interests. For information, call 813/831-7807.

Kevin McLean
Tampa, Florida

SEEKING INFORMATION ON ANCESTOR

I am interested in information on my great-great-aunt Josephine Damron, born ca. 1830, daughter of Hiram Damron and Margaret Ball Damron. Her family moved to Carter County, in the 1830s from Wise, Virginia. They settled there and raised a large family near Grayson.

Around 1850 she married a man from Floyd County and she went there to live. His name could

have been Ila Browning or maybe Hawkins. They say the Bank Josephine was named for her or one of her descendants.

I have extensive information on this Damron Family. I would be happy to share it with those who could be of help to me.

Howard E. Kiser
Grayson

Letters to the Editor

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Mountain Voices

by Willie Elliott
Staff Writer



All the basketball games during March madness make me think of my days as a coach. I know your reaction is going to be, "Don't tell me you were a basketball coach?"

Well, I still have my McDowell jacket with the letters COACH written on it. That was the only thing of monetary value I got out of the job, and the school may have gotten cheated.

When I returned to teaching after two years in the service, the school needed someone to coach the grade school teams. The pay was \$0 and the requirements were

simple: Can you ride the bus to the games with the boys and keep five, and only five players, on the floor at any one time? I could do that.

So I drew up plays, but as far as I can remember we never did run any of them. Basically, the players came down the floor, shot as soon as they could and were happy as they could be. Come to think of it, the plays weren't nearly as much fun as running and gunning.

I remember in one game when Stanley Henson shot one from about 35 feet but, and I yelled, "I'll kill you Stanley."

He just looked over at me, grinned and said, "P. E. shot." In today's game it would have been a three-pointer.

We just made the schedules up as we went along during the year. One day Gene Prater from Clark called and scheduled a game. For some reason, I got in my head Gene Frazier and we drove to an empty gym at Maytown, while the Clark team waited patiently for us.

One time Lenny Hamilton said to me, "Willie, you call time out, but you never do tell them anything."

I told him, "I don't know anything to tell them. Who do you think I am, Bobby Knight?"

This one team came to play us at McDowell, and I knew we were in trouble when three of their players drove to the game. (Remember this was grade school basketball). Of course, we got beat.

The bus trips were always adventures. I remember one time some overgrown boys in one community stopped A. J. Little, the bus driver, and told him he was speeding in a post office zone. We got a bigger kick out of that than did the boys who pulled the stunt. From then on, we always reminded A. J. not to speed in a post office zone.

You would think the boys would be asking, "Are we going to win tonight, or what's our strategy?" No, they always asked, "Are we going to eat after the game?" So, we won some, lost some, ate a lot and had a barrel of fun.

I coached for about four years and the school system finally started paying the coaches. Well, they told me I was not qualified for the job and couldn't pay someone that knew so little about it. So my career came to an end before I had a chance to make it to the next level.

I tried to tell them that I knew some coaches who didn't know how to teach so we would be even — I wouldn't know how to coach and they wouldn't know how to teach, but everyone would keep his job. They failed to see the logic in my argument.

Had it not been for me, players like Phil Paige, Harold Tackett, Dabo Grigsby, Stevie Reid, and others actually may have gone on to play at the college level. But, by the time they finished their grade school stint, they never saw a shot they didn't like.

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Poison prevention

Babies and toddlers are curious creatures, exploring the new world with all their senses. Anything that looks interesting goes straight in their mouths. Because of this natural tendency, young children are especially vulnerable to poisoning.

What is poison? Not all poisons come with the old "skull and crossbones" label. A poison is anything that can harm people (and sometimes pets) if they eat it, breath it, get it in their eyes or on their skin. That can include a variety of seemingly harmless items around the house.

How can you safeguard children from these hazards? Darlene F. Goodrich, coordinator of the Kentucky Safe Kids Coalition, sponsored by the Cabinet for Health Services, has these suggestions:

- Watch your child. Children left alone for a moment can get into trouble. The theme for the 1999 National Poison Prevention Week, March 21-27, stresses this point: Children Act Fast...So do poisons. Here's one idea—use a cordless phone so you don't have to leave your child to answer a call.
- Never tell a child that medicine is candy.
- Keep poisonous products out of reach of even the most determined "climber." Do a room-to-room survey, including the garage, and childproof your home. Put cleansers, medicine, vitamins and iron supplements, cosmetics, personal care products (like mouthwash), pesticides, paints and solvents, and house plants out of reach. Locking up dangerous materials out of sight is even better.

- Stock your first-aid kit "just in case." Poison control experts recommend asking your pharmacist for activated charcoal. It costs about \$4.
- Post the Kentucky Regional Poison Control Center hotline number (800-722-5725) near all your phones. Telephone stickers are available. You also can find this number in the front of the phone directory.

- Educate yourself and other caregivers, including grandparents, on poison prevention before something happens. Many poisonings occur at a grandparent's house where medication is left out on a table.

Free materials including a Poison Lookout Checklist, a telephone sticker, and poison prevention brochure are available from the Kentucky Regional Poison Control Center. You can call the hotline for these items or call the center educator at an administrative number: 502/629-5428.

The state-funded Poison Control Center, staffed by nurses and physicians, operates 24 hours a day, every day, and serves all 120 Kentucky counties. It is located at Kosair Children's Hospital in Louisville.

Don't hesitate to call the center if your child has contact with any questionable substance, said Henry Spiller, the center's clinical director.

It's important to call the Poison Center Hotline for several reasons. This is the fastest way of reaching help in a poison emergency, said Spiller. The medical professionals at the Poison Control Center can help you evaluate the situation and advise you on the right steps to take. Using the wrong or out-dated first-aid measures can cause further harm.

Spiller said the center received 61,010 calls for information in 1998 and 47,800 people were determined to be exposed to poisons. Of that number, 65 percent were six years old or younger.

Although the majority of poison cases involved small children, the center does handle calls involving older children and adults who have unintentionally or deliberately swallowed or inhaled toxic substances. For example, some callers seek advice after accidentally taking another family member's medicine. Others call for help after misusing products in an attempt to get high or commit suicide.

Most of the cases of exposure to poison were managed outside a hospital and millions of dollars in emergency medical costs were saved, Spiller said.

But more importantly, lives were saved.



Kentucky State Police Detective Bobby Johnson, a native of Floyd County, was promoted to the rank of sergeant. Johnson's promotion became effective on March 1. He will be assigned to Bowling Green Post 3. Johnson is a ten-year veteran of the Kentucky State Police and was previously assigned to Pikeville Post 9. He is married to Michelle Stratton Johnson, and the couple have one son, Jonathan Tyler, who is six years old.

Technical assistance available to address natural resource

Having problems with erosion? A local agency can help alleviate those problems. The Floyd and Pike County Conservation Districts and USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service offer technical assistance to landowners experiencing natural resource problems.

Natural resource problems may include soil erosion, streambank failure, field drainage, or tree planting, just to name a few. NRCS staff are available to answer questions and offer advice and, if requested, can schedule to make a visit to look at more serious problems.

Financial assistance is available for landowners with natural resource problems related to agricultural operations. The Kentucky Division of Conservation Cost Share program provides assistance to persons engaged in agricultural and silvicultural production for implementation of best management practices to provide cleaner water in Kentucky's streams, rivers, lakes and groundwater. Applications will be prioritized for funding.

Highest priority will be given to livestock producers whose waste management systems are known to

be causing water quality problems.

Also receiving higher consideration will be those landowners who have already implemented an Ag Water Quality Plan, Conservation Plan, or Forest Stewardship Plan.

Application deadline for the Kentucky Soil Erosion and Water Quality Cost Share Program is February 26.

Two federal cost share programs will also conduct ranking periods this spring. The Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) and Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP) will assess applications received by February 26. These programs require landowners to commit to a minimum five-year contract to implement necessary conservation practices to address water quality and wildlife habitat concerns.

For more information about these cost share programs, for Agriculture, or general assistance with natural resource problems, contact Chris Stone, district conservationist for Floyd and Pike counties, 606 886-9545 or (606) 437-7879. Or, stop by at either office locations: 214 South Central Ave., Prestonsburg; or 102 Baird Ave., Pikeville.

Winn-Dixie starts selling lottery tickets

On Thursday, February 18, Prestonsburg's Winn-Dixie store began selling something it has never sold before—Kentucky Lottery tickets.

Winn-Dixie had not previously sold lottery products in the Kentucky Lottery's nine-and-a-half year history. As of Thursday, all 60 of its Kentucky stores will be selling Powerball, Lotto Kentucky, instant scratch-off games and all the other products the Kentucky Lottery offers.

The first 300 customers who vis-

ited the Prestonsburg Winn-Dixie store on Thursday received a free Kentucky Lottery scratch-off ticket. Shaun Johnson of Louisville won \$12,000 on a free ticket when Winn-Dixie stores started selling in his home town.

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Job fair at MSU

Employment representatives from a variety of companies will be on hand for the 1999 Spring Job Fair, Thursday, March 4, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Crager Room, Adron Doran University Center at Morehead State University.

The fair is open to all MSU students, graduates and area citizens. About 40 companies will be represented, including Accountemps, Coca-Cola, Eastern State Hospital, Emerson Power, Farm Credit Services, Kroger, Lab Support, Lex-Fayette Police, Manpower, Marriott Griffin Gate, Navy Officer Program, Olsten Staffing, Shawnee Mental Health, and WDKY-TV.

Participants are encouraged to bring multiple copies of their resume and be prepared to interview with a number of employer representatives. Admission to the event is free and open to the public.

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Minister of smiles retires at Citizens National Bank

Twenty eight years ago, when Citizens National Bank in Paintsville was using adding machines instead of computers, and there was only one bank location, not 10. Tobe Wheeler was hired as maintenance supervisor. His last day on the job at Citizens National Bank was Friday, February 26.

Retirement for Wheeler does not mean moving to Florida for the winter or fishing at Paintsville Lake every day. It means having more time available to devote to the First Church of God, where he will continue his ministry.

"Although I'll miss working at Citizens National," Wheeler said. "I'm looking forward to having more time available to visit with people at their homes, make hospital visits, and dedicate time to church."

TIMES CHANGE

Wheeler has been the minister at First Church of God in Staffordsville for nearly 25 years. Instrumental in helping his church grow, he commented, "I've conducted many marriage ceremonies, more funerals than you like to imagine, and helped the church increase its membership from 25 to 125." All the while, Wheeler has helped the church implement three remodeling projects in 25 years. "There is only one original wall still standing," he said.

"Times have changed at Citizens National, too," Wheeler said. "When I first started working at the bank there wasn't such a thing as an ATM (automatic teller machine). I remember when the first one for Citizens National Bank was installed." Since Wheeler began his career at CNB, the bank corporation has expanded into Floyd County through the purchase of The Bank

Josephine, and will be expanding into Magoffin County in March.

"Citizens National Bank has enjoyed many changes over the last twenty-eight years," said Dennis Dorton, president and chief executive officer at CNB. "We are thankful we could keep Tobe on our team for so many years."

"I've been fortunate to have two wonderful jobs in the last 28 years," Wheeler said. "I love my work at both the Church of God and Citizens National Bank."

Wheeler attributes his tenure with the bank to the personal management styles of two generations of chief executive officers, Oscar T. Dorton and to his son Dennis T. Dorton. "Through my employment at Citizens National, I've developed many friendships for which I'm extremely grateful. I cannot remember having even one conflict with any of the people I've worked with. My job has been extremely joyful and gratifying."

Wheeler said watching children of coworkers grow-up, get married and begin having children has been one of the perks of working for the same corporation for such a long time. "When you're in a job for as long as I've been in this one, you begin to feel like your coworkers are your own family," Wheeler said. "In fact, some of them really are." His wife, Nancy, is on the custodian staff. "She's worked for me, but I've tried not to give her too hard of a time." His daughter-in-law Rose, wife to his son, Tim, is an assistant vice president and customer data center manager, and his sister, Mary Molette is a custodian at CNB.

The most wasted day is that in which we have not laughed.

—Chamfort, *Maximes at pensees* (1805)

Ask anyone who works for Citizens National Bank if Wheeler enjoys laughing and they will surely reply, "Yes!" Wheeler loves to play practical jokes on anyone who is willing and gullible enough to be tricked.

"I love to make people laugh," Wheeler said. "My philosophy is if you meet someone who doesn't have a smile, give them yours."

"Communicating with his coworkers has been one of Tobe's strengths," Dennis Dorton, president and chief executive officer of CNB, said. "Tobe has always offered individuals a smile when they needed it. He always has a humorous word for other employ-

ees in the bank. We'll miss his kind and compassionate manner."

Jerry Booth, who will succeed Wheeler as maintenance supervisor, said, "It has always been an experience working with Tobe. There is never a dull moment because he is always wearing a smile."

Although Wheeler's smile will be missed at Citizens National Bank, his family will be receptive to seeing it more often.

In addition to devoting more time to his church, Wheeler has plans to spend more time with his family, including his wife, Nancy, to whom he's been married for 38 years, their three children, Tim, Connie and Alan; and two grandchildren, Jessica and Madison.



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A Letter to the Leaders of Floyd County On Behalf of the Children of Left Beaver



"The Floyd County commissioners also authorized (Paul Hunt) Thompson to 'negotiate' on behalf of the county with the Floyd County Board of Education over the possibility of buying the former Wheelwright gym." **Article 2 in the Floyd County Times on the February 25, 1999 Fiscal Court Meeting.**

"The board has not talked about selling the Wheelwright gym." **Terry Dotson to the residents of Wheelwright at the February 23, 1999 board meeting.**



For months, long before the last county election, the talk in Left Beaver has been that the sale of the Wheelwright gym in inevitable—a 'done deal.' The only question was when it will be sold. Most said that the offer would not be made until after the election. Despite repeated appearances of concerned citizens in front of the local board of education, the board has said that there are no plans to sell the gym. This past week, however, the *Floyd County Times* reported that the fiscal court had on Friday authorized Paul Hunt Thompson to negotiate for the purchase of the gym.

As a result of this action, we are appealing to the Floyd County commissioners, Larry Foster Stumbo, Ernal Tackett, and Gerald DeRossett and the Floyd County Board of Education members Terry Dotson, Jody Mullins, Johnnie Ross, Don Roberts, and Caro Stumbo to consider their actions carefully. We hope that you will put the children of Left Beaver first. It is our understanding that the fiscal court want to renovate the bottom portion of the building and use it for housing for volunteers who come into the area to work. The gym itself would be made available to students. Before you make your decision, we would ask you to consider the following:

Position of the Board: Wheelwright gym is being considered as surplus property by the Board. The board wants to divest itself of ownership and make the gym available to the whole community for its use.

Our Position: While the board may have declared the Wheelwright gym as surplus property, Osborne Elementary has not been closed. It has an enrollment of approximately 510 students. For the last 18 years, the Wheelwright gym has been Osborne's gym. It has no other place to play its games. The practice gym at Osborne is very small and has resulted in the injury of several students.

Our Position: The gym at South Floyd is not available to the school. Over 16 different groups are scheduled to use the South Floyd gym. The earliest that groups from the middle school and Osborne can get into the building is at 9:00 at night. The board has responsibility to provide a facility to this students. It can't build a new gym. **According to recent reports from the board, there is little possibility of new construction in Floyd county for the next ten years.** The Floyd County Board of Education has not taken a similar action with any other school. The board would certainly save money if it sold all of the gyms in the county, but it has not done so, nor should it. The school system is supposed to serve students. We Hope It Will.

Position of the Board: The Wheelwright site should be sold because other schools in the county, such as Stumbo Elementary, do not have full-sized gyms and have to use practice gyms.

Our Position: Stumbo does not have a full size gym but should we deny the opportunity for other children for that reason? How do we help the Betsy Layne students by taking a facility away from the students of Osborne? There would still be other schools in the county where there are full-sized gyms available to elementary students. Do we close them as well?

Position of the Board: Decisions must be made to save money in what is a hard time financially for the school system. The board has taken the position that it needs to rid itself of all surplus property to improve programs in the county.

Our Position: The board has not been consistent with this approach. The Floyd County School system is, in fact, continuing to maintain a gym at Martin where Opportunities Unlimited is located with an enrollment of 20 plus students and no formal sports program. This property is not being sold, however, for other reasons. Other school property such as that of Allen where no students are enrolled have not been considered. According to the Floyd County central office staff, the Martin facility is one of the most expensive ones in the county to operate because of the cost of utilities. The Martin facility costs almost three-four times what it takes to operate the Wheelwright gym.

Our Position: Ridding itself of the Wheelwright facility will not save the school system of significant amounts of money. From July 1998 until February 1999, the total operation cost for the Wheelwright gym was \$9,000, approximately a little over a \$1,000 per month. This cost included charges for electricity, natural gas, sewage, water, and custodial services. Other sites are much more expensive to operate. The monthly electricity bills alone for other gyms in the county are over \$1,000 monthly.

We urge the Floyd County Fiscal Court to look for another site and the Floyd County Board of Education to meet its responsibilities to the children of Left Beaver. There are many empty houses in the Wheelwright area that the Floyd county Fiscal Court could renovate inexpensively and that would be far more suitable for housing than the bottom floor of the Wheelwright gym. We need a facility where our children can practice and play their games under the ownership, care and supervision of the Floyd County school system. We believe that the children have a right to that. The Wheelwright gym was built in the late 1950's from the profits earned by the coal miners who worked for Inland Steel. Some of these same miners have grandchildren and great-grandchildren attending Osborne Elementary. We are asking that you honor these men by keeping this gym for the children until such time as the school system can provide them with another one.

SAVE OUR GYM COMMITTEE...



Interested in saving gym

During a community meeting at Osborne Elementary, Jaquetta Parker told Floyd County Board of Education member Johnnie Ross the Wheelwright gym was important to her sister and other students for many reasons. Ross met with the group to discuss their concerns about the gym which they hope can be saved for student and community use. (photo by Willie Elliott)

Editorial

(Continued from page four)

It's kind of like a house that wasn't built straight to begin with. Each new owner tries to shore it up with crooked poles or to cover the old faults with new siding or heavy paint. But it just keeps sliding away from the foundation.

Finally, it becomes obvious that, no matter how attached the heirs are to the place, the best thing to do is to tear it down and start from scratch.

Maybe, the best thing the current board can do is to dismantle the entire system. File bankruptcy, if you will. Farm the students out to neighboring school systems. Dismiss all the staff. And just before they resign themselves, hire an outside management firm — with no ties to Floyd County, Kentucky, whatsoever — to come in and start the whole shebang over.

The managers, who are kin to no one here and influenced by no one here, would study the county's demographics, look at where the students are and what they need to compete with other students not just in Kentucky but nationwide, develop a viable curriculum aspiring to excellence rather than mediocrity, set up criteria for teachers and supervisors, determine physical plant and staffing needs, design

policies that clearly present rights and responsibilities of all staff — whatever needs to be done to re-establish a school system.

The managers would then advertise for and interview staff for the new system, from cooks to superintendent. Certainly, some of the former staff members may be hired back, but they would have to prove they meet the clearly defined requirements for the positions.

A special election for school board members would be called, with each candidate required to go through intense training not only on how a school system is supposed to operate, but also in interpersonal communication skills, decision-making, team-building and cooperation. The managerial persons chosen to lead the system would go through similar training.

Yawn. Stretch. Better wake up now and get back to work. This was a dream for a different time and a different place. — Pam Shingler

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From left, Kim Gibson, Mikeal Fannin, Blair Hall, David Joseph, William May, Gerri Vance; and in second row, Chris Horn, Josh Kinzer, Amanda Keathley, and Sarah Recktenwald have had an excellent academic year and are winning quite a few honors for themselves.

Allen Elementary Academic Team competes

The Allen Elementary Academic Team recently competed in regional competition at Johnson County Middle School.

During recent District Governor's Cup competition, the

team received second place in overall competition. The Quick Recall team also placed second. In the individual test categories, William May placed first in Science and second in Social Studies. David Joseph

placed third in General Knowledge and second in Science.

Blair Hall placed fourth in Social Studies. Josh Kinzer placed third in Language Arts. Chris Horn placed third in math.

Spell-check

How hard are the spelling words that Floyd County students in grades 4-8 face in the Floyd County Spelling Bee?

Below are some of the words, the round the words occurred and how students attempted to spell them. Grade level is given after the student's name.

| Name | School | Round | Word given | Spelling |
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| Stacy Howard (6) | ACMS | 1 | necessary | nessecary |
| Megan Tackett (6) | Allen | 11 | expensive | expensive |
| Jonathan Irick (8) | Betsy Layne | 1 | cupboard | cubbard |
| Ashley C. Madden (5) | Clark | 2 | decision | desciision |
| Amy Wallen (5) | Duff | 4 | opportunity | oportunity |
| Belinda Boyd (5) | May Valley | 3 | conclusion | conclustion |
| Ashley Bealer (6) | McDowell | 3 | introduction | intruduction |
| Jacob Couch (4) | Osborne | 2 | permission | permision |
| Brooks Herrick (5) | Prestonsburg | 12 | grateful | gratful |
| Leigh Ann Tuttle (7) | SFMS | 7 | rhythm | rythym |
| Shawna Adkins (7) | J. M. Stumbo | 21 | mayonnaise | torpedoes |
| Sara Pillersdorf (8) | MCA | 20 | mayonnaise | mayonaize |

The Spelling Bee winner, Shawna Adkins, is the daughter of Ben and Joetta Adkins of Betsy Layne, and the runner up, Sarah Pillersdorf, is the daughter of Ned Pillersdorf and Janet Stumbo of Van Lear.

Chancellor of technical colleges appointed

Dr. Keith Bird has been appointed chancellor of Kentucky's technical colleges. The appointment puts in place the permanent team that will guide implementation of the Kentucky Community and Technical College System.

Upon the recommendation of McCall, the KCTCS Board of Regents at its recent meeting in Bowling Green approved the appointment of Bird. That action

followed the appointment in December of Dr. Tony Newberry as chancellor of the University of Kentucky Community College System.

McCall, whom the KCTCS board hired as president in December, said Bird and Newberry will help them provide the leadership to turn the vision of the Kentucky Postsecondary Education Improvement Act of 1997 into reality. The reform law created KCTCS, which brought together

community colleges previously managed by UK and technical colleges previously operated by state government.

Bird is the first permanent chancellor of KCTCS' Technical College Branch. He succeeds interim chancellors Jack Moreland, Tara Parker and Dr. Ann Cline.

Newberry served as interim chancellor of the community colleges from January to December 1998. Before and during the college's transition to KCTCS, he was UKCCS' vice chancellor for academic and student affairs. He also was president of Ashland Community College.

Hall completes basic training

Marine Pvt. Jamie D. Hall, son of Diana L. Hall of Prestonsburg, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina.

Hall successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Hall and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m., by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Hall spent numerous hours in a classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Hall and other recruits also received instruction on the Marine Corps' core values—honor, courage and commitment, and what the words mean in guiding personal and professional conduct.

Hall and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour team effort, problem solving evolution which culminated with an emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and were addressed as "Marines" for the first time since boot camp began.

He is a 1994 graduate of South Floyd High School at Hi Hat.

Pikeville College hosts senior day

by Melinda Lynch
Director of Admissions
Pikeville College hosted "Senior Day" on Saturday, February 20, in the Armington Science-Learning Center. High school seniors and family members from 15 different counties in Kentucky, Virginia and West Virginia attended the event.

The purpose of the day was to encourage seniors and their families to visit campus and meet with representatives from different areas of the college community. Both a morning and an afternoon session were held to accommodate those families traveling long distances.

Faculty members from all major divisions were represented. Admission and financial aid staff

were present to provide financial aid conferences and give campus tours.

President Hal Smith gave a welcome to the group, followed by dean of enrollment and student services Ron Damron who gave a description of the day's program. The group was split into subgroups of parents and students. The parent group initially met with faculty members representing their senior's area of interest, while the students listened to talks from President Smith and Ron Damron about choosing a liberal arts and sciences college, and the differences between high school and college life. A panel of Pikeville College students talked about their personal

experiences and gave an opportunity to ask questions. At the conclusion of each group's session, the parents and students switched places. A picnic lunch was provided in the campus dining hall for all attendees.

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The second is a basic self defense program and will be presented Thursday evenings from 6 to 7, beginning March 25.

Both are taught by a grandmaster instructor with a 10th degree black belt. Classes will meet in the Martin Student Center on the Prestonsburg campus.

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Clifford Wayne Hall
Clifford Wayne Hall, 64, of Teaberry, died Friday, February 26, 1999, in the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington, following an extended illness.

He was born February 8, 1935, in Teaberry, the son of the late Wayne Hall and Mary Tackett Hall. He was a retired coal miner.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Helen Tackett Hall.

Other survivors include one son, Ellis Dwayne Hall of Grethel; five daughters, Leasia Trump, and Dianna Triplett both of Grethel, Teresa Hall of Printer, Connie Williams of Betsy Layne, Donna Hall of Teaberry; three brothers, David Hall of Eskridge, Kansas, Merlin Hall of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, Jay Hall of Warsaw, Indiana; three sisters, Ovie Hamilton of Teaberry, Ellen Young of Ashland, Lizzie Turner of Peru, Indiana, 10 grandchildren, one great-grandchild and three step-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 1, at 11 a.m. at the Samaria Regular Baptist Church, at Teaberry, with the Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Tackett Cemetery, Beaver, with the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, caring for those arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Paul Jones, Tim Little, Ronnie Ousley, Darrell Triplett, Keith William, Bryan Hall, Charlie Seitner, Cory William, Dwayne Young, Kelly Bradley and Stevie Hamilton.

Nelson pallbearers listed

Pallbearers for the funeral of Sally Jane Nelson were Timothy Gouch, John Gouch, Ashley Price, Jim Davis, Greg DeRossett, John Mark Adams and Butch Lafferty.

Gertrude Goble
Gertrude Goble, 76, of Pikeville, died Monday, March 1, 1999, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Born February 3, 1923, in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Mary Conn Robinson. She was a member of the Pleasant Valley United Methodist Church.

She was twice married; first to Tilden Robinson, who preceded her in death, and later to Argie Goble, formerly of Floyd County who survives.

Other survivors include one sister, Ruth Helvey of Taylor, Michigan.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 3, at 11 a.m., at the J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home Chapel, with Levi Coleman officiating.

Burial will be in Johnson Memorial Park at Pikeville, under the direction of J. W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Okie Earl Nelson Sr.

Okie Earl Nelson Sr., 78, of Lexington, died Sunday, February 28, 1999, at St. Joseph Hospital.

A native of Prestonsburg, he was the son of the late Sam "Sambo" Nelson and Jane Derossett Nelson. He was educated in Floyd County School System. He was a farmer, a retired engineer for C&O/CSX Railroad after 40 years of service, and a former member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers. He was a member of the First Christian Church in Lexington, the Lexington Lodge No. 1, F&AM since 1952, a 32nd degree Scottish Rite Mason, and a member of the Oleika Shrine and the Kentucky Polled Hereford Association and Kentucky Farm Bureau.

Survivors include his wife, Vera Jasper Nelson; one sister, Ruth Nelson Howard of Salyersville; three sons, Okie Earl Nelson Jr., James Samuel "Sam" Nelson, and Steven Eugene "Steve" Nelson, all of Lexington; one daughter, Linda Kay "Katie" Nelson Isaac of Campbellsville; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 3, at 2:30 p.m., at the Kerr Brothers Funeral Home. Burial will be in the Hillcrest Memorial Park.

Mildred Burke
Mildred Burke, 75, of Wheelwright, died Monday, March 1, 1999, at McDowell ARH.

Born on February 27, 1924, in Wheelwright, she was a daughter of the late Richard Mosley and Sylvia Johnson Wright.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hassell Burke.

Survivors include five sons, Billy Joe Burke of Auxier, Gordan Ray Burke of Wheelwright, Charles E. Burke of Prestonsburg, Donald Dale Burke and Danny Darrell Burke, both of Connersville, Indiana; three daughters, Joyce Ann Holbrook of Connersville, Indiana, Fayetteta Caudill of Wheelwright, Barbara Sue Johnson of Bevinville; one brother, Billy Wright of Wheelwright; six sisters, Gracie Shifflet of Lignum, Virginia, Geneva Holbrook of Menton, Indiana, Dorsie Johnson of Bypro, Millie Avalos, Jessie Lee Bentley of Indiana, Pearl Bentley of Langley; 25 grandchildren, three step-grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; 4 step-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, March 4, at 1 p.m., at the Little Rock Old Regular Baptist Church at Bevinville, with ministers of Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Silas Burke Cemetery in Halo, Bevinville, under the direction of the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Donald Wireman

Donald Eugene Wireman, 63, of David, died Saturday, February 27, 1999, at Cabell Huntington Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia.

Born December 1, 1935, in Magoffin County, he was the son of the late James Wireman and Lula Mae Wireman. He was an auctioneer.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth Shepherd.

Survivors include one son, Rick Wireman of Silver Lake Indiana; one daughter, Debbie Wireman of Silver Lake, Indiana; five brothers, Rony Wireman of Lapaz, Indiana, Aquinaldo Wireman of Aberdeen, Ohio, Forrest Wireman of Ashland, James Wireman Jr. of Albion, Michigan, J.D. Wireman of Albion, Michigan; three sisters, Beulah Jefferson, Laurel Delaware, Edna Mae Hughes of Paintsville, and Mildred Louise Arnett of Paintsville; two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, March 3, at 1 p.m., at the Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Chapel with Donnie Patrick officiating.

Burial will be made in the Wireman Cemetery at Waldo.

Pallbearers listed for Bessie Allen Ousley

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Bessie Allen Ousley were Billy Darrell Ousley, Steven Phillip Ousley, Toby Hicks, Donnie Ousley and Bill Stukenberg.

Versa Moore Brown
Versa Moore Brown, 84, of McDowell, died Sunday, February 28, 1999, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.

She was born September 7, 1914, in Honaker, the daughter of the late General Lee Moore and Elizabeth Stumbo Moore. She was a member of the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church, McDowell, for 40 years.

Her husband, Barzell Brown, preceded her in death.

Survivors include five sons, Kenneth Brown of Allen Park, Michigan, Cleveland Brown of McDowell, Gleivie Brown of Kingman, Arizona, Gary Brown of Teaberry, Willie Brown of Pikeville; three daughters, Faustena Haas of Marietta, Ohio, Eula Dean Hall of McDowell, Judith Ann Burcham of Northeast, Maryland; one brother, Gleevie Moore of Jackson, Ohio, 27 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, March 4, at 11 a.m. at the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church, at McDowell, with the clergyman Clinton Moore and other Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, with the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, caring for those arrangements.

Dellia Hall

Dellia Hall, 88, of Hi Hat, died Sunday, February 28, 1999, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin, following a long illness.

Born January 22, 1911, in Pike County, she was the daughter of the late Ranson Bryant and Nancy Johnson Bryant.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Linzie H. Hall.

Survivors include two sons, Linzie Hall Jr. of Raven and Julis Hall of Wakeman, Ohio; six daughters, Julia Keens of Langley, Lula Osborne of New London, Ohio, Mable Layne of Morton Grove, Illinois, Shirley Tackett and Brenda Newsome, both of Hi Hat, and Norma Newsome of Wakeman, Ohio; three brothers, Eli Bryant and A.B. Bryant, both of Hi Hat, and Allen Bryant of Columbus, Ohio; one sister, Nellie Davis of Hi Hat; 31 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be Wednesday, March 3, at noon, at the Little Nancy Regular Baptist Church at Hi Hat, with the Regular Baptist Church ministers officiating.

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

Joe Hicks

Joe Hicks, 90, of Blue River, died Friday, February 26, 1999, in the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following a short illness.

He was born September 7, 1908, in Blue River, the son of the late Jonathan Hicks and Cleo Risner Hicks. He was a retired coal miner and farmer, a member of the Irene Cole Memorial Church, Prestonsburg, a member of the United Mine Workers Association, Board of Directors of Farm Bureau, Prestonsburg.

His wife, Osie Hale Hicks, preceded him in death.

Survivors include one sister, Dixie Stephens of Caney, and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 1, at 2 p.m. in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Vernon Slone officiating.

Burial was in the Richmond Memorial Cemetery, Prestonsburg, with Hall Funeral Home, Martin, caring for those arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers were Thomas Hicks, Joe Hicks, Rick Hicks, Billy Hicks, Charles Hicks and Randy Stephens.

Pallbearers listed for Lizzie Slone

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Lizzie Slone were Larry Lyons, Dean Slone, Jack Slone, Keith Slone and Steve Slone.

Pallbearers listed for Clinton Humphrey

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Clinton Ray Humphrey were Jeffery Humphrey, Joey Humphrey, Tim Humphrey, Scotty Humphrey, Shannon Humphrey and Shane Humphrey.

(See Obituaries, page nine)

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THE FAMILY OF CLINTON RAY HUMPHREY

Card of Thanks

The family of Iberay Johnson would like to express our appreciation for the kindness of family, friends and neighbors during our time of sorrow. We deeply appreciated it. A special thanks to Louis Ferrari and the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church. Special thanks to Chris Bornes, Shelby Shrewsbury and all the other nurses and aides at the McDowell Hospital for helping comfort our father during his stay; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF IBERAY JOHNSON

Card of Thanks

The family of Maudie Wallen Price Lucas would like to extend our deep appreciation to everyone—friends, neighbors, and loved ones who came by to comfort us during the loss of our dear mother.

A special thanks to her pastor, Nathan Lafferty, for the comforting message from the scriptures and also the singing her favorite songs. Also those who assisted him in song and prayer.

A special thanks to the Cow Creek Freewill Baptist Church for their support and the wonderful food they prepared. Thanks to Floyd Funeral Home, and the sheriff's department for assisting in traffic control.

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In the driver's seat

Larry Foster Stumbo receives certificate of appreciation from board chairman Terry Dotson and interim superintendent Woodrow Arnold Carter at Tuesday night's board meeting. Stumbo and his father Foster Stumbo provided 30 years of bus driving services for the Floyd County school system. (photos by Willie Elliott)

Drivers honored for dedicated service

by Willie Elliott
Staff Writer

The Floyd County Board of Education honored a former bus driver and his late father for 30 years of "dedicated service" at Tuesday night's board meeting.

Athletes have jersey numbers that they remember for the rest of their lives. Public school bus drivers remember their bus numbers. Two bus numbers in the McDowell area that represent many years and many miles are 47 and 2192.

These are the bus numbers of a father and son: the late Foster Stumbo and his son Larry Foster Stumbo, who recently assumed the office of county commissioner for district 3 and resigned his bus driving job.

The elder Stumbo who died in 1996, started driving a bus at Martin in 1955 and did runs to Martin, Arkansas and Cracker

Bottom. After that, he started driving at Maytown before moving on to McDowell where he drove until his retirement in 1973.

The younger Stumbo drove one



Foster Stumbo

of the routes that his father had, the Sizemore run.

Asked about special runs, Larry Stumbo said, "They all were special." The son, as well as the father, did not always stop at the end of the school run. Both took groups on field trips, to basketball games, to cheerleading camps, and on various other trips that students take during their school days.

When South Floyd came into existence, in addition to making a regular run each day, Larry Stumbo transported the football players home after practice each day. "When I did my last run, I was glad to get the job that I have (county commissioner), but I knew I was going to miss those kids," said Stumbo.

Both drivers were loved and respected by the students they transported, according to Patricia Watson who delivered the tribute at the board meeting.

Kentucky Police Corps program gets underway

The Department of Criminal Justice Training is stepping up its efforts to promote the Kentucky Police Corps—a national program aimed at qualified young people who want to serve four years as a police officer for Kentucky's cities and counties.

Kentucky will receive \$523,500 for 15 new Police Corps scholarships to assist in police officer recruitment. Funding came from the United States Department of Justice.

Successful applicants will receive up to \$7,500 per year, for a total of \$30,000 in college scholarships, which must be used towards a degree at an accredited four-year college—either public or private. Following graduation and a 16-week training program, the recipient must serve four years with a Kentucky police department or sheriff's office.

Qualified applicants must be an incoming college senior, attend an accredited four-year college and demonstrate good character.

All interested candidates must complete the application for admission to the Kentucky Police Corps program, arrange for letters of recommendation and complete the competitive selection process. The deadline for applications has been extended to March 12.

These documents can be obtained or submitted to the Department of Criminal Justice Training: Kit Carson Dr., Richmond, KY 40475. For further information, contact David Hobson at 606/622-2355.

Housing preservation grants are available

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Housing Service (RHS), will accept preapplications for Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) funds until the close of business, March 23.

Eligible applicants are limited to qualified public and private nonprofit organizations.

Prior recipients must have substantially achieved its goals under a previous award to be considered for additional assistance.

These grant funds are to be used to help repair or rehabilitate rural housing.

More detailed information about the Housing Preservation Grant Program, including preapplication packages, may be obtained from the USDA State Office for Rural Development at 606/224-7325. Completed preapplications are to be submitted to Rural Development, 771 Corporate Drive, Suite 200, Lexington, KY 40503, no later than March 23.

OBITUARIES

(Continued from page eight)

Elmer Clayton Peters

Elmer Clayton Peters, 79, of Martin, died Friday, February 26, 1999, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born on October 24, 1919, in Martin, he was the son of the late John Willard and Lennie Sammons Peters.

He was a retired electrician for the railroad, a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He was a Navy veteran of World War II.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lucy Brickey Peters on November 18, 1998.

Survivors include one brother, Calvin C. Peters of Flatwoods; one sister, Wanda Gay Jarrell of Martin.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 1, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, with elders of the Church of Christ of Latter-Day Saints officiating.

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

Card of Thanks

The family of Bob Stambaugh 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, Wayne Stephens, Donnie Brags and others officiating; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF BOB STAMBAUGH

Card of Thanks

The family of Gwendolyn Clee Bates 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 Clergyman Harry Hargis for his comforting words; the First Baptist Church, McDowell, Ky.; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF
GWENDOLYN CLEE BATES

Card of Thanks

The family of Minerva Gibson would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one: those who sent food and flowers, or spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to Rev. Ondie Wireman for his comforting words; the sheriff's department for their assistance in traffic control; and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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.

1989 Class reunion

The Prestonsburg High School Class of 1989 will be holding its 10th year class reunion at the Holiday Inn on July 24. For more information, contact Mike Adkins at (304) 562-0669.

Homecoming Service

Homecoming services will be

held at Faith Freewill Baptist Church (located on Rt. 1428). Friday, 7 p.m.; Saturday, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. Everyone welcome.

Endtime Harvest Miracle Crusade

Endtime Harvest Miracle Crusade will be held at Betsy Layne Church of God, Saturday, March 6, with special singing at 6 p.m. Service starts at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

PHS council to meet

Prestonsburg High School SBDM council will meet on Thursday, March 4, at 5 p.m.

AARP tax aide offered

Volunteers of Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, American Association of Retired Persons are

providing free tax service to senior citizens and low-income taxpayers every Tuesday, from 8:30-4:40 at the Floyd County Library.

1969 class reunion

Prestonsburg class of 1969 will be holding a 30-year class reunion on June 26, at Jenny Wiley State Park in the Pines Building (next to

Mom of the year—USA competition seeking nominees

Mothers from across America will be honored during the 1999 MOM USA nationally-syndicated television show pageant on May 1, in Tampa, Florida.

MOM USA pays all transportation, food and accommodations of the MOM finalists at this national event. The winner, chosen from

campground). All former classmates are urged to attend. Call 886-1456 for more information.

Free dance lessons

Free square dance lessons will be given on March 4, 11 and 18, at 7 p.m. at the Hambley Athletic Center in Pikeville. Call 432-5834 or 285-0814 for more information.



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Weather Wize

by Tony Cavalier
Meteorologist

O.K. so I am dating myself with this column, but fellow baby boomers, I ask you if you remember the old Northeast Airlines plea to "come on down, on Northeast Airlines?"

Here's the scope. During the harsh winters of the 1960's, one Madison Avenue ad agency came up with this unique slogan to coax

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snow-weary Northeasterners to travel to Florida for some fun in the warm sun of Miami and Tampa. The pitch man was a guy wearing



Tony Cavalier

sunglasses and reclining on a lawn chair at the ocean's shoreline. Subliminally, most of us wished we were down in the sunshine state sipping pina colodas with this joker while our "lowly" friends endured blizzards and wind chills up north (actually, we were not using the wind chill back in the 1960's). Realistically, we resigned ourselves to the fact that a southern vacation wasn't in our budgets and our next trip would be a summer weekend to the beach or lake. The fact that the ad ran for several years tells me it was a huge success.

So exactly where am I going with this article? The youthful exuberance of our college students is about to be invigorated. From Daytona to Panama City, that annual rite of spring break is about to unfold before our very eyes. Check out MTV the next six weeks and chances are some tantalizing pictures of a warm ocean and crazy kids playing odd water sports will make you wish you were there too. (By the way these young men and women are the future leaders of our country!) At the same time, baseball training camps from Plant City

and Clear Water to Palm Beach and Naples will be havens for thousands of northerners to escape the cold and icy clutches of old man winter.

And the good news, this is "THE" year for a southern vacation as far as this weatherman is concerned. Here's why! Last year, during El Nino (the abnormal warming of the pacific ocean that played havoc with the weather across the USA), the so called sunbelt from California to Florida felt the brunt of mother nature's wrath. In Florida, February and March

were a disaster from a chamber of commerce point of view. Frequent storms with wind driven rains pounded much of the state causing many grapefruit league games to be postponed. The Kissimmee-St. Cloud tornado was one of the worst to hit this century in Florida. I also recall seeing sleet reported at Daytona beach with a temperature of 39 at noon in early March! Ouch!

This year though, the tide has turned. In the weather biz, this is a "La Nina" year (pacific ocean is cool) and the trend during these years is for a tranquil, mainly sunny and delightfully warm winter and spring down south. Ask anyone who has visited Florida this winter and you will hear a "chamber of commerce" review of the weather since Christmas.

Meteorologically speaking, the hero in this weather setup is an abnormally strong area of high pressure that has parked itself for months across the southern latitudes. Anywhere from Bermuda to Havana and from Cancun to Mallory dock in Key West, this huge atmospheric warm air bubble has treated southern vacationers while "bursting the bubble" of northern skiers. The strength and spatial extent of this system is impressive as it spans thousands of square miles along and either side of the tropic of cancer (23.5 degrees north latitude). And the fact that it has been king of the weather hill this winter tells why we have experienced so little cold and snow here in the Kanawha and Ohio valleys.

Now while a rainy day is possible any week, the chances of a rainy spell washing out your plans is lower this year than in most others. Hence, I'll end this column with an invitation to "come on down" to Florida this late winter-early spring.

P.S. Ocean temps range from 73 at West Palm to 67 at Daytona to 55 at Myrtle Beach.

Editor's Note: Catch Tony's First Warning Weather reports daily on WSAZ NewsChannel 3 and on WSAZ.COM.



Gary K. Coleman, director of Mayo Technical College has just signed an agreement with the Department of Adult Education and Literacy, Workforce Development Cabinet for a 1998-99 county-wide Literacy Program. The Adult Education Program, under the direction of Tammy Blackburn has extended its services, since they first opened their doors, to any person in the area who needs reading, math, GED or other developmental academic programs in order to make them better prepared for school. You can call 789-9753 and talk to Mrs. Blackburn about your needs. Pictured are: Tammy Blackburn, adult ed. coordinator; Patty McKenzie, dean of student services; Billy Breeding, academic and technical dean; and seated is Gary Coleman, director of Mayo Technical College, by Linda Lyon, System Administrator, Mayo Technical College



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The Johnson County Retired Teachers Association has awarded scholarships to five Mayo Technical College Students. Recipients of the scholarships are Linda S. Burton, John C. Castle, Michelle L. Hackworth, Janie M. Ward, and Nathaniel Ratliff. Pictured are Bronnelle Skaggs, Harold Preston, Howard Ramey, Billy Breeding (Mayo Dean of Academics), Patty McKenzie (Mayo Dean of Students), Lillian Arrowwood and Edna Boyd. (All except Breeding and McKenzie are members of the Retired Teachers Association)

Pikeville medical students are spreading the word

What is osteopathic medicine? What is a D.O.? What kind of education does an osteopathic physician receive? If you are like most people these questions have gone unanswered. The Student Osteopathic Medical Association (SOMA) at Pikeville College School of Osteopathic Medicine (PCSOM) has launched an all out effort to spread the word concerning the nation's newest medical school and osteopathic medicine. The local chapter has formed a "speakers' bureau" which will make presentations to organizations and schools that express an interest in PCSOM and osteopathic medicine. The organization is made up of first and second year medical students with an interest in public speaking. The group has already made presentations to the local Rotary and Kiwanis clubs.

In a recent presentation, Jeff Potter and Tim Wright, both second

year students at PCSOM originally from Virgie, returned to their hometown to give a presentation at Virgie Middle School. They encouraged the assembly of 300 students to think about the field of osteopathic medicine. The medical students have recently adopted a 30 minute program which quickly traces the roots of osteopathic medicine, describes PCSOM, defines the term D.O. and shows the unique approach of osteopathic medicine. If your group or school is interested in one of the medical students giving the presentation, please contact Steven Payson, Dean of Student Affairs at PCSOM at (606) 432-9640.

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Bargain rates
Residents of Riverview Manor Nursing Home in Prestonsburg have been selling hugs for 10 cents each to raise money for the Dream Factory. Joann Hall, seated right, and Minty Crider sold the most hugs. The residents donated the \$255 collected from this project to the Dream Factory. Lenore Blackburn, standing, was on hand to receive the check for the organization that helps make dreams come true for ill children. (Photo by Willie Elliott)

Tai Chi-Kung-Fu classes begins

Prestonsburg Community College's Community Center for Lifelong Learning is offering classes in the art of Tai Chi Kung-Fu.
The classes will be offered on Wednesday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m., beginning March 24.
The classes are taught by a Grandmaster with a 10th degree black belt.
Classes will be held in the Martin Student Center on the Prestonsburg campus.
For more information or to register for the classes, call the Community Center for Lifelong Learning, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., at 886-3863, ext. 258.



Learning about writing

Floyd County teachers, from rear left, Debbie Hatfield, Tammy Stanley, Anna Shepherd (May Valley Elementary), Leigh Ann Ford and John Kidd (Betsy Layne High) are shown with Modena Salee, front, and Dr. Charles Whitaker at a recent workshop at the Landmark Inn in Pikeville. Whitaker, a professor at Eastern Kentucky University, has been working with these teachers on ways to improve student writings in the classroom. Salee is the writing consultant for Region 8 Service Center. (photo by Willie Elliott)

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Workforce development education scholarship

The Cabinet for Workforce Development has established an Education Pays scholarship for people who use the cabinet's wide range of employment and training programs and services.
To be eligible, applicants must be a customer of at least one of the cabinet's services, which include adult education, vocational rehabilitation programs, unemployment insurance, job search, the Job Training Partnership Act and secondary technical education, among others.
Applicants must also be Kentucky residents and provide proof of enrollment in a postsecondary educational institution for the fall 1999 semester.

The \$500 scholarships may be used for tuition, books, lab and technology fees. At least 10 scholarships are to be awarded.
Applications and complete eligibility guidelines and requirements are available through adult learning centers; local offices of the Department for the Blind, Department for Employment Services and Department of Vocational Rehabilitation; Kentucky Tech area technology centers; and JTPA service providers.
Applications and guidelines may also be accessed at the cabinet's Web page at www.state.ky.us/agencies/wforce.

Proper use of antibiotics contributes to good health

Overuse and incorrect use of antibiotics are the most common reasons that some people have a hard time getting well after an illness.
"We hope to change that situation," said Dr. Tamara Musgrave, who is board certified in infectious diseases. "We need to be afraid. This is a huge problem nationwide and right here in our community."
"Throughout the country there are day care centers that have resistant strep. People die from infections for which there are no known effective antibiotics. We have overused and incorrectly used antibiotics for decades and now we are paying consequences," Musgrave added.
When you see your doctor because you have a cold or flu symptoms, don't automatically expect a prescription for antibiotics. Always remember that colds and flu are caused by viruses and antibiotics do not work on viruses. Antibiotics only work on bacterial infections.
Even when you have a fever, sore throat, cough and other symptoms, you do not necessarily have a bacterial infection. Many times you have a virus.
"Using an antibiotic every time you get sick can lead to drug resistant infections," observed Jeff Akers, MHA, Pharm.D., and clinical pharmacist at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. "When that happens, an antibiotic will be ineffective when you really need it."
Across the United States, the medical community has documented that many of the antibiotics used in the past now have little or no effectiveness.
"Infectious diseases are on the rise due to this problem," Musgrave said. "The sad thing is that it didn't have to happen. We have done this to ourselves."
What can you do? Pikeville Methodist Hospital has a short list of things you can do to protect yourself.
• Do not expect an antibiotic when you have a cold or flu symptoms. An antiviral drug is more appropriate. Do all the things your mother taught you: drink plenty of fluids, rest, eat chicken soup, take extra Vitamin C and zinc.
• If antibiotics are prescribed, follow the directions exactly and take all of the medicine. You've heard this all your life, but here's why it is important. When you have a bacterial infection, you have both

weak and strong bacteria "bugs." When you have taken the antibiotic for a few days you begin to feel better because you have killed the weak bacteria bugs. The strong ones are still alive and kicking.
If you stop taking the antibiotic you have only allowed the bacteria to build up immunity to the drug. The strong bugs then continue to multiply and make you sick again. But this time, it takes a more powerful antibiotic to kill the bugs because they have grown stronger and resistant to the old antibiotic.
• Do not take any left-over antibiotics. This is a dangerous practice. Not only could the medicine be out of date and therefore ineffective, it could kill you. All antibiotics are not used for the same type of infections, therefore the leftover that you take may not be right for your particular bacteria. Besides, if you follow rule number two, you won't have any pills left.
• Keep your vaccinations up to date. This can prevent an infectious disease that requires antibiotics for treatment. Also, if you are 65 or older or if you have a chronic illness, see your physician about receiving the pneumococcal vaccine. Plus, don't forget your flu shot.
• Practice good hygiene. Wash your hands. Wash your hands. Wash your hands. It's the single most important thing you can do to prevent infection. Also, get a new toothbrush or clean your old one in boiling water, especially after you have just recovered from an infection even a viral infection.
• Protect your immune system. Stop smoking, exercise, eat healthy and get plenty of rest.

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Woods participates in Round Table Program at ECU

An Auxier resident was among 22 students from Eastern Kentucky University's Honors Program who made presentations at the Kentucky Honors Round Table, February 5-6, in Lexington.
Rachel Woods participated on a panel that discussed "Re-examining Popular Views of the Civil War and Reconstruction."
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Brittany Collins, a member of Girl Scout Troop 178, sold 603 boxes of cookies. She'll be selling additional cookies at Winn-Dixie, March 5, when her troop sets up a booth.

Cookies are here

The Girl Scout Cookies are here! Tuesday, thousands of boxes of these famous cookies were delivered to the Girl Scouts in Floyd County. Dozens of Troop Cookie Managers, who volunteer to help coordinate the biggest money-making project for the Girl Scouts, arrived at First United Methodist Church to start distributing the hundreds of thousands of cookies that the Wilderness Road Girl Scout troops have sold this year.

In the next couple of weeks, the Girl Scout troops will be delivering the cookies that have been ordered. Girl Scout Cookie Booths will also be set up at local retailers during the month of March, to sell cookies to

those that have not had a chance to order cookies or have eaten all that they originally ordered!

Locally, Girl Scouts sold more cookies than ever. Seventeen Floyd County Girl Scout troops and 1,917 cases of cookies, and they're not done yet. Troop 178 will sell cookies at Winn-Dixie on March 5, beginning at 3 p.m.

Girl Scout Cookie sale proceeds make up the majority of the Girl Scout-Wilderness Road Council's budget.

The more successful the cookie sale is, the more programs and opportunities the Council can offer the 24,000 girls they serve.

Elementary school blood donor program kicks off

Donnie the Donorsaurus encourages elementary and middle school students in Floyd County to help save lives by participating in the very first Elementary School Blood Donor Program, in March and April.

Each child who recruits an adult to donate blood receives a Donnie the Donorsaurus beanie toy and a Community Service Award. The program is sponsored by the Central Kentucky Blood Center's Prestonsburg Blood Center.

"Children are never too young to learn about the importance of donating blood," said Angel Little, donor center coordinator for the Prestonsburg Center. "Adults can

show how blood donations save lives every day in our community."

Donations can be made for the Elementary School Donor Program at the Prestonsburg Blood Center, North Lake Drive, on the second floor of the Municipal Building. Hours are Monday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., and on the first Saturday of each month, or by appointment.

All parents, relatives, and neighbors are urged to donate blood for the students in their communities. For more information, call the Prestonsburg Blood Center at 886-1557.

Annual spring conference for region's math teachers is April 29

The Eastern Kentucky Council of Teachers of Mathematics Executive Committee will host the 11th annual spring conference on Thursday, April 29, at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park's May Lodge and Conference Center.

The theme this year is "Algebra for Everyone and Statistics, Another Basic Skill."

Conference check-in will begin at 3:30 p.m. in the foyers of both the lodge and the conference center with all grade level sessions starting promptly at 4 p.m. Dinner will be served in the conference center at about 6 p.m.

The after-dinner speaker for this year's conference will be Dr. Michael R. Nichols, noted psychologist, humorist, and public speaker.

Session speakers include Linda Poppas, Region 8 Math Specialist; Dr. Thomas Cline and Dr. Virran Cyrus, Morehead State University; Dr. Linda Sheffield, and Dr. Connie Widmer, Northern Kentucky University; Thomas Cravens, Challenger Learning Center; Dr. Duane Sanders, East Kentucky Center for Science, Math, and Technology; and Dr. Tom Vierheller of Prestonsburg Community College's Natural Science Center.

A registration form for the conference must be completed by each individual who plans to attend and returned with appropriate fees by Tuesday, April 20. There will be no on site registration.

Fees for the conference will be \$20 for teachers, non teachers and administrators and \$16 for students. College student participa-

tion is encouraged; however, all students will be assessed a \$16 fee and must complete the registration process by April 10.

Additional information including registration forms can be obtained by contacting John D. Sammons at PCC, 606/886-3863.



Earns promotion

Todd Gray, formerly of Ligon, was recently promoted to the rank of lieutenant in the Lexington Fire Department. He also serves as president of the local firefighter's Union No. 526. Gray is married to the former Amy Turner of Drift. They reside in Georgetown with three children.

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Parity is the word as boys' 15th Region tips off tonight

Panthers, Rebels enter with best overall season but...

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

No one can really remember the last time we played a regional basketball tournament without Bill Mike Runyon's Paintsville Tigers. In fact, the tournament had come to be known as the Paintsville Invitational over the past four years because that is the number of consecutive regional championships the Tigers took home.

But it will be a different look this year as the 15th Regional basketball tournament tips off tonight at Johnson Central High School and without the Paintsville Tigers. The Tigers were upset in the opening round of the 57th District Tournament by Johnson Central.

Really, if you just have to have a tournament favorite, then I guess you could pick Allen Central or Pikeville and that is solely because they bring the best overall records to the tournament.

Maybe you want to root for the underdog. Well, that

would have to be the Feds Creek Vikings, who have the worst overall record at 12-12. But, as everyone knows, overall records mean nothing here and everyone is really 0-0. The Vikings are my pick Cinderella team and could be a surprise in this year's classic.

Home court advantage? Well, that would have to go to coach Johnny Ray Turner's Golden Eagles at Johnson Central. But with the eight teams that make up the field for this one, home court will mean little if anything.

How about a sleeper? Then the Phelps Hornets will fill that bill. The Hornets are a very strong basketball team despite a 17-8 record. They are quick, can shoot and play a tough defense.

Let's see, is there anything else? Oh yeah, how about the team being overlooked? The Prestonsburg Blackcats will fit in nicely right there. I haven't heard a lot of mention of the Blackcat name, but coach Jack Pack's Blackcats will be right in the hunt.

GAME-BY-GAME LOOK

JOHNSON CENTRAL (19-8) VS PRESTONSBURG (15-10), tonight, 6:30

Anytime you beat the defending regional champs, everyone's gun sights are going to be trained on you. That will make Johnson Central a marked team as the team enters tonight's first game play against the Prestonsburg Blackcats.

The two teams did not meet in the regular season but this will be a good one. Tommy McKenzie will lead the Eagles team with a good supporting cast in Jason Shepherd, Rick O'Bryan, Jimmy Burchett, and Mitchell Coleman.

The three-point shooting of the Eagles, especially from Mitchell, could prove a problem for the Blackcats' zone defense. Shepherd also shoots the treys well.

Prestonsburg will counter with the quickness of John Ortega, the firepower of Joe Campbell and Jason Keathley, and the inside presence of Nathan Leslie.

Ortega showed what he can do once he takes charge like he did in the district tournament. His quickness and speed will pose a problem for the Eagles. Ortega is

going to get his points, but the Blackcats will need point production from Campbell, Leslie and Keathley if they are to advance beyond tonight's first round.

In spite of being a runner-up in district play, the Blackcats are playing well and this will be a good one.

PHELPS VS PIKE CENTRAL: tonight, 8:15 p.m.

Tonight's second game will pit the Phelps Hornets, winners of the 60th District against the Hawks of Pike Central, runners-up in the 59th District.

The Hornets have been a surprise team this season but the Hornets are a legitimate team. Led by Shawn Clusky, it would not be safe to take this team lightly. Shooting the treys is one of their specialties and they have a strong inside game in Chris Hurley.

Pike Central will look to William Billiter for the floor game they will need against the Hornets. Jason Blackburn gives the Hawks a solid three point performer.

(See Region, page three)

Lady Blackcats, Rebels, District Champs

Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats wearing 58th District title

by Andrea Newsome Saddler
Contributing Writer

The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats celebrated their 53-50 victory as they won the girls' 58th District Basketball Tournament Thursday night at South Floyd High School's Athletic Complex.

The Lady Blackcats took on the Allen Central Lady Rebels for the 58th District championship title. Allen Central was the defending district champion.

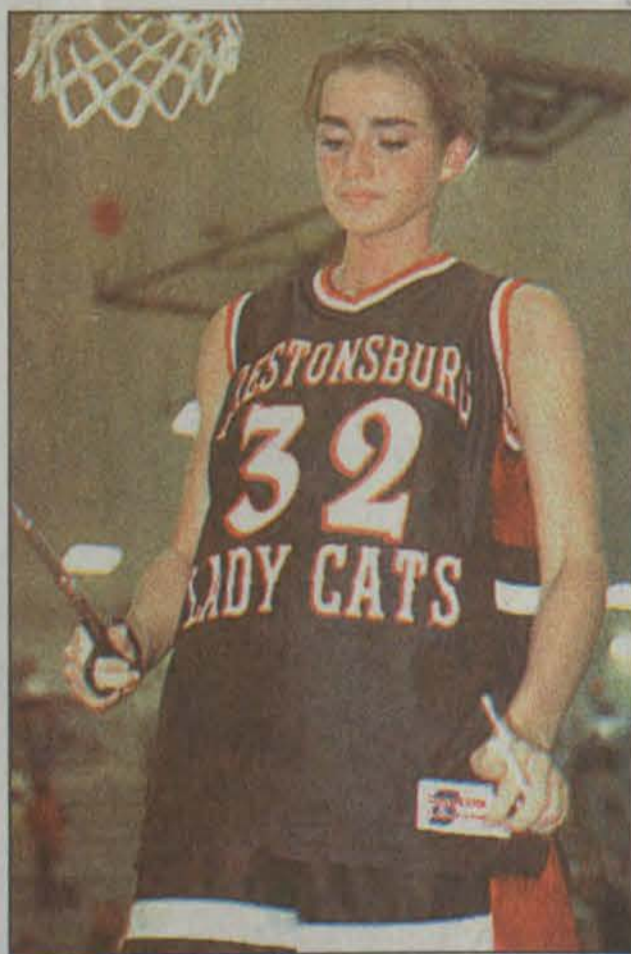
Sophomore center Amelia Conley drilled a three-point basket at the top of the key as time expired to give the Lady Blackcats their first district title since 1996. Conley finished with 16 points to lead Prestonsburg.

For Conley, she was the third option for the Lady Blackcats when they came out of a timeout with :02.7 seconds left to play.

"The other option was going to Shelly (Greathouse) first and then Crystal (Slone) breaking to the basket," said Conley.

After the first option broke down, the ball came to Conley at the head of the key where she turned and lofted the ball that found nothing but the net.

(See Blackcats, page four)



MVP's

Crystal Slone, left, Nick Samons and John Ortega were named Most Valuable players last week. (photos by Ed Taylor)

Allen Central puts running back in Rebels

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Roy Martin, father of Allen Central coach Johnny Martin, said it best when describing the Prestonsburg/Allen Central matchup in the finals of the boys' 58th District Tournament Friday night at South Floyd High School when he commented, "People who didn't come to this game missed a good one."

It was a typical Prestonsburg/Allen Central matchup when the two teams squared off for the third time this season. Prestonsburg won game one in double overtime while Allen Central won at home in a close encounter.

Senior guard Nick Samons was "his old self" as he scored 25 points to lead the Rebels' scoring attack.

"I got over my injury, finally, and felt like my old self," said Samons. "We all had a good game, not just me, but the whole team."

Samons hit two treys and connected on 13 of 15 free throw attempts. He hit two three-point baskets to start the second quarter and set the tone for the Rebels. "I was just feeling it tonight," he said.

(See Rebels, page five)



Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

A Look At Sports

Hats off to Dan Collins, South Floyd principal Debbie Daniels and all the staff who had part in the school hosting the 58th District basketball tournament last week. Dan was the tournament manager and did an excellent job.

You did a great job as usual, and it was just a pleasure to be at Raider Arena on Mount

District tournament was a good one but lacks dramatics

Raider for the four-day event. While the tournament was a good one, it did lack in dramatics. There were no real surprises and only two games were played close. The girls' championship game was the most exciting as it came down to a final second shot to decide the winner. Of course, any time Allen Central and Prestonsburg match up in boys' basketball there will be plenty of excitement.

The Piarist School won, what I consider, a very important trophy when they were named the tournament's best sportsmanship. To me that is a

real honor and a feather in any school's hat. The Knights will return practically their whole team intact next season. Congratulations Piarist School.

While the crowds were larger the final three nights, still there was good attendance the first night. Each night saw more turn out for the tournament.

I think the talk of no one wants to drive to South Floyd has been set to rest the last two years. South Floyd had the best girls' regional tournament last year and a very successful district this year. What great

facilities they have.

It was good to have my brother Bob down for the tournament. He makes it an annual thing. He is a former Martin Purple Flash and is just enjoying retirement. He was quite a basketball player himself.

The All-Conference team and All-District team for both boys and

girls was part of the awards night. Twelve players were named to the All-Conference team while only 10 were named All-District. The two teams should have been even at 12 and 12.

C o a c h e s picked both squads and could not vote for their own players. The best format is to have 15 players on each team.



Refs get helping hand from coach Pack

The top five, first team; second five, second team; and third five, third team. All others who receive votes are honorable mention. That way everyone who receives votes are recognized.

It was a tournament that was without incident. The students, fans and all in attendance were great. They were noisy and supported their teams but everything went very well. The bands from each school did a great job as well as the dance teams.

(See Sports, page seven)



The South Floyd cheerleaders were named the top cheerleading squad in last week's 58th District tournament at South Floyd. (photo by Ed Taylor)

Mullins first state qualifier in wrestling



The Piarist School Knights were named the top sportsmanship team in the recent 58th District tournament at South Floyd last week. (photo by Ed Taylor)

of his second place finish in the district, wrestled a third place wrestler from the Bluegrass district.

Mullins faced Harrison County's Chris Keans in the first match and took the opening match 9-3. Round two saw Mullins match up against the state's returning champion in the 152-pound division, John Gentry of Woodford County. Mullins lost to Gentry in the first period of the match.

Mullins bounced back in the third match and faced Lexington Lafayette's Bobby Haggard. Mullins was leading going into the final period, 5-3, but Haggard tied up the

match at 5-5.

With 23 seconds left in the match, Mullins got a take-down and won 7-5, assuring Mullins of a trip to the state tournament in Frankfort. Mullins fell in the third period of his fourth match in the regional tournament.

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by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The Prestonsburg wrestling Blackcats had their first state qualifier in Hank Mullins, a junior at Prestonsburg High School. Mullins wrestled this past weekend in the state meet in Frankfort.

Second year wrestling coach Jerry Butcher said Mullins is deserving of the honor.

"Hank is a competitor," said Butcher. "He works hard and that is why he went to the state tournament.

You never have to tell Hank twice to do something. This could not have happened to a better person."

Mullins finished second in the Mountain District Wrestling Tournament at Sheldon Clark High School on February 6.

"This was the best finish we have had," said Coach Butcher. "Last year, we had a wrestler finish fourth in the district."

The weekend of February 8, Frankfort was the site of the regional tournament where Mullins, because

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Regional

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This will be a good game. The Hawks must find some way to contain Clusky on the outside and Hurley in the paint area. Billiter is one of my favorite regional players because he works so hard on the court.

PIKEVILLE VS MAGOFFIN COUNTY: Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

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Panthers will have to keep a line on him.

However, the Panthers have their own trio, and they are three good ones. Senior John Mims leads the team in assists and has moved from the point guard spot to the shooting guard slot this season — and has responded well. Add sophomore Chase Gibson and Jeremy Akers and you have more outside and inside scoring.

Looking for a possible upset? Here may be the game to watch!

ALLEN CENTRAL VS FEDS CREEK: Thursday, 8:15 p.m.

The first round will conclude with a matchup of Allen Central, winner of the 58th District and Feds Creek, runners-up in the 60th.

The two teams met in the first game of the season at Allen Central and in the first round of the boys'

Class A regional at Pikeville. Allen Central won both games, posting a 86-53 win at Pikeville. But Coach Johnny Martin knows this is another time and a different place and the Vikings will be a much improved team when they take the court tomorrow night against the Vikings.

The Vikings have a pair of good ones in Carl Sizemore and Josh Varney. If there is a missing link here, it will be the bench strength of the Vikings.

With the pressing game of the Rebels, Coach Gary Walton may have to go to the pines early for some relief on the court. He will look down to Jimmy Morales or Josh Damron. But Sizemore and Varney will account for more than 50 percent of the Vikings scoring.

The Rebels will be looking toward a rematch with Pikeville in the semifinals for they know the

Viking will be a contender. Coach Johnny Martin has a senior led team in Nick Samons, Gary Hunter, Brian Jones and Jesse Hall. They are small but play very hard. The Rebels rely much on their defensive skills and will strike when you think you have them down.

Larry Mullins rounds out the starters, but the Rebels have a capable sixth man, Rodney Scott, who can provide some instant offense. Nathan Tackett, Jeremy Hayes and Josh Howell provides relief from the bench.

So, forget the overall records for it is a new season and we have eight teams which either one is a legitimate threat to win it all. The Tigers will be missing but there will be plenty of Panthers, Rebels, Vikings, Hawks, Hornets, Blackcats and Eagles. Have fun and enjoy the weekend.

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Keathley scores 20 as Blackcats eliminate Raiders in 58th District

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

Jason Keathley scored a game high 20 points and John Ortega added 13 to lead the Prestonsburg Blackcats past a good South Floyd team 64-47 Thursday night in the first round of the boys' 58th District basketball tournament at South Floyd. Russ Music also added 13 points for the Cats.

Ryan Shannon led the Raiders with 14 points, and Justin Paige added 11. P.J. Hall netted six.

In a game that was billed to be a barn-burner, it failed to live up to the billing as the patience of the Blackcats on offense and their sticky defense held the Raiders to just five points in the first quarter and 13 for the first half.

The Blackcats displayed excellent ball movement on offense as they led 13-5 at the first stop and took a 26-13 lead at the half.

South Floyd had a five game winning streak snapped. The Raiders won their last five games of the regular season heading into the tournament.

The Raiders just could not find the basket as they struggled on offense against the Blackcats' defense. Shannon gave the Raiders their only lead of the game when South Floyd won the opening tipoff, and Shannon drained a three-point basket off the right side to make it 3-0.

Two free throws by Ortega and Campbell's basket underneath gave the Blackcats a 4-3 lead they never relinquished.

South Floyd had five turnovers in the first period and nine in the first two quarters.

Campbell and Ortega opened the second stanza with back-to-back three-pointers that extended the lead to 19-5 and Kalen Harris' two free throws made it a 21-5 game.

The Raiders appeared to be rushing on offense, in trying to catch up quickly. Impatience and poor shot selection allowed Prestonsburg to build a 13-point advantage at the half.

The Raiders took better care of the basketball in the third period and narrowed the margin to eight points, 26-18, on two free throws by John Meade and Kyle

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Blackcats

Allen Central coach Anthony Moore tried to get a timeout, but there was no time left.

For Conley, it might have been the quickest she has had a prayer answered.

"When I got the ball I saw there was only two seconds left and I just threw it up," said the Lady Blackcat center. "I was just hoping and praying that it would go in."

It was the seven-tenth of a second that was the deciding factor. It was in that fraction of a second that the ball left the hand of Conley.

Greathouse, who had 10 points in the contest, said Allen Central had defended her when the ball came into play.

"They knew that I was going to get the ball and they came out and covered me," she said. "So the ball went to Amelia and she got the ball and shot."

Greathouse said it wasn't unusual for Conley to hit a trey, although she plays around the basket.

"She shoots the three all the time, we were just wondering when she would hit one in the game," said Greathouse.

Crystal Slone, who was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, credited the coaching of Jackie Day Crisp as the reason for the win.

"Coach Crisp kept telling us that we had to want it if we were to win," said Slone. "We worked really hard and we wanted to win it real bad."

Slone had 11 points in the game.

The game-winning shot unfolded when Shanna Howell hit the back end of a two-shot foul that tied the game at 50 with 35 seconds left to play.

Prestonsburg held the ball for the final shot with Greathouse taking the ball to the basket only to have her shot blocked. Allen Central came away with the loose ball with four seconds left but lost it on a walking violation, turning it back over to Prestonsburg with :02.7 seconds to play under their basket.

Allen Central Coach Anthony Moore kept his team in high gear

despite the absence of freshman guard Beth Combs who was suspended from the championship game due to poor sportsmanship.

"We had our chances to win it," said the Allen Central coach. "We just couldn't make the big play."

Coach Crisp said being district champion comes as a surprise to him, although he knew his team could win it.

"I thought we had a decent team this year and would have a decent season," he said. "I didn't really think we could do anything like this. I am so happy for the girls. They have worked hard all year. This has been a team effort all the way."

The Lady Rebels fought like champions as they sank three three-point shots in the first quarter. Jessica Martin led the Lady Rebels in scoring with 17 points, starting her game with seven points and one three-point basket in the first quarter.

It was obvious during first quarter action both teams were in for a tough game. The Lady Rebels pulled ahead by five points as Jennifer Risner sunk a 3-point basket with less than one minute to go in the opening period. Risner led the game in three point shots with two in the first half.

Shanna Howell came alive during the second half of the game finishing as the second leading scorer for the Lady Rebels with nine points. Jennifer Hopkins, Natalie Cooley, and Risner finished the game with eight points each.

The Lady Blackcats struggled against the Lady Rebels strong defense and fast footwork. It was not until two seconds to go in the fourth quarter that the Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats made the final three point shot, taking the Lady Blackcats to victory over the Lady Rebels 53-50.

Prestonsburg got off to a rocky start with three turnovers during the first quarter. The Lady Blackcats managed to take the lead with five seconds to go in the first quarter when senior Kimi Nunnery scored to take the lead 20 to 19.

As the Lady Blackcats started the second quarter, Greathouse took the ball home with a picture perfect lay-up taking the Blackcats to a 3-point lead. It was not long until Jennifer Risner was tired of being behind when she sank a nothing-but-the-net three point shot to tie the game up at 22.

With the tension high and the crowd sitting on the edge of their seats, Prestonsburg managed to get two steals converting them to points to take the Lady Blackcats to a five point lead over the Rebels.

Allen Central's full court press had the Lady Blackcats on the run. The Rebels managed to pull the game to within a two-point margin during the third quarter with down-throat blocks and Natalie Cooley's outstanding rebounds.

The game's fourth quarter action was more thrilling than the previous quarters.

Allen Central managed to pull ahead of Prestonsburg as Jennifer Hopkins jammed a three point shot in the first minute of the fourth quarter. Prestonsburg decided to turn up the heat as they converted to a man-to-man defense. This tough defense action got the Lady Blackcats into trouble as they sent the Lady Rebels to the free throw line four times in three minutes, allowing Allen Central to pull ahead 46-42.

With a four-point lead and under three minutes to go, the Rebels began to fall short as they allowed Prestonsburg to score a three-point shot along with an interception good for two points plus a good free throw. The Lady Blackcats took back the lead.

As the fans cheered with excitement and anticipation, Allen Central's Jessica Martin came in for a two-point shot to tie the game at 48. It was obvious this was anybody's ballgame.

Prestonsburg lost the lead three times with less than two minutes to go in the game. Prestonsburg's Coach Jackie Crisp called two time outs as the fans sat nervously on both sides of the gym. Prestonsburg came out with 2.7

seconds on the clock; Amelia Conley sunk in the three point shot as fans and players rushed the floor to celebrate their outstanding victory.

Unlike most teams, Prestonsburg showed a lot of consistency during the season, something Crisp made note of.

"We have been re: consistent this season," he said. "We haven't hit too many valleys and not too many peaks. We just played consistent. We have played a lot of close ball games. This is just another one of those. We have three seniors and we do a lot of subbing. We rotate a lot of people in and out."

Prestonsburg improved to 20-10 on the season. The Lady Blackcats lost both regular season games to Allen Central.

For senior Kimi Nunnery, who got stronger as the year progressed, she said it was a very gratifying moment.

"It is a great way to end my senior season," she said. "This is something I have wanted all my high school life. You cannot imagine the feeling in winning this tournament."

Nunnery, when not in the game, was somewhat of a bench coach as well, issuing instructions from the pine.

"I like to coach," she said. "I feel like I know what I am talking about. I like helping out on the bench."

Brooke Coleman did not score a lot of points, but the rest of her game was invaluable for the Lady Blackcats on the boards as well on defense. Her steal, lay-in, and free throw gave the Lady Blackcats a one point lead with 2:29 to play, a play that turned out to be vital.

"My shot just wasn't there tonight. The steal was just luck," she said modestly. "But I feel real good."

The game winning shot was not something that just happened, according to Coleman.

"We practiced that shot for two hours in practice," said the sophomore forward.

"It was a called play," said

Coach Crisp. "It was one of the shots we wanted to take."

Martin's 17 points led Allen Central. Howell finished with nine points, all from the free throw line in the second half.

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Turnover-plagued Allen Central succumbs to Belfry

by Ed Taylor
Sports Editor

The girls' 15th Region basketball tournament tipped off at Pike County Central Monday night, but it wasn't a happy ending for the Allen Central Lady Rebels as they fell to top-ranked Belfry in the first round. The Lady Rebels dropped a 72-48 decision in the opening game that saw Allen Central struggle on offense.

While the game's final margin was large, the game was much closer than the final verdict indicated. In fact, Allen Central only trailed by eight points with 7:05 left in the game after Beth Combs hit a three-point basket.

The Lady Rebels turned the ball over 25 times, but many of those came on mental mistakes of just not taking care of the basketball. Despite all the miscues, the Lady Rebels made a good showing against the team they upset in last year's regional tournament.

Coach Cindy Halbert got double figure scoring out of all five of her starters, who were led by Tonya Francis' 21 points. Francis played in foul trouble most of the game but hunted around to finish the contest. Ashley Rosen, headed for Coastal Carolina University next season, finished with 15 points while Ramanda Music netted 12. Samantha Hackney totaled 14 and Jessica Lovell had 10.

Music was a key ingredient for Allen Central in last year's regional tournament but, this year, she switched uniforms and helped lead the Lady Pirates.

Natalie Cooley played a strong floor game and was involved in the offense from the tipoff. Cooley led the Lady Rebels' scoring with 17 points. Jessica Martin finished with 15 points. Jennifer Hopkins, playing her final game in an Allen Central uniform, scored eight points.

Freshman Beth Combs, after serving a one game suspension, returned to the Allen Central lineup and tossed in four points. Shannon Sizemore and Susan Scarberry had one point each. It was also Scarberry's final game for the Lady Rebels.

The game was at times a comedy of errors as Belfry also had their share of turnovers. The Lady Pirates turned the ball over 19 times.

Allen Central trailed 47-39 after scoring the first five points of the fourth quarter on two free throws by Cooley and Combs' trey. But

Belfry closed out the quarter with a 16-2 run that broke the game open.

The game was tied at 2, 4, and 6 before the Lady Pirates went in front to stay at 8-6. Allen Central never led in the game. Belfry led 19-9 at the first stop.

On their first four possessions in the second period, the Lady Rebels turned the ball over but Belfry could only convert one turnover into a basket, a three-pointer by Hackney.

The Lady Pirates used the inside presence of Music and Rosen to build a lead on the Lady Rebels. Music, who had four points in the first quarter, was the recipient of several Hackney passes. Music looked more like a seasoned senior than a freshman. She had (unofficially) 12 rebounds in the game.

Allen Central closed the second quarter much the way they began it with four straight turnovers. Belfry led 31-20 at the half.

Francis led the offense for Belfry in the third period but she also picked up her fourth personal foul with 1:14 to play in the third. Allen Central was down by eight points, 37-29 with 4:20 remaining in the third, but the Lady Pirates rolled out to a 13-point advantage after three quarters, 47-34.

Cooley opened the fourth quarter with two free throws and Combs buried her trey to narrow

the margin back to eight points before the Lady Pirates pulled out to a big lead.

Allen Central ends its season at 15-12. Belfry advances to play in

the semifinals on Monday night when they will face Johnson Central, a 70-69 winner over defending regional champion Pike Central.



To the basket

Allen Central's Natalie Cooley (20) scored two of her 17 points on this play in the second half against Belfry. The Lady Pirates posted a 72-48 regional win over the Lady Rebels (photo by Ed Taylor)

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Rebels

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Prestonsburg senior John Ortega, who shared conference Most Valuable Player honors with Samons, led all scorers with 26 points. But he was held to only one basket, a three-pointer, in the fourth period.

"Ortega burned us all night and he makes Prestonsburg a tough team," said Hall of the quick guard. "It was good just to beat them."

"We tried to stop Ortega but he has a lot of speed and just took it down the lane," said Jones.

"John is a hard one to stop," said Samons. "He gets going, he is like a train, you can't stop him."

But it was the third meeting that was important and that went to the Rebels as 58th District Champions in a 69-63 decision in a very physical game, that saw four Blackcat starters foul out.

The game was tied eight times, the last time being at 48 with just over seven minutes to play in the fourth quarter. Allen Central then took over.

"We took control toward the end of the game," said Allen Central coach Johnny Martin. "I really liked it when they went man-to-man on us, although we didn't look well, for awhile."

The Allen Central coach said it was a game that even he got caught up in.

"I just enjoyed in watching the game," he said. "I just got caught up in it. It was a heck of a game."

Prestonsburg coach Jack Pack agreed.

"It was a good game," he said. "Obviously when you get beat, you feel like you made some mistakes that could have been prevented. Overall, both teams gave a good effort. The lead went back and forth a lot, they were ahead on the scoreboard when the game ended. If it had gone another 30 minutes, it would have still been a close game."

With the game tied at 48, the Rebels went on a 10-4 run that netted them a 58-52 lead with just over two minutes to play. The Blackcats pulled to within four points of the Rebels three times but could get no closer.

"We had several players to foul out and it was a hard-played game," said the Prestonsburg coach. I am proud of our players. They have overcome a lot this year. They hung in there. I told them in the locker room we are going into the regional tournament and I would have my team going in than any other team in the region."

The Blackcats held a 16-13 lead after the first quarter after the game had been tied at 2, 7, and 9. A 7-4 spurt gave the Cats a seven point advantage at the first stop.

A 10-4 run by the Rebels netted them a 21-20 lead with 3:44 to play the first half. The game was tied at 24

and 26 before Allen Central led 29-28 at the half.

Matching the Blackcats on the boards had been the bigger problem in previous games, but there was laying on of body in game three.

"We wanted this game bad," said senior forward Brian Jones. "We knew from the previous games we had to block them off the boards."

"Against Betsy Layne we got out rebounded bad," said senior Gary Hunter. "Tonight we hit the boards hard. Coach Martin told us we had to keep them off the boards."

"The big thing was keeping Nathan Leslie off the boards," said sixth man, Rodney Scott, who had nine rebounds. "We put the body on him tonight like we needed to do. It was a very physical game."

Prestonsburg owned a 46-44 lead after three quarters and heading into the final stanza. Joe Campbell's three-point basket gave the Blackcats the lead.

Jason Keathley, who had an outstanding tournament, hit a short jumper to start the fourth quarter and Prestonsburg led 48-44. A basket by Scott tied the game at 48 and four free throws by Samons gave the Rebels a 52-48 lead. The Rebels never trailed after that building seven points deficits several times.

"Coach Martin got us pumped in the final three minutes of the game," said Rebel point guard, Larry Mullins. "We went out and played hard and didn't let up."

Mullins felt the first quarter of the Betsy Layne game when the Rebels outscored the Bobcats 23-6, set the tone of the tempo the Rebels would play in the tournament.

"Since the Class A we have had a lot of tough games," said Mullins. "Now we have gotten back to the way the Runnin' Rebels are supposed to play."

Mullins said that it didn't matter to him whom the Rebels play in the district.

"If we play hard and with a lot of determination, we are going to win," he said.

Coach Pack thought his team was lacking in some areas of their game.

"I thought we were a little unassertive with the basketball," he said. "That is something we have to work on before the regional."

Coach Martin said his team keeps surprising him each time out and he really doesn't know what to expect from one game to the other.

"This is truly an amazing team," he said. "We just go in, and I don't care who we are playing, I say, 'I don't know what we are going to do.' But they never quit. They keep playing hard and they've been in so many tough games. They are tough in games like this. They missed some free throws, but they are tough in this type of game."

The Allen Central mentor said he had the highest respect for the Blackcats.

"Prestonsburg played a great game," he said. "But it is hard to guard these guys (Rebels) and you have to chase them. Prestonsburg had a heck of a team. I think either one of us could win the region."

Neither coach would rule out a possible fourth meeting — in the regional finals.

"Hey, that would be all right, too," Coach Martin said.

Allen Central, saving something for the district tournament, for the first time, according to the Allen Central coach, mixed up its pressing offense.

"That is the first time we have done that all year," Coach Martin said. "We wanted to save something for the district and it worked real well for us."

Jason Keathley scored 13 points in the game for Prestonsburg. Joe

Campbell finished with 11, including two three-point baskets. Leslie had eight points before fouling out. Russ Music netted three and Kalen Harris had two. Harris, Leslie and Campbell fouled out for Prestonsburg.

Hall and Jones finished with eight points for Allen Central. Larry Mullins netted seven points.

Allen Central attempted 40 free throws connecting on 27. Prestonsburg hit eight of 11.

Allen Central (25-6) will face Feds Creek on Thursday night at 8:15 in a first round game in the 15th Regional tournament at Johnson Central. The Rebels and Vikings have met twice this season with Allen Central winning both meetings. The Vikings are runners-up out of the 60th District.

Prestonsburg (15-10) will meet 57th District champions, Johnson Central in a 6:30 p.m. tip-off time Wednesday night. The two teams never met in the regular season.



Girls' MVP

Allen Central's Jennifer Hopkins was named the Floyd County Conference's Most Valuable Player at last week's district tournament at South Floyd. (a Hopkins photo)

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Keathley

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On the move

South Floyd's John Meade (23) drove on Prestonsburg's Jason Keathley during the 58th District tournament (photo by Ed Taylor)

Tackett's three-point basket, but Prestonsburg scored the next seven points on a Campbell trey, Keathley's lay-in and Leslie's two free throws.

Prestonsburg opened up a 16-point, 45-29, lead late in the third period.

Prestonsburg's biggest lead came at 21 points and appeared twice in the game.

South Floyd finished its season as the winningest team in South Floyd history and will return most of the team intact. The Raiders are considered a favorite next year.

Prestonsburg improved to 15-9 and advanced to the finals of the tournament.

Mike Hall scored four points for the Raiders with Tackett and

Jimmy Stumbo scoring three points each. Rusty Tackett and Meade had two points as did James Slone.

Campbell netted eight for Prestonsburg while Leslie finished with six points. Harris added four.

SOUTH FLOYD (47)

| players | fg | 3pt | fta-m | tp |
|-----------|----|-----|-------|----|
| Shannon | 5 | 1 | 2-1 | 14 |
| P.J. Hall | 3 | 0 | 1-0 | 6 |
| Paige | 3 | 0 | 7-5 | 11 |
| Meade | 0 | 0 | 4-2 | 2 |
| R Tackett | 1 | 0 | 0-0 | 2 |
| K Tackett | 0 | 1 | 2-0 | 3 |
| Stumbo | 1 | 0 | 1-1 | 3 |
| M Hall | 1 | 0 | 3-2 | 4 |
| Slone | 0 | 0 | 2-2 | 2 |

PRESTONSBURG (64)

| players | fg | 3pt | fta-m | tp |
|---------|----|-----|-------|----|
| Ortega | 2 | 1 | 13-6 | 13 |
| Harris | 1 | 0 | 2-2 | 4 |

| | | | | |
|----------|---|---|-----|----|
| Campbell | 1 | 2 | 0-0 | 8 |
| Music | 6 | 0 | 2-1 | 13 |
| Keathley | 9 | 0 | 4-2 | 20 |
| Leslie | 1 | 0 | 5-4 | 6 |

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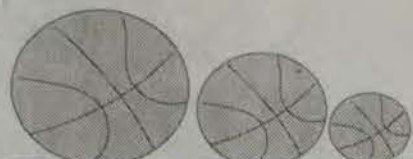
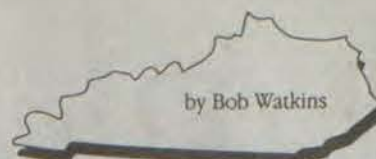


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SPORTS IN KENTUCKY



MARCH IS THE MUDDY MONTH.

But indoors it's a line dance. A 64-team crazy that includes Winthrop, Charleston, George Mason and Murray. And the fixtures, Arizona, Cincinnati, North Carolina and Kentucky. A jamboree. A reason to call in sick.

"My gosh," exclaimed a lady in Florence last week. "Soon as people start talking about those 64-team tournament brackets and travel arrangements, Sweet 16s and Final Fours, and all, there's just nothing like this time of year in Kentucky. I love it!"

Choose your podnah. But Duke is already taken. That is, belle of the ball. In the jargon, odds-on to handle this six-game soiree' to the pinnacle of Mount St. Petersburg.

What about the local invitees? Kentucky, Louisville and Murray State are going, but don't expect much.

Q. Going in, considering their chances to advance, how do they rank?

A. Louisville, Kentucky and Murray, Louisville? Denny Crum's Cardinals' defense is superb at the right time.

Biggest handicaps for the Cards is a short bench and lack of physical bulk.

But UofL shoots well and creates offense with defense. Effective chemistry in a big dance.

Q. Kentucky and Murray?

A. A team that beat Maryland, lost to Pitt, bowled over Florida by 30-plus, then lost to the Gators, beat Auburn, lost to Alabama, was swept by Tennessee.

In the NCAAs, the Wildcats could be two or three-and-out. View here is UK is more apt to go three-and-out because of yo-yo offense, woeful free throw shooting, (63 per cent) and precious little of the elements that got the Wildcats the title last year, chemistry.

Murray State? If form holds, the OVC champion will make fodder for Michigan State, Duke or UConn, collect a check and go home. Unfair, but that's life.

UK: Q&A

Q. How big a disappointment, Kentucky?

A. Compared to what? How many Div. I schools have 44 20-win seasons?

Legitimate disappointments

were performances against Pittsburgh, Louisville, Tennessee and the worst Alabama team in years. Unlike Kentucky teams of recent past that smothered foes, this one allowed opponents to grow bold, steal and dictate game-pace, believe they could win.

Q. Did UK play too tough a schedule?

A. Baloney. Sounds like a lame excuse. A year ago there was lament UK was bringing too many weak foes to Rupp Arena. The 1998-99 card was the kind of schedule a major college power ought to play. Fans should remember games with

UCLA (Puerto Rico), Kansas (Great Eight) and Duke (Black Coaches Assoc.) were more invitational or TV-arranged games.

Q. Scott Padgett was mentioned as a College Player of the Year candidate in November. What happened?

A. Nazr Mohammed took a powder; Jeff Sheppard and Cameron Mills moved on.

Result: Padgett got pressure and shot 45.8 percent from the field. He is still one of the finest passing big men in the game this season with an assist total behind only Wayne Turner and Heshimu Evans. Padgett will be an NBA Draft first-rounder.

Q. After the Maryland game Heshimu Evans disappeared. Why?

A. Evans tried too hard to do things beyond himself, and be a leader. Also, he did not respond very well to playing five-six-seven minutes then out.

Q. Most frequently heard grumble during regular season?

A. Tubby played his son Saul too much. Yet nobody played harder than Saul Smith

Q. Who among the newcomers was most impressive?

A. Desmond Allison is a rugged, hard working, bound-to-get-better swingman. Jules Camara is savvy and with more experience and bulk, can become special as a small or power forward. Tayshaun Prince got a taste of big-time basketball.

He needs weight, strength, better stamina, and must improve ball handling skill and change positions to small forward.

Kentucky, by standards this program established in the 1990s, was ordinary at the season's start and never got much better.

WINS, WINS AND TY HOLLAND

Through most of its three-quarters of a century, the "temperature" of high school boys and girls basketball in Kentucky has been gauged by the sport's centerpiece, the Sweet 16.

Remarkable, seems to me, the progress made in availability of details of the game. An army of coach-appointed (and devoted) statisticians-keepers, blended with technology, creating a blizzard of individual statistics that allows fans to see more than box scores and who scored the most points as it was in the 1950s, '60s and '70s.

Today, fans, parents and players can access the internet, go to web site www.khsaa.org and discover who leads the state in scoring, rebounds, assists, shooting percentages, 3-point shooting and more.

Reminds me of Ty Holland. A gracious man who coached football in Murray who set a standard that helped create the appetite among fans, players and coaches for records and statistics.

In a few weeks Sports In Kentucky will be on-line with a web site offering, among other features, Coaches Win Lists and High Schools' all-time leading scorer features begun in this space 17 years ago. Ones that grew in popularity far beyond my expectations: Boys 2,000 Points Club & Girls 1,400 Points Club All-Time Scoring Lists; Coaches Win Lists (basketball and football).

One reason the scoring lists have remained so popular is they are forever changing as players challenge school records and reach new plateaus, thanks to record-keeping at high schools. I hope you enjoy them as much as I've enjoyed doing the research and maintaining the lists since 1982.

Often I am asked about the genesis of the Scoring and Coaches Wins Lists? It began with Ty Holland in 1982. A reader inquired who the winningest high school football coach in Kentucky history is?

A succession of telephone calls led me to Holland, a legend at Murray High School. Long since retired, Holland was gracious and a wonderful interview.

Soon after, I discovered Bardstown High's Garnis Martin was little more than 20 coaching victories behind Holland's record.

So began a countdown as Martin guided Bardstown to win after win on his way to overtaking Holland. The chase captivated state media and football fans, elevating interest in high school football in Kentucky.

An outgrowth of the attention given the Holland-Martin chase, was an idea presented to The Kentucky Associated Press Sports Editors Association in 1986.

An annual presentation to be called, Kentucky Mr. Football. From Frank Jacobs of Newport Catholic as first recipient, Mr. Football is now a fixture in Kentucky sports.

More than a decade later the metro media annexed a portion of the Coaches Win Lists and boys and girls scoring lists and the KHSAA did likewise. Today, just retired Joe Jagers at North Hardin, is Kentucky's winningest coach joining legends Holland and Garnis Martin in what has become — with the aid of computer technology — a high school football revolution.

Genesis of the basketball Scoring Lists began with a search for King Kelly Coleman's scoring totals (4,337). The only male to reach 4,000. Highlands' Jaime Walz and Geri Grigsby of McDowell surpassed Coleman. Next, a reader asked where Richie Farmer placed on the all-time list; and how many players reached the 3,000 plateau?

At Clay County High, Farmer scored 2,947 points. But I discovered 21, not counting Coleman, have scored 3,000 or more points in high school. Think of it, more than 3,000 points by a high school player.

Today, from Wayland and Inez to Central City and Earlinton, the boys 2,000 Points Club has 137 names and counting. Since 1975, the girls 1,400 Points Club has grown to 145.

The lists increase virtually every week along with fan interest and requests for copies are frequent. Write me at SptsInKy@aol.com. We've come a long way since a question for which the answer was Ty Holland.

READERS (RIGHT) WRITE

On UK and Scott County's Rick Jones...

Lanny Tucker, Greensburg (E-mail): "... Did you hear Tubby had a great chance at landing current

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Sports

cheerleaders and majorettes.

We enjoyed awarding all the plaques during the four nights of basketball. Our young folk deserve it. What a great group of kids we have in our athletic programs.

John Ortega (Prestonsburg) and Nick Samons (Allen Central) were named Most Valuable Players for the conference season with Samons receiving the MVP for the tournament.

Allen Central's Jennifer Hopkins was the girls' conference MVP while Crystal Stone of Prestonsburg won the MVP for the tournament.

For the past 11 years I have been covering sports here at the Times and some of this year's seniors were just in the second grade when I started. I have followed most of them through the Junior Pro leagues, grade school and now high school. I will miss them as I have the others in years past.

Someone asked me how many more district tournaments was I planning to cover. My answer was that there wasn't too many left in me.

GIRLS' REGIONAL

The Girls' 15th Region basketball tournament tipped off Monday night, and it wasn't a good game for the Allen Central Lady Rebels. Coach Anthony Moore's ballclub fell to Belfry in the opening game.

One thing about basketball, you can not dribble the ball out there where the defender can take it away from you. You have to put your body between the defender and the ball.

The Lady Rebels had a decent season and is still one of the top programs around. They lose only two seniors from this year's team while returning several veterans and some good young players.

What about that Johnson

Central and Pike Central game. The Lady Eagles could not miss in the first quarter hitting nine of their first 11 shots with three being treys. Coach Phillip Wireman's team built what appeared to an insurmountable lead but had to hold off the Lady Hawks in the fourth quarter when they scored 40 points. Wow! Johnson Central won 70-69 after leading by 24 going into the final period.

The Lady Hawks had to play without the service of their point guard, Ashley Melvin.

"I tore my ACL against Allen Central and didn't tell the coach about it," said Melvin while her team warmed up Monday night. "I didn't get to play in the district tournament either."

Ashley is a fine little basketball player and was no doubt missed against Johnson Central. I wish her the best and look forward to seeing her on the basketball court next season.

ONE MORE THING...

It is sad that the Kentucky Wildcats have gone down as quickly as they have. Here is a team that played very good basketball, had no go-to player but still was beating big name teams. Now they have dropped four of their last six games and looks to be just a game away from being eliminated from the SEC tournament.

They will play the winner of the South Carolina/Mississippi game and they better hope it is the Gamecocks as the Rebels game them all they wanted the first time.

I look for this team to fall in the second round of the NCAA tournament and a three seed at that. There is more wrong than just no "go-to-player."

Scott Padgett has shown he

is not the man, nor is any of the other two seniors. I think Tubby should play J.P. Blevins and Todd Tackett. They can shoot the three's. The rap there is no defense on either one's part. Well, I don't really see

anyone playing defense for UK.

Oh well, bring on the Cincinnati Reds!

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

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Georgia shooting whiz D.A. Layne, but didn't take him because he already had Blevins? (J.R.) VanHoose would have been a fine addition, but he wouldn't have played this year behind (Scott) Padgett and (Jules) Camara, and in the future could he beat out Camara and Marvin Stone?

Who knows? Probably not. On UK sophomore Saul Smith...

Johnny Craig, Albany, Ky.: "Brings back memories of Eddie Sutton and that no talent son of his."

WORTH REPEATING

"We don't have enough heroes in this country anymore," says Mitt Romney, new president of the Salt Lake City Olympics organizing committee.

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THE RACING REPORTER



PEARSON IS NOT RELYING ON LUCK IN CITY OF LIGHTS

by Gerald Hodges

When Larry Pearson won his first two championships in 1986 and 1987, the NASCAR Busch Series was much different than it is today. Las Vegas was a place people went to gamble, not to race.

"At the time I won my two championships, we didn't compete on the West Coast," said Pearson. "In fact, I've never been to Las Vegas in my entire life. I'm excited about going and seeing the lights and feeling the excitement in the air. I also plan to test my luck playing the slot machines. I'm hoping to win big in the casino as well as on the race track."

Driver of the Buckshot Racing Pontiac, Pearson is 12th in the Busch Series driver points. He had a 25th place finish at Daytona, and was 13th in the Alltel 200 at Rockingham.

"I believe you make your own luck," Pearson said. "I feel confident in my team and the whole Buckshot Racing organization. The guys work hard to provide me with the best cars available. This team started fourth and finished eighth last year at this track. You take that and combine it with experience and we can win this race."

PARDUS GETS WORKOUT AT DARLINGTON

The old saying is, "Practice makes perfect!" In the case of Raybestos Rookie of the Year candidate Danny Pardus versus Darlington Raceway, practice and testing at the stubborn, old course is absolutely essential.

This may have been a week off for the NASCAR Winston Cup Series, but not for Midwest Transit Racing, which spent two days testing its Chevrolet over the egg-shaped, 1.366 mile oval.

Pardus grew up 15 minutes from Daytona International Speedway, but even as a little kid, followed the action at Darlington, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this season.

"I've been to Darlington before as a race fan," said Pardus. "I've known the tradition of the hard racing that's gone on here. And I also know how brutal of a place it can be. This place can reach up and get you. Knowing all the history of Darlington makes it really neat for me to come here and run around this place."

Pardus knows how valuable testing is for a rookie driver and a rookie team. He failed to qualify for the Dura Lube 400 Winston Cup race at North Carolina Motor Speedway despite getting help in the 11th hour from veteran Billy Standridge.

"The team asked Billy to help us at the Rock," said Pardus. "He couldn't find anymore speed out of the race car. That told us something. That told us we have to do more homework with our cars, and do more testing. To me, that's the key."

Pardus got a bonus at Darlington when he picked up some information from NASCAR legends Bobby Allison and David Pearson, who were helping with their Busch Series teams. The 35 year-old Pardus quickly learned what the wily old vets have known for years — Darlington lives up to its billing as the track "Too Tough To Tame."

"I know what Darlington can do to you," said Pardus. "You carry a lot of speed through the corners, but if you don't stay up on the steering wheel, you'll get in trouble fast. You've got to stay with race car and concentrate and focus through each turn on each lap."

"The more time we get on the race track, the more we'll be competitive. The race for us is to qualify for the race. That's our race right now. For a Winston Cup Series rookie not to test would be treacherous. The team has put together a good race car for Darlington and they're behind me 100 percent."

PARK WHAT A DIFFERENCE A YEAR MAKES

This time of year #1 Pennzoil Monte Carlo driver Steve Park sat atop the world. The 31 year-old East Northport, KY native still basked in three Busch Series victories from 1997 and had just turned in impressive outings at Daytona and Rockingham in his new Winston Cup ride. He and his Dale Earnhardt Inc. team appeared as one of the favorites for the rookie of the year award. But his trip to Las Vegas Motor Speedway and then on to Atlanta Motor Speedway the following week began a two-week stretch that presented Park with as great of mental and phys-

ical challenges as he has ever encountered in his professional life. Park failed to qualify at Las Vegas and then saw his season shattered at Atlanta when a practice crash broke his right femur, left collarbone and right shoulder blade. As he sat on the sidelines for 15 weeks the young driver learned the lessons adversity teaches.

"Racing is a high speed sport, but

sometimes the fastest thing about racing isn't the car. It's how fast you can go from the top of the world to the bottom," said Park. "We have had moments this season that were pretty good. At the Bud Shootout in Daytona we finished third and thought we might have had something for Mike Skinner who won the race.

"During the Daytona 500 we did OK but got caught up in the big wreck. There wasn't much we could do about that. At Rockingham we passed 25 cars in the first 100 laps then got caught putting when the yellow came out. That was just bad luck. We want to have better results and I think you will see better results pretty soon. This is a tough deal. The com-

petition is so strong that you almost have to be perfect to win. We need to be good all day, instead of just in segments. That's the key for us and it's probably the key for everyone else, also."

TOP 10 WINSTON CUP DRIVERS:
1. Mike Skinner, 315

2. Rusty Wallace, 286
3. Ken Schrader, 280
4. Bobby Labonte, 263
5. Jeremy Mayfield, 263
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Briefs

Attention landowners!

The Floyd County Conservation District is now offering assistance to local landowners in completing their Agriculture Water Quality Plan. Any landowner with 10 or more continuous acres of land and who participates in an agriculture and/or silviculture operation will need to complete a plan. Landowners are encouraged to respond as soon as possible due to the October 23, 2001, deadline.

Call for an appointment in order to complete your plan. Staff may be able to do your plan in the local conservation office using the designated computer program or workbooks will be available.

To set up an appointment, or for more information, contact the Floyd County Conservation District, at 214 South Central Ave., Suite 102, Prestonsburg, or call 886-9545, or e-mail them at conserve@eastky.net

Missionary Trip

The GHP Drama Team from God's House of Prayer in West Van Lear is planning a missions trip to Monterey, Mexico, from July 2-10. Call 789-9797 or 297-1972. For more information about the group or to offer them support.

Spring 1999

community education schedule announced

Pikeville College recently its Spring 1999 Community Education schedule. The Community Education Program strives to develop and provide creative, innovative courses for lifelong learners to meet their personal and professional goals. Non-credit courses, programs, and services are offered to the community which improve the quality of life and help achieve personal enrichment and success.

For Your Health— Courses and workshops are offered on a variety of topics including exercise and aerobics, tai chi, hiking, and ballroom dance.

Dying, death and bereavement— This class is a joint offering of Hospice of Pike County and Pikeville College. In this hospice volunteer training class, you will learn about the stages of grieving, progression of disease, patient care, family response patterns, and the role of hospice volunteers.

Ballroom dance— In this

(See BRIEFS, page five)



David Hereford, a member of the Friends of the Samuel May House, had fun demonstrating a Mason-Hamlin pump organ that Hereford said was probably transported by steamboat up the Big Sandy River to Prestonsburg (photo by Janice Shepherd)

by Janice Shepherd
Managing Editor

The May House is looking for a few good antiques.

Friends of the Samuel May House are soliciting donations (or loans) of furnishings that will reflect the history of the era when Samuel May and his family lived in the historic home.

The house, located on North Lake Drive in Prestonsburg is thought to be the first brick home in the Big Sandy region. Construction of the house began in 1816 with brick that was made on the site. The home's owner, Samuel May, was a surveyor who was instrumental in

the building of the first road into Eastern Kentucky. May was active in politics and the home was a gathering place for the cream of society in those years.

The home also became recruitment headquarters for the area during the Civil War when Andrew Jackson May was the leading Confederate officer in the Big Sandy Valley.

Six years ago, in March 1993, a group of local citizens got together and decided to preserve the house, which was showing its age. Through a series of grants, they repaired the damage and have the house on a firm foundation. However, they need furnishings for the home in

Local group makes a house a home



An ornate, claw-legged piano is a reminder to visitors of the many balls and parties held at the May House. (photo by Janice Shepherd)

order to allow visitors to get a true feeling of the past of the house, according to David Hereford, a member of the Friends of the Samuel May House.

Hereford said the group needs lamps, lace work pieces, throws, bedspreads, quilts, and furniture for the home.

"If (people) will donate or loan these items, the committee will review the furniture and see if it will work out with the period and the theme, and if they'll fit in the room," he said.

The group is also in need of mannequins to wear period clothing that has been donated. The house contains some items, such as a spinning

wheel, a cedar chest, a bed, a drop-leaf table, a rocking chair, a claw-legged piano, and a Mason and Hamlin pump organ.

"I would say that thing came up the river on a steamboat," Hereford said about the organ.

Hereford said the group hopes to furnish the May House with such items as a horsehair couch and various baby furniture and items because the Mays had several children.

The group is also looking for an old-fashioned metal piece (fire screen) for the fireplace.

For more information about the May House, contact David Hereford at 886-3057.



David Hereford (left) admired a dress that was worn by Nelle Davidson May, the second wife of Col. Andrew Jackson May. The dress was handed down to Nelle's sister, Lyda Davidson Spradlin, who gave it to her daughter-in-law Margaret Spradlin. Right, a spinning wheel stands in a corner of an upstairs bedroom, once used as a ballroom of the May House. (photos by Janice Shepherd)



First Day Employee

BY MARY JANE WEST-DELGADO

"There are only two lasting bequests we can give our children. One is roots, the other wings." — Hodding Carter

A little encouragement often has a lasting impact. Mary Jane West-Delgado, author and physical therapist, dedicates her time to improving the lives of others.

My father had a small business, employing approximately 15 people at any given time. We pasteurized and homogenized the milk from the farmers each morning, and then put it into bottles for home use and for the restaurants. We also put the milk into small containers for the school kids every day. Oh, yes, we made a wonderful little thing called homemade ice-cream, too!

All of these milk products, and many more, were sold in the front of the dairy building, which had been fashioned into a small store and a large soda fountain. During the summer months, there were rows and rows of eager tourists lined up at the ice-cream counters, waiting for their daily indulgence of my father's most exquisite recipe of some 27 flavors of homemade wonder.

Being such an extremely busy little store meant that the employees had to work fast and furious for hours at a time, with little rest. The swarm of tourists never stopped — it was like one of those snack shops in the middle of Disneyland during lunch time, except that our "rush hour"

lasted many hours on hot days.

I had worked for my father, as did all seven kids in our family, since we were young. So, I had seen many new employees come and go because the pace was just too fast. One day, in 1967, we had a new employee, Debbie, who wanted this job for the summer. She had never done this type of work before, but she was going to give it her all.

On her first day, Debbie made just about every mistake in the book. She added the sales wrong on the cash register; she charged the wrong prices for the milk and other food; she gave the wrong bag of food to the wrong customer; and she dropped and broke a half-gallon of milk. You name it, and she did it. The torture of watching her struggle was too much for me. I went into my

father's office and said something like, "Please go out there and put her out of her misery." I expected him to walk right into the store and fire her on the spot, as much for her own good as his.

My father's office was situated in such a way that he could look up from his large roll-top desk and see whatever was going on at the sales counter. So he had no doubt seen what I was talking about. He sat, thoughtful, for a moment. He got up from his desk and walked over to Debbie, who was standing behind the counter. What he said to her made me so proud of him that it still brings tears to my eyes all these many years later.

"Debbie," he said, as he stood tall and put his understanding hand gently on her shoulder. "I have been watching you all day, and ..." (Debbie was also expecting the big letdown, her face was flushed and her head hung low, her eyes were beginning to swell with tears.) "and I saw how you treated Mrs. Forbush."

(Of course Debbie didn't know who Mrs. Forbush was, but she tried to think quickly of the many women to whom she had given the wrong change or what she had done so wrong that he was going to be so specific).

"I've never seen Mrs. Forbush be so polite to any one of my employees before, you really knew how to handle her," my father said. "I am sure that she is going to want YOU to wait on her every time she comes in. Keep up the good work."

My father was a very wise and compassionate employer. He got, in return, a loyal, compassionate and hard-working employee for 16 years and a friend for life.

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SOCIETY NEWS

Hats off to members of Mended Hearts

At its meeting Tuesday, February 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Offices, the Mended Hearts Chapter 220 observed Heart Month by "Hats Off" to heart patients.

Members wore unique hats of their own creation which added much merriment to the meeting, according to Mended Hearts President Freddie Goble. Since everyone seemed to relish the hats, they were asked to wear something green to the March meeting in recognition of St. Patrick's Day.

In other business at the meeting, new members — Jack and Clara

Friar of Allen and Arlen and Hazel Shepherd of David — were recognized.

In order to provide the new members, and guests with information regarding the Mended Hearts Chapter, the group's president gave a brief history and purpose of the chapter.

The group was interested in hearing several testimonials from those present. JoAnn Coffey, who is a retired school teacher from Hazard, told her experiences. She was a premature baby and has had heart problems since her birth. Many of her surgeries and medical experiences relating to the heart were procedures that many of the group's members

had not known existed.

Otis Ousley also related his experiences. He recently underwent a five-coronary artery bypass operation at St. Joseph Hospital.

Joe and Florence Breeding shared information regarding Mr. Breeding's ordeals and recovery.

"Listening to these accounts made us more aware of the Mended Hearts slogan, 'It's Great To Be Alive and To Help Others' " President Goble said.

Calvin Herrick, a member of Mended Hearts, reported on the death of member Grace Tackett, who died in January. Herrick said flowers were sent to the funeral in her honor and that flowers were also sent to the

funeral of member Walter E. Snavelly, who died of a heart attack on January 31. In lieu of flowers, the family had requested that donations be made to the Mended Hearts, Chapter 220. Herrick said the chapter has received numerous donations through the request.

A moment of silent prayer was held in memory of Walter Snavelly and the active role he played in the Mended Hearts Chapter.

Zina Goble, Dianna Hackworth and Gregg Hall were named to the nominating committee. The slate of nominations will be presented at the March meeting.

President Goble said that an executive committee will be called prior

to the March meeting to discuss plans for the National Conference which will be held at Nashville in June.

Also at the meeting:

- Freddie Goble led in the Mended Hearts prayer.

- Mosalette Patton, secretary, read the January minutes.

- Greg Hall, co-chairman of the visitation committee, reported that members of his committee had paid a total of 30 visits for the month of January and that they had visited 18 patients.

Attending the meeting were Dean Adams, Marjorie Bailey, Joe and Florence Breeding, JoAnn Coffey, Kathryn Dyer, Garnett Fairchild,

Freddie and Beverly Goble, James E. and Marie Goble, Zina Goble, Dianna Hackworth, Gregg Hall, Calvin Herrick, Bill and Alicia Hughes, Otis and Ocie Ousley, George and Mosalette Patton and Ray Prater.

Following the adjournment of the business meeting, those present enjoyed a buffet of sandwiches, vegetables, fruits, dessert and drinks donated by Bristol Myers drug representative Laura Burchett.

The next meeting will be held March 9 at 6 p.m., in the Highlands Medical Office Building. The program and refreshments will be sponsored by Mark Hahn, drug representative for Pfizer.

Prestonsburg High School selects homecoming queen



Ashley DeRossett



Kara Sammons



Kimberly Stone



Jessica Stephens



Tiffany Warrix



Jessica Young



Martsha Collins

Students at Prestonsburg High School selected their new homecoming queen on January 22 in the high school fieldhouse.

Ashley DeRossett, the daughter of Robert and Helen McAninch of Prestonsburg, was crowned homecoming queen during ceremonies held in the gym.

She is a three-year member

of the PHS Marching Band and a two-year member of Who's Who Among American High School students. She is also a member of Tag Art and she enjoys spending time with her family and friends.

She was escorted by Russ Music, the son of Russell Music and Della Pack.

Other members of the homecoming court are:

- Kara Brock Sammons, daughter of John and Connie Sammons of Prestonsburg.

She is a member of the honor choir and the tennis team. She has won honors in the Science Olympiad. She is a member of the national Honors Society, the annual staff, the powder puff football team and the student council.

She enjoys shopping,

swimming, fishing and reading. She is a member of the Irene Cole First Baptist Church.

She was escorted by John Ortega III, the son of Sheila and John Ortega.

- Kimberly Renee Stone, daughter of Phillip and Marcella Stone of Prestonsburg.

She is a member of the

National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, the honor choir for three years, powder puff football for four years, the annual staff, and the Community United Methodist Church.

She is treasurer of her senior class. She enjoys shopping and driving.

She was escorted by Jason

Keathley, a son of Teresa and Bennie Stewart.

- Jessica A. Stephens, the daughter of Cathy and Dennis Walker of Prestonsburg and the late Steve Stephens.

She is a member of the PHS Dance Cats, the National Honor Society, the chess club, Co-ed-y, the pep club, powder puff football, Who's Who Among American High

School Students, the annual staff and the First Christian Church.

She was escorted by Kalen Harris, the son of Vicky Elliott of Prestonsburg and Carlen Harris of Lexington.

- Tiffany Dawn Warrix, the daughter of Ronnie Warrix and Kathy Samons of Prestonsburg.

(See Queen, page three)

OUR YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago (March 1, 1989)

Charles Ray Collins, 31, of Wayland was arrested on charges of assault after allegedly shooting a 17-year-old Wayland youth ... 'Blasted rock' became just that to Dickeytown residents after state highway workers tried to rectify a dangerous rock situation on U.S. 23 with a blast that shattered the peace of local residents ... Floyd County Judge-Executive John M. Stumbo certified the order Friday for a special election on ending the legal sale of alcoholic beverages in eight Prestonsburg area precincts on April 22 ... Three men accused of burglarizing a Harold business had hardly left the scene of the alleged crime Monday night when state police arrived to arrest them. Booked on charges of the burglary of Hale's Hardware were Charles Hamilton, 21, Shane Yates, 31, and a 17-year-old youth, all of Galveston ... Prestonsburg was selected as the site of the southeast regional lottery office ... Telephone customers in Allen, Martin, and McDowell began dialing seven digits instead of three as South Central Bell neared completion of its modernization project in this area ... There died: Dr. Claude Lowell "C.L. Allen, 74, of Paintsville; Rhoda Faye Craft, 74, formerly of Dwale, February 22; Leon Goble, 76, of Prestonsburg, February 25, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Burbage King, 79, of Harold, February 23, at his residence; Edward Adron Hunter, 78, of Martin, February 25, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Junior Mullins, 68, of Weeksbury, died February 26, at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington; Laura Spears, 74, of Bevinsville, February 23, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Stella Fitzpatrick Spurlock, 81, of Prestonsburg February 23 at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Twenty Years Ago (March 1, 1979)

Although in session only a day and a half, the special grand jury, which convened Monday, voted three murder indictments and nine others alleging major offenses. One of the murder indictments named Reva Jean Martin in the death by drowning of her newborn daughter. Stephen Wright and James

and Rufus Clemons were also named on murder indictments...The first state-operated juvenile detention center in Kentucky was scheduled to open here Monday for limited operation...Work which began Feb. 23 to remove asbestos from ceilings and walls of Prestonsburg High School was said to be "on schedule"...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Griffith, a son, Anthony Andrew, on Feb. 22...There died: Elizabeth S. Allen, 70, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Claude Isaacs Sr., 74, of North Vernon, Ind., formerly of Bevinsville, at King's Daughters' Hospital in Ashland; Riley Crabtree, 75, of Estill, at his residence; Cecil Thornsberry, 77, of Kendalville, Ind., formerly of Knott Co., at McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendalville; Kermit Morgan, 64, of Newport News, Va., native of Prestonsburg, at Riverside Hospital; Pete Coleman, 76, of Pikeville, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Lula Newman Brown, 66, of Orafino, Id., formerly of Hi Hat, following a long illness; Johnnie L. Hall, 81, formerly of this area, at Leila Hospital in Battle Creek Mich.; Bessie Merritt of Cheshire, Ohio died last week. She was the sister of Gertrude Gibson and Arnold Burkett, both of Prestonsburg, and Allen and Okie Burkett of Indiana.

Thirty Years Ago (March 6, 1969)

Two far-reaching public improvement projects are due this week to near the construction stage as contractors' bids are being opened. Bids will be opened on an addition to and the remodeling of the library. The estimated cost is \$159,000. Bids will also be opened on construction of a bridge at Lancer...Major pledges for the proposed regional hospital to be built on US 23, between Prestonsburg and Paintsville, Tuesday had reached a total in excess of \$95,000. The goal is \$150,000...The Floyd County Board of Education at its Saturday meeting designated Wayne Ratliff, assistant superintendent of Floyd schools, as acting superintendent to serve during the convalescence of Superintendent Charles Clark...Born: to Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Harmon, a daughter, Catherine Francis, on Feb. 13 in San Francisco, Calif., Dr. and Mrs. Harmon resided here before going to California...There died: Norman Dial, 60, in

De Bary, Fla., formerly of Prestonsburg; Russell M. Frazier 41, of St. Mary's Ohio, formerly of Prestonsburg; Guy Ben Merritt, 47, of Alger, Ohio, formerly of Bonanza, Feb. 22, at Lima Hospital; Arville Horner, 69, of Welleston, Ohio, formerly of Langley; Dr. Raymond Stephens, 47, native of Prestonsburg, in Mansfield, Ohio; Walker Salisbury, 70, of Printer, at McDowell Hospital; Martha Marie Gibson, 42, of West Prestonsburg, at her home; Malcolm Hall, 45, formerly of Minnie, at the home of a relative; John Halbert, 72, Floyd native, at his home in Portsmouth, Ohio; Nancy Hamilton, 86, at her home at Beaver.

Forty Years Ago (March 5, 1959)

A major flood has hit Eastern Kentucky about every 10 years since 1862, on the average and the most destructive of the lot, the 1957 flood, caused damage estimated at \$50,000,000. This and other data was supplied by B.F. Reed of Drift, chairman of the Eastern Kentucky Regional Planning commission, and John D. Whisman, executive director, of Hazard, when they testified last week before the Senate Banking and Currency Committee in Washington to point out the area's need...Another step was taken by recent city council action to add new sewers to the inadequate Prestonsburg system where the bid submitted by Bell Engineering Company of Lexington to survey costs in four areas was accepted...The Drift Woman's Club this week reported that its drive for March of Dimes funds resulted in contributions totaling \$698.81...There died: Birdie Horton Cox, 68, of Garrett, at McDowell Hospital; Lee Garrett, 51, of Lancer. He was the son of the late Seymour and Helen Calhoun Garrett.

Fifty Years Ago (March 10, 1949)

Inspection of roads proposed for improvement under the new rural highway program has been completed in 90 Kentucky counties. Eighty survey parties are now at work in 60 counties, making final locations on 1,200 miles totaling over 300 projects. The new fund voted by the last

session of the Kentucky General Assembly will amount to more than \$8,000,000 this year...The Kentucky State Senate Wednesday joined local and state officials, civil clubs and governmental units in adopting resolutions asking Congress to authorize canalization of the Big Sandy River. The resolution was introduced by Senator Doug Hays of McDowell. Hays told the Senate, Big Sandy Valley coal is of superior quality but its sale is handicapped by freight rates. The Big Sandy is the largest river in the world that isn't canalized...There died: Mildred Fife Adkins, 24, of Tram, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Sgt. Roy Hall, son of Eva Meade Hall and the late Levi Hall, killed in action on Luzon, became the first World War II victim to be buried in a national ceremony; Willia Sexton, 48, wife of Harlan Sexton, at the Stumbo Hospital, at Lackey; Jeffery Douglas, 5-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Kell, formerly of Wheelwright.

Sixty Years Ago (March 9, 1939)

The indictments missing from the county court clerk's office were restored by the special grand jury and they also made 13 new true bills, two of which name defendants in slayings committed since the adjournment of the court's first special grand jury a few weeks ago...When the Floyd County flood disaster situation arose, the American Red Cross and its local chapter gave themselves 30 days in which to minister to flood-sufferers needs, and exactly 30 days after they began work Feb. 3, they finished, on Sunday, March 5. Aid was given to 553 families and a total of \$11,234.57 had been spent in the county...Flames of undetermined origin Sunday morning destroyed the principal building of the Maytown consolidated school at an estimated loss of \$50,000. Insurance of the 11 room building and in contents total \$33,000...There died: Wilbur Music, 21, of Little Paint; James Blevins, 74, at his home at Alvin; James Kerr, 83, of Garrett, at his home; Ora Branham Hunt, 48, at Golden Rule Hospital in Paintsville; Mary Allen, 82, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Banner Martin of Hueysville; Clara Adams Hyden of West Prestonsburg. She was a daughter of J. P. and Rhoda Adams.

FOR THE RECORD

Restaurant, School, and Mobile Home Park Inspections

Editor's Note: All inspections are made by Floyd County Health Department environmentalists Russell Wallace, Mark Johnson, and Janet Conley.

• H20 Construction Mobile Home Park, 84: No displayed numbers on mobile home on lots in systematic order. Driveways in disrepair and potholes holding water. Parking lot not maintained as good construction.

Uncapped sewage outlet on vacant lot. Refuse not disposed of in approved manner (burning refuse at river terrace). Premises of mobile home park littered with debris (refuse).

• Jan's Mobile Home Park, not rated, follow-up inspection: Refuse disposed of in approved manner.

Suits Filed

Editor's Note: Suits were filed recently in Floyd Circuit Court. They represent no indication of guilt, but only claims against defendants.

Commonwealth of KY for Joyce Gilliam VS Marty Gilliam of Wheelwright, petition for child support and health care insurance.

Steven O'Brian Lafferty of Hippo VS Angela Brook Lafferty of Garrett, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Homer New of Galveston VS Myrtle K New of Delaware, Ohio, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Albon Meade & Rosemary of Floyd Co VS William Smith Kelly et al., property dispute.

William David White of Prestonsburg VS Paulette White, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Commonwealth of KY Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways VS Harmon Tussey & Rhoda Tussey of West Prestonsburg, condemnation of property.

Rita Jo Roberts Henson of Drift VS Ricky Dean Henson of Drift, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Byron Gearheart of Drift VS Michael Allen of Minnie, Geico Direct Insurance Co of Macon, GA & Secretary of State of Frankfort, compensation for an auto accident that occurred on or about May 16, 1998.

Angela May Ousley of Auxier VS David Paul Ousley of Martin, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Genevieve Litton of Langley VS Bobby Gene Litton of Stambaugh, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Evelyn C Bear of Floyd Co VS Robin D Flannery of Rainbow City, AL, petition to restrict child sharing times.

Laura Salyers VS Fred Fraley of Floyd Co, compensation for damages resulting from an auto accident that occurred on or about Feb 19, 1997.

Jane Lindon of Dana VS Lloyd H Lindon of Hazel Green, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Ella J Collins VS Tammy M

Queen

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She is captain of the cheerleading squad and president of the National Honor Society. She is a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students, and powder puff football, and volley ball.

She is secretary of her senior class and she enjoys lifting weights, shopping relaxing in the hot tub and eating chocolate. She attends Allen First Baptist Church.

She was escorted by Joe Campbell, the son of Eddie Campbell and Sharon Campbell.

• Jessica Young, the daughter of Candy Young of Prestonsburg and Ronald Young of Allen.

She is a member of the National Honor Society, powder puff football, the chess club, the annual staff, Co-ed-y, the pep club, and Who's Who Among American High School Students.

She was escorted by Nathan Leslie, the son of Kenneth and Wilma Leslie of Emma.

• And, Marsha Marie Collins, daughter of Herb and Elizabeth Marshall of Prestonsburg.

She enjoys listening to music, talking on the phone and spending time with her family and friends.

She was escorted by Eric Price, a son of Richard and Donna Price.

McCoy of Emma, compensation for damages resulting from an auto accident that occurred on Nov 17, 1998.

Acquilla Jones Gibson of Martin VS Russell Gibson of Delaware, Ohio, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Elesa Dawn Stowers Rogers of Printer VS David Earl Rogers of Pikeville, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Joyce Marie Yates of Wheelwright VS Joseph McClay Yates of Wheelwright, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Tommy Boyd, by and through his legal guardian Dan Hall of Banner VS Coleman Oil Co of Pikeville, Contract dispute.

Marian Sue Johnson Patton of Langley VS Elvis Ray Patton of Martin, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Patricia Elaine Howard VS Prestonsburg Clinic Associates d/b/a Archer Memorial Clinic of Prestonsburg, compensation for injuries received on premises.

Robert D McAninch of Prestonsburg VS Helen M Perry McAninch of Louisville, petition for dissolution of marriage.

Equity One, Inc. VS Douglas Castle of Prestonsburg, collection of debts.

Clarence Edward Johnson VS Ronnie Blackburn of Weeksburg & Nationwide Mutual Insurance Co., compensation for damages received in an auto accident that occurred on Feb 1, 1999.

Melissa Sue Akers of Floyd Co VS Ronald Brent Akers, petition for dissolution of marriage.

J Drew Anderson of Staffordsville VS Gas & Go Inc. of Pikeville, compensation due to negligence.

Prestonsburg Dispatch Logs

FEBRUARY 11

- 8:04 car broke down on U.S. 23 N
- 8:55 reckless driver on Court St
- 9:38 suspicious person seen at Tiger Mart
- 10:32 accident without injuries at PCC
- 11:24 accident with injuries at N Arnold /114
- 11:50 motorist locked keys in vehicle at BP Station
- 3:22 accident without injuries at Lee's restaurant
- 4:41 theft related call at Winn Dixie
- 5:48 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Sam on Tonios
- 6:55 intoxicated person at Cliffside
- 7:31 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Reno's
- 9:22 suspicious vehicle at PHS
- 9:26 suspicious person at Food City

FEBRUARY 12

- 9:31 car broke down at Town Center Building
- 10:19 motorist locked keys in vehicle at PCC
- 10:30 suspicious vehicle on Westminster
- 10:32 DUI in Prestonsburg
- 11:17 accident without injuries at Food City lights
- 11:32 accident without injuries on University Dr
- 11:49 car broke down at Reno's
- 12:24 car broke down on 23/80 overpass
- 1:20 accident without injuries on 1428
- 2:00 911 hang-up from University Dr
- 2:28 accident without injuries near Music Carter Hughes
- 3:13 disturbance on Dingus St
- 3:40 car broke down near Justice Center
- 3:49 accident without injuries near Music Carter Hughes
- 4:41 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Jenny Wiley Video
- 5:27 car broke down on 23/80 on ramp
- 5:49 vandalism on Arnold Ave
- 9:49 theft related call from Allen
- 10:50 disturbance on Westminster
- 11:02 suspicious person on S Lake Dr

FEBRUARY 13

- 5:51 accident without injuries on 23/80 off ramp
- 8:01 alarm activated at PGS
- 11:27 911 hang-up from Mays Branch
- 2:12 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Shoe Show
- 8:58 disturbance on S Lake Dr
- 9:04 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Dairy Queen
- 9:14 intoxicated person at Hardee's

10:46 suspicious person seen at Adult Rehab

10:50 suspicious person seen on Central Ave

FEBRUARY 14

- 0:14 man locked keys in car at Comfort Suites
- 12:53 reckless driver on Patton St
- 1:02 911 call on S Lake Dr
- 1:17 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Glynview Plaza
- 1:24 reckless driver 23N
- 1:33 car broke down before 114 underpass
- 3:20 motorist locked keys in vehicle at the juvenile detention center
- 4:49 DUI on U.S. 23
- 4:53 DUI at Dairy Cheer
- 6:03 motorist locked keys in vehicle on N Arnold Ave

FEBRUARY 15

- 9:36 motorist locked keys in vehicle at McDonald's
- 10:05 vandalism at Food City
- 11:51 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Monumental Insurance
- 1:50 DUI at the grade school
- 2:09 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Taco Bell
- 6:45 911 hang-up at Giovanni's
- 7:58 accident without injuries at the Job Corps
- 9:40 theft related call on Jackson St

FEBRUARY 16

- 10:51 debris in road on University Dr
- 12:54 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Wal Mart
- 5:03 alarm activated from Hopson's Jewelry
- 7:39 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Super 8
- 7:58 motorist locked keys in vehicle at PCC

FEBRUARY 17

- 11:04 motorist locked keys in vehicle at Cooley Medical
- 11:20 alarm Justice Center
- 1:06 motorist locked keys in vehicle at PCC
- 2:26 motorist locked keys in vehicle at McDonald's
- 2:43 accident without injuries at Indian Hills
- 4:38 alarm activated at 1st Commonwealth Main Bank
- 8:31 car broke down at Jenny Wiley Video
- 8:54 theft related call at Hardee's
- 9:12 clear lot at the Social Security Office
- 11:31 suspicious vehicle at Wal Mart

District Court

Editor's Note: All first offense DUIs are allowed to do two days public service in lieu of \$200 of the total court costs and fines. All individuals who are charged in cases involving alcohol or drugs must undergo counseling.

Timothy R McKinney, 20, Auxier, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of intoxicant, 2 days in jail, alcohol drug education, 90 days license lost \$518.50 in fines.

Clarence Bolin, 19, West Liberty, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of intoxicant, alcohol drug education, 90 days license lost, 2 days public service, \$508.50 in fines.

Luther Johnson, 61, Prestonsburg, possession of marijuana, \$183.50 in fines.

Kenneth R Allen II, 34, Allen, operating a motor vehicle under the influence 2nd, 90 days in jail, alcohol drug education, 1 year license lost, \$668.50 in fines.

Johnny D Fitch, 28, Regina, speeding 26 mph over, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol, alcohol drug education, 90 days license lost, \$558.50 in fines.

Samuel Clifford Bradley, 17, Garrett, operating a motor vehicle under the influence under 21, no operator's license, 30 days license lost, \$168.50 in fines.

John D Clark, 21, Prestonsburg,

no insurance, operating on a suspended license, operating motor vehicle under the influence 3rd, 30 days in jail, alcohol drug education, 2 years license lost, \$1,818.50 in fines.

Monroe Jarvis, 58, alcohol intoxication 1st/2nd, \$98.50 in fines.

Johnny J Owens, 37, Garrett, operating on a suspended license, no insurance, failure to surrender revoked license, \$678.50 in fines.

Dolly Robinson, 22, Martin, alcohol intoxication 1st/2nd, \$98.50 in fines.

Charles Hamilton, 30, Galveston, alcohol intoxication 1st/2nd, \$108.50 in fines.

Stanley S Risner, 28, Salyersville, speeding 15 mph over, referred to state traffic school, \$43.50 in fines.

Curtis L Bowen, speeding 17 mph over, failure to wear a seatbelt, \$127.50 in fines.

Craig R Robinson, 22, Harold, speeding 15 mph over, \$98.50 in fines.

Monica Lynn Wright, 19, Wheelwright, no KY Regulation plates, no insurance, operating on suspended license, \$1,043.50 in fines.

Leeann S Maxwell, 20, Carrie, speeding 10 mph over, \$88.50 in fines.

Danny M Poe III, 21, South Point, Ohio, speeding 21 mph over, \$133.50 in fines.

James W Kelly, 50, Pikeville, speeding 15 mph over, referred to state traffic school, \$43.50 in fines.

Brenda K Marcum, 23, Banner, speeding 16 mph over, \$100.50 in fines.

Christopher S Sparks, 17, Martin, learner permit, no licensed operator, \$118.50 in fines.

Stanley Frank, 40, Prestonsburg, no insurance, \$3,600 in restitution.

Gary L Seals, 31, Pine Top, speeding 17 mph over, referred to state traffic school, \$77.50 in fines.

Eugene Sturgill, 44, Garrett, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of intoxicant, 90 days license lost, alcohol drug education, \$508.50 in fines.

Marriage Licenses

Polly Conn, 16, of Printer, and Paul E. Varney Jr., 21, of McDowell, Kristie E. Isaac, 21, of Bevinsville, and Richard J. Johnson, 20, of Bevinsville.

Sonya Renee Damron, 33, of Dorton, and Johnny R. Tackett, 34, of Dorton.

Jessica R. Wallingford, 21, of Blue River, and Hobart Slone, 30, of Blue River.

Jennifer L. Shepherd, 21, of David, and Gary K. Ousley, 22, of Prestonsburg.

Property Transfers

Geraldine Ward, Alan Ward, Cheryl Hall, Barry Hall, Jerri Turner, Brian Turner, Doris Lawson, and Bobby Lawson to Arthur Fannin and Gaylena Fannin, property location not listed.

Curtis Tackett and Marilyn Tackett to Curtis Tackett and Marilyn Tackett, property on Stephens Branch

Delano Conn and Delores Conn to Old Time Baptist Church, W.L. Stumbo Subdivision

David Lee Jones to Grantor and Elizabeth Burton, property location not listed

Janet Rose Howard to Marty McKinney and Shelia McKinney, property location not listed

Don Holbrook to Ellen Harris, f/k/a Ellen L. Holbrook, Windy Brooks subdivision

Victoria Vanover, Vada Hall, Ann Holtz, Della Perkins, Earl Perkins, Terrell Spivey, Theresa Spivey, Robin Hawkins, Terry Hawkins, Ricky Tackett, Regina Tackett, Dickey Tackett, Lou Tackett, Dawn Thornsby, A J Thornsby, Sandra Lee Akers, Jack Akers, Danny

Tackett, Teresa Tackett, Sheryl Woods, and James Woods to William Joseph Bailey and Pamela Carroll Bailey, property location not listed

Robin Hawkins and Terry Hawkins, Terrell Spivey and Theresa Spivey, to William Joseph Bailey and Pamela Carroll Bailey, Weeksby.

Donna Wells and Jeffery Dale Wells to Larry Dean Watson and Brenda Gail Watson, property location not listed.

Paul Lloyd Hicks and Magalene Hicks to Craig Hicks, Hicks Branch Road.

Linda Kaye Newsome Hamilton to Glen Dale Spradlin II, Mud Creek.

Loretta Carr, Mary Lou Patterson and Ron Patterson to Loretta Carr, property not listed.

Oma Kidd Ferrell to Diana Akers Elliott, Tanyard Branch of Little Mud Creek

Lonzo Jervis and Tammy Jervis to Joseph Goble and Irma Newsome, property not listed.

Nancy Meade Brown to Kathelene Brown, property not listed.

John D Caudill and Karen Caudill, Keith Bartley and Jamie Bartley to Anthony C Stumbo and Kathy E Stumbo, Abbott Creek.

Inez Baldrige to Harold L Baldrige, quit claim deed to property in Prestonsburg.

Vivian Shannon to Kevin Shannon, Weddington Addition.

Betty Jo Pratt to Stoney Newsome and Lois Ann Newsome, property not listed.

Tammy Jervis to Tammy Jervis and Lonzo Jervis, Home Branch, Buffalo Creek.

Cassie Martin and Stella Martin, Bess Helton, James Martin, Opal Martin, Dorothy Martin Yabroff to Edith Hopkins, Left Beaver Creek, Minnie.

Joshua Land and Timber Development, Inc to Bryan D Hall and Robert J Patton, Holly Bush Branch.

Christa L Hall and Terry D Hall to Michael Timothy Eads and Regina Coleman Eads, Jim Kidd Hollow.

Elmer Jones and Lois Jones to Ballard Irick and Geraldine Irick, Ferguson Addition, Laynesville.

Kenneth D Brown and Kathy Brown to Brown Foodservice Inc, property not listed.

Clifford Woods and Oedia Woods to Charles Dean Hall and Mary Ann Woods Hall, Woods Branch, Cow Creek.

Goldie Collins and Tilden Collins to Linda B May, Garfield Addition.

Wanda Lou Browning and Roy Browning to Edna DeRossett Hammons, Water Gap.

Ethel Stumbo to Gary Thomas Wolf, Middle Creek.

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THINGS TO PONDER

"Gosh, gotta have one more bite"

by Mabel Lineberger

Well, guess we have to get around sooner or later to that substance that so many do not think about, much less accept, as a source of addiction—FOOD. Of course, food is a basic need of life, but so many of us need to be aware of when "enough is enough." Our culture, especially in eastern Kentucky, puts so much thought and activity on food and eating. What are we going to eat? When are we going to eat it? Will they like it? What if we don't please everybody? If they didn't eat seconds, does that mean they didn't like it? Can we get together to visit, relax, or grieve without food? Furthermore, can you take just one bite of your favorite food—say when you are feeling upset? Do you know your eating habits, such as

what you do when feeling hungry and the choices of food you make?—In some instances, compulsive overeating can be seen with every bite we take.

Having an increased knowledge of our weight has been influenced by the focus on the young, pencil-thin image and, hopefully and most importantly, our desire to be healthy individuals, with fewer cholesterol and fat particles within our arteries. However, it has been estimated that 18 million Americans are addicted to the most powerful drug known to man... food. Research results have shown that certain foods, like any other addictive substance, can powerfully alter body chemistry in certain people. The chemical that is of importance in this process is serotonin—our happy juice.

Technically, serotonin is a brain chemical that creates a feeling of satisfaction—emotionally and physically. Would you believe that compulsive overeaters have been found to have serotonin levels four (4) times lower than normal? If your happy juice is lacking, you have a tendency to feel depressed, irritable, anxious and such. Since we don't have a visible gauge for our serotonin, our bodies look for other methods to solve the "down feeling"—like food, alcohol, and pot. Can you believe that two slices of bread with jelly can up serotonin by 450 percent? Just think what you do when taking the "kids" through the fast food lane, when in fact, you are the one feeling a need for that afternoon "shot in the stomach of happy juice."

Many experts see two major factors being the basis for compulsive overeating. One is the genetic influence, which predicts whether or not we tend to have a serotonin imbalance. Serotonin being "off" can reportedly lead to any of the addictions—alcoholism, cocaine, and compulsive overeating. The second significant factor is when "poor feelings management" is added. In other words, compulsive overeaters often use food to deal with uncomfortable emotions. After all, we are conditioned from birth to associate food with comfort. This also brings up the point, if you continue to have a psychological mindset to use food as a coping tool, then recovery, adjusting food intake, losing weight, and keeping it off, will be temporary. How many have had that "diet program" with special foods and formulas, lost 30 pounds, and to only gradually gain it back? What about the time you took diet pills—how long did it last?

Many of us who would not think of taking a pill with serotonin or getting drunk on Bloody Marys. But we think nothing about bingeing on our favorite food. When an important member of our family is coming to visit, Diet Dr. Pepper and chocolate, gooie donuts are always ready.

See, that is supposed to tell her that she is thought of and is loved. Then it is normal for her to feel out of control when she binges for the week end. All processed carbs, including breads and pastas, will give a temporary boost in serotonin for an hour or so. Then comes the calories, the weight gain, the guilt, shame, and worse still, serotonin levels drive downward, even further than before you ate the carbs. So in the long run, if not treated, binge eating becomes progressively worse.

Remember, for some compulsive overeaters, sugar, bread, junk food, and etc. can be just as addictive as alcohol, and just as deadly. Think of heart disease, diabetes, and hypertension. Unfortunately, society is yet to recognize food addictions as such. However, much is known about the topic, and treatment can be easy and successful. As with other conditions, recognizing your situation and deciding to do something are most important. The behavioral signs of compulsive overeating are: either planning to go on a diet; on a diet, or has just "broken" one most of the time; talking about bingeing or bingeing; describing food as "good" or "bad"; hiding food or eating; gaining weight but eating little in the presence of others; eating quickly; or avoiding social situations. The psychological and emotional signs of compulsive overeating are: mood shifts including irritability, depression, self-hate, shame; denying "negative" feelings; blaming other problems on weight; feeling out of control with food; and feelings of self-worth determined by weight and what is or is not eaten. Often food addicts prefer sweets to high fat foods. Do you have trouble stopping at one bite? Does this happen twice or more per week? Stop and think!

Is overeating causing you some sort of physical, emotional, or social harm? If yes, choose what you need to do.

Mabel Lineberger is a licensed clinical psychologist

NEW ARRIVALS

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February 17: A daughter, Catherine Danyelle, to Tina and Shawn Niece of Thelma; a daughter, Alyssa Jade, to Tammy and Rodney Frasure of Grethel; a daughter, Charm Marie Lee Sue Bowen to Amanda, of Inez; a daughter, Kaci RaShae, to Misty and Micheal Delong Jr. of Van Lear; a daughter, Emily Dawn, to Estill and Kristy Porter of Prestonsburg; a son, Randall Jr., to Randall and Renee Wireman of Gunlock; a daughter, Shaleigh Diana Sue, to Timothy and

Shannon Walker. February 18: A daughter, Betty Marie, to Patsy and Glen Pelphrey of Van Lear.

February 20: A daughter, Denise Victoria Michelle Scott, to Vicki Lynn White of Inez.

February 21: A daughter, Madison Alexis, to John and Ladonna Goble of Prestonsburg.

February 22: A daughter, Mollie Grace, to Regina and Keith Parsons of Allen; a daughter, Faith Lynn, to Andrea and George Thornsby Jr. of Prestonsburg; a son, Dalton Wayne Oney, to Angela Ann Billiter, of Hager Hill.

BIRTHDAYS



Sixth birthday

Michael Marsillett, son of Diana Marsillett and Michael Clark, of West Prestonsburg, celebrated his sixth birthday on February 26 at his home. He is the maternal grandson of Dud and Ellen Marsillett of West Prestonsburg and paternal grandparents are Stanley and Janie Jervis of Prestonsburg and Joe and Pam Clark of Prestonsburg.



Third birthday

Blake Lemaster celebrated his third birthday at home with family and friends on February 23. His parents are Jason and Lisa LeMaster of Auxier. He is the paternal grandson of Ron and Jean Lemaster of Prestonsburg, and the maternal grandson of Larry and Diana Goble of Auxier.



Lucas Hamilton

Lucas celebrates fourth birthday

Lucas Donovan Blake, son of Don and Michelle Hamilton, celebrated his fourth birthday, recently.

He is the grandson of Elmer and Thelma Hamilton and Kermit and Priscilla Newsome; great-grandson of Victor and Mildred Osborne, and Nellie Newsome.

Lucas celebrated his birthday, Saturday, February 13, at Pizza Hut.

Guests attending included Shellie, Kyle, Dawn and Dillon Hamilton, Chelsea, Bethany, Brooklyn, and Leslie Newsome, Charlie Ward, Nicholas, Sasha, Jeremy, Lisa, Amanda, Victoria, Tiffany Osborne, Katie and Justin, Brandon and Tanner Martin, Dustin, Austin, Shania Burchett, Allie Hall and Scottie Church.

Among the many gifts he received, was a puppy.



Jesse Lafferty

95th birthday is celebrated

Jesse Lafferty celebrated his 95th birthday, January 23, at his home in Allen.

He is the last surviving member of the children of the late William and Sarah Birchfield Lafferty.

Present for the occasion were Maxine Thacker, of Wurtland; Jim, Cindy and Tara Thacker, all of Worthington; Marian, Danny and Christy Adkins of Grayson; Jeanie and Marjorie Hill of Columbus, Ohio; Don and Carol Lafferty, Mike and Freda Cornett and Angie Clifton, all of Clearfield; Lisa and Jacob Hedges of Dry Ridge; Bill, Teresa, Jessica and Justin Snapp and J.R. Logsdon of Berea; Whitney Horn of Lomansville; Dean and Garnet Lafferty, Larry and Debbie Lafferty, Eric David, Cara and Nathan Hall and Valerie Hall, all of Allen.

EXTENSION NEWS

by Theresa Scott
County Extension Agent for Family and Consumer Sciences

SKILLS FOR SOLO PARENTS: SET ROUTINES

Routines can simplify your life and decrease stress.

Routines provide structure and give a sense of security and stability to your children. They take much of the guesswork out of planning for your week. They reduce the number of decisions. Routines can even help your family financially.

Fit routines into the various areas of your home life: What time you get up and go to bed; meal planning and grocery shopping times; homework time; church, club, or sports schedules; bath times; family time; and times for yourself.

Be open to unexpected opportunities. Learn to flow with the unexpected changes that make life so challenging and interesting.

If your work schedule varies from week to week or you work "on call," you'll need to think about "flexible routines." The key is trying to make even flexible routines as "routine" as possible.

You might be surprised at how quickly you can adopt a routine. Here are some examples of routines you may find helpful:

*Pick a family dinner day. Do little things to make it special and fun. Your family will have a special dinner to look forward to each week.

*Have a regular bedtime and wake-up time. This helps ensure proper rest for all family members.

*Plan your meals ahead of time and shop accordingly. Sometimes, just deciding what to have for supper can be frustrating and waste a lot of time.

*Prepare a regular pick up and drop off schedule for your children's school and daily activities. Consistency is important.

*Schedule a daily homework hour for your children. This time will provide an opportunity for you to talk with them about what is going on at school. It will also give you the chance to help your children if they need assistance with their homework.

*Decide when your children can and cannot watch television.

As a single parent, an important part of your routine should be letting your child help out. Children who regularly do chores learn to feel valued and accept responsibility. They also gain self-respect and learn how to master different tasks. Chores should be a regular, expected part of family life, not a punishment.

Give age-appropriate assignments to your child. Don't ask her to perform a chore that she has not been shown how to do or is too young to handle. Very young children can begin by helping you put the toys in the box before going to bed. Even if children haven't begun learning to help early in life, it's never too late to start.

Allow your children to take part in decision making. Divide responsibilities equally and fairly. Compile a short, simple and clear list of who does what. If your child doesn't do his designated tasks, don't do them for him. Decide beforehand as a family what the consequences will be.



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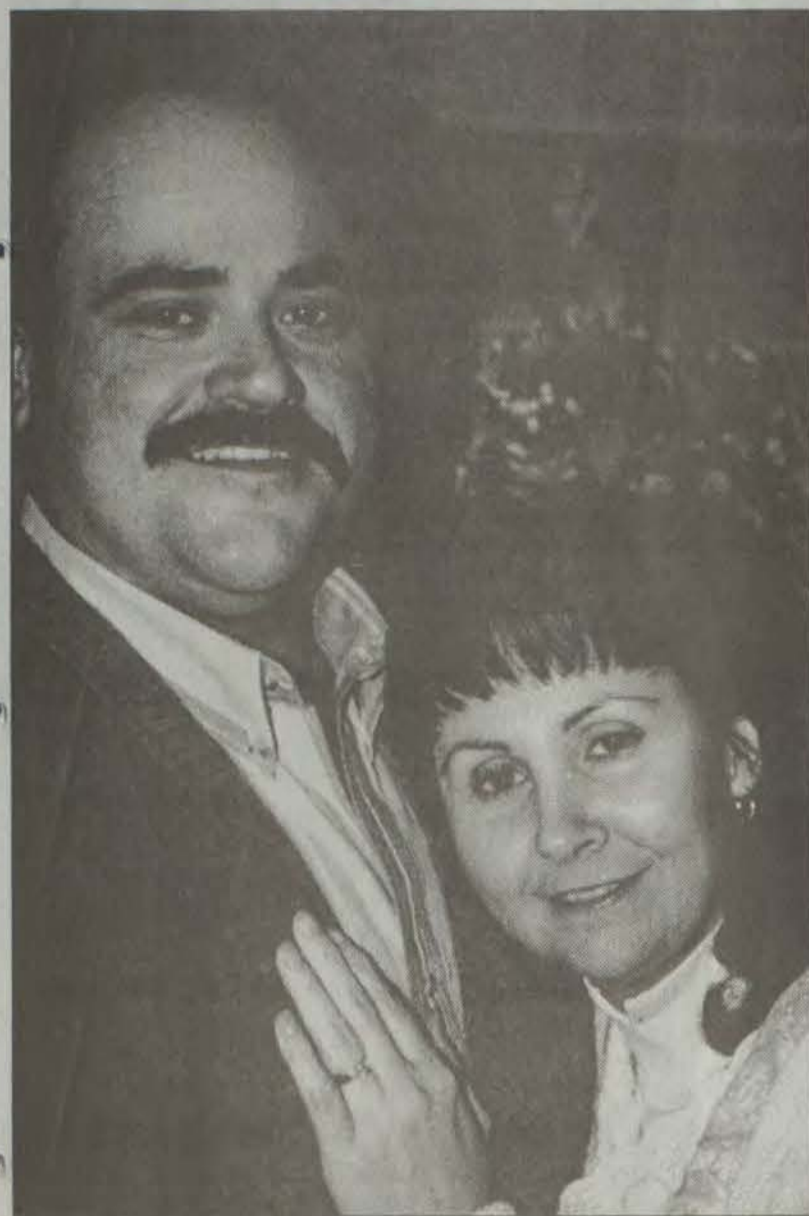
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WEDDINGS/ ENGAGEMENTS



Frasure and Adkins to wed

Matthew Adkins announces the marriage of his mother, Vanessa A. Adkins of Martin, to Barry Frasure of Allen. Barry and Vanessa are both members of Pleasant Home Baptist Church, where the ceremony is being held. The ceremony will be held on March 13 at 2 p.m.



June wedding planned

Ms. Diann Johnson of Allen, announces the engagement and forthcoming marriage of her daughter, Kimberly Ratliff, and Robert Nellipowitz, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Nellipowitz of Hager Hill. Kimberly is the maternal granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Pelphrey of Allen. Robert is the maternal grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Butler of Hager Hill. Miss Ratliff is a recent graduate of Prestonsburg Community College and will be employed with Glenn's in Lexington. Mr. Nellipowitz, is attending the University of Kentucky, majoring in civil engineering, and is employed by Engineering Associates of Lexington. A June wedding is planned.



July wedding planned

Dr. and Mrs. N. Roger Jurich of Paintsville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dara Nichole, to Damman Lee Stepp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Stepp of Lovely. Dara is the granddaughter of Lloyd and Loretta Blackburn of Little Paint and Nick and Levon Jurich of Wilkesboro, North Carolina. She is also the great-granddaughter of Myrtle Burchett of Auxier Road. Damman is the grandson of Martha McCoy of Beauty, and the late Robert McCoy. He is also the grandson of the late James and Polly Stepp. The wedding will take place on July 17 at 4:30 p.m. in the Mayo United Methodist Church of Paintsville.



SMALL WORLD

by Aileen Hall

THE ROLES WE PLAY

I wrote a column once about having trouble with my hearing that caused me to go see a doctor. He removed some wax from my ears and that cured the problem, but my daughter was embarrassed. She said, "For crying out loud, Mother, did you have to write about your ears?"

I couldn't very well write about the snows of Kilimanjaro when I haven't even been there. I have to write about the things I know, have experienced or can imagine, and I knew about my ears. Besides, I could have done worse.

In my role as postmaster, I had a lady who would call from time to time to ask some question about her mail service. What she really called about was to tell me what was hurting at the time. I won't use her real name, but when I said, "Hello, Mrs. Blank, how are you today?" she would proceed to tell me. She would either have a bladder infection, a pain in her back, or a hurting in her shoulder she thought was arthritis.

I could have quoted her postage rates and fees or explained what forms were needed for international mail, but I wasn't equipped to give medical advice. It was difficult even having time to sympathize, for she usually called when I was busiest—writing money orders, selling stamps, distributing mail to the boxes or doing reports. There was almost always a customer waiting for some service, and so I learned to say, "Hello, Mrs. Blank, what can I do for you today?"

Of course when I came home after work, my role would change and I became whatever was needed of me. I was cook, laundress, chauffeur, shopper, overseer, doctor, nurse... If Mrs. Blank had called when I was wearing my stethoscope, I might have suggested something for her bladder, but she only called me at the post office. (If anyone in the AMA reads this, I'm only kidding.)

In looking back, it seems a good

part of my time at home has been spent in "doctoring." In raising two children and helping with five grandchildren, I've had to cope with colic and teething, measles, mumps, chickenpox, earaches and nosebleeds. I've kissed skinned knees, removed splinters, bandaged cuts and treated bee stings. I've had to seek professional help many times, but I did recognize the symptoms of appendicitis, a broken bone and pneumonia.

Children do grow up and move out, but husbands usually stay. When some men get sick, they think their ailments are the worst of all—and sometimes they are. I've had to learn to read a thermometer, check the pulse rate and do a blood pressure reading. I've determined when a heating pad or ice pack was needed, or when it was better to simply apply a cool, damp cloth to the head. I've learned to dispense chicken soup, hot tea and fruit juices, and I can usually tell when bed rest is the best medicine.

If someone gave a test on these skills, I'm almost sure I would make a passing grade and maybe even qualify for a certificate approving me as a primary care giver. But of course not everybody feels as confident about that as I do.

My husband had been nursing a cold for a few days and his doctor prescribed something to relieve a cough. But sometimes he seemed reluctant to take it.

He started coughing once at midnight and it was keeping me awake. My instincts told me he needed the cough syrup and, almost without thinking, I got out of bed to get the medication. But when I offered it to him, he said, "I don't want that."

"Aw, come on," I said. "You need to take it."

He opened one eye and asked, "Where did you get your medical degree?"

My overseer role kicked in, and he probably doesn't know yet how near he came to taking it, spoon and all.

Briefs

(Continued from page one)

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March of Dimes

The March of Dimes Walk America is slated for April 25 at the Mountain Home Place in Johnson County. Signups are being taken now for the tri-county fund raiser. Refreshments will be served and prizes awarded. For information, contact Angie Castle or Michelle Baker at 606/789-2590.

Mud Creek Clinic

A Social Security representative will visit the Mud Creek Clinic each Tuesday during the month of March.

The representative will be in the clinic to assist people in filing Social Security claims and appeals.

People can also apply for Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Black Lung and Social Security numbers. You can also pick up booklets on Social Security and get questions answered.

DAR meeting

John Graham DAR Chapter along with Pikeville and Harman Station Chapters will hold a joint luncheon-business meeting Saturday, March 13, at 11:30 a.m. at Dining Room #2, May Lodge. Guest speaker will be State DAR School Chairman Barbara C. Pugh.

JCHS class reunion

Johnson Central High School, Class of 1980 has scheduled a meeting at the Paintsville Public Library for Thursday, March 4, at 6 p.m. to discuss their Year 2000 reunion.

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Future business leaders of America

by Jessica Hopkins
PHS student

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FBLA at Prestonsburg High School has been active for 11 years. Through the years the club has been involved in many community services, school projects, and competitions.

Club sponsor, Judy Combs, along with officers attended an all-day officer training workshop at Morehead State University, on September 26. Officers attending were Jessica Hopkins, president; Josh Ratliff, vice president; Angel Stephens, secretary; Saleha Badrudduja, treasurer; Jodie Hall, reporter; Shawna Leslie, historian; and Eric Fleming, parliamentarian. Advisory committee members Staci Prater, Joy Wells, Andrea Fleming, and Phillip Webb also attended. This training taught the

students how to conduct meetings and act in a businesslike manner.

In the spring, the students will again visit Morehead State University for the FBLA Region V Leadership Conference. At the conference, individual members of the club compete in such events as keyboarding, word processing, public speaking, business law, and many other events that are related to the business classes we take in school. The top three regional winners advance to the state FBLA Conference in Louisville in May.

Business Briefs

A.G. Edwards takes No. 1 ranking for asset allocation in 1998

The financial markets of 1998 created a bumpy ride for investors, but A.G. Edwards' recommended blend of investments helped investors smooth out some of those bumps in the road, according to a recent asset allocation survey of major brokerage firms.

As reported in the Feb. 3 issue of The Wall Street Journal, the latest investment study conducted by Wilshire Associates and Carpenter Analytical Services gave A.G. Edwards the No. 1 ranking for its asset allocation strategy during 1998. Asset allocation refers to an investment firm's recommended blend of stocks, bonds and cash.

Advantage care board names new CEO

Peter M. Ebner, CPA has been named chief executive officer of Advantage Care by its board of directors. Ebner replaces Jeffrey P. Johnson who left Advantage Care to pursue personal interests.

Advantage Care is a managed-care health plan based in Lexington.

This announcement comes shortly after PhyCor Inc., a publicly traded, national practice management company managing over 1.5 million members, purchased 50 percent of the company's stock from the Lexington Clinic, PSC. The Lexington Clinic, a 180-physician multi-specialty group practice, continues to own the remaining 50 percent of the stock.

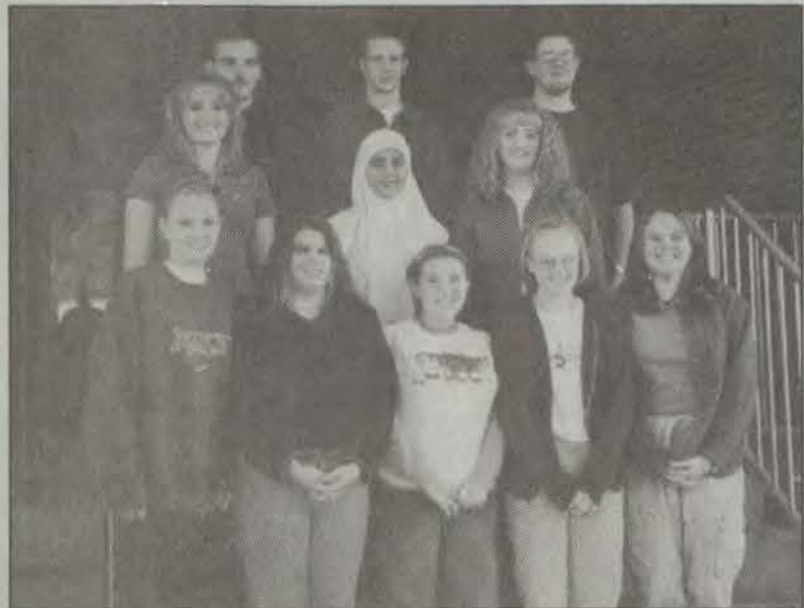
Kentucky Farm Bureau insurance top rated

Kentucky Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company has again received the highest rating possible, A++, from America's foremost insurance rating service, the A.M. Best Company. This is the ninth consecutive year for Kentucky Farm Bureau Insurance to receive this honor; only four percent of the insurance companies receive this rating.

According to A.M. Best, the rating reflects the company's superior financial strength, excellent operating results and dominant personal lines market presence in Kentucky.

Firststar makes the Wall Street Journal's special honor roll for shareholder return

Firststar Corporation (NYSE:FSR) has been named to The Wall Street Journal's "Shareholder Scoreboard" Honor Roll for outstanding total return to investors and was the only bank to make the exclusive list. This is the second consecutive year Firststar has been named to the Honor Roll. To make the Honor Roll, Firststar achieved an "A" rating for the past one-, three-, five- and ten-years in the area of total return to investors. To receive an "A" rating a company's stock had to rank in the top 20 percent of the 1,000 companies included in the Shareholder Scoreboard, as of December 31.



Officers of the FBLA at Prestonsburg High School are, first row from left, Jodie Hall, Joy Wells, Jessica Hopkins, Staci Prater, and Shawna Leslie; second row, Andrea Fleming, Saleha Badrudduja, and Angel Stephens; and third row, Eric Fleming, Josh Ratliff and Phillip Webb.

CHAMBER NOTES

"Business Helping Business"

What a busy week! Monday ushered in some winter weather, along with a hectic Chamber schedule. Top of the list was to work with computer whiz Carl Lafferty on updating our web site. This is a massive task which requires patience, concentration, technical ability, and a certain amount of good common sense, all of which Carl has in abundance. When the work is complete, Chamber members in good standing (those who have paid their dues since January 1, 1999) will be listed categorically and alphabetically. Their E-mail addresses, web pages, and other pertinent information will pop up in blue. Easy access! Think of the Chamber as your agent, your representative, your link to the business market. Check us out at www.floydchamber.com.

On Wednesday, LJ Productions filmed The Chamber Show, with guests, O. Sam Blankenship of Edward Jones Investment; Leigh Ann Maynard, McDowell ARH; and Anne Chaney, Big Sandy ADD.

The show airs on Fridays at 10:00 a.m. and various other times on Channel 7 cable TV. Efforts are underway to broadcast the show out in the county via WPRG cable TV, channel 5.

If you are a "straggler" and have not yet joined the Chamber, you can look for the membership committee to be out in full force to recruit you in March. To ward off these aggressive people, you can call the office at (606) 886-0364, or see membership committee co-chairs Trent Nairn and Allen Bolling to get in on the action!

Communication is the key to success in any venture. The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce is calling you to communicate with us concerning your needs for your business and the community at large. We are reaching out to you with The Chamber Show, the monthly newsletter, Business After Hours, and this weekly news column.

See you, same place, same time, next week. Stay in touch!

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ABBOTT CREEK—Well-maintained 3-bedroom, 1.5-bath brick home with 2-car garage. Features include a family room, central heat & air, new septic, Buck stove, double pane wood windows and (2) Atrium doors. Call Hansel for details or appt. to view! \$89,900. W-1153



MAPLEWOOD VILLAGE (Banner)—\$93,500. Very nice 2-story, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living-dining combo, and utility room. Features include an equipped kitchen, (2) heat pumps, new aerator system installed in December '98, vinyl and brick exterior, chain-link fencing and blacktop drive. 0.70-acre in good neighborhood. G-00151

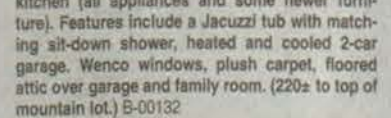


SALLY STEPHENS BRANCH—3-bedroom, 1.5-bath home with 3 1/2-year-old shingle roof, birch kitchen cabinets, 8x20 porch, plus extra lot. 7.5+ acres (200x50+ flat). L-00150

Sarah Frances Cooley
Broker



COPPERAS LICK (Abbott Creek)—\$139,900. Lovely 2-story, 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths with cherry kitchen (all appliances and some newer furniture). Features include a Jacuzzi tub with matching sit-down shower, heated and cooled 2-car garage. Wenco windows, plush carpet, floored attic over garage and family room. (220± to top of mountain lot.) B-00132



U.S. 23 & ROUTE 80 INTERSECTION—Commercial/Residential. Spacious 2-story brick home situated on 40+ acres prime commercial property. The home features 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, Buck stove, 2 cherry kitchens and more! Perfect location for a Bed & Bath Inn. H-00143



PRESTONSBURG—Older 1.5-story, 3-bedroom home in Lancer. Offers city amenities and convenient location, plus 2 extra building lots. Call Hansel for details. S-00115



Gearhart Communications donated \$10,000 to the Bobcat Football Boosters to assist in the building of a weight room. P.D. Gearheart, representing Gearhart Communications, recently presented the donation to Margaret Vaughn, principal at Betsy Layne High School; and Ted George, head football coach at the school.

Highlands Regional Medical Center diabetes education program merits ADA recognition

Highlands Regional Medical Center's Diabetes Patient Education Program in Prestonsburg, has been awarded continued recognition from the American Diabetes Association. The program was originally recognized in November of 1994. The ADA believes that this program offers high-quality diabetes education which is an essential component of effective diabetes treatment.

The ADA Recognition effort, begun in the fall of 1986, is a voluntary process which assures that approved education programs have met the National Standards for Diabetes Self-Management Education Programs. Programs that achieve recognition status have a staff of knowledgeable health professionals who can provide state-of-the-art information about diabetes management for participants.

Patient education is an essential component of diabetes treatment.

One consequence of compliance with the National Standards is the greater consistency in the quality and quantity of education offered to people with diabetes. The participant in an ADA Recognized program will be taught, as needed, self-care skills that will promote better management of his or her diabetes treatment regimen.

All approved education programs cover the following topics as needed: diabetes overview; stress and psycho social adjustment; family involvement and social support; nutrition; exercise and activity; medications; monitoring and use of results; relationships among nutrition; exercise, medication, and blood glucose levels; prevention, detection, and treatment of acute and chronic complications; foot, skin, and dental care; behavior change strategies, goal setting, risk factor reduction, and problem solving; benefits, risks and manage-

ment options for improving glucose control; preconception care, pregnancy, and gestational diabetes; and use of health care systems and community resources.

Assuring high-quality education for self-care is one of the primary goals of the Education Recognition Program. For more information, contact Terri Stone, RN, MSN, certified diabetes educator at Highlands Regional Medical Center, 606/886-7590.

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TRIMBLE BRANCH—In-town location says it all! 3 bdrms., 2 baths, walking distance to grade school and town! Must see. D-103297



KY. 321—Commercial. Great location less than 1/2-mile to Highlands Regional Medical Center! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large lot. Adjoining property available. P-103212



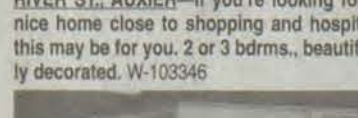
MAYS BRANCH—Beautiful cedar sided A-frame. 3 bedrooms, 1 bath. Private, but minutes from town. 3-1/2 acres. M-103347



RIVER ST., AUXIER—If you're looking for a nice home close to shopping and hospital, this may be for you. 2 or 3 bdrms., beautifuly decorated. W-103346



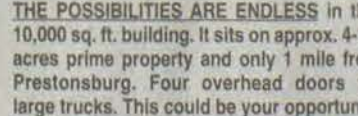
SAM HALE BRANCH—Beautiful brick family home with over 2,000 sq. ft., 3 bdrms., 2-1/2 baths, nice family room with fireplace. Large 1-acre lot. 5 minutes from town. Home Warranty. \$119,000. S-103355



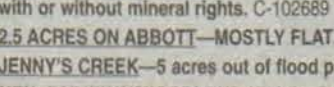
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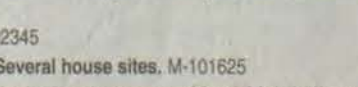
SHORT BRANCH, ABBOTT—Own your own hollow with approximately 200 acres. Can buy with or without mineral rights. C-102689



2.5 ACRES ON ABBOTT—MOSTLY FLAT. S-102345



JENNY'S CREEK—5 acres out of flood plain. Several house sites. M-101625



MTN. PARKWAY/WOODLAND HILLS—Convenient, close to town, residential lot. 1.55 acres. \$19,900. L-102661

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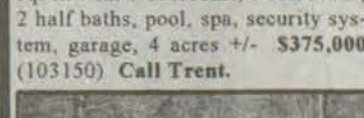
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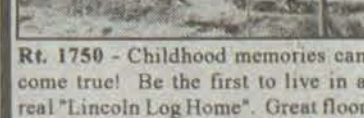
ALLEN - 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, home office, oak floors and staircase, kitchenette in basement, 2 car garage, 1/2 acre lot +/-, lots of closets, covered back patio, security system, and much more! \$114,500 (103361) Call Michelle.



ABBOTT CREEK - This 2 year old duplex has great investment potential. Each unit has 3 bedrooms and 1 bath, and Heat Pump. \$92,000 (103230) Call Jerry (Agent owned)



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For Sale

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FOR SALE: 3 BR house, 1/2 acre lot. Right Fork Bull Creek. 886-2818.

FOR SALE: 2 story log home under construction. 3 BR, 2 bath, loft over looking family room, 1,960 sq. ft. You can pick floor covering. Rt. 1750 at Bonanza. \$120,000. 886-9048 after 6 pm.

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COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT CIVIL ACTION NO. 98-CI-00609

Adams Construction Corporation Plaintiff

vs. Notice of Commissioner's Sale

Upper Elkhorn Coal Company, Incorporated; Karen Davis and Bobby Davis, her husband; Marsha Newsome; Bambi Todd and Unknown Spouse; Leasepac Corporation; Lakeview Associates, a neighborhood association, and Floyd County, Kentucky Defendants

By virtue of Judgment and order of sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 17th day of December, 1998, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled cause, for the sum of One Hundred Thousand (\$100,000.00), plus interest from September 21, 1978, against the interest of Marshall Clubb, and for the sum of Thirty-Two Thousand Six Hundred Eight Dollars and Seventy-Four Cents (\$32,680.74), plus interest from September 21, 1978, against the interest of Marshall Clubb and Upper Elkhorn Coal Company, Incorporated, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 4th day of March, 1999, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described property, lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Being Lot #78 in the Dewey Lakeview, Inc., Subdivision as shown by Plat or Map on file in the Office of the Floyd County Clerk's Office to which reference is hereby made for a more and complete accurate description.

For reference see deed from Peter C. Buffington, et al. to Marshall Clubb and William Harvey Johnson, partners, d/b/a Clubb & Johnson Coal Company, dated July 31, 1974, as recorded in Deed Book 217, Page 418, in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office. Also see deed from W.H. Johnson, Administrator, et al. to Upper Elkhorn Coal Company, Inc., dated November 4, 1982, as recorded in Deed Book 264, Page 483, in the same office.

The property hereinabove described cannot be divided without materially impairing its value, and therefore will be sold by the Master Commissioner of the Court with the proceeds therefrom to be applied to the satisfaction of the liens of the parties. The Court specifically reserves all determinations of priority which will be dealt with in an Order of Distribution.

The property hereinabove described shall be sold by the Master Commissioner as more particularly set forth in order to satisfy the debt owed Plaintiff, interest and fees owed by the Defendants, jointly and severally.

Terms of Sale: (a) At the time of the sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or make a cash deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price, with the balance on credit for sixty (60) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all real property taxes for the fiscal year of 1999, which are not yet due and payable, and any prior years which taxes are due and owing, and all subsequent years.

Any announcement made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein. This the 10th day of February, 1999

William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812

Certificate of Service This is to certify that the original was forwarded to Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, with true and correct copies of the foregoing duly mailed, postage prepaid, this the 10th day of February, 1999 to:

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COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 1 CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-CI-00852

Wecie Allen Plaintiff

vs. Notice of Commissioner's Sale

Icie Smith; Leland Tackett; Forest Tackett, Jr.; Mary L. Tackett; Paula Tackett Dignan; Clarence England; Christina Clifton; Cathy Hill and Jim O'Dell Defendants

By virtue of Order of sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 6th day of October, 1997, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled cause, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 4th day of March, 1999, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described property, lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Tract I Being Lots Nos. 9, 10, & 11 in Block One (1) of the Hall Addition to Town of Royal Elkhorn now McDowell, Ky., (Incorporated). For a more definite description on lots Nos. 9, 10 and 11 see Deed Book No. 57, Page 23, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Being the same property conveyed to Jerry Tackett from Nancy Jane Tackett, Glora Tackett, Claudia Tackett, Marvin Tackett, Frances Tackett, Kelly Hobbs, Cassia Hobbs, O.E. Blanton, Letha Blanton, Shade Tackett, Sarah Tackett, Alvin Hall, Dixie Hall, Creed Tackett, Virgie Tackett, Zack Little, Carria Little, Sallie Hudson, Cloa Hudson, Denver Tackett, Weeks Tackett, Avis Tackett, Gleena Tackett & Forest Tackett by deed recorded in Deed Book 106, Page 226, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Tract II Being Lot #8 in block number 1 in the corporation of McDowell, KY adjoining Beverly Hall's property. Being the same property conveyed to Jerry Tackett from Susana Johnson by deed recorded in Deed Book 106, Page 213, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Further reference is made to Affidavit of Decent of Ann England Tackett, recorded in Deed Book 409, Page 459, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Being the same property conveyed by Clifford England, et al., by deed dated the ___ day of July, 1995, recorded in Deed Book 429, Page 104. The property hereinabove described cannot be divided without materially impairing its value and therefore will be sold by the Master Commissioner of the Court as a whole with the proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out hereinbelow.

Further reference is made to Affidavit of Decent of Ann England Tackett, recorded in Deed Book 409, Page 459, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Being the same property conveyed by Clifford England, et al., by deed dated the ___ day of July, 1995, recorded in Deed Book 429, Page 104.

The property hereinabove described cannot be divided without materially impairing its value and therefore will be sold by the Master Commissioner of the Court as a whole with the proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out hereinbelow.

The property hereinabove described shall be sold by the Master Commissioner as more particularly set forth. 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 the sale, real estate taxes, including interest, costs and attorney fees owned by the parties, jointly and severally.

The liens herein adjudged shall attach to the proceeds of said sale of the real estate in priority as follows:

(1) Floyd County, Kentucky, delinquent ad valorem taxes, if any, and current 1998 taxes which are due and payable as of November 1, 1998.

(2) Reimbursement to Plaintiff for payment of 1995, 1996, and 1997 Floyd County property tax bills on the subject property, and for the filing fees, Warning Order Attorney fee and Certified Mail fees for said action, said bills and fees totaling \$493.27; and (3) Plaintiff's attorney fee in the amount of \$750.00.

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder shall either pay cash or make a cash deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum.

(b) successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(c) Upon default of said deposit or posting of bond by the purchaser, the Commissioner shall immediately resell the property upon the same terms and conditions set out herein.

(d) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530. Plaintiffs reserve right to later claim sums expended per KRS 426.525, others costs and levies.

(e) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all real property taxes for the fiscal year 1999, and any prior years for which taxes are due and owing, and all subsequent years.

(f) In the event the successful bidder or bidders is a party or parties to this action, which or who have been adjudged to have a lien on any of the property bid upon, then and in such event, said party or parties shall not be required to make any cash deposit or bond.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein. This the 10th day of February, 1999.

William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812

Certificate of Service This is to certify that the original was forwarded to Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, with true and correct copies of the foregoing duly mailed, postage prepaid, this the 10th day of February, 1999. to:

Hon. Gregory Stumbo P.O. Box 511 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Forrest Tackett 27038 Grobbill Drive Warren, MI 48092

Micky Clifton 17830 Evergreen Clintontownship, MI 48092

Leland Tackett 29039 Grobbill Drive Warren, MI 48092

Paul Tackett Dignan 2 Maple Street South Paris, Maine 04821

Hon. Julie Paxton P.O. Box 31 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Christina Clifton 17830 Evergreen Clintontownship, MI 48035

Icie and Ray Smith P.O. Box 41 Allardt, TN 38504

Mary L. Tackett 28039 Grobbill Drive Warren, MI 48092

Clarence England Wheelwright, KY 41669

Cathy Hill 1546 Bermuda Place Cincinnati, OH 45201

William S. Kendrick Floyd County Master Commissioner

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Pursuant to Application No. 836-0164

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Southern Hills Mining Co., Inc., Box 730, Hindman, Kentucky 41822, has applied for Phase II Bond release on Increment 1 of permit #836-0164, which was last issued on 1/25/93. The application covers an area of approximately 83.31 acres located 1.13 miles northeast of Drift in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.5 mile east from County Road 1101's junction with Stonecoal Branch Road and located 1.17 north-east of Frozen Creek. The latitude is 37°29'45". The longitude is 82°44'18".

The bond now in effect for Increment 1 is a surety bond in the amount of \$141,600.00, approximately 25% of the original bond amount of 141,600.00 is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed to date includes: backfilling and grading; fertilizing, seeding, mulching, and tree planting completed January, 1998; and the establishment of an adequate vegetative cover.

Written comments, objections or requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, US 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 by April 2, 1999.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for April 5, 1999, at 1:00 p.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive., Kentucky 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no requests for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 2, 1999.

This is the final advertisement of the application.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE
In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (606-886-2330) intends to apply for Phase II Bond Release for Increments No. 1, and Phase II and III Bond releases for Increment No. 2 on permit No. 836-5116 which was last issued on Sept. 18, 1998. Increment No. 1 covers an area of approximately 540.72 acres, and Increment covers an area of 0.50 acres. The operation is located approximately 2.3 miles south of Langley in Floyd County.

The permit area is 0.6 miles south of KY 777's intersection with the Hayes Branch Road. The latitude is 37°27'49" and the longitude is 82°47'01", and is located on the Martin and Wayland 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle maps.

The performance bond (Surety) currently in affect, and the original bond for the increments are as follows:
Inc. No. Current Original
1 \$26,900.00
2 \$29,600.00
2 \$500.00 \$500.00

100% of the original bond amounts are included in this request for release for Increment No. 2, and approximately 80% of the original bond amount is included in this request for Increment No. 1.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling, and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in Fall 1996. Results thus far achieved include: for Increment No. 1, establishment of vegetation in accordance with the approved post mining land use plan; for Increment No. 2, establishment of the post mining land use plan which is residential.

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 Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601 by April 2, 1999.

A hearing date for this bond release request has been set for April 4, 1999 at 1:00 p.m. at the

Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 2, 1999.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a hearing must be received by the Director, Division of Field Services by April 2, 1999.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CIVIL ACTION NO. 98-CI-00343

Industry Mortgage Company, L.P. Plaintiff

vs. Notice of Commissioner's Sale

Sharon Rose Elaine Parker, The unknown spouse of Sharon Rose Elaine Parker, Kentucky Finance Co., Inc., Commonwealth of Kentucky, County of Floyd, By and on behalf of Margaret Handmaker, Secretary of Revenue Defendants

By virtue of Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 22nd day of December, 1998, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled cause, for the principal sum of \$26,952.96, together with accrued interest thereon at the Note rate until paid, for any late charges which have accrued; and for the Plaintiff's costs expended, plus its attorney fee in the sum of \$2,500.00, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 11th day of March, 1999, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described property, lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, to-wit:

A tract or parcel of land lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky on Otter Creek of Left Beaver in the town of Wheelwright and being lot two hundred six (206) including the building and the appurtenances thereunto belonging located on said lot or parcel of land of the Wheelwright subdivision as shown by the map or plat in file number 348, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Being the same property conveyed to Sharon Rose Elaine Parker from Dunbar Scott by deed dated September 14, 1988,

and recorded in deed book 389 and page 692 in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

The property hereinabove described cannot be divided without materially impairing its value or the Plaintiff's interest and therefore will be sold as a whole by the Master Commissioner of the Court with the proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out hereinbelow.

The property hereinabove described shall be sold by the Master Commissioner as more particularly set forth in order to satisfy the debt owed Plaintiff, Industry Mortgage Company, L.P., interest, costs and attorney fees owed by the Defendants, jointly and severally.

The liens herein adjudged shall attach to the proceeds of said sale of the real estate in priority as follows:

Industry Mortgage Company, L.P., is adjudged to have a first and prior mortgage lien (subject only to any appropriate liens of Commonwealth of Kentucky, County of Floyd) upon the hereinabove described real property.

Proceeds of the sale, after payment of court costs, expenses of sale, and delinquent ad valorem taxes, and sewer assessments, if any, shall be held by the Master Commissioner subject to further orders of this Court.

Terms of Sale: (a) Purchaser shall be required to pay the sum of 10% of the bid price down in cash at the time of sale or file sufficient bond with the Master Commissioner.

(b) The balance thereof on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of 12% per annum.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all real property taxes assessed for the tax year 1998 and all subsequent years.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to execute a bond or bonds with sufficient sureties thereon, which shall have the force and effect of judgment in order to secure the payment of the balance of the purchase price and said bond shall constitute a lien on said property until paid.

(e) Any purchaser shall have the privilege of paying all or any part of the purchase price or paying said bond or bonds before maturity by paying the balance of principal, together with accrued interest thereon.

(f) Upon default of said deposit or posting of bond by the purchaser, the Master Commissioner shall immediately resell the property upon the same terms and conditions set out herein.

(g) In the event the successful bidder is the Plaintiff or its rep-

resentatives, then, and in that event, said party shall not be required to make any cash deposit or bond; and Plaintiff shall be entitled to take a credit on any bid it may make up to the amount of its judgment herein.

(h) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

Any announcements made on date of sale takes precedence over printed matter contained herein.

This the 12th day of February, 1999

William S. Kendrick P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812

Certificate of Service This is to certify that the original was forwarded to Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, with true and correct copies of the foregoing duly mailed, postage prepaid, this the 12th day of February, 1999 to:

Hon. Rick Bartley P.O. Box 1258 Pikeville, KY 41502

Hon Keith Bartley Floyd County Attorney P.O. Box 1000 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Hon. Noel M. Botts Andrews and Associates 333 West Vine Street, 16th St. P.O. Box 1179 Lexington, KY 40588-1179

Kentucky Finance Company, Inc. The Prentice-Hall Corporation System 421 West Main Street Frankfort, KY 40601

Hon. Philip D. Damron No. 53, College Lane P.O. Box 107 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application #836-5351, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.55, notice is hereby given that Lodestar Energy, Inc., 251 Tollage Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501 has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 4 miles southwest of Honaker in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 4.23 surface acres and will underlie 170.0 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 174.23 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 3 miles southwest

from KY 2030's junction with KY 1426 and located approximately 0.10 miles east of Upper Wolfpen Branch. The latitude is 37°28'14". The Longitude is 82°42'09".

The proposed facility is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Emmett Lawson. The operation will underlie land owned by Emmet Lawson and Elkhorn Coal Corporation.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Abbott Engineering, Inc. has immediate openings for surface and underground rodmen. Applicants should have current training certifications required by the state. The company also has openings for permit technician assistants, must be familiar with transfers, renewals, MPA-01, bond releases, track advertisements and verify their accuracy. An excellent benefit package is provided with health and 401-K.

Applications may be picked up at the Prestonsburg office or resumes may be faxed to (606) 886-6986 or mailed to 3073 KY Rt 321, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Lodestar Energy, Inc., 251 Tollage Creek, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501 has applied for a Phase II bond release on Increment #1 of permit number 898-0284 which was last issued on January 12, 1995. The application covers an area of approximately 70.50 acres located 5.7 miles southwest of Pikeville, KY in Pike and Floyd Counties.

The permit is approximately 4.2 miles southwest from Pike 1289's junction with KY Route 1426 and located 1.1 miles south of Island Creek. The latitude is 37°25'04". The longitude is 82°36'17".

The bond now in effect for Increment #1 is a surety bond in the amount of one hundred nine thousand three hundred fifteen dollars (\$109,315.00). Approximately twenty-

five percent (25%) of the original bond amount of two hundred forty-two thousand nine hundred dollars (\$242,900.00) is included in this application for release.

Reclamation work performed includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding and mulching completed in the Fall of 1991.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by April 23, 1999.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for April 26, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office located at 109 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. The hearing will be canceled if no requests for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 23, 1999.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntington District, by this Notice of Availability (NOA), advises the public that the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) for the Sally Stevens Branch Wastewater Treatment System Project, is complete and available for public review. The project is located in Floyd

County, Kentucky. A Finding Of No Signification Impact (FONSI) is anticipated for the proposed project. A Draft FONSI is included with the DEA for public review.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and 40 CFR 1501.4, the DEA and draft FONSI must be available to the publics in the affected area for thirty (30) days for review and comment. Final determination regarding the need for additional NEPA documentation will be made after the public review period, which begins on or about February 19, 1999. Copies of the documents may be viewed at the following locations:

Office of the Mayor 90 North Lake Drive Prestonsburg, Kentucky

Floyd County Chamber of Commerce 245 North Lake Drive Prestonsburg, Kentucky

Floyd County Public Library 53 North Arnold Avenue Prestonsburg, Kentucky

Copies of the DEA and draft FONSI may be obtained by contacting the Huntington District Office of the Corps of Engineers at 304-529-5712. Comments pertaining to the documents should be directed by letter to: A. Benjamin Borda, Jr., Chief Environmental Analysis Branch, Planning Division

Huntington District Corps of Engineers 502 Eighth Street Huntington, West Virginia 25701-2070

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 877-0159, Amendment No. 2

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Branham & Baker Coal Company, Inc., P.O. Box 271, 148 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation in both Magoffin and Floyd County. The amendment will also 435.44 acres of surface disturbance making a total of 1,178.48

acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.60 miles east from Brushy Fork Road's junction with KY Route 7 and located on Brushy Fork and Open Fork. The latitude is 37°33'55". The longitude is 82°55'12".

The proposed amendment area is located on the David U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Luther Shepherd, David L. Francis, Branham & Baker Coal Company, Inc., et.al., John Henry Shepherd, Edgar Fleming, Norman Osborne, Kelley Hale Heirs, Branham & Baker Coal Company,

Inc., and Loretta Newsome, et.al., Johnny and Claudette Miller, and David L. Francis, et. al. The operation will use the mountaintop removal method of surface mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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