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Three arrested in busy weekend for KSP

by RANDELL RENO STAFF WRITER

Kentucky State Police Detective Terry Thompson brought charges against Rodney Clyde Bates Friday afternoon for the Sunday May 7 alleged attempted burglary of a Hi Hat man.

Bates and two other unknown men were allegedly attempting to burglarize a vehicle belonging to Rodney Johnson of Hi Hat when Johnson pulled up in another vehicle.

Bates was shot three times in the incident by Johnson and was transported to the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center for treatment.

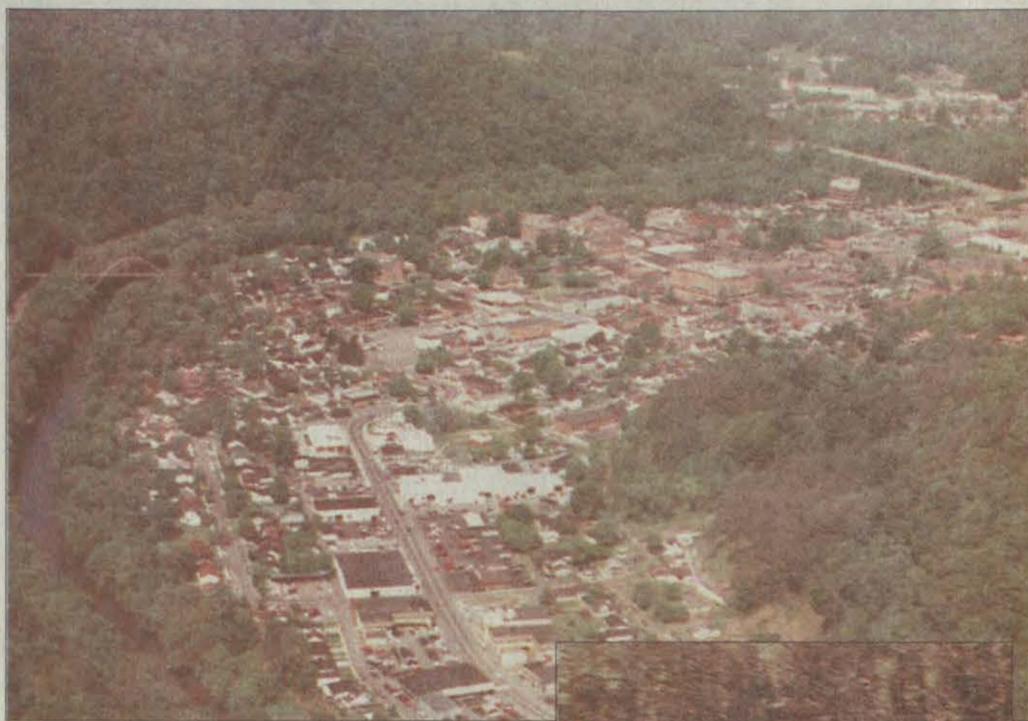
Thompson cited Bates with attempt to commit murder for allegedly trying to run over Johnson with his own vehicle. He was also charged with auto theft.

Thompson is continuing his investigation into the incident.

Trooper Michael Todd Kidd arrested a Prestonsburg man for possession of counterfeit money, three separate terroristic threatening charges

(See ARRESTS, page two)

Up, up and away...



photos by Willie Elliott

Students in Larry Short's physics class at Prestonsburg High School who scored higher than 70 percent on an aviation unit were given the chance to see those principles in action, as well as see a stunning aerial view of the surrounding area (above). The students were taken skyward in a small plane at Combs Airport (right) and were given the chance to try out a few aerial maneuvers.

High-flying learning fun



Commercial pilot Carolyn Short Reisz — Larry's daughter — gives students pre-flight instructions in preparation for take-off.

by WILLIE ELLIOTT STAFF WRITER

Sometimes a little extra incentive goes a long way to encourage students to achieve at a high level. Prestonsburg High School physics instructor Larry Short understands this concept.

Near the end of the school year, Short teaches a unit on aviation in his physics class. He tells the students he will let them experience flying an airplane if they will attain at least 70 percent on the unit test on aviation.

The 70 percent may seem low, but the students emphatically say it is a tough unit and that a score of anything above that is something to proud of.

On Monday 13 students — Lois Rogers, Crystal Patton, Jennifer Shepherd, Maranda Sturgill, Jeremy Turner, Jason Burchett, Hank Mullins, Meredith Jarvis, Terry Dotson, Margaret Damron and Alvin Reed — were rewarded for meeting Short's challenge. Short has been offering this challenge for about six years.

The students met at the Combs Airport where Short and his daughter Carolyn Short Reisz, a commercial pilot for American Airlines, took the students on a tour around the city of Prestonsburg. Students had the option of performing flying maneuvers while on the flight.

(See FLIGHT, page two)

Victim's son arrested after run-in with suspect

by RANDELL RENO STAFF WRITER

The Prestonsburg Police Department received a Sunday afternoon call reporting that a Prestonsburg man was about to exact revenge on the man who allegedly killed his father.

Dispatchers reported that Henry Clifton Jr., the 30-year-old son of Henry Clifton, was said to be on his way to kill Ernest "Bucky" Collins, who was located at his ex-wife's residence.

Kentucky State Police Trooper Anthony Taulbee met with Prestonsburg Police Officers at the Jenny Wiley Village where they found Clifton, who had not yet made any attempt to fire on Collins. A .380 caliber semi automatic LORCIN hand gun was found with Clifton.

Taulbee arrested Clifton, charging...

(See CHARGES, page two)

Threat could land inmate more jail time

by RANDELL RENO STAFF WRITER

An Indiana inmate from the Otter Creek Correctional Facility may have talked himself into a little more time in the institution Monday.

Jacob Alleshouse was in district court accused of promoting contraband for allegedly trying to bring marijuana into the prison.

Because he was arrested in Indiana, Alleshouse told Floyd District Judge Eric Hall that he did not have jurisdiction in his case.

Alleshouse, 28, an apparent transfer to Otter Creek, refused to have a court-appointed public defender represent him during the preliminary hearing. Upon his refusal to be represented by an attorney, Judge Hall proceeded with the hearing much to Alleshouse's surprise.

Armed with a legal pad which...

(See THREAT, page two)

Teen injured, coyote killed in accident on 680

by RANDELL RENO STAFF WRITER

A young driver was involved in a bizarre accident in the pre-dawn hours of Monday morning in the Minnie area.

Johnathan Turner was driving along new KY 680 when the vehicle he was driving went out of control and rolled.

Apparently Turner was returning home from work when he saw a coyote in the middle of the road. When he swerved to avoid the animal, he lost control of his vehicle.

Rescue workers from Left Beaver Rescue Squad and Fire Department, the Martin Fire Department, the Kentucky State Police and the Floyd County Sheriff's office were on the scene for an undisclosed amount of time trying to free Turner.

The roadway had to be closed as the rescue attempt finally resulted in Turner's extraction and transportation to a Huntington, W.Va., hospital.

Turner's condition was unknown at press time. The coyote was killed in the incident.

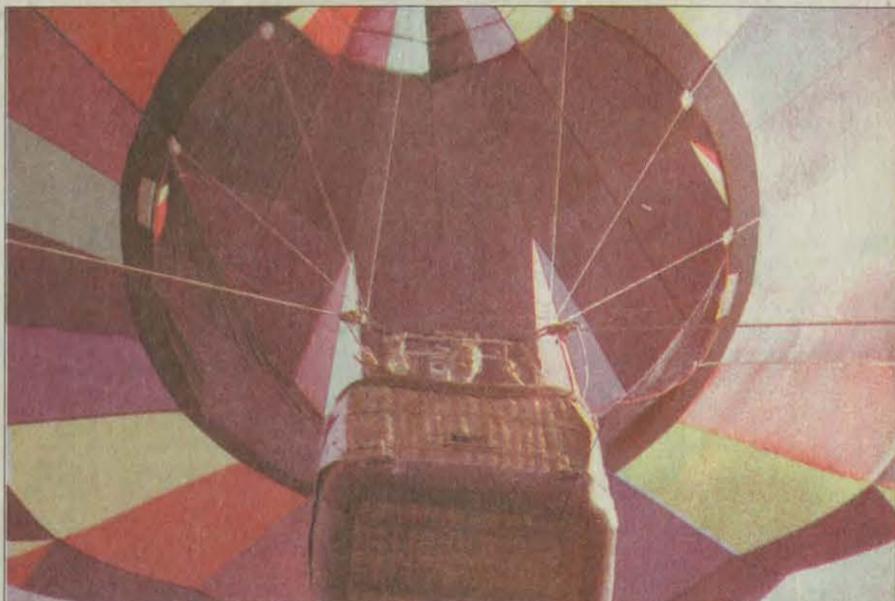


photo by Randell Reno

Prestonsburg Elementary fifth-graders were given their annual send-off to middle school with a balloon ride Tuesday. This year makes the sixth that the balloon rides have been part of end-of-the-year festivities for students.

Two Day Forecast...

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# Golf course greening up

by **RANDELL RENO**  
STAFF WRITER

The Prestonsburg Golf Course Management Committee met Tuesday to discuss the progress of the course and its operating phases.

Course Manager Brian Balch reported that Ranger Construction is laying sod at such a rate the course crews were now hard-pressed to keep up. The course crews are working diligently behind Ranger in installing erosion prevention nets and drains in order to protect the newly-laid grasses.

The effort to keep the new ground in place combined with

maintaining the pre-existing grasses drove Balch to ask for a few more employees for the grounds and for an articulating mower for the course.

The mower proposed by Balch has seven free-floating cutting blades that would allow for the difference in the courses topography.

Balch reported that a greens expert from UK had recently visited the course. Dr. Powell was very impressed with the progress of the growth in the green and rough areas.

In other matters before the committee:

■ Balch told the committee a

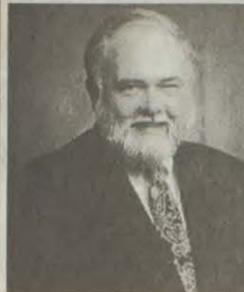
screen would be needed for the right side of the driving range. The screen would prevent a loss of golf balls.

■ Balch requested the committee promote two part-time employees to full-time status and hire another worker. A motion was passed to send the request to the city personnel committee.

■ A golf cart demonstration will be held from June 17-28 at the course. Both gasoline and electric golf carts from Yamaha, EZ Go, and Club Car will be demonstrated.

■ Members Gorman Collins and Ted Nairn were appointed to start planning a marketing program for the course.

## CHIROPRACTIC OUTLOOK



Dr. Phillip R. Simpson

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## Flight

The students said this experience gave new meaning to the phrase, "just cruising around town."

Short explained the flight plans and safety procedures during a briefing prior to flight activities. Short asked his daughter, who he taught to fly, to tell the students about her career as a pilot. She told the group that she went to Prestonsburg High School before attending Eastern Kentucky University, where she majored in

## Charges

ing him with violation of an emergency protective order. Clifton's ex-wife had apparently taken an EPO out against him. Kentucky law stipulates that those served with a EPO or DVO must relinquish all weapons to the sheriff's department and possession of a weapon afterwards is a misdemeanor offense.

Pleading not guilty to the charge, Clifton was placed under a \$5,000 cash bond and ordered to stay at least 2,500 feet away from Bucky Collins.

## Arrests

and for fourth-degree assault. Ron Shortridge, 46, of Corn Fork of Prestonsburg was charged with possession of \$400 in counterfeit money.

Three women have accused him of terroristic threatening. They claim he allegedly threatened to kill, shoot or injure them. He is also charged with fourth-degree assault allegedly pushing and choking one of the women.

Trooper Mickey Watson served

## Threat

cited the supposed law that protected him from being prosecuted in a Kentucky court, Alleshouse asked the judge if he were on trial after witness Mark Hicks, head guard at the correctional facility, was passed as a witness to Alleshouse.

Upon discovering the hearing was proceeding, Alleshouse asked for a public defender. He was denied.

As Alleshouse was being escorted out of the courtroom, he told the bailiffs, "If I didn't have a belly chain on I would have snatched the judge up."

A criminal summons was issued

# Rock and Roll Hall of Fame

(NAPSA) — A recently released poll listed the greatest rock and roll songs of all time. There was only one thing missing. The poll represented a survey of 700 music industry professionals and the general public was not given a chance to voice an opinion.

As a result, the prestigious Rock & Roll Hall of Fame and Heineken have teamed up to give the public the opportunity to vote for their favorite Rock & Roll songs of all time.

Starting in May, Heineken will make voting ballots available at retail stores and establishments where Heineken is served. Music fans will be encouraged to fill out the ballots and mail them in. Music fans will also be able to vote for their favorite songs by logging on to [www.rockhall.com](http://www.rockhall.com). Fans will vote from a list of nominated songs, spanning five decades of rock and roll. Results will be announced in the fall of 2000.

## aviation.

To nobody's surprise, Short told the class, "She already makes more money as a pilot than I do as a teacher." Reisz flies to South America and the Caribbean area.

When asked what physics principles would be part of the activities, four or five students quickly responded "Bernoulli's principle." That concept can explain how airplane wings create the upward force called lift. An airplane wing is

A criminal summons for Clifton was entered in Floyd District Court on Monday charging him with first-degree wanton endangerment.

The summons states that Clifton "was waiting in his car for the affiant (Ernest "Bucky" Collins) with a .380 automatic weapon."

Collins was allowed to return to his ex-wife's company after she asked to have the protective order amended last week to say no unlawful contact.

## Arrests

an arrest warrant on a Garrett man for three separate burglary charges that spanned from April 4, 1999, to October 26 and 29.

Michael Jackson was charged with three counts of third-degree burglary for allegedly entering the home of Gene Mullins and stealing items from his home.

Jackson was also charged with theft by unlawful taking for allegedly taking property belonging to Danny Allen.

## Threat

for Alleshouse soon after his hearing charging him with threatening a judicial official. The case against Alleshouse was sent to a grand jury for consideration.

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# State police to dedicate memorial to fallen officers

Former sheriff's deputy among those honored

by RANDELL RENO  
STAFF WRITER

The Kentucky State Police will present a memorial to the fallen officers from across the state today.

The Richmond memorial will honor officers from local, county and state police departments who died in the line of duty across the Commonwealth.

One of the officers to be honored on that memorial is former Floyd County Deputy Lawrence Conley.

Conley was assassinated in April 1972. His death remained a

mystery for a number of weeks before a suspect was arrested.

Conley has one surviving daughter.

Along with today's dedication of the memorial, Kentucky State Police will be honoring officers who excelled in their duties in 1999.

Troopers receiving awards from Post 9 in Pikeville are Tim Dials, Jeff Caudill, Jesse Laffe, Greg Roberts and Shawn Welch.

Dials will be presented with the Guthrie Crowe Award for sustaining a severe wound or injury.

Caudill and Laffe will be presented with the Trooper Medal Award for performing a life-saving act under extreme circumstances.

Dials, Roberts and Welch will receive Citations of Bravery for acts of bravery without regard to life or limb in a moment of clear and obvious peril and clearly above and beyond the call or risk of duty.

## Group to study transportation needs

Third Age Incorporated has contracted with the Kentucky Developmental Disabilities Council

to conduct a statewide assessment of the transportation needs of Kentucky's citizens with disabilities.

This project is scheduled to operate through June 30. The two-month effort to collect information from people with disabilities, advocacy agencies, community service providers, city and town governments, and transportation providers will focus on:

- the current public transportation systems' services;
- barriers to people with disabilities using the services; and
- needs for additional or more affordable/accessible services.

The collection of information will take multiple forms including:

- mailed surveys;
- public forums or town meetings at 7p.m. in seven areas of the state: Louisville, May 25; Lexington, June 6; Corbin, June 12; Covington, June 13; Bowling Green, June 15; Murray, June 20; Morehead, June 22;
- an on-line survey that can be filled out and submitted from <http://www.thirdageinc.com/kant>, and

analyses of other state, regional and local efforts to conduct transportation need assessments.

A final report will be made to the Council in August.

Additional information about the project is available by contacting Jim Stone at Third Age Inc. in Lexington, phone 859/273-9656, FAX: 859/272-6001 or e-mail: [jastone@iglou.com](mailto:jastone@iglou.com) or [kynneeds@aol.com](mailto:kynneeds@aol.com)

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At the same time, in a lab at 3M, Dr. Spencer Silver was working on a low-tack adhesive that was sticky yet removable. When Fry heard about this quirky adhesive, a moment of eureka hit him. He had discovered the solution to his bookmark dilemma!

A short time later, Fry wrote a note on his "bookmark" and stuck it to a report going to one of his colleagues. "That's when I came to the very exciting realization that my sticky bookmark was actually a new way to communicate and organize information," said Fry.

Whether it was inspiration or luck that brought this icon to homes and offices around the world, it's hard to imagine life today without Post-it® Notes.

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*Spending 32 years of marriage together has been so sweet. Since the day we met, you've made my life complete. From the twinkle in your eye, to your sly grin, If I had to choose another husband, I'd choose you all over again!*

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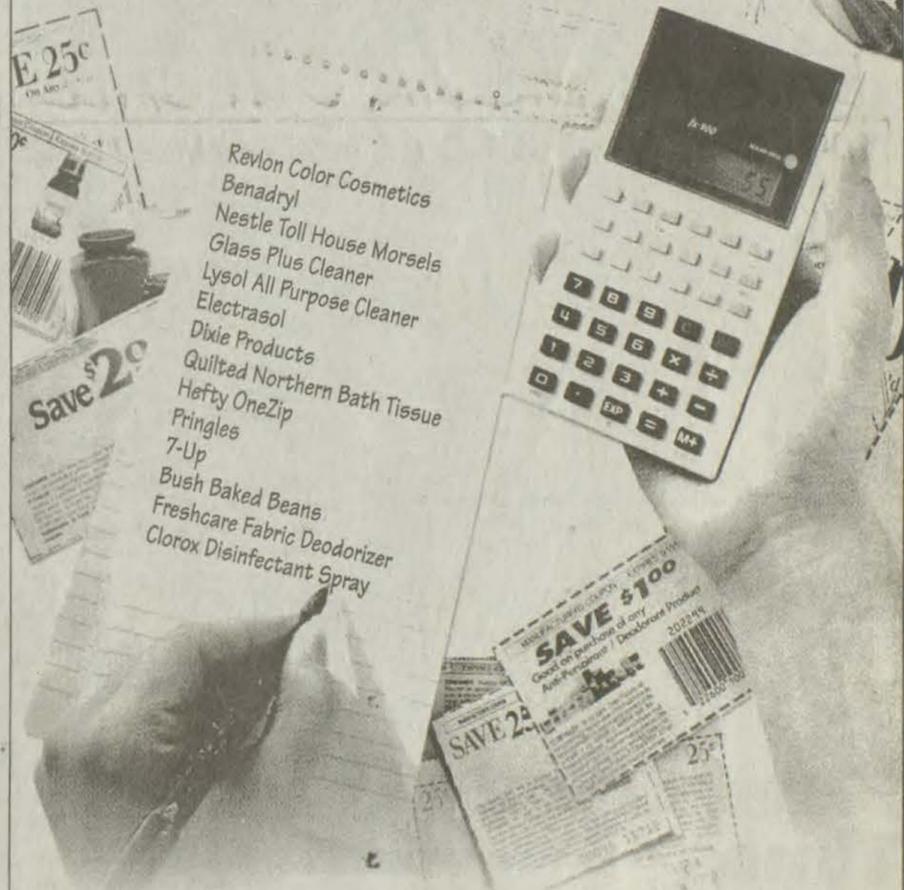
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# Viewpoint

## QUOTE OF THE DAY...

It's not so much knowing when to speak as knowing when to pause.

Jack Benny—

Wednesday, May 17, 2000 A4

## Editorial

### Teacher colleges face the fire with new standards

There was much attention paid to raising standards for teachers during the recent General Assembly, with a lukewarm bill finally passed.

For college students who hope to become teachers, the standards have already been raised. If we are going to avert a teacher shortage in coming years, those students and the colleges preparing them will have to get better.

All college graduates who want to teach must pass a national Praxis test, which measures content knowledge in the field a student wishes to teach. Last week, the state's Education Professional Standards Board reviewed test scores from 1998 and 1999 and found that failure rates will likely increase for those taking the test this year now that higher standards have been enacted.

Kentucky had some of the lowest certification standards in the nation for teachers, which prompted the move to raise the passing level. The state will now be at or above the average for 12 Southern states.

In the recent tests, prospective teachers did well in subjects such as elementary education, in which the average score was 173. The current passing grade is 143, and the new level is 163.

But in more specialized fields like chemistry and physics, the pass rates fall, and that is expected to continue unless teacher preparation programs fill the void.

"I think there's a tendency to think that programs will improve because the pressure is there to improve," said Phillip Rogers, research analyst for the standards board.

That is exactly the case — and why concerns about a teacher shortage should fall on deaf ears.

The Praxis tests do not gauge communication or teaching strategy skills, which are also important. Knowing the subject matter without the ability to connect with children results in a poor teacher. But if we do not demand that the people who teach our children have a firm grasp of the content they will teach first, the best of communication skills mean nothing.

There is evidence that raising standards does make applicants improve. When the math cutoff score was raised in 1996, 55 percent of students failed it. As more attention has been paid to what is expected, the failure rate has fallen to 35 percent.

The legislature recognized the need for improvement in this year's session and encouraged the Council on Postsecondary Education to use \$4 million to help the regional universities improve their teacher education programs.

Kentucky's children deserve the best teachers possible. And teachers need the sense of accomplishment that comes from achieving a certification that actually signifies hard-sought knowledge. Higher standards should produce both.

— Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer



## Letters to the Editor

### How will we ever live with our leaders?

Editor:

In reading The Floyd County Times, I don't understand how the people are going to put up with leaders like Greg Stumbo, Benny Ray Bailey and Gov. Patton. All they think about are taxes, now a bottle bill — more burden on our working class people who pay the taxes and fight the wars.

Why not stop making new laws and enforce the ones we already have that fine you \$300 to \$500 for littering? About 15 years ago I helped put the signs up. I have never heard of anyone being caught and fined.

I lived in what they called the Morrell house from 1950 to 1958. I reported that garbage dump below Auxier several times, but nothing was every done. You could call that the Democrat Dump. Garbage all over

the county because they have been in charge for over 40 years. Don't worry, Hal Rogers will bail them out, like he did on the MAC, the golf course and the jail in Martin County.

You never hear them say anything about work farms for small offenders or something that would bring in work for our people. As you know, about 40 percent of our people in Floyd County are on some kind of government assistance. I am 85 years old and I have never known anything but hard work. I was raised to work for what I got.

Everybody needs to get out and vote. That is about the only freedom we have left.

W.T. Foley  
Prestonsburg

### Fat cats run over good people

Editor:

As we know, election time is here again. People who live on Left Beaver Creek know that is where our senator and representative are from and they know all the needs of the people. And how many years have the known that? What have they done for us? We still pay taxes on our cars every year and more taxes on everything else, so don't you think it's time to vote for something different?

This is one woman's opinion. I think they have made jackasses out of us long enough. Left Beaver Creek hasn't been cleaned out in how many years? That was a promise many, many years ago, and all the people were going to have good water, and their roads were going to be fixed.

You good, honest people ought to think about all the lies they've told you and vote for a change. We don't need them fat cats. All we have done is feather their nests and raise their families.

Your governor has promised many things to the poor taxpayer and he got his start on Left Beaver Creek, and what has he done for these people that live up these hollows? They need more than a golf course and a race track.

These poor, old miners have made these fat cats. They worked hard many years, then had to give part of their earnings to some fat cat that didn't deserve it. I wonder how they could sleep at night. They will have their day, thank God for that.

I knew we would have to pay 911 again. Our fat cats needs something. I wonder what! We will never have 911. I refuse to pay it again. Let's all stand together and be counted. Don't let the fat cats make fools out of us

again.

You poor people are the best people we have. Most of us are honest and we need friends, which most of us have. I wish I could afford it. I would have water put in every house.

Where did all the tax money go from the coal that was mined out of Simpson Branch at Drift? I think Hal Rogers ought to drive up that hollow, not to look for a rusty beer can or milk jug, but to see how bad those people need their road blacktopped. I don't see how they stand the dust, especially the ones that have black lung. Some of our best people live there and they deserve better. They have worked and put you fat cats on easy street. Wouldn't it be nice if they could give themselves a raise like our fat cats? They are the ones that deserve it.

I understand why our fat cats don't want the Ten Commandments posted in schools and federal and state buildings. When they walk by, they might look and see the one that says, "Thou shalt not steal." That may bother them. There are nine more that may bother them, such as, "Thou shalt not covet." That means wanting something that belongs to someone else, in case you don't know. I can fully understand why they don't want them posted.

One more thing: If you need a tree cleaned out of the creek, call McArthur Jacobs. He was the only one who would help me. And we have our state police — thank God for them. They are the ones who deserve a raise. I wish may tax money would go to them. Then I would feel good paying them.

Thanks to our Floyd County Times.  
Nora Martin  
Hunter

### Keep up the good fight

Editor:

I wanted to take this time to praise and support the McCreary County, Harlan County and Breathitt County systems in their court battle over the posting of the ten commandments.

I understand that after the ruling, Laurel County has decided to put up the commandments also, along with other guides for a safer or better life. God bless you all!

For the past 35-40 years, Christianity has taken it on the chin under the guise of so called "civil" rights. I submit to you that without the presence of God, morality and ethics, we have no civilization

worth worrying about.

Look at every great civilization or country that has fallen since the dawn of time. In almost every case the people and their leaders' immorality, unethical acts and the turning away from basic beliefs greatly contributed to their demise.

It's no different here. Just look at what's happening.

We live in a so-called democracy where the majority is supposed to rule. Now, splinter groups

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## Letters to the Editor

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## Mountain Voices

by Willie Elliott  
Staff Writer



### A different kind of horoscope

I was at Wendy's in Salyersville and this gentleman was talking about how vague the horoscope can be. I told him I thought I would write my own version of the horoscope and make the results more interesting and more nearly correct. He noticed what an astute (that's astute not stupid, for the record) thinker I am and said, "I bet you could write better ones." Well, here goes.

#### Aries

(March 21 - April 19)

You will get a new dress. You men will be talked about all over town. Focus more on style (especially the men). Easter will be a hoot this year with all those men parading around in their frocks.

#### Taurus

(April 20 - May 20)

Taxes will be greater than last year. If not, you will be audited. You will be equally lucky in picking the winner of the Kentucky Derby. The governor will know how to pronounce the name of the horse and the owner; we're allowing no Japanese to enter this year.

#### Gemini

(May 21 - June 20)

Even though you think not, the NBA playoffs will end and you and millions of others can get back to having a real life — watching "Who Wants to be a Millionaire."

#### Cancer

(June 21 - July 22)

You will attend several weddings. Unfortunately (or fortunately) one of them won't be yours. Hillary and Bill will make up, but not with each other.

#### Leo

(July 23 - Aug. 22)

You will have a hot time in the city — in the country, too for that matter. The days will be so hot that we will no longer call them dog days but wolf days.

#### Virgo

(Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)

You will buy enough school supplies to last the next decade. Your children will go through them by the end of the first semester.

#### Libra

(Sept. 23 - Oct. 22)

The planets will get out of line and your life will be all screwed up. Bush and Gore will blame each other for the fiasco, but the real culprit will be Bill Gates. His yelling and screaming when Microsoft was broken up affected the heavens and earth. Paul Patton, saying he could fix everything if given a chance, will start his bid for the presidency.

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# TO THE VOTERS OF FLOYD COUNTY

Next Tuesday, May 23rd, you, the voters in the Democratic Primary election, will choose Floyd County's first full-time Commonwealth Attorney. I ask for your vote, because I am the candidate who has both the ability and desire to serve. As to my ability, I have practiced nearly every area of law, for five years, including serving the last two years as Assistant Commonwealth Attorney. Not one person can be found who can honestly say I've failed to protect them. I believe that's the reason both the United Mine Workers of America and the United Steel Workers have endorsed me over my opponent.

As to the most important qualification, a desire to serve, I eagerly seek this office. I ask for the opportunity to invest the next six years of my life by working hard as your Commonwealth Attorney, doing what's right every day. I'm convinced that as a full-time Commonwealth Attorney, I can make our county a better, more decent place, where children are safe, the elderly are protected, and the least among us is treated as fairly as the rich or powerful. That is my one ambition.

To my opponent, I say, I consider no man my enemy. I seek only to win this important office and then serve effectively and with honor. This campaign has been harsher than I would have preferred, but I make no apologies for myself. I will not stand in silence and allow falsehoods to go unchallenged, or mediocrity to be presented as if it were high achievement. The stakes are too high. The Commonwealth Attorney's office is too important to the safety of us all. Straight talk, sticking to the facts and relevant issues, has been necessary. I have done this in a responsible manner. I do not believe my opponent has. You can decide for yourself, by reading Jerry Patton's complete record of job performance in a special insert in today's paper. You owe it to yourself to read it closely. Only then will you know the truth.

To every citizen, remember, we have before us a great opportunity for something new – a full-time Commonwealth Attorney. Let's not lose it by returning to the ways of the past. Rather, let's bring to it a new level of commitment to do this job right.

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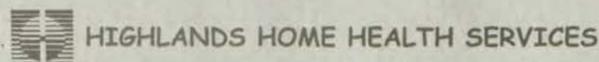
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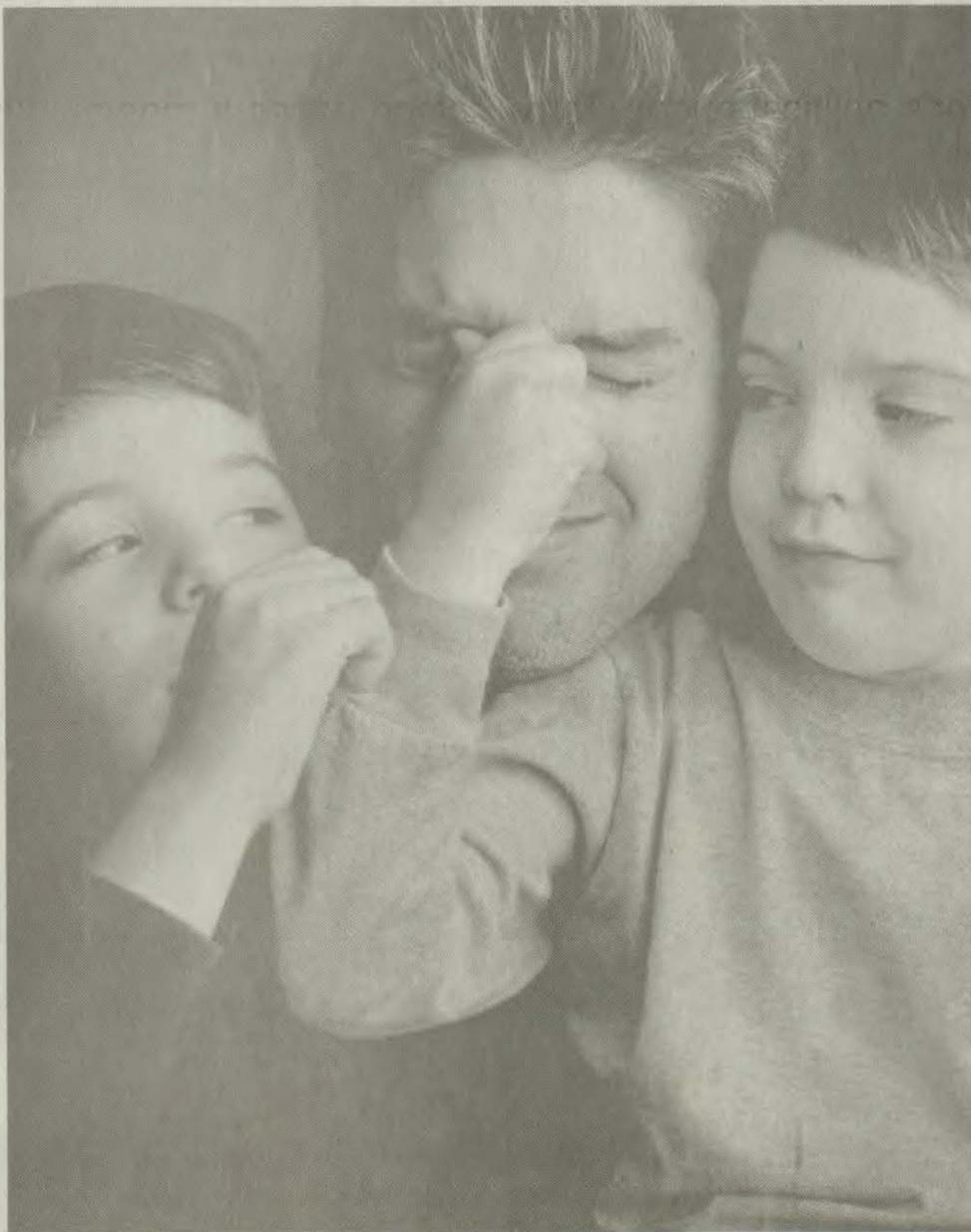


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comprised of less than 10 percent of the population (often much less) whine and everything is changed just to suit them. The rest of us become disenfranchised.

Judges constantly ignore the overwhelming will of the people, the ancient biblical laws and often the constitution and toss out laws and rules supported by our elected officials and most of the public.

This is not democracy. This is what we called communism or a socialist dictatorship back in the 1950-60s. Today a judge or someone in Washington decides that they know what is best for the people rather than the people themselves.

The sad thing is that most people just don't care. They'll gladly give up their rights and freedoms as long as "Big Brother" offers to take care of them from the cradle to the grave.

Funny thing is we forget whose money Washington uses to threaten us into the socialist party line of thought. Yes folks, it's our money — or should I say the working people's money?

Yet, Clinton, Gore and the rest of them use our money like a club to beat us back into line when we rebel. After all, if you went to a snooty school and spent part of the war in Russia, you know what's best for the rest of us.

More than 50% of my check goes to taxes, social security, insurance and retirement and they won't even let me invest my social security money in US savings bond so the \$\$ would earn a little bit more.

Where does the working man's money go? To keep up those who won't work, to provide better health care than I have to millions of young neer-do-wells, to provide food, clothing, housing, etc., to illegal aliens. The list is endless.

Bottom line is I see little return on the nearly \$30,000 I paid in taxes the past two years, and no one running for office says a word about helping the working man — no, only those who refuse to take care of themselves get a mention.

I ask for all who actually care about right and wrong to stand up and be counted. Stand up for the 10 commandments, stand up for your rights. Tell the judges, the ACLU and Washington NO for a change.

Make them come to Harlan, to Jackson, to London, to Whitley City and remove the commandments themselves if they have the guts to. Maybe in this way we can get some media attention and wake up the slumbering silent majority of this nation before we lose even more of our rights and heritage.

Charles E. Scoville  
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## Family grateful for help

Editor:

We, the family of David Joseph, would like to express our appreciation to all those who stood by us in our time of need.

The Salyersville Fire Department, Magoffin County Rescue Squad, Floyd County Rescue Squad, Johnson County Rescue Squad, Dog Search Team, Rick Howard and Robert Barnett (gave) many hours and hard work.

A very special thanks goes to all the churches that came and had prayer, for all the ones who brought food, flowers and money, and also to Dunn/Kelley-Prater and Dunn Funeral Home for the use of their tents.

(Thanks) to Deon Reed who was willing to risk his life by diving to search for David, but was not permitted to do so.

Fire Chief Paul Howard, Ray Nickels and Eugene Salyers, we will always be grateful to you for volunteering your time on May 2, for continuing the search and finding David when everyone else had abandoned the search.

You will always be in our thoughts and prayers. May God bless and keep you all.

The Family of David Joseph

## Mountain

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### Scorpio

(Oct. 23 - Nov. 21)

You will be tricked and treated. The politicians will trick you out of your vote and then treat you like all the rest of us — that is ignore you. Floyd County will get a grant to pay people to throw out garbage so we can get a spring grant to clean it up.

### Sagittarius

(Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

There is a good chance that you will be thankful — if for nothing else than the fact you aren't a turkey, connotations notwithstanding. Don't ask what "connotations notwithstanding" means as I get some of my information straight from Carnac the Magnificent.

### Capricorn

(Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

There is a good chance that your birthday will be in the winter this year. I don't care if you do go to Florida, your birthday will still be in the winter. You will get a visits from the jolly one. No, I don't mean Santa. I mean Regis Philbin

### Aquarius

(Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

The one pound of candy you received from your sweetie will put ten pounds on your body in the very place you want it the least. The groundhog will come out and announce, "Will you people get a life? I know no more about what the weather will be than the Weather Channel."

### Pisces

(Feb. 19 - March 20)

You will again experience a great blast of wind. Oh, no, not the March winds but your neighbor bragging about his SUV which is Latin for Such an Ugly Vehicle. You will get a virus and it won't even be on your computer. The theme for this strain of virus will be — "We spread ourselves the old fashion way, in your body."

If you like my predictions, let me know. If you don't like them, mind your own business.

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# Epilepsy foundation issues alert on water safety

Although a study of drowning accidents among people with epilepsy confirms that seizures in the water can be deadly, the Epilepsy Foundation says that people with epilepsy can safely enjoy water activities if they take a few simple precautions.

The Foundation issued the alert as a Memorial Day reminder, the beginning of the peak season for swimming and other water activities.

The study of drowning incidents, conducted in Florida, includes 2381 drowning deaths reported in that state between 1992 and 1997 (Epilepsia, Vol. 40, Supplement 7, December 1999). Of these, 58 or 2.4 percent were reported as seizure-related. The highest number of seizure-related drowning fatalities occurred in the 25 to 34 age group.

To help prevent drowning and other avoidable accidents in the water, the Epilepsy Foundation offers guidelines for safe swimming for people who experience seizures.

"Contrary to what some may believe, most people with seizures can participate in swimming, boat-

ing and other water sports. But common sense in following a few basic rules is important in avoiding unnecessary accidents," said Steven C. Schachter, M.D., chair of the Epilepsy Foundation Professional Advisory Board.

The Epilepsy Foundation recommends the following safety measures around water:

- Before going out in the water, ask the doctor whether you or your child's seizures are under sufficient control to permit swimming.

- Swim with your child or be certain that another responsible person is in the water with her at all times who knows first aid for seizures.

- A flotation device that supports your or your child's head above water is a good idea. It is especially important for children and, in some cases, adults with seizure disorders.

- Children or adults with seizure disorders should never swim alone. Always swim with a buddy who's a good swimmer.

- Inform lifeguards and swimming teachers that you (or your child) have epilepsy.

- Don't get over-tired or too

cold while in the water.

- Don't swim if you have forgotten to take your seizure medication.

- Don't let your seizure medications get wet. Several are known to lose their anticonvulsant effect when exposed to the water.

- If your seizures can be brought on by flashing light, wear polarized sunglasses to reduce the flicker effect of sunlight on the water and other reflective surfaces.

If a seizure occurs in the water, support the individual's head and keep her face out of the water. Bring her to the shore or side of the pool and place her on her side. Check her airway. If water has been ingested or breathing is labored, get medical treatment.

"In addition to swimming pools, water presents a significant risk in showers and especially, in

bathtubs — even if there is one inch of water at the bottom. Never leave a toddler or young child with epilepsy alone in the bathtub, not even for a moment. If you leave the bathroom for any reason, wrap the child in a towel and take him with you," said Schachter.

More than two million Americans have epilepsy, a recurrent disturbance of the electrical activity in the brain which produces seizures.

The Epilepsy Foundation is a nationwide consumer organization leading the fight against epilepsy through research, education, advocacy and service programs for individuals affected by seizure disorders and their families.

Additional information on safety and seizures is available on the Foundation's website at [www.epilepsyfoundation.org](http://www.epilepsyfoundation.org).

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## Governor's Conference on Aging looks at the new millennium

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The conference, sponsored by the Cabinet for Health Services' Office of Aging Services and partners, addresses cutting-edge issues that offer new challenges and opportunities in the field of aging.

Robert H. McNulty, president and CEO of Partners for Liveable Communities, based in Washington, D.C., will talk about planning communities that fully include older people as independent, active, and productive residents.

McNulty, who has provided guidance to communities across the United States as well as to international communities, will examine the elements of a well-planned community.

Following McNulty's presentation, Leon Harper of the national AARP office in Washington, D.C., will talk about AARP's "Liveable Communities, An Evaluation Guide," which provides criteria for evaluating communities on walking, driving, public transportation, housing, municipal features, services and leisure facilities.

Ron Crouch, director of the University of Louisville's State Data Center, will speak about Kentucky's population shifts and other related demographic information.

Sylvia Lovely, executive director of the Kentucky League of Cities, and Sandy Lee Watkins, Henderson County Judge-Executive and president of the Kentucky Association of Counties, will discuss the status of Kentucky's communities and their vision for the future in terms of livability of an increasing older

population.

### OTHER GENERAL SESSIONS FEATURE:

- Robert Sprang from the University of Kentucky's Telecare program on the potential use of technologies, such as the internet and telemedicine, in the delivery of medical care.

- F. Douglas Scutchfield, M.D., director, UK School of Public Health, on the impact of technology on health care, changes in health care finance, and the supply of health care personnel.

- Courier-Journal Body Shop columnist Dr. Bryant Stamford, also director of the U of L Health Promotion and Wellness Center, on the importance of taking charge of your own life through Health, Nutrition and Fitness as You Age.

- Nancy Wellman, director of the National Policy and Resource Center on Nutrition, on the role of nutrition in successful aging and tools such as the Nutrition Screening program and Nutrition Care Alerts.

Breakout sessions led by experts will focus on such thought-provoking issues as caregiving, family support, spiritual and mental health, life planning and end of life care. Workshop topics include Medicare, insurance options, prescription drug coverage, consumer issues, and recently passed legislation.

"We are very excited about this conference, because it looks to the future and gives us a chance to plan our communities to best serve our aging population. The conference is geared toward deciding today what we can do to make tomorrow better for everyone," said Jerry Whitley, executive director, Office of Aging.

Conference registration is \$60 for the entire three days or \$35 for one day. Lunch is included in the registration fee. Some scholarships are still available to cover registration fees. For more information or to register, call 502/564-6930.



Terry Dotson Residence

Arnold Turner Residence

As chairman of the Floyd County Board of Education, Arnold Turner's political buddy, Terry Dotson, faces a money judgment because his cronies in Frankfort, who appointed him, took control of the school district and then failed to defend the Board in court.

Randy Kimbrough, who spearheaded the takeover, is now under indictment for stealing over one-half million dollars of our school children's money.

Now the chairman, and his political ally and next door neighbor, Mr. Turner, are desperately attempting to shift the blame for this to Jerry Patton.

Floyd County Board of Education member, Jody Mullins, endorses Jerry Patton for Commonwealth's Attorney. Jody knows that Jerry Patton stood up and fought for Floyd County's children, while Frankfort turned its back on us.

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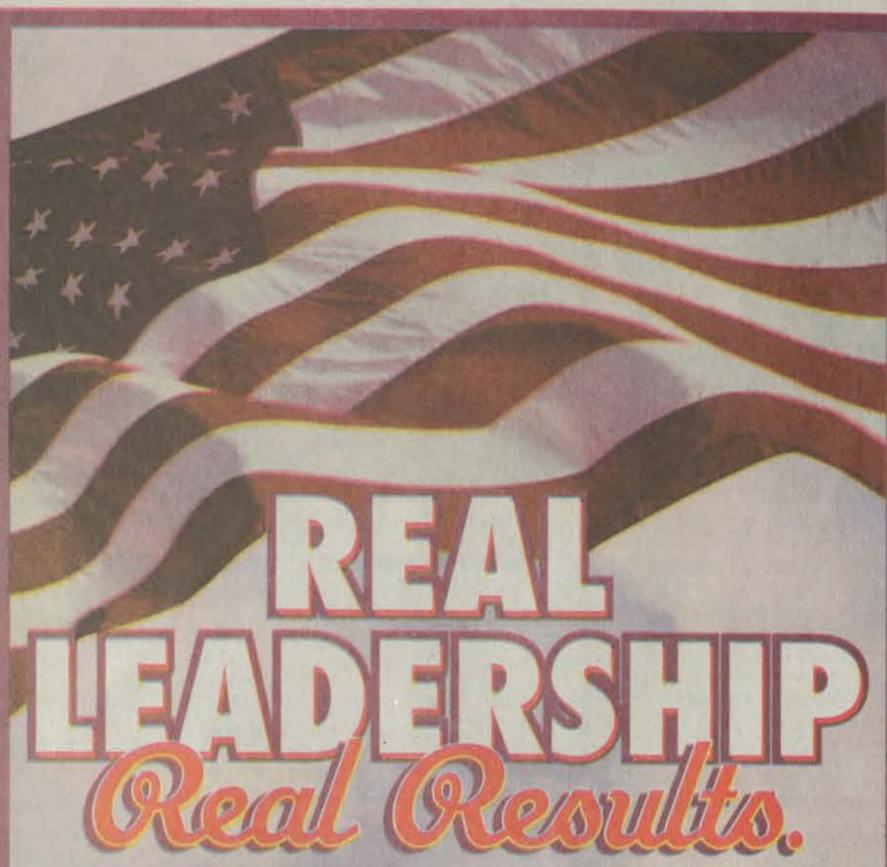
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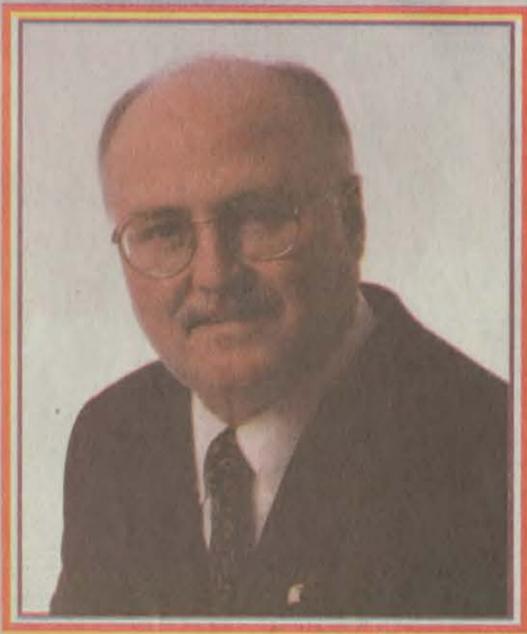
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- Good jobs, so our young people can stay in Breathitt, Floyd, Johnson and Knott counties, where their families are.
- Economic development in Breathitt, Floyd, Johnson and Knott counties.
- Workman's Compensation/Black Lung reform which will increase benefits for our workers.
- Veteran's programs to help those who have served our country.
- Improved senior citizens programs
- Improving our water and sewer systems.
- Medical reform to make sure everyone's prescription and health care needs are met.

It's time to put the full court press on Frankfort. Join the team and fight for what's right for the citizens of Breathitt, Floyd, Johnson and Knott counties! May 23, elect Johnny Ray Turner Senator!

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# Cuomo announces housing advisory services for Appalachia

Housing and Urban Development Secretary Andrew Cuomo has announced the availability of up to \$1 million worth of advisory services to help communities in the distressed counties of Appalachia with the design, building and expansion of affordable housing.

The advisory services, known as technical assistance, will be made available to local governments and affordable housing providers, as well as organizations participating in HUD's Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program.

Training opportunities include assistance with the Community Housing Development Organization certification, construction management, architectural consulting, and other forms of assistance.

"Despite the nation's booming economy, 5.4 million American families are in desperate need of safe, affordable housing," Cuomo said. "This new assistance to communities in Appalachia will help them find ways to address this need."

The new technical assistance is a direct response to the input received from government and community leaders during the Appalachian Summit, held last August in Ashland, Kentucky and Huntington, West Virginia.

The first-of-its-kind intergovernmental Summit convened by HUD brought together more than 800 political, business, and non-profit leaders from the federal, state, and local levels to intensify efforts to address regional problems.

Co-sponsors of the event included the Departments of Agriculture, Labor and Transportation; the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC); Gov. Cecil Underwood of West Virginia; and Gov. Paul Patton of Kentucky.

"This assistance will be instrumental in building the capacity of community and faith-based organization in the region, and in empowering them to move from a vision to actual implementation in the provi-

sion of affordable housing," said Underwood, who is also federal Co-chair of the ARC.

"Last summer's summit was an important first step to outline the problems facing the region and to identify strategies to address those problems," Gov. Patton said. "This new assistance represents targeted follow-up to that Summit which will produce tangible results for our state in the form of new affordable housing."

In implementing this technical assistance, HUD plans to work closely in collaboration with the Appalachian Regional Commission, state and local governments in the region, community and faith-based non-profits and housing providers.

According to Jesse L. White Jr., ARC Federal Co-Chairman: "The ARC is currently developing a broad-based program for our distressed counties that will lead to greater self-sufficiency and an improved quality of life. We welcome this opportunity to partner with HUD in working specifically to help meet the critical housing

needs in our region."

The initiative will have four basic components: outreach, direct assistance and training, a summit, and the ongoing provision of follow-up materials. The outreach will take place through community forums and other targeted efforts to educate the affordable housing community and local governments regarding the new resources available and to encourage participation by new groups.

The majority of the money will be spent on direct one-on-one assistance to participating organizations to assist them in developing and implementing their programs.

There will also be a Summit to convene participating organizations and others providing affordable housing and further provide them with the information, tools, and networking opportunities necessary to produce results.

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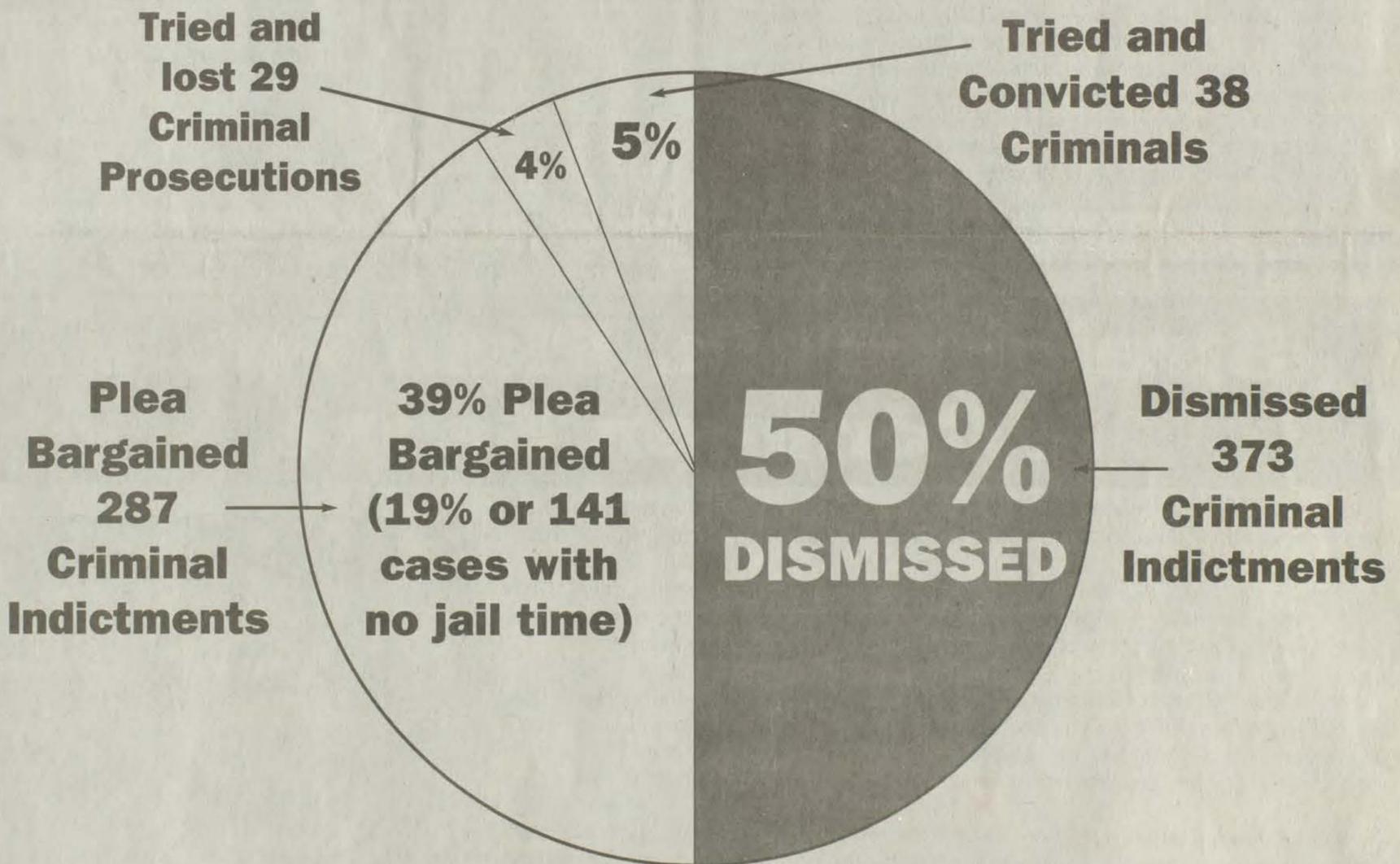
Because Jerry Patton has made his "experience" the central theme of his campaign, I have put his total record before you. His response is to attack my honesty, and deny the truth. I intend for ever fair-minded voter to know the truth. Jerry Patton's complete record, taken directly from the Commonwealth Attorney's files has been printed as a special insert in today's paper. Every case, ever disposition is there for you to see for yourself.

Read Jerry Patton's record. you will find grand juries he assisted from 1988, until his defeat in 1993, returned 1213 felony indictments. In the six years Jerry Patton served, he disposed of 737 indictments, remanding 10 back to District Court, leaving a backlog of 486 cases when he left office. How he disposed of the remaining 727 indictments is a matter of public record. He voluntarily dismissed 373 indictments. That's over 50% of the indictments that he obtained as Commonwealth's Attorney. There was no trial, no jury, no day in Court. The Grand Jury charged them with a felony, but my opponent simply threw these cases out. In his latest ad, Jerry Patton seems to say "the Judge did it". This is an insult to the intelligence of all Floyd Countians. One out of every two indictments could only be dismissed because Jerry Patton failed to do his job, to prosecute!

Of what remained, Jerry Patton plea bargained another 287 cases or nearly 40%, with barely half of those criminals serving any jail time. The remining 67 cases were all tried by jury. Jerry Patton won 38 times and lost 29 times. This means he only tried 9% of the indictments he obtained from the Grand Jury, and lost nearly half of those trials.

The chart below helps you put all this in perspective. Study it closely. For clarity, the % have been rounded to the nearest number.

# JERRY PATTON'S RECORD



## 727 Dispositions by Jerry Patton of Indictments obtained by Jerry Patton 1988-1993

Finally, my opponent speaks of his "experience". Admittedly, he is older and has practiced law longer than I have. But his record demonstrates that the qualifications for Commonwealth's Attorney are more than who's been around the longest. His past performance affirms what I believe. To be a successful servant of the public, there must first be a willing heart to work hard and to strive daily to help those who put their trust in you. If the will to do the job right is absent, no amount of "experience" will make us safe or secure.

That's why I'm asking for your vote. I alone will bring to this job the commitment to work full time, prosecuting the guilty while protecting the innocent. We can make Floyd County a better and more decent place. But it will not be found by turning again to those who have failed us in the past.

Help me win this election and I pledge to serve you with all my might, doing what's right, everyday.

See Jerry Patton's record — a special insert in today's paper.

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# Festival to feature arts

The annual Floyd County Fine Arts Festival is scheduled to take place Thursday, May 18, at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg.

The festival, which begins at 7 p.m., will include performances of the Junior and Senior All-County Bands, which include students from all area schools, selected by audition.

The groups will be conducted by Kevin and Jennie Bowling of Pike County.

A student art exhibit is also on display at the MAC.

The evening's activities will culminate in the coronation of the Festival Queen, who will be chosen from among four high school representatives.

All the activities are free and open to the public.

The queen contestants include

- Jamie LeAnn Gunnell, Allen Central High School, daughter of Paul and Sandy Gunnell of Garrett; clarinetist with the ACHS Rebel Band for five years and chorus member for four years. All County Senior High Band, three years; All County Senior High Chorus, three years; All District Senior High Chorus, one year; US Marine Corps Semper Fidelis band leadership award; cheerleader, Chemistry Club, Rebels Against Drugs, Spanish Club, Who's Who.

- Greta Davidson Hicks, Prestonsburg High School, daughter of Derek and Deborah Hicks of Prestonsburg; principal trombonist with PHS Concert, Pep and Marching Bands for five years; All District Band, two years; All County Band, four years, first chair, three years; Morehead State University Freshman Honor Band; Honor Choir, four years; All State Chorus, three years; All District Choir, three years; All County Chorus, two years; Mountain Harmony Handbell Choir, three years; Kentucky Opry Junior Pro Orchestra, Prestonsburg Community College Community Chorus, Air Force Band of Flight; National Honor Society, Who's Who, Governor's Scholar.

- Alicia Renee Shell, Betsy Layne High School, daughter of Jack and Joycie Shell of Harold. Band, chorus, piano, National Honor Society, Beta Club, Who's Who.



Jamie LeAnn Gunnell



Greta Davidson Hicks



Alicia Renee Shell



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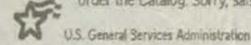


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# Straight Talk, Plain Facts & Common Sense

The campaign will be over next Tuesday. We have withstood negative attacks, xeroxed rumor pamphlets, distortion of the truth, downright lies and fought back with the truth.

However, I want to make sure the record is straight during the last few days of this campaign. My voting record in the Kentucky State Senate is a public record. Any person is able to get a copy of my votes on any issue before the General Assembly.

I voted to ban homosexual marriages in Kentucky, I voted to allow school prayer; I co-sponsored legislation that allows public schools to post The Ten Commandments and I voted to allow public facilities to be used for religious services. I never voted for any bill that would allow any person, group or organization to "take over" any church.

I voted for 49 serious tax cuts, from income tax reduction by increasing the standard deduction, to lowering the car tax to eliminating the tax on prescription medicines and physician visits.

You've read the news accounts. Breathitt, Floyd, Johnson, and Knott Counties received more state appropriations for community projects, water line extensions, justice center, road construction, recreation improvements, public school recreation projects, senior citizen programs and child development programs than any other state senate district. I was criticized by the governor and severely criticized by the big city newspapers for "putting so much money in his district." I understand this criticism. I never in my wildest imagination thought I would have a political opponent who would criticize me for putting too much money in your communities!! However, one thing you can count on: as long as I am your state senator, your needs, concerns and wants will be considered in every decision your state government makes, regardless of the criticism of small minded individuals and big city newspapers.

I have tried to run this campaign in a manner that equals the respect I have for you. No rumors, no misleading statements, no lies. Just the issues, my issues and positions, my record. Now you have a decision to make. We can continue to move forward, consolidate our progress, build for the future or we can stop and start over and take another 20 years to get back to where we are now. Please remember to vote next Tuesday. I hope you can consider Benny Ray Bailey as your candidate for State Senator but it is important that you vote. Thank you so much for all your kindness you have shown me and my family as we visited with you during this campaign and I will keep in touch with you.



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**Jerry Patton**

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Jerry Patton has 20 years experience as a trial lawyer. He has served as Commonwealth's Attorney and as assistant Commonwealth's Attorney. Beginning with his position as Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney and continuing throughout his legal career,

Jerry has taken hundreds of cases before juries. His success rate overall in criminal cases is 95%. He was ranked fourth in the state in 1998 by an independent survey of the most prolific Kentucky trial lawyers. Jerry Patton has demonstrated that he has the strength, ability and will, to take on criminals and the toughest defense lawyers, and win.

Jerry's opponent has served as Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney for two years. He has practiced law for 5 years. He has had many opportunities to take cases to trial before juries. Unfortunately, his record consists only of plea bargains before judges, which means reduced charges, and in many instances, probated sentences. Jerry's opponent has never disputed the fact that he has never tried a case before a jury. He says that he has prosecuted cases, but his idea of prosecution is to plea bargain.

Jerry Patton appreciates your support during this campaign. He has always taken a stand for the working man, and has represented injured workers, including coal miners for 20 years. His opponent works for a law office which has fought against injured coal miners and other workers for many years, representing companies like Old Republic Insurance Company.

This Tuesday's election is an opportunity for Floyd County to elect Jerry Patton, who will protect the interests of all Floyd Countians, fairly and justly. He will not give in to the special interests of big coal companies and insurance companies.

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# OBITUARIES

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## Campbell pallbearers listed

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Paul Campbell were Brian Campbell, Sean Hodge, Greg Sneed, Gary Coon, Bill Williams and Steve Cole. Honorary pallbearers were Jake Sneed, Evan Campbell, Mike Jaudon, Jordon Campbell, Cody Hughes and Todd Pfeffer.

## Landon "Bruce" Patton

Landon "Bruce" Patton, 88, of McDowell, died Friday, May 12, 2000, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Medical Center following an extended illness.

Born on February 13, 1912, in Knott County, he was the son of the late Tom and Ida Patton. He was a retired coal miner, a member of UMW, and a member of the United Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Birdie Lawson Patton. Survivors include four sons, Bobby Gene Patton of Lexington, Rodney Phillip Patton of McDowell, Ray Douglas Patton and Gary Lee Patton, both of Salyersville; two brothers, Alonzo Patton of McDowell, George Patton of Arizona; one sister, JoAnn Patton of McDowell; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, May 14, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, with Clifford Williams, Woodrow Dye and others officiating.

Burial was in the Lucy Hall Cemetery, at McDowell, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

## Arlin Hall

Arlin Hall, 88, of Pinetop, died Tuesday, May 16, 2000, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born on June 13, 1911, in Kite, he was the son of the late Maryland Byrd Hall and Mary Bates Hall. He was a retired coal miner, a U.S. Army World War II Veteran, and attended the Ball Branch Regular Baptist Church, at Mousie.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mattie Evelyn Page Hall.

Survivors include seven sons, James D. Hall, Morris Dean Hall, Harold O. Hall, Aubrey Neil Hall and Mike Hall all of Pinetop, Charles D. Hall of Cottonwood, Arizona, Leon Dale Hall of Littcarr; three daughters, Aretta Fern Hice of Chillicothe, Ohio, Chelsa King of Kite, Glenda Hall of Pinetop; four brothers, Harold Hall of Topmost, Hillard Hall of Pinetop, Albro Hall of Waddy, Clay Hall of Bradenton, Florida; three sisters, Elva Barger of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Mattie McCain and Ethel Conley, both of Springfield, Ohio, 16 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, May 19, at 11 a.m., at the Ball Branch Regular Baptist Church, at Mousie, with the clergyman Roger Hicks and Coy Combs officiating.

Burial will be in the Arlin Hall Cemetery, at Pinetop, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

## Daisy Slone Branham

Daisy Slone Branham, 98, of Winter Park, Florida, formerly of Martin, died Friday, May 12, at her residence.

Born on May 12, 1902, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late George and Ann Parrott Slone. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Winter Park, Florida.

Her husband, Oscar Branham, preceded her in death.

Survivors include four sons, Paul Branham of Allen, Carlos Branham of Lynchburg, Virginia, Lowell Branham of Gallatin, Tennessee, Robert E. Branham of Louisiana; four daughters, Teresa Johannessen of Winter Park, Florida, Maretta Tersten of New Port Ritchie, Florida, Mable Kimmel of Clarksville, Indiana, Easter Robinson of New Port Ritchie, Florida; 25 grandchildren, 45 great-grandchildren and 6 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 15, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, at Martin, with Vernon Slone officiating.

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

Serving as pallbearers were Tony Branham, Frank Kimmel, Mark Branham, Paul Branham, Lowell Branham, Tom Kimmel, Geoffrey Branham, Bill Kimmel, and James Johannessen.

## Helen Scott

Helen Scott, 74, of Georgetown, formerly of Paintsville, died Friday, May 12, 2000, at her residence.

Born on February 2, 1926, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Daniel B. Hicks and Hattie Gibson Hicks. She was a nurse.

Survivors include two sons, Keith Scott Jr. of Richmond, Hawley D. Scott of Georgetown; one daughter, Elizabeth "Beth" Ferguson of Keaton; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 15, at 11 a.m., at the Jones-Preston Funeral Home, with Elmo Ferguson officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

## Timothy Wayne Isaacs

Timothy Wayne Isaacs, 37, of Connelly Springs, North Carolina, formerly of Knott County, died Sunday, May 7, 2000, at Morganton, North Carolina.

Born on March 4, 1963, in McDowell, he was the son of George Isaacs Jr., of La Grange, and the late Julia Childers Isaacs.

Other survivors include one son, Timothy Daniel Isaacs of Hi Hat; one daughter, Katrina Rashael Isaacs of Hi Hat; three brothers, Kenneth Isaacs of Topmost, Rick Isaacs of Drift, and Clay Edward Isaacs of Phoenix City, Alabama.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, May 11, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel with Curtie Hall, Roger Hicks and Mennifce Huff officiating.

Burial was in the Isaacs Cemetery at Dry Creek, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

## 10th ANNIVERSARY In Loving Memory of Timothy (Tim) Crum



May brings sad memories, of the brother we laid to rest. He'll never be forgotten, by the ones who loved him best.

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God, please take this message to our brother, up above. And tell him how much we miss him, and give him our love.

To all that have their brothers, cherish them with care. For you will never know the heartache, till you find out he's not there.

They say time heals all sorrow, and helps you forget. But time, so far, has only proved, how much we miss him yet.

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## Maggie Mae Reynolds Mitchell

Maggie Mae Reynolds Mitchell, 83, of Grethel, died Monday, May 15, 2000, at her residence following a sudden illness.

Born on July 7, 1916, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Davenport and Virginia Hall Hamilton. She was a member of the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church for 63 years.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Dock Reynolds; and second husband, Frank Mitchell.

Survivors include three sons, Dock Reynolds Jr. of Grethel, Vernon Reynolds of Lorain, Ohio, Dale Reynolds of Louisville; one daughter, Lou Ellen Frasure of Grethel; two brothers, Anthony Hamilton of Harold, D.P. Hamilton of Grethel; three sisters, Pearl Justice of Harold, Martha Ray of Battle Creek, Michigan, Bonnie Sue Martin of Grethel; eight grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, May 18, at 10 a.m., at the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, at Teaberry, with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Dock Reynolds Cemetery, at Grethel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the church.

## Ella Rie "Ellen" Howell

Ella Rie "Ellen" Howell, 58, of Andrews, Indiana, died Wednesday, May 10, 2000, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born on November 21, 1941, in McDowell, she was the daughter of Alice Moore Lawson, of McDowell, and the late David Eugene Lawson. She was a member of the Bethesda Freewill Baptist Church, Andrews.

She is survived by her husband, Doffie Howell.

In addition to her mother and husband, she is survived by two sons, Rick Howell of Warren, and Dale Howell of Huntington; one daughter, Tamera L. Hysong of Huntington; five sisters, Freda Collier of Columbus, Ohio, Stella Mae Castle of Wayland, Judy Thornsberry and Edie Hamilton, both of McDowell, and Barb Rietz of Coon Rapids, Minnesota; three brothers, Paul Lawson of Pinkerington, Ohio, Danny Lawson of McDowell, and David Lawson of Columbus, Ohio; nine grandchildren and one great-grandson.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, May 13, at the Bethesda Freewill Baptist Church, with Rev. Don Arms officiating.

Burial was in the Riverside Cemetery, Andrews, under the direction of Deal-Robbins & Van Gilder Funeral Home.

(Information, courtesy of Hall Funeral Home, Martin)

## Estil Rowe

Estil Rowe, 79, of Crystal River, Florida, formerly of Pike County, died Monday, May 15, 2000, at his residence, following an extended illness.

Born on February 16, 1921, in Pikeville, he was the son of the late Hasten and Nerva Dutton Rowe. He was a retired coal miner and laborer.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Lucy Mae Saunders Rowe.

Survivors include four sons, Frank Estil Rowe of Summertown, Tennessee, Dennis Ray Rowe of Westland, Michigan, Sammy Dean Rowe of Knoxville, Tennessee, Chris Narciso Rowe of Inglis, Florida; three daughters, Brenda Lee Dameron and Barbara Ann Hernandez, both of Taylor, Michigan, Earsie Bethune Young of Perry, Florida; three brothers, Bernard Rowe of Louisville, Ben Rowe and Edward Rowe, both of Pikeville; three sisters, Mary Wade of Benton, Hattie Coleman and Ruby Brown, both of Shelbyana, 12 grandchildren, five step-grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, May 18, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, at Martin, with Rev. Louis Ferrari officiating.

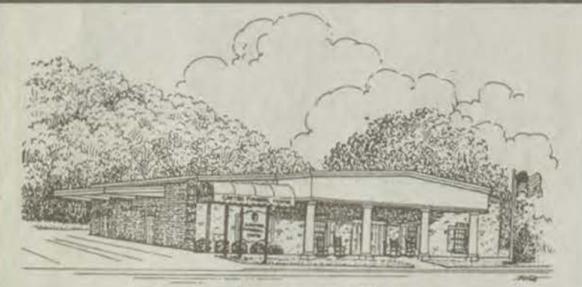
Burial will be in the Lucy Hall Cemetery, at McDowell, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

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## Card of Thanks

The family of Paul Campbell wishes to express appreciation to friends, neighbors and relatives for their thoughtfulness extended to us during our time of sorrow. We would like to acknowledge special thanks to Pastor Louie Ferrari; the singers from the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church; the Wheelwright Masonic Lodge #889; and the Maytown United Methodist Church. We would also like to thank the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional services to our family.

The Family of Paul Campbell



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Carol Chaffins of Beauty receives her degree from Dr. Charles Stebbins, Interim President of Prestonsburg Community College.

## Graduates recognized for commitment

The two years, and in some cases more, of dedication and hard work culminated in recognition for Prestonsburg Community College graduates on Friday, May 5, at the 35th annual commencement exercises at the Mountain Arts Center.

Student commencement speaker and associate pastor at Calvary Temple Community Church in Lovely, Gregory Crum, told the graduates that the people are the true wealth of eastern Kentucky.

He encouraged the graduates, as well as the audience, to either stay in the area of return to use their talents and skills to improve the quality of life in the Big Sandy region.

John Rosenberg, commencement speaker, encouraged the audience to treasure the freedom that Crum alluded to in his speech. The freedom to make decisions about life's paths is a part of democracy and the privilege to have choices, he said.

He shared how he and his parents were taken to concentration camps during Hitler's regime in Germany and were released prior to World War II. His family was the last to get on a ship to bring them to New York and to freedom before the Holocaust began.

Seeing the Statue of Liberty for the first time is a memory he will never forget, he said. This search for freedom resulted in his fight for civil rights during the '60s through today.

The commencement ceremonies recognized those students receiving transfer scholarships to pursue their educational goals at other institutions.

Christy Honaker of Dorton received the Distinguished Community College Scholarship from the University of Kentucky. Jeremy Todd Akers of Pikeville was awarded a \$2,540 Community College Presidential Transfer

Scholarship to Eastern Kentucky University.

Jessica Elizabeth Music of Auxier received a \$3,000 transfer scholarship to Morehead State University.

Receiving \$1,500 transfer scholarships to MSU were Jill Marie Horton of Royalton and Latonia Renae Morrison of Debord.

Joanna C. Risner of Royalton and Mary P. Rollins of Tomahawk both received \$1,000 transfer scholarships to MSU.

Dr. Charles Stebbins, PCC Interim President, presented awards to those who achieved a perfect 4.0 grade point average during their degree pursuit: Anna Belcher of Conaway, Virginia, Associate in Applied Science in Law Enforcement Technology; Mary Borders of Salyersville, Associate in Arts; Billy J. Coleman of Shelbiana, AAS in Business Technology Management Information Systems Option; Gregory Crum of Inez, AA; Jill M. Horton of Royalton and Christopher L. Wireman of Prestonsburg, AAS in Business Technology with Accounting Option.

Also recognized during the evening's ceremony were

- Dr. Thomas Orf, selected by the student body for PCC's Great Teacher Award;

- Roger Recktenwald, former executive director of the Big Sandy ADD and now executive director of the Kentucky Infrastructure Authority, awarded the Faculty Assembly Service Award; and

- Gary T. Underwood, for his service as 1999-2000 Student Government President and student representative to the KCTCS Board of Regents.

A reception for the graduates, their family and friends followed the ceremonies.

## Dear Floyd Countians:

For over two years, other members of your school board and I have worked unselfishly long hours, without compensation, for no reason other than the improvement of our school system. Any reasonable person would have to agree our schools are improving dramatically each day. One thing our schools do not need is to be brought into a political battle for a political office which needs to be filled by a qualified legal mind, with integrity above reproach.

This past weekend, I was directly defamed and falsely accused by someone running for a political office in Floyd County. My goal with this response is strictly to set the record straight for our school board and our school system, which does not deserve any involvement, in any political arena, for any reason!

First, upon competent legal advice, our board voted by a majority, to bring suit against a former board attorney for malpractice in an effort to regain funds paid out in a court decision which cost your schools over \$800,000. This vote was taken months before anyone filed for any political office, and was done solely for the purpose of recovering funds which we were advised were lost because of improper representation by the board attorney at the time. These facts are readily available for anyone as a matter of public record. Our job as school board members is to do what we think to be in the best interest of your children, without malice to anyone. It is my opinion, and that of other legal counsel, that the Federal Judge's ruling in this matter is an indictment of malpractice against the attorney who was paid tens of thousands of dollars to properly represent your children's well being.

As far as any friends I may have earned, they are just that, earned friendships. My friendships with anyone have never been used for any reason other than to help our schools and our area. For this, I am very proud. My friend who was mentioned in the political ad, is my next-door neighbor, and is not seeking any political office. His son, a young man I have only met a few times, is the one seeking office.

Folks, this week I am considering a personal lawsuit against the very unscrupulous person or persons who have defamed both my name and the work we have accomplished in this community with our many personal and corporate contributions. I have worked hard in every facet of this community for many years and will not tolerate such an unsolicited, unprovoked, and unprofessional attack. I endorse no candidate with this open letter, but do ask you to look simply at open facts and records available to you. Our children and this school system have been harmed enough by people who have used it for their personal gain. Our school system does not need to be the subject of any political candidate's attempt to defame the people working hard to make it better.

I apologize to each of you and your children for the way your school system has been attacked by someone whose motive is obviously selfish and against your best interests. Most of us have worked very hard to make our schools a good place for our young people. Let's keep it that way.

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# REGIONAL OBITUARIES

## Magoffin County

Floyd Arnett Jr., 71, of Trenton, Michigan, a native of Salyersville, died Saturday, April 8, in Wyandotte, Michigan, following a brief illness. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 15,

under the direction of Martenson Funeral Home, in Trenton.

Betty Lou Howard Caldwell, 64, of Salyersville, died Tuesday, April 25, at the Salyersville Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 28, under

the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Chester Stephens, 84, of Salyersville, died Wednesday, May 3, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, May 6, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home.

David Joseph, 34, of Royalton, died Tuesday, May 2, in Magoffin County. He is survived by his wife, Lynn Shepherd Joseph. Funeral services were conducted Friday, May 5, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater & Dunn Funeral Home.

Mousie Arnett Fletcher, 82, of Salyersville, died Saturday, May 6, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, May 7, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

## Pike County

Billie M. Lewis Branham, 83, of Altoona, formerly of Pikeville, died Thursday, May 11, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Arthur Branham. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, May 13, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services-Morris Chapel.

Walter Tackett, 65, of Caney Highway, died Friday, May 12, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 15, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

Cora Mims Sanders, 96, of Ecorse, Michigan, formerly of Pike County, died Thursday, May 11, in Riverview Michigan. Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 15, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

John Fleming, 83, of Shelbyana, died Friday, May 12, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 15, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

## Johnson County

Patsy Jean Spencer Rosick, 58, of Van Lear, died Wednesday, May 10, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, May 13, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Nolan Walter Vaughan, 93, of Leander, died Wednesday, May 10, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Alva Hackworth Vaughan. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, May 13, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Marjorie Christine Trossky, 80, of Paintsville, died Tuesday, May 9, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Friday, May 12, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Judge James A. Knight, 63, died Thursday, May 11, at his Paintsville residence. He is survived by his wife, Julia Conley Knight. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, May 14, at First Baptist Church in Paintsville.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

## Piarist School to hold entrance examination

The Piarist School, a tuition-free, private, college preparatory high school, will hold an entrance

examination for students entering the freshman or sophomore year of high school in the fall. The school offers small class sizes, weeklong field trips, individual attention, full lab science classes, athletic opportunities, and strong moral values. A high school placement test will be given on Saturday, May 20, at 9 a.m. at the school, which is located on KY 80 in Martin. To register or to request more information, call 606/285-3950 or e-mail the school at: piarist@kih.net.

## SBC meeting

A special-called Site-Based Council Meeting on Wednesday, May 17, at 4 p.m. at McDowell Elementary, in the Administration Building.

See CALENDAR, page fifteen

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A pilgrimage to the Holy Land and to Italy is slated for November 6-18, under the direction of Father Jerome F. Stern of the London, Kentucky, parish.

The trip is in honor of the Holy Year of Jubilee, 2000, and in honor of the second millennium of the birth of Jesus Christ.

For more information, contact Stern at Sts. William and Sylvester Catholic Church, London, KY 40741; 606/864-7500, or Catholic Travel Office, 10018 Cedar Lane, Kensington, MD 20895; 301/530-8963.

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## Danny J. Williams

Danny J. Williams, 34, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, May 14, 2000, at his residence.

Born on December 29, 1965, at Allegan, Michigan, he was the son of Shermie and Jean Patrick Williams of Corn Fork, near Prestonsburg. He was a United States Marine Corps Veteran, attended the Rising Son Ministries, and was employed by Branham and Baker Coal Company as a coal analyst.

He is survived by his wife, Rhonda Hooker Williams.

Other survivors include two sons, Daniel Raines and Jordan Williams; one daughter, Kristin Raines, all at home; two brothers, Rex Williams and Robert Williams, both of Lexington, and one sister, Kim Goble of Prestonsburg.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, May 16, at 11 a.m., at the Floyd Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. Danny P. Curry and Rev. J.M. Sloce officiating.

Burial was in the Williams Cemetery, at Royalton, under the direction of the Floyd Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers were Aaron Hackworth, Kenny Bentley, Rick Bentley, Bob Goble, Courtney Miller and Estill Collins.

## Cornelius Hall

Cornelius Hall, 76, of Mt. Sterling, formerly of Wheelwright, died Sunday, May 14, 2000, at the Mary Chiles Hospital, in Mt. Sterling.

Born on May 31, 1923, in Knott County, the son of the late John M. Hall and Cory King Hall. He was a retired coal miner, member of the First Baptist Church at Wheelwright, a member of Wheelwright Masonic Lodge No. 889, and Mt. Sterling Lodge, and was a World War II Army veteran.

He was preceded in death by his wife, June Butcher Hall.

Survivors include one son, Mike Hall of Mt. Sterling; two sisters, Mildred Hatfield of Richmond, and Lavone Bailey of Wheelwright; four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, May 17, at Hall Funeral Home Chapel, at Martin, with Morris Ray Hall officiating.

Burial will be in Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

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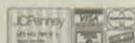
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Calendar

**Memorial service**

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association will hold its annual memorial service for deceased retired teachers Thursday, June 1, at the Josie Harkins schoolhouse at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Registration will begin at 10 a.m. This service is open to the public.

**SBDM meeting**

The SBDM council at Clark Elementary School will have its regular monthly meeting on May 18, at 6 p.m., in the school library.

**P'burg Elementary schedules SBDM meet**

Prestonsburg Elementary School will hold its regularly scheduled SBDM council meeting in the school auditorium on Monday, June 5, at 6 p.m.

**Zebulon Lodge plans Master Mason degree**

Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM, Prestonsburg, will confer the Master Mason degree at the meeting to be held Saturday, May 20, beginning at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m., and the degree work will continue.

**Kindergarten registration**

Charles Clark Elementary School will hold kindergarten registration on Friday, May 19, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. New students need birth certificate, social security card, immunization certificate, and physical. Call 886-2487 if you have questions or need more information about this registration process. Students not registered on May 19, can be registered any time before school starts by coming by or calling school.

**McDowell FRC activities**

GED classes are offered each Monday from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at the McDowell Family Resource Center. These classes are free and are taught by Linda Wallen with the David School.

Floyd County Health Department nurse, Joy Moore, is at the Center each Monday to see patients. If you have a child enrolled in the fifth grade at McDowell Elementary and have not scheduled an appointment for a physical, call 377-2678. Your child cannot go into the sixth grade without this physical.

Parent Support Group meeting will be May 23, from noon to 1:30 p.m. The Center will host an ice cream party for the classroom that has the most parents to attend. At least three parents must represent a room for it to qualify. Join other parents to discuss topics relating to your children and to learn more

about how to help your child and gain useful information to help raise your child.

Lola Ratliff with the Safe and Drug Free Schools, Kim Blocker with Our Lady of the Way Hospital, and Ann Hamilton with the Floyd County Head Start will be on hand to answer questions you may have.

Health Fair for McDowell Elementary will be May 26.

A BRIDGES Parent Support Group meeting will be May 17, from 10 a.m. to noon. The topic of this meeting will be substance abuse. If you are a parent dealing with substance abuse or have a child who is dealing with it, come to our meeting. Refreshments will be served. If you need transportation or child care, call Lahoma at 358-5608, Judy at 587-2644 or Mary at 452-9600.

Parents interested in any or all these programs and would like more information, call the 377-2678.

**Pikeville High's cheerleaders to host stunt clinic**

The Pikeville High and Junior High cheerleaders will host a one-day stunt clinic on May 20th, in Pikeville on the Pikeville High School campus. The clinic will involve elementary, junior high, and high school students throughout Kentucky and West Virginia.

Instruction at the camp will be provided by Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA) the leaders in cheerleading instruction. UCA championships appear on ESPN. Current and prospective cheerleaders may attend.

Students attending will receive

concentrated training in stunting. Interested parties should contact Lisa Wheeler at (606) 432-0185 (school) or (606) 437-9576 (evening).

**Computer classes offered**

The Adams Middle School Youth Services Center and Clark Family Resource Center are offering free computer classes for any parent or community member who would be interested in attending. Call 886-9812 for more information.

**Mental health is conference topic**

Kentucky River Community Care will host the fourth annual Mental Health Consumer Conference on June 15, at Knott County Central High School in Hindman. Speakers will include representatives from

Mental Health Advocacy Groups and Sen. Benny Ray Bailey. For more information and registration form, call 606/785-0961 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. (Monday-Friday). Pre-register by June 5.

**Support group forming**

Persons interested in starting a Scleroderma support group may call Phyllis Centers at 606/285-3437.

**South Floyd High School SBDM election**

Election of parent members to the SBDM council will be held on Wednesday, May 23, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the school. Nominations must be submitted in writing to the school office by 3 p.m. on Friday, May 19. Parents may nominate themselves or another parent.

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**A Public Response to Jerry Patton:**

After serving six years as Commonwealth Attorney, I decided to not seek re-election. I assumed I had removed my name from being Jerry Patton's opponent. Nevertheless, Jerry Patton is attacking me in his campaign ads, and I must respond.

**1st** – Jerry Patton is spreading a lie, by saying I will be employed by Arnold Brent Turner when he becomes Commonwealth Attorney. I told Mr. Turner when he first announced, I will not seek nor accept a job in his office. I have other plans for other career opportunities.

**2nd** – Jerry Patton is claiming a "100% conviction rate in child abuse cases!" That is an intentionally misleading statement. The records of the Commonwealth Attorneys Office reveal in six years, Jerry Patton did try four sexual offense and won them all. What he's not telling you is he also dismissed 12 other sexual offense cases, plead 9 more sexual offense cases with no jail time served, and left 30 cases pending when he left office. Does he really believe that is a 100% conviction rate?

**3rd** – Jerry Patton says I'm an ineffective prosecutor. I remind him, and tell everyone, that Jerry Patton and I have faced each other in court two times during my term. First time, Jerry Patton's client was accused of sexually abusing a nine (9) year old girl. I watched Jerry Patton portray this child as a liar, both to her face and to the jury. The jury didn't believe Mr. Patton or his client. Jerry's client was convicted and went to prison. Has Mr. Patton forgotten this child and his client, a sexual predator, so quickly? I won. He lost.

The second time we met, Jerry Patton was defending one of his many clients that are charged with dealing drugs. Again Jerry Patton argued that his client was innocent, and a man who would never sell drugs to anyone. After I put on our evidence, both Jerry Patton and his drug dealing client had a change of mind. Jerry Patton then eagerly admitted his client did in fact possess cocaine, and had in fact been selling drugs in our county. Jerry's client willingly agreed to serve three and one-half (3 1/2) years in prison.

Jerry, you say I'm an ineffective prosecutor. All I know is, I faced you twice in court, and when the day ended, both times I went home, you went home, but your clients went to jail. I believe even your clients would agree I did pretty good.

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# National Safety Council sets up hotline to protect children

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National Safety Council is setting up a toll-free hotline for the public to identify vehicles with unbuckled children.

The phone line will be in operation, May 22-29, during the next Operation ABC Mobilization, the national law enforcement crackdown on deadbeat drivers — adults who disregard the law and fail to buckle up kids.

"Our Citizen Action Response Hotline will offer a way for citizens

to get involved in protecting children from one of the leading risks they face — riding unrestrained in a vehicle," said Jerry Scannell, president of the National Safety Council. He pointed out that it's the law in every state, that children ride buckled up.

During the Mobilization, officers in all 50 states will intensify enforcement of child passenger safety laws through checkpoints, saturation patrols, and increased patrols. Citizens can help by dialing 1-800-764-5755 and identifying vehicles transporting an unbuckled child in violation of the law.

The National Safety Council will send a letter to vehicle owners reminding them that permitting a child to ride unbuckled is danger-

ous. The letter also states that because it's the law that children be buckled, if they are stopped by the police, they could be ticketed and fined. Once letters are sent, no records are kept and there is no further follow-up.

The hotline is patterned after similar existing programs in more than a dozen states and localities. In addition, there are numerous other state and local programs that enable citizens to report drunk, aggressive and unsafe drivers.

The Mobilization has grown from 1,000 agencies when it began in 1997, to more than 7,000 agencies this year. "Officers everywhere will be writing tickets during the Mobilization, because they know

that's what it takes to protect children," said Chief Robert Redfern, president of the New England Chiefs of Police. "You see kids riding unbuckled, but we unfortunately, see firsthand the tragedies that result."

"Redfern has taken a lead role in the crackdown, because he and his family experienced the tragedy of losing a child in a crash several years ago.

The last three years of Operation ABC Mobilizations have significantly contributed to an increase in child restraint use and a decline in child fatalities. But there is more work to do. One out of four kids still ride unrestrained, meaning 15 million children are at deadly risk. Traffic crashes are the number

one killer of children, and 60 percent of the kids killed in crashes are totally unrestrained. Because seat belts and child restraint systems are so effective, nearly half of those who die unbuckled in crashes would be alive today if the driver had made sure they were restrained.

In partnership with law enforcement and state highway safety offices, the Operation ABC Mobilization is sponsored by the Air Bag & Seat Belt Safety Campaign, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the National Transportation Safety Board. The Mobilization is a part of Buckle Up America, an ongoing national initiative to increase seat belt use and save the lives of Americans.

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## Landmark conservation bill passes House

The U.S. House of Representatives recently passed the most comprehensive conservation legislation in the nation's history. The Conservation and Reinvestment Act (CARA, HR 701) passed the U.S. House by a vote of 315-102 and will provide \$44 billion in funding over the next 15 years.

The money will fund projects to conserve wildlife, improve and expand parks and recreation services, save threatened historic properties and protect America's coastlines.

Kentucky Congressmen Hal Rogers, Ed Whitfield, Ron Lewis, Ken Lucas and Ernie Fletcher were co-sponsors of HR 701. All of them and Congresswoman Anne Northrup voted for the bill.

"Kentucky's entire delegation stepped up and made a great vote for Kentucky," said Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Commissioner Tom Bennett.

"This legislation is historic in its implication for Kentucky. It will allow us to create comprehensive wildlife programs for all Kentucky wildlife species in rural and urban Kentucky. Conservation education can be developed for all Kentuckians. Our delegation showed national leadership. Thanks to all of them."

"I think it is the most important legislation passed in my 30 years

in the parks and recreation business," said Steve Brooks, director of Parks and Recreation for Frankfort and Legislative Chairman of the Kentucky Recreation and Parks Society. "The real important part was that it pulled everybody together."

Kentucky's rich outdoor heritage was reflected by our Congressmen's enthusiasm toward CARA legislation. "By voting to pass the Conservation and Reinvestment Act," said 6th district U.S. Rep. Ernie Fletcher, "we are providing significant opportunities to start new parks, build new athletic fields, and most importantly provide the quality of outdoor

life we all desire."

Kentucky's portion of the funding could be more than \$21 million. A little more than \$8 million will fund land and water conservation efforts and just under \$5 million will fund wildlife conservation efforts.

The money provided for wildlife conservation is extremely important. More than 85 percent of America's fish and wildlife have no dedicated funding to help detect signs of population decline and prevent species from becoming threatened or endangered. Unfortunately, the vitality of many species goes unnoticed until they are at critically low numbers.

The funding provided by CARA will help wildlife agencies here in Kentucky and across the nation prevent species from reaching the critical stage in their population numbers at a lower cost than restoring threatened or endangered species. The funding will also save wildlife habitat from being developed.

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## Summer sessions began at MSU

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Registration will begin at 8 a.m., on campus, and at Ashland, Prestonsburg, West Liberty and Jackson. Summer I classes will meet for the first time on that day.

The term runs through Friday, June 16.

MSU will offer three summer sessions this year. Summer II runs June 19 through July 14; the Post-Summer 2000 session begins July

17, and continues through August 4.

Students who have not pre-registered may participate in advance registration on the Web beginning Tuesday, May 23, for Summer II, post-session and the fall semester.

Full payment of tuition and fees is due on the first day of each session to avoid late fees. The cost is

\$102 per credit hour for resident undergraduates and \$270 for out-of-state students; for graduate students, the cost \$147 and \$394 for resident and non-resident graduate students, respectively.

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PRESTONSBURG'S KYLE SHEPHERD INK a letter of intent with Campbellsville College this past Friday at the high school. Shepherd may get a look at the quarterback slot. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## Prestonsburg's Shepherd will join Crisp at Campbellsville

### Surprise: Former Blackcat could get look at quarterback

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS EDITOR

For the third time this spring, Campbellsville's football coaching staff made a trip to Floyd County and signed a football player to a letter of intent for the upcoming football season.

Prestonsburg's Kyle Shepherd made the most of his first and only season of playing high school football and signed with Campbellsville in the PHS school library this past Friday afternoon.

Shepherd will join teammate Seth Crisp at Campbellsville, as well as Betsy Layne's Brad Brooks.

Shepherd said the atmosphere of the school appealed to him and his family.

"I went down and made a visit," said Shepherd. "I like it there. It is geared to a family style atmosphere."

Shepherd went for try-outs with Campbellsville and got a first look as a split end. But that could change.

"Kyle is raw. He has a good frame and he is going to put on a lot of weight," said Campbellsville Coach Eric Graves. "We are going to use him, right now, at quarterback and see what he can do there. He is also a possibility as a receiver. He has some skills to throw the football."

er. He has some skills to throw the football."

Shepherd was surprised to learn of the Campbellsville coaching staff's plans.

"When I went down, I went down as a split end but I heard the news today that they might be putting me at quarterback," said Shepherd.

There is a strange twist to the signing of Shepherd as he had never played high school football until his senior season. He made such an impression with the Prestonsburg coaching staff he soon cracked the lineup.

"A lot of people don't realize that Kyle just played the one year," said Coach John Derossett. "When we went down they looked at Kyle's hand size, how tall he was and we had sent them some tapes of him."

"They felt that Kyle's best football is ahead of him. I think he will develop into a fine football player for Campbellsville."

Shepherd said he did not know how much of a contribution he can make in his first season.

"My first year is definitely going to be a learning experience for me," he said. "But I want to help out anyway I can."

Shepherd said he had always wanted to play foot-

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## A Look At Sports

### Recruits, Realignment, Reds

The national sports picture was very active over the week-end with much local interest in what is going on.



The University of Kentucky has evidently lost a recruit, realignment seems sure to become a reality and the Reds finally lose a game.

Michael Southall, a 6-10 recruit from Wisconsin, will not be a UK Wildcat next season because drugs were a part of his life.

Southall, along with others, was videotaped either dealing in drugs or taking drugs. With that, it appears that he will not be able to fulfill a scholarship he signed with the University of Kentucky.

**"I want to know everything before I make a decision," he said.**

You wonder what gets into young people in the day and times we live. Here was a young man with a future in front of him. Signed by a major university, a chance to get a paid-for education, national recognition, and perhaps a chance to play professional basketball. Now all that has gone up in "smoke!"

The incident prompted Kentucky Coach Tubby Smith to express a concern about the image of the UK program.

"A mistake is one thing, but if there are other issues involved, it puts him and our program in a different light," Coach Smith said of the Southall incident.

While UK does not have a policy, Coach Smith said the university has the right to revoke any scholarship offer.

"I want to know everything before I make a decision," he said.

Smith said he talked with Southall and described him as being, "scared, remorseful, apologetic and he is sorry he let our program down."

Like Southall's parents, Smith said we was "disappointed."

"He has done something wrong and will have to face the consequences," he said. "He stands to lose his scholarship, depending on the legal situation."

The Kentucky coach said drugs and alcohol were not permitted in the UK program.

Desmond Allison was suspended from the UK team this past season for DUI and drug possession. It appears that Allison will not be permitted to return to the Wildcat team and will transfer to another school.

Since Smith's arrival at UK, the recruiting process has been in shambles. No longer are the "blue chip" players knocking on the UK door for a chance to play for the tradition-rich Cats, but UK is having to go the route of lesser schools and gather in what they can.

The UK recruiting class of this year is nowhere near the top 10 and is not held high by the recruiting gurus of our day.

Last year a recruit collapsed and died before coming to UK. Now another one will not reach the Lexington shores because of a drug problem.

It was interesting to read Tubby's comments on the returning players from last year, the new recruits and how they will fit into next year's program but there was no mention of Todd Tackett. Does the Paintsville star fit into the overall picture next season? Or has he already stated he will be leaving UK?

One source tells me that he

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## Mullins becomes first in Floyd to sign football scholarship at Pikeville

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS EDITOR

Ten years from now a trivia question may come that goes like this: "Who was the first Floyd County football player to sign with Pikeville College?" Of course, the answer will be Prestonsburg's Hank Mullins.

Mullins signed a letter of intent with the new football program this past Friday at the high school.

Mullins' quickness and speed caught the attention of the Pikeville coaching staff. The football Bears have 70 players in the fold in anticipation of their first-ever football season.

The school will play only a junior varsity schedule this fall and go to a varsity schedule the following year.

The Pikeville coaching staff has been busy in filling the roster of 75 for the first year.

Mullins was the feature back out of the Prestonsburg backfield the past season and had a strong junior year, running with the likes of John Ortega and Grant Castle.

Mullins said it is an honor to be part of the first Pikeville football team.

"I am honored to be able to play at the next level," said Mullins.

"Going to Pikeville College is even better. They are just starting a new program there and it is a great school academically."

"I had two cousins who went to Pikeville College and they are quite successful now."

Mullins said he hopes to be able to contribute to the new program and, "make good things come out of the Pikeville program."

**"I am honored to be able to play at the next level," said Mullins. "Going to Pikeville College is even better. They are just starting a new program there and it is a great school academically."**

"Everyone is going to be on the same page," said Mullins. "No one is going to be any better and no one is going to be any worse. It is just going to be a real battle for positions."

Mullins said he looks forward to the challenge and the opportunity to play at Pikeville.

"Hopefully I can come out and be a number one starter or number two," he said.

Mullins was a three-year starter for Prestonsburg and played a lot as a freshman.

"Hank had a good sophomore season," said Prestonsburg coach John Derossett, "and an outstanding season as a junior with John Ortega and Grant Castle being there with him."

Coach Derossett said Mullins played his senior year injured.

"A lot of people didn't know, but Hank and I did, that he played injured last year. He was limited in the numbers he put up. He played through the injury and didn't want to come out."

Coach Derossett said Mullins could very well start on defense for Pikeville.

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SAFE OR OUT, YOU MAKE the call? Angela Howell was called out on this play at first base in the first inning against Allen Central Monday night. Prestonsburg lost the protest but won the game 11-5. (photo by Ed Taylor)

## From hardwood arena to political arena

### Turner's career has a story start and stop

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS EDITOR

Last month, Johnson Central basketball Coach Johnny Ray Turner announced he would not return to the 15th Regional champions and would retire to pursue a career in politics.

Turner has had a illustrious career in high school basketball and has coached some top players. One of those players was all-time leading scorer Geri Grigsby.

Coach Turner is one of those "Mr. Nice Guys" in the basketball wars, one you pull for and hope he finds success. Today, Turner has left the basketball arena and tossed the proverbial hat into the political arena as he bids for a state Senate seat, representing Floyd, Knott, Johnson and Breathitt counties.

Turner is a graduate of Morehead State University, where he graduated in 1972. His teaching career started like most, as a substitute.

"I subbed around the county at several of our county schools like Wheelwright, Martin, McDowell

and Prestonsburg," he said.

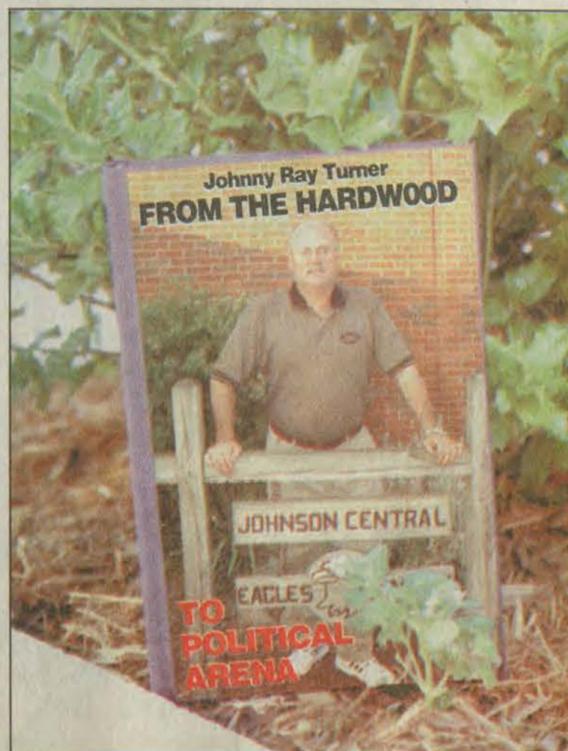
For the first semester of his first year of teaching, subbing was the order for Turner until he was hired the second semester as head teacher at the old Drift school.

"I taught sixth, seventh and eighth grade the second semester," he said. "But because I was not certified for that, I was not hired back the following year."

While helping Muggsy Griffith paint his mother's house one fall, things began to turn for Johnny Ray.

Turner's career as a basketball coach happened rather by accident. He said he had no intentions of becoming a basketball coach but it was sort of "pushed on him."

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**Turner**

"I was still looking for a job; that was on a Thursday and school was to start the following Monday, and while helping Muggsy, I got a call from my dad who told me I needed to call Charles Clark (then superintendent of Floyd County schools)," said Turner. "He asked me if I was certified to teach driver's education and I told him I was."

Salyersville High School was in need of a driver's education teacher, as well as a basketball coach.

"I thought, 'Basketball?' That was the farthest thing from my mind," he said. "I went over and saw Creed Arnette, superintendent of Magoffin County schools. He was a very nice person and he gave me the job of coaching basketball and teaching driver's education."

Little did Coach Turner know that the road he was about to travel would be a good one for him.

While at Salyersville, the high school had no gymnasium because it was lost in a fire. With no gym of their own to practice in, Coach Turner and his team had to use the elementary gyms.

"I was there two years," recalled Coach Turner. "We had to practice in very small gyms. The ceilings were low and because of that when we got in the big gyms we didn't have any arch and the ball would

bounce back to the top of the circle."

Salyersville and Coach Turner faced Wolfe County in their very first game together.

"I remember we would shoot the ball and people getting position to rebound," he said. "It would bounce over their heads because we're shooting line drives. Wolfe County beat us pretty bad and the next night, Prestonsburg did the same."

Coach Turner knew he had to solve the problem of gym space and searched for a facility with higher ceilings.

"I found one at Middle Fork that had cathedral ceilings. It was tiled floor but it helped a lot," he said.

Coach Turner and the Hornets won only eight games in his first year as head coach. The following year they improved to 13 wins, losing to Johnson Central in the district tournament.

While enjoying his stay at Salyersville High School, rumors began to surface. A Salyersville High School coach is never allowed to become tenured and two or three years was the best a coach could expect.

"I thought I had better go and ask," said Coach Turner. "At that time they had changed superintendents and Harold Whitaker was

there."

Armed with another job offer, Turner moved on the board of education in search for some answers.

"I was curious. I heard the rumors," he said. "I went up to Mr. Whitaker and told him I had been offered a job by Coach (Pete) Grigsby to come back to McDowell and coach the girls' basketball team. But I really liked it at Salyersville and was not looking to move. The rumors going around is that coaches don't tenured here. I have been offered another job, but I really like it here and would like to stay. What do you think? He told me, 'Well, I would advise you to go ahead and take that other job.'"

The following year, Turner moved back to McDowell and became the girls' basketball coach, replacing Bobbi Lynn Moore at the helm. The program was new and still in the infant stages. But Geri Grigsby had a way of putting little McDowell on the map.

"I took the job and coached the girls, which was a good move for me," said Coach Turner. "I had an outstanding team, that was in 1975. I was assistant boys' coach and head girls' coach."

"I was fortunate enough to coach Miss Basketball, Geri Grigsby. I had a lot of good players on that

team."

While girls' basketball was rather new, still Coach Turner admitted it was one of the best things to happen to him as far as coaching goes. It sort of launched his career onto another level.

"I had to start from the ground up," he said with a smile. "I would tell the girls to run their plays from the key and they didn't have a clue what I was talking about."

Turner coached the McDowell girls program and built it into one of the powerhouses in the 15th Region and the state. He was there for nine years where he played in four regional tournaments.

"We beat some pretty good teams out of the district," he said.

Turner thought he was in next in line for the boys' coaching job at McDowell but it didn't happen that way.

"I resigned as girls' basketball coach and then Jerry Fultz coached the boys one year," recalled Turner. "After Jerry left I was out of basketball for two years. I wasn't involved at all, just going to the games."

Then in 1987 Turner's fortunes turned around as he was named head boys' basketball coach at McDowell High School. His dream had become a reality.

"I had some outstanding players at McDowell," said Turner. "From that point my career started on the upswing. It was because of the young men I had."

Turner's 1988-89 team was the top team in the 15th Region with such young men as Dickie Joe Shannon, Henry Webb, Rady Martin, Brent Rose and others. Perhaps the most disappointing loss of his career was a loss to Prestonsburg in the 1989 regional finals.

For the next six years, Coach Turner would head up the McDowell program with consistently competitive teams. But word was McDowell and Wheelwright High Schools were to merge, creating South Floyd High School. Coach Turner was to take the helm of the new school's basketball program. But there were problems with that.

"I was offered the job at Johnson Central. I was hired to go to South Floyd. I began to look back and compared going to South Floyd as the same as going to Salyersville."

Informed that South Floyd would be without a gymnasium for at least two years, the thoughts of practicing elsewhere did not appeal to Coach Turner. It was decision time for the coach.

"One of the hardest decisions I had to make in my life was to leave that group of young men," said Coach Turner. "To go to Johnson Central was a big decision. But looking at the situation and not having a gym for two years, I didn't like that. I began to remember the times at Salyersville."

Saying goodbye to McDowell High School, where he coached for six seasons, Turner moved on to Johnson Central, a program that had seen some hard times in basketball. The year 1993 was his first at the helm of the Eagle program and it was time to rebuild the Eagles Nest.

"The first year here we went to the regional tournament but the next four we ran up against J.R. Vanhoose and Todd Tackett and the Paintsville Tigers," said Coach Turner. "For four years they were a dominating team. No one in the region and hardly anyone in the state could beat them those four years."

Patience was the order for Johnson Central fans because Coach Turner knew on the horizon Johnson Central would return to the top of the pack. With a group of freshmen players led by Tommy McKenzie and Mitchell Coleman, the future looked good for the Eagles.

"The last couple of years have been awful good years here at Johnson Central," said Coach Turner. "This group of nine seniors (led by McKenzie and Coleman) started out together as freshmen and we played them in varsity camps against varsity teams."

Two years ago, Johnson Central, with an outstanding team, was upended on their home floor by Pike Central in the regional semifinals.

This just-completed year, the Eagles soared to a 26-7 finish, a 15th Region championship, to Rupp Arena where they won the first game and lost to eventual champion

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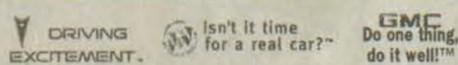
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# Prestonsburg Youth Baseball...

## Rangers collect 18 hits in win

by ED TAYLO  
SPORTS EDITOR

### MINOR LEAGUE

The minor league Prestonsburg Rangers collected 18 hits and went on to defeat the Prestonsburg Pirates 13-8 in minor league baseball at Archer Park.

Tosha Wallen and Max Davis had three hits apiece.

Michael Burchett finished with three of the 13 hits the Pirates collected. Will Allen, Jordan Damron, Tyler Poe, Joshua Little had two hits in the game.

The Ranger scored seven times in the fifth inning to break open a close game. The Pirates scored four times in the first and sixth

innings.

### CUBS VS PIRATES

The Cubs posted a 8-7 win over the Pirates Monday night at Archer Park. The Cubs scored six times in the third inning and bled off the Pirates who rallied for five runs in the fifth and added a single run in the sixth.

The Cubs took a 2-0 lead in the second inning and the Pirates scored in the top of the third for a 2-1 game. The Cubs then broke loose for six in the third for a 8-1 game. The Pirates pushed across five in the fifth to narrow the margin to 8-6 and added their final run in the bottom of the sixth. The Pirates left runners at second and

third when the game ended.

Josh Craynon had two hits for the Pirates. Will Allen collected three and Jordan Damron had two.

J.D. Head finished with three safeties for the Cubs.

### DIAMONDBACKS VS ROYALS

Josh Rodebaugh slammed two home runs, one a grand slam, and drove in five runs to lead the Royals past the Diamondbacks 19-2. Austin Gearheart had three hits in the game while Brittany Collins collected two. Nathaniel Stephens and Seth Setser had one hit each.

Whitney Caudill collected the lone hit for the Diamondbacks with a first inning single.

Teddy Ratliff, who started for the Royals, received the win, striking out eight batters and giving up just the one hit.

Rodebaugh accounted for all four of the Royals first inning runs with a grand slam home run. Rodebaugh had a solo shot in the fourth inning.

In the third inning, Setser's lone hit was of the long ball variety as he hit a two-run home run in the inning when the Royals scored seven times.

Also, in the fourth, Stephens accounted for the fourth roundtripper for the Royals with a two run home run.

Gearheart singled in the first, second and third and walked in the fourth.



A MARTIN LITTLE LEAGUE PITCHER visited Archer Park this past Friday for Interleague play against the Prestonsburg Little League. Martin pulled out a win over Prestonsburg (photo by Randy Reno)

### Mullins



COACH WILLIS OF PIKEVILLE COLLEGE was on hand for the signing of Prestonsburg's Hank Mullins last Friday. Mullins is a possible defense back for the Bears.



PRESTONSBURG'S HANK MULLINS SIGNED A LETTER of intent with Pikeville College last Friday. Mullins is the first Floyd Countian to sign a football scholarship with Pikeville College.

"I was talking with Coach Willis and they feel like Hank will walk in and start in the defensive backfield for them," said the Prestonsburg mentor. "I gave them a film of Hank and they could not believe the speed and quickness he had. I think they got a real find in Hank."

Mullins is part of the Prestonsburg baseball team and is hoping to lead his team in the upcoming district tournament.

"As soon as that is over with I have to hit the weights, start running and keeping myself in shape. Also, I need to study and prepare myself for the academic level at Pikeville College."

Mullins said that Coach Willis hadn't discussed any position with him yet.

"He did mention a little about playing cornerback," said Mullins.

"When Hank gets to Pikeville College fans will see the Hank Mullins of old," said Coach Derossett. "He has his body weight back and is working hard."

### BAILEY TO JOIN MULLINS AT PIKEVILLE

Coach Derossett also

### Turner

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Elizabethtown.

"I think it was a great way to end my career," said the former coach. "I will certainly miss basketball. It has been my life. It has been a way for me and my family to be together. My two daughters cheered for my teams at McDowell. I am going to miss it."

Leaving the basketball hardwood, Turner now is actively campaigning for the state senator seat. Today, he is actively on the trail talking with voters and listening to what they have to say.

"This has been something I had been thinking about for a long time," he said. "I have always felt I wanted to be involved in something like this. Before, the timing was not right. I was close to retirement. When you have taught for 16-18 years, you have invested a lot of time in teaching. At retirement it is hard to just drop that."

Turner feels with his experience as a teacher and a basketball coach, dealing with students and parents, he feels he is qualified for the position he is seeking.

"I may not be the smartest person out there but I feel like I have a lot of common sense," he said. "And a lot of decisions I make will be with common sense. I have always worked hard and I am going to continue to work hard for the people if I win the election."

Turner said he has addressed the things the voters have spoke of while campaigning and hopes to be able to address things such as jobs, education, city water, sewage and other important factors.

Leaving the basketball arena for the political arena will not be that difficult, according to Turner.

"I think there are a lot of comparisons between the two arenas," he said. "When I went into basketball, of course, I played basketball all my life, but I wasn't prepared to coach at that time. It was a learning process. Because I wasn't schooled in it, it made me work harder to advance to the level of competition we go to at this time."

"After my first year at Salyersville, I felt I learned what I had to do to get my teams competitive. In this political arena, I have been out there on the trail for four months now. When it comes time for me to take office, if I win the election, I will have learned enough about it so I can take ball and go with it."

announced that former Blackcat Adam Bailey will also enroll and receive a scholarship at Pikeville College. Bailey had signed with Eastern Kentucky University three seasons ago.

"I got to play with Adam some when I was a freshman," said Mullins. "He is a big one and helps your confidence when he is on the line."

Coach Derossett said he recommended Bailey to the coaching staff at Pikeville College.

"When they called me and asked me if I had any players, I gave them my seniors' names. In the back of my mind, I remembered Adam Bailey and what a great player he was."

Coach Derossett contacted the coaching staff at Pikeville and told them, "Here is a player who played in the Kentucky/Tennessee All-Star game. He was a Division I player at ECU."

"Once they looked at the tape on Adam and talked with him, they felt they had a great find in him," said Derossett. "Adam had thought of walking on at UK but he went to PCC and got his grades up and is doing good right now."

Derossett said he felt that in three years Bailey will be a great NAIA player.

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# Sports In Kentucky

by Bob Watkins

## Kentucky's high school hoops crop for 2000-01 heavy on backcourt talent

Half of Kentucky's baker's dozen rated high school basketball stars for 2000-01, are guards and four are Mr. Basketball candidates, according to Rick Bolus Recruiting Service rankings.

Forgive me being provincial, but let us hope to see this group

stay home.

Since Kentucky and Louisville rosters are guard heavy the next winter or two, Western and Eastern and Murray State have a legitimate chance in the hunt for Ben Bowling (Perry Central), Patrick Sparks (Muhlenburg-

North), Ronny Dawn (Newport Cen-Cath), and Josh Carrier (Bowling Green).

Whether or not all are interested in him, Bowling, a 6-4 prospect in Hazard, has already put together his college shopping list — Louisville, Tennessee, Michigan, Kentucky, Ohio State and Western Kentucky.

As Rick Jones transferred from Corbin and Scott Hundley moved from Lexington, speculation is Bowling may transfer to Scott County High in Georgetown to play for Billy Hicks, who coached the state's last two Mr. Basketball title winners, Jones and Hundley.

A WKU dream package for Coach Dennis Felton would be making Hilltoppers of 6-1 point guard Sparks, 6-5 shooter Carrier and rugged 6-10 Tony Key of Russellville, arguably the best big man prospect in south-central Kentucky since Jim McDaniels left Scottsville.

Meanwhile, Dawn at Newport Central Catholic is the best perimeter shooter in Kentucky since, well since Travis Ford. Dream package? Teaming Dawn in a backcourt with Rick Jones.

All things considered, 6-3 Brett Jones at Paducah Tilghman might be the best of the lot. And 6-3 Dewayne Rogers at Hart County will draw attention too.

### WKU DUMPS STRADER

The usual college sports politics, greed and money aside, one of the cherished principles in competitive athletics, seems to me, is loyalty.

Without fanfare, Western Kentucky University administrators tossed aside radio voice Wes Strader after 36 years, choosing to not renew a contract with Strader's station in Bowling Green and Hilltopper network.

"It's business. Loyalty doesn't matter, it seems," Strader said after having lunch with Western director of athletics Wood Selig. "I doubled my offer from the previous contract, but it wasn't enough. They said it was a business decision. They wanted revenue sharing in the new contract. I simply couldn't do that. It's not good business. So, they decided to go in another direction."

Business is business. Director of athletics Selig and his department is banking on two things.

1. Signing on with Commonwealth Broadcasting, a

Breton Jones company. WKU believes it has a better chance of expanding its Hilltoppers Network, get a bigger piece of the media pie in Kentucky and receive a cut of the profits in the bargain.

2. Since Western's football and men's basketball programs have faded deeper into shadows cast by UK and Louisville in recent years, Selig was counting on minimal exposure and criticism for dumping Strader.

Western's AD may be right on both counts, but the lesson is stark: Loyalty, even 36 years worth, is just a free lunch away from "we're going in a different direction," when the tune is played on a cash register. This is the 21st century and business is business.

Whether or not you were a Strader fan, this was poorly handled at WKU. Hilltopper football and basketball fans who follow the team on radio had better hope WKU's new play-by-play arrangement brings a better replacement for Wes Strader than UK got with its successor for Cawood Ledford.

### STRADER LOYALISTS

Typical of reactions to Wes Strader's departure from Hilltopper sports...

Kevin Cardwell, an '85 WKU grad living near Chattanooga; "Everything has to change, but it is with some sadness that I think about Wes Strader joining the likes of Cawood Ledford and John Ward. Granted Western may not have quite the same following, but Mr. Strader was as much a part of the 'Toppers as Ledford or Ward. And like them, he has become as much a part of the university as any athlete or coach."

"I had missed hearing much about Western games having lived some three hours away since graduating from Western in 1985. However with the advent of the internet I took much joy in being able to log on and listen to Mr. Strader call the Hilltoppers. Brought back many memories of my college time at Western and fond memories of listening to Mr. Strader call the 'Topper games. Tellis Frank, Kannard Johnson, Clarence Martin, Clem Haskins and crew. To Mr. Strader: Thanks for your years of wonderful service and loyalty to WKU. We appreciate the love and interest in WKU sports you have shown, from Coach (Ed) Diddle's success

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### ANOTHER COUP AT ECU?

After seeing the OVC become Murray State and the dwarfs in recent years, a basketball revival at Eastern and Morehead State to challenge Murray's hold would be a refreshing change, and ideally would draw attention to state schools away from UK and UofL.

Travis Ford scored a coup for Eastern last week when the Colonels' new head coach inked two JUCO prospects and persuaded Vandy transfer Rick Jones to sign. Landing Kentucky's Mr. Basketball '98, Ford got ECU more out-of-season media attention statewide than Colonels basketball has had since the 1970s.

But Ford struck again, making what could be a pivotal hire — naming Jerry Pelphrey an assistant coach. A native of Paintsville (John's brother), young Pelphrey — if he has the gumption and gift of gab — is in the right place at the right time to make a name for himself and ECU with a better-than-average crop of in-state talent coming available.

As Ford builds and uses his UK connection to get media attention, maybe we are seeing the infant stages of a rivalry, Eastern and Murray, that could stir a state. At least in the central and western climes.

### SCUTTLEBUTT

• The 2000 football season will be the last for Coach Jack Harbaugh at Western Kentucky University.

• Ballard High's Brandon Bender, participating in Bob Gibbon's inaugural Southern Invitational Tournament, got more trouble than he bargained for. The candidate for Kentucky Mr. Basketball allegedly stepped on an opposing player after throwing

down a dunk shot. At game's end Bender got a fist in the nose and had to be taken away to the medical unit.

• Hoops recruiting. The upcoming college basketball recruiting campaign could be a fascinating one. UK and UofL are vying for one of the nation's premier backcourt stars. Rashaad Carruth, a 6-3 180-pound Tony Delk-like star at Oak Hill Academy is considering Georgia, and Georgia Tech, North Carolina, Louisville and Kentucky.

Word is Carruth is leaning to Carolina since UK signed three guards and took a walk-on this spring.

Also, DeSagana Diop, 6-11, 220, also at Oak Hill and also on Kentucky's wish list, is interested in Missouri, Michigan, North Carolina State, Kentucky, Duke, Tennessee, Connecticut, Syracuse and Seton Hall.

DaJuan Wagner, a 6-3, 190 pounder from Camden, N.J., high on UofL's list is down to Louisville, Temple and Memphis. But, Wagner tells friends he might try to jump to the NBA.

### PARTING SHOT

Recommended reading: Sports Illustrated, May 15, page 26. SI view by Steve Rushin. As primer ... "(Having interviewed this or that sports star) sports journalists are always asked 'What's he (fill in name of celebrity athlete) really like?' The truth is we don't know, anymore than we know what our bosses or neighbors or spouses are really like. ... by spending five minutes, five hours or five days with him, by getting 'up close and personal.'"

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## Tire rule lifted, Late Models return to Thunder Ridge

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS EDITOR

The gates will open at 4 p.m. and racing will get underway around 7 p.m. as Thunder Ridge will be roaring this Saturday night with the return of the Late Models.

The class did not run last weekend but a large crowd is expected this weekend with a good number of late models on the starting grid.

At the start of the season, a new tire rule was in place and it caused some controversy over the past few weeks, but according to track promoter, Brad Martin, the issue has been settled and the tire rule lifted.

"I just wanted to try and save them some money," Martin said. "We will go back to the open tire rule. But we will have a big race night this Saturday night."

The Late Models will race for the \$1,200 purse while Modifieds run for \$600. \$400 will go to the road hog winner.

Also on the card Saturday night will be the regular Sportsman, Bombers and Four-Cylinders.

The track at the local racing complex has been almost dust free, according to Martin.

"The track has been holding up real good," said Martin. "We have had no dust the last two weekends. We put that clay down and it has really helped."

The Late Models and modifieds will qualify while the rest of the card will draw for starting positions.

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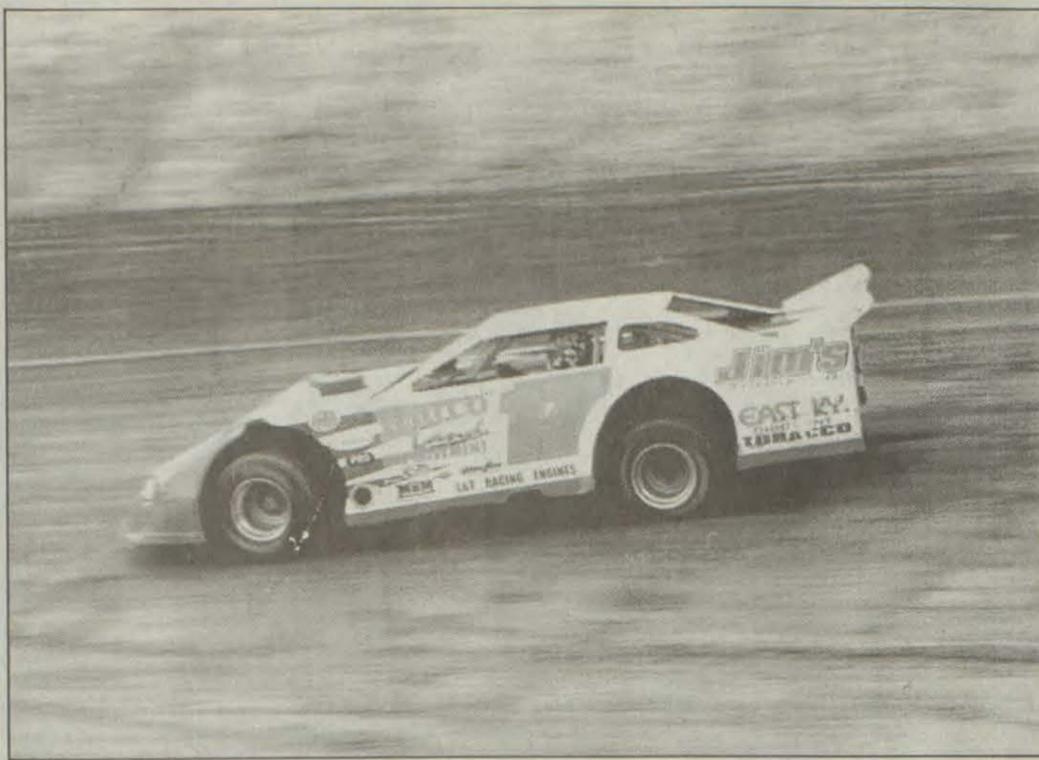
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# Thornsberry rolls to late model win at 201

by CHRIS BELCHER  
TRACK WRITER

Shannon Thornsberry started at the inside pole position at Sitka's 201 Speedway and raced all the way to the checkered flag in winning Saturday night's Late Model feature.

The Martin driver finished in front of Grayson's Steve "The Preacher" Littleton.

Fast qualifier, Butch Dowdy experienced mechanical problems forcing the veteran driver to miss his heat race. The missed race put Dowdy on the back row of the feature.

At the drop of the green flag, Thornsberry was quick to the point, despite an early challenge from Littleton. But on lap four, Thornsberry stretched his advantage to nearly half-a-straightaway while Littleton had to deal with a hard-charging Dowdy. After some intense racing, Dowdy took over second place with a pass to the inside of Littleton's car exiting the second turn.

Thornsberry had put some real estate between him and the other two challengers.

The only caution of the race, for debris, would narrow Thornsberry's lead and on the restart the race got interesting. Dowdy managed to draw beside Shannon's racer, yet as they entered the corners, Thornsberry would check up just enough in turn two on the white flag lap to allow Thornsberry to drive to the checkered flag. Dowdy finished second, followed by Littleton.

Fast qualifier Jason Dempsey shared front row with the 1998 track champion, Scott McCloud at the onset of the Super Bombers class. Going into turn one, Dempsey would take the first lead coming out of turn two with McCloud close by. Out of turn four, Dempsey would widen his lead over McCloud driving high off the fourth turn.

By lap 17, McCloud would exit to the pit area with mechanical problems allowing Ronnie Conley to take the runner-up slot with only eight laps remaining.

At the checkered flag, it would be Dempsey winning his second feature of the season followed by Conley and Dempsey.

The Bomber feature saw a continuation of the Potter and Puckett

Show with Keith Potter starting from the inside pole position next to Melvin's Jody Puckett.

Potter held the lead through turn one but down the back stretch Puckett was setting up a run for the fourth turn which would power him around Potter with a strong run to the outside. Potter began to put distance between himself and Puckett as Puckett bobbed his bomber on the seventh lap in turn four. Lap traffic allowed Potter to close in on the lead to set a close finish. However, on the final lap, Potter had taken advantage of Puckett's ill-handling race car and managed to get alongside of Puckett.

In the stretch, Puckett would hold off Potter's challenge, take the checkered flag and win his third feature of the season by inches over Potter.

Leaving his bomber, Scott Pennington strapped into his Road Hog and started from the outside pole position beside of Tom Crabtree.

When the green flag flew, Pennington got to the inside of Crabtree and took the lead using the higher line off the corners.

Pennington appeared to have

matters well in hand until a flat tire forced him to the pits for the change. He would return to finish fifth overall.

With Pennington out of contention, Crabtree and A.J. Stambaugh would wage one of the most exciting six laps of racing in the season.

Crabtree held Stambaugh at bay from lap seven to 11 when Crabtree washed high in turn two, allowing A.J. to take over the lead for the final two circuits and record the win. Crabtree finished second.

For the final feature Saturday night, 15 four-cylinders took to the clay with James Harless grabbing the lead from the start. Two-time four-cylinder champion Jack Clevenger Jr. had settled into second place until last season's runner-up in points, Amos Staton Jr., made his way to the runner-up slot by lap four. However, Staton would be forced to the pit area with a flat tire.

At the finish line it would be Harless taking the checkered flag with Clevenger a close second.

It will be Fan Appreciation Night at 201 Speedway this Saturday night with all drivers displaying their cars in front of the main grandstands for kids and fans to visit or have their picture taken with their favorite driver.

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# Kentucky Sportline...



Wildcats quite well thank you. It's hard for teams that run the option to lure classic dropback passers to their program and it's a hard sell to convince a running back like Shelton to come to a system like the one Kentucky uses.

On one hand, a running back for UK gets the ideal training program for the NFL — having to master pass-catching and blocking skills to complement his running prowess.

But a running back at Kentucky is never going to be featured in the same way that a tailback is in an I-formation-type attack, where he might get to carry the ball 30 or more times per game and be the focal point of the offense.

It would be silly for Mumme to change to something like the "I" just to land one player, no matter how good he might be. This system, like any good one, is bigger than a single player.

Would Kentucky run the ball more with a player like Shelton? Probably so. The pitch from UK will emphasize that point, along with the variety of skills a running back learns to master in this system, and how that package best prepares one for the NFL draft.

It'll be a hard sell, so Kentucky's chances of landing Shelton probably are not very good. But don't underestimate the abilities of Mumme and recruiting coordinator Claude Bassett. And don't discount what something like an eight-win season might do to enhance the chances of the school in Shelton's hometown.

Landing Tim Couch was a "must" for Kentucky — and so was Dennis Johnson. Shelton may well be in their category in terms of ability, but he's not as important to the perception of

UK's recruiting efforts because of Kentucky's system and the fact that Shelton is a star "runner." It's actually the ideal situation for the Wildcats — a tremendous sales job if they get him versus "they never had a chance anyway" feeling if he leaves the state.

### PREAKNESS PREVIEW

In picking against horses like Fusaichi Pegasus and The Deputy in the Kentucky Derby, I reasoned that their pattern of steadily climbing Beyer speed figures was due for a regression.

It turns out that such a line of thinking was sound, but it only serves to point out two things: the favorite is truly a special horse and almost none of this year's Derby starters was bred to excel at a mile and a quarter.

In 1998, Victory Gallop's win in the Arkansas Derby was dismissed in the discussion of the leading Derby contenders but it was in fact a sensational performance. After a season-opening 105 Beyer in his first race, Victory Gallop quite naturally regressed in his next start and the fact that he won the Arkansas Derby anyway made him a tremendous overlay in the Derby, one that barely missed winning the roses.

In this year's Derby, Fusaichi Pegasus took a step back on the Beyer scale, earning a 108 to follow his 111 in the Wood Memorial. The fact that he did that and still won the race in such an effortless manner leads me to believe he's ready to run the race of his young life this Saturday in the Preakness.

If you want to try to do more than win 40 or so cents on the dollar with your Preakness wagers, then the exotics are the way to go. Red Bullet will be a

strong second choice off his runner-up effort to Fu-Peg in the Wood Memorial last month, but this colt, while classy, has not yet demonstrated that he's any better than the rest of the group on the tier below the favorite.

With a good post position draw, High Yield might just catch another favorable scenario at Pimlico, a track that often favors speed horses on the inside. The Wayne Lukas-trained colt was 16th in the Derby, but remember the dramatic form reversals of horses like Louis Quatorze and Skip Away in '96 when they got away from Churchill Downs.

But the best prospect for the runnerup spot in the Preakness is Wheelaway. For a brief moment, I thought this gray son of Unbridled was going to win the Derby, but he came up short. I think it was more a case of seasoning than pedigree that caused his tank to hit empty. Trainer John Kimmel, who is as sharp as they come, said before the race that he feared his horse might be one race away from his best performance.

And the fact that Kimmel changed his original plan that called for skipping the Preakness tells me that this horse is sending a message to his trainer that the iron is hot and it's time to strike. Remember back in '91, when trainer Frankie Brothers was going to forego the Preakness with Hansel but changed his mind after the horse indicated in his training that he was ready to run a winning race?

I don't think the Belmont is a lock for Fusaichi Pegasus, but the Preakness is pretty close to being one. I like the favorite on top this Saturday, with Wheelaway a second and Red Bullet third.



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# Goble scatters four hits as Prestonsburg wins

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS EDITOR

Even though the Allen Central Lady Rebels clinched the Floyd County Conference and the number one seed in next week's district tournament, there was a moral victory to the 11-5 win over the Lady Rebels at Archer Park Monday night. It proved the Lady Blackcats are capable of winning against Allen Central and it

helped Coach Bridget Clay's ball-club from being a four seed (depending on what they did against South Floyd). With the win, Prestonsburg goes to 2-3 in the conference with the one remaining game with the Lady Raiders. Either way, Prestonsburg will face Betsy Layne in a first-round game in next Monday's start of the district.

Stacy Goble allowed Allen Central but four hits as she had the

Lady Rebels hitting the ball in the air. Ten outs were recorded by the fly ball against Goble.

Goble struck but two batters but her "slow stuff" had Allen Central off stride from the plate. She walked eight in the game but the defense made some good plays behind Goble.

Shanna Howell took the loss for the Lady Rebels. She allowed all 11 runs and gave up 10 hits while walking eight and hitting one batter.

Angie Green had half of the hits for Allen Central. She had an RBI double in the fourth inning.

Amelia Conley collected two hits in the win, one being a fifth inning triple. She singled in a run in the first.

Angela Howell, Margaret Damron and Brittany Carey had two hits apiece.

Prestonsburg scored six times against Howell in the sixth inning, sending 10 batters to the plate in the inning. Damron and Megan Hyden had RBI singles. Three of the runs were unearned with two Allen Central errors.

The Lady Rebels grabbed a 2-0 lead in the opening inning. The inning unfolded with lead off batter Terri Mullins reaching on a walk. Goble then walked Risner on four pitches and then Howell blooped a double just over the head of the first

baseman down the right field line. Sizemore singled scoring Risner with the second run. Goble then settled down and got the next three in order. Miranda Sturgill made two nice catches in right field.

Prestonsburg got one run back in the bottom of the inning on a one out walk to Damron and Conley's RBI single. Conley was called out on a steal attempt at second, bringing loud protest from the bench.

Goble gave up a lead off double to Amanda Tackett leading off the second but she was left stranded getting the next three on fly balls.

Prestonsburg took a 4-2 lead with three runs in the second inning, the big hit being a two-run double by Damron. Carey had her first hit in the second inning and scored on Damron's hit.

The Lady Rebels made it 4-3 with a run in the third. Howell walked, went to second on a wild pitch and moved to third on a passed ball before scoring on Sizemore's sacrifice fly to centerfield.

Howell kept Prestonsburg from denting the plate in each of the third and fourth innings as the Lady Rebels tied the game at 4-4 with a fourth inning run. Tiffany Turner walked and scored on Green's one out double. Green was tagged out trying to steal third and after that Mullins ripped a single to center.

Allen Central's final run came in the sixth one a two out single by Green and a bases loaded walk to Howell. The Lady Rebels left the

bases loaded when Sizemore gave them a charge, but Hyden tracked down her fly ball to left for the final out.



BRITTANY CAREY OF PRESTONSBURG attempted to bunt against Allen Central last Monday night at Archer Park. Prestonsburg posted a 11-5 win over the Lady Rebels (photo by Ed Taylor)

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## 9-, 10-year-olds...

# Welch bats, hurls Devil Rays past Rangers

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS EDITOR

Travis Welch was a one-man show for the Prestonsburg Devil Rays, doing it all from both the mound and plate.

Welch hurled the Devil Rays to a 13-9 win over the Rangers and helped his own cause by blasting a third-inning grand slam home run and driving in six runs in the win.

Steven Perry had four RBIs on a

grand slam home run in the fourth inning for the Rangers.

Welch hurled the four innings, walking 10 batters while striking out seven. He allowed nine runs on five hits.

Chris Schoolcraft suffered the loss for the Rangers, working four innings, allowing 13 runs on six hits. He walked 13 batters and fanned five.

The Rangers scored all nine of their runs in the fourth inning after

Welch had shut them out through the first three. Welch walked five of the 10 he issued in the fourth frame. Justin Trout had a two-run double in the inning. Steven Boatwright singled home a run and Allen Craynor had two runs batted in with a base hit.

The Devil Rays took a 2-0 lead in the first inning on a lead-off single by Billy Robinson and a walk to Jody Tackett. Both runners scored on errors.

It was 7-0 after the Devil Rays batted in the second inning as they sent 10 batters to the plate. Robinson doubled with the bases loaded and Alex Shepherd singled home a run before Welch cleared all the bases with a triple.

In the third, the Devil Rays exploded for six runs to lead 13-0. The highlight of the inning was Welch's grand slam. Robinson and Shepherd had RBI singles in the inning.

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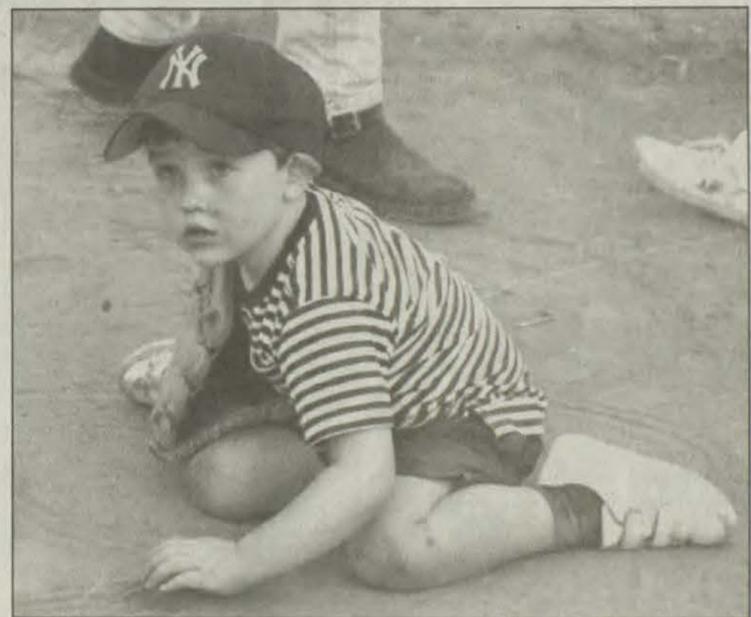
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JUST HAVING A GOOD TIME WAS Chris Martin. The park area are filled with kids this time of year out enjoying baseball and other things the parks have to offer (photo by Randy Reno)

## Sports

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doesn't think Todd will return to UK for his junior year. The source is very close to the situation.

### BASEBALL'S PROPOSED REALIGNMENT HAS REDS SEEING RED

Let me go on record first of all and say Bud Selig is not what major league baseball needs to solve its problems.

Now, Selig and his office want to realign baseball by creating four four-team divisions in each league, with the exception of the American League having four divisions, with one division having six teams.

The National League will not be awarded a wild card team in the playoffs but the American League will.

The Cincinnati Reds would be placed in the same division with the Atlanta Braves, Tampa Bay Devil Rays, and Florida Marlins, forming the National League Southeast.

Now Selig plans to put the proposal to a vote when the owners meet in June. I read one time where Selig never calls for a vote on something he is not sure he can win. He must feel he has the owners' support on this one.

Under the proposal, Arizona would be moved to the American League, something they cannot veto just yet. So Selig knows he must act quickly on this one.

Reds General Manager Jim Bowden said he stands in opposition to the proposal for geographic reasons.

"I makes no sense for the Reds to be in the same division with Florida, Tampa Bay and Atlanta," said the Reds GM. "From a competitive standpoint, it makes no sense for the Reds to be in the same division with Atlanta."

Well, maybe what Jim means by that is the past has proven the Reds cannot, cannot, beat the Braves. In the past three seasons, the Reds own, what, three wins over the Braves.

When you look at the flip side of this and Bowden's reasoning, the Reds would be hard pressed to win a championship or even compete in one if the National League doesn't have wild card team. It is either a division championship, which the Reds could not do in the same division as Atlanta, or stay home and watch on television.

The Reds' payroll and quality of pitching are definitely the difference. I feel the Reds can compete with the Braves in other areas but the pitching would be the difference.

### CAUGHT UP IN THE STREAK

I have been watching about every game I can of the Reds this season. I have a little 18-inch dish and think the Fox Sports Network is just great.

I got home Sunday night in time to watch the ESPN account of the game and must admit that the commentators for the ESPN were a tad better than what Fox puts on.

However, I never did like to listen to Joe Morgan. I like George

Gander and Chris Welch better than Morgan so therefore I cast my vote for Fox on coverage.

I watched as the Reds grabbed a 2-0 lead in the first inning. Shooting for seven in row. It certainly is May. Last year, en route to a 96-win season, the Reds made their move after a slow start in April.

Now it appears the Reds were ready to make their move. But the Houston Astros in their wacky looking ballpark ended the Reds' streak at six games by whipping up on Steve Parris and the Reds.

Well, we will take six of every seven games we play. If we do that, chances are we will win our division, our pennant and the world championship.

### NEW REDS STADIUM

There are a lot of pros and cons about the new stadium to be built for the Reds for the 2003 season. The new facility is supposed to incorporate a little of the old and much of the new when it opens its gates.

If we are going to build a facility like what Houston now plays in, then leave Cinergy Field alone and let's play there.

The new stadium will only seat 42,000 compared to the 53,000 at Cinergy.

In fact, I liked old Crosley Field better than Cinergy or the new proposed stadium. Oh, well!

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

# NASCAR in Kentucky

It was a solemn weekend in NASCAR with the Friday passing of Busch Series driver and fourth-generation NASCAR competitor Adam Petty. Petty, as you probably already know, hit the wall in New Hampshire and died from head trauma.

The Winston Cup drivers took Sunday off as they do every Mothers' Day, but there was plenty of action provided by the Busch Series.

The Brewco boys out of Central City experienced both a good and a bad day Saturday in New Hampshire. First for the bad news. Kevin Grubb was involved in an accident on lap one when Chad Chaffin's oil line discon-

nected.

"It's a shame, we didn't even make a lap," said Grubb.

Grubb was able to return to complete 97 laps but finished near the bottom in 38th position, dropping the team to 12th in the points race just ahead of teammate Casey Atwood in 13th.

Atwood had a somewhat better day. Atwood ran near the front most of the day. Near the end of the race he was running second to Winston Cup regular Steve Park but got sideways trying to go by Park coming off of turn four on lap 198 of the 200 lap race. Atwood ended up in seventh for the day.

Owensboro native Jeff Green

brought an unfamiliar paint scheme to New Hampshire. His yellow NesQuick Chevrolet was the blue NesTea Chevrolet for the weekend. Green rode the new paint scheme to a second-place finish and increased his lead in the Busch Series point standings. The other two Green brothers, David and Mark, finished eighth and 25th. David holds on to the seventh-place spot in the points race.

Owensboro native Michael Waltrip, Winston Cup regular and Busch Series owner and part-time driver, debuted his expanded Busch program over the weekend. He's expanding his Busch team by adding driver Ted Christopher.

Christopher is sponsored by Les Care Kitchen's Inc. and will race again in June at Gateway.

"We're confident the races we've picked to run are races Ted has a chance to win," Waltrip said.

Waltrip plans to go full-time with the new team next season.

"My experience as a car owner and driver in the series would give a newcomer resources that may not be available with other teams," Waltrip said.

Christopher wound up 29th in New Hampshire after an accident caused an early exit.

Voice your opinion or praise about a Kentucky driver. E-mail me at Bgkyracefan@aol.com.

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## Sports Calendar...

### POPULAR STEPP BROS. CAMP SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 14-25

Joe Stepp and Jim Stepp will conduct their annual basketball camp in two sessions with the first set for June 14-18 for boys in grades one through nine.

Girls grades 4-12 will be conducted June 21-25 at Alice Lloyd College.

For more information on the camp and to register, contact (606) 368-6127 or (606) 368-6119.

### MEN'S SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

The Sheldon Clark Lady Cardinals softball team will sponsor their annual Men's Softball Tournament on May 19-21 at the Warfield Park.

Entry fee is \$100 per team. Team members will receive a T-shirt. Also a

Gold Glove Award will be given to the best defensive player.

For more information, contact Tonya DeLong at (606) 398-6128 or Robin Newsome at (606) 398-5603.

### CONFERENCE TRACK AND FIELD MEET

The Floyd County Conference Track and Field meet is scheduled for May 17 and 18 at the Allen Central track facility. All four county high schools will compete.

### BASEBALL, SOFTBALL DISTRICTS

The 58th District baseball and softball tournaments are scheduled to begin May 22 and run through the 24th. The tournament will be played at

the Garrett "Homer Field" Park. No admission will be charged for the tournament.

### BLUEGRASS STATE GAMES

The Bluegrass State Games will be held in Lexington and surrounding counties on July 14-16 and again July 21-23. Registration forms/booklets may be picked up at the Floyd County Times office.

### FOUR MAN SCRAMBLE

The Prestonsburg football Touchdown Club will host a four-man golf scramble at the Jenny Wiley Golf Course on Saturday, May 27.

Entry fee is \$200 per team. First place pays \$800 and second \$500.

## 58th District...

## Allen Central clinches Floyd conference title

### Lady Rebels win over Prestonsburg, 13-5

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Allen Central Lady Rebels scored six times in the bottom of the sixth inning and posted a 13-5 win over last year's defending district champions, Prestonsburg, last Friday at the Garrett Park.

Shanna Howell collected three hits in the game and also collected the win from the mound. Howell allowed Prestonsburg just three hits in the game while striking out six. She walked four batters.

Stacy Goble took the loss for the Lady Blackcats. She allowed 13 runs on eight hits and walked 13 batters. She had three strikeouts.

Allen Central held a 7-5 lead going into the sixth inning. They sent 11 batters to the plate in scoring six times to put the game away. Walks to Terri Mullins and Jennifer Risner started the rally. Howell singled to center to score Mullins. After Shannon Sizemore walked, Kristi Howard singled home a run and Barb Prater's opposite field hit scored Sizemore and Howard. Prater later scored on a fielder's choice play.

Allen Central led 1-0 after the first inning on a walk to Risner and Sizemore's RBI single.

Howell retired the Lady Blackcats in the first two innings but Prestonsburg tied the game at 1 in the top of the third. Angela

Howell singled after Megan Hyden reached on an error. However, Hyden was forced at third on a fielder's choice from Margaret Damron's bat. Amelia Conley then singled home Howell to tie the game.

Allen Central went in front 2-1 in the bottom of the third on a one-out walk to Risner and Howell's first hit of the game.

Prestonsburg scored twice in the fourth on an error, a walk to Goble and three passed balls. Prestonsburg led 3-2 going into the bottom of the fourth.

Allen central regained the lead at 4-3 with two of their own in the third. Turner and Angie Green walked and scored on Risner's two-out single.

Back in the Prestonsburg fifth, two runs came home thanks to some shoddy fielding by Allen Central. Howell and Conley both scored in the inning to make it a 5-4 Prestonsburg lead.

Allen Central answered the Lady Blackcats with three in the fifth to lead 7-5. Howell led off the fifth with a triple, her second hit, and scored on a sacrifice fly by Sizemore to right field. Turner had a two-run single in the frame.

The win gave Allen Central a perfect 5-0 mark in conference play and a 8-5 overall record. Prestonsburg dropped to 6-3 on the season and 1-4 in the conference.

## Shepherd

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ball but his parents refused to let it happen.

"I just wasn't allowed to play," he said with a smile. "They were afraid I would get hurt. I just pushed it so far that they had to let me play. I just love the game."

"He has always wanted to play," said his mother, Emily Shepherd. "But I just didn't want him to get hurt."

"I guess I had something to do with holding him back from playing," said Kyle's father. "I guess I was more concerned about his getting hurt than she was."

Emily said she was not that concerned any longer over his getting hurt and that she was looking forward to making the Saturday trips to Campbellsville to watch him play.

"I am very proud of him," said his father. "We went down and took a tour of the place and was impressed with the people, their attitudes, and facilities."

Shepherd said he was a determined person and the move to Campbellsville will be just another one.

"I came out this year and never played before," he said. "I was determined then and made the starting lineup. I feel like I can handle it

at Campbellsville."

Why recruit a player with little experience? Coach Derossett said it is because Shepherd is a good athlete.

"Any more in the sporting world coaches are looking for athletes," he said. "I was talking with a coach from Eastern (University) and they have gotten back to recruiting kids with speed. They don't care about positions, they just recruited speed."

"We are tickled to death to have a player like Kyle," said Coach Graves. "He is an athlete. His best years are in front of him."

"Kyle made some big catches for us this year," said the Prestonsburg coach. "We went to Camp Shawnee and I didn't think Kyle would come back after that. But he did, cracked the lineup and played well for us."

Shepherd is currently playing for the baseball Blackcats and will follow a conditioning program after the season ends.

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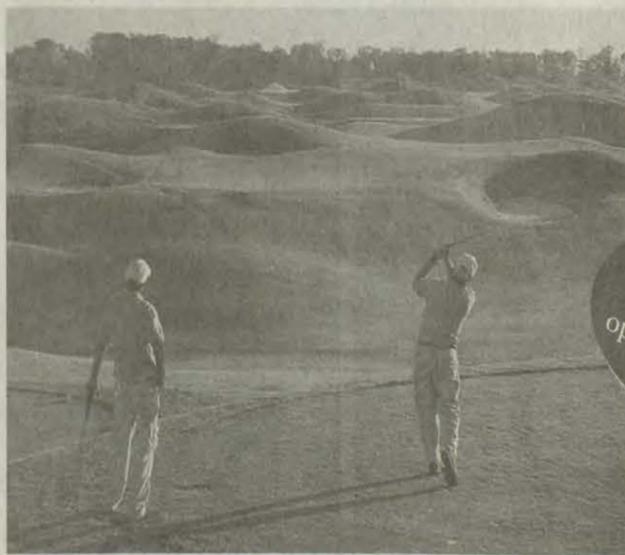
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Today, our schools are funded equally with schools in every part of Kentucky. All our children can earn state funded college scholarships by making good grades. We have new facilities throughout Floyd County and at the Prestonburg Community College. A regional training center operated by Morehead State University makes it possible for our people to earn college degrees close to home. Our tech schools have been renovated and upgraded.

The Jenny Wiley Summer Theater received additional operating funds and monies to pay off all their debts in the 1998 General Assembly Session; in the 2000 Session, the debt of the Mountain Arts Center was paid and the MAC received operating funds to make it financially secure. Jenny Wiley State Resort Park has been completely renovated and a new marina funded.

We funded a \$1 million youth center at Martin, so that our children can have a safe, drug free place to congregate after school. We provided operating funds so that planned programs can be provided to all our young people. We have provided funding to completely renovate or completely rebuild all senior citizen centers in Floyd County, along with annual appropriations for operating expenses for our senior citizens center.

We have provided monies for construction for a connector to Route 80 from Left Beaver Creek, to rebuild the road at Meade Hill, to begin four laning of the Mt. Parkway, to construct a new Town Branch Bridge, the Bosco Bridge and the Twin Bridges at Martin. We provided funding to extend Route 680 to Harold, and build a new road from the John M. Stumbo School to new Route 680. We got the route approved for I 66 to link Left Beaver Creek and Mud Creek to US 23 at Robinson Creek, and I 75 at London.

We have provided millions of dollars to extend water lines in Floyd County; over \$1 million in the 2000 Session. We have secured monies for extending sewer services to many homes and plan sewer services to every home in the county. We secured funding for the Allen sewer system, and are close to completing the sewer services for the entire Auxier area.

We have provided new football/recreational fields for South Floyd and Prestonsburg High Schools and major funding for renovations at Betsy Layne and Allen Central football/community recreation fields.

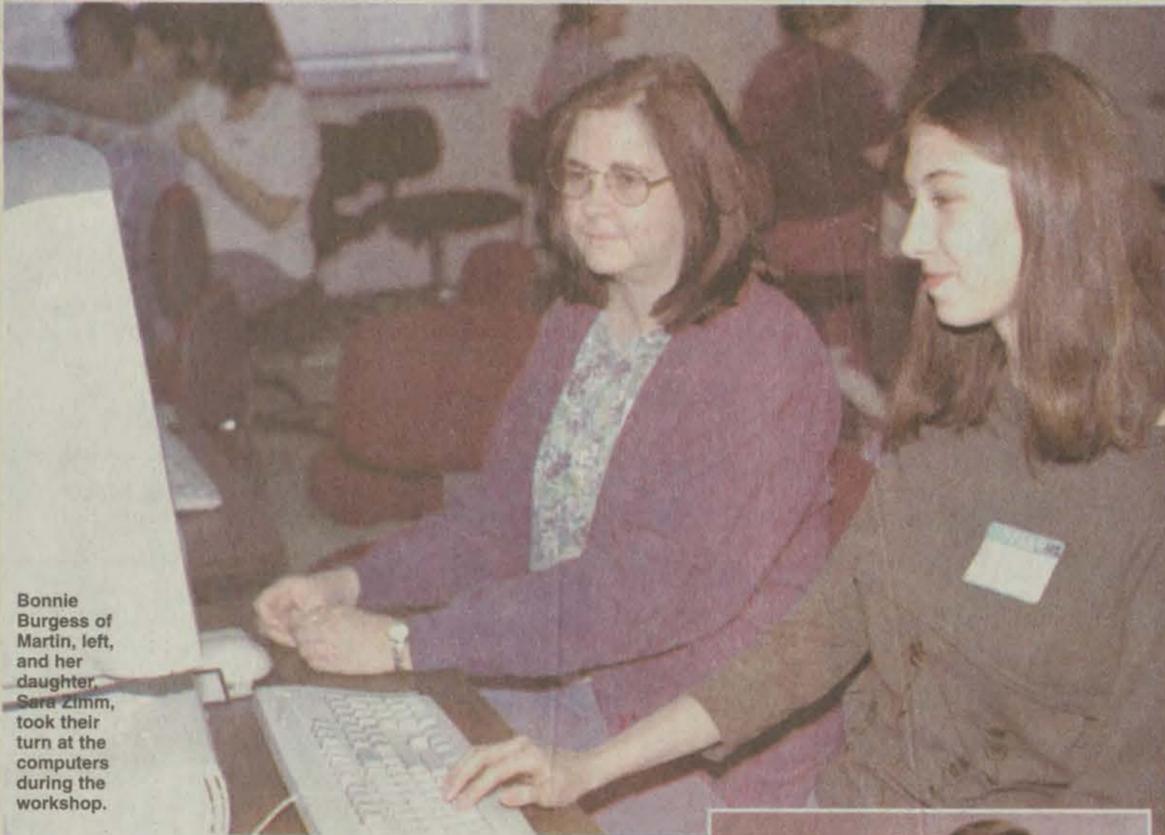
All of these improvements are certainly not the work of one person, but the result of local, state and federal officials working with the people of Floyd County to identify their priorities, programs and concerns, and work together to have them addressed. Benny Ray Bailey has proven to be an effective state senator for Floyd County, and all of us can see the results. **PROGRESS - Making Floyd County a better place to live and raise our families.** That's why it is important that we keep Benny Ray Bailey working for us in Frankfort. Vote Benny Ray Bailey on May 23 - It's a vote for YOU.



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## Parents go back to



Bonnie Burgess of Martin, left, and her daughter, Sara Zimm, took their turn at the computers during the workshop.

### HCC is setting for workshop on parent involvement

Story and photos by Willie Elliott  
 Staff Writer

It was school for parents last Friday as Region 8 Service Center hosted the first annual Parent Connection Workshop at Hazard Community College.

More than 100 parents attended the session that will help them continue or begin their involvement in their children's education.

Nancy Price, Region 8 Parent Liaison, told the group, "Without you, educating today's youth is impossible. Your support and knowledge are needed to ensure that the students from eastern Kentucky are receiving the best possible education available anywhere in the state or nation."

The parents attended sessions on a wide-range of topics, such as Accelerated Reading Program, Commonwealth Accountability Testing System, Introduction to Computers, and Learning Styles, among others.

"Why do you walk out the door when he (your child) gets to middle school?" Asked Judi Conrad, state PTA president. "Get your little tush into

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State Sen. Benny Ray Bailey speaks to parents.



## Poison

by Clyde Pack

### With a twinkle in his eyes

Isn't it ironic that only through hindsight do we who grew up in the forties and fifties now realize just how fortunate we were to have been exposed to so many good role models? Looking back, it just seems there were far more good guys than bad.

I'm not necessarily talking about those Saturday morning-movie cowboys, either. (However, there is a lot to be said for the likes of Roy and Gene and the Durango Kid. After all, they did teach us that right is right and wrong is wrong, and to drink our milk...and not to cuss).

Even better than our heroes from the silver screen, though, were the real-life, flesh-and-blood individuals of excellent moral character to whom we were exposed. Folks like our parents, for example; people who weren't paid millions of dollars to dunk a basketball or sing vulgar lyrics into TV cameras; people who were kind and good and honest.

Even though at the time neither they nor I knew about role models and such, having been reared amid mountain folk, I must have undoubtedly known dozens of such men and women. But one in particular who comes to mind is Ulysses S. Baldrige.

To everybody who lived in the Johnson County communities of White House and Hammond, he was Uncle Liss. He was my mother's father, so to me, he was simply Papaw. (We pronounced it "pal-paw.") Even though I spent very little time with him as I grew up, I think even then I somehow knew that just being around him was important to me.

He lived on a little knoll in a little brown, weather-beaten house on the right side of the road as you came off Hammond Hill. We lived at Muddy Branch, which was on the other side of the county, maybe 12 or 15 miles away. In the 1940s, however, especially since neither he nor Dad owned a car, those 15 miles could just as easily have been a hundred, even a thousand.

We'd go "down home to see Poppy," as Mom would put it, perhaps twice or three times a year, never for more than three hours at a time.

Papaw always looked the same. He wore bibbed overalls, a blue work shirt with the sleeves rolled up to about his elbows, and he always wore long underwear, even in the summertime. Everybody else would be burning up and he'd be sitting, as cool, as a cucumber, in the shade of the front porch, smoking his ever-present pipe.

I was fascinated with him, a fascination that went far beyond the fact that he had ducks and geese and goats and guineas and a mule that stood with his head stuck over the draw bars next to the barn. He must have had that mule for years and every time we'd go down there, it'd be standing in the same place.

Papaw wasn't really a great storyteller, at least not in the sense of, "Why, I remember back when I was a boy," storytelling. Nevertheless, when he'd talk, I'd listen.

Mostly, he'd talk about his garden, about how he'd hoed 12 rows of beans that morning before the sun got hot. He'd talk about walking down to Fred Meade's store to get a can of Half and Half pipe tobacco or a five-pound bag of sugar. He'd talk about how big the blacksnake was he'd seen down by the creek last week.

He was intelligent and soft spoken and the twinkle in his eyes told the world that he loved the land and the people who inhabited it; that he respected the rights of others and that he had the right to expect them to respect his rights, too. He was a gentleman, and he was a gentleman.

Wouldn't it be great if, instead of those, "Hey, Dude, if it feels good do it!" types, young people today could have more role models like we had.



Nicaraguan craftswoman Maria Delgado, right, works with Doreen Martin on corn shuck dolls.

## Going south

### Nicaraguan studies local crafts

Story and photo by Pam Shingler  
 Lifestyles Editor

In less than a month, young people in Nicaragua will be learning to make dolls and flowers out of corn shucks.

They'll also likely be sewing

Christmas tree ornaments and rag dolls from scrap materials.

The centuries-old Appalachian crafts are being taken back to the Central American country by Maria Delgado, who works with poor children in a church-sponsored educational project in Managua, near the capital city of Sandino.

Delgado, 30, has been studying since just after Easter with crafters at David and at Drift, picking up craft ideas she can share with young people back home.

In Nicaragua, she teaches arts and

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## Needing help

Ronnie Wallen of Stanville is one the working-est, most organized persons I know. At least I thought he was organized, but sometimes we pick up news by the grapevine that comes as a bit of a surprise.

It seems that, on a recent Saturday, Ronnie and son Shawn decided to go riding their dirt bikes and they emptied their pockets of anything that might fall out with all the bumps and turns.

They had a great time but returned home hungry. It seemed a good idea to order pizza and they called Pizza Hut in Prestonsburg.

The order was ready when Ronnie got there to pick it up, but, when he reached for his wallet, he came up empty for he had removed it from his pocket along with his keys and change when they set out on their bikes.

He was about 14 miles from home—and hungry—and, if he had to drive all the way back to get his wallet, the pizza would be cold. He thought about his mother-in-law, Betty Porter, but then realized she was away. The world was against him.

Then he realized another relative, Raymond Bradbury, was even closer anyway, so he drove to his house and applied for a loan of \$20. My grapevine source didn't tell me if he had to put up his watch or anything for collateral

## SMALL WORLD

by Aileen Hall



or if Raymond would require interest on the loan. But whatever Raymond asked, I'm sure Ronnie would have agreed to at the time.

### Fishermen

My husband Walter Hall and Joe Taylor, of Dana, have commented that their wives spend more time on the road than in the kitchen, but that gives us opportunity to see things and to make some observations.

I was driving down the road a few days ago and noticed the vehicle in front of me was that of a Pike County fisherman. I couldn't see his face and didn't know his name, but his truck told who he was.

His license tag showed he was from Pike County, and he had a bumper sticker that read: FISH TREMBLE WHEN

### THEY HEAR MY NAME.

I'm well acquainted with the way fishermen think and even the way fish sometimes continue growing with each description after they've been caught. I also know that fishermen in general like to think they can outsmart the little swimmers they go after and sometimes see themselves as experts in the art of angling.

But as I considered the bumper sticker in front of me I found myself thinking that, if a fish really was affected by the name of a fisherman, I know one that would make them laugh out loud.

### Hello out there

I'd like to send a note of appreciation to some of our readers who have gone from Floyd County to distant points, and who say they look forward to reading our paper.

These include Chalmer Williams who grew up in Ivel but now lives in Baltimore, Maryland; Frankie Crum, an athlete and former basketball star at Betsy Layne High School and Marshall University, now living in Fullerton, California; Rex Osborne who hails from Maytown (Langley) and now owns and operates The Golden V93 radio station in Ravenswood, West Virginia.

If you didn't read, there would be no need for us to write. We thank you much.

School

school and take care of your child."

She said the same applies to high school students.

Robyn Oatley, from the Division of Community Relations at Kentucky Department of Education, told the parents they have to get involved. "I can't make changes from Frankfort," she said.

She told the parents they will have much more clout if they become involved.

Guest speaker State Senator Benny Ray Bailey said negative stereotypes of the region have hidden the special qualities of the people in Appalachia.

"Eastern Kentuckians (and Appalachians) are the last group that it's OK to make fun of," Bailey told the group.

He said some of the innovations in education were practiced in the early years of Appalachian settlement.

Bailey questioned the practice of taking several small, good

schools and making one large, bad school. "Cast down your buckets where you are," Bailey said, explaining that local people have the knowledge and skills to solve problems if they will only look for them.

Chucky Hall, a parent from Martin, said he was glad to find out about the CATS test. He was amazed at the difficulty of the questions. He took the 7th grade test in social studies.

Hattie Click from Betsy Layne said she got several good ideas to use with her own children.

One class, Introduction to Computers, was in big demand as only 10 computers were available. To increase the number, people were given the option of two people sharing a computer.

Bernice Trimble, from Betsy Layne, was amazed how much she learned in the short time. She was also impressed with the Accelerated Reader Program and plans to use some of the techniques with her own children.

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Since writing is such a large part of the KERA, Modena Sallee, writing consultant for Region 8, did a session on Parents as Conferencing Partners.

Sallee concentrated on giving parents ideas on how they can become actively involved in assessing their children in the types of writing expected from all Kentucky students, with an emphasis on the Kentucky Writing Portfolio.

Kathy Johnson, parent liaison at McDowell Elementary, did a session in which she explored with the parents the seven multiple intelligences as seen as learning styles.

Johnson said she hopes the parents will be able to discover their children's learning style and help them work with that style.

Region 8 Service Center, located on Resource Drive (off Cliff Road) in Prestonsburg, provides content-oriented services to schools and districts as they plan, develop and implement programs and strategies aimed at achieving instructional goals.



'Dazzler'

Aleasha Kay Adams, daughter of Garrett and Leah Adams of Harold, has won the title of Ms. Kentucky Dazzlette for the second quarter of this year, May, June and July. She also won the title in December. She is a seventh grader at Betsy Layne Elementary. Her twirling teacher is Carla Harris.

The following schools will be having Kindergarten Registration on these dates:

Allen Elementary 874-2165	May 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 8:30-2:00
Clark Elementary 886-2487	May 19 9:00-2:00
Duff Elementary 358-9420	May 23 8:30-2:30
McDowell Elementary 377-6640	May 31 8:30-1:00
May Valley Elementary 285-0883	May 26 9:00-12:00
Osborne Elementary 452-2131	June 6 8:30-2:00
Prestonsburg Elementary 886-3891	June 2 8:30-1:00
J.M. Stumbo Elementary 587-2212	May 26 8:30-2:00

For more information, contact the school where your child will be attending.

# Our Yesterdays

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

## Ten Years Ago (May 16 & 18, 1990)

A boating accident Tuesday afternoon on Dewey Lake resulted in the death of one of nine passengers on board. Timothy Crum, 35, of Arkansas Creek drowned sometime around 4 p.m., after the boat he was traveling in hit a rock or sandbar near the German Bridge area and tipped over... Several members of the Floyd County Sheriff's office conducted a drug raid Tuesday afternoon at a residence on Stratton Branch on the Dewey Lake Road... Members of the Floyd County Rescue Squad performed dragging operations on the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River this weekend in an attempt to find the body of an unidentified man... Prestonsburg City Council passed on second reading, two ordinances, affecting traffic fines and restricting through trucks on residential streets... Creating a hostile climate for private landfills was the idea behind the Floyd County Solid Waste Commission passing a resolution to ban out-of-state garbage from entering the Garth Landfill... Barrett Endicott, 19, of Prestonsburg was shot and killed Sunday in Johnson County... The new Festival of FACES kicked off on Thursday in Prestonsburg. Billie Jean Osborne brought together musicians from county schools and announced her dream for the Kentucky Opry... Dustin Haley of Prestonsburg has been designated a National Merit Scholar... Tim Preston joined the Times staff as a writer. There died: George Slone, 71, David, May 11, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Agnes Mason, 64, Lima, Ohio, formerly of Prestonsburg, May 8, at her residence; Hershell D. Newsome, 68, of Ashtabula, Ohio, April 25, at Metro Health Center in Cleveland; Janet Little Scheidrich, 47, Detroit, Michigan, formerly of Floyd County, May 10, at Henry Ford Hospital; Alvis Johnson, 72, Harold, May 9 at his residence; Frederick Caudill, 44, Banner, May 12, at his residence; Lillian Gibson Muncy, 54, Huntington, West Virginia, formerly of this area, May 11, at St. Mary's Hospital; Lura Wright Hubbard, 78, Zebulon, formerly of Martin, May 10, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Barrett Heath Endicott, 19, Prestonsburg, May 13, a shooting victim; Alma June Thomas, 78, Dwale, May 13 at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Timothy Crum, 35, Arkansas Creek, May 15, as a result of a boating accident; Roxie Ratcliff, 78, Prestonsburg, May 16, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

a go-cart accident Sunday; Harrison Marsillett, 55, of Rochester, N.Y., formerly of Floyd at Woodlawn Hospital, Tuesday; Lola Hamilton Haywood, 71, of Blue River, Sunday at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Paulina H. Robinette, 49, of Banner Tuesday at HRMC; Harold Hall, 69, of Melvin, Tuesday at HRMC; Julia H. Holbrook, 82, of Ivyton, Thursday at Riverview Manor; Bessie Gibson, 56, of Garrett, Sunday at her home; Mattie Hall, 87, of Halo, May 15 at her home; Maudie Compton, 70, of Water Gap, Monday at Riverview Manor; Florence S. Howard, 74, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, May 10 at Riverview Manor; Fair Hicks, 91, of Mousie, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, May 15; Lonnie "Bud" Pruitt, 66, of Allen, Thursday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Delma Faye Slone, 42, of Emmalena, at her home May 12; Newberry Tackett, 56, of Detroit, Mich., formerly of McDowell, Sunday.

## Thirty Years Ago (May 21, 1970)

The Island Creek Coal Company, largest coal producer in the county, last Friday cut back production, eliminating work at 7 of the 10 sections opening in its Wheelwright-Price complex and laying off 330 employees—members of the United Mine Workers of America... Sheriff Frank Leslie and four of his deputies constituted a boarding party Saturday afternoon when they took to boat to reach another craft in Dewey Lake for which they had a search warrant... McDowell High School will represent Floyd County in the regional basketball tournament at Morehead, Thursday... There died: John Dennis Sturgill, 33, a Hindman native who, at one time, was associated with the Floyd County Health Department, last Thursday in an apartment fire in Lexington; Mary Wallen Short, 72, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Belle Kiser, 69, of Pikeville, formerly of Martin, Thursday at Bowling Fork; Tom Harris Allen, 66, of Prestonsburg, Friday at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Susie M. Ballew, 65, of Wheelwright, Thursday in a Harlan Hospital; Arthur Wiley, 87, of Garrett, Monday at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Eugene Bowens, 58, of Hippo, Saturday at Paintsville; Andrew Wercech, 80, of Halo, a native of Russia, last Wednesday at the McDowell ARH.

## Forty Years Ago (May 26, 1960)

Floyd County may have within the past ten years had the heaviest population loss in Kentucky, preliminary figures from the 1960 census indicate. The population in 1950 was 53,500 as compared to 41,483 at which it now stands... Contents of Scott's Music Shop were destroyed or ruined by fire here. The loss was estimated at between \$35,000 and \$40,000... Floyd County high schools will graduate 511 seniors beginning this week and extending through June 10. Prestonsburg High School leads with 142 to receive diplomas. Wheelwright is second with 81 seniors... Based on normal usage the 7330 passenger cars in Floyd County, as reported for early 1959, are now costing local residents approximately \$8,789,000 a year... Eastern Kentucky has lost its fight in the House to get approval for funds with which to start construction of the Fishtrap dam in Pike County, but hope remains for favorable action in the Senate... There died: Bill Crum, 35, of West Prestonsburg, near Scottsboro, Ind., in a car wreck; Charlie Patrick, Garrett, 69, the result of being beaten with a 2x4 in a \$20 robbery; Jordan W. Moore, 54, of Printer, at his home; John Henry Roberts, 56, of Prestonsburg at his apartment; Wilburn Jones, 82, of Bevinville, at his home; Mrs. Mickey Owsley Halbert, 78, of Martin, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Columbus Jackson, 99, formerly of McDowell, at the home of a son, in Springfield, Ohio; Celia Robinson, 78, of Boldman, at her home; Myrtle Brown, 47, former Prestonsburg resident, at home at Ypsilanti, Michigan;

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## Is Your Child Ready For School?

State law requires all students to have certain records on file at school.

### ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

**Pre-School and Kindergarten** (3-year-old special needs, 4-year-old special needs and income eligible)

1. Children attending kindergarten must be 5 years old by October 1, 2000.
2. Must have an official birth certificate. (Must be full-size.)
3. Valid Kentucky immunization certificate.
4. Medical examination (KDE—dated December, 1999).
5. All Kindergarten enrollees and 4-year-old children attending pre-school must have a second dose of MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) immunization before entering school.
6. Children born October 1, 1992, or later, will be required to have 3 doses of Hepatitis B at Kindergarten entry or to have begun the series of 3 doses of Hepatitis B immunizations which will be completed within 6 months of entry into Kindergarten.

**YOUR CHILD CANNOT ENROLL INTO PRIMARY SCHOOL (KINDERGARTEN) FOR THE 2000-2001 SCHOOL YEAR UNLESS THEY HAVE MET THESE REQUIREMENTS.**

These items must be completed and the proper certificate for each item submitted to the school principal on the opening day of school.

### 6th Grade

1. A second dose of MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) immunization. (Immunization certificate must list all shot dates.)
2. A physical examination on KDE approved form—dated December, 1999.

### High School

TD (tetanus and diphtheria) vaccination needed in high school when immunization certificate has expired. ALL SHOTS must be listed on the immunization certification to be valid.

Students who fail to meet these requirements cannot be allowed to enroll in school or begin classes.

For further information, contact  
Jennifer C. Martin,  
District Health Coordinator/School Nurse  
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## Crafts

crafts to about 75 young people in the age groups 6 to 11 and 12 to 16. The project, for poverty-level youth, is operated by the Catholic

Sisters of St. Agnes.

Delgado, who speaks no English, has been communicating primarily through sign language

with her hosts at David Crafts and Christian Service Ministry at Drift, none of whom speak her native language of Spanish.

Through translator Leslie Heywood, Delgado explained recently that she was a secretary before she joined the staff of Cantera, the project she describes as "like a school," where children learn crafts, guitar, dance, sports and self-defense and where very young children attend preschool.

"The project has benefited the community tremendously because the people are very poor," she said, with Heywood translating. "Since starting to work with the sisters, I have taken courses and have learned to do post cards and to work with metals."

Members of the religious order that runs the Cantera chose Delgado to come to the United States to learn more about crafts, particularly ones that could be done with materials available in Nicaragua — of which corn is one.

Floyd County was chosen as the site of the training through the urging of a member of the religious

order who used to serve in this area, St. Bridget Layden.

Delgado splits her time between the Drift ministry, headed by Doreen Martin, and David Crafts and St. Vincent's Mission, headed by Sr. Kathleen Weigand.

The craftswoman has learned to use an electric sewing machine while here. Back home, she uses a treadle model.

"She's a quick learner," notes Sr. Kathleen, who is giving her a portable electric machine that was donated to the mission.

"The Drift ladies have loved Maria," said Martin, whose ministry is connected to the Drift Presbyterian Church. "We have noticed how fast she picks things up, even without language. We all seem to understand some things."

Both point out that the teacher, who is in the role of a student this month, is filling a notebook with instructions and impressions to take back with her.

The trip is Delgado's first time outside her homeland, which is only slightly larger than the state of Kentucky and which borders

both the Atlantic and Pacific oceans. The flight north was also her first airplane ride.

"How brave of her to come so far away from home," Sr. Kathleen said.

Delgado has provided some valuable lessons to young people here. She has spoken to students in Heywood's Spanish classes at Mountain Christian Academy.

"It has worked great for me," said Heywood, who is originally from Mexico, "because they (the students) could see another person speaking Spanish and they could understand it."

In addition, Heywood said the guest has been "able to tell our children how good they have it."

According to the Nicaraguan, the poverty she has seen here "is not poverty compared to what I have seen in my country." She said the schools are overcrowded, with few materials and broken equipment and furniture.

"You have to pay for public school," she said, with Heywood translating. "There is no free lunch. You have to go home to eat,

and if there is no food at home, you don't eat."

Some children, she said, have to begin working to support their families when they are as young as six years old.

Heywood said Delgado plans to make a video when she gets back home to show students here how bad conditions are.

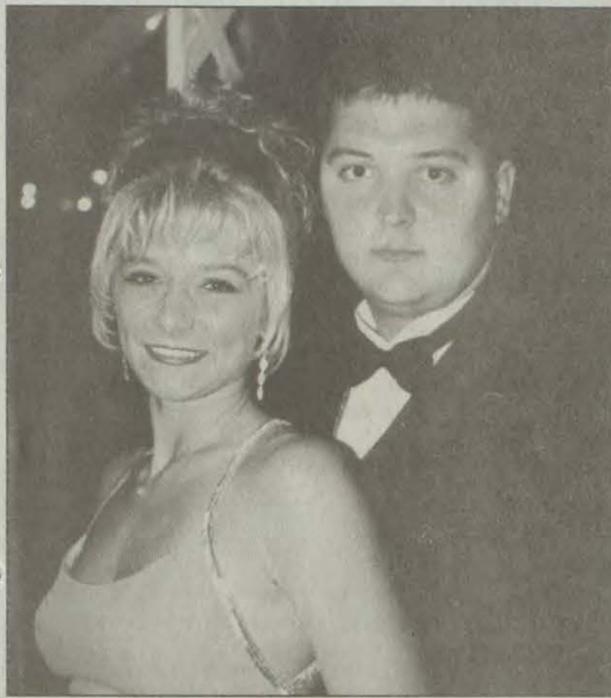
The experience has not been all study and work for Delgado. Her hosts have taken her to Breaks Interstate Park, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Natural Bridge, and the Mountain Arts Center.

"It's been a real joy having her here," said Sr. Kathleen. "one thing that has stood out for me has been her patience, how she makes do with what she has. She's been an inspiration, treating everything with respect and gentleness."

"It has been a spiritual experience having her here."

The nun said she plans to talk with the sisters who run the Cantera where Delgado works, about the possibility of marketing some of the Nicaraguan handicrafts at David Crafts.

## WEDDINGS/ ENGAGEMENTS



### Pack-Hall to wed Saturday

Johnny and Peggy Pack of Drift announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Shandrea Jo, and Terry Michael Hall, son of Terry and Shirley Hall of Minnie. The wedding is planned for 2 p.m., on Saturday, May 20, at the Drift Pentecostal Church. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Ted and Alberta Shannon of Drift, and of Ted and Violet Shelton of McDowell. The prospective groom is the grandson of Tessie Hall of McDowell and the late Leonard Hall, and of Alma Mosley of Minnie and the late Oscar (Nig) Mosley. The gracious custom of open ceremony will be observed.



### Couple wed in March

Dr. David James and Annette Wells, both of Greenville, South Carolina, were united in marriage on March 4, 2000. The groom is the son of Richard and Mary James of Burkesville, and the bride is the daughter of Tom and Denise Wells of East Point. The wedding took place at the First Church of God in Prestonsburg, followed by a reception at the Mountain Arts Center. The couple reside in Greenville.

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# \$800,000 OF SCHOOL TAX MONEY GONE BECAUSE OF JERRY PATTON

My opponent has chosen to attack my personal honesty and abilities. It's time for plain talk. Last month, the Floyd County Board of Education wrote a check from the general fund for \$800,000 of your tax money to pay for Jerry Patton's neglect.

Jerry Patton was School Board Attorney in 1997, being paid a monthly retainer and by the hour. His job was to protect our school system in Court.

The Board was sued for a debt they believed they didn't owe — Jerry Patton was hired and had a duty to go to the final hearing. Jerry Patton failed to attend, and it cost Floyd County school children and tax payers \$800,000. That's 30 teaching jobs gone, or thousands of school books gone, or a new roof or other improvements gone.

The Floyd County School Board is suing Jerry Patton for malpractice and is trying to get your money back. Jerry Patton neglected his duty as School Board Attorney and now refuses to admit his failure. The United States Court of Appeals, 6th Circuit, in case No. 98-6273 wasn't fooled. They reviewed Jerry Patton's failures and said, "on 12-3-97, the Kentucky Board of Education...approved payment of legal fees and bills. The hearing was held as scheduled on December 9 & 10, 1997. The Board (Jerry Patton) was absent from the hearing." The Court described Jerry Patton's legal representation as "a pattern of delay," and a "complete absence of a formal response."

The Court concluded, "the Board was given an adequate opportunity to present its evidence and argument...a lawyer should not refuse to attend a hearing or otherwise disregard his obligation to represent a client..."

Jerry Patton failed our children as school board attorney. He failed our citizens as Commonwealth Attorney. Floyd County must have a Commonwealth Attorney who is committed to hard work, to tell the truth, and to never walk away from those who put their trust in him. I alone am the candidate who will bring those qualities to this office.

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# ATLA Consumer News

## Chain saw dangers

by Richard H. Middleton Jr. & Penny Gold

Spring has arrived all across America, and for millions of Americans that means a return to yard work.

While the mention of the yard work evokes beautiful images of soil-digging and the nurturing of seedlings and shrubs, the reality is that outdoor work can be hazardous to your health and safety—if tools are used improperly.

The use of chain saws in yard work can be especially hazardous. Chain saw accidents send at least 33,000 men and women to hospital emergency rooms each year, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC).

That figure marks a 50 percent increase in injuries since 1982—largely due to the growing number of do-it-yourself yard workers.

While most people injured by chainsaws are treated and released from hospitals, the worst injuries—if not fatal—can be gruesome. Many injuries involve facial lacerations, loss of eyesight, and broken bones.

Many of the most severe lacerations and amputations result from people falling from ladders or trees—where they've been working with the saw—onto their chain saws.

Seventy-seven people have died as a result of chain saw injuries in the last 10 years, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Years ago, the risk of chain saw injury was even higher because of a phenomenon called "kick back," an incident in which the saw encounters a knot (or other obstruction) in or beneath the wood surface and suddenly jerks back onto the user.

Due in part to the efforts of consumer advocates, chain saws can come equipped with features that minimize this hazard. Safety tips, which cover the chain as it passes around the nose of the guide bar, and specially made guide bars and anti-kick back chains are making yard work safer.

Other safety features include hand guards, vibration reduction systems (to reduce repetitive vibration injuries to hands), spark arrestors (on gasoline models), and trigger or throttle lockouts (to pre-

vent accidental operation of the throttle).

One final way to keep safe while using chain saws is to watch what you wear. Jewelry and loose clothing have no place near a chain saw. Instead, chain saw users should wear sure-grip gloves, safety boots, safety goggles and hearing protectors.

For more information on safe chain saw use, check out the Consumer's Digest web site at <http://www.consumersdigest.com>, or the web site for the Consumer Product Safety Commission at <http://www.cpsc.gov>.

For more health and safety information and tips, visit ATLA's "Keep Our Families Safe" Web site at <http://familysafety.atla.org>.

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## Hosts visitors

Family members from Ohio recently visited their cousin Grace Flanery of Bucks Branch at Martin.

Visiting were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Earnest (Earn) Miller Jr., all of Jackson, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. David Miller of Beaver, Ohio.

Another cousin of the Millers was William Russell Hughes of Prestonsburg.

The Millers are the sons of the late Earnest and Julia Belle Hughes Miller, formerly of Prestonsburg.

## Yesterdays

Elizabeth Sparks, sister of a Floyd woman, at her home at Paintsville; Nelse Harvey, 80, of Hunter, at home; Tommy Blackburn, 70, of Endicott, at home.

Newsome, 72, of McDowell, Sunday at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; John Emerick, 72, father of Mrs. Frank Layne, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday at his home in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

## Fifty Years Ago (May 25, 1950)

The town of Martin is a fourth class city, made so by the General Assembly, and the courts cannot upset the Assembly's act, was the ruling of Assistant Attorney General Walter C. Herdman last week...Contracts valued at \$1,737,813 and providing for 205 miles of state and federal aid highway improvement, including the Northern-David road in this county, were awarded by the Department of Highways last Thursday...Orders of the Prestonsburg City Council, duly prescribed by a legally adopted resolution, as a move to whip up interest in the upcoming Floyd County Sesquicentennial Celebration decrees that adult male residents of Prestonsburg should grow beards or else purchase proper permits allowing them to shave...Sam J. Owsley who left Johns Creek by steamboat on November 5, 1881, (69 years ago), for Abilene, Texas, returned this week to find the Big Sandy valley sans steamboats and fighting vainly for their restoration as a major means of transportation...There died: Robert Clinton Dingus, 52, Friday at his home near Martin; Maggie Sanders, 48, Floyd County native, Monday at her home in Pike County; Sylvania Hall Hatfield, 69, last Wednesday at the home of a daughter at Hi Hat; Wilce

## Sixty Years Ago (May 21, 1940)

Speaking before the juvenile committee of the Louisville Kiwanis Club last Friday, ex-judge John W. Caudill, Prestonsburg, told the group probation has failed. "At least 75 percent of youngsters sent to reform schools are back before me again. Idle minds in Floyd County are breeding places for crime, and elders are likely more to blame than youth," he said...Big Sandy lock and dam proponents view with increased enthusiasm the valley's chance of winning the fight for a canalization system which will give this section water transportation to market for coal and other products...Civil cases of Floyd Circuit Court from 1808 to the present are being indexed as the result of a Works Progress Administration project sponsored by the Floyd Fiscal Court...Twelve persons are employed and the work is being supervised by W.C. Parsley, of Prestonsburg...There died: Malcolm Stanely, 52, at his home near Prestonsburg; Mintie Burchett Ward, 79, at her home at Banner; Laura Daniels White of Garrett. She was 60 years old; Tom Skeans, 67, of West Prestonsburg, at the Beaver Valley Hospital at Martin; Albert B. Caudill, 37, of Dema, at the Stumbo Memorial Hospital, Lackey.

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# Organizations

## Local woman elected

At the April 19 meeting in Louisville of the Kentucky Retired Teachers Association, Roberta Fugate of McDowell was elected vice president.

President of the Floyd County Retired Teachers Association, she has served two terms on the KRTA executive council, representing the Big Sandy District. She is also a member of the KRTA Health and Insurance Committee.

As leader of the local organization, she has been instrumental in increasing meetings from quarterly to monthly; holding an annual memorial service for deceased retired teachers in June; at the Josie Harkins School at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park; giving special recognition to new retirees; participating in AARP programs for community service and recognition; amending and updating FCRTA by-laws; and sponsoring an annual scholarship for local high school seniors.



Roberta Fugate

# Design solutions just around the corner

(NAPSA)—Some of the most useful and decorative space in your home may be space that you didn't know you had — wall space that's tucked away in a corner.  
An easy method that many designers use to create visual interest and make the most out of precious space is to hang corner cabinets.  
For example, in a small bathroom, corner cabinets, such as the DesignLogic Corner Cabinet from Robern, can fit neatly over a corner pedestal sink, transforming a difficult-to-use space into a very attrac-

**Decorator's Notebook**  
tive and functional powder room or guest bathroom. A double set-up can be created in a master bath by placing a cabinet in each corner.  
Cabinet interiors feature intricate workmanship, with standard features including fully adjustable glass shelving, a mirrored back panel and all-aluminum maintenance-free construction.  
Corner cabinets measure twenty inches wide and come in heights of thirty and forty inches.  
When framed, these cabinets may be used in the living area, den or kitchen to handsomely frame collectibles, glassware or other objects. These types of displays are an interesting way to add visual depth and interest to a room.  
Framed cabinets feature anodized aluminum framed doors in four vibrant colors—cobalt blue, ebony black, white, and silver. The finish is a satin grain matte. Homeowners may choose from three glass inserts—clear glass, double sided-mirror or frosted.  
Optional lighting accessories include overhead pendants, incandescent lights or halogen wall sconces. Overhead pendants are available in chrome, chrome and glass, or three colored finishes—cobalt blue, ebony black, and silver.  
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## Calling all caregivers: Toll free help

(NAPSA)—Finding the right service for an aging family member or loved one may just have gotten easier—no matter where they live.

The U.S. Administration on Aging is offering a toll free telephone number to individuals who are looking for home and community services for the elderly.

This nationwide directory assistance service is designed to help older persons and caregivers find the services and programs they need. The services—available in communities all across the country—include meals, transportation, home care, legal and other community based services.

Anyone can call the number-1-800-677-1116, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Eastern Time. Have a brief description of the problem ready along with name of the county, city or zip code where the services are needed.



It's possible to get information on services for the elderly by calling 1-800-677-1116.

According to Janice Jackson, Executive Director National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, "The Eldercare Locator refers callers to the best information resources in a given community."

Learn more by writing the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, 927 15th Street, N.W., 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005-2304.

# NEW ARRIVALS

## HIGHLANDS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

April 24: A daughter, Embry Elizabeth, to Gretchen N. and Alan Joe Gullett of Prestonsburg.

April 25: A son, Vincent Ray Ross Helton, to Crystal Howard of Salyersville.

April 26: A daughter, Emmy Marie, to Rhea and Keith Lafferty of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Rebecca Nicole, to Carl D. and Leslie L. Watkins of Salyersville; a son, Jared Luke, to Robin and Joe Justice of Ivel.

April 27: A son, Tyler Lee McKinney, to Tosha Mollette of David; a son, Joseph Taylor, to Pamela and Matthew Hall of Lowmansville; a daughter, Jazmyn Kristieanna, to Lisa Renee and Kristopher Dustin Hall of Martin.

April 28: A son, Blake Anthony, to Shonda Jean Jarrell of Flat Gap; a daughter, Olivia Grace, to Karen and Steven Francis of Blue River; a son, Jonathan Christopher Howell, to Christopher Marie Lewis of Wayland.

April 29: A son, Thomas William Cory Auxier, to Anita Ratliff of East Point; a daughter, Alexus Jade Jude, to Angela Jude of Warfield.

April 30: A daughter, Haley Paige, to Sherrie and George Crum of Tram; a son, Patrick Shane, to Patrick Neal and Traci Neil Prater of Salyersville.

May 2: A son, Nikolaus Read O'ron, to Melissa Ann Griffith, of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Kelsey Alexandria, to Leslie and Danny Shepherd of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Breana Gail Hall, to Daphne Gail Thacker of Weeksbury; a son, Keagan Joseph Burke, to Aundre Nicole and Kraig Joseph Cornett of Paintsville.

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March 20: A daughter, Rachel Gabriel, to Mary and Ron Thompson.

March 21: A daughter, Kaitlynn Jesstine, to Amie Lynn Muncy; a son, Ethan James, to Jeni and Kelly Carmichael.

March 22: A daughter, Meghan Taylor Leigh, to Holly and Homer Will Tackett; a son, Nicholas Dakota, to Joyce Rene and Donnie Jones; a son, Eddie Wayne Jacob Belcher, to Jessica Lynn Johnson and Darren Belcher.

March 23: A son, Kobe Dale, to Andrea Renea and Gary Brown II; a son, Nathaniel James Leigh, to Sandy and Tony Mims.

March 24: A son, Bradley Michael, to Glenda Gail and Michael Paul Riley; a son, Ryan Andre', to Tracie Renee and Paris Andre' Smith; a son, Jordan Derek, to Michelle Rose and Robert Sykes; a son, Matthew Chandler Aaron Rose, to Tiffany Chere Conn and Shawn Edward Rose; a daughter, Ronnetta Kaye, to Christine and Ronnie Keathley.

March 27: A son, Joshua Allen, to Jessica Helen and Kelly John Napier Jr.; a son, Seth Daniel, to April Dawn Chaffins.

March 28: A daughter, McKenzie Brooke, to Desha Marion and Sherman Holliday; a daughter, Ruby Lynn Renee, to Sabrina Christel and James Henry Hall.

March 29: A daughter, Taylor Brooke, to Heather Nicole and Jeffrey Alan Meade; a daughter, Summer Grace, to Connie Syzette and David Wayne Rose; a daughter, McKenzie Alyssa Paige, to Melinda



**Jonathon Weaver-Hall**

**Johnda Weaver of Flemingsburg and Evan Hall of Ivel announce the birth of their son, Jonathon Bryce Weaver-Hall. He was born April 21, 2000, at Mary Chlles Hospital in Mt. Sterling at 7:38 p.m. He weighed seven pounds, 13 ounces, and was 21 inches long.**

Sue and Brian Edward Watson.

March 30: A daughter, Jayla Lauryn, to Larissa Lynn and Maruc James Hylton; a daughter, Kristen Michelle, to Angela Rhea and Christopher Michael Hicks; a son, Bradley Michael Pinion, to Tina Michelle Adkins and Michael Pinion.

April 4: A daughter, Macie Rayanna, to Misty Scott; a daughter, Arieana Destiny, to Liz and Jon Mullins.

April 5: A son, Garrett Seth, to Heather Nicole and Donnie Bryant; a daughter, Crystal Ladawn, to Connie Sue and Ronnie Dean Collins; a son, Shawn Dalton, to Anita Gail and Shawndon Ryan Collins; a daughter, Haley Nicole, to Leisa and Jeremy Robinette.

April 6: A son, Justin Keith, to Kathy Jo and Robert Dean Conway; a daughter, Savanna Brooke Joanna, to Stacy Lynn Isaac; a son, Tanner Bryce, to Kimberly Gail and Robert Allen Wood; a son, Cameron Gage, to Susan Lynn and Lonnie Joe Rowe.

April 7: A son, Andrew Jacob Keene, to Krystal Williamson; a daughter, Brooke McKee, to Valerie Prater-Saurer and James Saurer.

April 8: A son, Bryan Timothy Douglas, to Rebecca and David Boyer.

April 9: A son, Caleb Briison, to Christie Lynn and Grover Stacy Fouts; a son, Cory Wayne, to Misty Lynn and Gary Wayne Marshall; a daughter, Emily Lecann, to Donna Gail and Ralph Justice.

April 11: A son, Jonathan Samuel Keathley, to Sherry Lynn McKinney; a son, Isiah Connor Iricks, to Monica Renee Hall and Randy Iricks.

April 12: A daughter, Brittany Dawn, to Lisa Ann and Junior Smith; a son, Zachary Keith, to Andrea and Bradley Akers; a son, Christopher Ethan Chase Trujillo, to Terri Jarrell and Christopher Eugene Trujillo.

April 13: A son, Corey Scott Lester, to Christy Adkins and Jamie Lester.

April 14: A daughter, Skylynn Marie, to Emily Anne and Steven Michael Brown; a son, Dalton Cole, to Rebecca and Curtis Swindall; a daughter, Gavin Xavier Thor, to Beverly Isabelle and Shawn Byron Hunt.

April 18: A son, Wesley David, to Pamela Lynn and David Wayne Loudermilk.

April 19: A daughter, Abigail Mari, to Tabatha Jo and John Varney; a daughter, Logan Macah,

to Glenda Ann and Micah Trent Sawyers; a daughter, Whitney Renae Castro, to Lisa Renae Jarrell and Victor Castro Jr.; a son, Zachary Evan, to Jacqueline and Timmy Bentley; a son, Zachary Terrence, to Priscella Dawn and Shun Terrence Amburgey; a daughter, Destiny Grace Norman, to Roberta Ann Cantrell and Everett Norman.

April 20: A son, Evan Layne Sykes II, to Ronda Rena and Evan Laythe Sykes; a son, Justin Kevin, to Sandra Denise and Robert Devin Wright; a daughter, Anna Renae, to Melissa and Mark Shepherd.

April 21: A son, Tyler Michael, to Stephanie and Michael Spears.

April 22: A son, Jeremy Stephen, to Syndie and Jerry Ison; a son, Bobby Blake, to Lisa and Lonnie Reynolds; a son, Van Aaron Tate Bailey, to Marsha Laynia Mullins; a son, Bryan Eric, to Jennifer Lynn and Ricky Dean Adams; a daughter, Brittany Nicole Conn, to Tammy Lynn Thornsby and James Douglas Conn.

April 23: A son, Kendrick Michael, to Karla Prater; a daughter, Kaitlyn Danielle, to Denise and Daniel Syck.

April 24: A daughter, Akitlyn Dean Epling, to Docketta Justice and Jimmy Dean Epling; a son, Austin Clay, to Hollie and Allen Blankenship; a son, Shaun David, to Crystal Ann and David Dwayne Griffith; a daughter, Chloe Elizabeth Branham, to Stacie Leigh and Deric Paxton Weddington; a son, John Luke, to Flora and John L. Newsome.

April 25: A son, Conner Brock, to Leigh Ann and Steven Lee Hamilton.

April 26: A son, Walker Danridge, to Elana and Benjamin Clarke Hall; a daughter, Karlee Rhyan, to Darlene and Kevin Moore.

April 27: A son, Dalton Gage, to Tonya and Jimmy Belcher; a daughter, Kyra Amie Miles, to Amie Tackett; a daughter, Karson Martina, to Whitney and Christopher Bailey; a son, Peyton Allen, to Tracey Michelle and Christopher Allen Rife.

April 30: A son, Austin Lloyd, to Anita and Kevin Huff; a daughter, Destiny Alexandria Simpson, to Brittany Prater and Eric Simpson.

May 1: Roger Dillon Norman, to Shawna Renae Ramey and Roger Dean Norman.

May 2: A daughter, Daisy Nashae, to Ramona Renee Thacker; a daughter, Sydney Nichole, to Princess Ann and Kenneth James Sampson; a son, Trevor Keathon, to Mary Beth and Brandon Scott Newsome; a daughter, Lauren Paige, to Amanda Gail and John Lawrance Compton.

May 3: A son, Jacob Isaiah, to Elsa Lena and Brian Keith McCoy; a son, Trimble Raye, to Rachel and Randy Dotson; a daughter, Madison Grace, to Michelle and Thomas Rainey; Morgan Breann, to Laura Dawn and William Keith Ratliff; a daughter, Sydney Nicole, to Tracy Jean and Joseph Dean Freeman.

May 4: A daughter, Micah Jade, to Kimberly Renee and Joseph Steven Clevinger; a son, Adam Lafon, to Amanda and Mark Lafon Case.

May 5: A son, Nicholas Shane, to Tricia Ann Newville; twins, Emilee Breann and Allison Dawn, to Marian Sue and Donny Lee Riley Jr.; a daughter, Courtney Renee Tackett, to Kimberly Sparks.

May 7: A daughter, Kloie Lynn Justice Slone, to Sandra Lynn and Jeffery Gene Slone.



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# Dieting may be more a matter of do's than don'ts

(NAPSA)-When trying to lose a few unwanted pounds, what you do eat may be far more important than what you don't.

Taking a positive, proactive approach and planning healthy, well-balanced meals may improve your odds of success, as will finding ways to incorporate exercise into your daily life.

By adding a few of the following healthy habits, you may be able to subtract a few pounds:

- Keep a journal and record what you eat daily. Weigh yourself every morning and record it in your journal.
- Exercise every day for at least 30 minutes. Everything active counts: walking, jogging, gardening, mopping the floor, taking the stairs instead of the elevator. Don't overdo it.
- Choose activities which are fun, not exhausting. Frequency and duration are more important than intensity.
- When you do eat, eat slowly, chew well and enjoy the full flavor of your food. It will take at least 20 minutes for your brain to let your stomach know you are satisfied.
- Eat only at the table, not in front of the TV or at the kitchen counter.
- Watch out for boredom eating. Instead drink a large glass of water or cup of decaffeinated coffee or tea. Stretch, walk around the block or up and down a flight of stairs.
- Visualize yourself at your ideal weight (maybe in your favorite outfit, feeling self-confi-



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- dent and energized).
- Drink at least 8 to 10 glasses of water a day to make you feel satisfied and refreshed.
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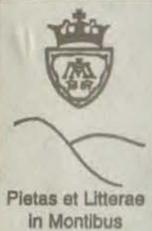
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## BIRTHDAYS



Turns five

MaKenzi Rhalyn Turner turned five years old on March 18, 2000. She celebrated with a party at home with family and friends. She is the daughter of Vincent and Amy Turner of Garrett and the sister of Zachary David Lee Turner. Her grandparents are Denzil and Peggy Turner of Garrett, Brenda Turner of Garrett and the late Garrie Turner. Her great-grandparents are Charles and Ailene Howard of Garrett and Harriett Lawson, also of Garrett.



Celebrates eight years

Zachary David Lee Turner was eight years old on February 26, 2000. He celebrated with a party at home for family and friends and with one at school for his classmates. He is the son of Vincent and Amy Turner of Garrett and is the brother of MaKenzi Rhalyn Turner. His grandparents are Denzil and Peggy Turner of Garrett, and his great-grandparents are Charles and Ailene Howard of Garrett.

## Reunions

• 16th annual Bartley Reunion, May 28, G.F. Johnson Elementary School, Virgie, 10 a.m.; dinner at 1 p.m. Bring covered dish. For information, call 606/639-6341, 639-6624, or 432-6538.

• Descendants of Thomas Jefferson Hancock and Lelia Farmer Hancock, Saturday, May 20, Shelter 4, Picnic Hollow, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park; 10:30 a.m. Contact Pam Ruiz, 424 Carter Rd., Clarksville, Tennessee 37042; e-mail Pupchena@aol.com, or Clyde F. Hancock, @CFhancock@aol.com.

• Henry Moore Family Reunion, May 27-28, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

• DeLong Reunion, Saturday, May 27, noon to 4 p.m., Lawrence County Senior Citizens Center, 101 W. Pike St., Louisa. Contact Freda Brown, 606/638-4803, or Arland DeLong, 606/673-3236.

• Hughes-Laferty Reunion, Saturday, June 10, Shelter 4 at Dewey Lake, JWSRP; lunch 12:30 p.m. Relatives of Joe Hughes and Hiram Laferty.

## One stop fitness shop on the Web

(NUE) - Summer is almost here and you know what that means. Time to start shedding all those extra layers of clothing and pounds that you accumulated over the winter.

If you're like most people, fitting into last year's bathing suit and shorts is an impossible feat after winter. What you need most is to get yourself back into shape and buy yourself a new wardrobe.

The best way to keep up with the latest trends is by visiting the virtual mall at [www.mall.com](http://www.mall.com), an Internet super site. Here, you will find links to numerous brand name merchandisers. Categories include apparel and shoes, books and music, computers and software, department stores, electronics, gifts and specialty, health, beauty and pharmacy, home and family, sports and outdoors, toys and games, and office and travel.

Don't forget to keep your skin healthy. Visit the health and beauty section at [Mall.com](http://Mall.com) where you'll find Avon, CVS Pharmacy, Garden Botanika, GNC, Origins, Neiman Marcus, Perfumania and [Ibeauty.com](http://Ibeauty.com).

At CVS Pharmacy, you can take a

survey that asks, "How healthy are you?" Next, pick out a multivitamin. The CVS brand multivitamin plus iron is \$7.69 for 365 tablets. Later, click over to GNC where you can get sports nutrition advice and pick out a box of Iron Man Triathlon bars, 12 for \$15.49.

Next, visit sports and outdoors where you'll find stores like the Sports Authority, [Dsports.com](http://Dsports.com), REI, World Foot Locker, Bass Pro Shop, the NFL Shop and ESPN. Or for fitness advice, click on REI for a physical fitness index that can tell you how in shape you are.

If you're looking to spice up your exercise routine, add a little music. At the electronics section, you'll find Best Buy, Brookstone, Circuit City, Cool Audio, Dell, Ritz Camera, Sharper Image, TSR Wireless and Tweeter Etc.

For a fresh, healthy meal or an after workout snack that can be delivered to your door, visit [Mall.com's Food Court](http://Mall.com's Food Court) that includes Chili's, Food.com, Starbucks, Mrs. Fields, Peapod, Greatfood.com, Netgrocer.com and Whole Foods.

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Receives MD

Jennifer Lynne Herald, daughter of John and Jane Herald of Hager Hill, received the Doctor of Medicine degree at the 162nd commencement exercises at the University of Louisville School of Medicine on May 14. She has accepted a residency in radiology at the U of L. Dr. Herald is a 1992 graduate of Paintsville High School. She attended Prestonsburg Community College and graduated cum laude from the University of Kentucky in 1996.

# BUSINESS

## professions

### Sykes plant in Pikeville has

# GRAND OPENING



Area dignitaries joined Gov. Paul Patton and company officials Friday to cut the ribbon, officially opening the Sykes Enterprises facility at Mossy Bottom in Pike County. Company chairman John Sykes, right, had high praise for local workers. (photos by Rebecca Derossett)

One might say Sykes Enterprises has been extremely busy in Kentucky over the last 12 months. And, in a whirlwind tour Friday, Gov. Paul Patton, John Sykes, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Sykes Enterprises, and local officials participated in grand opening and welcome events at Sykes' customer service/technical support centers in Pikeville, Hazard and Morganfield.

The new 42,500 square foot, state-of-the-art call centers, each at a different phase in construction, are consistent with the company's continued projected growth. Each center has the capacity of 432 seats on one shift.

The Pikeville support center, announced in July 1999, during President Bill Clinton's visit to Appalachia, is completed and currently has more than 600 employees.

The Hazard facility also announced in July 1999, is nearing completion and should be occupied within the next two weeks. Sykes' customer support center in Morganfield is under construction, but Sykes is operating in a temporary facility and already has 90 employees.

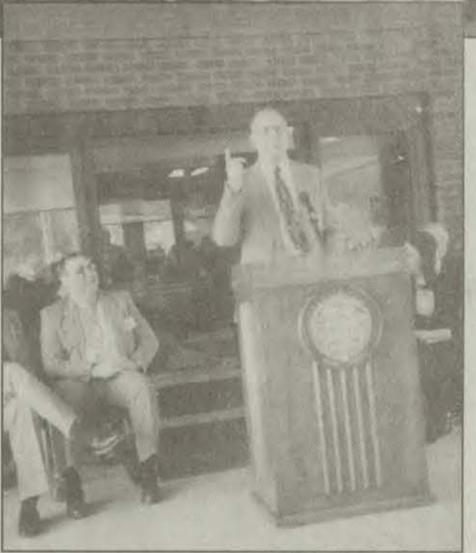
"We continue to see an increase in client

demand for technical support," said John Sykes. "The start-up for all of these customer support centers has gone smoothly. We are extremely pleased with the caliber and work ethic of the people in Kentucky."

"Sykes Enterprises is providing much needed employment opportunities, not only for our unemployed citizens, but also our underemployed in rural Kentucky," said Patton. "It's exciting to see how Sykes is already contributing to the economies of Pikeville, Hazard and Morganfield."

Sykes Enterprises develops information technology solutions for and provides information technology support to some of the world's most successful companies. The company's 1999 revenues exceeded \$575 million and revenues for 2000 should exceed \$735 million.

By utilizing its information technology support centers and e-commerce platform, Sykes is able to provide services at all stages in the



life cycle of its clients' products and services.

Headquartered in Tampa, Florida, Sykes operates 39 technical call centers, nine e-commerce fulfillment and distribution centers and 25 professional service branch offices on five continents. Sykes has about 14,000 employees.

## Houston sets standard for new century

(NAPSA)-With its futuristic skyline, and as home to this country's space program, it's no wonder that Houston is often seen as Space City. But Houston is building another type of reputation.

Houston is a model city for internationalism, and as the United States enters the millennium, it is likely to be the city others look to as a successful player in the global economy.

Houston is firmly entrenched in the international economy, leading the state in the number of multinational firms. More than 3,400 local companies reported international business activities last year. And more than 160 Houston-area companies have operations in Europe. More than 120 Houston companies have operations in Asia.

In addition, nearly 350 European companies have affiliates in the Houston area. Yolanda Londoño, executive director of the Houston Image Group, says entrepreneurs see Houston as a place where they can succeed, no matter what their ethnicity.

"The business leaders of the world are looking at Houston as a place to make money," she said. "Our economy is not sitting still."

The Houston International Protocol Alliance sees first-hand how Houston has grown as a world center. The city consistently ranks as one of the nation's top five cities in the number of consular offices. Seventy-two foreign governments have consulates here, placing Houston well ahead of Chicago, Miami, Atlanta and Dallas.

"The continued growth of Houston's Consular Corps reflects the growing international interests of Houston's business community and institutions like the Port of Houston, the Texas Medical Center and NASA," executive director Sonia Garza said. "It also indicates that governments around the world increasingly consider Houston to be an important center for trade, education, technology, and culture." Recent government estimates indicate that already ethnically diverse Houston will continue to reflect the globe. It's estimated that in 2000, the ethnic breakdown in Houston will be approximately 29 percent Anglo, 25 percent African American and 39 percent Hispanic.

And a 1999 survey by Rice University sociologist Stephen Klineberg indicates that a majority of Houstonians not only accept the city's multi-culturalism but believe diversity is an asset.

Asked in Klineberg's survey what they think of the increasing ethnic diversity in Houston brought about by immigration, 75 percent of Anglos, 69 percent of African Americans and 58 percent of Hispanics responded that it was a positive thing.

"Houston continues to grow as a city of opportunity that is as diverse in its economic nature as it is rich in its multi-cultural population," Londoño, said.



When you get down to business in Houston it's likely to be international business.

## New card helps solve old problem

(NAPSA)-Whether they sell buttons, baseball cards or brass lamps, nearly all small business owners have the same concerns.

How do they control finances? How much time do they spend conducting banking transactions? Can they get the credit they need?

According to Brian Smith, Executive Vice President of U.S. Bank. "Small business owners never seem to have enough time. They make, on average, five trips to the bank branch per month, which is three times more than the average consumer. That's a lot of time that could be spent managing and growing their business."

Smith and others believe that what small business owners really want from commercial banks are financial tools that provide benefits. In response to that demand, U.S. Bank has introduced a new family of debit cards designed specifically for small businesses.

The cards are free of charge, and provide users with 24-hour electronic banking, purchasing power with more than 18 million VISA® merchants worldwide, access to online merchants and increased account security.

According to research conducted by PSI Global-a market research firm specializing in



Many small business owners are looking for enhancement to traditional commercial checking accounts.

the financial services industry-high on the list of reasons why small business owners like debit cards is cash management. They save time and effort because they no longer have to reimburse employees for small cash purchases or get bogged down in keeping track of petty cash.

With small business bank cards-such as the UBank® Business Check Card-business own-

ers can specify the card functions to which employees have access.

For example, one employee might be able to make deposits to the account without being able to see the balance, while another may be authorized to use a card to make purchases up to a specified spending limit.

Plus, with many small businesses looking for alternatives to credit accounts, debit cards present an alternative to both using cash and carrying around a bulky business checkbook.

To aid in record keeping, the new UBank® Business Check Card also provides a monthly statement chronicling the date and amount of each purchase, as well as where the purchase was made.

With \$82 billion in assets the Minneapolis-based U.S. Bancorp is the 11th largest bank holding company in the nation and operates approximately 1,000 banking offices, a network of 5,300 ATMs and a 24-hour customer telephone service.

It is the largest provider of Visa® corporate and purchasing cards in the world and is one of the largest providers of corporate trust services in the nation.

To learn more, visit the Web site at [www.usbank.com](http://www.usbank.com).

## Woolpert selected for KY Prison project

Woolpert LLP, as a member of a design-build team including KZF Architects and P.J. Dick Construction, was recently awarded a \$140-million U.S. Penitentiary (USP) and Federal Prison Camp (FPC) project for the Federal Bureau of Prisons (FBOP) on a 300-acre site in Martin County.

Woolpert formed a Kentucky-based joint venture with KZF Architects to pursue this project in early 1998. Woolpert/KZF then teamed with P.J. Dick Construction, to form a design-build team to take on the project.

The prison is being built to address overcrowding in the FBOP's prison system. The USP will be a high-security institution with living units and support facilities to house 996 inmates.

It will have a total building area of about 50,000 square meters, consisting of several one- and two-story buildings, a Federal Prison Industries factory, and three general housing buildings of four stories each, all within a secure compound.

The FPC will be a minimum-security facility and consist of living units and support facilities to house 128 inmates. The total building area of the FPC will be about 2,500 square meters.

Numerous site constraints include steep mountainous topography, sandstone, abandoned coal mines, and mine spoils. The site has been previously mined for coal both by stripping and deep underground methods.

Numerous abandoned mines still exist on the site. Due to the mountainous terrain and previous mining

activities, the site will require an extensive amount of earthwork to support the proposed facility.

Once the project was awarded, work began immediately. Aerial mapping and site planning have been completed. The Design-Build team is now in the process of finalizing a rough-grading package to allow the contractor to begin the major task of moving about four million cubic yards of earth.

Once rough-grading plans have been completed, final site and building design will follow. Construction is scheduled to be complete in August of 2002.

Woolpert LLP is a professional services firm that offers consulting expertise in a wide range of engineering/architectural-related disciplines.

With a staff of more than 700 people, Woolpert provides a variety of services to meet the challenges facing military, private industry, local municipality, institutional, and private development clients throughout the United States and abroad.

The firm delivers its services through its eight service lines: environmental engineering, facilities planning and design, geographic information services/information technology (GIS/IT), surveying/global positioning systems (GPS), photogrammetry, site/civil design, transportation, and water resources.

Woolpert has 21 offices in 13 states and has ranked in the top 100 in the Engineering News-Record ranking of the top 500 design firms since 1996.

## Big decisions made easier

(NAPSA)-Should you start your own business or stay at your present job? How much do you need to save to retire in style? Need help selecting a destination for your next vacation?

A new Web site helps users make positive choices by providing tips, tools and information. Among the site's most useful features are online quizzes-called Me



Meters-that help users address some of life's more challenging questions.

Me Meters, a feature of [myprimetime.com](http://myprimetime.com), provides simple charts and instant feedback in plain English. They help users address questions such as:

- How happy are you?
- Is it best to buy or lease a car?
- How do you know if you are

burned out at work?

• How much money do you need to save for your child's college education?

According to Donald Van de Mark, co-founder of the Web site, it's "a personal trainer for your life."

To learn more, visit the site at [www.myprimetime.com](http://www.myprimetime.com)

# BUSINESS

## professions

# Aquaponics project in line for funding

Story and photos  
by Pam Shingler  
Business Editor

The Floyd County Fiscal Court has applied for funding from the Appalachian Regional Commission to fund the New Century Aquaponics Project.

Members of the project steering committee discussed the application at the quarterly meeting May 5 at South Floyd High School, where the business and education project will be based.

A cooperative venture of the county and the Board of Education, the agricultural project proposes to raise fish and plants together for learning and economic purposes.

The ARC application asks for \$86,736 to be matched by more than \$68,000 from the state and \$31,000 from local government.

Steering committee chairman Clark Allison announced the assignment of subcommittees with community people working with different elements of the project, including finance, curriculum, marketing, greenhouse operations, greenhouse installation, community outreach and history.

The curriculum for use at SFHS is well underway, according to Joyce Watson of the school system administration. Having already met with the curriculum committee, she and Ray Tackett of the Cooperative Extension Service have been

exploring websites on other aquaponics projects.

Chuck Stamper, also of Cooperative Extension, has looked into Department of Agriculture training for teachers. SFHS instructor James Staggs is working on what students will be expected to learn as the project develops.

Watson said a goal is to have the curriculum in place before the aquaponics greenhouse is installed.

Stamper said "transferability" will be an important part of the curriculum, so other students can learn the elements of the project and so it can be adapted for training adults with an interest in starting their own businesses.

According to Eddie Patton, administrative assistant to Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, young people in lower grades need to get involved in the project. He said schools can apply for PRIDE grants to develop similar projects on smaller scales.

Watson said this is particularly appropriate for McDowell and Osborne elementary schools which are feeders for South Floyd.

Staggs was assured by Patton that he should plan to begin the project this fall. If the project is funded by ARC, the money should be available in October.

Persons interested in participating on a committee may call Patton at 606/886-9193. The next meeting of the steering committee will be



Members of the Aquaponics Steering Committee discussed elements of the education and economic project at a recent meeting.

August 16 at 10 a.m. at SFHS.

Committee assignments include:

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# The growing cost of doing nothing

by Fred D. Hafer

(NAPSA)—Throughout the year, when our hearts and actions focus on family and friends, we may unwittingly encourage the silent killer: chemical dependency. The devastating effects of chemical dependency, especially alcoholism, reach deeply into our homes and work places.

Studies show that six percent of the American work force admit to "heavy drinking" and an addi-

tional nine percent admit to illicit drug use. In fact, the National Institute on Drug Abuse, Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism conservatively estimates that as much as 10 percent of the work force in American business today suffers from a chemical dependency problem. Reports indicate that these individuals are actually functioning at about 67 percent of their potential.

Although American corporations in general do not think of

chemical dependency as a component in their bottom lines, the overwhelming evidence shows that the cost of chemical dependency to American business is astronomical. And that cost is growing. The seriousness of the sickness is reflected in health care costs alone — it's many times more than the cost of maintaining a healthy work force. In many cases, family and co-workers are directly and tragically affected.

Yet, when alcoholism is diagnosed and treated properly, workers can recover their health, their sense of self, and their productivity. Studies show, in fact, that employment itself can be an important component of recovery.

It is tempting for managers to conclude that dealing with a chemical dependent employee is too complex and time-consuming. However, today it is not enough to simply follow a fire and replace policy because the replacement offers no guarantees, not to mention the expenses incurred to recruit and retrain.

What's needed is a concerted effort to find solutions that prevent dependency rather than to solely rely on the current course of treatment undertaken after substance abuse has done its damage. If a performance problem is correctable, as is often the case with chemical dependency, it's well worth the time and money to rehabilitate rather than replace.

As leaders, we must recognize the compelling case for a greater understanding of chemical dependency. Only then can we understand our ability to make a difference through intervention and rehabilitation and reduce the impact on our most valued resources—employees.

A victory in the war on chemical abuse will require a great deal of effort and persistence. This won't come easily, but a victory is well worth the investment. We can no longer afford the growing cost of doing nothing.

Fred D. Hafer is chairman, president and CEO of GPU, Inc.

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# BUSINESS

## professions

## MAC recordings earn award for MSU broadcaster

Paul Hitchcock, music and production director for WMKY 90.3 FM, Morehead State University's public radio station, has received national recognition for his efforts in local music programming.

The National Federation of Community Broadcasters awarded Hitchcock the Golden Reel award for best local entertainment/music series at the organization's 25th Annual Community Radio Conference, April 13-16 in New Orleans.

The award-winning series, "U.S. 23 Showcase," features Hitchcock's recordings of performances by regional musicians at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg.

"It's certainly an honor," Hitchcock said of the award. "It's nice to be recognized by your peers for the work that you do, but as I said in New Orleans, I accept this on behalf of all the artists who have hopes and dreams of being on the 'big stage.'"

The 59-minute "U.S. 23 Showcase" is often the featured musicians' first time on the radio, Hitchcock said.

"Many of them are just starting out," he said. "Some of the best musicians in the world are from this region, but before the MAC was built, folks like Tom T. Hall or Loretta Lynn had to leave the area to be onstage."

"Now local, regional folks who dream to be onstage have a chance to be underneath the lights. I'm just glad we have the opportunity at



Paul Hitchcock

WMKY to give back to the community by presenting shows like this on the airways."

According to the NCFB, the Golden Reel awards represent "extraordinary examples of what committed, creative, intelligent radio producers can do" and are "a reminder of the value

and importance of Community Radio."

This year's Golden Reel awards were open to programs broadcast on non-commercial community radio stations between November 1998 and October 1999. Nearly 270 broadcasters were nominated for awards in 13 categories. Three levels of awards were given: the Golden Reel for first place, the Silver Reel for second place and the Special Merit award for third place.

Besides the Golden Reel award, Hitchcock was honored as a finalist in two other categories, including Special Local Entertainment/Music Program for "The Gathering of Traditional Musicians," a program recorded June 23 at MSU's Appalachian Celebration.

In addition to "U.S. 23 Showcase," which airs the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. on WMKY, Hitchcock hosts and produces "Nothin' But The Blues," "Acoustic Highway," and "What's So Funny?"

Hitchcock holds a Master of Arts degree in radio-television/journalism from MSU and a Bachelor of Arts degree in communication arts/psychology from Georgetown College.

A Pattersonville, New York, native who now lives in Morehead, Hitchcock has been WMKY's music and production director for the past 11 of his 14 years at the station.

Additional information is available from Hitchcock at 606/783-2334.

## Pikeville agency leads region

Jim Bridgman, general manager in the Pikeville office of American General Life and Accident Insurance Company has been recognized as the leading general manager in the firm's Bluegrass Region for 1999.

In addition, Danny D. Owens, associate manager, has been recognized as the leading associate manager.

Bridgman's office placed first in sales and service among 19 branch offices in Kentucky, east Tennessee, and West Virginia to win the top award. It is the fifth time his office has ranked first in the region.

Bridgman and Owens will be recognized at the firm's annual National Leaders Conference in San Diego later this month.

Bridgman began his career with American General Life and Accident in 1973 as an agent in Bowling Green, was advanced to associate manager in Somerset in 1980 and has been general manager of the company's Pikeville office since 1985. He was the company's number one ranking general manager among 231 offices nationally in 1995.

He is a member of the Big Sandy Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors and the General Agents and Managers Association. Bridgman is a trustee of Calvary Baptist Church.

Owens joined the agency in 1990. He is president of the Pike County Bass Angers Society.

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Jim Bridgman

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## Telecommuting: Government's new doorway into your home?

by Jack Faris

We live in an amazing time. Technology has changed our lives in ways that people one generation ago could not have imagined.

And one of the many advantages of the Internet (as well as plain old telephones and fax machines) is that more and more people are able to work out of their homes. The benefits include more time with family and less time commuting (and thus less traffic), just to name a few.

Considering all the benefits, I was disappointed to see that the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) looks at American homes as being hazardous to workers' health. And OSHA bureaucrats - always eager to extend the ever-heavier hand of government - are licking their chops to put their imprint on our homes.

Earlier, OSHA decreed that employers who let their employees work at home are liable for making sure the home workplaces comply with all federal health and safety labor regulations.

If you think about it, it's not only unfair, it's nearly impossible. What happens when a parent accidentally trips on a child's toy fire engine and

sprains an ankle while walking to his bedroom computer to work on a business project? According to the OSHA decision, the employer is responsible for the injury.

It's a ridiculous idea. The increased liability for employers would surely serve as a disincentive to allow employees to work in their home. And who wants to live and work in a home that has been changed to meet industrial standards, anyway? (Imagine lighted exit signs at your doorways, fire extinguisher next to your desk.)

The good news is that OSHA backedpedaled on this decision just one day after they announced it. Public outcry, particularly from the small business community, came fast and loud. Labor Secretary Alexis Herman quickly rescinded the decision, but left OSHA's policy on home workplace safety unclear.

It looks like the home office is safe from the hand of government for today, but we should still stay tuned for the next episode: OSHA will come up with some sort of policy at some point. Once this kind of ball starts rolling, it's hard to stop.

All of this is a symptom of a much larger problem, which is that Washington, DC, still has plenty of people who think that they can — and should — use the power of gov-

ernment to erase all bad things from our world. But darn it, life isn't perfect, and more government tends to muck things up rather than make things easier — especially when it comes to running a business.

Uncle Sam doesn't need to come into your business or your home to make everything safe and fair and perfect. We know this instinctively, as citizens of a free country. But sometimes we do have to remind the folks in Washington, DC, of this simple truth. So keep an eye out, especially if you are a business

owner or a telecommuter.

And if you don't like the way things are going, if you feel like Uncle Sam is breathing down your neck, don't be afraid to voice your concerns. It does make a difference. It did make OSHA back off — if only one step — this time around.

Jack Faris is president of the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), the nation's largest small-business advocacy group. For information call 1-800-NFIB-NOW or visit [www.nfibonline.com](http://www.nfibonline.com).

## Joins law firm

Johnny Ray Harris has joined the law firm of Fitzpatrick, Osborne and Sturgill, PSC.

A graduate of Prestonsburg High School, Harris attended the University of Kentucky and received an undergraduate degree in political science at Morehead State University.

He earned a Juris Doctor from Northern Kentucky University's Chase College of Law.

He has worked as an assistant county attorney for the 24th judicial district and has been in private practice, concentrating in civil litigation.

The son of Joe Jack and Brenda Akers Harris of Prestonsburg, Harris is the grandson of Anna Belle Woods Harris of Prestonsburg, and the late Henry Harris, and Evelyn Akers of Dana and the late Dewey Akers.



Johnny Ray Harris

Other members of the law firm are Richard E. Fitzpatrick, Martin L. Osborne, Barkley J. Sturgill Jr. and Barkley J. Sturgill Sr. The firm is located at 112 N. Lake Dr. in Prestonsburg; 606/886-1615.

## Memo

### Attend conference

Two area optometrists attended the Kentucky Optometric Association's 98th annual Spring Educational Congress, April 27-30, in Louisville. Dr. Jerald Combs, who practices in Martin, and Dr. Donnie Akers, who has a Paintsville practice, attended lectures on the latest treatment for glaucoma, what's new in sports vision and a review of procedures for examining young children.

### Valley: Record earnings

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Floyd County Board of Education is requesting sealed bids for Optometry services.

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The Floyd County Board of Education reserves the right to reject any and all bids. The Floyd County Board of Education reserves the right to renew the awarded contract for a period of one year.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Prestonsburg High School will be accepting nominations for

two parent members for the school council (SBDM) election, May 08, 2000 - May 19, 2000, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., at the school office. (Nomination forms can be picked up at the school office.) The term will expire June 30, 2001. Nomination forms need to be submitted to Coy Samons, Principal. The Prestonsburg High School Council Parent election will be held on May 23, 2000, at 6:00 p.m., in the cafeteria during the regular P.T.O. monthly meeting.

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Floyd County Board of Education is requesting sealed bids for the Sanding and Sealing of the gym floors at Prestonsburg High School and Duff Elementary.

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**NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**  
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
DIVISION NO. I  
CIVIL ACTION  
NO. 99-CI-00835

**CONTIMORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF**  
VS:  
**HERMAN NEWSOME, HATTIE NEWSOME, BANXERS TRUST COMPANY,** as Trustee of Amresco Residential Securities Corporation Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-1.  
Under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of February 1, 1998, AMERICAN GENERAL FINANCE OF AMERICA, INC. and EMERY NEWSOME

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 11th day of March, 2000 in the

Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled cause, for the amounts:  
Principal \$61,509.85  
Interest from 08/1/98 \$ 7,132.56  
Advancements for the protection of the property, including taxes and insurance (negative escrow) \$ 0.00  
Attorney fees (KRS 411.195) \$ 950.00  
Total \$69,592.41

for which total amount personal judgment is hereby rendered in favor of the plaintiff and against the primary defendant, together with interest at the rate of 20.21 percent per annum from the above date until paid plus costs herein and any sums expended by plaintiff for insurance, ad valorem taxes or for preservation of the real estate until date of sale, 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 25th day of May, 2000, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, together with any and all improvements, appurtenances, fixtures, any personal property described in the subject mortgage and title lien statements, and the rents, issues and profits therefrom and thereon, said real estate being situated at 15130 HWY 979, Beaver, KY 41604, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the highway 979 at the Kenneth Hall line. Running down the highway 80 feet to an easement stake. Thence turning right up the hill to the top of the hill to J. B. Hamilton's line. Thence turning right around the ridge to Kenneth Hall's line. Thence turning right down the hill with Hall's line back to the beginning.

Natural gas and water from the home place to be included in this property. Being the same property conveyed to Herman Newsome and Hattie Newsome, husband and wife, by Deed dated December 18, 1977, being of record in Deed Book 414, Page 396, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

The property hereinabove described is indivisible and cannot be divided without materially impairing its value and the value of the Plaintiff's lien thereon, and shall will be sold as a whole.

The property hereinabove described shall be sold by the Master Commissioner as more particularly set forth in order to satisfy the debt owed the Plaintiff, interest, costs, attorney fees, and Floyd County Ad Valorem taxes owed by the primary defendants.

The liens herein adjudged shall attach to the proceeds of said sale of the real estate in priority as follows:  
The Plaintiff, Conti Mortgage Corporation, is adjudged to have a first and superior mortgage lien (subject only to any appropriate liens of Floyd County, Kentucky) upon the hereinabove

described real property.  
**TERMS OF SALE:**  
(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 down, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.  
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(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 Floyd County, real property taxes for the fiscal year 2000, and all subsequent years not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.  
(e) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.  
**THIS THE 3rd DAY OF MAY, 2000**

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK  
Master Commissioner  
P. O. Box 268  
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653  
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**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 day of May, 2000 to:

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**  
Pursuant to Application Number 836-0259, Renewal #3

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Wolverine Resources, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for a renewal of a permit for a surface and auger mining operation. The operation disturbs 227.35 surface acres and underlies 18.55 acres. The total boundary within the permit area is 245.90 acres located 1/2 mile southwest of Barinard in Floyd and Magoffin Counties.

The operation is located 0.25 miles North of Prater Branch in Floyd County, KY. The operation is approximately 0.5 miles northwest from KY 114's junction with Prater Branch, and located adjacent to the Floyd and Magoffin County lines. The latitude is 37°39'26", the longitude is 82°54'44".

The operation is located on the lyton U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Luther E. Miller, Elsie Prater, Fork Farm Incorporated, Nancy and GW Adams, Dallas Prater, James Wright, Walter Nelson, Greely Dotson, FH Holbrook Heirs, and Lester and Gladys Dotson. The operation underlies land owned by Dallas Prater, Luther E. Miller, Elsie Prater, and Fork Farm Incorporated.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, 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.