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Parents, officials search for answers

Two out of three students kept home over meningitis scare

by WILLIE ELLIOTT
STAFF WRITER

After keeping home about two-thirds of the students at Betsy Layne Elementary, parents met with school personnel and local government leaders in an attempt to find a solution to the recurring problem of meningitis in the Betsy Layne school zone.

Within the last nine months, three confirmed cases of meningitis have been reported in the Betsy Layne zone, which includes Betsy Layne Elementary, Betsy Layne High School and John M. Stumbo Elementary.

Nearly 300 people were on hand for the meeting in the school's auditorium. Principal Karen Allen, assistant Sandy Boyd and school nurse Debra Hayes took the stage with Superintendent Dr. Paul Fanning, instructional supervisor Susan Compton, state Rep. Greg Stumbo and deputy judge-executive Brett Davis. State manager Woody Carter was present but was not on stage and did not address the group.

Fanning told the group that he had been informed that the state guidelines call for three confirmed cases of a disease within three months before an epidemic can be declared. Fanning told

the group that samples have been sent to the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

According to Fanning, Dr. Leach from the state health department promised to get results back to the school system as soon as possible. Fanning said he expected results as soon as the end of June.

In addition, County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson sent letters to CDC Director Jeffrey P. Koplan and Bradley A. Perkins, a doctor with the agency, seeking an epi-

(See FEARS, page two)



Parents signed yesterday to have their turn to speak during the meeting at Betsy Layne Elementary. The meeting was in response to the recent meningitis case, the third in the last nine months, that was confirmed in the Betsy Layne area.
photo by Willie Elliott

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Here comes summer...



People of all ages flocked to the Archer Park swimming pool which officially opened for the summer on Sunday. One of the features new to the park is the four slide water slide.
photo by Randell Reno

Paintsville company gets \$678K contract for clubhouse

by RANDELL RENO
STAFF WRITER

Four bids were received by the city of Prestonsburg for the construction of its mountaintop golf course clubhouse. All of the bids reached more than a half million dollars, with two nearing the million-dollar mark.

The high bid was submitted by Mike Brown Companies for \$849,000, Baldwin Contracting was next at \$826,000. Patriot Construction Company submitted a bid of \$788,000, while Goggans Construction Company submitted the lowest bid at \$678,000.

The Prestonsburg Properties Commission met briefly Tuesday morning to receive the bids. Ranger Construction and the commission gave the nod of acceptance to Goggans and then passed the bid on to the city council.

The council met briefly to approve the bid by the Paintsville-based company. The project is expected to take five to six months to complete.

Also on the agenda for the special meeting was the passing of the city budget for the 2000-2001 fiscal year. The council approved the budget by a unanimous decision.

Mayor Jerry Fanning reported that construction of the roadway leading to the mountaintop development project is set to begin. He said graders are

(See CLUBHOUSE, page two)

Hughes remains upbeat, thankful about treatment

by WILLIE ELLIOTT
STAFF WRITER

Back in the winter, the Times ran several stories about Brian Hughes and his struggle with leukemia. Family, friends and community members provided financial and emotional support to Hughes and his family.

It now appears that all those prayers and the determined spirit of Hughes may be paying off.

The Markey Cancer Center at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center found a donor who Hughes and his mother Linda say is a 100 percent match. But the struggle continues.

While doctors say there is a match, Hughes still must go to the center three times a week so doctors can keep a close eye on him. For 100 days, Hughes was to stay in Lexington near the Markey Center so he could easily make the tri-weekly visits and be

there in case of an emergency. He has an apartment about three miles from the center.

Hughes has done about 60 to those days and has 40 more to go. Hughes does come home each weekend and then goes back on Sunday for another week of check-ups. This past week, he got an extra day at home because of the holiday.

"It's been tough but it's part of the deal," Hughes said, referring to the medicine and its effects on his body.

He says the medicine makes his legs week. He added that the doctors are gradually taking him off the medicine.

"I just thank God He gave me a chance to go through the ordeal," Hughes said.

His wife Rhonda looks forward to coming home and returning to her job about July 1, but she most looks forward to a healthy husband, buffeted by the ravages of the disease but steadfast in his conviction that he will overcome it.

It is easy to tell from Hughes' comments that he can hardly wait to get his hands on a car again. If he is as determined to fix a car as he is to heal his own body, he will again be a heck of a mechanic.



Brian Hughes and his wife Rhonda enjoy a visit to the home of Hughes' parents during the Memorial Day holiday.
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Applications available for Trooper Island

Times Staff Report

Kentucky State Police officials have announced that Post 9 now has applications available for the KSP's summer camp, Trooper Island. Post 9 will be sending 32 girls to Trooper Island this year.

The various posts rotate from year to year in sending girls to the camp. This is the first year in a while that Post 9 will be taking applications for girls.

Trooper Island will be held July 17 through July 21. Anyone wishing to attend the camp is encouraged to contact a trooper or to stop by Post 9 to pick up an application.

The post commander or a designee will select the campers based on the eligibility of the applicants. Applications must be returned to the post no later than July 14.

Trooper Island Camp was developed by KSP as part of a long-range program of public service to the youth of Kentucky.

Spearheaded by former State Police Director Colonel James E. Bassett, the idea was to establish a permanent recreational site where troopers and children could share a week-long experience.

A location was selected in a secluded corner of Dale Hollow Lake near the Cumberland and Clinton County line, where an island was leased from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and a non-profit charitable corporation was formed.

Boys and girls, ages 10 to 12, are selected from each of the 16

post areas. Each trooper selects children that may not otherwise have the opportunity to attend a camp.

The camping program is dedicated to the development of the camper's self image, building the physical body through nutritious food and exercise, developing mental capabilities with classroom study and providing spiritual growth through non-denominational chapel services.

There is no cost to the campers who attend Trooper Island and there are no restrictions based on race, creed or color.

The adventure begins when the barge is loaded at the mainland with the children and troopers, and heads toward Trooper Island.

When the barge touches the island, campers make their way from the boat dock up a small hill. At the top the youths are divided into groups of eight.

Each day begins early, with the raising of the flag. Various informational and educational programs are scheduled between breakfast and lunch times.

Campers learn about accident and fire prevention, first aid, conservation, hygiene, good citizenship, drug abuse and leadership.

The volunteer instructors come from many state agencies and adjacent communities. Afternoons are spent in enthusiastic physical activity and once the evening meal is completed, movies, campfires, games and other planned activities await the campers.

Recreation at the camp includes swimming, archery, riflery, basketball, boating, softball, volleyball and horseshoes.

All construction and camping expenses are paid from tax-deductible contributions. Many industry, civic and business groups have provided this program much-needed support.

If you want to contribute to Trooper Island contributions and/or requests for further information should be directed to:

Trooper Island Inc., Kentucky State Police, P.O. Box 473, Albany, KY 42602, or phone (270) 433-5422.



photo by Angela Judd
Lead singer Eliot Sloan crooned a sold-out crowd alongside guitarist and keyboardist C.P. Roth at the Mountain Arts Center Friday night. The two are part of the popular musical act Blessid Union of Souls which gave a rare performance aimed at a younger audience.

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Charles R. "Chuck" Johnson



Charles R. "Chuck" Johnson, son of Charles and Martha Johnson of Prestonsburg, received a Doctorate in English from the University of Southern Mississippi at Hattisburg during commencement exercises held May 12, 2000. A graduate of Prestonsburg High School, Chuck earned bachelor's and master's degree at Morehead State University.

Dr. Johnson has published short stories in various publications, including Inscape and Product. He lives in Baton Route and teaches literature, business writing and composition at Louisiana State University.

KSP reports fewer fatalities over holiday

by RANDELL RENO
STAFF WRITER

Kentucky State Police released its report of traffic fatalities for the Memorial Day weekend. The preliminary statistics reveal a decrease in traffic fatalities from the same period last year.

Eight traffic fatalities were recorded involving seven separate auto accidents. Alcohol was a contributing factor in five of the incidents.

The fatal crashes occurred in Calloway, Letcher, Jefferson,

Clinton, Taylor and Whitley Counties. A double fatality was reported in Garrard County.

The KSP made 246 arrests on DUI charges across the state.

Five of the six fatalities were not wearing seat belts. KSP urges all motorists to buckle up every time they enter a vehicle. It's important to wear a safety belt, not just during heavy traffic flow of national holidays, but even for a short trip across town.

Post 9 in Pikeville released the following statistics for the five county area of Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Martin, and Pike counties:

- Fatal accidents, one with one fatality.
- DUI arrests, 27.
- Speeding over 55 citations, 54.

- Seat belt citations, 45.
- Child restraint citations, 5.
- Motorist assistance calls, 45.

The official holiday period began 6 p.m. Friday evening and ran through 11:59 p.m. Monday.

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Fears

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demological study of the outbreak.

"As you can well imagine, there is a great deal of concern and uncertainty on the part of our citizens who reside in these communities and who attend and are employed in these schools," Thompson wrote. "Completion of the study and any recommendations regarding additional vaccinations are, therefore, requested before the commencement of the 2000-2001 school year."

No one from the Floyd County Health Department, the state health department or CDC was on hand for the meeting.

Fanning said school was dismissed last week to let the incubation period pass. He also said an investigation has been started on the situation.

Allen said now is not a time to point fingers.

"Nobody is to blame," she said. "We need to get someone in here who knows what they are doing and solve this problem."

She went on to encourage the parents by saying, "It's all our fault if we don't do something about the situation."

Bobby McKinney voiced a similar idea when she told the group that the situation had been taken too lightly.

Stumbo said he had been in touch with Gov. Paul Patton's office and planned to call Congressman Hal Rogers's office to apprise him

of the situation. He offered his help in the matter.

While parents welcomed all this information, many were convinced that the way to go is vaccination. Parent Mickey Watson said vaccination should be required for students to attend the school.

According to some parents who had their children vaccinated, the cost for the serum at a private doctor's office is \$85, plus fees for office visit. According to Fanning, the Floyd County Health Department does not have the serum.

One parent asked Fanning if school would be called off the next day and suggested the school should be closed for the whole week. He said that decision has not yet been made.

Several parents intoned, "My kids won't be here if there is school." One parent suggested that Betsy Layne High School should also be closed.

One parent suggested bringing Jesus into the picture. She said it would do wonders if a prayer was allowed each morning.

Later in the meeting, Fanning followed up that idea by requesting a moment of silence for meditation on the matter.

Fanning told the group he would keep them updated on any information that he received, and if necessary, hold another meeting to disseminate that information.

Clubhouse

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already busy at the site.

Ranger Construction was reportedly close to sewing things up on the course. Grass seeding is near completion and the company expects to be finished in about 30

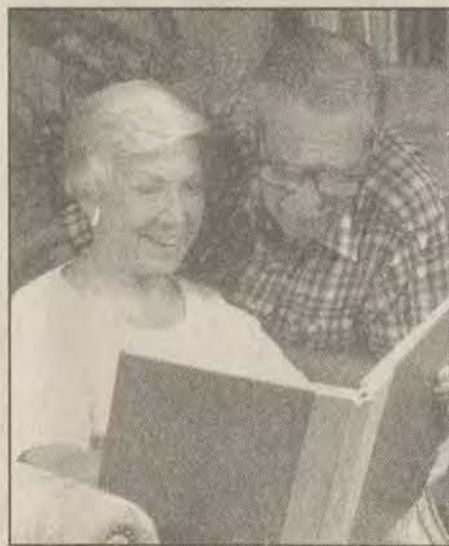
days, said Fanning.

The grounds crew for the course will be expected to maintain the course when Ranger leaves the project.

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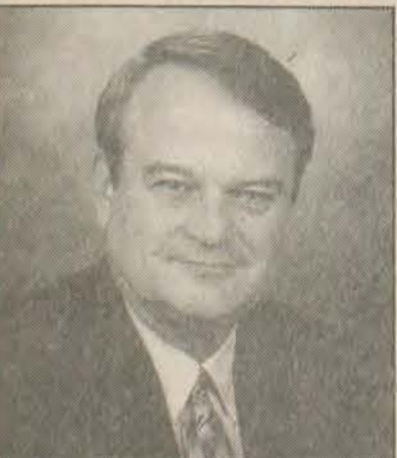
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Safety tips for homeowners

(NUE) - More than three million Americans are injured and more than 20,000 others die in the United States each year as a result of accidents in the home. The vast majority of these accidents are caused by carelessness.

Accidents can happen when people use tables and chairs as ladders, misuse kitchen appliances, and leave objects on stairways that others can trip over.

Many accidents occur outside the home as well. How often have you heard of people injuring themselves while mowing the lawn or tripping over a rake? These are needless accidents, preventable by using care and common sense. Here are some tips from iHomeline.com, the premier Web site for homeowner information.

Falls are the largest single cause of home accidents. Gates at the top of a stairway can keep small children from falling down the stairs. Railings and bannisters can prevent elderly people from falling.

Small rugs on polished floors should have a rubber backing or be fastened down to prevent sliding. A rubber mat or hand grip will help prevent slipping in the bathtub.

Most burns occur in the home. Burns and scalds are among the most common injuries to children. Many result from careless use of kitchen equipment.

Turn handles of pans away from

the edge of a stove, especially if small children are present. When cooking with deep fat, stand back from the stove to avoid spattering grease.

Careless smoking accounts for about 25 percent of the fires that occur in one- and two-family homes and about 30 percent of the fires that occur in apartments. Be sure to install smoke and fire detectors at strategic locations in your home. Keep the batteries fresh, and make sure the detectors are in good working order.

Working on a roof requires extra caution. The surface is usually slick, sloped and well above the ground. A wet roof can be very slippery. Never get on a roof when lightning threatens.

If fire does break out in your home, crawl — do not walk — to the nearest exit. That's because smoke rises and is more easily inhaled if you're standing. If clothes catch fire, roll in order to smother the flames. Know two ways out of every room, and make sure all family members know them, too.

For more tips on home safety, go to the Web and click on www.iHomeline.com and/or send Jim Neidner, national radio home host and award winning builder/remodeler, your home questions online. Also, visit parent company JVWEB at jvweb.com.

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Virtual University offers 200 online courses from 20 KY colleges

Twenty Kentucky colleges and universities will offer nearly 200 courses online through the Kentucky Commonwealth Virtual University during the summer and fall 2000 terms.

Business, accounting, computer science, health care, education and general education courses are just a sampling of the 200 offered. All courses are accredited, transferable and taught by Kentucky faculty.

"Through the virtual university,

busy Kentuckians no longer need to leave their hometown to pursue more education," explained Dr. Mary Beth Susman, CEO of the one-year-old university.

"The college classroom is now as close as a student's home computer, public library, office, or wherever else a student might have internet access," she added.

Kentucky's colleges and universities offering anywhere, any time education throughout the virtual

university include Eastern Kentucky University, Kentucky Community and Technical College System, Kentucky State University, Morehead State University, Murray State University, Northern Kentucky University, University of Kentucky, University of Louisville and Western Kentucky University.

The 12 colleges within KCTCS offering courses include Central Kentucky Technical College, Elizabethtown Community College,

Henderson Community College, Hopkinsville Community College, Jefferson Community College, Lees/Hazard Community College, Lexington Community College, Madisonville Community College, Maysville Community College, Owensboro Community College, Paducah Community College and Prestonsburg Community College.

New this fall to the virtual university is an online associate of art's degree offered by KCTCS and KCVU. This online degree is fully transferable toward a four-year business degree.

Other programs offered through KCVU include a Bachelor's of Independent Studies, Going the

Distance: The Next Frontier, Library Science certificate, master's degree in Communication Disorders, Network and Information System Technology, Nursing, Office Systems Certification Program and an Online Special Education Project. Courses leading toward a master's of business administration are also offered.

Registration for the summer and fall terms is currently underway. Prospective students can view courses and program areas at the KCVU web site at www.kcvu.org.

Kentucky's virtual university is the fastest growing virtual education institution of its kind. This past

semester, the online university grew by more than 700 percent. High quality course content, interactive instruction, the Kentucky Virtual Library, and a full range of advising, registration and other academic and student services offered online contribute to its success.

Established by the General Assembly in 1997, KCVU is designed to meet the educational needs of working Kentuckians and others who, due to time, distance and family obligations, face difficulty accessing traditional campus-based classes.

For more information, call toll free at 1-877-740-4357, or visit the web site at www.kcvu.org.

The Internet can help you decide whom to vote for

(NUE) — The informed voter is the responsible voter. But too many people today make uninformed decisions in the voting booth, or vote straight party lines, or don't even vote at all rather than learning about what their congressional, senatorial or presidential candidate stands for.

A new Web site can help change all that by providing timely information on candidates' and political parties' views and activities.

Through accessing www.GeoPolitical.com, which is part of the Geoportals.com family of user-friendly Web sites, voters can make informed decisions when choosing the candidates for whom they cast their ballots.

The easy-to-navigate site lists the key presidential candidates,

political parties and a host of other politically oriented Web sites and has links to these sites. As the 2000 presidential election frenzy heats up, you can find out what Vice President Al Gore and Texas Governor George Bush think and whether or not you support their views on the issues that are important to you.

Each Web site linked to GeoPolitical includes news on the latest activities of the candidate and information on how you can become a campaign volunteer or financial contributor.

But the site does not stop with just telling you about the people running. You also can link directly to Web sites run by the leadership of the myriad political parties in the United States, from the Democratic

and Republican parties to the less traditional but still vital Reform Party, Libertarian Party, Green Party and others.

GeoPolitical.com also includes links to Web sites that feature savvy political commentary such as Salon.com, as well as links to news sites including CNN, and sites that focus on news from a specific perspective such as PoliticallyBlack, which reports on African-American perspectives in politics.

Even if you don't agree with all of the philosophies espoused by all of these parties or candidates, learning more about a variety of points of view can help you make a more informed choice in the voting booth come November.

GeoPolitical.com is the tool that can help you do that.

Tips for parents sending kids to camp

(NUE) — With hot weather on its way, you can bet your kids are itching to get out of school for summer vacation. But what about you? How do you plan to keep them entertained for three months?

Summer camp. For many families who have two working parents, it's a great way for the kids to get out of the house while being supervised by an adult.

If you think your child is too young to go away for a few weeks, day camp might be the best option. You can usually drop your child off on your way to work and pick him up on the way home. Either way, it's a chance for your child to try new activities such as sailing, canoeing or hiking — activities the backyard can't always offer.

If you do decide to send your child to summer camp, here are a few things to consider:

- Camp location. How far away is the camp? For young children, camps within a few minutes of where you work are best in case of an emergency.
- Camp activities. Do campers spend most of their days outside? Do they take naps and have snacks? Make sure the amount of "rest time" is appropriate for your child's age. If it's an away camp, make sure you are comfortable with the level of risk that some activities may have.
- Snacks and lunches. Away camps will have dining halls, but not all day camps provide lunches. Check into the camp's lunch program especially if your child is on a special diet.
- Camping gear. For kids who are planning to go away for a few weeks, some of the essentials will include hiking boots, sleeping bags, flashlights, mosquito repellent, and lots of underwear and T-shirts.

If you don't know of an outdoor or sporting goods store in your area, a good place to start looking is the Internet. For example, Mall.com has hundreds of retail outlets online where you can shop for T-shirts from the Gap for \$14, hiking boots from Sports Authority for \$42 and a sleeping bag from REI for \$128.

Mall.com also offers outlet stores like Eddie Bauer for the more


experienced camper. You can get a field shorts with utility pockets or a daypack for under \$40, or peruse the Fossil outlet for hundreds of camping items under \$50.

- Camper well-being. Away camp can be stressful at first. Make sure your child has a few items

from home, such as a teddy bear, a pillow or a favorite picture of you, to take with him. Just a few memories will make the camping experience much more enjoyable.

For more camping tips and supplies you can get on line, visit www.mall.com.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY...

The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary.

Vidal Sassoon—

Editorial

Legislature adds to ATV accident problem

The number of injuries and deaths caused by all-terrain vehicles is increasing dramatically in Kentucky, a statistic that parallels a rapid increase in the popularity of the four-wheel vehicles.

Thanks to a foolish law passed by the 2000 General Assembly, one can expect the number of Kentuckians killed or injured on ATVs to continue to climb.

When it takes effect this summer, that law — which mysteriously was brought up for a second vote after initially being defeated by the Kentucky House of Representatives — will allow licensed drivers to operate ATVs on two-lane rural highways during daylight hours.

Current law bars ATVs from highways. That's the way it should be. Not a single manufacturer recommends that ATVs be driven on public highways. However, even with ATVs sharing rural roads with much larger vehicles, one of the most common causes of ATV-related injuries is likely to remain unchanged: Irresponsible adults are allowing too many children who lack the skill, experience and strength to safely operate ATVs at high speeds over rugged terrain.

Manufacturers place warnings on the vehicles saying they are not meant for children, and doctors say children should not be allowed to drive an ATV until they are old enough to drive a car.

Statistics obtained by The Courier-Journal from the University of Kentucky show that from January 1997 through March 1, 2000, 131 children — most age 14 or younger and not wearing a helmet — were severely injured in Kentucky in ATV accidents.

Eighteen people died last year in ATV accidents and 16 in 1998, according to the Kentucky State Police.

Those statistics should be a cause of concern. Instead, our legislators add to the problem by putting ATVs on our rural roads. That just doesn't make sense.

— The Ashland Daily Independent



Guest Column

Back from the grave: annual, automatic postage hikes

by Scott Macdonald

Like a 21st Century Dr. Frankenstein, the Postal Service is trying to breath life into roundly criticized legislation that most postal observers had given up for dead.

The monster in this case — according to the Coalition to Make Our First Class Mail FIRST CLASS — is a provision in the bill that would allow the Postal Service annual, automatic increases in first class mail rates with profits to go toward executive bonuses.

John Berthoud, president of the National Taxpayers Union, which is a member of the coalition, said bringing back H.R. 22 is bad news for postal consumers.

"We need more accountability at the Postal Service, not less," said Berthoud. "It is bad enough that our first class mail rates climb as the Postal Service has been raking in millions of dollars in profits."

"This bill would reduce what little review of rate increases exists now, with money skimmed from the top of the resulting profits to pay executive bonuses."

The conservative shame on immigration

by Jacob G. Hornberger

The moral decline of the conservative movement was recently reflected in a syndicated column entitled "Goofy may be a Libertarian" by Don Feder, one of the conservative movement's leading lights. Feder's critique, which in part took the Libertarian Party to task for its position favoring open immigration, displayed not only the hypocrisy of conservatives but poor analysis as well.

Unlike the Republican Party platform, the Libertarian Party platform has always taken a consistent and uncompromising approach to the principles of individual freedom, private property, free markets, and limited government. Here's what the Libertarian Party's platform says in part about immigration (www.lp.org):

"We welcome all refugees to our country and condemn the efforts of U.S. officials to create a new 'Berlin Wall' which would keep them captive. We condemn the U.S. government's policy of barring those refugees from our country and preventing Americans from assisting their passage to help them escape tyranny or improve their economic prospects. We therefore call for the elimination of all restrictions on immigration, the abolition of the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Border Patrol, and a declaration of full amnesty for all people who have entered the country illegally. We oppose government welfare and resettlement payments to non-citizens just as we oppose government welfare payments to all other persons."

Here's what Feder said in his article: "If 50 million Mexicans chose to move to California and Texas, resulting in chaos and the obliteration of national identity, why should that concern Libertarians?"

Feder's analysis is typically conservative and

"The recent scandal regarding moving expenses for postal executives showed quite clearly that increased oversight of this out-of-control monopoly is necessary."

An investigation recently revealed payment of \$248,000 in moving expenses to two postal executives who moved less than 50 miles and continued working in the same office.

Postal Service support for a new, shorter version of H.R. 22 was announced at the Postal Customer Council meeting in Providence, Rhode Island.

"It is unfortunate that the Postal Service has decided to beat a dead horse in this renewal of H.R. 22," said Berthoud. "We hope the next Congress will bring a real reform effort, including giving the final authority on first class mail rates to the independent Postal Rate Commission."

The Coalition to Make Our First Class Mail FIRST CLASS has more than 200 member organizations and businesses as well as thousands of individual members. They include the National Alliance of Business, National Grange, National Federation of the Blind, National Association of Realtors, American GI Forum, National Minority Business Council and the American Farm Bureau Federation.

Republicanesque: faulty, fallacious, and hypocritical.

Let us first never forget how the power to control immigration has been abused. Recall the infamous "voyage of the damned," when on the eve of World War II the Franklin Roosevelt administration prohibited Jewish refugees from Nazi Germany on the St. Louis from disembarking at Miami Harbor. The justification: immigration controls.

In fact, Feder, who has noted the "deafening silence that greeted the Holocaust," surely has reflected on why millions of Jews didn't try to escape their Nazi fate. Why try to escape when there's no country that will accept you — because of immigration controls?

Today, the moral degeneracy and hypocrisy of the conservative movement is evidenced by the forcible repatriation of Cuban refugees into communist tyranny. Calling themselves "compassionate conservatives," who love Hispanics during every election cycle, Republicans have for several years supported the repatriation of Cuban refugees into Cuban communist tyranny. And this after sending 60,000 American men to their deaths in Southeast Asia supposedly to fight communism.

For decades, conservatives have jailed Mexicans and other Latin Americans who have crossed our Southern border in search of work, trying to sustain or improve their lives and the lives of their families through labor. At the same time, conservatives have continued trying to get the Bible — perhaps even "Love thy neighbor as thyself" — into public schools.

Historically, Mexican immigrants have had the qualities that conservatives claim to hold dear: family values, work ethic, and religion. They have enriched

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Mountain Voices

by Willie Elliott
Staff Writer



A new way to come up with columns

Barry Martin, teacher at McDowell and South Floyd High Schools, used to prepare a lesson plan that he called "one day, any day." This plan was to be used as an emergency when he had to miss without much warning. He prepared it at the beginning of school and it was always available.

"I had a system similar to that. I called it 'one day, every day.' I taught the same lesson every day. That is not true, even though some of my students said I should have called it 'no lesson, any day.'"

I have decided to adopt Barry's system in writing columns. You know those days when I tell the paper that I have to go to court and head out to the tennis court, or the day I tell them I feel bad, meaning the bed feels good and I feel bad.

I may be wrong on this (nah, no, I'm not) but there were very few teachers who didn't take a "sick day" that had nothing whatsoever to do with medicine. To ease our conscience, we always retained the word "sick." Even though we didn't write it, the excuse meant, "I'm sick and tired of going to school every day." Those three people who did not interpret the rule liberally have been canonized and won't speak to us mortals.

Linda read my column about my deer hunt (or was it the deer hunting me) and said, "It took you three paragraphs to say nothing." That is an improvement over most comments I get. Generally the person will say something that means, "You wrote a whole column and said nothing."

Troy Howell, from Frasure Creek, told me he reads my column and added some of them made sense and some didn't. Tell me, Troy, the ones that made sense, and I will write some more like them.

Some people have the audacity (the big word for the day) to ask me, "Do they really pay you for writing that foolishness?" Pauletta Burke, tell these people the merits of my columns. If you don't remember, I have a copy of your note.

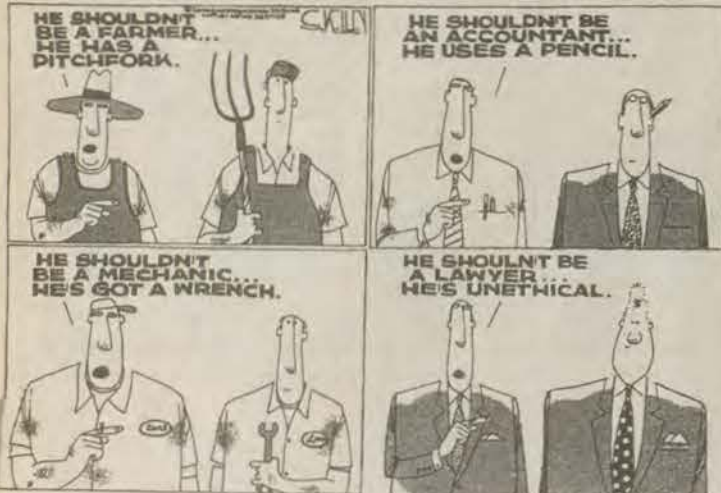
Did you see the photo of Bill Dotson's twins in the paper? Aren't they adorable? I asked if we could at least borrow one of them since they have two. Bill and Michelle were not amused by that request.

Recently Adam and Travis Hall were in at the Times while their mother was talking with editor Ralph Davis. I thought I would have a little fun. I subscribe to that old theory, "All work and no play makes Willie a dull boy." Well, it's really not a theory — it's a fact.

I told them I was new and needed to interview somebody for a story. They were game. Adams said he was 13 and a seventh grader at Betsy Layne Elementary. He claims to have no girlfriend, but his actions led me to believe that may not be the full story. He didn't rant and rave when the question was asked but gave a big smile much like the cat that swallowed the canary.

Adam said he makes good grades (A's and B's) and thought he did well on the CATS tests in science, writing and social

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Red-light runners can't beat the camera

(NAPSA) — Red-light runners cause 89,000 crashes a year, inflicting more than 80,000 injuries and nearly 1,000 deaths, according to U.S. Department of Transportation statistics. From 1992 to 1998, the number of fatal crashes at intersections increased by 16 percent, while all other types of fatal crashes increased only five percent.



To combat this deadly problem, more communities are turning to photo enforcement technology to make streets safer, according to the Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITS America).

Photo enforcement works day and night, in all kinds of weather. It uses a sensor in the road to detect the violation and alert a camera to record the event, including the vehicle's license plates and, sometimes, the driver. Then, police officers review the data and correlate it with motor vehicle records. Finally, a citation is mailed to the appropriate person, either the driver or the registered owner of the vehicle.

"Photo enforcement is useful for discouraging red-light running at intersections and at railroad grade crossings, or in monitoring carpool lanes, or electronic toll booths," says ITS America Board member Norman Mineta, vice president for

special business initiatives at Lockheed Martin.

A national survey for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration found the public likes the idea of using cameras to identify aggressive drivers or those who are simply in a hurry.

More than 70 percent favored using photo enforcement technologies to reduce speeding, and running red lights and stop signs.

Eighty percent approved their use at locations at the scenes of frequent crashes, and 90 percent favored their use in school zones.

In San Francisco, the number of red-light runners at four targeted intersections dropped by 40 percent only six months after the city and county launched a photo-enforcement pilot project.

In Washington, D.C., officials

approved one of the nation's largest photo enforcement efforts. The first phase calls for cameras at 40 intersections. More intersections will be added later, and the city also will use cameras and photo radar to deter speeders.

In Los Angeles, after photo enforcement began at certain rail gate crossings, violations dropped by more than 90 percent.

Some of the concerns with photo enforcement revolve around questions of privacy, or where the revenue from tickets goes, and even the ticketing procedures.

But by taking time to educate the public and build alliances with police, legislators and the judiciary, "photo enforcement becomes an excellent way to save lives, time and money," Mineta says.

ITS America is an educational and scientific public-private partnership of 1,000 member organizations promoting the use of advanced technologies in surface transportation. For additional information on intelligent transportation systems, contact: ITS America, Suite 800, 400 Virginia Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20024-2730, call (202) 484-4581, or visit the ITS America Web site at <http://www.itsa.org>.

Why a fuels tax repeal threatens highway safety

by John Midgley
For News USA

(NUE) — Poor road conditions have caused an 18-foot tractor-trailer to jackknife on your local highway. Traffic is backed up for miles and several people have been seriously injured. This unfortunate scenario could occur more often in communities across America if several proposals recently floated on Capitol Hill ever become law.

In response to rising diesel motor fuel prices, Sen. Ben Campbell (R-Colo.) introduced legislation recently to suspend the 24-cents-per-gallon federal diesel motor fuels excise user fee. The National Taxpayers Union also suggested an "across-the-board" 10 cents-per gallon cut in all federal highway user fees.

Reducing the federal motor fuels excises would have the per-

verse effect of retarding road safety and efficiency improvements that benefit truckers and the motoring public alike. It would also rob the nation of air quality benefits that accrue from less congested and well-maintained highways. Both proposals are simply bad public policy.

An analysis by Dr. William Buechner, of the American Road & Builders Association, shows these proposals would devastate state highway improvement programs and could eliminate one million American jobs.

The federal diesel motor fuels excise generates more than \$8 billion per year in revenue for the Highway Trust Fund. Ten cents of the federal gasoline excise generates more than \$16 billion to the HTF. Federal law earmarks this revenue to surface transportation improvements.

If the fuels tax is repealed, the ARTBA analysis shows California would lose the largest amount, \$722 million under Sen. Campbell's February 24 bill. Other state highway improvement programs would also be hit hard: Texas (\$554 million), Pennsylvania (\$419 million), New York (\$390 million), Florida (\$344 million)

and Ohio (\$303 million).

Rolling back the federal excise would also eliminate 638,000 American jobs that are sustained through highway construction programs — with concurrent losses of federal and state income tax revenue and increases in unemployment — related government expenses. The 10 cents "across-the-board" cut idea would eliminate 1.3 million jobs.

Over the past 50 years, every \$1 billion invested by the public in government-financed road improvements has helped prevent 1,400 premature deaths and nearly 50,000 injuries. The tax cut proposals would jeopardize this public health return from investment in transportation. If the federal motor fuels excise is repealed or reduced, truckers will face higher risks on the highway system they travel every day. Without this revenue, highways will become more congested and less safe — for everyone.

John Midgley is the 2000 ARTBA chairman and director of engineering for the Jackson County (Michigan) Road Commission.

Home Owners CORNER



by Stan Stumbo & Vonce Thacker
BRUSHING UP

A paintbrush should be selected largely on the basis of what type of paint it is intended to spread. Natural-bristle brushes are most suitable for use with oil-based paints. If used with a water-based paint, the bristles will swell. Thus, a synthetic-bristle brush is best used with water-based products. Nylon-bristle brushes may be used with oil-based, latex, or alkyd paints. Polyester-bristle brushes also work well with all types of paint. The best brushes are full and thick, with "flagged" bristles (the bristle tips have split ends). Bristles should be firmly glued on either side of a divider that is no more than a third of their width and held by a band (the ferrule) fastened with nails.

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Guest

both our culture and our economy with their labor, music, and literature. While maintaining natural cultural and family ties with friends and relatives in Mexico, Mexican-Americans have historically reflected a deep reverence for their adopted country.

Perhaps Feder is unaware that 300,000 Mexican-Americans served our country during World War II and that more of them served in combat divisions than any other ethnic group. Or that 17 of them earned the Medal of Honor, five posthumously.

Feder's fear of "chaos" and the obliteration of "national identity" is, well, goofy. Was there chaos or loss of "national identity" when the United States acquired the northern half of Mexico in 1848? Or when there were no immigration barriers between Mexico and the United States for the succeeding 75 years, meaning that Mexicans could freely travel to the United States, live here, own businesses, and never become American citizens?

And to which "national identity" is Feder referring? New York City? Charleston? New Orleans? San

Mountain

studies (it may not have been social studies because I can't read my writing). Anyway, Adam said he thought he did well on all three sections.

Travis, 11, diplomatically said he had diversification in his grades. His mom did say he made some A's and B's. Travis took the KTBS. That stands for something — Kentucky Test of Bovine Stuff . . . Oh, no, the test has nothing to do with cattle. It means Kentucky Test of Basic Skills or something like that.

Both Hall boys emphatically said they were not married. Thanks for the interview, boys. I enjoyed talking to you and thanks to Barry for his idea. If you see this column in print, it means one thing: the idea was fruitful.

We have noticed that some of you politicians show up for reunions, church gatherings and such the year you are seeking office, but we don't see you again until the next election. Keep coming because we know why you are there — the same thing we would be doing if we were running for office, trying to get votes. But we would ask you to come back the other years. Contrary to what some of you think, we did not schedule the meetings because you are running for office.

One other thing: is the rule about two-hour parking in front of the new justice center being observed? I think not. It is my belief that some cars stay parked there all day. I don't have any documented proof, but keen observations have led me to my conclusions on the matter.

Antonio? San Francisco? Salt Lake City? The fact is that the United States has never had a "national identity." Ours has always been a culture of liberty, which has been one of our nation's greatest strengths.

Feder also declared, "If these new Americans (then constituting a majority in the states where they settle) wanted to secede and unite the territory with Mexico, presumably Libertarians would not stand in their way." Of course Libertarians would not stand in their way because, unlike conservatives, libertarians don't force people to associate with those with whom they

don't wish to associate.

For decades, conservatives such as Don Feder pleaded for the dismantling of the Berlin Wall. Yet, today, that's exactly what conservatives want to build along our Southern border. The American people should reject the morally bankrupt conservative paradigm of government walls and instead embrace libertarian efforts to re-ignite the beacon in the Statue of Liberty.

Mr. Homberger is president of The Future of Freedom Foundation (www.fff.org) and co-editor of The Case for Free Trade and Open Immigration.

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Mayo Moments

by Linda Lyon

Mayo Technical College graduated 101 students on May 26 in a 10 a.m. graduation ceremony in the Mayo Auditorium. Graduates included students from both Paintsville and Pikeville campuses.

Forty-two students were recognized for achievement in student organizations, competitions and individual assessments. Sixty students were recognized as honor students designated by cords and stoles that enhanced their graduation gowns.

The keynote speaker for Graduation 2000 was Martha Johnson, chairperson for the KCTCS Board of Regents. Johnson spoke about success, personal and perceived and the attainment of that success for each indi-

vidual.

Her personal history of education as related to her personal goals and employment success gave her message an individual flavor that served as an example of goal setting and the pursuit of success.

Johnson said that her two years as chair of the KCTCS board have been a great learning experience. She pointed out the need for continuing education and for staying abreast of current trends and industry changes and innovations. She charged the graduating class to continue learning and pursue success.

The Pikeville campus nursing students had 100 percent passing the KVAT, a landmark achievement that marks a commitment to study by this class of students.

Alan Yates, business instructor at Mayo, is retiring. Yates came to Mayo a few years ago from western Kentucky. He has taught computer fundamentals, keyboarding and other business classes during his tenure.

The Mayo staff directory has

been updated. It can be found on the Mayo web page (www.mayotech.org) under Staff Information. It lists the Mayo staff, phone numbers and pager numbers.

The Christian Student Union treated Mayo staff and students during the last week of school to breakfast. Each morning for several days they arranged coffee, juice, doughnuts and pastries in locations throughout campus.

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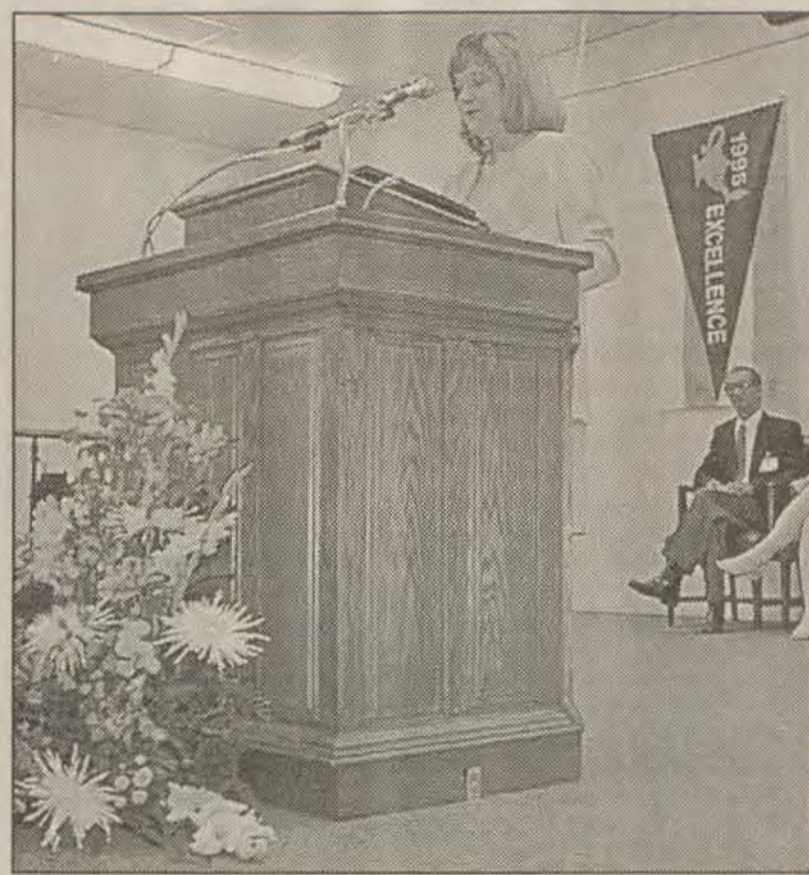
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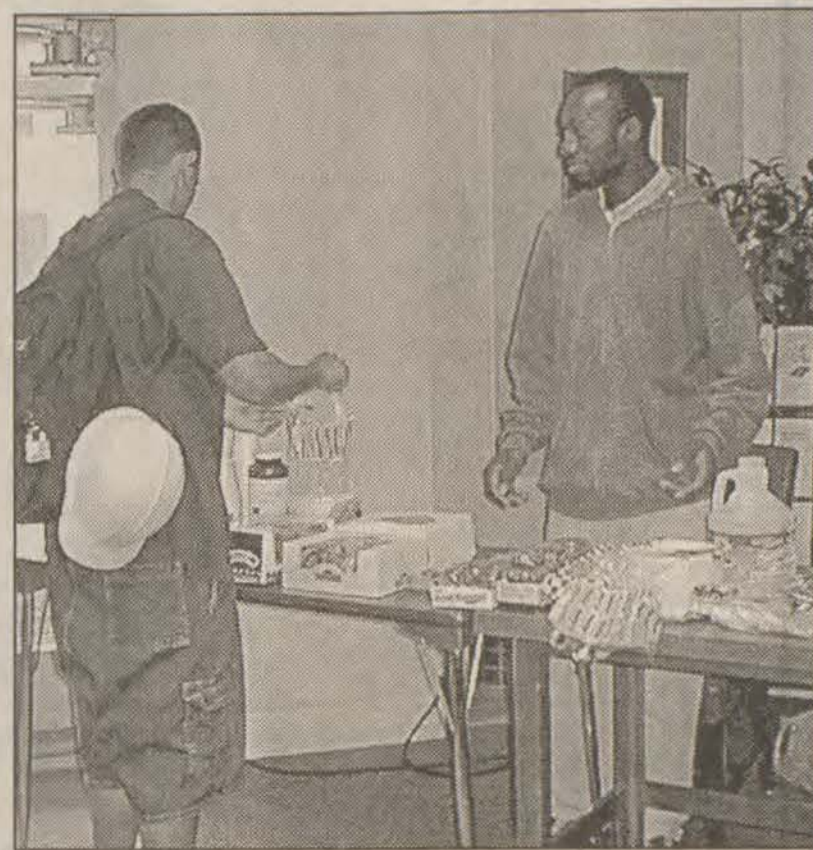
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Martha Johnson, keynote speaker at Mayo graduation.



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Transylvania only KY school to make 'most wired colleges' list

Transylvania University has made Yahoo! Internet Life magazine's list of the nation's top 100 "most wired colleges."

Transylvania was rated No. 52 among colleges awarding baccalaureate degrees. Other categories in the survey included research universities, two-year programs and baccalaureate II schools.

Transylvania was the only Kentucky school named in the top

100 in either of the two major categories. Williams College in Massachusetts was ranked first on the college list, followed by Colgate University and Bates College. Carnegie Mellon was the top-rated research institution.

More than 3,600 institutions were eligible for consideration and 1,300 responded to the magazine's on-line survey. All 50 states were represented in the rankings.

"It is an honor for Transylvania to be recognized as a technology leader in higher education," said Ryan Garrett, director of instructional technology. "The world is becoming increasingly connected and we want to make sure that students, faculty members and staff are provided with not only the latest technology but also support for using this technology."

Schools that ranked the highest provided a balance of technological services in four major categories: access and infrastructure, administration, student support and general resources.

Lynn Aulick, Transylvania's network administrator, said the survey was geared to measure student access to the network and computers, e-mail and web space, hours of support available, and on-line services, such as applications and library resources.

Computers are available to students in numerous locations around campus. More than 200 computers are located in residence halls, labs and classrooms, with about half of those stations accessible 24 hours a day. The number of lab computers has increased by 100 over the last three years.

Some workstations feature digital cameras and flatbed scanners. All Transylvania residence halls have network and Internet access and 90 percent of the classrooms are wired.

Garrett and James G. Moseley, Transylvania's vice president and dean of the college, emphasized that training and support are just as important as providing the latest hardware.

Transylvania faculty are encouraged to use multi-media tools in the classroom and may receive summer training through the Faculty Technology Training Initiative, established in 1998 and funded through a grant from the Jessie Ball duPont Religious, Charitable and Educational Fund.

"It's far more important to provide training and support staff to work with faculty members and students than it is simply to provide the machines, software and wires," Moseley said. "We are less concerned about keeping up or being on or near the bleeding edge of the latest technology."

Transylvania's Academic Computing Office, which includes six full-time employees, seven work-study students, and four lab assistants, provides campus-wide computer support.

"Computer support is great here," said junior Keri Stevenson. "Help is always available and whenever I've had a question, I've gotten a quick response."

Every student living in a residence hall has unlimited access to the Internet and e-mail by connecting their personal computer to the school network in their rooms.

"I have a personal computer in my room and there's a computer lab in my residence hall right down from my room that's open all the time," said Stevenson. "Also, my May term class is in Cowgill and there's a computer at every seat. A student couldn't ask for more accessibility."

"We have entered a new era over the past 10 years at Transylvania," Garrett said. "Some students enter-

ing next fall will have used e-mail and the World Wide Web for several years. The students entering Transylvania today have a higher expectation level where technology is involved."

Transylvania also has a new multi-media classroom facility that opened just this year. The high-tech Cowgill Center for Business, Economics, and Education features state-of-the-art computer labs and multi-media and education training classrooms.

"If a professor can make a case that some new technology will enhance student learning, then we provide the people and things to get it done," said Moseley. "Our goal is to provide whatever is needed to enhance learning."

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BARDSTOWN — Kentucky tourism has become an \$8.2 billion industry, according to new economic impact figures released recently by the Tourism Development Cabinet.

In making the announcement to tourism leaders and officials attending a Bardstown symposium, Tourism Cabinet Secretary Ann Latta said that tourists spent nearly \$394 million more in 1999 than they did in 1998 increasing the contribution to state and local taxes by \$22 million over the previous year.

In Floyd County, according to Cabinet records, tourists spent \$37,584,388 in 1999. A total of 833 persons were employed in local tourism related businesses.

Latta credited new tourism development and expansion as

major factors for much of the growth within the industry, Kentucky's third largest and second largest employer.

She singled out four counties that had the highest percent of increase in tourism expenditures last year to illustrate the link between new development and growth.

Campbell County had a whopping 370 percent increase in tourism spending due mainly to the opening of the Newport Aquarium last May and the addition of a 57-room suite hotel.

Tourists in Campbell County spent more than \$86 million in 1999, compared to about \$18 million in 1998. The aquarium was the first project approved under the Tourism Development Act, land-

mark legislation passed in 1996 that provides tax credit incentives for developers of major tourism attractions.

The opening of a new lodge at Blue Licks State Resort Park helped Robertson County, one of Kentucky's smaller counties, see its tourism dollars increase by 208 percent.

A new bed and breakfast facility in Green County that was operational all year helped the county increase its expenditures by almost 87 percent.

A 76 percent increase in tourism dollars in Hancock County was due largely to the availability of rooms in a new motel.

In contrast, Latta pointed to a fifth county, which she did not name, that suffered a 20 percent

decrease in expenditures due to the closing of hotel/motel facilities during the year.

"I think these situations demonstrate what we've been saying for four years," Latta said, "that tourism development is economic development."

She said she feels that recent legislative changes to the Tourism Development Act have considerably increased the potential for new tourism development across the state.

"Amendments passed during the 1998 and 2000 General Assemblies broadening the eligibility criteria have made it even more attractive to developers," she said.

The act lists five definition categories for potential tourism projects

to be eligible under: (1) cultural or historic sites; (2) recreation or entertainment; (3) scenic beauty or natural phenomena; (4) entertainment or destination center; and (5) Kentucky craft and products center.

Floyd County is in the state's Eastern Highlands-North Region, according to the Tourism Cabinet. Throughout the 15-county region, around 5,640 persons are employed in the tourism industry, and last year's tourist's expenditures totaled \$246,727,272.

By county, the region's expenditures and number employed in tourism are:

• Bath, \$1,981,562; employing 54; • Boyd, \$51,093,838; employing 1,181; • Carter, \$24,708,266; employing 569; • Elliott, \$776,519;

employing 28; • Greenup, \$5,841,909; employing 140; • Johnson, \$14,074,825; employing 319; • Lawrence, \$5,018,169; employing 121; • Magoffin, \$2,607,374; employing 63;

• Martin, \$2,857,515; employing 67; • Menifee, \$1,669,564; employing 39; • Montgomery, \$22,112,692; employing 506; • Morgan, \$1,843,054; employing 44; • Pike, \$44,175,028; employing 980; and Rowan, \$30,382,569; employing 696.

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Camden Park to host Ronald McDonald days

Camden Park is sponsoring Ronald McDonald Days, June 14 through June 18, to support the Ronald McDonald House in Huntington.

Ronald McDonald will be a visitor at the park every day of the event and will help choose the winners of five bicycles that will be given away over the five days of the event.

Park owners will donate a portion of every admission to the Ronald McDonald House. To encourage attendance, local McDonald's restaurants and John Clark Oil service stations are distributing discount coupons for \$2 off the price of admission on weekdays and \$1 off on Saturday and Sunday.

Ronald McDonald Houses originated in Philadelphia in the mid 1970s and have grown in number to more than 200 facilities located around the world. Their purpose is to provide families of seriously ill children a place to stay near hospitals while the children are undergoing treatment.

Jack Rose, executive director of the Ronald McDonald House, said, "More than 400 families stayed at the house during 1999, and there were many more we could have served if we'd had room."

The local house accommodates 10 families and is operated in large part by 85 volunteers who maintain regular service schedules.

The House is located on the ground of Cabell-Huntington Hospital, behind the Robert C. Byrd Center for Rural Health. Most guest-residents are from West Virginia, Ohio and Kentucky.

"We are grateful to the Boylins, who own the park, for their generosity in allowing us to have this event," said Paul Smith, president of the Ronald McDonald House Board of Directors.

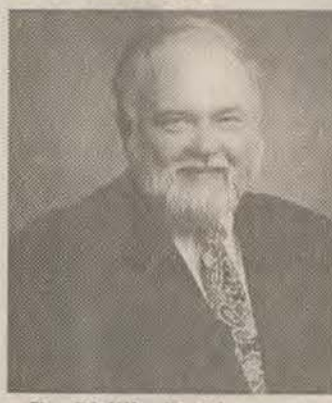
Smith commended Camden Park for its interest in supporting the house and its mission and urged area residents to help make the event a success by planning one of their summer visits to Camden Park between June 14 and June 18.

"They have done a wonderful

job of returning the Park to the kind of place it was under their original ownership, and it's a great asset to the Tri-State community."

Call (304) 529-1122 for information about the event, discount tickets, sponsoring a youth group or other questions regarding the Ronald McDonald House.

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There are three different forms of exercise, and a combination of these exercises is a benefit to anyone who wants to keep in shape. Stretching exercises should be done before any strenuous activities. The stretching is needed to lengthen muscles and tendons that tend to shorten and cause cramping when they are tight or in spasm. Do not stretch the first thing in the morning. Allow the muscles to warm up first. Muscle strengthening exercises include leg lifts, sit ups, chin ups and weightlifting. Cardiovascular exercise is meant to increase your heart rate. This can be done on specific equipment such as a Stairmaster or by general exercising, such as dancing, aerobics, swimming and running, and walking. Sometimes exercise alone is not enough to heal the problem areas, and chiropractic consultation and treatments can be very beneficial. Chiropractic is a valuable part of any exercise program, because it helps balance the body, decrease stress on the nervous system and reduce the chance of injury.

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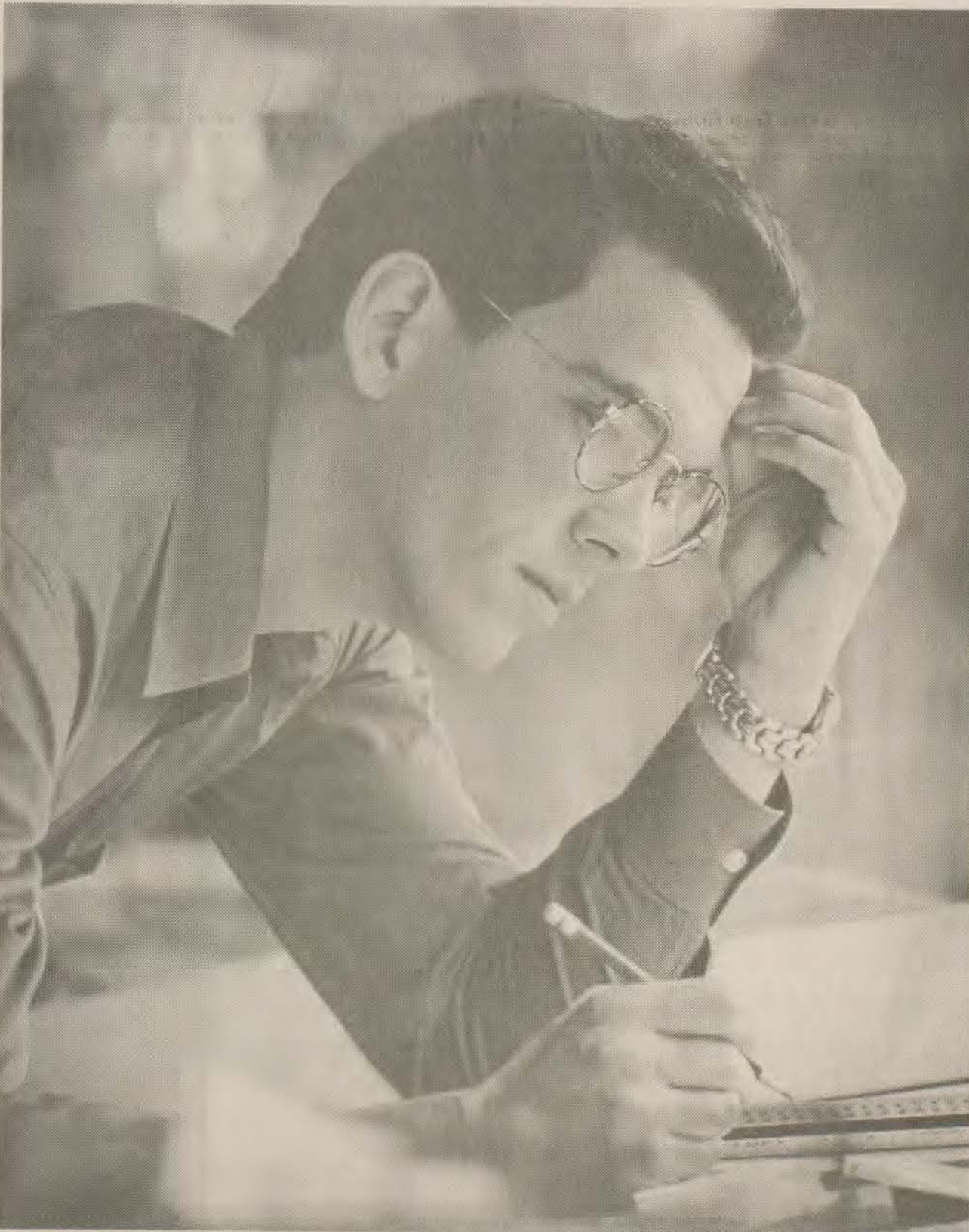
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You can help others help themselves

(NUE) — Bad things happen to good people. We all know that. But you can do plenty of good things for those who have fallen on hard times, even if you have limited funds or you don't live near people in need.

Shelter for Life International, a Wisconsin-based Christian humanitarian relief organization that works with refugees and poor people all over the world, has embarked on several initiatives worldwide to ease the plight of displaced persons everywhere.

SLI works in partnership with concerned individuals, churches and donor organizations to provide emergency shelter, food, schools and jobs to people who have been displaced as a result of war, natural disaster or other calamity.

The group has volunteers and workers building and repairing homes in Kosovo, where they also distributed heaters, diapers and underwear this winter. Workers have also rebuilt homes and churches in Honduras.

SLI is winterizing homes in Macedonia by providing basic repairs, insulation against winter weather, and upgrading water and plumbing facilities. SLI also distributed care packages with basic food and toiletries in Macedonia, in addition to 200,000 pounds of food and 56,000 pounds of clothing.

Other projects include building schools in Afghanistan and training

communities in creating small businesses in Tajikistan.

Don't have time to travel? You're in luck, because not all of the opportunities are abroad. Some children from the Western Sahara refugee camps came to stay with American families last summer, where the visiting children and their host families enjoyed valuable shared experiences and gave the children a respite from the difficulties in their own countries.

So, you ask, what can you do? Plenty. You can sponsor a home to help initiate construction costs, or you can sponsor a child to help defray general relief costs, join local staff, volunteer, or travel overseas to assist firsthand. And don't overlook any useful skills you may have: many projects can benefit from expertise in building, nutrition, organizational techniques and others.

Helping others is also a great way to get in shape: a group last year raised more than \$27,000 by walking 300 miles through Wisconsin. They collected donations, paired up with local families who provided meals and lodging along the way, and helped spread awareness about SLI and its activities.

To find out how you can become involved in an SLI project, call 920/426-1207 or visit www.shelter.org. A little goes a long way - what are you waiting for?

Did You Know?

(NAPSA) — Troops with the National Guard's 219th Quartermaster Detachment based at Fort Allen, Puerto Rico, along with citizen-soldiers from the 192nd Support Battalion based in Guarabo, Puerto Rico, helped hundreds of thousands of people left homeless after torrential rains in Venezuela caused flooding and landslides.

"Many people are told that nothing can be done about cataracts and that they are a natural effect of the aging process," says Robert Abel, Jr., M.D., advisory board member of the Lutein Information Bureau. "But research now shows that dietary changes, including consumption of lutein, may have a significant impact

on risk reduction."

Millennium Mocha Rocky Road Oatmeal Cookies won the \$10,000 Grand Prize in the 10th annual Quaker Oatmeal "Bake It Better With Oats" Recipe Contest. To request a copy, e-mail to oacon@aol.com.

The newest looks in lipsticks offer luminescent color with rich conditioners, vitamin E plus broad spectrum SPF say experts at Oil of Olay.

Most fast-food restaurants have made it easier for customers to order by creating combo meals — a sandwich/entrée, side, and drink for one price.as can be seen at Blimpie Subs & Salads.

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Francis Hale Moore

Francis Hale Moore, 85, of Garrett, died Friday, May 26, 2000, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness.

Born on October 20, 1914, in Magoffin County, she was the daughter of the late Jesse James Hale and Jenny Belle Hale. She was a member of the Rock Fork United Christian Church, Garrett.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Coett Moore.

Survivors include three sons, Harold Ray Moore of Powell, Tennessee, Clarence Edward Moore Sr. of Garrett, Cluett Moore of Clyde, Ohio; seven daughters, Cleo Daniel of Willard, Ohio, Clara Hall and Lanie Knott both of Conley, Ohio, Mable Hall, Edna Conley, Ilene Scott and Judy Carol Moore, all of Garrett; two sisters, Lannie Gibson of Coalwood, West Virginia, Rebecca Shepherd of Willard, Ohio, 45 grandchildren, 59 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, May 28, at 11 a.m., at the Rock Fork United Christian Church, Garrett, with the clergyman, Sterlin Bolen, officiating.

Burial was in the Will Chaffins Cemetery, Rock Fork, Garrett, under direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Brad Shope, Ray Moore, Jamie Conley, Jason Conley, Tony Hall, Ethan Anderson, Bruce Moore, Travis Moore, Lee Moore and Charles Wayne Hall.

Hall pallbearers listed

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Ed Hall were Eddie Rowe, Richard Edward Dillion, Kelly Dillion, Nick Hagans, Danny Douglas Hall, Ray Adkins and Corey Jones.

Bertha Shepherd

Bertha Shepherd, 83, of Gunlock, died Sunday, May 28, 2000, at the Riverview Health Care Center, Prestonsburg.

Born on February 15, 1917, in Gunlock, she was the daughter of the late Henry Shepherd and Della Shepherd. She was a member of the Philadelphia Regular Baptist Church, at Hippo, for 52 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Goble Shepherd.

Survivors include three sons, Luther Shepherd of Gunlock, Ollie James Shepherd of Kendallville, Indiana, Willie Goble Shepherd of Pierceton, Indiana; six daughters, Ruby Jean Howard, Wanda Lee Allen, Barbara Ann Shepherd and Bonnie Mae Ingram, all of Gunlock, Lois Butcher of River, Mary Lou Bradley of Claypool, Indiana; one brother, John Henry Shepherd of Gunlock; one sister, Leora Stevens of Ashland, Ohio; one half-sister, Frankie Prater of Gunlock; 35 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, May 31, at 11 a.m., at the Little Martha Old Regular Baptist Church, Salyersville, with the Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Brushy Bill Shepherd Cemetery, at Gunlock, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Elery Combs

Elery Combs, 65, of Dwarf, died Wednesday, May 24, 2000, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center.

Born on February 14, 1935, in Emmalena, he was the son of Ella Begley Combs, of Dwarf, and the late Lawrence Combs.

Other survivors include two daughters, Vicki Combs of California, and Tammy Combs of Indiana; two sisters, Dorothy Hedke of Columbus, Ohio, and Gladys Smith of Madison Heights, Michigan.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, May 27, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel, with Clell Miller officiating.

Burial was in the Combs Cemetery at Emmalena, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Tobie Marsillett

Tobie Marsillett, 80, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, May 28, 2000, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born on April 19, on Middle Creek, Floyd County, he was the son of the late Amos Marsillett and Annie Reffitt. He was a member of the Dotson Pentecostal Church, Big Sandy Chapter No. 18 D.A.V., World War II Army veteran and former coal miner for Princess Elkhorn Coal Company at David.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Lucy Brown.

He is survived by his second wife, Okey Allen Miller Marsillett.

Other survivors include two sons, Lonnie Marsillett of Prestonsburg and Ronnie Marsillett of Salyersville; two daughters, Bonnie Sue King of Langley, Donna Adkins of Prestonsburg; one step-son, Rickey Miller of Prestonsburg and one step-daughter, Dianne Bailey of Okeechobee Florida; seven sisters, Essie Poe of Manchester, Indiana, Jarie McDonald of North Manchester, Indiana, Oralee Hackworth and Nancy Hile, both of Warsaw, Indiana, Sally Shepherd and Martha Miller both of Claypool, Indiana, Anna Bayes of Pierceton, Indiana, eight grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and four step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, May 31, at 11 a.m., at the Dotson Pentecostal Church, with Richard Shepherd and Glenn Hughes officiating.

Military graveside services will be conducted by Big Sandy Chapter No. 18, D.A.V.

Burial will be in the Jack Arnett Cemetery, Prestonsburg, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home, Prestonsburg.

David Joe Willis

David Joe Willis, 55, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, May 28, 2000, at his residence of an extended illness.

Born on September 4, 1944, in Martin, he was the son of Mable Hayes Willis of Prestonsburg, and the late Warner Willis. He was the manager of East Kentucky Auto Parts; and served in the Army Reserves.

Survivors, other than his mother, include one son, William David Willis of Prestonsburg; and three daughters, Melissa Willis, and Rhonda W. Hughes, both of Prestonsburg, and Patricia J. Barnette of Martin; and three grandchildren.

Memorial services were conducted Tuesday, May 30, at 6 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, Prestonsburg, with Rev. Wayne Burch officiating.

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



Genevieve Perkins

Genevieve Perkins, 68, of Hindman, died Tuesday, May 23, 2000, at the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born on December 15, 1931, in Knott County, she was the daughter of the late John D. Collins and Lucinda Madden Collins.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Gordon Perkins.

Survivors include one son, Larry Perkins of Hindman; three daughters, Linda Perkins of Lexington, Theresa Allen of Minnie, and Jackie Cornett of Whitesburg; three brothers, Orville Collins of Hindman, Kenneth Collins of Cincinnati, Ohio and Corbin Collins of Tampa, Florida; two sisters, Ada Cornett of Brinkley, and Faye Mullins of Cincinnati, Ohio; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, May 26, at the Hindman Funeral Services Chapel with Mike Caudill and David Robinson officiating.

Burial was in the Amburgey Cemetery at Hindman, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Litafik pallbearers listed

Serving as pallbearers for the funeral of Gaza Litafik were Gene Stewart, Tommy Roop, Tippy Moscrip, James Moscrip, Jerry Smith, Craig Smith, Randal Gullett, Virgil Hall and Cooley Wohlford.

How to protect your home and property

(NUE) — For most homeowners, their house is their largest investment. It makes sense, then, to keep the home secure and protected from burglars and other unwanted intruders.

Crime prevention starts at home. As a homeowner, there are many things you can do to keep your house safe and secure.

Burglars look for what law enforcement officers call targets of opportunity. Anything you can put in the way of a would-be burglar lessens your chance of becoming a target.

While you cannot make your home absolutely burglar-proof, you can make entry so difficult a burglar will go elsewhere in search of an easier target.

Maintaining an appearance of occupancy, even when your residence is vacant, is essential. Here are some tips from iHome line — the premier Internet source for home information — that can help you keep intruders away:

- Lock your doors. Install high-security deadlock bolts on all your doors and use them. It's estimated that one out of five burglar entries is made through unlocked doors and windows.
- Check the windows. As for windows, burglar bars are one of the best ways to prevent entry. Windows may also be secured by nails, screws or inexpensive key locks; however, they offer no protection against a burglar breaking the window to enter.
- Lighting. Use automatic timers set to go on or off at specific times while you're away on vacation, out to dinner or even during the day while you're at work.
- Review landscaping. Trim shrubs around windows; don't give the burglar a place to hide. Use outside lighting around doors, possibly hooked up to an automatic timer.
- Visibility. Make sure your house numbers are clearly visible so that police, firemen and paramedics can find your home in a time of emergency. Have the numbers illuminated all night.
- Be smart. Don't leave notes outside your home announcing your absence.

Magoffin County

Ollie Casebolt, 52, of Salyersville, died Tuesday, May 16, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Stephens Casebolt. Funeral services were conducted Friday, May 19, under the direction of Dunn-Kelley/Prater and Dunn Funeral Home.

Ruby May, 72, of Royalton, died Sunday, May 21, at the Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, in Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, May 23, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Leon Hammonds, 48, of Grand Bay, Alabama, formerly of Lexington, died Thursday, May 11, after a long illness. A memorial service was conducted, Monday, May 15, in Grand Bay, Alabama.

Pike County

Alva Bartley, 91, of Mallory, West Virginia, formerly of Ashcamp, died Friday, May 26, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 29, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Rosa B. Long, 88, of Virgie, died Friday, May 26, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, May 28, under the direction of R.S. Jones &

Son Funeral Home.

Truman Ramey, 54, of Mouthcard, died Friday, May 26, at Buchanan General Hospital in Grundy, Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Margaret Nola Brown Ramey. Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 29, under the direction of Grundy Funeral Home.

Harriet Wampler Raney, 91, of Pikeville, died Thursday, May 25, at the Pikeville Health Care Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 29, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Esmer "Duck" Robinson, 80, of Greasy Creek, died Friday, May 26, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Bulah Mae Coleman Robinson. Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 29, under the direction of the J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

James Wolford, 82, of Phelps, died Thursday, May 25, at Good Shepherd Community Nursing Home, Phelps. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, May 28, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

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Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil. Psalms: 23

Carnegie Center summer classes to focus on children

Lexington — The Carnegie Center for Literacy and Learning, located in Gratz Park, will focus on the needs of children during its summer workshops in June, July, and August.

Classes for children include theatre, creative writing, computer and a free book discussion group. Adult offerings include a free workshop for those interested in serving as tutors for school-aged children and a writing group which focuses on writing for the children's market.

"While some young people are often skeptical about signing up for classes during the vacation months," said Jan Isenhour, director, "it may be the best move they can make. Reading and writing skills stay sharp, and Carnegie Center workshops are famous for being interactive and fun as well."

Isenhour also says that the center is devoted to serving the whole community and that scholarships are available in all classes, with 16 scholarship positions being available in the creative writing classes for young writers.

The scholarships are being made available through a grant from the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government's Partners for Youth Program.

Open since 1992, the Carnegie Center provides classes, workshops and individualized learning in reading, writing and computer literacy for all ages. A number of visual, musical and literary arts events are held at the center each year and it provides meeting spaces for local businesses and organizations.

CLASSES WITH FOCUS ON CHILDREN

- **Becoming a Tutor for School-Aged Children:** Monday-Thursday, August 14-24, 5 to 6 p.m.

A workshop for those interested in serving as tutors or mentors to children who are experiencing difficulty in school. Talk about and practice useful tutoring strategies and ways to address reading, writing, and learning problems. Free.

- **Theatre for Children:** Tuesday and Friday, June 13-July 21, 10-11:15 a.m.

Children learn to free themselves through creative expression of theatre. In this class, learn theatrical terms and the importance of projection, enunciation, and body movement. Learn to read aloud in front of others and perform. Class runs six weeks and includes a performance at the end. \$60

- **Kids' Book Discussion Group:** Tuesdays, June 27 to July 26, 11 a.m. to noon.

For kids ages 9 to 12. Keep up that wonderful reading. We'll discuss a book a week. Final book selections will be determined at the first session but will include such works of literature as Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt, Hatchet by Gary Paulsen, The Giver by Lois Lowry, and maybe (why not?) a little Harry Potter. Free.

- **Writing Literature for Children:** Thursdays, June 29 to August 3, 10 to 11 a.m.

A group for those who are writing for the children's market. We will examine the conventions of children's literature and discuss the children's book market. Exercises

will focus on characterization, language choice, and story development. Bring a manuscript to share if you have one. \$40.

- **Komputer Kamp:** Saturdays, July 8-29, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Intensive, but fun, Saturday computer sessions for kids ages 6 to 10. A creative chance to experience the internet, create a newsletter, and more. \$60.

- **Kids Writing Workshop for 4th**

& 5th graders (scholarships available): Monday-Friday July 10-14, 9 a.m. to noon

A week-long program for kids who love to write. You'll work with a great teacher and write stories and poems and memoirs. You'll publish your writing in a workshop anthology. Contact The Carnegie Center for an application. By Application Only; deadline is June 16. \$40

- **Young Writers Workshop for**

Middle School Students (scholarships available): Monday-Friday July 24-28 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A week-long program for kids who will be in the 6th, 7th, or 8th grades next year who love to write. Working with two great teachers, you'll write stories and poems and memoirs. You'll publish your writing in a workshop anthology. By Application Only; deadline is June 30. \$50.

Virus Prevention: What you should know

(NAPSA) — On March 26, 1999, the world of computer viruses was changed drastically with the discovery of Melissa. This virus created such an impact because of its unique capabilities and characteristics and because consumers were ill-equipped and uninformed about how to protect themselves.

Since the threat of viruses, Trojan Horses and Worms still exists today — between 10 and 15 threats are discovered each day—consumers need to know how they can save their computer systems from infection.

Following are tips that home users can utilize everyday to help safeguard their computers and avoid losing time, money and productivity to viruses.

- Don't open email attachments from people you don't know. Malicious threats are most commonly spread via email attachments. If the name of the sender is not recognizable, don't open the attachment. It could contain a virus, Trojan Horse or Worm that can infect your computer.

- Install anti-virus software to protect your computer from viruses, Trojan Horses and Worms. Symantec's Norton AntiVirus 2000 provides protection from all malicious threats. It scans incoming e-



mails for viruses, quarantines infected files so they don't spread and enables users to quickly and easily send questionable files to Symantec for analysis.

- Keep virus definitions up to date. Keeping virus definitions up to date will ensure users are protected from the latest threats. Having anti-virus software without updated definitions is comparable to having a smoke detector with

dead batteries. Consumers think they are protected, when in reality they are not.

- Double check with people (even those you know) who send an attachment. Some malicious threats, such as Melissa, are able to send themselves out using the infected user's own e-mail. Unfortunately, this makes it possible for the virus to be sent unintentionally from a friend's or family member's computer. If an email attachment is received from a recognizable contact, it is always safer to find out if that person meant to send that e-mail.

By practicing the above tips, consumers can safeguard their systems, even as malicious threats evolve. For more information about virus prevention or Norton AntiVirus, call 1-800-441-7234 or visit Symantec's Web site at www.symantec.com.

What you don't know can cost you

(NAPSA) — Consumers who choose a phone company without doing some research risk being penny wise and phone foolish.

According to experts at AT&T, many consumers don't know there are different types of calls, what they're paying for each of these types of calls, or that the rates

some companies charge may vary by time of day.

A T & T Consumer Affairs Director Claudia Jones says this can result in consumers paying more than they have to.

"It's important for consumers to understand their calling patterns so they can make an educated decision when it comes to choosing a calling plan," says Jones. "We advise consumers to check with their telecom provider for full details on their calling plans and rates."

Most calls consumers make are made within their state and are termed "local toll calls."

Local toll calls are made to locations outside a customer's local calling area but are short of being long distance calls. On average, local toll calls make up about 70 percent of consumer in-state calls.

What consumers don't realize is local toll per-minute rates can be higher than state-to-state rates. This means an in-state call can cost more than a call from New York to Los Angeles.

Read the fine print. Many calling plans that appear to charge the same per-minute rate actually have rates that vary by time of day and day of the week.

Some companies charge rates as much as two or three times higher on calls made during the day when millions of people are at home.

Here are a few tips to help save money on every call:

- Know what types of calls you're making.
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"Wholesale buyers will be represented to take trade-ins during this sale," Mr. Walters said. "We also have six business managers who will help buyers arrange low-cost financing. We've got over 5 million dollars in inventory to choose from. Our total inventory will be close to 400 used cars and trucks. We want to remind everyone that this is a one-day sale only. When our inventory has been reduced, we will remove the sale prices and return to normal operations. Since we are a local business, we would like to give back to the community," Mr. Walters said. "We would rather allow local people to buy these overstocked vehicles than wholesale them at an auction."

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

ACHS sets meeting

Allen Central High School's Site-Based Decision Making Council will meet Tuesday, June 6, at 6 p.m. in the school library.

Church sponsors activity

A hot dog and bake sale, along with a rummage sale, is slated for June 1 and 2, at the New Salem Association building at Minnie. The event begins at 8 a.m. each day.

Plan for camp

The McDowell Family Resource Center has applications for summer camp at Camp Shawnee in Prestonsburg. Several different camps are being offered throughout June and July, including several overnight camps for ages 9-11, 12-14, 10-12, and 7-13. There are both day and overnight camps for 6-8 year olds. Registration fee is \$10. Parents who are interested or want more details should call the Center, 377-2678 or send a note with your child to pick up an application.

McDowell FRC activities told

McDowell Family Resource Center will have an Advisory Council meeting on June 1, at 6 p.m. in the Resource Center. Parents who have not scheduled their fifth grade student's school physical should call immediately, 377-2678. A child cannot go on to the sixth grade without this physical and a booster, if needed. The nurse is at the McDowell Family

Resource Center only on Mondays. Her appointments fill up quickly.

The center will be open during the summer months if a child or family is in need of assistance.

The center will be hosting summer activities for students enrolled at McDowell. Week One (July 10-14) is Nutrition Week provided by Our Lady of the Way Hospital and Floyd County Health Department. The remaining two weeks have not been finalized, but should be within the next few weeks.

GE. classes are offered at the center each Monday from 8 to 11:30 a.m. The classes are free.

South Floyd High walking track

Walking track at South Floyd High School is open to the general public 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. It is closed during special events. The Family Resource center is sponsoring several guest presentations. Contact the center for time and subjects. The center has a One Stop Career Station satellite, available to the community as well as to students. Stop in Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Anyone interested in Adult Education should contact the center.

The South Floyd Youth Services Center is located on South Floyd's campus in room 232. For more information contact Keith Smallwood or Mable Hall 606/452-9600, ext. 242 or ext. 243.

Juvenile justice is conference topic

A live teleconference on "How Shall We Respond to the Dreams of Youth" will take place June 7 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Mountain Arts Center. This live national satellite link will be hosted by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and provided by the Centernet network.

The videoconference will be the culmination of a two-day National Juvenile Justice Summit in Washington, DC. To reserve a seat, for which there is a small fee, call the MAC at 606/889-9125.

Water workshop is June 3

A Watershed Watch Training program will be conducted Saturday, June 3, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Campbell Science Building at Prestonsburg Community College. The training is for persons interested in monitoring waterways in the area, as part of the Big Sandy River Watershed Watch.

Cathy Neeley of the East Kentucky Center for Science, Mathematics and Technology will lead the morning session. Two sessions are slated for the afternoon, one for experienced watershed watchers and the other for new volunteers.

To register, call Dr. Tom Vierheller at 606/886-3863, ext. 316; e-mail Thomas.Vierheller@kctcs.net, or visit the website, <http://kywater.org/watch/bsr.htm>.

Parents can claim clothes

Shirts and jackets that belong to students have been brought to the Youth Service Center at Allen Central Middle School. Parents can come in between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, to claim their children's clothing. If not claimed before school is out, the clothing items will be given to the needy.

Clark FRC lists activities

Appointments are being scheduled for physicals for children entering kindergarten next year and for fifth graders entering sixth grade.

• June 2 — 5th grade DARE picnic
Fridays: GED classes, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
Full-time summer child care program. Call 886-0815.

Woodcarvers plan club

Plans are underway for starting a woodcarvers club in eastern Kentucky. The purposes would be to share ideas on marketing, materials and tools. There would be a chance to learn other types of carving and to organize a yearly show. If you are interested, call Sr. Judy Yunker, at 606/886-9624, and leave name and number.

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.

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.

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.

PHS SBDM council meeting

The Prestonsburg High School SBDM council will have a regular meeting on Thursday, June 1, at 5 p.m. in the library.

Card of Thanks

The family of Minnie Melda Martin would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one. Those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke comforting words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to the clergymen, James Hamilton and Cecil Newsome, for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF MINNIE MELDA MARTIN

Card of Thanks

The family of Katie Prater wishes to thank all of those who were so kind and considerate during our time of grief. We want to thank those who sent food, flowers, and gifts of love. We especially want to thank the clergyman, Rondal Hayes, for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF KATIE PRATER

Card of Thanks

The family of Hannah Jones Tackett would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors and loved ones who helped comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to the Samaria Regular Baptist Church, the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF HANNAH JONES TACKETT

Card of Thanks

The family of Clova Watkins wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. A special thanks to Clergyman Wayne Burch for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

THE FAMILY OF CLOVA WATKINS

Card of Thanks

In our time of hurt and of need, you helped us out by taking heed. So many gifts of kindness and love, Brought by you but sent from above. We want to thank you from the depths of our heart, for giving up your time and taking part. For each hug, smile, and all of the love you shared, thanks for showing us you cared. For each flower sent and donations gave, for every word said and each song played. Once again we thank you for your love, from us and our loved one who is now above. From the family of Elmer Lee Johnson. Sue Ellen, Crystal Lea and Timothy Neal Johnson.

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Kentucky, Canada officials break ground for kids' camp

CAMPBELLSVILLE — Gov. Paul Patton and Premier Mike Harris of Ontario, Canada, led a host of Kentucky and Canadian officials Tuesday in breaking ground for an \$8 million camp for underprivileged children at Green River Lake State Park.

The non-profit charitable camp is the first to be built in the United States by the Canadian Tim Horton Children's Foundation, which operates similar camps in Canada.

The Horton foundation operates four outstanding camps in Canada, Gov. Patton said. Their mission, to provide a camping experience to underprivileged children, is coupled with the goal of promoting understanding between cultures and countries.

The governor also said that he was proud Kentucky will represent the United States to the Canadian children who will visit here and that day campers from

this region will have a new opportunity to learn about our neighbors to the north.

Ron Joyce, chairman of the foundation board, cited Patton's willingness to contribute nearly \$1.5 million in infrastructure costs and the state park site as overriding factors in the decision to locate the camp in Kentucky.

"Dave Thomas first expressed his desire to see us open a camp in the United States, and through the vision and generosity of Gov. Patton and his team, we are able to make this camp a reality," Joyce said.

Thomas, the founder of Wendy's restaurants, is a board member of the Horton foundation. He was scheduled to attend the groundbreaking but was unable to do so.

Joyce announced the name of the new camp will be Ken-tah-ten, an Iroquois Indian word meaning

Land of Tomorrow. Kentucky's name derived from this word, according to some historians.

Several hundred people attended the morning ceremony that also featured former Gov. Wallace Wilkinson, who is a member of the Horton board, Tourism Development Secretary Ann Latta, Parks Commissioner Kenny Rapier and Col. Robert Slockbower of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Plans for establishing the camp, which is due to open in summer 2001, were begun about two years ago. The camp facility will accommodate 600 residential co-ed campers, aged 9 to 12, in six two-week sessions during the summer. An additional 1,500 to 2,000 day campers will be hosted during the summer months.

The camp complex will include three sleeping cabins, a recreation center, dining hall, maintenance building plus two athletic fields.

Airplane travel is also a part of the Horton camping experience for each child. In Canada, campers are flown to a camp located in a province other than where they live, so they can learn about the cultures in other provinces in their country.

With the opening of the Kentah-ten camp, some Canadian children will travel to Kentucky, while Kentucky and other U.S. children will attend camp in the provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia or Alberta.

Children from Campbellsville and other areas of Kentucky will also be able to attend the Kentucky camp as day campers.

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Planning for the financial future

(NAPSA) — A recent Prudential Insurance Company of America survey uncovered good news and bad news about Americans' attitudes toward financial planning and security.

The good news is, most Americans know they must prepare for their financial future. The bad news is, most Americans lack the information they need to do so.

According to the nationwide study, half the people surveyed found it difficult to determine how much to put aside as "emergency funds," fewer than half have either life insurance or a group of diversified investments and only one-third have a written financial plan. A full two-thirds said it was difficult to figure out how much to put aside for retirement planning.

"The survey demonstrates the extent to which people have a difficult time understanding financial issues and making financial and insurance decisions," said John Scicutella, CEO of Prudential's Individual Financial Services based in Newark, N.J. "This prob-

lem is magnified by the number of Americans who rely on financial advice from well-meaning but untrained friends or family members."

A well-educated consumer is in the best position to plan a strong and secure financial future. According to Kevin Frawley, Chief Compliance Officer of Prudential's Individual Financial Services, "Consumers should seek professional advice and follow three basic principles:

1. Be prepared to describe your background and family needs. For instance, are you planning on getting married? Having children? Retiring in 20 years?

2. Realize your financial plan doesn't begin and end on the day it is created, rather it's modified as your life changes — when you get married; have children; retire; or lose a loved one.

3. Resources like magazines, publications and the Internet can provide you with a wealth of information on financial planning, but only a professional

can custom tailor a plan that's right for you."

The survey also revealed that most Americans rely on short-term financial planning and that saving for their retirement is secondary to spending money on consumer goods. "People place a higher priority on purchasing consumer goods than on obtaining life insurance coverage," Scicutella noted.

More than one-third of all Americans feel they have less life insurance coverage than they really need, but out of this group, fifty-percent said they have more than they really need of at least one consumer good, including items as diverse as clothing, radios, TVs, appliances and magazine subscriptions.

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Hal Smith of Pikeville, Kyle McGlothen of West Liberty, Kyle VanHorn of Phelps, and Kathy Smoot of Hazard were selected recently by the board of directors of Leadership Kentucky Foundation Inc.

Participants in Leadership Kentucky, which was created in 1984, are selected as a cross-section of citizens representing a variety of backgrounds, who have demonstrated leadership ability and who are dedicated to Kentucky's progress.

The program brings together each year some of the state's most promising leaders for seven monthly programs that address critical issues facing the state.

They meet and talk with Kentucky's current leaders and explore through a systematic educational program the state's opportunities, needs and resources.

At the conclusion of the Leadership Kentucky experience, graduates have developed a network of relationships throughout the state and they have deeper insights and broader knowledge of the issues facing Kentucky.

They bring a fresh, broadened perspective to their local communities and serve as important participants in the unified effort to shape Kentucky's future.

Leadership Kentucky is a non-profit, statewide educational program affiliated with the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

The other class members are Terry Allen, Lexington; Tom Barnes, Lexington; Elizabeth Bass, Paducah;

Juanita Bayless, Glasgow; Sarah Blanken, Florence; Matt Bricken, Lexington; Lisa Browning, Russellville; Steve Burke, Covington; Greg Coker, Danville; Sandi Curd, Corbin; Bill Daniel, Louisville; Lori Flanery, Louisville; Malta Flannery, McKee; David Fowler, Owensboro; Rebeckah Freeman, Louisville;

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Local woman completes training

by Navy Chief Johnny Carter

April Dawn Hardy, a 1998 graduate of Allen Central High School and daughter of Jerry and Judy Hardy of Prestonsburg, recently completed recruit training at the Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

Naval Seaman Hardy joined the Navy in February from the Navy Recruiting Station in Pikeville. She entered the Navy as an E-3, which she earned by attending Allen Central High School's Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) as part of her elective curriculum.

During her eight-week training cycle, she received instruction in a variety of areas including military regulations, seamanship, close order drill, Naval history, the handling of weapons, codes of conduct, military justice, firefighting, first aid, and marksmanship. Her studies were general military subjects designed to prepare her for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's technical occupational fields.

Basic training is required for all additional fields of training and takes place in Naval Training Center Great Lakes, and people who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit.

Hardy, now stationed in Pensacola, Florida, is attending the school for her chosen career as a cryptologic technician. The crypto-



logic technician field is one of the Navy's most prestigious programs.

Cryptologic technicians control the flow of classified messages and information. The kind of work they do is classified, and there are six separate career areas in which they may specialize.

She will attend school for about six months before being stationed at one of the Navy's ships, squadrons or duty stations around the world.

Navy enlistments are open to people from the ages of 17 to 34. The best source for more information on a career in the Navy is your local recruiter. Look in the United States Government section of your phone book to find the address and telephone number of the recruiter in your city.

Handwashing tips for your health

(NAPSA) — Washing your hands properly and completely drying them with paper towels, such as Sparkle® or Coronet®, can play an important role in the health of your family. Many sicknesses, including foodborne illnesses and the common cold, are often spread through cross-contamination: the transfer of germs from one surface, food or person to another. Follow these handwashing tips from the Georgia-Pacific Health Smart Institute to help protect your family:

- Remember that water alone is not enough to remove bacteria. Use about a teaspoon of liquid soap when possible.

- Spend at least 15 to 20 seconds working up a soapy lather. Pay particular attention to the fingers and the spaces between them where bacteria are most likely to hide.

- Avoid contact with potentially contaminated surfaces, such as sink or faucet handles, which can result in cross-contamination. If a faucet is

used that requires full grasp of the faucet handle, leave the water running after rinsing hands. After drying hands, grasp the faucet handle with the used paper towel and turn off the water.

- Dry your hands, using disposable paper towels which can help wipe off and throw away the germs, rather than a communal cloth towel which can harbor bacteria that will re-contaminate hands.

For more information on how to avoid foodborne illness and other Health Smart topics, please call 1-877-GPCLEAN, visit the Web site at www.gphealthsmart.com or write to Georgia-Pacific Health Smart Institute, P.O. Box 2411, Palatka, FL 32178-2411.

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— Betsy Layne vs Johnson Central —

Betsy Layne ends season in loss to Central

Hamilton collects two hits in 11-6 setback to Eagles

by ED TAYLOR
SPORTS EDITOR

Senior Heather Hamilton closed out her high school career for the Betsy Layne Ladycats with two of the three hits her team could get against Johnson Central Monday evening in the first round of the girls' 15th Region softball tournament.

It was a disappointing loss for Hamilton as she had an outstanding career for the Ladycats over the past four seasons.

Brianne Daniels, just a freshman, hurled three-hit baseball for seven full innings and was outstanding from the mound. She did not allow a Betsy Layne base runner until Denise Jones singled with one out

in the fourth inning. She retired the first 10 batters she faced.

Daniels got great support from the rest of the cast, that was up until the fifth inning when Betsy Layne scored five unearned runs. The Lady Eagles committed five errors behind Daniels as Betsy Layne made a game of it.

Betsy Layne Coach Stacy Meade was encouraging the Ladycats to get the bats out of the bag and make contact. But through the first three-plus innings, it was all Daniels for Johnson Central.

But Daniels was more than just the winning pitcher for the Lady Eagles. She also supplied the early offense for Central by clubbing a three-run home run that cleared the left center field fence in the first

inning. She reached base all four times up and doubled in the sixth inning. Her two-bagger just missed clearing the fence again.

Kim Tackett suffered the loss for Betsy Layne in the team's final game of the season. She allowed 11 runs on 13 hits. She struck out two and walked three.

After Daniels' roundtripper in the first, Johnson Central added a run in the bottom of the second for a 4-0 game. With one out, Kandi Cook singled and scored on Cassie Colvin's RBI single. Johnson Central added a run in the third inning to lead 5-0 when Daniels reached on an error and scored on Rebecca Tackett's run-producing single.

It was a 6-0 game after four innings when Colvin came home on an error by the Ladycats. Colvin had reached on a fielder's choice play and came home when Daniels' bouncer to third was misplayed.

The Johnson Central defense, which had been perfect through the first four, fell apart and it came mostly in center field where two fly balls were dropped. All five runs came with two out to make it a 6-5 game.

(See **BETSY LAYNE**, page two)



(photo by Ed Taylor)

BRIANNE DANIELS OF JOHNSON CENTRAL was all smiles after clubbing a first inning three-run home run against Betsy Layne Monday evening in the first game of the girls regional softball tournament

■ South Floyd vs Allen Central

South Floyd gets another first-ever

Hall, Moore bat South Floyd past Allen Central

by ED TAYLOR
SPORTS EDITOR

The current school year has been a year of "firsts" for the South Floyd athletic department and the trend continued this past Friday when the Raider baseball team posted a 10-4 win over host Allen Central and captured their first-ever 58th District championship.

The two teams met last Friday at the Garrett Park, better known as the "Homer Dome."

The long ball was a big part of the game as the Raiders blasted four roundtrippers en route to the district title. Senior catcher Byron Hall continued his onslaught in the tournament by hitting his third home run in the two-game series.

Hall had nine RBIs in the two games. He finished with two hits, including a first-inning home run, and nine runs batted in. He was also named the Conference Player of the Year.

Nick Moore, who recovered from the arm ailment of the opening game against Betsy Layne, had two hits and drove in three runs, all on a fifth-inning home run.

Tyler Hall had a two-run shot and Ryan Shannon hit a solo home run in the second inning.

Josh Yates and Timmy Davis had dingers for the Rebels.

Joe Skeans picked up the win in going the distance for South Floyd. Skeans allowed just four runs while scattering seven Allen Central

hits. He struck out four, walked one and hit a batter.

Allen Central used three hurlers in trying to capture a championship. Brandon Sizemore opened on the hill for the Rebels and worked the first four and a third. He was followed to the mound by Yates, who went an inning and two-thirds. Jeremy Hayes pitched the final inning and did not allow a run.

The Raiders hit two out of the park in the fifth inning when they scored six times to snap a 4-4 tie. With one out, Skeans and Michael Hall singled and rode home on Moore's three-run home run. Following the homer, Kyle Tackett walked and Tyler Hall blasted a two-run shot.

The Raiders jumped in front 3-0 in the first inning on Byron Hall's three-run home run. With one out, Skeans reached on an error, Michael Hall walked and Byron Hall hit his home run.

Allen Central got a run back in their half of the first on a lead off home run by Yates to make it 3-1. Yates finished with three hits in the game to lead the Rebels offense.

With two out in the second, Shannon gave the Raiders a 4-1 margin with an opposite field home run.

Allen Central got a run in the second and plated two in the third to tie the game at 4-4. Davis hit his solo home run in the second. Three South Floyd errors allowed the Rebels to score twice in the third to knot the game.

Skeans settled down after the third inning and shut out the Rebels over the final four innings, allowing just three hits.

A fifth-inning double play got Skeans out of a bases-loaded jam. Allen Central stranded eight runners against Skeans.

Hayes, who came on in the seventh with a runner on base, retired the Raiders.

Sizemore, showing nothing but fastballs, was the victim of the short outfield fence. Yates

(See **SOUTH FLOYD**, page two)



(photo by Ed Taylor)

SOUTH FLOYD'S BYRON HALL WAS named Conference Player of the Year and rounded the bases after hitting a three-run home run against Allen Central in the finals of the boys district tournament last Friday

■ Shelby Valley vs Prestonsburg

Walks haunt Prestonsburg in loss to Shelby Valley

by ED TAYLOR
SPORTS EDITOR

The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats out-hit the Shelby Valley Lady Wildcats 6-4 but it was Shelby Valley which went home with a 14-6 win over Prestonsburg in the opening round of the girls' 15th Region softball tournament at Pikeville Monday evening.

Prestonsburg was set to defend its title from last year but, there is the old saying, you can't play defense against walks.

The old saying may be boring at times but it holds a lot of truth and Prestonsburg found out, when you allow just four hits but 14 runs, then something has gone awry.

Starter Stacy Goble and Whitney Parsons combined in walking 19 batters. Seven of those came in the seventh inning when Shelby Valley scored six times to put the game away.

Sarah Goble continued to swing a hot bat, collecting two of the six Prestonsburg hits. Angela Howell, Margaret Damron, Amelia Conley and

Stacy Goble each had safeties in the game.

Bentley and Kinney each had two-run singles for Shelby Valley. Allen and Williams had a single each.

Prestonsburg came out like they were set to defend their title and grabbed a 3-0 lead after the first two innings. Conley had a first-inning double that was just a couple of feet from leaving the ballpark. Howell, who reached on a catcher's interference, scored on the two-bagger for a 1-0 game.

In the second, designated hitter Sarah Goble singled up the middle after Brittany Carey had reached on an error. Parsons forced Carey at third for the first out. Goble came home on Howell's RBI single and Parsons scored on some good base running, when Damron bounced back to the mound. Prestonsburg led 3-0 after two frames.

It was the top of the third when the woes for Prestonsburg and its pitching staff started. Goble

(See **HAUNT**, page three)



(photo by Ed Taylor)

JENNY PARSONS OF BETSY LAYNE made this play in left field against Johnson Central Monday at Pikeville. Betsy Layne fell to the Lady Eagles in the girls softball regionals

Prestonsburg to compete in nine events at state meet

by ED TAYLOR
SPORTS EDITOR

Prestonsburg High School will be well represented at this weekend's state track and field events at Shively Field on the campus of the University of Kentucky.

The state track and field competition will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday with the preliminaries on Friday and some on Saturday. Most of the finals will be held on Saturday with some spilling over to Sunday.

Eleven participants from Prestonsburg will compete in 11 different events this weekend.

Prestonsburg placed third in the girls meet held at Leslie County last Thursday and this past Saturday. The boys team also placed third but just missed second place behind Corbin. Host Leslie County came away with first place in the boys followed by Corbin and Prestonsburg.

"It came down to the last race of the day this past Saturday," explained Prestonsburg coach Deway Jamerson, "and that was the mile relay. We held a 81 to 80 1/2 lead going into the final race. We just ran out of bodies. But we had to run some very young runners. We had two eighth graders, a sophomore and junior running."

Knox Central and Middlesboro topped out the top five. Betsy Layne, Whitesburg, Allen Central and Cawood rounded out the rest of the field for the boys.

Corbin scored 179 points in winning the girls regional over second place Leslie County (126). Prestonsburg was a distant third followed by Middlesboro, Knox Central, Cawood, Betsy Layne, Allen Central and Whitesburg.

Brook Hicks will represent Prestonsburg High School in the women's triple jump after winning the regional meet with a measurement of 31-feet, 9-inches.

"Brooke did well for us," said Jamerson. "I believe she could do 32-feet."

Hicks, who finished fourth in the 100-meter preliminaries, took third place in the finals on Saturday with a time of 13.63.

Prestonsburg just missed sending their 400-meter relay team to the state meet after a third place finish with a time of 57.66.

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Track Meet

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"We had one hand off that was tough for us," said Coach Jamerson. "After she got the wand, she ran well."
The foursome of Rachel Mitchell, Courtney Reitz, Tara Ortega, and Brooke Hicks ran the relays. However, the 800-meter relay foursome will make the trip after finishing first in the regional meet. Mitchell, Reitz, Ortega and Hicks had a time of 2:01.06 for first place. "It was their best time of the year," Jamerson said. "Really, overall, everyone had their best time."

The mile relay team will journey to Shively Field for the state meet after posting a time of 5:05.18 for first place. Coach Jamerson said this was a "put together" squad that did not have high expectations. "They ran the mile relay one other time and that was in the conference," he said. "We put them together so we could run them in last week's conference meet. "I thought they would be a be a good team, but I didn't expect them to be that good. Their time was not that bad either."

Jamerson said he had to pull some of the runners out of individual events in order to get them together as a team. For the men's events, Chris Spriggs surprised a lot of people by taking second place in the men's discus throw. He was measured at 110-foot, 1-inch, a personal best. "He beat his previous best by six inches," said Jamerson. "He borrowed Leslie County's discus and made the throw. He was a big surprise for us." Spriggs will compete in this week-end's discus meet at Shively. The boys 400-meter relay team placed second and qualified for the state meet. The foursome of Austin Clark, Kevin Woods, Matt Clay and Kevin Jervis had a time of 47.29 for second place. "I had to substitute Clark for Matt Stone who had a thigh injury," Jamerson said. "They ran faster at Leslie County than they have ever ran anywhere else. Pole vaulting has not been one of the top events locally with county high schools but Matt Clay will represent the Blackcats at the state meet after finishing second in the regional event. "I had bought a pole a week before to use in the conference meet, but we

really bought it for some the size of Terry White," said Jamerson. "So I borrowed a 135 from Pikeville and Matt finished second with it." Clay will be the first-ever Prestonsburg athlete to compete at the state level in pole vaulting. Jamerson said the biggest surprise of the meet was the second place finish of Kevin Woods in the long jump event. Woods was measured at 18-foot, 4-inches in the regional meet. "His previous best was in the mid

17s," said Jamerson. "He definitely was the biggest surprise of the meet. I about fell over when I heard how he had finished." Austin Clark will compete for Prestonsburg in the 400-meter dash after taking home second place with a finish of 52.99. Clark will also compete in the 200-meter dash as well after taking second place at 23.76. "It was a close race all the way," said Jamerson. "He leans at the finish

he wins it." One team Jamerson did expect to do well was the men's 800-meter relay team. The foursome of Spriggs, Andrew Howell, Matt Stone and Jervis, had a time of 1:40.58 for second place. "I thought they would run well," said Jamerson. "They ran a good time." Prestonsburg will be in Lexington for the early morning preliminaries that begin at 8 a.m. Friday.



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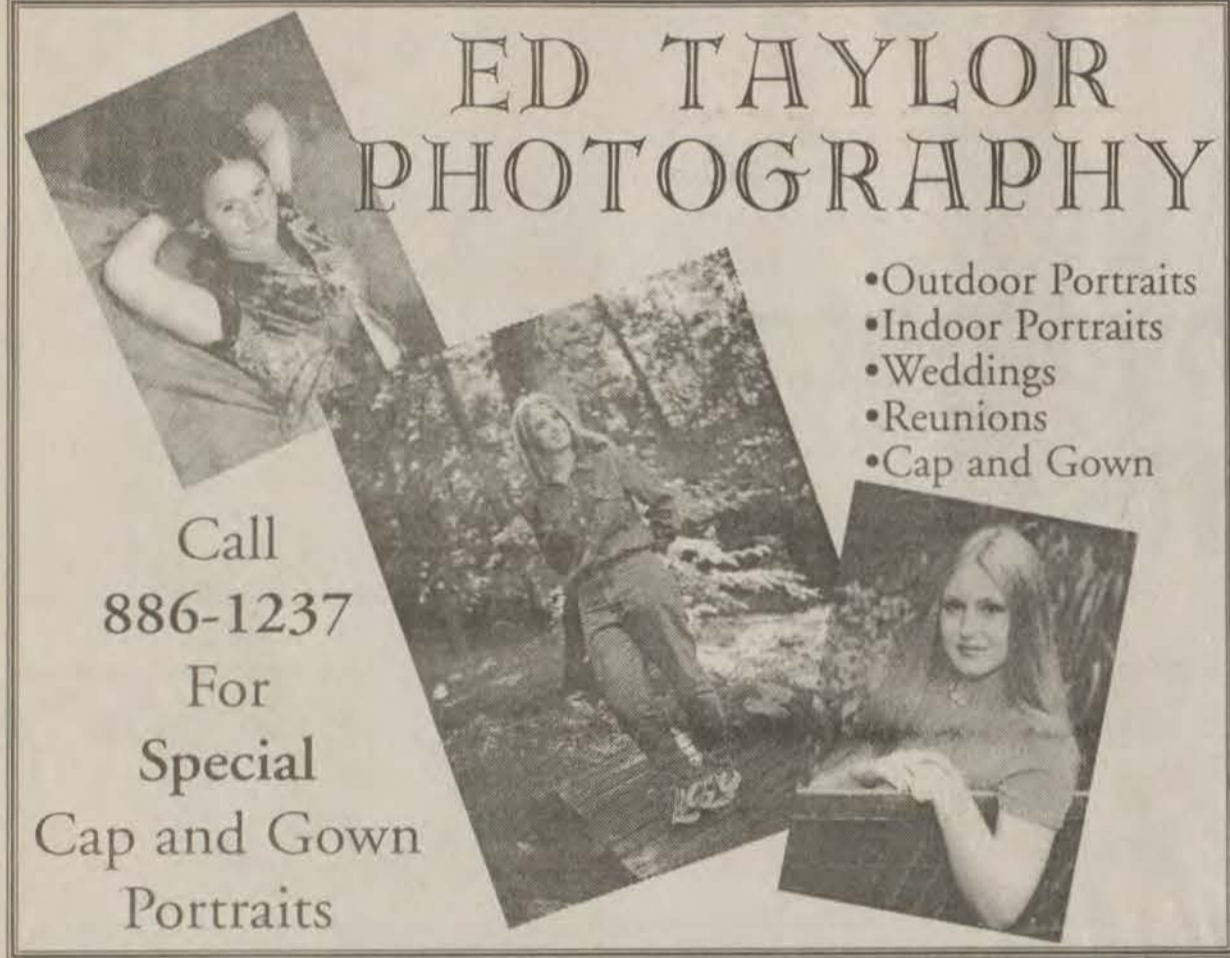
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All District Team

South Floyd

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relieved him in the fifth with one out and two on but was greeted by Moore's three-run shot. After he walked Tackett, he gave up the two-run shot by Tyler Hall. The Rebels had a mild rally going in the bottom of the seventh inning on a walk to Patrick Martin and a base hit from Matt Bentley. But Skeans got Henry Napier on

strikes, got Hayes of a fly to right. Davis then lofted a fly ball to centerfield. Centerfielder Ryan Shannon called for the ball and pointing to the ball, grasped it in his glove and the celebration began. The defensive play of the game occurred in the bottom of the fourth inning when Brandon Sizemore

drove the ball to left field and it was ticketed for another home run. But Michael Hall timed his jump and caught the ball before it could clear the fence. The win improved the Raiders overall record to 8-9 on the season heading into the regional tournament. South Floyd faced Elkhorn City in a first-round game.

Betsy Layne

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The inning unfolded for Betsy Layne with Danielle Newsome reaching on a fielder's choice that forced out Jenny Parsons at second base. Amanda Robinette reached on a second baseman's error and Jodi Stapleton walked to load the bases.

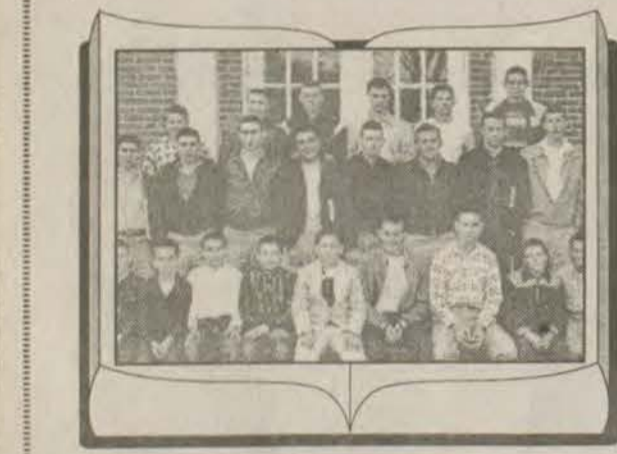
Hamilton collected her first hit with a single, scoring Newsome, and the ball was mishandled by Jamie Goble in center field, permitting Robinette and Stapleton to score. Denise Jones then lofted a routine fly ball to center and the ball was dropped for a two-base error, scoring Hamilton. Brandi Bentley followed suit and lifted a fly ball to left center where the center fielder dropped the ball for another two-base error, scoring Jones. Bentley scored the fifth run of the inning

when Parsons grounded to shortstop and the ball was misplayed for the fifth error of the inning. Johnson Central got one of the runs back in the bottom of the fifth on a one-out single by Sheena Scott and Cook's RBI single. Daniels settled down and so did the defense as the Ladycats went out in order in the sixth inning. The Lady Eagles pushed home three runs in the sixth to build a 10-5 lead. Scott singled home two runs and Cook had an RBI single.

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Haunt

issued consecutive walks to Bentley and Williams before Allen scored Bentley with a base hit. Williams came home on an errant throw from second base.

Candence Bentley, who started for Shelby Valley, had an easy third inning, issuing only a walk in the inning.

Goble's problems from the

mound increased in the Shelby Valley fourth inning when she walked Smith to start the inning and Justice reached on an error at third. Fields was safe when her bouncer to the mound was thrown away at first, permitting Smith to score. Casebolt walked to load the bases with no one out. On a swinging third strike, the ball

was dropped but Howell recovered to throw out Bentley, but a run crossed the plate on the play as the Lady Wildcats led 5-3. Two more runs crossed the plate on a base hit by Kinney that gave Shelby Valley a 7-5 lead.

Prestonsburg just could not get its bats going as the team went out in order in the fourth and left

a runner stranded in the fifth.

Shelby Valley made it an 8-5 game with a single run in the sixth inning. The run was earned against Parson, who relieved Goble in the fourth inning.

Prestonsburg was still in the game and plated a run in the bottom of the seventh to make it an 8-6 game. Howell picked up the

RBI, scoring Carey, who had reached on an error.

It was the top of the seventh that was the downfall for Prestonsburg as no one could throw strikes.

Prestonsburg went out in order in the bottom of the seventh. They finished the season with a 12-6 record.

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Thunder Ridge honors fallen friends during Memorial Day weekend

After a rainout on Saturday night the Morris Isaac, Bill Smith and James Killer Smith Memorial was run on Sunday evening with a full schedule of racing in all six classes, with a \$2,000 payday waiting for the winner of the late model feature.

Three classes qualified with the 19 of Jamie Slone leading the way in the sportsman class with a time of 22.18, the 38 of Marty Meade setting fast time of 21.13 in the modified division, and 4B Jackie Boggs setting fast time in the late models with a time of 17.66.

Next were the heat races in all divisions with the four-cylinders taking to the track first. At the end of the heat it was the 18k of John D.I. Henson taking the win and pole for the feature.

Bomber heat was next with the 77 of Randy Fannin taking the victory.

Sportsman heat winner was the 19 of Jamie Slone.

Modified heat winner was the 38 of Marty Meade.

Late model heat one was won by the 4B of Jackie Boggs, and heat two went to the 1 of Eddie Carrier Jr.

Last but not least was the road hog heat that was won by the 18k of John D.I. Henson.

Next up was the first feature of the night with the four-cylinders taking to the track first. The 18k of John D.I. Henson and the X-rated of John Allen were on the front row at the start. From the drop of the green flag Allen was the leader but on the last lap Allen lost a tire, giving the lead to D.I. who cruised to the checkered flag, to take the win. Second was the 43E of Eric Hall who started last but came through the field to finish second. Third was the X-rated of John Allen who, if not for the loss of the tire, would have won easily. Fourth was the 12 of Chuck Hicks Jr. and fifth was the 12 of James Ledford.

Bombers were next with the 77 of Randy Fannin and the B17 of Brandon Johnson on the front row. Fannin jumped out to the early lead and with Johnson and the rest of the field in close pursuit. Johnson soon had trouble and was forced to the pits, giving the 2x of Tandy Spurlock second. And that's the way they would finish, with the 77 of Randy Fannin leading flag to flag to pick up the win. Second was the 2x of Tandy Spurlock, third was the t23 of

Keith Tincher, fourth was the 31 of Albie Howell, and fifth was the 35 of Daryl Sexton.

Next it was the sportsman's turn, with the 19 of Jamie Slone and the 5m of Scott McCloud on the front row. Slone jumped out to the early lead. McCloud was able to stay with him for awhile but the 43K was able to make his way up and pass McCloud on the 8th lap. But Slone was in charge the whole race, taking the victory. Second was the 43K of Kevin Hall, third was the 5m of Scott McCloud, fourth was the 31 of Barton Ratliff, and fifth was the U.S. 23 of Jimmy David Hall.

The modified feature had the 38 of Marty Meade and the 13 of Glen May on the front row. At the drop of the green, Meade showed the way with May in second. They ran that way until the 10th lap when off a restart May was able to get below Meade to take over the lead. May would go on to lead the rest of the way to pick up the victory. Second was the 38 of Marty Meade, third was the 12 of Rick Clark, fourth was the 51 of Greg Ison, and fifth was the 62 of Joel Jenson.

Next was the late model feature with the 4B of Jackie Boggs and the 1 of Eddie Carrier Jr. on the front row for the 30-lap feature race. From the drop of the green, Boggs took the lead with the 39 of Henry Hornsby Jr. and the rest of the field in close pursuit. Carrier had a bad start and fell back to fourth place but soon got his rhythm and started picking off cars, making his way to the front and passing the 17 of Shannon Thornsberry on the 6th lap to take over third and passing Hornsby on the 9th lap to take over second. He then set his sites on the leader Boggs who had built up a pretty good lead. But thanks to a

caution on lap 17, Carrier would get to move up to the rear bumper of Boggs. On the restart Carrier wasn't going to be left sitting again, darting to the bottom after passing the cone and getting the inside position on Boggs and taking the lead going down the backstretch. Boggs had a few more chances with the aid of a few cautions to try to get back around Carrier, but Carrier proved up to the challenge and was able to hold off Boggs to pick up the victory to the delight of the crowd on hand. Second was the 4B of Jackie Boggs, third was the 39 of Henry Hornsby Jr., fourth was the 10 of Paul Harris and rounding out the top five was the 1a of Audi Swartz.

The last feature of the evening was the road hog feature which had the 18k of John D.I. Henson and the 128 of Keith Branham on the front row. But in the end it was the 12 of Thomas Blakeman taking the win, followed by the 50 of Bucky Collins in second. Third was the 20 of Billy Owens Jr., fourth was the 926 of Joey Stanley, and fifth was the 128 of Keith Branham.

Next week Thunder Ridge will be not be running but instead there

will be a big horse show. For more information, call the track at (606) 886-RACE.

The stock cars will thunder back into action June 10, with all six classes on the schedule and the late models running for \$1,500 to win. Then the following week, June 17, the late models will be back running for \$3,000 to win plus a regular show in all other classes.

Also announced the tire rule for the sportsman class has been lifted effective June 10. For more information on any of the changes at Thunder Ridge (606) 886-RACE.

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 3. 39 HENRY HORNSBY JR.
 4. 10 PAUL HARRIS
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 7. 97 DAVID POWERS
 8. 24G LARRY GREY JR.
 9. 28 CHUCKY MAY
 10. 3 DAVID CONN
 11. 55 RONNIE COLE JR.

12. 17 SHANNON THORNSBERRY
 13. 15 JERMEY PECK

MODIFIEDS:

1. 13 GLEN MAY
 2. 38 MARTY MEADE
 3. 12 RICK CLARK
 4. 51 GREG ISON
 5. 62 JOEL JENSON
 6. 1 TOMAS BLAKEMAN
 7. 10 MICHAEL BRANHAM
 8. 25 KEITH HAMILTON
 9. 5J TONY JOURNEY
 10. 911 KURT HOFSESS
 11. 11 JEFF JONES

SPORTSMAN:

1. 19 JAMIE SLONE
 2. 43K KEVIN HALL
 3. 5M SCOTT McCLOUD
 4. 31 BARTON RATLIFF
 5. U.S.23 JIMMY DAVID HALL

BOMBERS:

1. 77 RANDY FANNIN
 2. 2X TANDY SPURLOCK
 3. T23 KEITH TINCHER
 4. 31 ALBIE HOWELL
 5. 35 DARYL SEXTON
 6. 67 JODY SIPPLE
 7. MC3 RANDY McLEMORE

8. 2X1 BARRY MOORE
 9. B17 BRANDON JOHNSON
 10. 3 KENNY PREECE

FOUR-CYLINDERS:

1. 18K JOHN D.I. HENSON
 2. 43E ERIC HALL
 3. X-RATED JOHN ALLEN
 4. 12 CHUCK HICKS
 5. 12 JAMES LEDFORD

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1. 12 THOMAS BLAKEMAN
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Kentucky Sportsline...



by TOM LEACH

For any baseball fan born before about 1970, Cincinnati's Cynergy Field is the place to be this Saturday night. That's where and when one of the game's all-time best teams, maybe THE best, will be honored.

What a treat it was to grow up in central Kentucky and get the chance to follow the Big Red Machine so closely. Tony Perez and manager Sparky Anderson go into the Hall of Fame this summer, joining Johnny Bench and Joe Morgan. Pete Rose would obviously be there, too, if eligible, and you could make a strong case that shortstop Davey Concepcion has the credentials to join them.

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"I was very blessed and very fortunate," said Lexingtonian

Doug Flynn, who was a surprise rookie addition to that '75 Reds team. Flynn got into baseball through a free agent tryout camp and a strong performance in spring training earned him a spot on the roster as a role player. It turned out to be fortuitous timing for Flynn, but it was a combination of luck AND skill that kept him in the majors that season — and for more than a decade to follow.

"The most important at-bat was the first one, in the first game of the season against the Dodgers. I had to go up and bunt a guy over. Knowing Sparky, if I don't get the job done, he would have gone and found somebody else and sent me back to the minor leagues. I bunt the guy over, he ends up scoring the winning run and I ended up staying," Flynn said.

One key member of that team will be excluded from Saturday's ceremonies — Rose, who is banned from the game indefinitely. Flynn wishes the penalty could be relaxed for fan-friendly events like this one.

"Let him come. For one day, I would think they would be able to do that," he said. "But probably the feeling is that if he continues to get all of these accolades and standing ovations, it sort of makes them (baseball's hierarchy) look bad and I think there are some people there that are very vindictive. They're not willing to forgive and forget even though Pete could help baseball."

Being a part of one of the greatest teams ever is a special memory, but so are the friendships that developed for Flynn.

"We still have a lot of friendships. We still stay in contact with one another. I saw Pete (Rose) the

other day, saw Johnny (Bench) at a couple of golf tournaments. Jack Billingham and I do fantasy camps together. I ran into Joe Morgan and he couldn't have been more gracious. We won, but we also had guys that got along together very well. And you better have harmony if you're going to spend that much time together. There is a special bond and after all these years, we realize how special that really was," he said.

And Flynn didn't mind the fact that Anderson as manager had different rules for the superstars than he did for the rest of the team.

"He did and he should have. But all of us realized how good those guys were playing in front of us," Flynn said, "so there was never any cut-throating. You see a lot of that now."

Could that kind of environment be sustained today?

"I doubt it. We had 15 guys making \$25,000 or less," said Flynn, who was making the league minimum of \$16,500. The minimum now is \$231,000.

Flynn doesn't begrudge today's players for the money they make. But he wouldn't mind hearing a little more acknowledgement of the predecessors, who made it possible. He says he can recall only two players offering that kind of "thank you" — Kirby Puckett and Dave Winfield.

Flynn was adequate with the bat, but it was his glove work that made him a major league veteran, as well as earning him a Gold

Glove award, given to the best fielder at each position each season.

In Flynn's opinion, "they're making a joke of the game now" with the barrage of home runs, something that has sparked speculation (denied by major league officials) that the balls are considerably more lively or "juiced."

Flynn acknowledges the fact that players today are stronger than ever before, that pitching has been weakened by expansion and that new ballparks are friendlier to hitters than pitchers. But he also knows what he saw with his one eyes when former UK star Jeff Abbott was back at his alma mater during the offseason and taking some batting practice.

"When he hit one hard, it would only barely go out of the park. So he ran out to the car and grabbed a couple dozen American League balls and started hitting them over the light poles," said Flynn. "I might even hit four or five home runs (if I were playing now)."

Doug Flynn loves baseball as much as he ever did, just not always in the politically correct way. He's probably like former commissioner Happy Chandler was in that regard and baseball has missed that kind of leadership for a long time.

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH

Sharpshooter guard Rashad Carruth is a focal point of Kentucky basketball coach Tubby Smith's recruiting efforts this sum-

mer, but there's one recruiting analyst who thinks the race is already over.

Despite what Carruth says about his affinity for Kentucky and his friendship with new Wildcat Cliff Hawkins, Hoop Scoop publisher Clark Francis predicted on his website recently that Carruth would succumb to the pressure to stay close to his Georgia home and sign with Georgia Tech.

BELMONT WATCH

Don't discount the chances of Unshaded in the June 10 Belmont Stakes just because the promising colt finished second in last Saturday's Peter Pan Stakes in New York.

It wasn't until very late in the race that this long-stride son of Unbridled really got into high gear and this race had the look of a typ-

ical Carl Nafzger-type prep race. Nafzger is as sharp a trainer as they come in terms of pointing a horse for a specific race, so it's noteworthy to mention that Unbridled lost his final prep before winning the 1990 Kentucky Derby and also lost his final start before winning that year's Breeders' Cup Classic.

The Belmont won't attract nearly as much as it has the past three years when horses were going for Triple Crowns, but this year's renewal is really intriguing, given that Fusaichi Pegasus has lost his aura of invincibility.

Unshaded, Postponed, Wheelaway and Aptitude are all lightly-raced horses on the rise, and certainly good enough to present a strong challenge to either Pegasus or Preakness winner Red Bullet.

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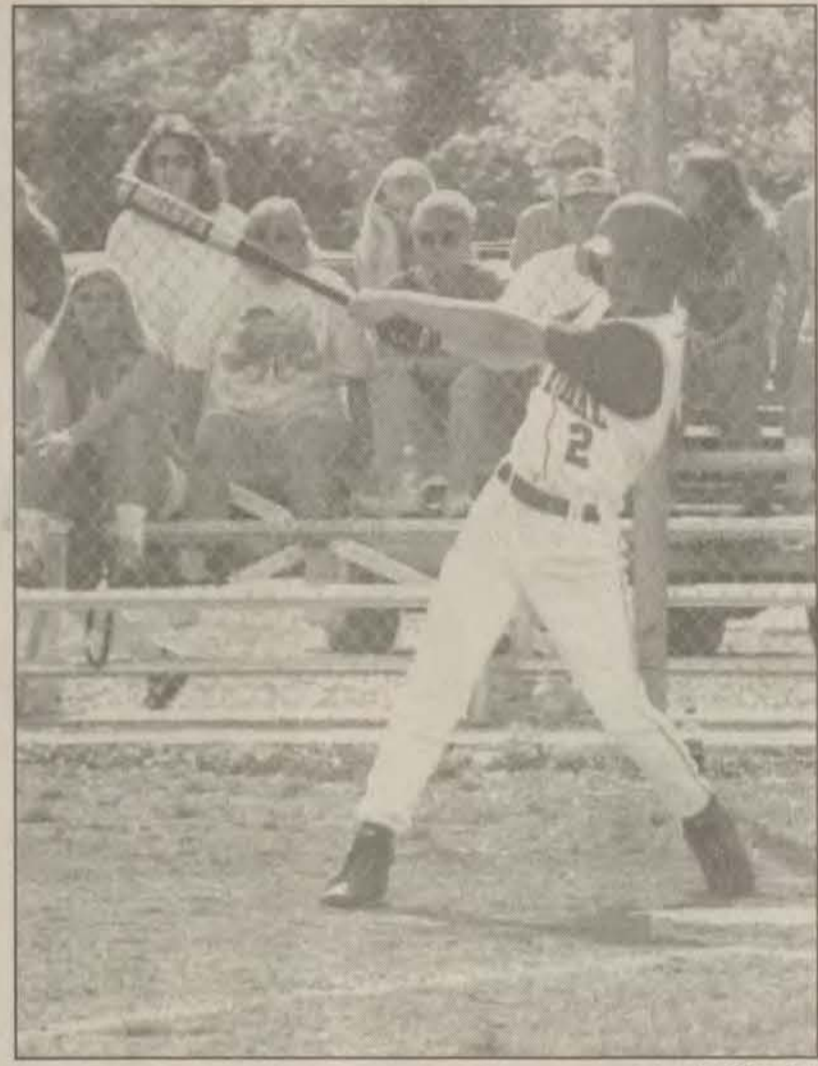
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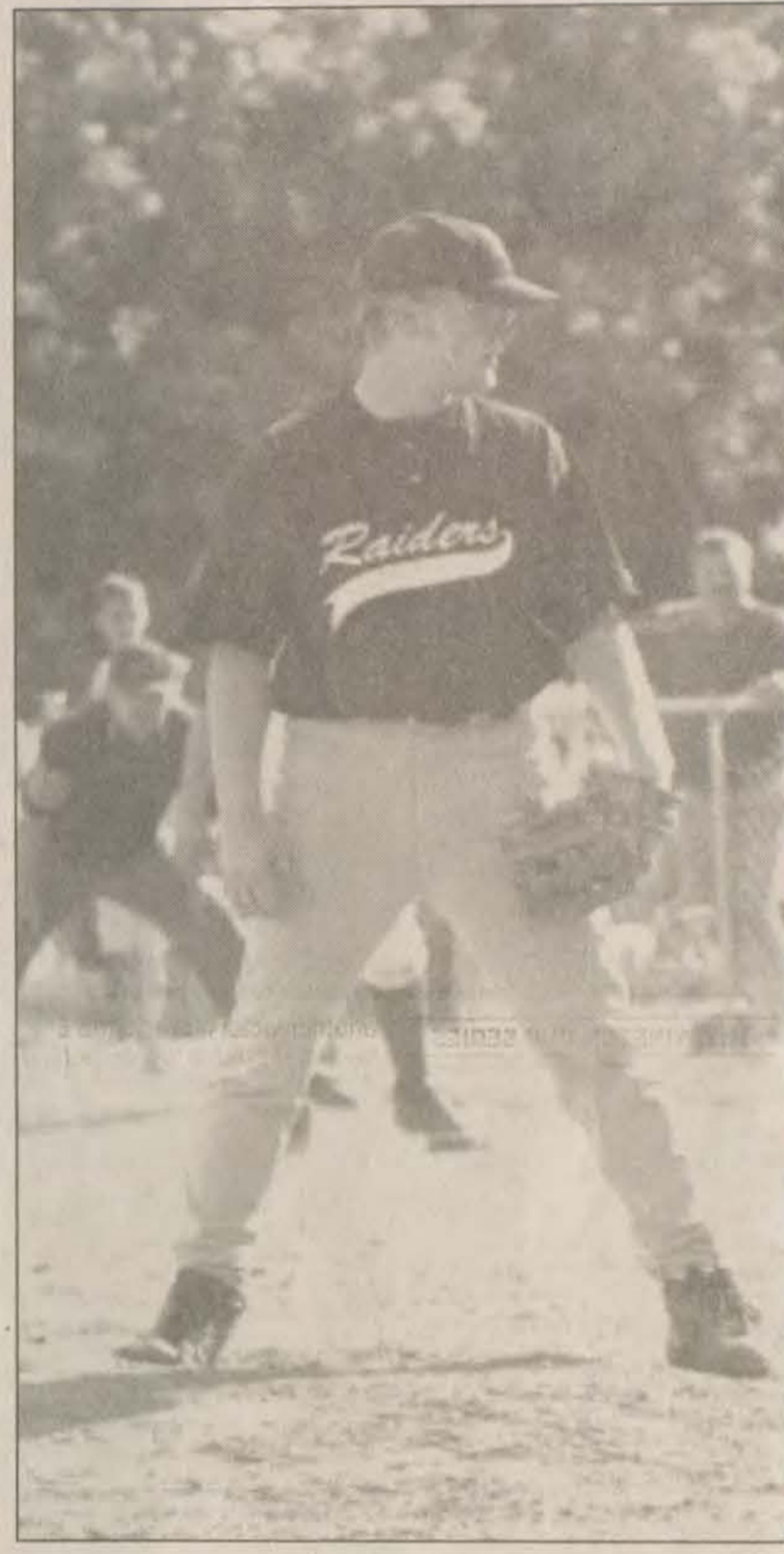
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ALLEN CENTRAL'S JOSH YATES clubbed an opposite field home run against South Floyd last Friday evening at the Garrett Park. Yates had three hits in the game (photo by Ed Taylor)



JOE SKEANS OF SOUTH FLOYD went seven full innings to lead his team to a win over the Allen Central Rebels in the finals of the boys district tournament Friday at Garrett. (photo by Ed Taylor)



A CLOUD OF DUST SURROUNDED second base during district baseball play at the Garrett Field last Friday evening. South Floyd posted a 10-4 win over Allen Central to win their first ever title (photo by Ed Taylor)

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2000 POINTS STANDINGS

WINSTON CUP	BUSCH	TRUCK
1. Bobby Labonte, 1,776	1. Jeff Green, 1,958	1. Jack Sprague, 1,434
2. Ward Burton, 1,772	2. Todd Bodine, 1,865	2. Mike Wallace, 1,378
3. Mark Martin, 1,695	3. Matt Kenseth, 1,618	3. Greg Biffle, 1,362
4. Dale Earnhardt, 1,693	4. Ron Hornaday, 1,583	4. Andy Houston, 1,353
5. Jeff Burton, 1,672	5. Randy LaJoie, 1,571	5. Steve Grissom, 1,282
6. Dale Jarrett, 1,630	6. Jason Keller, 1,537	6. Dennis Setzer, 1,281
7. Rusty Wallace, 1,578	7. David Green, 1,520	7. Kurt Busch, 1,276
8. Jeff Gordon, 1,539	8. Kevin Harvick, 1,513	8. Joe Ruttman, 1,191
9. Ricky Rudd, 1,523	9. Elton Sawyer, 1,449	9. Jimmy Hensley, 1,165
10. Tony Stewart, 1,456	10. Phil Parsons, 1,359	10. Rick Crawford, 1,153

TOP TEN

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

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|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. (2) Bobby Labonte | Extended his point lead |
| 2. (3) Jeff Burton | Won in Busch, 11th in Cup |
| 3. (5) Ward Burton | Off week; still 2nd in points |
| 4. (4) Mark Martin | Run never materialized |
| 5. (6) Dale Earnhardt | Consistency |
| 6. (7) Rusty Wallace | Slumped again at the end |
| 7. (8) Dale Jarrett | Another top-five for champ |
| 8. (1) Dale Earnhardt Jr. | Should have won again |
| 9. (9) Jeff Gordon | Made the best of it |
| 10. (10) Matt Kenseth | Only rookie to win the 600 |

2000 WINSTON CUP SCHEDULE

Date	Track	Location
June 4	Dover Downs International Speedway	Dover, Del.
June 11	Michigan Speedway	Brooklyn, Mich.
June 18	Pocono Raceway	Long Pond, Pa.
June 25	Sears Point Raceway	Sonoma, Calif.
July 1	Daytona International Speedway	Daytona Beach, Fla.
July 9	New Hampshire International Speedway	Loudon, N.H.
July 23	Pocono Raceway	Long Pond, Pa.
Aug. 5	Indianapolis Motor Speedway	Indianapolis
Aug. 13	Watkins Glen International	Watkins Glen, N.Y.
Aug. 20	Michigan Speedway	Brooklyn, Mich.
Aug. 26	Bristol Motor Speedway	Bristol, Tenn.

FROM LAST WEEK

THE WINSTON CUP SERIES

CONCORD, N.C. — Matt Kenseth became the first rookie ever to win the Coca-Cola 600, NASCAR's longest race.

The 28-year-old driver, a native of Cambridge, Wis., moved up to 13th in the point standings and outran Bobby Labonte in a tension-filled late-race chase.

The race was delayed for more than an hour, shortly after the halfway mark, by rain. Had the race not resumed, it would have been won by Jerry Nadeau, a Chevrolet driver, who later suffered engine trouble.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. very nearly followed up victories at Richmond and The Winston with yet

another victory, but "Little E" had to settle for fourth, behind Kenseth, Labonte and his father.

BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL

CONCORD, N.C. — Jeff Burton won for the second time, taking the CarQuest 300 over fellow Roush Racing Ford driver Mark Martin.

Jeff Green padded his series point lead with a third-place finish. Matt Kenseth, who does not run the full schedule, remains third behind Green and Todd Bodine.

Burton led the final nine laps after taking the lead from Jeff Gordon, who wound up fourth.

Pole winner Dave Blaney wound up 36th after crashing early in the race.

FEUD OF THE WEEK

Joe Nemechek vs. Steve Park

Nemechek's bump took Park out of The Winston and resulted in a stiff fine. The multicar crash also took out contenders Jeff Gordon and Tony Stewart. Nemechek took exception to the fine when it was announced before qualifying for the Coca-Cola 600.

NASCAR This Week's Monte Dutton gives his opinion: "It seems as though NASCAR's fines occur more because of what a driver says afterward than what actually happened on the track. Nemechek admitted he was angry at Park because of an altercation on the previous lap. By so doing, he was practically daring the governing body to take action."

FROM THE ARCHIVES

■ The winner of the first World (now Coca-Cola) 600 was Joe Lee Johnson, who won only one other race during his career. Before his Charlotte triumph in 1960, Johnson also won a race in Nashville, Tenn., in 1959. Johnson is now promoter of a Tennessee short track.

Kyle Petty to return to Winston Cup, Busch racing this week

By Monte Dutton
NASCAR This Week

CONCORD, N.C. — Kyle Petty, Adam's father, spent the past two weekends mourning the loss of his son, but he will return for the races this weekend at Dover.

Kyle will drive both his own Hot Wheels Pontiac in the Cup race and his late son's No. 45 Chevrolet in the Busch Grand National event.

THIS TIME EVERY YEAR: Robby Gordon, the latest driver to attempt to compete in both the Indianapolis 500 and Coca-Cola 600 on the same day, again had his plans foiled by rain at Indy. For the second

THE WINSTON CUP SERIES

Coming up: MBNA Platinum 400

Where: Dover (Del.) Downs International Speedway (1-mile track)

Format: 400 laps/miles
When: Sunday, June 4
Defending champion: Bobby Labonte

Qualifying record: Rusty Wallace, Ford, 159.964 mph, Sept. 25, 1999

Race record: Mark Martin,

Ford, 132.719 mph, Sept. 21, 1997

Notable: Bobby Allison and Richard Petty each won seven races during their careers at Dover. ... Bill Elliott and Ricky Rudd are the active leaders with four wins apiece. ... Rudd has also won four poles.

BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL

Coming up: MBNA Platinum 200

Where: Dover (Del.) Downs International Speedway (1-mile

track)

Format: 200 laps/miles
When: Saturday, June 3

Defending champion: Dale Earnhardt Jr.

Qualifying record: Matt Kenseth, Chevrolet, 155.293 mph, Sept. 24, 1999

Race record: Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 130.152 mph, May 30, 1998

Notable: Casey Atwood won last year's fall race. ... Chevrolet drivers have 16 of the previous 32 races, and Fords have won

only once.

CRAFTSMAN TRUCK SERIES

What: Sears 200

Where: Evergreen Speedway, Monroe, Wash. (.646-mile track)

Format: 200 laps/129.2 miles

When: Saturday, June 3

Defending champion: Ron Hornaday

Qualifying record: Rich Bickle, Dodge, 100.397 mph, May 9, 1997

Race Record: Mike Bliss, Ford, 81.286 mph, May 11, 1996

PROFILE

Matt Kenseth

By Monte Dutton
NASCAR This Week

Yet another rookie has won a Winston Cup race.

Matt Kenseth, a protege of Mark Martin's, drove the Ford Martin partly owns to victory in the Coca-Cola 600, becoming the first rookie ever to win NASCAR's longest race. David Pearson, Jeff Gordon and Bobby Labonte are others who won their first races in the 600.

Kenseth unsuccessfully battled Dale Earnhardt Jr. for the Busch Grand National championship in both 1998 and 1999. He joined the five-car Roush Racing stable this year and actually leads Earnhardt Jr., who has already won two official races as well as The Winston, in the rookie point standings.

Hometown: Cambridge, Wis.

Age: 28

Marital status: Single

Car: No. 17 DeWalt Ford Taurus, owned by Jack Roush and Mark Martin

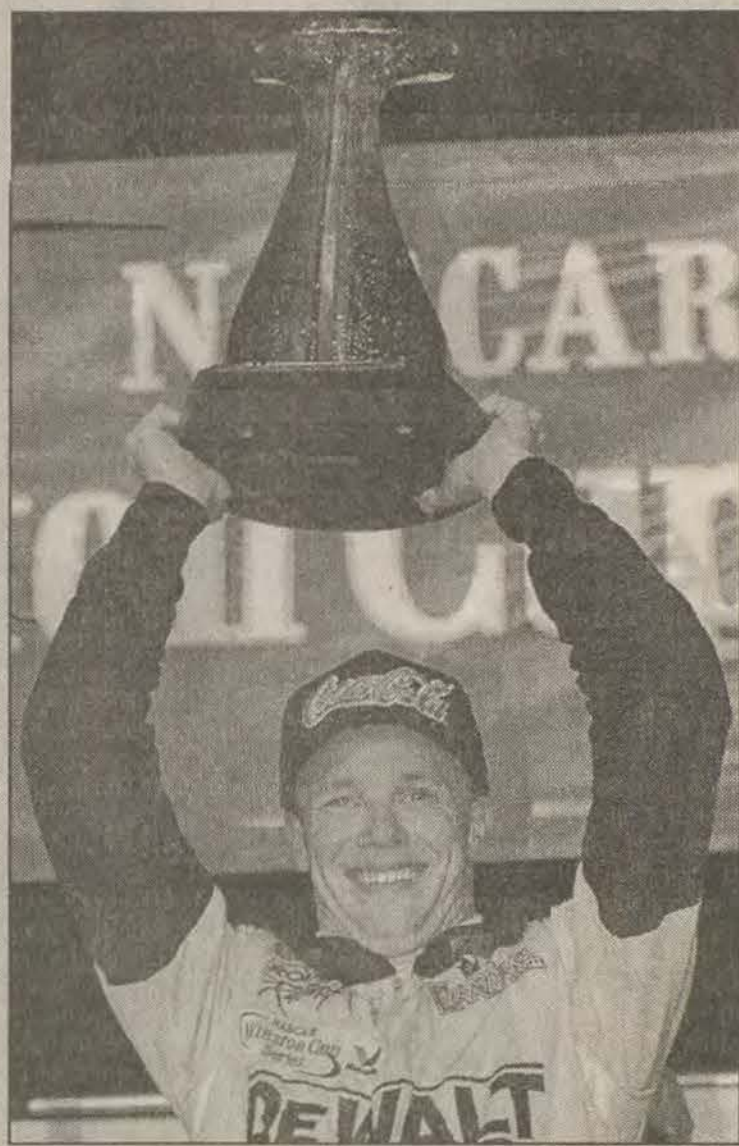
Career statistics: 12 starts, 1 win, 3 top-five finishes, 6 top-10 finishes, 0 poles, \$1,117,482 in career earnings

Firsts: Start (Sept. 20, 1998, at Dover), pole (none), win (May 28, 2000, at Charlotte)

How does winning feel?

"It hasn't sunk in too much. I really don't even know how to act. I didn't think we were going to run as good as tonight. I thought we would maybe be in the top 10 and have a good competitive run, but I certainly wasn't expecting to win the race.

Who are the people who have helped you the most with your career? "The way I look at things is that my dad and I started this thing



John Clark/NASCAR This Week

Matt Kenseth celebrates his Coca-Cola 600 win.

when I was 13 years old, and every person who has helped me along the way is as important as the next. Without any of those people, I wouldn't be where I am today. I have all of those people to thank.

Did the race you almost won at California help you nail this one down? "They were really two different situations, in a way. I felt like, after the first 100 or so miles at California, that we had the car to win the race.

I felt like we had to lose that race. We had everything in position to win it if we just did everything as well as we should, if we had good pit stops and performed well on the track. Leading all of those laps and being out front, while you have to concentrate on hitting the line all the time and all of that, but after the last pit stop at California, it was hard for your mind not to wander a little bit about winning your first Cup race."

Who's Hot... Who's Not

■ **HOT:** Matt Kenseth now has a victory and leads Dale Earnhardt Jr. in the rookie standings.

■ **NOT:** Engine failure caused Bill Elliott to finish dead last in the 600.

Trackside Trivia

1. Where did Junior Johnson run his last race as a driver?
2. Who took over Ford's racing operation in January 1957?

1. Rockingham, on Oct. 30, 1966
2. Jacques Passino

ANSWERS

AROUND THE GARAGE

I.R.L.: Derrick Walker has announced he will expand his Indy Racing League team to include Jeff Andretti, whose brother Michael races in CART and whose cousin John competes in Winston Cup.

Jeff Andretti will begin competing at the Atlanta Motor Speedway race on July 15.

BY INVITATION ONLY: Ricky Rudd's pit crew won the pit-crew competition and \$7,000 in the third annual pit-crew competition at downtown Charlotte's Food Lion Speed Street Festival on May 25.

The competition was limited to teams whose drivers are in the so-called Coca-Cola Racing Family, a

group that endorses the soft drink.

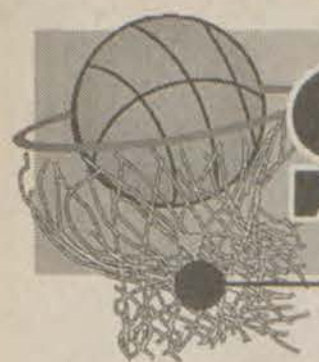
Tony Stewart's team finished second, earning \$3,000.

SURPRISINGLY ABSOLUTELY NO ONE: Casey Atwood, as expected, will drive Ray Evernham's second Dodge on the Winston Cup Series next year. The hiring of the 19-year-old Nashville, Tenn., phenom has been widely anticipated since last year.

The hookup — and here's a surprise — was a contractual snag between Atwood and his Busch Series car owner, Clarence Brewer, which constrained Evernham's ability to announce Atwood's hiring until May 25.

CREW OF THE WEEK

■ **Robbie Reiser, who owns the Chevrolet driven by Matt Kenseth on the Busch Series, is crew chief of Kenseth's Winston Cup Ford. The Reiser-led pit crew completed Kenseth's last pit stop in 15.9 seconds, giving Kenseth the track position that enabled him to win for the first time in Sunday night's Coca-Cola 600.**



Sports In Kentucky

by Bob Watkins

Hall of Fame-bound C.M. Newton picked his battles, enjoyed good media

The announcement last week of C.M. Newton's election to Basketball's Hall of Fame was no surprise. His is the best face college basketball could hope to wear. Reputation without blemish and relationship with media as regal as Bob Knight's is raucous.

Newton's contributions to college hoops have been praised and reported and re-reported almost as often as his old coach had his name appear in sentences with Brown versus the Board of Education.

Newton has become to college basketball what Bear Bryant was to football, and Happy Chandler to baseball. A right place-at-the-right-time man with instincts to know how

and when to take calculated risks and come up aces.

Example: Fire Bill Curry and the ex-coach takes the heat long after he's gone; Participate in hiring Rick Pitino (was UK president David Roselle's call) and be credited for saving UK basketball.

From signing Wendell Hudson as the first black player at Alabama all the way to hiring Tubby Smith as first black coach at Kentucky, Newton chose his battles carefully and applied one rule — pick good people.

Lately, he has been praised for hiring a Division Two football coach, even though the jury is still out on Hal Mumme. Newton retires next month and knew he wouldn't be around when the jury comes back.

Through it all Newton has enjoyed the longest and most endearing media honeymoon since Bud Wilkinson was grinning and winning all those years at

Oklahoma.

Most impressive among Newton's remarks at a news conference last week, was mentioning his best friend, wife Evelyn who died last month. He paid tribute to her with touching eloquence and good humor. Referring to a banquet in his honor a few weeks ago, Newton said his wife might not have been impressed with praise lavished on him. She may have stood up during the dinner, and said, "Enough of this B.S. I've got to live with this guy. Let's get real."

A wife and best friend to keep things in perspective, yes. One more reason to revisit the old adage: Our wives are our best halves.

There was praise for son, Martin as well. Newton indicated he would like his son to be a presenter at the Hall of Fame ceremony in Springfield. An already skilled and astute radio and television basketball broadcaster, young Newton is, his

father said, already making a contribution to the college game.

Grace and generosity in the face of praise. C.M. Newton's election to the Hall of Fame is a good thing. College sports will miss him.

TUBBY HAS WALK-ON WARRIORS

When Tubby Smith added a second walk-on to his roster last week, 6-6 Corey Sears of Corbin to join 6-4 Matt Heissenbuttel of Lexington, it was more than fulfillment of an end-of-season declaration, "... to add a couple of walk-ons for next year."

Intended or not, Tubby was addressing critics who ask why UK does not recruit more in-staters

Sears' and Heissenbuttel's additions are a sort of "... okay, show us proof that Kentucky kids wearing the uniform are better at UK than they might be somewhere else."

Heissenbuttel and Sears may be to UK's roster what tight end Derek

Smith could have been had Hal Mumme kept his word. Warriors. A quality too few Wildcats exhibited last season.

At Lexington Catholic Heissenbuttel was a hard charging, team player. Sears grew up wanting to be a Wildcat. He finished a year at Hargraves Academy where he averaged 16 points and was considered good enough to walk on at Purdue.

In tribute to Deron Feldhaus ('92) and all those who have gone before, either or both have an opportunity to become more than the sum of their individual skills/limitations.

Footnote: In a twist of irony, word is, if he earns it, Sears may be given a scholarship. The one formerly allotted to alleged drug-trafficker Michael Southall.

Further, Sears got another break ... this scholarship almost certainly would have been offered to Elizabethtown High's Antwain Barbour had the 6-5 MVP at the

State Tournament been academically eligible.

WATCH CARRUTH AND CARRIER

Basketball fans in the Bluegrass who enjoy recruiting intrigue well into the heat of summer will keep an eye on Rashaad Carruth at Oak Hill Academy and Josh Carrier at Bowling Green High.

Each is being touted as best shooter in the class of 2000-01. Each is considering signing with a heavy-weight in hoops nation and it might not be UK or UofL. According to recruiting pundits, Carrier likes UCLA; Carruth is interested in North Carolina.

Both UK and UofL have entered vigorously into the hunt however since. Denny Crum has apparently given up signing DaJuan Wagner and wants to add backcourt fire power. Kentucky, in search of a hedge against Keith Bogans leaving after next season, and being sensitive to recruiting more aggressively in-state, has offered a scholarship to both. Likely, first come, first served.

The likelihood of stepping into the Louisville lineup immediately will not be lost on Carruth.

Carrier's interest in UK has warmed in direct proportion to Tubby Smith's expressed interest. A scholarship has been offered.

Meanwhile, Carruth has backed away from remarks made last winter about wanting to join former teammate Cliff Hawkins and sign with the Wildcats.

With two excellent shooters in the offing, summer 2000 should be interesting. Stay tuned.

FOUR STATE TITLES

Several weeks ago a sports fan asked "how many high schools in Kentucky have state championships in four or more sports?" The list is longer than many of us thought.

Since we began with Elizabethtown with four (boys' and girls' basketball, girls' golf and baseball), Bob Jenkins of E'town telephoned to amend that total to five, adding girls' swimming.

This week, two more schools are added to our list.

Mel Boyd of Lexington writes: "Lexington Lafayette has state titles in four different sports - (boys') basketball (5), baseball (several), track and field (mid 1950s) and golf (Gay Brewer and John Y Brown Jr. era in early 1950s)."

And the football team was No. 1 in the polls in the 1953-54 era when Doug Shively, Don Plunkett and mates led the way, but there was no playoff system in place at the time.

Mark Wilson of Somerset writes: "Add Pulaski County High with state titles in five sports. Girls' cross-country, seven (1981, '87, '88, '91, '92, '96 and '97); boys' cross-country, four (1976, '77, '81 and '87); girls' basketball (1981); and girls' track and field (1989).

BITS 'N PEOPLE

I love UK baseball coach Keith Madison's candor. When his Wildcats were inexplicably left out of the NCAA Tournament last week, Madison bristled and accused the selection committee of "... still using the good old boy system. They need to stop trying to scratch everybody's back," he told the Lexington Herald-Leader.

Bowling Green High's Josh Carrier says he will choose a college from among Alabama, Louisville, Duke, Kansas, Kentucky, Vandy UConn and UCLA. A choice made of course with a wary eye on Oak Hill's Rashaad Carruth.

Don Richardson is Kentucky's all-time winningest high school baseball coach with 962. Anyone know who's second? He's still coaching.

PARTING SHOT

Chicago Sun-Times columnist Barry Temkin wonders if the NCAA has the backbone to enforce its edict to make summer league basketball camps off limits to college coaches.

"Are they willing to end lucrative deals with Nike and Adidas, which have soiled the game and spoiled the kids who play it by extending their search for the next mega-star to the grammar-school level?"

And so it goes.

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A horse of a different color

Story and photos
by PAM SHINGLER
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Larry May has just finished quilting a horse. Well, he didn't actually quilt it. He painted it to look like patches of multiple quilts.

And it's not a real horse. It's a life-size fiberglass horse that will soon go on display in Lexington and in the fall will be auctioned off to someone who must have an 8'x6' quilted horse for the yard or foyer.

May, a Floyd County native now living in Benham in Harlan County, is one of 75 artists chosen by the Lexington Arts and Cultural Council to paint artificial equines.

More than 600 people from Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio entered the competition to be commissioned to paint a horse for Horse Mania, a public art project of the council.

May, who spent his boyhood on Toler Creek, submitted his drawing of a patchwork horse, decorated with quilt and fabric patterns.

"People associate quilts with Appalachia, and I wanted to have something associated with Appalachia, since I'm here now," said May, who retired last year from teaching high school art in the northern Kentucky town of Walton, just south of Cincinnati.

His wife, Belinda, who is originally from Benham, has been a quiltmaker, he said, adding that her work has been accepted in the pres-

tigious Kentucky Crafted project.

The artist used 36 different patterns in painting his horse, many with sentimental value. The Ohio rose pattern, for instance, is being used by Belinda in quilts she's making for her sisters.

"The crazy quilt, I remember we had quilts like that that Mom made," he said, referring to the late Myrtle Hamilton May. "She also made the flower garden design, and everybody who quilts makes the double wedding ring."

Among other designs on the horse are turkey tracks, wheels, jack-in-the-pulpit, Dutch girl, and log cabin.

May spent three-and-a-half weeks on the painting project, "working real steady," he said.

He and the other winning artists will receive \$2,500 each for their entries. "Belinda said, 'It's a good chunk of money, but you sure have worked for it,'" he joked last week while putting the finishing touches on the horse in a studio he built behind his house, on a quiet street that ends in a hill.

May and his brother, Phil May, also an artist who lives in Winchester, went to Lexington to pick up the unadorned horse form in late April, because Phil has a pickup truck.

The small-sized truck bed, however, was almost too little for the horse. The brothers ended up laying it upside down with the head sticking out the back.

Taking the painted horse back to Lexington is entailing more preparation. The statue is being anchored upright in the truck, and May hopes no one runs off the road from seeing a quilted horse.

The arts council project follows the lead of a similar project in Chicago, where noted artists were asked to paint cows that were then displayed all over the city. New York City has sponsored a project also with cows, and in Cincinnati the subject has been pigs.

The horses — an obvious choice for the bluegrass — will be on display throughout Lexington until November. (May did not know last week where his will be, but he promises to let The Times know.)

They will then be auctioned or bought by the sponsors who put up the prize money. Proceeds will go to the arts council or to a charity of the sponsor's choice.

May said he hopes someone from this side of the state will purchase his quilted horse.

The artist's father, Phil May, was a carpenter and contractor in Floyd and Pike counties and now lives in Winchester. He is 98 years old. He and his wife had nine children, only one of whom still lives in the area — Elmer May of Pikeville.

Larry May is the father of three sons: Jesse, a student at Northern Kentucky University; Jon, who attends Southeast Community College; and Drew, who is in junior high school.

The former art teacher studied at Morehead State and Eastern Kentucky universities.



No, it's not Mr. Ed. Artist Larry May is simply putting the finishing touches on the horse he's painting to be displayed as part of the Lexington Arts and Cultural Council's Horse Mania project.



Retired from teaching, Floyd County native Larry May is devoting his full time to his own art. He painted this snow-time caboose which he saw in Harlan County where he and his family now live.



Sarah Renee Lafferty

Family's loss turns into gain for others

by PAM SHINGLER
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

The loss of a child has been described as the worst experience parents can have, and Pauletta and Bennie Lafferty of Banner will agree.

In the spring of 1997, their 16-month-old daughter, Sarah Renee, died after having suffered with leukemia for most of her short life.

The Laffertys, however, have turned their grief into raising money to help other parents and children. On Saturday, June 3, at Stumbo Park in Allen, they will host the fourth annual Sarah Renee Lafferty Memorial Gospel Benefit.

The event is free, but the couple take up a "love offering" which goes to the National Children's Cancer Society, along with money raised from concessions.

"We felt this was one way to fight back against the disease to help other people in similar situations," Pauletta Lafferty said.

The first benefit was planned by community members shortly after the Laffertys' baby died. It had been organized to help the family while the child was still going through a series of medical procedures, but after she died on May 4, the decision was made to continue with the event to help others.

Even before the first gospel sing, friends and family in the community had dinners, took up collections and sponsored other fund-raising events to help the

Laffertys.

"Their help allowed my husband to miss work and spend time with the baby in Lexington where she was being treated," the mother said.

She said they chose the National Children's Cancer Society to benefit from the current fund-raising, because it allows money to go directly to families to spend on such things as household bills and travel expenses to and from hospitals.

She said the medical bills for little Sarah Renee's 12-month treatment amounted to more than \$500,000. She added they were fortunate to have coverage for much of the medical expense.

Lafferty stresses that all of the money goes to the charity. She said she gets a certified check for the amount collected and reports the results of the benefit in the newspaper.

The fund-raising is helped, she said, by the donation of food for the concession stand, printing and public service advertising.

Sarah Renee was first diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia when she was four months old. Her mother had noticed a light bruise on the child's leg.

The baby's doctor, at first, dismissed the mother's concern, but decided to order blood work to ease her mind. The results devastated the family, said the moth-

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A welcome call

I was puttering around in my kitchen a few evenings ago when the phone rang, and I'm always glad for any excuse to leave the kitchen chores. Anyway, the call was from Hydrac Harmon who now lives in Winchester with his wife Lula Mae.

He said, "I want you to know those people you've mentioned in your column aren't the only ones who read The Floyd County Times. We get the paper, too, and enjoy seeing the people you write about." It was a welcome call as we had been wondering about these former neighbors who were an important part of our county and community.

My husband and I were very young and inexperienced in running a business, but when Walter received his discharge from the U.S. Marines and we were married, his

father, Richard Hall, started us out with a retail grocery and furniture store. After a time, I became the postmaster at Stanville and Hydrac accepted the job as manager of the grocery business.

After working with us for about eight years, he and Hassel Collins formed a partnership and bought the only other competing grocery business in the community from Ballard and Alice Clark. But even as competitors, we remained friends and neighbors.

Those were good days and the commu-

SMALL WORLD by Aileen Hall



nity was made up of some of the finest people we ever knew, and our customers became more like an extended family to us. Many of them lived on Mare Creek, and ours was the nearest store to them. They included: Hydrac's parents, Dock and Virgie Harmon; Walter and Georgia Collins; Ben and Nora Maynard; Henry P. "Buck" and Norah Scalf; Toy and Vivian Blackburn; Charlie and Sallie Adkins; Mart and Nannie Spradlin; Elbert and Julia Stratton; Beckem and Mendy Goble; John

and Eloise Spradlin; Dick and Julia Garrett; Millard and Dorothy Stratton; Ben and Liza Gunnels; Jake and Bertha Stratton; Tom and Goldie Lewis; Roland and Myrtle Smith; Wilbur and Opal Adkins; Ed and Anna Stratton; Virgil and Ocie Daniels; Sidney and Lois Cline; and John "Bee" and Sarah Hunt.

Other customers and neighbors included Clarence and Mae Crum; Rufus and Sudie Wallace; Burns and Erma May; A. D. and Cleo Carpenter; Bill Russ and Elsie Layne; Paul and Queenie Epling; Ray and Mousie Dingus; Ervin and Violet Scalf; and Bill and Jenny Wright.

Many of these people have passed on and others, like Hydrac and his family, have moved away. But his call brought back a lot of memories of people I never want to for-

get.

Unforgettable Sarah

Had I been writing as much in those days, I would enjoy doing a feature article on many of those people. And I guess I would start with Sarah Hunt who, with her husband Bee, raised 11 children, 10 of their own and one grandchild. They had 37 grandchildren.

Sarah lived to be 90 years old, which proves that hard work won't kill you. A normal summer day for her consisted of hoeing corn for half a day, preparing dinner for the family and then walking the five mile round trip to the store and post office. She would then carry her groceries home and, since she couldn't carry so much, she'd

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Organizations



Prestonsburg Woman's Club meets

by Melissa Forsyth

The GFWC/KFWC Prestonsburg Woman's Club held its April and May monthly meetings in the Club House at Archer

Park. The April program was an informative presentation by Theresa Scott and Ray Tackett from the Cooperative Extensive Service and David Crisp, Prestonsburg landscaper. Sabra Jacobs gave the devotional. The focus of the meeting was Prestonsburg High School Library donation. Garnett Fairchild, Dorothy Stover and Beverly Hackworth provided decorations and desserts.

The May meeting was the installation of the new officers and celebration of a successful year. Drema Miller, Phyllis Stanley, Phyllis Herrick and Carolyn Traum provided decorations. The members provided various dishes. The new officers are Judy Bowen, Pamela Weiner Skeen, Sabra Jacobs, Melissa Forsyth, Beverly Oxford, Drema Miller, Mable Brown and Thelma Laferty.

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Our Yesterdays

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

Ten Years Ago (May 30 & June 1, 1990)

As predicted, voter turnout was poor with only 33 percent of those registered bothering to vote... A trip to Frankfort by Jenny Wiley Theatre representatives last week resulted in commitments by state officials to assure adequate parking for theatergoers, despite the construction of a convention center going on in the middle of the theatre parking lot... The debate is heating up over the presence of a medical waste incinerator at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Residents met to discuss their fears, and officials of Medisin, the HRMC affiliate that operates the incinerator, said the facility is safe... The Jenny Wiley Theatre season opens June 5 with a performance of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat... There died: Delphia Cole Bailey, 83, Allen, May 24 at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Kenneth D. Maggard Sr., 79, Pearisburg, Virginia, formerly of Hindman, May 21, in Altamonte Springs, Florida; Johnnie Fielding Hoover, 75, Hueysville, May 28, at his residence; Julia Bradley Moore, 86, Dema, May 26, at the home of a daughter; Edythe Faye Reynolds Kemp, 52, Milton, West Virginia, formerly of Ligon, May 27 at HRMC; Evan Hamilton, 71, El Cagon, California, formerly of Craynor, May 18, in San Diego; Allie Fair Standifur Webb, 92, Richmond, formerly of Floyd County, May 26, at Patty A. Clay Hospital; Brookie Hall Click, 65, Louisa, formerly of Floyd County, May 23 at Humana Hospital of injuries suffered in an auto accident; Billy Charles Little, 40, Lamont, Illinois, formerly of Weeksbury, May 24, at Oak Forest, Illinois; Johnnie J. Holbrook, 85, Abott Creek, May 30, at HRMC; Willie Duff, 78, Dearborn, Michigan, formerly of Floyd County, May 28, at Oakwood Hospital; Rhoda Martin Prater, 75, Hueysville, May 29, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Woodrow Collins, 71, Endicott, May 29, HRMC; Rev. Elder Kaney Goble, 72, Prestonsburg, May 20, at HRMC.

Tackett, 56, of Detroit, Michigan (formerly of McDowell), at Northwest General Hospital in Detroit; Merkie Hall, 81, of Wheelwright, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Helen Leona Patton, 55, of Lackey, at Riverview Manor; Jessie C. Martin, 63, of Garrett, at St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia; Minnie Sherman, 88, of Southgate, Michigan (formerly of Floyd County), in a Michigan hospital; Clercie Howell, 57, of London, Ohio, at Madison County Hospital.

Thirty Years Ago (May 28, 1970)

The one and only bid offered on construction of the Right Beaver school at Eastern was made last Friday by Akers and Akers, Dana contractors, who asked \$1,018,780 for the work. The bid, opened by the Floyd fiscal court as agent for the Floyd County Board of Education, was \$125,450 above the low bids submitted when the project was first advertised in early 1969. Commenting on the increase in bidding, Supt. Clark said, "The additional \$125,450 is a matter of concern, because that is money that could be well spent at Martin, as well as at other schools in the county. It probably would have paid for the complete renovation of the high school building in Martin..." Contract for surfacing 36.5 miles of KY 122 from Allen via Martin and Left Beaver Creek to Virgie as a detour route while construction of the New four-lane US 23 is underway between Allen and Pikeville was awarded to Bush Contracting Company. The contractor will be paid \$2,498,639...A second damage suit was filed last week as an aftermath to the recent wreck on the Mountain Parkway outside Prestonsburg in which a young Salyersville couple was killed and a Prestonsburg woman was injured. There died: Marshall Mahan, 56, of Prestonsburg, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Jack Dempsey Abrams, 37, of Chicago. He was a son of James William and Mary Vanderpool Abrams, of Wheelwright; Viola May Stewart, 72, of Langley, at her home; Lulu Ousley Brown, 70, of Langley, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Jinilee Powers, 84, of Van Lear, at a Paintsville hospital; Louberta Dawson Allen, 59, of Prestonsburg, at Mountain Manor; Watt Conley, 76, of Prestonsburg, at Prestonsburg General Hospital.

Twenty Years Ago (May 28, 1980)

Two former department heads in the Prestonsburg Mine Reclamation Office appeared before a federal grand jury last week. The grand jury is investigating reports Gene Stewart and Nevard Wells had been ordered to "hit" Martin County mines whose ownership did not support Terry McBrayer in the 1979 race for governor. Stewart and Wells allegedly received word from Gene Brandenburg, who was commissioner of the Bureau of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement. Thirteen mines were on the "hit list"...Two bodies were recovered in the space of two days from the Big Sandy River. Robert Wayne, Newsome drowned May 2 after a fishing boat capsized. Newsome's body was discovered this week by two fishermen. Charles Lee Hall drowned Friday after his boat capsized. Hall was discovered Saturday about 300 feet downstream...In a recent press release, Gov. John Y. Brown defended his gas tax revision and the economic assistance plan which replaces the former coal severance tax allocation. Floyd Judge-Executive Bill Wells made his misgivings of this action clear. According to Wells, the new funds come with fewer restrictions as to how they can be spent, but the additional \$258,870 yielded by the two programs needs to be weighed against the \$700,000 lost to the county...The average teacher's salary in Floyd County was \$13,864 according to State Department of Education figures. This salary ranks Floyd County 83rd out of 181 city and county school districts...The investigation of the blaze which destroyed the home of Grant "Duke" Newsome led to four arrests. State arson investigator James McKenzie issued warrants for Grant "Duke" Newsome, Larry Newsome, Danny Newsome, and Estalene Newsome on second degree arson charges...There died: Eliza Jane Hall, 82, of Weeksbury, at her home; Brack Craft, 88, of Garrett, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; George W. (Dick) Showers, 68, of Drift, at the UK Medical Center; Newberry

Forty Years Ago (June 2, 1960)

The Kentucky Department of Highways has filed application with the US Army Corps of Engineers, Huntington, for approval of location and plans for a bridge to be constructed across the Big Sandy River here as part of the Bluegrass-to-the-Mountains highway proposed by Gov. Bert Combs. Work on the Campton-Prestonsburg sector of the highway is expected to start within the next few weeks...The Floyd County Health Department has been notified by the Ky. Tuberculosis Commission that its request for a quarterly outpatient clinic in Prestonsburg has been granted...The value of loot taken from Floyd businesses by breakin artists mounted further within the week into the thousands of dollars with at least six new lootings reported. Break-ins took place at: Arrowwood Hardware from which cash and shotguns valued at \$1,000 had been taken; between \$1,000 and \$2,000 from Collins Hardware, Lackey; Evans Elkhorn Coal Co. safe carted away; \$3,000 worth of men's clothing from Keith Scott's store in Garrett...Two years of the Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad's planning and hard work climaxed here with the dedication of its new building and a parade of its personnel and equipment along streets lined by hundreds of residents of the county...There died: Luna Martin, 65, of Estill, at her home; Buck Vanderpool, 63, of Estill, at his home; Burley Vinson Ratliff, 56, of Endicott, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; William S. Frazier, 76, of Martin, at the Beaver Valley Hospital;

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The Christian Appalachian Project's adult education program recognized last year's graduates at its eighth annual ceremony. Of 32 graduates, 17 attended the ceremony: first row, from left, Japalene Bently, Tammy Bragg, Karla Wheeler, Janie Ousley, Juanita King, Heather Case, Glenda Pitts; second row, from left, Charlotte Allen, Lorene James, Tammy Reynolds, Kelly Stone, Mary Fee, Susan Hamilton; third row, from left, Peggy Johnson, Eugene Salyers, Kenneth Rudder, and Debbie Sammons. Graduates who did not attend include Sheila Williams, Russell Gibson, Sarah Patrick, Joshua Blackburn, Melody Smith, Jessi Talley, Chad Allen, Tracy Howard, Ray Mullins, Danny Marsillett, Lisa Niece, Laura Ousley, Curtis Tackett, Bobby Justice, and Nick Lumpkins. CAP offers GED, NEDP, ABE and literacy classes in Floyd (285-5111), Knott (358-3400), Magoffin (349-6113) and Lawrence (638-3056) counties.

World

have to make the same round almost every day. That wasn't the only walking she did for, after she cooked supper, she would go out again to visit some neighbor. The family has talked about her cooking. They say her biscuits were tough but good, and when she cooked pinto beans she never got

them done—that when you dipped them up they would rattle against the cooker. They might have complained a little or teased her some, but it didn't matter. The beans were never fully cooked. She chewed tobacco and spit tobacco juice. She loved Pepsi and could drink it warm or cold. A rela-

tive has told how she would hide her tobacco and Pepsis under the bed so Bee wouldn't find them. They each had their hiding places for things they didn't want to share with each other. Just thinking about Sarah always brings a smile, and that's a nice way to be remembered.

Losses

er, adding that the child was "the picture of health." Over the next several months, a futile attempt was made to find a bone marrow donor for the child. In

desperation, doctors tried a transplant of mismatched bone marrow, which ultimately failed. The benefit, which begins at 6 p.m., will feature singing by the

Gospel Harmony Trio, Grace, Gospel Light, Divine Praise, Jeanie Case, and the Katy Friend Freewill Baptist youth.

The Web can help you find the right summer gear

(NUI) - Putting together a summer wardrobe should be a cinch, regardless of the time of year. After all, the weather is always hot somewhere in the world. Right? Unfortunately, that's not always the case. Now there is a Web site that links together many name brand merchandisers where you can do your summer shopping regardless of whether the weather outside is frightful or delightful. At www.mall.com, 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, even office and travel. With categories like that, it would be easy enough to put together a trip to a warm weather destination. But you don't have to travel to the Bahamas to begin your shopping. The first step probably should be to find a bathing suit. Click on Sports and Outdoors to find stores like Speedo, REI, World Foot Locker, Champs and ESPN. Speedo offers a variety of swimwear for use in everything from racing to plain-old swimming. Women might try a tank suit with contrast binding for \$74. Men

could try the sideline shorts with back zipper pocket and drawstring front for \$40. There are a variety of styles here but don't linger for now. You might want to shop somewhere else for shorts and T-shirts. Click on Apparel and Shoes to find stores such as Banana Republic, Gap, LL Bean and Lands End. At the Banana Republic Web site, you choose whether to shop for men, women, children or gifts, then by category. Select pants and shorts. A woman could choose a pair of cotton single twill shorts for \$35. Men might pick cotton shorts with front pleats and pockets for \$38. Next, click over to the Gap and snap up a tank shirt for \$10 for women. Men could choose a short-sleeved polo shirt for \$24.50. If it's summer, you'll need sandals. Try LL Bean, where you can enter the word "sandals" and view choices for women and men. You might try Birkenstocks sandals, with a cork and latex insole that molds to fit the shape of your foot. These are \$104. Teva classic fisherman style sandals are available for \$79.95. To find more summer gear, visit www.mall.com.

ATLA Consumer News

Back-up Alarms: They could save your life

by Richard H. Middleton Jr. and Penny Gold

The repetitive blare of a backup alarm, warning bystanders when drivers move vehicles in reverse is, by now, a familiar sound. To some, the sound is a nuisance and a jarring, unwelcome interruption to a peaceful day. But those back-up alarms, when used, save people from injury and death. Take the case of a 37-year-old seafood buyer in New Hampshire. While inspecting seafood stored in his employer's warehouse, a forklift backed up and pinned him against a steel upright. The man's groin and pelvis were crushed, causing him to be hospitalized for three months. He could not work again for more than a year. The forklift that injured him was not equipped with a back-up alarm. Even though the safety benefits of alarms have been long known—the technology has been available since early in the 20th century—not all commercial vehicles are required to have them. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) does require back-up alarms for "certain industries and certain

Burgoyne, an OSHA public affairs specialist. But in some circumstances, like off-highway jobsites, OSHA allows a human signaler to clear the way for reversing vehicles, instead of an automatic alarm. So for the most part, back-up alarms are optional. This loose regulation of the use of back-up alarms has its critics. "For trucks where it's physically impossible for the driver to see while in reverse—like a dump truck, school bus, or tractor trailer—I don't think there is any plausible reason why you shouldn't have a back-up alarm," says occupational health and safety expert Vincent A. Gallagher Jr. "Even golf carts have back-up alarms. If we can put them in golf carts, we can put them in dump trucks." Gallagher used to work for OSHA. He says that after examining the agency's files on common, recurring, fatal accidents, he found the most common cause of death was caused by reversing vehicles. If you think your vehicle would be safer with a back-up alarm, consider the following options: A "Discriminating" alarm can be set so that it beeps only when

feet of the vehicle. If you don't stop within a certain number of feet, the alarm activates your brakes or disables your vehicle. "This kind of alarm has been around since 1986," says Gallagher. Yet, he adds, only recently have makers of sport utility vehicles been offering them. A "smart alarm" senses the noise level in the environment and adjusts the volume of its beep so that it's louder than the surrounding sound. These alarms have been around since 1984. These and other impressive advancements in safety product design and technology are becoming more obtainable. Ensuring that the most advanced safety products are available to consumers will help keep our families safe. For more health and safety information and tips, visit ATLA's "Keep our Families Safe" Web site at <http://familyafety.atla.org>. Richard H. Middleton Jr., president of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, is a partner in the Savannah, Georgia, law firm of Middleton, Mathis, Adams & Tate, P.C. Penny Gold is the executive director of the Kentucky Academy

Yesterdays

Dixie S. Crider, 72, of Bays Branch, at a daughter's home; W. J. Hall, 73, of Dema, at the McDowell hospital; William Chaffins of Minnie, at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Charles Hackworth, 78, of Brainard, at his home; Linda Thornsby, 56, of Hueysville, at her home.

Fifty Years Ago (June 1, 1950)

Dedication of a new swimming pool in David this Saturday marks completion of another step in that community's plan to become the nation's model coal mining community...The Court of Appeals is expected to decide a suit this month involving 300,000 acres of land in Floyd and Pike counties, to which George Taylor of Norfolk, Virginia claims he is heir by an old Virginia land grant...Betsy Layne High School won the KHSAA regional baseball championship, defeating Sharpsburg 6-1 at Grayson...An area woman was reported under arrest on charges of operating a still in a Blue Gap Hollow, near Elkhorn City...There died: Annie Collins, 91, at Allen; Maudie Mae Adkins, 9, at Lackey; Joe Add Turner, 55, at Cincinnati; Willard Potter, 47, at Draffin; General G. Privett, at the Brown Hotel, Prestonsburg.

Sixty Years Ago (May 21, 1940)

Speaking before the juvenile committee of the Louisville Kiwanis Club last Friday, ex-judge John W. Caudill of Prestonsburg told the group that probation has failed. At least 75 percent of youngsters sent are breeding places for crime, and elders are likely more to blame than youth," Caudill 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 the section water transportation to market for coal and other products...Civil cases of the Floyd Circuit Court from 1808 to present are being indexed as the result of a Works Progress Administration project sponsored by the Floyd Fiscal Court. Twelve persons are being employed and the work is being supervised by W.C. Parsley, of Prestonsburg...There died: Malcolm Stanley, 52, of Prestonsburg, at his home; Mintie Burchett Ward, 79, of Banner, at her home; Laura Daniels White, 60, of Garrett, at her home; Tom Skeans, 67, of West Prestonsburg, at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Albert B. Caudill, 37, of Dema, at the Stubbs Memorial Hospital.

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Dove House has annual meeting

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 May 4: A daughter, Courtney Shay, to Christi Lee and Shamman Mitchell Smith of Thelma.
 May 5: A son, Jacob Michael, to Ernestine M. and Michael P. Pitts of Martin.
 May 8: A daughter, Emily Nicole, to Stacy and Silas Ray Young of Busy.
 May 9: A son, Jacob Kinley, to Teresa and Wesley Watson of Salsersville.
 May 10: A daughter, Pansy LeAnn Watkins, to Anna Sue Miller and Clyde Watkins of

Gunlock.
Pikeville Methodist Hospital
 May 7: A son, Jarrett Jaray to Tina and Roger Elam Jr.
 May 8: A son, Austin Dean, to Connie and Dallas Ray Smith; a daughter, Jordan Alexia Bamie, to Tawana Lou Adams; twin sons, Nicholas Robert and Noah Timothy, to Nicole Denise and Timothy Sherman McNamee; a son, Steven Bailey, to Rebecca and Steven Lockhart.
 May 10: A daughter, Courtney Antonia, to Judy Ann and Anthony Edgar Mullins; a son, Eric Clay, to Cynthia Carol and Eric

Christopher Johnson; a son, Jimmy Michael Ray, to Ginger Michael and Clyde Calvin Ray; twins, a daughter, Jericka La-Sha and a son, Jeremy Lee Price Jr. to Charlee Blevins and Jeremy Lee Price; twins, a son, Austin Blake Gilbert and a daughter, Caitlin Renee, to Christina Tackett and Mark Gilbert; a son, Charles Edvon to Jennifer and Jerry Cole.
 May 11: A daughter, Summer Leigh, to Tabitha Shell; a daughter, Carley Paige, to Candace Lynn and Bobby Ferrell Slone; a son, Tyler Jerome, to Amanda Lyvonne and Joseph Edmund Thacker.
 May 12: A son, Ray Erceel, to Natasha Irene and Brian Adams.
 May 13: A daughter, Madyson

Rayleah, to Sharon Renee and Raymond Fletcher; a daughter, Alexandria Grace, to Shannon Marie and Randall Wayne Bartley; a son, Benjamin David, to Gwena and David Skeens.
 May 15: A son, Caleb Jerome, to Nikki Danielle Damron; a son, Ryan McKinney, to Stephanie Dawn and Jessie Ray Taylor.
 May 16: A son, Paul Ethan, to Polly Francine and Paul Edward Varney Jr.
 May 17: A daughter, Kellie Nicole Tackett, to Lorrie Kay May.
 May 18: A son, Jason Aaron, to Bridget and Jason Robinson; a son, Michael Allen, to Susie Jane and Richard Ray Young.

Free your space with "lofty" design concepts

(NAPSA)-Think you need to be a city slicker to get the modern benefits of loft living? Think again. In recent years, lofts have risen from their industrial roots to become one of the hottest domains on the American landscape and a driving force in new spatial concepts. In fact, the free-flowing loft look has inspired a demand for open floor plans in even the most traditional housing options.
 "If there is one word to explain the love for loft design, it's freedom," says Mike Short, design director for Sauder, the nation's leading manufacturer of ready-to-assemble furnishings. "The widespread acceptance of lofts has made it possible for individuals in traditional housing to be more unconventional and ambitious in the design of their environments."
 To achieve the loft style in your own humble abode, consider these design ideas:
Color
 Use color to create dramatic optical illusions. To visually expand your space, paint walls with white, neutral and/or soft pastel tones. Darker colors can create more intimate areas, but they also make rooms appear smaller.
 To set off a specific area in an oversized space, however, consider a strong contrasting color. And opting for simple, non-intrusive design solutions such as color separations instead of architectural divisions also helps to maintain the uninterrupted space cherished in loft living.
Multi-Functional Furnishings
 Choose furnishings that perform double duty, suggests Short. Multi-functional furnishings help elimi-



Minimalist contemporary furnishings such as Sauder's Parisian Collection help open your space.

nate the need for additional furnishings and help minimize clutter. It's also wise to look for "ease on wheels"-mobile furnishings with casters-that can easily and quickly be moved from corner to corner.
 "Lofts were really the first spaces to require multi-tasking since they housed both living and working arrangements," explains Short. "Today, as more individuals punch the clock at home, lofts have become popular inspirations for how to harmoniously integrate these two areas. And, the right furnishings are important elements in creating this symbiotic look."

Furniture Size And Placement
 Be careful that your furniture doesn't speak "volumes." Rooms can seemingly soar or dwindle depending upon the size of furniture and where it's placed. When choosing furniture, opt for eclectic styles in contrasting scales that can help camouflage a room's true dimensions. Short recommends styles with curved lines and L-shaped configurations, such as Sauder's contemporary Parisian furnishings, which feature tapered solid wood legs and brushed metal stretchers, leg caps and drawer pulls.
 For a sense of balance in any size

room, but especially larger rooms, set furniture away from walls to create specific focal points or "hot spots" of activity. And, avoid placing taller and bulkier furnishings on the same side of a room, as this weighs down the area and diminishes the open look and feel.
 The cityscape doesn't have to be the only venue for the expansive loft look. Heed these "lofty" design concepts to make the most of your space.
 For more information on Sauder furniture, visit the company's Web site at www.sauder.com or call the toll-free line at 800/523-3987.

Reunions
 • Third annual Akers and Holt family reunion, Saturday, June 3, beginning at 10 a.m., Shelter 2 at Dewey Lake, Corps Recreation Area, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Bring refreshments. For information, call 447-2731 or 785-3735.
 • Hughes-Laferty Reunion, Saturday, June 10, Shelter 4 at Dewey Lake, JWSRP; lunch 12:30 p.m. Relatives of Joe Hughes and Hiram Laferty.

WEDDINGS/ENGAGEMENTS



Auxier wedding planned
 Auxier Freewill Baptist Church will be the setting for the wedding of Elizabeth Renea Music and Andrew Todd Skaggs on Saturday, June 3, 2000, at 4 p.m. The bride-elect is the daughter of Raymond and Edna Music of Paintsville. She is a graduate of Johnson Central High School and Mayo Technical College. The prospective groom is the son of Keith and Lynn Skaggs of Lowmansville. He is a graduate of Lawrence County High School and is employed by Sykes Enterprises in Pikeville. Andrea Music will be the maid of honor, with Alana Combs and Becky Amburgey serving as bridesmaids. Best man will be Ryan Skaggs. Chris Skaggs and Jamie Skaggs will serve as ushers. Flowergirls and ringbearer will be Zoey Shepherd, Brittany Miller and Matthew Hicks. A reception will follow the wedding at the church.

FREE THINGS TO SEND FOR

(NAPSA)-A free booklet on low vision, which is visual impairment not correctable by standard eye-glasses or contact lenses, is available by calling 1-877-LOW VISION (1-877-569-8474) or visit the website at www.nei.nih.gov.
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KAC official to speak at banquet

by Rebecca Derossett
Executive Director
Floyd County Chamber of Commerce

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce annual awards banquet is scheduled for Thursday, June 8, at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

The evening's activities begin at 6 p.m. with a reception, sponsored by First Commonwealth Bank, with dinner following.

Ewell Balltrip, executive director of the Kentucky Appalachian Commission, will be keynote speaker.

Balltrip was appointed to head the new commission in July 1996, by Gov. Paul Patton. He is responsible for strategic planning, coordinating development activities, assisting in policy development, auditing regional progress and advising the governor and his cabinet on matters affecting Appalachian Kentucky.

A native of Harlan, Balltrip operated several community newspapers for the New York Times Company before he joined the commission. He was publisher of the Harlan Daily Enterprise, Daily News in Middlesboro and State Gazette in Dyersburg, Tennessee.

Balltrip gained a practical understanding of many issues related to Appalachian Kentucky through his practice as a community journal-



ist. Over almost 20 years, he covered an array of events stemming from Appalachian social, economic and political issues.

His works were recognized by the Kentucky Press Association and the Associated Press Managing Editors' Association.

He also has an extensive background in community development and civic activities. He was founding director and co-chairman of Forward in the Fifth, an education promotion group in the state's Fifth Congressional District.

He has served on the boards of directors of the Mountain Association for Community Economic Development and of Kentucky Highlands Investment Corp.

He has been a member of the Shakertown Roundtable and has been on the boards of chambers of commerce in Harlan and Dyersburg. He is on the board of the Kentucky Challenger Learning Center and Southeast Education Foundation at Southeast Community College.

He is a member of the East Kentucky Leadership Foundation, which sponsors the annual East Kentucky Leadership Conference.

At the banquet, the chamber will recognize the Businessperson of the Year, Business of the Year, Floyd Countian of the Year and the newest member of the local Hall of Fame. In addition, an Excellence Award will be presented, along with three Special Recognition awards.

Tickets are \$30 each for chamber members and \$50 for non-members. They are available at the chamber office on the second floor of the old post office building in downtown Prestonsburg. Call 606/886-0364.

How to avoid fraud in your business

by Robert P. Gray, CPA
Kentucky Society of CPAs

If you suspect that several of your key sales personnel are misusing the company's travel and entertainment expense reports to increase their income and pay for their personal expense, there are several ways a company can avoid potential problems in this area.

Although fraud schemes for personal expense reimbursements are generally smaller than other fraud schemes, they are no less important and should not be overlooked by a company.

The inexperienced auditor or examiner will often overlook the potential for fraud in this area, because such expenses are typically immaterial to the company's total operation. However, it has been said that an employee who submits a fraudulent expense reimbursement form is more prone to commit other types of fraud against the company.

Additionally, as fraud offenders become more sophisticated in their concealment methods, fraudulent expense reimbursement forms may be the only avenue available to the company's auditor or examiner for disciplinary action.

Business travel and entertainment expense reimbursement frauds have several variations, not the least of which can include some of the following:

- Submitting false mileage claims for the company use of a personal vehicle
- Submitting meals that were attended by the family members or friends and presenting them as business lunches
- Playing golf with friends and claiming them as business associates
- Purchasing library materials for one's personal use under the ruse that the company needs them
- Having a secretary fill out expense reports involving personal expenses by fictitiously using a stack of business cards gathered while attending a trade show

The best way to avoid business travel and entertainment expense fraud is to have strong internal accounting controls. A good system of internal accounting controls should prevent and/or detect errors and irregularities from occurring in a business.

Preventive internal controls are a business' first line of defense, because they serve to impede business travel and entertainment expense frauds before they occur. Preventive controls over fraud schemes require the serious support of top management for companies of any size.

This means that senior level management and/or the business

owners should refuse to tolerate such action and not be bashful about getting the message across to all employees, vendors and customers.

A strong established ethics policy that is followed by top management is a powerful deterrent to internal fraud. When management portrays strong ethics, then other employees are more likely to copy this behavior.

In addition, requiring detailed expense reports, complete with receipts, is an excellent deterrent to internal fraud. Employees should be required to submit the receipts, along with specific explanation of the expense, such as time, place, amount, and business purpose of each business function.

Effective internal controls assist the business in identifying errors or irregularities in a timely manner. Most companies employ two basic methods to disclose personal expense fraud schemes:

- Review and analysis of expense accounts
- Detailed review of expense reimbursements

Using either one or a combination of the two basic methods is suggested. Reviews should be documented and the results reviewed with senior management.

The best detection method is a detailed review of employee expense reimbursements. This method requires that the reviewer(s) have, at the time of the inspection, a calendar and/or a copy of the employee's schedule for the relevant time period. The reviewer should also be familiar with the travel and entertainment policies of the company.

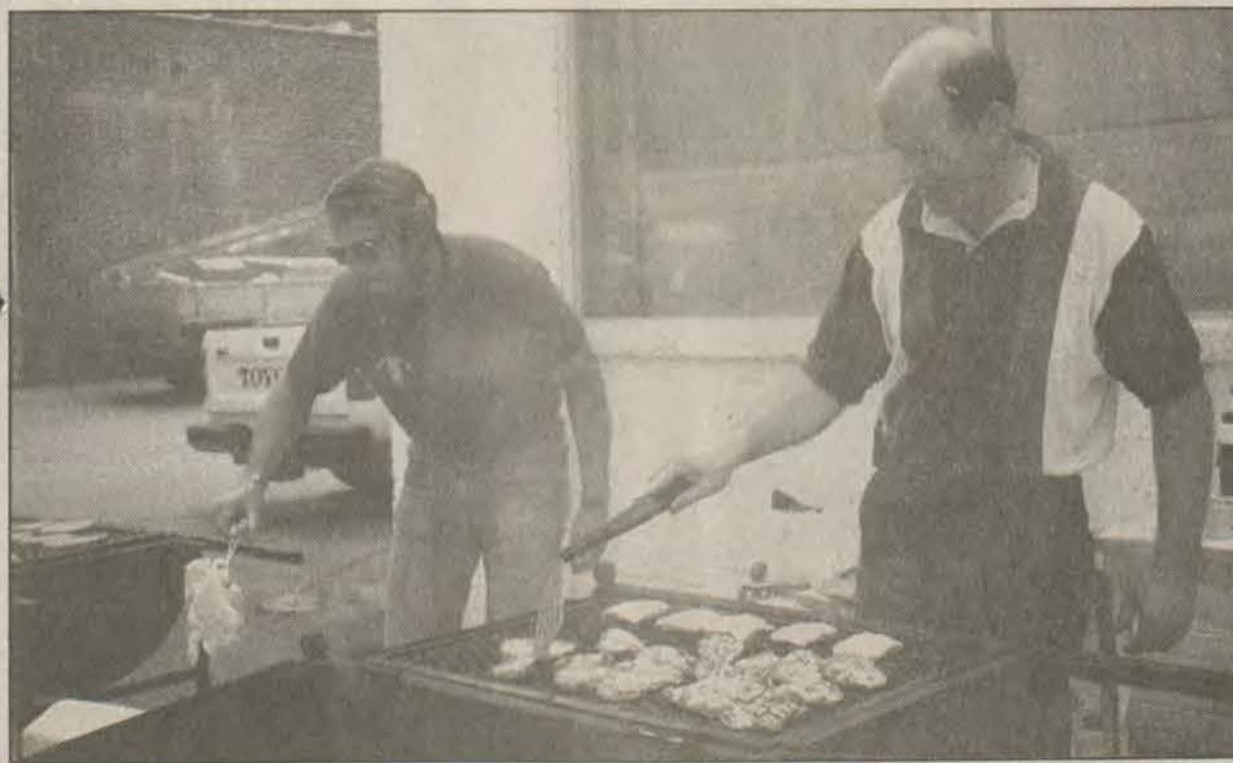
Additionally, the following three steps may help identify employee expense abuses:

- The company should have written (formal) "Business Travel & Entertainment Expense Guidelines." All employees should be asked to read the policies and procedures at least annually and sign a receipt that they have done so. The signed receipt should then be placed in the employees' personnel file that would acknowledge their review and acceptance of the guidelines. The receipt can also serve as support for the company should disputes arise.
- Require employees to submit their expense reports for a detailed review before reimbursement is paid. This may help curtail potential fraud.
- The business should periodically review employee expense reimbursements. This can be particularly effective if the analysis is completed shortly before employee performance reviews.

Customer service



Brock-McVey officials were cooking for their customers last Thursday. Reggie Hickman, below right, vice president, and John McDonald IV, president and CEO of the Dubuque, Iowa-based company, cooked hamburgers, hot dogs and chicken filets on grills on the sidewalk in front of the store on North Lake Drive in Prestonsburg. They had treated customers of the Corbin store the previous day and will do the same in Lexington next week. The company, which specializes in plumbing and lighting equipment, also has operations in Maysville, Frankfort, Mt. Sterling and Bowling Green. "This store here is doing a great job," Hickman said. McDonald is the fifth generation of his family to be in the plumbing business. (photos by Pam Shingler)



Panel seeks nominations for small business award

Small businesses that have shown a commitment to air quality can now be nominated for the third annual Small Business Air Quality Stewardship Award.

The Small Business Stationary Source Compliance Advisory Panel may select more than one nominee to receive the award. Applications may be received or postmarked before July 15.

The advisory panel is part of a program designed by the Kentucky Division for Air Quality to comply with the federal Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. The amendments include provisions that direct each state to establish a program to assist small businesses in complying with the act's regulatory requirements.

The panel's 2000 stewardship award will recognize exemplary performance in one or more of the following areas: pollution prevention, reducing emissions, emission control and community air quality leadership.

The panel will hold a luncheon to honor the winner or winners on September 18, at the lieutenant governor's mansion in Frankfort. Individuals, businesses and organizations may nominate themselves or others for the award. A committee of advisory panel members will evaluate the nominations.

To request a nomination form, call Bobbie Malmer in the Department for Environmental Protection at 502/564-2150. The nomination form may also be completed online or downloaded from the Air Quality Small Business Program Web site at <http://www.nr.state.ky.us/nrepe/depsmbizair/index.htm>.

McCoy joins bank staff

Michael B. McCoy of Pikeville has been appointed senior vice president/senior lending officer at First Commonwealth Bank in Prestonsburg.

McCoy has 20 years of experience in bank management and commercial lending. He has held various positions in the banking industry, most recently as community president for the eastern Kentucky region with Firststar.

He is a graduate of the University of Kentucky and has completed studies at the



University of Virginia Graduate School of Bank Management and the Kentucky Bank Management Institute.

He has also completed courses in disciplined lending, cash flow analysis, commercial real estate lending, negotiations, team building and sales training.

Active in community affairs, McCoy is a board member of the Pikeville Independent School System, of the Pikeville YMCA, and of the Pike County Industrial Economic Development.

First Commonwealth, a locally owned, independent community bank, has served Floyd County and the Big Sandy region since 1904. It has full-serve locations in Floyd County at Prestonsburg, Martin and Betsy Layne, and lending offices in Morehead and Pikeville.

McCoy can be contacted at 886-2321, or toll-free at 1-877-886-6777, or by visiting the bank's web site at www.firstcommonwealthbank.com.

Local man receives special designation

Danny Osborne, formerly of Floyd County, received the designation of Master Shipbuilder in a ceremony at the Omni Hotel in Hampton, Virginia, April 14.

During the ceremony, Bill Fricks, chairman and CEO of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, stated that the designation of Master Shipbuilder belongs to an elite group of individuals who have 40 years or more of continuous service in the ship building industry.

According to Fricks, much of the company's success and reputation for building the finest ships in America can be credited to the skills and dedication of the Master

Shipbuilders.

Osborne began his career in the shipyard on July 6, 1959. He has helped build a long list of Navy aircraft carriers, including the first nuclear carrier, the USS Enterprise.

During his shipbuilding career, he has also worked on the John F. Kennedy, the Theodore Roosevelt, the Abraham Lincoln and the Dwight D. Eisenhower carriers. He is currently helping to build the Ronald Reagan carrier.

Osborne attended Wheelwright High School and is the son of the late Roy Osborne, formerly of Buckingham, and Lee Ester Osborne of Hampton, Virginia.

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Farm Bureau gets top rating

Kentucky Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co. has again received the highest rating possible, A++, from the insurance rating service, A.M. Best Co. This is the ninth straight year for the rating, which only four percent of insurance companies receive.

According to A.M. Best, the rating reflects the company's superior financial strength, excellent operating results and dominant personal lines market presence in Kentucky.

WSAZ has buyer

Emmis Communications Corp. (NASDAQ:EMMS) has agreed to purchase eight network-affiliated, including WSAZ-TV in Huntington, and seven satellite television stations from Lee Enterprises (NYSE:LEE). The purchase price for the stations was \$562.5 million.

Emmis, based in Indianapolis, already owns seven TV stations, 15 radio stations, two radio networks, several large regional and specialty magazines, and related businesses in sales and publishing.

North and South agree to agree

The chief officers of Agway Inc., an agricultural cooperative in 12 northeast states, and Southern States Cooperative, encompassing 16 southern states, have signed "a letter of intent to pursue discussions toward the creation of a relationship to serve Agway consumer dealers" in the northeast.

The letter provides for the two cooperatives to work together to develop a product distribution and marketing system that will serve dealers with a full line of branded and non-branded products, as well as marketing and advertising support to develop both groups' brands and trademarks over a larger area.

WSAZ announces retirement of veteran broadcaster

Huntington—Don Ray, general manager of WSAZ Television, has announced the recent retirement of longtime broadcaster George "Mickey" Curry, the station's program manager, after 42 years of service.

"In so many ways, Mickey embodies what is great about this station. He is always fair and kind to everyone. His approach to business has always been honest and straightforward. Those qualities are evident by how well he is respected at the station and in the community," Ray said.

Curry worked his way up to program manager after beginning his career at the station as a switchboard operator. Along the way, Curry has also managed the station's public affairs, production and promotions departments.

"Programming a television station is never easy. There are so many constituencies to serve. Mickey made it look easy. There are countless ways his leadership will continue to affect how WSAZ operates for years to come," Ray added.

In honor of both Curry's contributions to broadcasting and his commitment to education, WSAZ has created the Mickey Curry Broadcasting Scholarship at Marshall University.

Ray also announced that Burt Spangler has been named director of programming and promotions.

Spangler began his career in production at WSAZ in 1985. He was promoted to television director in 1993. In 1995 he took over the station's promotions department.

"Working closely with Mickey over the last few years on programming and public affairs has prepared Burt for the new responsibilities," said Ray.

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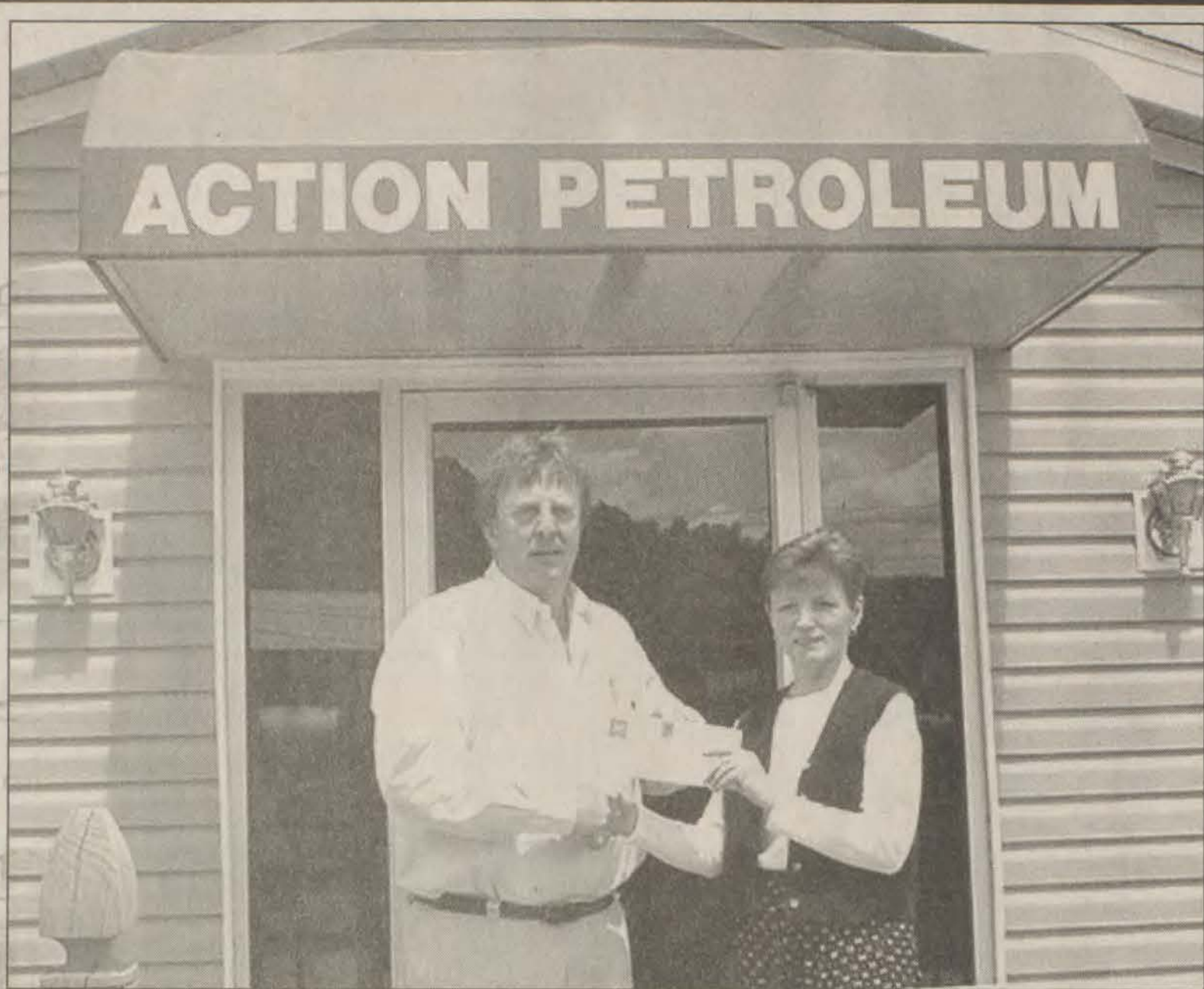
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Technology training alert

(NUI) - For the past 10 years, the nonprofit Cable in the Classroom project has offered public and private schools nationwide free cable installation, free monthly service and over 500 hours of educational, commercial free programming each month from networks like Discovery, A&E, C-SPAN and CNN.

But cable is now looking beyond today and into the future. Educators have known for decades that not all students learn the same way. Some learn well from texts, other have to "see" a problem or "hear" an event to understand it.

Until recently, however, most teachers have had a limited repertoire of resources available to them. That has started to change.

Many local cable companies are hosting free technology workshops for teachers. Attendees learn in a state-of-the-art mobile multimedia lab that allows them to evaluate educational videos, explore educational sites on the Internet, download multimedia materials from Web sites, and integrate new resources into their lesson plans.

Led by teacher training specialists from Cable in the Classroom, the workshops provide teachers with an opportunity to share success stories as well as address concerns about keeping up with the explosion of new resources.

To learn how your school can benefit from this free training, visit www.ciconline.org or call 1-800-743-5355.



Doing their part

Two area corporations have recently demonstrated their support of Jenny Wiley Theatre by making contributions to help with the season's productions. Action Petroleum is the 2000 season's ticket sponsor, and Citizens National Bank is a sponsor, in part, of the scenery and props. Above, Action Petroleum President Tim McDonald makes a presentation to JWT board member Linda Francis, and, left, Andrew Dorton, CNB's Center Pointe branch manager, presents a check to theatre board member Gwendolyn Daniels. This year's presentations are "The King and I," "The Legend of Jenny Wiley," "South Pacific," "The Hunchback of Notre Dame," and Dale Wasserman's "A Walk in the Sky."



Local MSU students were surprised by treats before final exams. (photos by Willie Elliott)



Businesses furnish 'food for thought'

Students at Morehead State University's Big Sandy Campus had something to smile about as they arrived to take final exams in early May.

Area businesses provided students with pizza, chips, candy, fruit and soft drinks, as well as several door prizes.

Among the area businesses contributing were Bountiful Baskets and Bouquets; Carter Hughes Toyota; Christina's Flowers and Gifts; Citizens National Bank; Community Trust Bank; Dairy Cheer; Dairy Queen; First Commonwealth Bank;

Firstar Bank; Fitzpatrick, Osborne & Sturgill, Attorneys-at-Law; Food City, Foodland, Hall Funeral Home, Highlands Regional Medical Center; Inacom Computer Center; Jenny Wiley Florist; Kenny's Florist; Kentucky Fried Chicken; Lee's Famous Recipe;

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Survey reveals great financial expectations

(NAPSA)-America's students are confident that the economy will remain strong but lack self-confidence in their ability to manage money, according to a recent survey.

The 1999 Phoenix Student Fiscal Fitness Survey shows a healthy optimism about the future among 12- to 22-year-olds. For example:

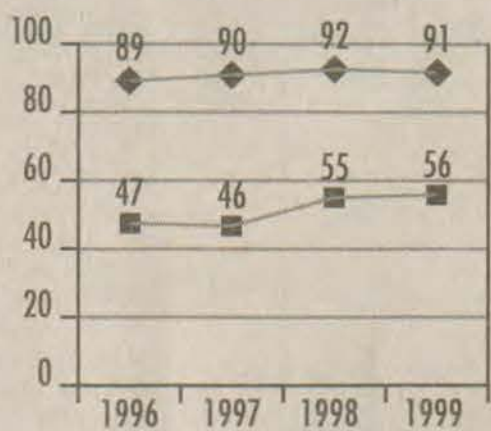
- Fifty percent of students say they expect to be wealthier than their parents, although only 15 percent expect to work harder than their parents.

- Twenty-six percent say they have more than enough money for their needs and wants, which continues an upward trend since 1996, when just 16 percent of students said they had more than enough money.

- Ninety-one percent of college students are optimistic about their financial future. Of those, 36 percent are "very optimistic."

"These students are growing up during a period of sustained economic growth, which may perpetuate an assumption of affluence and a false sense of security about the future," said Robert W. Fiondella, chairman, president and chief executive officer of Phoenix Home Life Mutual Insurance Company, which sponsors the survey.

It is our responsibility to help them understand the importance of being prepared for difficult times as well as good times. They should learn the



◆ Percentage of students who believe kids their age should save money for the future

■ Percentage of students who consider themselves more of a spender than a saver

The percentage of students who consider themselves spenders rather than savers has risen since 1996.

lesson that their continued financial well-being depends on knowledge, planning and foresight."

Although students are optimistic about their future finances, they concede having little knowledge about finance and express a desire to learn.

- Only 20 percent of students consider themselves "very good" at managing their personal finances, while 13 percent consider themselves "not good" when it comes to personal finance management. Eighty percent of students say they expect to handle their finances just as their parents do once they are out on their own.

- Sixty-six percent of students say they are interested in financial matters, but only 12 percent express strong interest.

- Three-quarters (74 percent) of students say schools should teach money management; only 6 percent say schools should not.

The national survey, now in its fourth year, was conducted by Yankelovich Partners Inc. The survey focused on households in which at least one person earns \$45,000 or more annually. The average household income was \$91,000. The 1,176 respondents were interviewed by telephone.

For financial tips or to compare your financial outlook to results from the 1999 Phoenix Student Fiscal Fitness Survey, visit Phoenix's Internet site at www.phl.com.

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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" and the longitude is 82°54'44".

The operation is located on the Iynton 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.

LEGAL NOTICE PROPOSED USE HEARING

A public hearing will be held by City of Prestonsburg at City Hall on June 2nd, at 3:00 p.m., for the purpose of obtaining written and oral comments of citizens regarding possible use of MRA Funds. The City will be receiving \$46,565 during fiscal year 2000-2001, for a total of \$97,779.50.

All interested persons and organizations in Prestonsburg are invited to the public hearing to submit oral or written comments on the possible use of Municipal Road Aid Funds. These funds will be used for the construction, reconstruction, maintenance or repair of city streets, or other development projects. Any person(s) (especially senior citizens) who cannot submit comments, should call City Hall at 606-886-2335 so that arrangements can be made to secure their comments.

LEGAL NOTICE PROPOSED USE HEARING

A public hearing will be held by City of Prestonsburg at City Hall on June 2nd, at

3:00 p.m., for the purpose of obtaining written and oral comments of citizens regarding possible use of LGEA Funds. The City will be receiving \$80,000 during fiscal year 2000-2001, for a total of \$114,949.02.

All interested persons and organizations in Prestonsburg are invited to the public hearing to submit oral or written comments on the possible use of LGEA Funds. These funds will be used for the construction, reconstruction, maintenance or repair of city streets, or other development projects.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

James A. Duff Elementary School SBDM Council Parent Elections will be held on Wednesday, May 31, 2000, at 6:00 p.m., in the school library.

Nominations must be submitted in writing to the school office by 3:10 p.m., on Friday, May 26, 2000. Parents may nominate themselves or another parent.

*A parent council member shall be a parent or legal guardian of a student to be enrolled in the school during the parent's term of council service. A parent council member shall not be an employee at James A. Duff Elementary School or the District Central Office, the relative of an employee at James A. Duff Elementary School or the District Central Office, a local Board member or spouse of a local Board member. Relative shall mean father, mother, brother, sister, husband, wife, son, daughter, aunt, uncle, son-in-law or daughter-in-law.

*Any parent of a child enrolled at James A. Duff Elementary or a parent of an incoming student may vote to elect the parent council members.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Absher LLC, FKA Absher Inc., mailing address, 409 N. Arnold Ave., Prestonsburg, KY 41653, hereby declares intentions to apply for a retail package liquor and retail beer license(s) no later than June 30, 2000. The business to be licensed will be located at PO Box 113, US 23, Parker Bldg., Betsy Layne, Kentucky 41605-0113, doing business as J & J Liquors, LLC.

The owner(s), principal officers are as follows:

Owner, Absher LLC (FKA Absher, Inc.), of 409 N. Arnold Ave., Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

President, Jack Absher of, 409 N. Arnold Ave., Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license by writing to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Suite A-2, Frankfort, KY 40601, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE COMMONWEALTH

OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. 1 C. A. NO. 99-CI-00992

SANDRA H. BUDZISZEWSKI and JAY BUDZISZEWSKI, PLAINTIFFS, vs. SHERRY CLINE; ERNESTINE WAKELAND and UNKNOWN SPOUSE of ERNESTINE WAKELAND; DALLAS BATES and UNKNOWN SPOUSE of DALLAS BATES; AND FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, DEFENDANTS.

THAT BY VIRTUE of a Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 3rd day of May, 2000, in Floyd Circuit Court, Division No. 1, in the above-styled partition action, 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 15th of June, 2000, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the following described property, lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a stake on the east bank of Prater Creek, a short distance below the mouth of the "Water Gap" hollow and on the line of Isaac Hall; thence leaving the creek and running an eastwardly course with said Hall's line to the county road; thence the same course with line of Jerry Hall to a large beech on point; thence up the center of the ridge; and to the line B. K. Akers; thence down point with said Akers' line to Prater Creek; thence down the creek with meanders of same (as now runs) to the beginning.

Being the same boundary of land conveyed by Willie Johnson to Isaac Hall and Verlie Hall by deed dated March 13, 1943, recorded in Deed Book 120, Page 464, Floyd County records.

There is excepted and not herein conveyed those lots or tracts of land heretofore conveyed out of the above-described boundary of land to John Lewis, Sam Boyd and John Gross.

Being the same land conveyed by Verlie Hall Newsome and Alvin Newsome, her husband, to Sherry Hall Murray and Sandra Hall Budziszewski by deed dated July 11, 1979, recorded in Deed Book 241, Page 244, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

The property hereinabove described cannot be divided without materially impairing its value or the Plaintiffs' interest therein and therefore will be sold as a whole by the Special Master Commissioner of this court with the proceeds therefrom distributed to the parties as set out herein below.

The proceeds of the sale shall be applied by the Special Master

Commissioner in the following manner and order:

(A) That any and all delinquent ad valorem taxes presently owed to Floyd County, Kentucky, on the subject matter real property, shall be paid by the Special Master Commissioner.

(B) That the proceeds of the sale shall first be applied to the Special Master Commissioner's cost, fees and expenses incurred in this action.

(C) That the proceeds of the sale shall be used to pay the fees, expenses and cost of the warning order attorney, Jerry A. Patton, if any has been claimed.

(D) That the remaining proceeds of the sale shall be paid to the following persons at their proportionate interest:

(1) Sandra J. Budziszewski and Jay Budziszewski, her husband - 1/2

(2) Sherry Cline - 1/2

The foregoing real property shall be sold by the Special Master Commissioner on the following terms and conditions:

(A) The purchaser

shall be required to pay the sum of ten percent (10%) of the bid price down in cash at the time of sale.

(B) The balance thereof on a credit of thirty (30) days at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum.

(C) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all real property taxes assessed for the tax year 2000 and all subsequent years.

(D) Any delinquent Floyd County real property taxes will be deducted from the sale proceeds.

(E) The purchaser shall be required to execute a bond or bonds with sufficient sureties thereon, which shall have the force and effect of a judgment in order to secure the payment of the balance of the purchase price and said bond shall constitute a lien on said property until paid, said bond to bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid.

(F) Any purchaser shall have the privilege of paying all or any part of the purchase price or paying said bond or bonds before maturity by paying the balance of principal, together with all accrued interest thereon.

(G) Upon default of said deposit or posting of bond by the purchaser, the Special Master Commissioner shall immediately resale the property upon the same terms and conditions set out herein.

(H) The Special Master Commissioner, before said sale, shall advertise the time, place and terms thereof by inserting a notice of the time, place and terms of said sale, together with a description of the property to be sold in a newspaper approved by this court in this county.

(I) This being a partition suit, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Special Master Commissioner shall not appoint appraisers for this property and said Special Master Commissioner shall not be required to file an appraisal prior to the sale of this property.

(J) That in the event that the successful bidder is either the Plaintiff or the Defendant, Sherry Cline, then and in that event said person(s) shall take credit against their bid for the interest they own in the property, and they are required to make no cash payment and shall fill bond for no more than one-half (1/2) of the bid; subject to payment of all sales costs, however.

Any announcements made on the date of sale will take precedence over printed matters contained herein.

SO NOTICED this the 9th day of May, 2000.

GREGORY A. ISAAC
Special Master Commissioner
Floyd Circuit Court
199 North Lake Drive
Prestonsburg,
Kentucky 41653
(606) 886-2391

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing notice of commissioner's sale was on this the 9th day of May,

2000, mailed postage prepaid to the following:

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