# Student cleanup uncovers medical waste

by PAUL TAULBEE CONTRIBUTING WRITER

What better lesson could be taught to a group of students on a warm spring day than responsibility for the environment in their own home community?

On Wednesday, fifth- and sixth-graders at Dennis Wooton Elementary in Hazard were taking some time from routine classroom work to pick up litter and garbage on Crawford Mountain Road, directly across from Perry County Central High School. The fifth- and sixth-grade students at Dennis Wooton have been sacking up garbage on Crawford Mountain Road for the past five

The kids worked under the supervision of

Marea Prewitt, Maria Campbell and Bea Madden, outfitted with protective latex gloves, they picked up 300 bags of garbage and litter. The kids from Dennis Wooton were joined by state Rep. Brandon Smith, Perry County Judge-Executive Denny Ray Noble and Perry County PRIDE Coordinator Tony Lewis, who helped with the cleanup.

Everything was going great, the debris and garbage was being sacked up by the kids, when Rep. Brandon Smith checked out something lying in the stream that drains Crawford Mountain Road. Smith investigated and found the contents to be biomedical waste, including medical syringes containing what appeared to be human blood. Smith warned the students to stay clear of the area. The cache also contained drug paraphernalia

a pipe reportedly used to smoke crack.

The adults present made sure that none of the students came into contact with the biomedical waste. The material was collected in a plastic garbage bag and taken to the bottom of the hill and put under the care of the Hazard Police Department.

Major Elisha Morris was at the foot of Crawford Mountain Road diverting traffic during the cleanup. Morris, coordinator of the DARE program in Hazard, knows hazardous biomedical waste when he sees it. He called the Hazard Fire Department. The fire department brought down a hazardous waste disposal bag, but informed Morris that they could not dispose of the material.

(See WASTE, page two)



photo by Paul Taulbe

A bag of medical waste discovered during a student-manned cleanup in Perry County last week contained bloody syringes and needles.

# Paper, ex-editor ·fight war of words

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

For nearly three decades, the Paintsville Herald has found its home in a building at 604 West Third Street in Paintsville. But this week, the business is set to relocate its offices to Main Street as the result of a feud between the paper and its former publisher, who also happens to own the building the paper is leav-

The building is currently owned by Scott Perry, who was dismissed from his position as publisher and editor of The Herald on January 8.

Fred Foutz, who replaced Perry in January, wrote in his "Footnotes" column on April 6, "We have been asked to

During an interview with the Times Herald, however,

Perry said that the statement was inaccurate. "They were not asked to move," said Perry. "Their

lease expired in 1999, and they chose to leave, instead of renegotiating the lease." Perry notified The Herald

by fax and certified letter on March 22, and an email on March 28, concerning the renegotiation of the lease.

When The Herald offered no reply concerning the matter, Perry sent a certified letter to the business, delivered by Deputy Charles Hitchcock of the Johnson County Sheriff's Office, on March 30,

"Be advised that if you fail to vacate said premises in the time allotted, the cost for continuing to occupy the building will increase May 1, 2001, to \$1,815 per month and will continue at that rate until formal eviction processes are completed," the letter read.

Perry said Friday that he would neither confirm nor deny that the increase in rent, which ultimately led to the relocation of The Herald, is connected with his dismissal from that paper.

"The only animosity I have toward them is that they misrepresented the truth," said Perry.

Perry also wrote in his \*Coffee Break" column, published in Wednesday's issues of the The Martin County Sun

(See PAPERS, page two)



With the arrival of spring comes the threat of forest fires in Eastern Kentucky, and that was very real last week. The above fire was burning for at least three days last week along Route 15 at Red Fox, near the Knott and Letcher county line. No effort to extinguish the flames was apparent, but the the fire was not threatening any homes.

### Big Sandy River makes group's top 10 most endangered list

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

In its annual report for 2001, American Rivers, an environmental group based in Washington D.C., included the Big Sandy River on its list of endangered rivers.

The Big Sandy rests at the number seven spot on the list, following the Mississippi River, which also runs across a tiny portion of Kentucky, at number

Last October a coal slurry impoundment in Martin County burst, spilling 250 million gallons of water, mud and coal sludge and resulting in what the

Environmental Agency (EPA) has called the ture containing heavy metals worst environmental disaster ever in the southeastern United

The spill, which ran into two streams and eventually into the killed river life for more than 75 miles and left residents without the benefit of a pure water

Gov. Paul Patton declared a disaster area in 10 counties after the sludge contaminated water supplies and draped the river with a coating of thick sludge which came as a product of coal being washed before being took to market. The runoff from these

Protection washing techniques forms a mixsuch as mercury, lead and arsenic which are then dumped into large holding ponds.

American Rivers said in its report that the Big Sandy is only Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River, one of several rivers on the 2001 list which became endangered as a result of energy production techniques such as hydropower, fossil fuel extraction and fossil fuel combustion.

The landscape along the Big Sandy River has many coal mines and consequently many coal slurry ponds, and some feel little has been done to clean up

(See RIVER, page two)

# Body found; Two charged with murder

### Woman had been missing eight days

by GRETA FIELDS

The body of a missing woman, Tamara Jent Beverly was recovered on Wednesday on an old strip mine road several miles up in Allock, a hollow at Vicco in Perry County.

Kentucky State Police have arrested two men from Bonnyman and charged them with murder. One of the suspects, Jimmy Ray Browning, 21, led police to the body after turning himself in to detectives at Post 13 in Hazard.

The body was found lying in a spot which is used to dump sewage from septic tanks.

Browning gave a statement to the police saying that another man, Ance Neace, allegedly killed Beverly, according to a copy of the citation signed by

Det. Johnny Sizemore. After Neace allegedly killed Beverly, Browning allegedly drove Neace to a residence, where Neace allegedly burned the clothes he was wearing at the scene of the murder, the cita-

After giving his statement to police, Browning took police to the scene.

Neace was also taken into custody and was in the Perry County Jail by Friday. No details were available concerning his arrest.

Neace is the father of one of Beverly's five children.

Beverly, 22, grew up at George's Branch, also in Vicco. She is the daughter of Carson Jent, who died last year. Her mother, Janie, lives in Somersel

Beverly's children have been kept in the custody of other people. She was trying to regain custody of one child. She was due in court for a custody hearing just prior to her

Beverly was reported missing April 5. She was last seen

(See MURDER, page three)

# Prestonsburg prepares for year in the spotlight

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

Recently, Prestonsburg hosted the first ever United States White House Fellowship visit. Fifteen representatives of the federal government toured Floyd County to learn, according to Fred James, director of the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission, "what makes the people here tick."

The group represented the departments Labor, Commerce, Agriculture, Education. Army, Navy, Pentagon, and the vice president's office. "This town's ready to bust

loose," said Mark McLemore at the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission meeting on Thursday, "People want to come here to do things.

With the opening of the Stone Crest Championship Golf Course on May 1, and a variety of upcoming events scheduled, the committee expects a boost in

tourism in the county during the upcoming months.

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park and the Mountain Arts Center are looking forward to hosting the Appalachian Regional Commission's national fall conference which takes place November 7 through 9.

According to McLemore, the conference will bring at least 200 ARC representatives from 13 states. Gov. Paul Patton is currently the state chairman of the ARC, and governors from other states will attend the conference.

"At this point, it is being considered as the most prestigious event that has ever been held in Kentucky." Eastern McLemore.

According to McLemore, both Patton and Jerry Johnson, Patton's alternative representative in the ARC, "strongly recommended Prestonsburg" as the site for this event.

The East Kentucky

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Mark Miller, right front, and Lloyd Thompson, were presented certificates of reappointment for three-year terms on the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission. Sharon Schoolcraft, who was not present at the meeting, was also appointed.

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### Steering committee plans for March of Dimes WalkAmerica

important role in preventing

sponsored by Peoples Bank &

Trust Company, will begin at the

Hazard Daniel Field and walkers

will proceed down the Route 15

bypass to the Wal-Mart intersec-

tion and back. Activities will

begin around 1:20 p.m., so come

early. There will be entertain-

ment and refreshments after the

holding Bank Day on April 20 at

Peoples Bank & Trust on Main

Street in Hazard from 10 a.m. to

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The March of Dimes will be

The annual WalkAmerica,

The March of Dimes Walk- will generate community aware-America Steering Committee is ness in the matter of birth actively making plans for an defects and infant mortality. By opcoming fundraising walk to be participating in WalkAmerica, held on Sunday, April 22, at the we as a whole can play an Hazard Daniel Field.

Preregistration begins at 1:30 birth defects in generations to p.m. and the walk begins at 2 p.m. Each year many volunteers give their time and talents to help ensure the success of the Walk

Making an event of this size successful year after year takes dedication and hard work from those who serve on the WalkAmerica committee. Thanks to the dedication and hard work of this committee, the March of Dimes will succeed in its light to give more babies a healthy start in life.

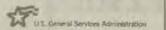
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### River

the Martin County spill.

"The slurry just settled at the bottom of the river and it's still there and is still washing downstream," Rebecca Sherman of American Rivers said

Cleanup efforts are underway, however, Martin County Coal, owner of the mine shaft that impounded and gave way to the slurry, and its parent company, Massey Energy, will take steps toward cleaning up the residual sludge. The effort will be overseen by the EPA and will involve a long-term and shortterm cleanup plan. In addition to Martin County Coal and Massey Energy, a citizen advisory board will also help.

The reason we highlighted the Big Sandy in our report is because we want to make sure that they way that coal slurry impoundments are managed result in safer coal waste disposal practices," Sherman said. "The cleanup is ongoing. Right now they're still in the 'Let's pull the sludge out of the creek' stage. There's still quite a bit of sludge in the area, especially the area at Wolf Creek. There's a sort of bathtub ring around the basin there.'

There has been some reaction from Martin County residents about the condition of the water

supply, according to Sherman.

"Right after the disaster, water supply was suspended in 10 counties and I know the people in Martin County feel some suspicion about the drinking water, but EPA has cleared the drinking water and it's safe to drink." Sherman said.

Perhaps not directly involved with the cleanup process, but nonetheless valuable, are several

studies that have been performed in hopes that future spills, such as that at Tug Fork. will not occur again.

Included among the agencies which are doing studies is perhaps the agency that will be looked to most frequently as a prime element and contributor to the environmental hazards now facing the Big Sandy, The Kentucky Department

Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement.

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That agency is processing reviews and examinations of existing impoundments and also conducting an internal look into their permitting process.

Those advancements will be part of a slow process which will embody a long-term goal to make sure that future spills never happen, Sherman said.



photo courlesy of Kentucky Natural Resources Conservation Service

safety."

the same day,

Scenes such as this following last year's Martin County sludge spill are part of the reason Washington DC-based American Rivers declared the Big Sandy River the nation's seventh-most threatened waterway.

#### Waste

The cleanup of Crawford Mountain Road was finished. The students went back to school. Morris returned to his regular duty. But there was that bag of used needles, leaking blood, and the drug paraphenphalia, still lying on the side of the road at the foot of Crawford Mountain.

largest source of funding for The material had been left March of Dimes work. Funds with Perry County PRIDE raised through the efforts of Coordinator Tony Lewis, Lewis waited two-and-one-half hours with the bag of biomedical With your help, we can continue waste before he finally got some our successful fight to save help to properly dispose of the dangerous materials.

If you are interested in find-He made a cell phone call to ing out more about the March of the District Health Office. He Dimes, visit the organization's was informed that his problem website at www.modimes.org.or had been forwarded to Waste call Shirlene Taylor or Lynn Management. Lewis never Smith at (606) 436-2161. received a call from Waste

Management.

He called Judge Noble's office and was given a number for the state Department for Environmental Protection. When he called Environmental Protection he was told a team would be on the scene within 30 minutes. An hour later, no one had shown up.

Lewis called the regional PRIDE office in Somerset and talked with Richard Thomas. Thomas said he would give Environmental Protection a call. Fifteen minutes later, a team of three from Environmental

Protection arrived - Steve Hall, Jeff Allen, Rich McCune.

McCune called Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital and was told to bring the material to the medical center, where it could be safely disposed.

In wake of the potential dangerous material that students encounter while doing roadside cleanups. Perry Superintendent John Paul Amis issued a memo Wednesday prohibiting all Perry County student from participating in road side cleanups during the school

pad" for expanding into other

communities. That news appar-

ently helped to escalate the war

of words between Sandy Valley

Press and The Paintsville

Perry wrote in his "Coffee

Break" column last week that

Foutz "fired a warning shot

across our bow last week when

he warned his readers to beware

of imitators to his Johnson

referred to came in the form of

an advertisement, which ran in

April 6 edition of the Paintsville

Herald, that states, "We may

change locations and others

may try to imitate us, but we are

still 'Covering Johnson County

Like the Morning Dew." Foutz

also commented about imitators

in his column that was printed

The "warning shot" Perry

County throne."

"I'm proud of our students and I share their enthusiasm for making Perry County the cleanest county in Kentucky. We have recycling throughout the school system and a comprehensive environmental educational program." Amis said. "As educators in Perry County, our primary concern is for the health and safety of children when they are in our care during the school day. I feel to have students involved in roadside cleanup places them in situations that could endanger their health and

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### Paper

and The Big Sandy News, that use the papers as a "launching his former employer had "declared war ... in a subtle sort of way ... first by attacking our reputation and then by misrepresenting the truth."

Perry continued by writing Herald. at he did not ask the newspaper to move out of the building.

"We told them that their lease had expired in 1999 and gave them 30 days to negotiate new terms or move out," Perry wrote. "They had options, they chose to ignore our offer to negotiate, and they made the decision to relocate.'

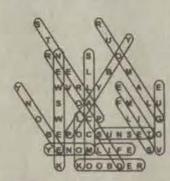
But Foutz indicated that he does not believe Perry was very interested in keeping The Herald as a tenant.

"Frankly, when the sheriff comes knocking on your door with a certified letter telling you that your rent would more than double," said Foutz, "you kind of get the hint.'

Sandy Valley Press, which is owned by Perry and holds corporate offices in in Louisa and Paintsville, added The Martin County Sun, where Perry is now publisher and editor, to its properties this month. The company also includes The Big Sandy News Louisa and The Tri-Rivers Advertiser, a direct-mail publication which is circulated in three counties in Kentucky and West Virginia.

In stories and columns in both the Sun and Big Sandy News, Perry has said he plans to

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Perry's took issue with those statements in his column. "Our family cleared the land

he is plowing now and we certainly don't need him to draw us a map or show us the way to the next field," Perry wrote. "We have no animosity

toward Scott," Foutz said in an interview with the Times Herald. "He's a fine news per-

Foutz went on to say that he and his employees are excited about the move to Main Street in Paintsville.

"We found a building that is in much better condition," said Foutz, "and we are happy about moving there."

The Herald, which was once owned by Perry's father, Bud Perry, is now owned by Lancaster Newspapers.

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> membership of 8,000, was established in 1949 as an arm of

Pikeville College professor / College," was selected from the National Council of Teachers of English to bring college composition teachers together annually to share conteach. The award is named after

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### Murder

etting into a pickup truck in George's Branch. The missing person report issued by the State Police described Beverly as 5 feet 3 inches, blonde, blue eyes and 120 pounds.

Rumors circulated in Perry County that Beverly had been murdered for five days before her body was actually recovered.

State police received various calls about her during this time.

The Hazard Herald also received two reports, one on Monday and one on Tuesday, about a body being found. One caller said there was a body "in a silt pond." The other person said there was a body "in Allais."

On Wednesday, the rumors were confirmed. That day, Kentucky State Police got another call: This time the called concerned a report of a body located in Allock.

That same day, police issued a news release saying that the body had been recovered and sent for an autopsy. Detective Sizemore went to Frankfort for the autopsy and could not be

Communication Conference in cerns about the students they The conference, which has a the late Dr. James Berlin, for-

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reached for information.

Police have not announced any motive for the murder.

Jimmy ('H.R.') Browning, 21, who is 6 feet 2 inches and weighs 260 pounds, was arraigned Wednesday before Judge Monte Gross.

Beverly had requested emergency protective orders twice on each man from Monte Gross. The most recent order was still in effect.

Beverly signed a complaint two months ago saying that Neace allegedly "tried to beat me up" on Main Street in front of a case worker. "He also stated that he would kill me ." she said in her complaint. "I'm very afraid that he is going to hurt me.'

Both men have a history of assault and domestic violence complaints and protective order requests filed against them, by Beverly and other people, Beverly had obtained two protective orders on Browning, for example, and last year filed an assault complaint against

### Spotlight

27, will be held at the Mountain Arts Center and Holiday Inn. Patton will address the conference at a banquet at the MAC, followed by the annual WYMT-TV East Kentucky Leadership Awards Program. Patrons will be entertained by the Kentucky

The Chamber of Commerce Business Showcase will be held

Leadership Foundation's annual September 7 through 9 at in Frankfort, the Transportation conference, set for April 26 and Thunder Ridge Raceway, James referred to the showcase as "an economical development mission." Local businesses in the county will exhibit their products and other businesses from the surrounding region will be invited to visit.

The Kentucky League of Cities, Kentucky Association of Counties, Governor's office, Economic Development Cabinet

April 10, He's 21! Happy Birthday Todd Love! The Whole Gang





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Cabinet and other agencies have been invited to the event.

"If we got enough people excited about it," said James, maybe it will encourage economic growth here in Floyd County."

The annual Floyd County Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held May 10 at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Greg Stumbo will be the guest speaker at the banquet.

During the meeting, the commission discussed the status of the renovation of Prestonsburg's old post office, which is to become a travel center facility for tourism education, promotion and information.

James announced the proposed renovation to the city council last month.

According to James, Larry Adams, Prestonsburg's fire marshal, visited the building last week and "felt comfortable" that the wiring is in good shape. James stated, however, that the building needs some general construction.

The commission will be accepting a minimum of three bids for that construction, which includes carpeting, painting, plastering and adding windows in the lobby area.

The commission will be presenting bids for the project to the city council on the May 14.

During the meeting, Mark Miller, Boyd Thompson and Sharon Schoolcraft were reappointed to three-year terms as members of the committee.

Anyone interested in finding out more information on events to be held during the upcoming months in Floyd County can call 1-800-844-4704.

### Lock and Key Changes on Wildlife Management Area Gates at Dewey Lake

Engineers at Dewey Lake will be replacing their entire wildlife management area locks will be changed on May 15. The procedure to apply for a new key is as fol-lows: Write a letter to Resource Manager Mark R.
Holbrook stating the specific areas and reasons you require access. If access is required due to employment, a letter from your supervisor or manager will be required for each agent will be required for each employee. The employee will need to bring the letter from the supervisor stating reason and areas access is required and a photo ID. The individual signing out the key will be responsible for all lost or stolen. These costs include materials and labor, which is estimated at \$1500. For more information on this subject call 606-789-

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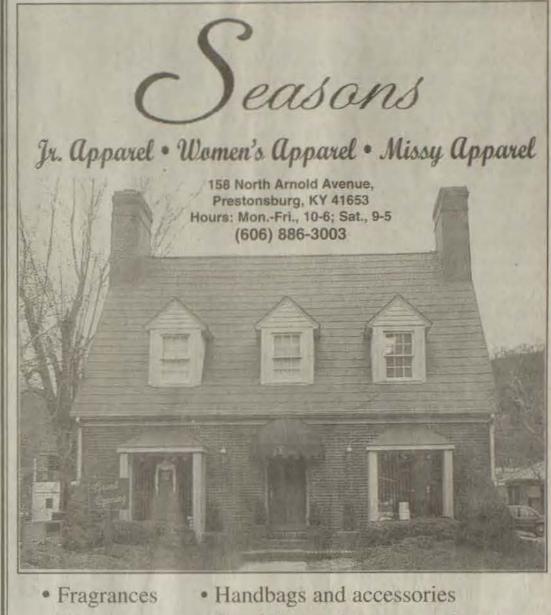
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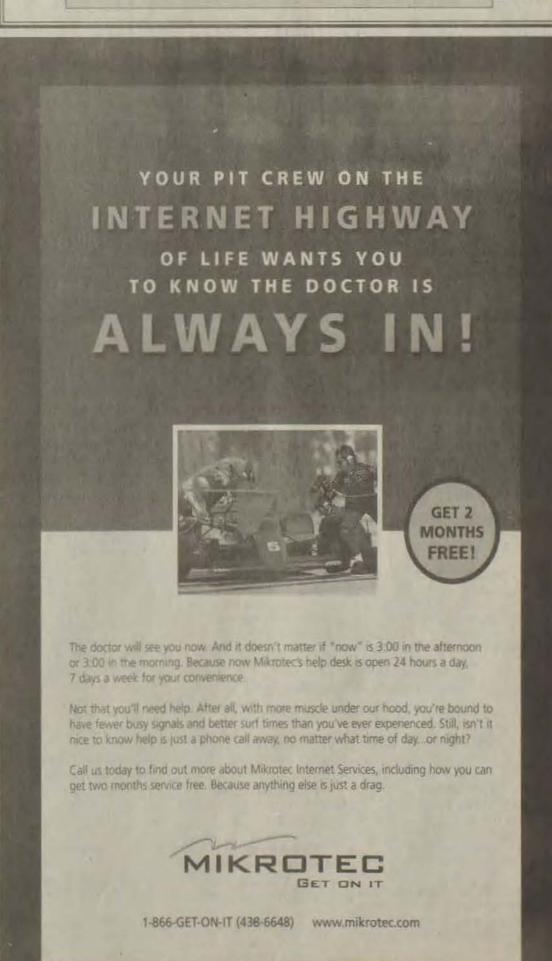
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our view

# Disturbing questions

his week's discovery of a medical waste bag containing dozens of bloody needles tossed along a roadside in Perry County is certainly troubling, but so are the unanswered questions raised by the find.

The first question which must be answered — and soon — is how those who volunteer their time and labor to cleaning up litter and illegal dumps are to be protected from injury and infection when encountering such materials.

Perry County Superintendent John Paul Amis' response to the problem has been to prohibit students from taking part in future cleanups during school. While it is certainly unfortunate that schoolchildren will not be able to come face to face with the problems and solutions to illegal dumping, a far greater tragedy would be if a student were made ill from exposure to biomedical or other hazardous waste.

While the ban may be sensible when it comes to protecting our children, no such measures exist to protect adults who face the same hazards. Our state's garbage problem is one which must be rectified, and we cannot simply throw up our hands and walk away from the problem. Sooner or later, the trash must be picked up, and it is nearly certain that other dangers lurk for those charged with the duty.

Our city and county governments, as well as the PRIDE organization and other groups involved with cleaning up the messes of others, need to take a close look at what safety precautions are in place and what others need to be added.

But in addition to being concerned for those who might stumble upon such hazardous waste, we are also troubled by another question — how the bag of bloody needles found its way to the side of a road, near a high school, no less.

Medical waste is segregated from other garbage for a very good reason: It poses a danger to those who come in contact with it.

Placing such refuse in separate, clearly identifiable containers is only one minor precaution. Another, more important one is ensuring the security of such waste.

Because this appears to be an isolated case, and because the waste was found along with drug paraphernalia, one assumption could be that the bag of needles was stolen, as bizarre as that sounds, by an addict in search of syringes for drug use. While that notion certainly gives one pause over the depths to which some people can sink, it also points out the danger of inadequately secured medical waste.

No information has been released concerning the origin of the bag, but this incident clearly serves as a warning to hospitals, clinics and doctors' offices throughout Eastern Kentucky. That a lapse occurred somewhere is evident.

Obviously, the safety of our children is crucial. Just as important, however, is the safety of the rest of our citizens, and when it comes to this type of waste, the medical community has all of the

We hope that this incident spurs all medical offices throughout the mountains to review their policies for handling the hazardous waste they produce, and to correct any weaknesses they find.

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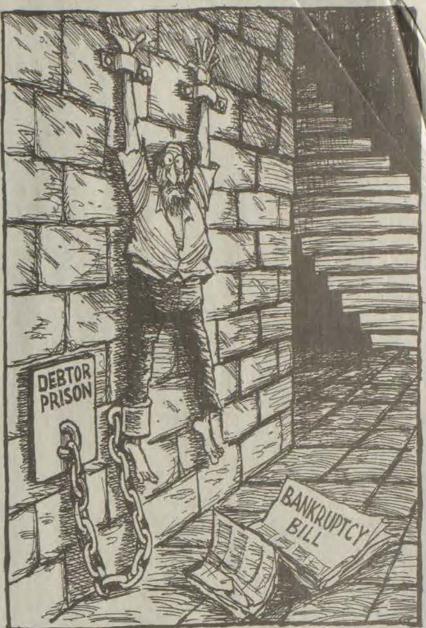
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# Japan inc. and us

by JEFFERY HART

Back in the 1970s, anxiety was widespread that Japan was buying the United States and destroying the American auto industry. Because the Japanese made a relatively small investment in Rockefeller Center, cartoonists drew a rising-sun flag waving in front of the buildings. Toyotas, Hondas and Subarus made a strong showing in our markets, while Japan made every effort to keep foreign goods from competing in its domestic

Today, the American stock market is being depressed by two large factors. The less serious is the collapse in value of the NASDAQ stocks. Much more serious is the banking collapse currently facing Japan, as about 20 of its banks face ruin because of bad loans to failing enterprises. And those enterprises are failing because they are not competitive in the global economy, and this in turn is because they have long been protected from competition with foreign enterprises.

An American tourist in Japan would see a number of unusual things in daily life. For example, he would find no self-service pumps in the gas stations. A polite attendant would fill his tank.

A woman visiting a Japanese department store would find an unfamiliar plenitude of clerks and salespeople waiting to help her.

This is symbolic. Japan prefers that those gas-station attendants have jobs, even if it means that the enterprise is labor-intensive and less afficient and profitable. The same goes for the department store, which would have twice as many sales employees as its American cousin. And Japanese jobs tend to be permanent.

The entire country is organized this way. Solidarity trumps efficiency. The "Japanese Way" has powerful social sanctions. Not surprisingly, the Japanese economy is failing to grow.

As the McKinsey Global Institute analysis by Masahiko Aoki and Paul Romer puts it succinctly, the Japanese economy is in dangerous trouble because "in a misguided effort to protect jobs and maintain stability, the government subsidizes inefficient players and blocks the entry of competi-

The fear of officials here is that the Japanese economy will tank and draw the international economy down with it. But there is no Japanese Margaret Thatcher to do what she did to the coal miners and other unions, or what Ronald Reagan did to the air-traffic controllers, or what Paul Volcker did to the money supply. Politically, the Japanese will be unable to let weak banks and noncompetitive enterprises simply fail.

And, indeed, we did not let Boeing or Chrysler go under. There will be some kind of bailout for Japan. After all, we paid \$100 billion during the 1980s to bail out our savings and loans, which had been lending irresponsibly. But a Japanese bailout will demand that Japan cease protecting its businesses from international competition and entail tough discussions with free-market Japanese about ways to expand competition and join the global

For traditionalist Japanese, there will be something tragic in this, but they will understand that they have looked into the abyss.

### -letters to the editor

### Potato chips better than politicians

Senator Mitch McConnell has commented many times that "our country spends more money on potato chips that it does on politics." It's no wonder!

Everyone knows about McConnell's idea of politics. It is expensive attack advertisements on TV and radio that scream at us and insult our intelligence. In order to pay for them, he spends lots of time begging for money from citizens who want special tax breaks or special favors from government.

It looks like our money is better spent on the potato

Tom Louderback

Louisville

### Gore would have been a neutered dog

I hear a lot of moaning and groaning still from Gore supporters who are upset about his loss in November. The latest issue they're angry with Nader and the Green party for spoiling Gore's bid for the presidency is the repeal of the ergonomics regulation Clinton signed into law just two days before leaving

What they don't know is that this regulation would have died anyway whether Gore was sitting in the White House or not and the Democrats sold out the

In 1996, the Senate voted unanimously for the Congressional Review Act, signed into law by Clinton, which gave Congress a fast track procedure to overturn health and safety regulations within 60 days of their issuance.

Under this law there are no public hearings in Congress and no amendments permitted. Also the time for debate is limited on the House and Senate floor.

The CRA is profoundly undemocratic, yet the Democrats handed Bush and the Republicans the tool to give business lobbyists their victory.

Remember also six Democratic senators crossed over and voted to abolish the ergonomic rule. The socalled liberal Democrats in

working people of this coun- the Senate are fully aware of a voting bloc of senators from their party that consistently vote anti-labor and environment. They knew by passing this legislation they could please the corporate lobbyists and still appear to their voting constituency to be supportive of labor and

> the environment. It's time for liberal Democrats to stop crying over the loss of the election and realize there are no true liberal Democrats in Congress, only charlatans and pretenders. This is just one example of why there is no longer any alternative but to build a true party for the people of this nation. It is no longer an option but a necessity to vote Green.

> > John Burgess Louisa

### **Letter Guidelines**

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# Regional Obituaries

#### Floyd County

Gracie Cole Johnson, 90, of Melvin, died Saturday, April 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, following an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 9, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Alpha Burke, 82, of Franklin, died Thursday, April 5, at Greenview Regional Hospital in Bowling Green, following an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 8, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Togie (Bug) Salisbury Jr., 63, of Langley, died Friday, April 6, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Doyle Glenn Adkins, 59, native of Letcher County, died March 7, at St. Rita's Medical Center, in Lima, Ohio, Funeral services were conducted at the Lima Missionary Baptist Church and burial was in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Georgia Mae Harmon Boyd, 61, of Frankfort, native of Floyd County, died Friday, April 6, at the Frankfort Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 9, under the direction of Scobee Funeral Home.

Mollie Hayes, 91, of Betsy Layne, died Friday, April 6, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 9, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Josephine Litton, 86, of Martin, died Monday, April 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg, Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 12, under the direction of Hall Funeral

Francis Jacobs Huff, 81, of

coordinate their care.

KenPAC program.

KenPAC enrollment

starts in East

Kentucky area

Department for Medicaid Services designed to better

Kentucky - the 69,000 people who receive Supplemental

Security Income (SSI) benefits. They are enrolling in the

more than 8,300 SSI recipients. As of March 30, 3,171 have

about this important change in the way their health care will be

managed," says David Meacham, operations manager for the

Kentucky Patient Access and Care System (KenPAC).

enrolled in KenPAC from these counties.

call 1-877-639-0010 as soon as possible.

254,000 enrollees in 102 Kentucky counties.

serve, in addition to their fees for services.

will not change under this plan.

Christian counties.

is 1-877-580-0066.

ing improved utilization.

The enrollment is for a special population of adults in

In Floyd, Knott, Letcher, Martin and Pike counties, there are

"We want SSI recipients to call us so we can talk to them

Any SSI recipient who has not enrolled in KenPAC should

KenPAC, which began in 1985, is a managed care program

that increases access to primary and preventive health services

and coordinates other Medicai-covered health care and related

services for Medicaid members. KenPAC serves approximately

ing in the program in Kentucky and bordering states. These

providers are paid a monthly fee for each KenPAC recipient they

level of benefits as other Medicaid members. Medicaid services

provider who will manage and coordinate their care, as well as

make referrals to specialists. KenPAC is also placing nine nurses

around the state to assist providers in managing the KenPAC

population. This Care Coordination Support Program will start in

Boone, Rowan, Boyd, Fayette, Pike, Harlan, Pulaski, Warren and

changes. In most cases, they will be able to select their own

KenPAC provider or clinic. The program will become effective

lished to help answer questions during the enrollment period. The

help desk is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The toll-free phone number is 1-877-639-0010. The TTY number

has made some other changes to improve KenPAC. They include

increasing the monthly payment received by KenPAC providers.

from \$3 per member to \$4 per member, recruiting more providers

and providing opportunities to providers to earn additional pay-

ments for improvements in access to and quality of care, includ-

atric health care facilities or home and community-based pro-

grams are excluded from KenPAC. Additionally, children

enrolled in SSI will not be enrolled in KenPAC.

Medicaid members in nursing homes, hospice care, psychi-

Besides adding the SSI population to KenPAC, the department

A KenPAC-SSI "help desk" with full-time nurses was estab-

for the SSI population between March 1 and May 1.

Notices have gone out to SSI recipients informing them of the

There are about 1,500 physicians at over 900 sites participat-

The SSI recipients moving into KenPAC will retain the same

SSI recipients are being asked to select a primary care

ore than 22,600 Kentuckians with disabilities have

enrolled in a managed care system operated by the

Eastern, died Friday, April 6, at 9, at West Portsmouth, followher daughter's residence at ing an extended illness. Funeral Garrett. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 9, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

David Williams, 35, of Olive Hill, died Sunday, April 8, at his residence, following a sudden illness. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Perry Williams. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 12, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Geraldine Allen, 82, of Eastern, died Friday, April 6, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 7, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Hester Hall, 87, of Banner, died Saturday, April 7, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Thomas "Tom" Spencer Stewart, 50, of Martin, died Friday, April 6, at the St. Vincent Hospital, Williamsport, Indiana. He is survived by his wife, Susan Halbert Stewart. Graveside services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, under the direction of Hall Funeral

Hezie Samons, 82, formerly of Toledo, Ohio, died Saturday, April 7, in Arbors at Oregon, Ohio. He is survived by his wife, JoeAnn Samons. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 11, under the direction of Eggleston-Meinert Funeral Home, Oregon,

Okel Ray, 78, of Harold, died Saturday, April 7, at her sister's residence in Harold. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Ellis Paige, 57, of West Portsmouth, Ohio, formerly of McDowell, died Monday, April

services were conducted Thursday, April 12, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Ralph Caudill, 75, of Melvin, died Wednesday, April 11, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following an extended illness. He is survived by his wife, Reva Fitzpatrick Caudill. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Joe Edward Ball, 66, of Lexington, died Monday, April 9. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Ann Daniels Ball. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 13, under the direction of W.R. Milward Mortuary Southland,

Doffie Henderson, 51, of Craynor, died Tuesday, April 10, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, following an extended illness. He is survived by his wife. Burblene Hall Henderson. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 13, under the direction of the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

#### Pike County

Amos Sesco, 82, of Pikeville, died Friday, April 6, at Central Baptist Hospital. Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Sarah Horne Sesco. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 9, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

Emma Grace France, 61, of Cowpen, died Sunday, April 7, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, under the direction of Justice Funeral Services.

Mark Anthony Slone, 25, of Robinson Creek, died Sunday, April 8, in Morristown, Tennessee. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 12, under the direction of R.S. Jones & Son Funeral Home.

James Arville Little, 67, of Pikeville. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 11, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Brenda O'Brien Thacker, 50, of Morganton, North Carolina, formerly of Pond Creek, died Saturday, April 7, at Grace Hospital, Morganton. She is survived by her husband, Charles Gregory Thacker. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, under the direction of Rogers Funeral

Debbie Lynn Bartley, 43, of McGaheysville, Virginia, died Saturday, April 7, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 9, under the direction of Bailey Funeral

Alvaretta Syck Gilliam, 83, of Pikeville, died Sunday, April 8, at Parkview Manor Nursing and Rehabilitaiton Center, Robinson Creek, Funeral serwere conducted Wednesday, April 11, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Jessie Aileen Gibson, 80, of Ashcamp, died Sunday, April 8, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 11, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

### Johnson County

Esta Mae Selvage, 93, died Friday, March 23, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, March 25, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

James E. Blair, 70, died Thursday, April 5, at his Hager Hill residence. He is survived by his wife, Ruby Prater Blair. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 8, under the direction of Preston Funeral

Freda Lyons, 76, of Sitka, died Saturday, April 7, at

Highlands Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Con Lyons, Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, under the direction of Preston Funeral

John Edison Howard, 71, died Thursday, April 5, at his Tomahawk residence. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 7, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

William T. Money Jr., 58, died Thursday, April 5. He is survived by his wife, Ola Browning Money. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 8, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Eloise Collins Conley Meek, 45, died Friday, April 6, at her Louisa residence. She is survived by her husband, Houston Meek. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, at Phillip Cove Freewill Baptist Church and burial was in Collins Cemetery at Van Lear.

Lucas Lee Staniford Horne Jr., 11, died Monday, April 2, at Mary Chiles Hospital, Mt. Sterling. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 5, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

#### Knott County

Eveline Jones Johnson, 87. of Vicco, died Wednesday, April 4, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 8, under the direction of Hindman Funeral

Gladys Johnson Slone, 65, of Garner, died Monday, April 2, at the St. Joseph Hospital at Lexington. She is survived by her husband, Arthur Slone. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 5, under the direction of Hindman Funeral

Virginia Barnett, 72, of Lotts Creek, died Friday, April 6, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April Virgie, died Friday, April 6, in 9, under the direction of Engle-Walker Funeral Home.

> Goldie Yonts Kiser, 76, of Ermie, died Tuesday, April 3, at the residence of her daughter. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 6, under the direction of Letcher Funeral

> Deborah Lynn Sexton, 23, of Blackey, died Sunday, April 8, at her residence. Funeral serconducted vices were Wednesday, April 11, under the direction of the Letcher Funeral

John Ed "Whitey" Sturgill. 42, of Cram Creek, died Saturday, April 7. He is survived by his wife. Ethel Johnson Sturgill. Funeral serconducted were Wednesday, April 11, under the direction of Letcher Funeral

### Magoffin County

Jack Horne, 40, of Salyersville, died Monday, April 2, in Magoffin County Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 5, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Carl Collins, 81, of Knox, Indiana, died Monday, February 26. He is survived by his wife, Melivee Bailey Collins. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, March 1, under the direction of Braman and Son Memorial Chapel.

Dennis Risner, 71, of Salversville, died Monday, April 2, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Lillian Salvers Risner. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 5, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral

Funeral Home.

Nora Bailey Purcell, 85, of Willard, Ohio, died Saturday, March 31, at Fisher-Titus Medical Center, of Norwalk, Ohio. She is survived by her husband, Hager Purcell. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 4, under the direction of Lindsey-Kocher Funeral Home.

#### Martin County

Rev. John Jude, 79, of Pilgrim, died Monday, April 2, at Three Rivers Medical Center in Louisa. Funeral services will be conducted April 5, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Ralph A. Vinson, 60, of Warfield, died Sunday, April 8, in King's Daughters' Hospital in Ashland. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 11, under the direction of Richmond-Callaham Funeral Home.

John Edison Howard, 71, of Tomahawk, died Thursday, April 5, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis Nadine Fitzpatrick Howard. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 7, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Garland W. Banton, 82, of Ashland, died Monday, April 2, at Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Maggie Cassady Banton. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 6, under the direction of Carman Funeral Home.

Mary Alice Mollett, 76, of Hamilton, Ohio, died Friday, March 30, at Ft. Hamilton Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 3, under the direction of Webb Noonan Funeral Home.

### Lawrence County

Howard James, 69, of Inez, died Tuesday, April 3, at Three Rivers Medical Center. A memorial service was held at a later date. Phelps and Son Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

William Brackett, 40, died Wednesday, April 4, at Cabell Huntington Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Marvetta Collier Brackett. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 7, under the direction of Phelps and Sun Funeral Home.

Thurman Porter Sr., 68, of Radnor, West Virginia, died Monday, April 2, at Three Rivers Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Doris Porter. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 8, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Earl Ratliff, 90, of Louisa, died Thursday, April 5, at Three Rivers Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Alichia

Sammons Ratliff. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 8, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Dorothy May Skaggs, 73, of Blaine, died Friday, April 6. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, under the direction of Young Funeral

Jay (Ed) Miller, 69, of Louisa, died Saturday, April 7, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 10, under the direction of Wilson Funeral Home.

James N. "Nick" Boggs, 54, of Louisa, died Saturday, April 7. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 11, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Verlie Hayes, 97, of Louisa, died Sunday, April 8, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 11, under the direction of Young Funeral

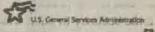
Reverend Bert Miller, 88, of Columbus, Ohio. Thursday, April 5. He is survived by his wife, Ethel Miller, Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 9, under the direction of O.R. Woodyard Funeral Home.

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Teresa Lynn Davis, 34, of Salversville, died Monday, April 2, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Thursday. April 5, under the direction of Magoffin County

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merly of the University of Cincinnati, for his contributions to composition studies during his lifetime. The award goes to the graduate dissertation that "improves the educational process in composition studies and adds to the field's body of knowledge through research or scholarly inquiry." The Berlin Award committee of six compositions scholars cited the freshness of Solin's topic, which tells these women's stories with "respect, enthusiasm, and an authentic sense

of hope."

Sohn, an assistant professor of English and coordinator of the College's writing center, said her dissertation was written for doctoral requirements at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Her work examines the reading and writing habits of eight Pikeville College graduates she had taught. The dissertation relates the experiences of nontraditional female students who returned to college and succeeded in earning their degrees in spite of

insurmountable odds. Using their words, which she elicited from interviews. Sohn describes the change from silence to voice as the women progressed through the academic program.

Even if they were unable to find work in their major, the dissertation shows that the experience of college helped them develop confidence in themselves," said Sohn, "So rather than 'whistlin' women and crowin' hens always coming to no good ends,' these women came to 'good ends.'

Sohn is working with the College Composition and Communication Conference's journal and their Studies in Writing and Rhetoric monograph series regarding publication of the dissertation in the belief that these experiences might break down stereotypes of Appalachian women so that their whistlin' and crowin' voices can echo throughout the land. Copies of the dissertation are available in the Allara Library at Pikeville

# Planting America's Future

by GEORGE CATES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL THEE THUST

or years, late April has been a time when Americans have gathered in cities and towns, farms and forests, to improve their health and beautify their communities. They do this for themselves, their children and the generations that will follow them. Neighbors unite to reduce water pollution, improve air quality, save energy, and provide homes for animals. And they've been doing it for nearly 100 years before "Earth Day" was declared.

We must never forget the premier role trees play in the overall health of our nation and our plancelebrated Arbor Day as that time to give trees the honor they deserve for many reasons. After all, trees give us:

■ Medicine - The USDA Forest Service reports 25% of our prescription medicines come from flowering trees.

Money in our pockets -According to research conducted by the US Department of Energy's Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory and the US Forest Service, strategically planted trees can save up to 20 percent in electricity costs. In addition, walls that are shaded tend be 15 degrees

cooler than unshaded walls and direct shade on a roof can make an attic 20 to 40 degrees

et. Since 1872, Americans have cooler. In both cases less energy is needed to keep the building

> ■ Clean air - The Center for Urban Horticulture at the University of Washington reports a healthy tree, say a 32-foot tall ash tree, can produce about 260 pounds of oxygen annually. Two trees fill the oxygen needs of one person each year.

> Clean Water - Trees filter and store pollutants. They reduce storm water runoff which, in turn, reduces erosion of nutrient-rich topsoil.

Increased property value -According to the International Society of Arboriculture, property values of landscaped homes are 5-20% higher than those of nonlandscaped homes.

Reduced stress - Studies have shown that people who view nature after stressful situations show reduced physiological stress response.

The National Tree Trust is one of many organizations helping communities help themselves with trees. In the short but proud history of our non-profit organization, we've provided over 8 million trees at no cost to non-profit volunteer tree planting organizations around the country. Some

of those trees were given to groups near your community to plant on public lands.

There are thousands of organizations like these around the country. They plant trees, care for trees, and teach others about the importance of trees. Find the one near you. Call them before National Arbor Day on April 27.

Spend a day with your family having fun planting a tree. Get your hands dirty while improving your community for your self. your children and their grandchildren. Go back in ten, twenty, thirty years and see the results of your efforts. Gaze upon the difference that you and your family made.

Major General George L. Cates, USMC (Ret.) is Executive Director of the National Tree Trust, a national, non-profit organization established in 1990 with programs to facilitate tree planting and maintenance through volunteer action, and to educate Americans about the importance and value of trees.

For more information about its programs, write National Tree Trust, Attn: CM, 1120 G St., NW, Suite 770, Washington, DC 20005. Or call toll-free (800) 846-TREE ext. 16.

> Ralph Lundberg, HRMC's vice president of Human Resources, left, and Harold Warman Jr., HRMC's president and CEO, far right, presented John Thacker of Allen with the Employee of the Year Award.

### **Kentucky Heritage Land Conservation** Fund Board approves projects

The Kentucky Heritage Land Conservation Fund Board (KHLCFB) has approved funding for the following projects:

Pilot Knob expansion in Powell County, submitted by the Powell County Fiscal Court.

Gunpowder Creek in Boone County, submitted by the Boone County Fiscal Court.

Knobs State Forest in Bullitt County and the Ivan Greene addition in Harlan County, submitted by the Division of Forestry.

■ The Christian Property in Harlan County, submitted by the Department of Parks.

Additional funding was approved for the following existing projects:

Hidden River Cave in Hart County, submitted by the City of Horse Cave.

Lincoln Boyhood Home in Larue County, submitted by the Larue County Fiscal Court.

Upper Green River Biological Preserve in Hart County, submitted by Western Kentucky University: Green River State Forest addition in Henderson County, submitted by the Division of Forestry.

The Croushorn Tract in Harlan County, submitted by the Division of Water's Wild Rivers

The KHLCFB was established to provide funding for natural areas that possess unique features such as habitat for rare and endangered species, areas important to migratory birds, areas that perform important natural functions that are subject to alteration or loss and areas to be preserved in their natural states for public use, outdoor recreation and education. The board is authorized to grant awards to state agencies, local governments, state colleges, universities and other agencies.

The next quarterly meeting of the KHLCFB is scheduled for Monday, July 16, at the Department for Natural Resources, 663 Teton Trail, Frankfort. Project applications to be considered at that meeting must be received by the Department for Natural Resources no later than close of business Thursday, May 17.

For additional information regarding the KHLCFB and/or the application process, contact the Department for Natural Resources, 663 Teton Trail, Frankfort, KY 40601, (502) 564-2184, or visit the board's website at www.kyheritage-



### John Thacker named HRMC **Employee of the Year**

John Thacker, a general maintenance/grounds worker in Highlands Regional Medical Center's Facility Services Department has been named HRMC Employee of the Year.

Thacker, a resident of Allen, was honored by his fellow workers at the fifth annual Employee of the Year Awards

Highlands Regional Medical

Ralph Lundberg, vice president of human resources, welcomed guests and recognized former Employee of the Year recipients, Creed Gilliam and Brad O'Bryan.

Lundberg introduced each of

Banquet on February 20 at the Employee of the Month winners from which the Employee of the Year is selected: Rick Moore, registered nurse in ER; Kim Preston, registered nurse in outpatient surgery; Mike Roberts, assistant director of information services; Jeannie O'Bryan, director of the Senior Advantage Program; Jeanette Voisine, staff assistant in Marketing & Public Relations; Linda Mullins, laboratory technologist; J.D. Jackson, chief information officer; Polly Parker, registered nurse; John Salisbury, respiratory care staff technician; and John Thacker, general maintenance/grounds worker, Facility Services.

The Employee of the Year Award was presented by Harold Warman Jr., Highlands president and CEO.

Warman said in his remarks, "It is your attitude not your aptitude that will take you to your highest level."

Warman then opened the envelope and presented the award to a very surprised John Thacker.

Thacker, a Highlands employee since 1995, was honored by his fellow employees for his unending enthusiasm in everything he does.

Warman commented, "John has a positive attitude in everything he does and it rubs off on everyone around him."

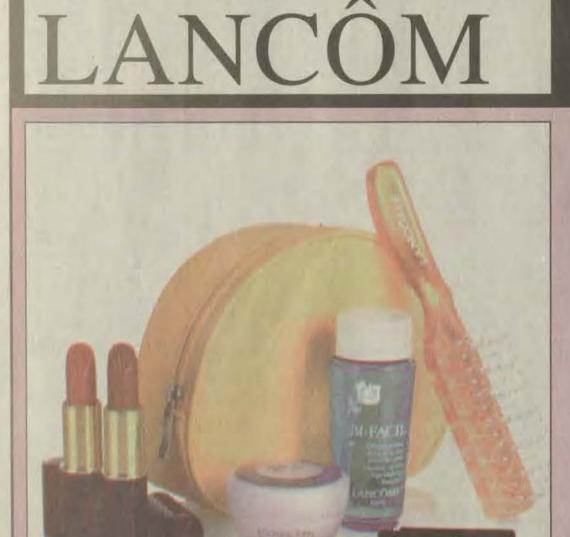
Highlands officials said John is always busy doing his job and is known to stay late or come in whenever necessary to make sure repairs get done.

Included in the gifts John received were a \$500 gift certificate, dinner for two, a weekend at the Lexington at the Green Hotel' and the much-coveted Employee of the Year parking place in the front of the medical center.

An emotional Thacker thanked everyone and stated how totally surprised he was at being chosen.

Even though I was chosen, I think everyone nominated was a winner," Thacker said.

The "Employee of the Month" and the "Employee of the Year" programs were created at Highlands to recognize outstanding employees of the organization. Key characteristics for nomination are: courtesy, attitude, respect and enthusiasm (care); extraordinary positive work ethic; a good team player; positive community involvement; and an enhanced image to Highlands Regional Medical Center.



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### **Cross Country**

### Malone College's Hazen releases book

alone College men's and women's cross country coach Jack Hazen began writing a book in the spring of 1996 when he was on sabbatical from Malone

#### Area tie:

Coach Zak Willis' Pikeville College football team will travel to Malone College for their seasonopener in September.

and in Atlanta working on various committees for the Olympic Games. The idea for the book came after numerous high school and college coaches approached him at clinics to inquire about his training methods.

He came to realize that a fundamental book on training for cross country was really not available. So, using the IBM computers at Olympics Stadium in Atlanta, during some down time between meetings, Hazen began to fashion a book that would address the questions asked by his col-

With the need for such a book being so evident and

(See MALONE, page four)

### Football combine set for May 11

Coach Maurice Dixon and Hazard High School will host the Southeast Kentucky High School Football Combine on Friday, May 11. The combine will begin at 4 p.m.

All players who will be juniors and seniors at the start of the 2001 school year and football season are eligible to participate in the combine. Cost is \$5 per player. Players participating need to wear running shoes, their dark colored jerseys and shorts. Coaches from instate, SEC and Big Ten schools are expected to attend. For more information, call 606/436-5789.



A Prestonsburg Little League player practiced base running at a recent practice.

# Paintsville Little League got its 2001 season under-

way yesterday. Prestonsburg Little League will begin play Saturday, April 28. Several area Little League programs will begin play at the end of this month or in early-May. All area Little League programs are encouraged to get information and box scores into the Times Herald for publication.

# PC's Lopez MSC Tennis Player of the Week

TIMES HERALD STAFF REPORT

The Pikeville College men's tennis team has been on a roll

lately, and one of the big reasons is Christian Lopez. This week, those efforts have been recognized.

Lopez has been named the Mid-South Conference player of the week in men's tennis after helping his team to three 9-0 sweeps, including two against

conference foes. Pikeville got wins over Lincoln Memorial University, Campbellsville University and Cumberland College last week

Lopez, a 5-9 junior from Vina Del Mar, Chile, transferred to Pikeville from Shorter (Ga.) College, where he played in the NAIA national semifinals last year.

Christian has done everything we've asked him to do this season. From the first day he got here, he's been a team player, and the guys think the world of him," said Coach John Kitchen. "I'm really happy for him. The league couldn't have honored a more deserving young man."

Lopez began the week with a 6-4, 6-3 win over Andy Barggram of LMU, and teamed with Rodrigo Puebla to win their doubles match 8-5. He then got a convincing 6-0, 6-1 win over Travis Thompson of Campbellsville, while he and Puebla played No. 1 in doubles and won 8-4.

He wrapped up the week the next afternoon with a 6-4, 6-1 win over Han Seong Ngum of Cumberland and he and Puebla won their doubles match 8-3.

The wins made the Bears 11-2 on the

season and 6-0 in the MSC. They entered Tuesday's match at home with Georgetown having won five straight matches by 9-0 scores, including four against MSC competition.

We're playing pretty well right now, and have a big week ahead of us," said Kitchen, whose team played North Greenville (S.C.) College Friday to decide the regular-season MSC title. "These guys know what it takes to win a champi-

(See TENNIS, page four)



# New coaches added to PC football staff

... We think we've added some talented people to this coaching staff. The experience we have gained is deceiving, because these guys are so young, but they've all been around the game and have a tremendous amount of knowledge to draw on...

- Zak Willis/Pikeville College Head Coech

### TIMES HERALD STAFF REPORT

ikeville College head football coach Zak Willis has added four new coaches to his staff, including two who were stars on the area high school level.

Gary L. Cunningham is the new offensive coordinator, Daric Riley will coach quarterbacks, Ben Howard is the new receivers coach and DeAnthony Honaker will coach offensive backs.

"We think we've added some talented people to this coaching staff," said Willis. The experience we have gained is deceiving, because these guvs are so young, but they've all been around the game and have a tremendous amount of knowledge to draw on.

Cunningham, 38, is a native of Mableton, Ga., and a graduate of Jacksonville State (Ala.). In addition to his coordinator duties, he will also coach the offensive line.

He coached at Hargrave Military Academy for one season before moving to Methodist College. He then spent two years as offensive coordinator and lines coach at Missouri Valley College, and last

(See PIKEVILLE, page three)



### Jarrett notches second consecutive win

by GERALD HODGES THE RACING REPORTER

Dale Jarrett took the lead from teammate, Ricky Rudd with six laps remaining in the 500 lap Virginia 500 for his third Winston Cup victory of 2001.

The key to Jarrett's win was tire management. Crew Chief Todd Parrott had told Jarrett to come in for fresh tires after a late race caution. Back on the track, he began to close on Rudd, who did not stop for tires.

"It was a great race all day," said Jarrett. "It was my man in the pits (Todd Parrott) that really made the right call. I know Ricky wanted to win, but I just had

a lot better tires." Rudd and his team had a brake hose problem on their No. 28 Ford Havoline early in the race that had to be repaired.

"We had to play catch up all day," said Rudd. "Because of the brake line we got

out of sync on our tire stops and were a sitting duck at the end."

Jeff Burton led the most laps (202), but he had to make a stop for tires with 24 laps remaining and did not have enough time to catch the two leaders.

Finishing order: 1. Dale Jarrett, 2. Ricky Rudd, 3. Jeff Burton, 4. Bobby Hamilton, 5. Sterling Marlin, 6. Matt Kenseth, 7, Tony Stewart, 8. Bobby Labonte, 9. Jimmy Spencer, 10. Jerry Nadeau, 11. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 12. Jeff Gordon, 13. Rusty Wallace, 14. Bill Elliott, 15. Stacy Compton, 16. Joe Nemechek, 17. Andy Houston, 18. Kevin LePage, 19. Steve Park, 20. Johnny Benson, 21. Elliott Sadler, 22, Ward Burton, 23. Terry Laboute, 24. Michael Waltrip, 25. Ken Schrader, 26. Casey Atwood, 27, Ron Hornaday, 28, Ricky Craven, 29. Dave Blaney, 30. Jeremy Mayfield, 31. Mike Wallace, 32. Mike

(See HODGES, page five)



photo by Steve LeMaster A banner hangs above the entrance of Johnson Central's football stadium. The football pro-

gram is still without a head coach. Bill Musick resigned earlier this year.

### JCHS coaches job still vacant

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

The head football coaches job at Johnson Central High School remains vacant after Bill Musick, who had held the head coaches position for nine years, abruptly resigned earlier this year after a 2000 season in which his team had a perfeet regular season capped off by a district cham-

(See JCHS, page five)

### **Betsy Layne** beats Shelby Valley, 8-3

TIMES HERALD STAFF REPORT

Betsy Layne senior Dustin Elkins came on strong Thursday night and gave the Bobcats a 12-6 win over 15th Region foe Shelby Valley. Another Betsy Layne senior, Craig Keathley, had a home run in the game. The fourbase knock just added to Betsy Layne's hit parade.

The Bobcats plated single runs in each of the first two innings to make it a 2-0 game. Coach Scott Anderson's Betsy Layne club added a pair of runs in the bottom of the third and one more in the bottom half of the fourth inning to go ahead 5-0.

Shelby Valley put their first score of the day on the board in the top half of the fifth inning. Host Betsy Layne outscored the visiting Wildcats 3-2 in the sixth inning. Strong pitching quickly ended any intentions Shelby Valley had of a seventh inning comeback.

Betsy Layne pounded out 12 hits in the game, doubling up Shelby Valley's output of six. Both squads had a pair of doubles in the game. Shelby Valley's Brandon Stevens, also a basketball player at the Robinson Creek high school, had one of his team's two doubles.

### Open bass tournament to be held May 5

TIMES HERALD STAFF REPORT

BP Action Express Markets, Inc., along with the Paintsville Tourism Commission and Johnson County Fish & Game Association will present an open bass tournament on Saturday, May 5 at Paintsville Lake. Entry fee per boat is \$150.00. A pretournament meeting and position draw will be held Friday, 7:30 p.m. at Paintsville Lake Marina. Entry forms are available at the following businesses:

Paintsville Lake Marina Action Express Mart: Ky. 321, N. Paintsville 40E, Paintsville Ky. Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg US 460, West Liberty U.S. 460, Salversville Ky. 122 & 680, Minnie

(See TOURNEY, page five)

### Scoreboard

Queen City Classic at Perry County Central

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### Track and field

### Prestonsburg High School Track Schedule

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#### Allen Grade School Track Schedule

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April			Pikeville
May	5.		Pikeville
May	10.		Pkeville
May	14		Pikeville

#### Basketball

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Milwaukee Toronto Charlotte	50 45 43	29 34 36	Sacramento L.A. Lakers	54 54	24 26

### Fishing

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L.A. Clippers

### Food City Open Bass Tournament

The Tug Valley Bass Anglers will hold an open bass tournament at Fishtrap Lake in Pikeville, Saturday, April 28. The event will be a day tournament from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. The entry fee will be \$100.00 per boat. Entry forms may be picked up at all Food City locations. Fishermen can mail in entries or register at the tournament site. Check-in will begin at 5

- Guaranteed cash payout: 1st Place-\$2,000. Sponsored by Food City and Pepsi. 2nd Place-\$900. Sponsored by Budweiser and Big Sandy
- 3rd Place-\$450. Sponsored by US Bank and Firster Big BUD Award \$300 Sponsored by Budweiser. Polygraph tests will be given.

The weigh-in show will be held at the Food City store in the Town and Country Shopping Center in Pikeville. When the tournament is concluded police escort will lead the anglers from the take to the weigh-in site. In order to make the anglers the stars of the show, both anglers will be placed in the boat and driven up to the weigh in stage. The anglers will get their catch but of the boat in front of the crowd and walk up on stage, similar to the Bass Masters Classic. The fish will be chemically treated in serated tanks and transported back to the lake for release.

Everyone is welcome and invited to attend. Some of the best regional fishermen will be in competition. Free food and soft drinks will be avail-

For sponsors, additional information and entry form visit the club's web site at www.se-tel.com/-tugvatteyanglers

### Baseball

### Cincinnati Reds

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### 2000 major award winners

Chattanooga Lookouts (AA)

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER American League Jason Glambi, Oakland National League Jeff Kent, San Francisco

CY YOUNG American League Pedro Martinez, Boston National League Randy Johnson, Arizona

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR American League Kazuhiro Sasaki, Seattle

National League Rafael Furcal, Atlanta

MANAGER OF THE YEAR American League Jerry Manuel, Chicago

National League Dusty Baker, San Francisco

**GOLDEN GLOVES** American League P Kenny Rogers, Texas C Ivan Rodriguez, Texas 1B John Olerud, Seattle 2B Roberto Alomar, Cleveland 3B Travis Fryman, Cleveland SS Omar Vizguel, Cleveland OF Darin Erstad, Anaheim OF Bernie Williams, New York OF Jermaine Dye, Kansas City

National League P Greg Maddux, Atlanta C Mike Matheny, St. Louis 18 J.T. Snow, San Francisco 2B Pokey Reese, Cincinnati 38 Scott Rolen, Philadelphia SS Nelfi Perez, Colorado OF Jim Edwards, St. Louis OF Andruw Jones, Atlanta OF Steve Finley, Arizona

### Baseball America poll

The Top 25 teams in the Baseball America poll with records through April 8 and previous ranking (voting by the staff of Baseball America):

	Record	Pvs
I. Stanford	27-7	1
2. Louisiana State	24-9	4
3. Georgia Tech	26-8	3
Florida State	31-7	
5. Rice	30-9	2
5. Nebraska	25-8	
7. Notre Dame	25-5	
8 Miami		8
9. Southern Cal.		12
10. South Carolina	26-9	
11. Central Florida		
12 Baylor	27-10	
13. South Alabama	28-7	
4. CalState-Fullerton	OD 40	16
5. Arizona State	22-11	10
6. Tulane	The state of the s	20
17 Clemson	21-12	- 11

### Quote of the day...

"In football the object is to march into enemy territory and cross his goal. In baseball the object is to go bome."

- George Carlin

18. Mississippi	25-10	16
19. Pepperdine		
20. Florida Int.	32-9	21
21. Tennessee		
22. East Carolina	29-8	25
23. Stetson		
24. Texas		
25 Alabama		

#### Football

College
Marshall University
2001 schedule

Opponent Sep. 1. at Florida Massachusetts Sep. 8. Sap. 29 Bowling Green Oct. 6 .at Northern III. Oct. 13 at Buffalo Oct. 20 Central Michigan Oct. 27. Akron Nov. 3 ...at Kent

Nov. 10.

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Nov. 17 Kentucky spring practice schedule (open to the public, times are tentative)

2 p.m. April 20: Blue-White Spring Game ■ April 21- 4 p.m. at Georgetown College at Miami (OH) (admission \$10)

#### Pikeville College 2001 football schedule

Sept. 15	"Georgatown	Home	1:30
	U.VaWise		
Sept. 29	"Union	Away .	TBA
Oct. 6	North Greenville (HC)	Home	1:30
Oct. 13	'Cumberland, Ky.	Away.	ТВА
	Lambuth		
	*Belhaven		
Nov. 3	*Campbellsville	Home.	1:30
	*Cumberland, Tenn.		
	*MSC Game	1000	

### XFL standings

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xy-Orlando	8	2	.800
Chicago	5	5	.500
NY/NJ	4	6	.400
Birmingham	2	8	.200
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	W	L	Pd
Los Angeles	7	3	700
Memphis:	5	5	.500
San Francisco	5	5	.500
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XFL playoffs All Times EDT

(score not avail, at presatime) Sunday, April 15 Chicago at Los Angeles, 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 14 San Francisco al Orlando

CHAMPIONSHIP Sunday, April 21 Semifinal winners, 8 p.m.

### Auto racing

### Dirt track

UDTRA/HAV-A-TAMPA RACING SERIES 2001 season results:

Feb. 3	Golden Isle Speedway, Brunswick, GA-
Freddy Smith	
Feb. 7	East Bay Raceway, Tampa, FL-
Davey Johnson	
Feb. 8 -	
Billy Moyer	
Feb. 10 -	East Bay Raceway, Tampa, FL -
Steve Shaver	
Feb. 15	Volusia Speedway Park,
Daytona Beach, FL - Rick Ec	kert
Feb. 16 -	Volusia Speedway Park
Daytona Beach, FL - Davey .	lohnson
Feb. 17 -	Volusia Speedway Park,
Daytona Beach, FL- Matt Mill	er
March 31	Texas Motor Speedway,
Fort Worth, TX - Jimmy Mars	

### Hav-A-Tampa Rookies

of the Ye	ear:
2000	Mike Gault, Gaffney, SC
1999	Dennis Erb Jr., Carpentersville, IL
	Dan Schlieper, Pewaukne, WI
	Earl Pearson Jr., Jacksonville, FL
1996	Johnny Virden, Russellville, AR
1995	David Gibson, Ash Flat, AR
1994	Jeff Smith, Kings Mountain, NC

### Calendar

**Demolition Derby** 

Powell County site for demolition derby A demolition derby sponsored by the Powell County football boosters is scheduled for Friday, June 8 at 7 p.m. at the Powell County

For details, call Janet Carroll at 606/663-4957 or Parnela Lopaz at 606/663-6506.

Tennis

Pikeville YMCA to hold camp The Pikeville YMCA is currently holding registration for tennis camp for ages 5-17 through June 11. The fee is \$50 for members and \$75 for non-members. For more information, call the YMCA at

(606) 433-9622.

Golf Hillbilly Shootout Golf Scramble The Hillbilly Shootout Golf Scramble will be held April 20 at 9 a.m. st the Mountain Pub-Links Golf Course at Johns Creek. The cost of the event is \$50 and is being hosted by the Pikeville High School Football Boosters Club. For more information, contact Jason Howell

Gymnastics

at 606/432-0185.

YMCA offering classes

The Pikeville YMCA will hold gymnastics classes instructed by Jodi Justice every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. at the YMCA. Age groups will be 2-3 years old, 4-5 years old, and 6-10 years old. For more information, call the YMCA at 606/433-9622.

Horse Show

Christ Central School Horse Show A horse show will be held at Archer Park in Prestonsburg to benefit the Christ Central School on Thursday, May 12, at 5 p.m.

T. Valley Bass Anglers to hold open tourney The Tug Valley Bass Anglers will be holding the "Food City Open", an open bass tournament at Fishtrap Lake, on Saturday, April 28. The tournament will be a one-day event starting at 7 a.m. and continuing until 3 p.m., when weigh-in will be held.

Fishtrap Lake information For daily information on Fishtrap Lake call 806/437-9428. If you

### Coaches reminder

Coaches get your box scores in to the Times. Herald. Please send everything c/o Steve LeMaster. Phone: (606) 886-8506 Fax (606) 886-3603 E-mail: sports@floydcountytimes.com

need to talk to the ranger staff call 506/437-7496

Softball

The Floyd County Men's Softball League will hold a managers' meeting at Archer Park Softball Field, April 18 at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Cory Vicars at 606/874-2121 or 6706/874-



■ Tab Tackett (South Floyd)

#### Hunting

### 2001 Quota Elk Hunts

4 Bull hunts: October 6-12 6 Cow hunts: December 1-7

Apply by May 31. Cost \$10.

Hunters may apply once.

No other fees are required.

On July 28, 10 applicants will be drawn at random in Hazard. Applicants must a have a valid Kentucky hunting license by time of draw. Hunts will be held on Addington Enterprises WMA north of Hazard.

WAYS TO APPLY

Have your social security number or driver's license ready, and (1) Purchase an elk permit at any hunting fishing license outlet. (2) Use Mastercard or Visa and log on at www.kdfwr.state.ky.us. (3) Use Mastercard or Visa and call toll-free 1-877-757-5355.

Applicants get a free commemorative patch by sending a selfaddressed stamped envelope to KDFWR, Attn.: KY Elk Patch. #1 Game Farm Road, Frankfort, KY 40601. Proof of application (copy of permit, authorization number, SS or driver's license number) must accompany the request.

### Softball

#### High School Schedules

South Flo	yd
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18	at Allen Central
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### Allen Central

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	at Prestonsburg
18	South Floyd
20	Betsy Layne
21	at Belfry Inv.
23	Paintsville
28	Johnson Central
27	at Pike Central
May	
2	Knott Co. Central
	Millard
9	Prestonsburg

...Pikeville 14 .... ...at Millard ..........Pike Central ....at Pikeville

### **Betsy Layne**

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### College

#### Cawood Ledford **Endowed Scholarship** established at Cumberland College

ndowed scholarships are usually created in hance of someone who has impacted a community so tremendously that their name The Cawood Ledford Endowed Scholarship established at Cumberland College by WHAS legend Wayne Parkey, is no different. Perkey, who retired from WHAS in Louisville after a broadcasting career that spanned forty years, established the scholarship fund recently in honor of the man who has been the heart and "the Voice of the Kentucky Wildcats' for over four decades, "Cawood Ledford is a friend, mentor and personal hero," states Perkey "He served as a professional role model for several generations of broadcasters and print jour-

nalists, not just in sports. Cawood was the slandard." Perkey continues, 'In his 1972 "how-to" book, Sports: before the Camera and behind the Mike: which was used as a course text at the University of Michigan and other schools. Cawood reveled the basic tenet - do your homework, follow your passion, and demand the best of yourself. At the beginning of his book Cawood quotes Thoreau, "If a man does not keep pace with his com

> (See CAWOOD, page five)

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### Fitness

### **Pro-Fitness Outdoor Events**

April 29 - Dewey Lake Kayak Tour, convention center, 9 a.m. May 27 - German Bridge Mountain Trail Bike Ride; German Bridge

Campground, 9 a.m. June 24 - Sandy Valley Century; Pro-Fitness, 7 a.m. July 29 - Little Shapherd Mountain Trail Bike Ride: Whitesburg

McDonalds, 8 a.m. August 25 - Jenny Wiley Mountain Trail Bike Festival: Jenny Wiley Mountain Trail Bike Trails, 10 a.m. September 26 - Mountain Trail Bike Tour of Prestonsburg; Pro-

October 7 - Levisa Cup river race; Prestonsburg River Park, 9 a.m. November 25 - Turkey Trot Mountain Trail Bike Ride; Pro-Fitness, 1

December 23 - Christmas Trail Run; Convention Center, 1 p.m.

For more information, contact Don Fields at

(606) 886-8604 or at profitness@multisports.net.

### **Sports** Briefs...

Basketball

#### Gardner, Arenas to NBA

Jason Gardner and Gilbert Arenas declared for the NBA draft, becoming the third and fourth players from Arizona's NCAA tournament team to leave school early.

#### Football

#### Raiders' Kaufman retires

Napolean Kaufman, the Oakland Raiders' backup running back, retired from football Wednesday to devote his energies to his min-

Kaulman, 27, rushed for 499 yards on a career-low 93 carries as Tyrone Wheatley's backup last season

### Griese signs deal with Broncos

Brian Griese, who emerged last season as one of the NFL's best young quarterbacks, agreed Wednesday to a new six-year contract with Denver. Gress is a former college standout from the University of Michigan.

Broncus owner Pat Bowlen confirmed Thursday that the deal is for six years, and sources say it will pay Griese \$39 million, including a franchise-record \$12.6 million signing bonus.

### Kentucky inks Ohio fullback

Ronald "Rock" Johnson, an all-state fullback from Cleveland, has signed a national letter-of-intent to play football at Kentucky, the university announced Wednesday

Johnson rushed 94 times for 579 yards and nine touchdowns as a senior at St. Peter Chanel High School in Bedford, Ohio. He caught 11 passes for 137 yards and was the blocking back for tallbacks who combined for 2,400 rushing yards and 33 touch-

downs last year. Johnson's team finished 13-2 and was the state runner-up. He was named the leam's Offensive Most Valuable Player and was selected for the "Big 33" Ohio vs. Pennsylvania All-Star Game. Johnson becomes the 20th signer for first-year coach Guy

"Rock is a prototype fullback," Morriss said of Johnson, who picked UK over Wisconsin, Indiana and Akron.

### Baseball

award

### Morehead State's Renaker gets OVC

Morehead State University first baseman Will Renaker was honored as Co-Player of the Week in the Ohio Valley Conference. Renaker, a junior from Cynthiana, batted 500 (10-for-20) and drove in 13 runs for the week. The former Harrison County standout hit three home runs, two doubles and scored eight runs in six

Ranaker shared the honors with Murray State's Preston Weatherly, who went 7-for-11 in three games with four runs and six

### Golf

Masters Champions 1934 - Horton Smith

1935 - x-Gene Sarazen 1936 - Horton Smith 1937 — Byron Nelson

1938 - Henry Picard 1939 - Raiph Guldahl 1940 - Jimmy Demaret 1941 - Craig Wood

1942 - x- Byron Nelson 1943 - No tournament, WWIII 1944 - No lournament, WWII

1945 - No tournament, WWII 1946 - Harman Keiser

1947 — Jimmy Demaret 1948 — Claude Harmon 1949 - Sam Snead 1960 — Jimmy Demaret

1951 — Ben Hogan 1952 - Sam Snead 1953 - Ben Hogan

1954 - x-Sam Snead 1955 — Cary Middlecoff 1956 - Jack Burke Jr.

1957 — Doug Ford 1958 - Amold Palmer 1959 - Art Wall Jr. 1960 - Amold Palmer 1981 — Gary Player

1962 - x-Amold Palmer 1963 - Jack Nicidaus

1984 - Amoid Palmer 1965 - Jack Nicklaus 1966 - x-Jack Nickfaus 1968 - Bob Goalby 1969 — George Archer 1970 - x-Billy Casper 1971 — Charles Coody 1972 — Jack Nicklaus 1973 - Tommy Aaron 1974 - Gary Player 1975 - Jack Nicklaus 1978 - Raymond Floyd 1977 - Tom Watson 1978 - Gary Player 1979 - x-Fuzzy Zoelier

1967 — Gary Brewer

1980 - Seve Bullesteros 1981 — Tom Watson 1982 — x-Craig Sadier 1983 - Seve Ballesteros 1984 — Ben Crenshaw 1985 - Bembard Larger

1986 - Jack Nicklaus 1987 - x-Larry Mize 1988 - Sandy Lyle 1989 - x-Nick Faldo 1990 - x-Nick Faldo 1991 - Ian Woosnam

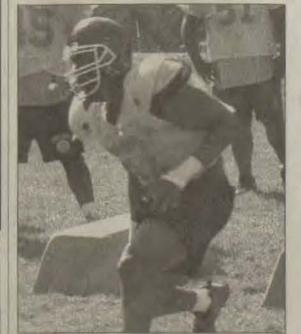
1992 — Fred Couples 1993 — Bernhard Langer 1994 - Jose Maria Clazabel 1995 - Ben Crenshaw 1996 - Nick Faldo 1997 — Tiger Woods 1998 - Mark O'Meara

2000 - Vijay Singh

2001 — Tigar Woods

x-won playoff

1999 - Jose Maria Olazabel



Pikeville College freshman defensive end Shaji Jackson went through drills at a spring football practice. Jackson and the rest of his teammates have four new assistant coaches.

# UT's Dickey to receive 34th Neyland Trophy

over prosperity as both a football coach and athletic director at the University of Tennessee, has been named winner of the Robert R. Neyland Memorial

The award, named after the UT football coaching legend, has been given out since 1967 to an outstanding leader in intercollegiate athlet-

"Doug Dickey's peers will tell you he was not only an outstanding football coach, but is also an excellent athletics director," UT Quarterback Club president Jimmy Hyams said. "He was one of the few SEC coaches to have a winning record against Bear Bryant. As ath-

oug Dickey, who presided growth and development of the Vol program to become one of the nation's finest.

> When Dickey came in as football coach in 1964, the Vols had had only a .500 record during the previous three years. Although his first team finished 4-5-1, during his remaining five years at UT each of his teams won at least eight games, and won two SEC championships.

> The Vols were short on talent when he arrived, but not when he left. Bill Battle's first three teams had a cumulative 31-5 record.

> "I happily share the honor with the players, assistant coaches and administrators I have worked with

> > (See DICKEY, page four)

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### letic director, he has overseen the Denis Harrington

Few people have mixed emotions about New York Yankees pitcher Roger Roger "The Rocket" Clemens, they either love him or hate him.

It's not something Clemens is concerned about short term or long term. Bluntly put, he could care less. Only color him mean with a ball in his glove and standing on the mound working his spot in the regular rotation. He'll cuss you and hit you, if necessary, to get the edge. And he's never been heard to apologize about his behavior.

"No question about it; I'm pretty insane out there." he said. "Every time I toe the rubber, I'm pumped. More than anything I think about the people who pay their way into the ball park. Whenever I pitch I'm aware that in the crowd there might be someone watching who came especially to see me perform. Chances are they might have driven four hours just to get there. And maybe this will be their only opportunity to see mepitch. So I'm going to give it my best effort whatever the occa-

When Clemens beaned New York Mets catcher Mike Piazza the boos came cascading down to watch me work. You can't

in waterfall fashion. And this reaction only intensified when, in the 2001 World Series, be tossed a broken bat in Piazza's

WHEN CLEMENS BEANED NEW YORK METS CATCHER MIKE PIAZZA THE BOOS CAME CASCADING DOWN IN WATERFALL FASHION. AND THIS REACTION ONLY INTENSIFIED WHEN, IN THE 2001 WORLD SERIES, HE TOSSED A BROKEN BAT IN PIAZZA'S DIRECTION.

"I don't think I've ever allowed my emotions to get the best of me," he said. "As for the boos, I don't let them bother me. Everybody who's ever worn a uniform has heard boos. I've been doing this (pitching) for 17 years and I've got my own fans make everybody happy and I've never tried to do so. It's a fool's

Dubbed "The Rocket" for the speed with which his high heater reaches the plate, Clemens refuses to conceded that there's been any notable reduction in his throwing velocity.

"I haven't really lost anything off my fastball," he said. "I'm still being clocked in the mid-90's. Sometimes I don't have my usual speed because of nagging injuries. It could be my back or a hamstring pull, the type of ailment that doesn't allow you to use your full motion to best advantage. But I'm always out there battling, fighting my way through problems. As for being hurt, I'd rather say, hey, I made a few bad pitches, walked too many guys, and leave it at that. If anybody knows you're hurt out there, they'll take advantage. They're going to attack you. Quite frankly, at this juncture of the proceedings. I don't expect I'll ever feel great physically again."

Because his health is often borderline Clemens finds it necessary to fall back on psychology as a ploy to help him win.

"I remember particularly a couple of games I pitched last year while ailing," he said. "I was getting the ball over at 87, 88 miles an hour, but the hitters were expecting it to be 10 miles an hour faster. And it look them six innings to figure out the zip wasn't there that day. By that time I had a healthy lead and the bullpen was called in to close shop. That's the hidden game. the mind game. On occasion you have to bluff."

As for his prevailing philosophy. Clemens said, "I always enjoy pounding the ball, and when I do the velocity is still there. But to make speed more effective I've developed a good splitter, and I also have a great changeup and a pretty fair curve. But I can still pound guys for six innings if the need is there."

Unlike many a player before him. Clemens admires New York Yankees team owner George Steinbrenner.

The guy (Steinbrenner) has a football mentality." he said. "He doesn't let you coast. I don't mind, even at this stage in my me a little bit. I enjoy people expecting bug things from me because I expect big things from

For what remains of his big league tenure Clemens will be pitching for history and his place in it during each and every start.

### Pikeville

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year coached the defensive line majoring in biology. "This is a and special teams at Methodist beautiful town, with a lot of kind

Pikeville seems to be a great place, and has some awesome people," Cunningham said. "We have some really hard-working players, and those things add up to make great things."

Riley is from Beaufort, S.C., and a graduate of Charleston Southern University. He spent two years coaching defensive backs at his alma mater, and last year coached defensive backs at Fairfield (Conn.) University.

"There are some real nice people here," said the 23-yearold Riley, and his is a quiet town. "I'm looking forward to some good things happening

Ben Howard is beginning his coaching career as the wide receivers coach. Howard, 21, was a three-year starting quarterback at Pikeville High School, and was a member of Georgetown College's national championship team last fall.

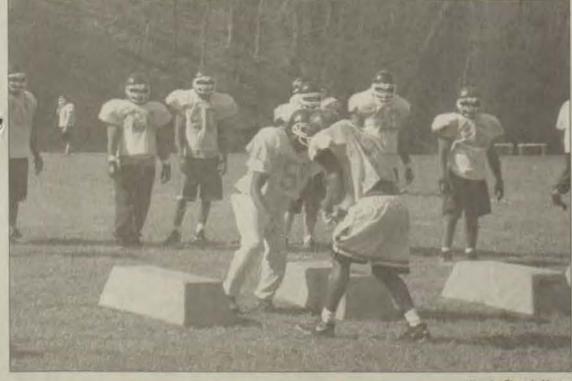
Howard is a student-assistant

people, and when Coach Willis gave me opportunity to come home, I jumped at it," he said. Howard is the son of legendary football coach Hillard

Howard, who is now principal of Pikeville High School.

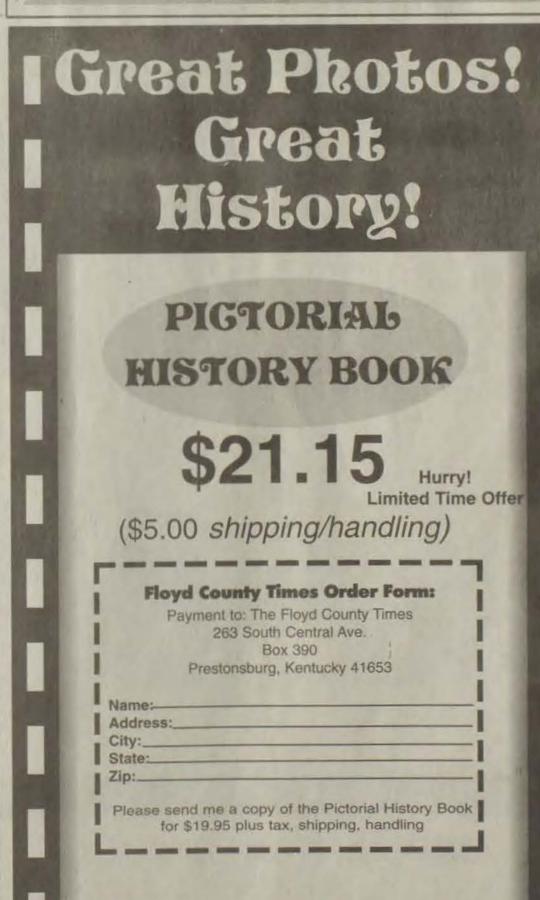
Honaker is coaching offensive backs after spending three years coaching offensive and defensive lines at Lafayette High School in Lexington. Honaker was a member of the 1988 and 1989 state championship teams at Pikeville High before moving on to the University of Kentucky, At UK, he played four seasons for Bill

"Pikeville is home for me, and when the opportunity to career, if somebody gets after coach on the college level came. I realized quickly it was what I needed to do," said Honaker, 27. "I was part of something special at Pikeville High School, and now I believe I will be a part of something special here at Pikeville College.



Defensive players took part in a drill at a Pikeville College spring football practice. The Bears, under first-year coach Zak Willis, went 7-1 last season as a club, junior varsity team.





### P'burg Invitational slated for April 20-21

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

The Prestonsburg High School girls' softball team, under veteran coach Bridget Clay, will host an invitational tournament April 20-21. The tournament will begin on Friday afternoon and conclude on Saturday. The four-team tournament is a round-robin event.

Three 15th Region teams (one 57th District and two 58th District squads), along with a team out of the 16th Region, make up the tournament field.

A 57th District team, Sheldon Clark will take part along with two 58th District teams, host Prestonsburg and South Floyd. Rowan County is the 16th Region team taking part in the tourna-

Sheldon Clark will play South Floyd in one opening game of the invitational while Prestonsburg will take on Rowan County in the other game.

"It's a good tournament," said Prestonsburg Coach Bridget Clay. "It gives us the chance to play a team we normally wouldn't play in the regular season.

### **NAIA Spring Events**

7th Annual Women's Golf National Championships May 14-18 London Country Club London, Ky.

21st Annual Softball National Championship Wilson Morgan Softball Complex Decatur, Ala.

50th Annual Men's National Championship 21st Annual Women's National Championship May 21-25 Hillary J. Boone Tennis Center Lexington, Ky.

50th Annual Men's Golf National Championships May 22-26 Isletta Golf Club Albuquerque, N.M.

50th Annual Men's Outdoor Track & Field National Championships 21st Annual Women's Outdoor Track & Field

National Championships

May 24-26 Rotary Stadium Abbotsford, B.C., Canada

45th Annual Baseball National Championship May 25-June 1 Lewis-Clark State College Lewiston, Idaho



Mar. 13, 2001

#### Tennis

onship. We certainly aren't looking past Georgetown, but we will be ready when we get to North Greenville. We hope to play them again in the league tournament next week and then after that in the regional tournament.

We'll get our first look at each other Friday, and it will be two very good teams going at it. This will be some quality tenmis.

Note: Results from all of this past week's Pikeville College tennis matches, along with other matches throughout the upcoming week, will appear in next Sunday's Times Herald Sports.

### About Coach Kitchen...

John Kitchen is in his fourth year as the men's tennis coach and assistant bas-

Continued from pt ketball coach. John is a 1992 graduate of Knott County Central High School where he led his team to the state tournament two consecutive years.

Coach Kitchen is coming off back-toback KIAC championships in tennis. where his teams won conference titles in both singles and doubles. For his efforts, he was named Coach of the Year in the conference the last two seasons, and last year was Region XII Coach of the Year.

Kitchen played basketball and tennis at Pikeville College. He holds the school's single season (300) and career assist (756) records. He also won more games as a Pikeville College Bear than any other player in history.

Kitchen has a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree and holds a minor in accounting from Pikeville College.



Foreign exchange student Tetsuya Isero, of Prestonburg High School, is excelling on the tennis court.

### Dickey

during my coaching career." Dickey said. "Football is a team game. I am grateful to the team, including the fans who have made it possible for me to be selected as a recipient of the

Neyland Trophy." As the university's athletic director since 1985, Dickey again showed a magic touch.

While athletic departments at other major colleges struggle to make ends meet, Tennessee has enjoyed continued financial growth.

Construction has been almost constant, including improvements to Neyland Stadium and renovation of Lindsey Nelson Stadium as well as the building of Goodfriend Indoor Tennis Center and the Thornton

Athletics Student Life Center.

at maneuvering UT through a handful of NCAA investigations

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with a minimum of damage. He has received numerous awards, including Tennessean of the Year by the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame in 2000 and the John L. Toner Award in 1998 as

the nation's top athletic director. In receiving the Neyland, Dickey joins an elite group of the nation's top college sports figures, including Bear Bryant, Tom Osborne and Schembechler.

Dickey is married to the former JoAnne Beville. They have four sons, Don, Dan, David and Daryl, a daughter, Jaren Anne Wells, and 12 grandchildren.

Tickets to the 11:45 a.m. banquet on April 21 will be \$20 each. Call Col. Gene Moeller at Dickey has also been adroit 865/974-1216 or 865/974-1219.

### Malone

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with Hazen's tremendous experience and international recognition in the cross country arena, Track & Field News was very eager to publish the book. And so, after five years in the making, the book "Training for Cross Country", whose sole author is Hazen (who has coached at Malone since 1967). was released just recently.

The book is one for beginning cross country coaches. It covers the fundamentals and principles of preparing runners to be successful in their development and racing. The book also has detailed training schedules for beginners, intermediate and upper-level runners. Strength and flexibility, nutrition and common running problems are among other areas covered in the book.

"In our American education system, most schools have a cross country program but not many times a track coach or sprint coach or even another sport's coach is asked to coach cross country," said Hazen. "Even though they may be a runner, they may very well be lacking in basic fundamental knowledge needed to help young kids train properly for cross country. I wanted to offer something that fit that need and

hopefully this book does so."

The book, which sells for \$19.95 plus tax, is available for purchase directly through Jack Hazen at P.O. Box 9512. Canton, Ohio 44771 or it may be purchased from Track & Field News Press (shipping and handling charge added) at 2570 El Camino Real, Suite 606, Mountain View, CA 94040.

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### Hodges

Skinner, 33. Kurt Busch, 34. Kevin Harvick, 35. John Andretti, 36. Brett Bodine, 37. Kenny Wallace, 38. Buckshot Jones, 39. Mark Martin, 40. Robert Pressley, 41. Rick Mast, 42. Kyle Petty, 43. Todd Bodine Top-10 points leaders after 8 of 36 events; 1. Jarrett 1236, 2, J. Gordon 1113, 3, Benson, Marlin-1049, 5. Park 1042, 6. R. Wallace 1008, 7. Hamilton 995 8. Rudd 970 9.

### **FANFARE**

### **JCHS**

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pionship. Johnson Central eventually fell in the second round of the playoffs to district rival Tates Creek, a team they'd beaten on the road in the regular season. Johnson Central, under Musick, finished the season with an 11-1 record. The near-perfect mark was the best in school history

It's mid-April. Nearly every high school football team in the state has or is in the process of concluding spring football practice. Johnson Central remains without a coach. Names rumored for the job have included Mike Holcomb, head coach of the Breathitt County Bobcats; Jim Matney, head coach at Sheldon Clark High School and Billy Johnson, a former assistant coach and offensive coordinator under Musick at Johnson Central Johnson, a former high school quarterback, had a stellar playing career at Johnson Central

Both Matney and Holcomb now look to be out of the picture, while Johnson could still be interested, if he ever was interested.

Names and rumors do little in the way of getting a new head Elliott 943 10. Sadler 924

coach in place. And time is tick-

ing on the program to get a new

head coach in place for the 2001

season. The right man will have

to be put into place at Johnson

Central. It will be hard for any

coach to go in and do what

Musick did in his nine years as

head coach. And the 2001 sea-

son doesn't begin with any cup-

cake game. Johnson Central will

take on Ashland Paul Blazer if

the first game of the season, the

2001 Big Sandy Bowl at

ing? Could Musick actually stay

aboard as head coach. It doesn't

look likely, but there is still a

slim chance. Just the like the

fake punt the wily coach likes to

run every now and then, it's pos-

sible. Once again, it doesn't

appear likely, but there's still a

ities. All of the school's sports

facilities are on par with some of

the best in the state. Whoever

the school names as a new coach

will have some quality facilities

from which to ply their trade.

Their trade? High school foot-

A quality high school coach

Johnson Central has the facil-

An odd twist: Musick stay-

Paintsville.

possibility.

Weekend Racing: April 14-15 is Easter Weekend. This is a traditional off week for Winston Cup drivers. The Busch Series will be the only active series this weekend.

Next week we will answer sev-

eral fan questions regarding tires

and pit strategy employed by

Winston Cup and Busch teams.

Superspeedway Nashville Track Facts: Location: Lebanon, TN; Size: 1.333 miles; Degree of banking in comers: 14 degrees; Degree of banking on straights: Front-9 degrees, back-6 degrees; Length of frontstretch: 2,494 feet; length of backstretch: 2,203 feet.

The 2001 season marks the first visit to the brand new The NashvilSuperspeedway. Busch Series has been a popular attraction in the Nashville metro area on and off since 1984.

Saturday, April 14, Busch Series Pepsi 300, event 8 of 33 events; Distance: 226 laps/300 miles; Starting Time: 1 p.m.(EST); TV: Fox Sports Channel; Defending Champion: This is the inaugural event.

Note: Results of the Pepsi 300 were not available at presstime.

There is no Sunday racing, April 15 by any NASCAR series.

### Riggs bounces back to win truck race

Scott Riggs was able to bounce back from trouble early in the Advance Auto Parts 250 at Martinsville Speedway to record his first career NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series victory.

A pit-stop collision 86 laps into Saturday's race knocked Riggs out of the top 20. But the Durham, NC driver remained calm and worked his way into the lead on lap 143, a lead he never relinquished.

Riggs said he "just tried to remain calm" after the pit-road skirmish on lap 86 damaged the front end of his Dodge.

"I didn't know how many trucks were on the lead lap then, and I didn't knew how good my truck was," said Riggs, who picked up \$35,560 for the win and retained his lead in the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series points standings.

Rookie Travis Kvapil finished second to match his career-best finish while Terry Cook was third. Pole-sitter Joe Ruttman wound up fourth while Randy Tolsma was

Firmshing order, 1. Scott Riggs 2. Travis Kvapil 3, Terry Cook 4. Joe Ruttman 5. Randy Tolsma 6. Matt Crafton 7. Rick Crawford 8. Bryan Reffner 9. Ricky Hendrick 10. Nathan Haseleu 11. Carlos Contreras 12. Rick Carelli 13.

Jason White 14. Ronnie Hornaday 15. Bobby Hamilton 16. Billy Bigley 17. Larry Gunselman 18. Chuck Hossfeld 19. Dennis Setzer 20. Jack Sprague 21. Jason Thom 22. Ted Musgrave 23. Nathan Buttke 24. Lance Hooper 25. Jimmy Hensley 26. Coy Gibbs 27 Lance Norick, 28. Jason Small 29. Ken Schrader 30, Michael Dokken 31. Jon Wood 32, Richard Landreth 33, Bobby Dotter 34. Ricky Sanders 35, Ryan McGlynn Morgan Shepherd.

Top-10 points leaders after 4 of 24 events: 1, Riggs 675, 2, Ruttman 648 3. Hendrick 610, 4, Cook 600. 5, Tolsma 599. 6, Sprague 575. 7, Musgrave 569 8. Kvapil 563. 9, Crawford 543. 10, Gibbs 485.

### Clanton gets win

Georgia's Joey Clanton continued his dominance of the 400mile South Boston Speedway on Saturday night, leading all 300 laps of the event and collecting his second win of the season and third career race, capturing the Textilease Medique 300 presented at Hardee's. Clanton's race win came from the pole position. which he earned on Friday afternoon after being the fastest car all day during practice.

Clanton is the first driver since 1996 to lead a race from wire-towire, when Gary St. Amant led all 300 laps at Columbus Motor

Speedway. The unofficial final results Saturday's \$189,660 from American Speed Association's AC Delco Series Textilease Medique 300 at South Boston Speedway.

L. Joey Claston, Chevrolet 2. Kevin Cywinski 3. Mike Garvey 4. Gary St. Arnant 5. Scott Fraser 6. Danny Edwards 7. Billy Parker 8. Mike Miller 9. Butch Miller 10. Glenn Allen Jr. 11. Mike Eddy 12. Mike Cope 13. Scott Hansen, 14. Tim Jedrzejek 15. Chris Wimmer 16. Tristan Dupuis 17. Johnny Sauter 18. Matt Sielsky 19. Dennis Lampman 20. Greg Stewart 21, Ricky Bryant 22, Tim Taylor 23. Nick Woodward 24. Robbie Pyle 25, Russ Tuttle 26, John Silvenhome 27. Craig Smith 28. Davin Seites 29. Doug Stevens Jr. 30. Johnny Spaw 31. Pat Kelly 32. Greg Williams.

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■ In the event of negative test results, that person and his "buddy" will be immediately disqualified and the next highest weigh-in will be advanced accordingly

Prize money will be awarded based on total weight of fish per

■ Largemouth, smallmouth and Kentucky Spotted Bass only,

will qualify.

Size limit - 15 inches measured by Golden Rule, mouth closed, famning tail.

All boats must be equipped with working aeriated live wells.

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5th Place	\$500.00
6th Place	\$250.00
7th Place	\$250.00
8th Place	\$200.00
9th Place	\$200.00
10th Place	\$200.00
Largest Fish\$500.00	

be resolved by next place money being added and split equally.

All fishing must be done from a boat using artificial lures only with spinning or casting rods and flipping sticks.

■ No fly rods or trolling, released,

Maximum rod length, eight feet.

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Starting positions will be determine by drawing for position, buddy system with no more than two people per boat.

Blast-off will be divided into two equal flights. The first flight will blast-off at 7:30 a.m. and check-in no later than 3:30 p.m. The second flight will blast-off at 7:45 a.m. and check-in no later than 3:45 p.m.

At least one entrant per boat must be 18 years of age

Life jackets MUST be worn when engine is running

Federal and state laws forbid any alcoholic beverages on lake or

Tournament officials, or any affiliates will not be responsible for loss, accident or theft,

Plastic bags will be provided at weigh-in.

■ Short fish will cost ONE POUND penalty total weight and dead fish will cost TWO OUNCES penalty per fish.

No refunds after noon on Friday before tournament.

All live fish are to be

# Lasorda: Mr. Dodger

by DENIS HARRINGTON TIMES COLUMNIST

For many years Tommy Lasorda was the object of behind-the-hand snickers and disparaging remarks due to his open, patronizing position as a Los Angeles Dodgers "front man'

"I bleed Dodger blue," he often said, "and when I die, I'm the sky."

Because of his jolly elf image and boisterous demeanor Lasorda appeared to be more puff than substance as a manager. Critics pictured him as a lovable incompetent and cheerleader the Dodgers management just couldn't see fit to replace.

Nothing was further from the truth. Ironically, the proof in the pudding came after Lasorda had finally left professional baseball

becoming

native Harian County. His first

introduction to sports casting

was during his teaching experi-

ence, nearly fifty years ago,

when he began calling games for

WHLN in Harlan. It wasn't long

before his deep, resonating, bari-

tone voice caught the ear of pro-

ducers at WLEX in Lexington. It

was then, in 1953, that Ledford

began a lifelong career that can

only be described as legendary.

Cawood Ledford was with

WLEX for three years before

moving on to WHAS in

Louisville. With his quick wit,

smooth voice and love for the

game, Cawood Ledford brought

Wildcat games into the living

rooms of Kentuckians for nearly

forty years. Ledford was named

Kentucky Sportscaster of the

Cawood Ledford for twenty

years to keep them updated on

events at the Kentucky Derby, he

was announcers for the

Productions, which he operated

until 1993. During his celebrated

Horse racing fans counted on

Year 22 times.

Cawood

Before

as both a front-office man and sports world at large. And as on-field presence.

To the surprise of just about everyone Lasorda agreed to coach/manage the United States baseball entry in the 2000

Only Lasorda could see a silver lining in this mixed bag and believed that a first-place finish was more than just a remote possibility. Utilizing all of his psychological and teaching skills he directed his ragtag stalwarts to a gold medal perforwell it should have.

Speaking of his winning technique, Lasorda said, "I motivate players through communication, being honest with them, having them respect and appreciate your ability and help. I started in the minor leagues. I used to hug my players when they did something well. That's my enthusiasm. That's my personality. I jump with joy when we win. I try to be on a close basis with my players. The experts claim you can't go out and eat with your players. But I

With not a little disdain, Garagiola once told an NBC audience, "You can plant two thousand rows of corn with the fertilizer Lasorda spreads

which preached "play hurt or don't play at all," Lasorda abhorred the modern-era players who miss games for the most

You can't make this club in the tub," he used to say. "I some kid asked me the way to the whirlpool I'd reply, "Stick your foot in the toilet and flush it. When I walked into our clubhouse it was like walking into the Mayo Clinic. We had four doctors, three therapists and five trainers. Back when I broke in, we had one trainer, who carried a bottle of rubbing alcohol - and by the seventh inning he had drunk it all."

There is no way you'll get God were to say to me, 'Tom, you can have your choice of power or speed, I'd take power. The reason is simple. If a guy beats out a hit and steals second. you've got no assurance he's going to score. But when a man hits one out of the park, you've got a guaranteed run.'

In the final analysis, Lasorda could still manage in the bigs today and succeed as of old. He proved that in Australia. And in so doing he would bring to bigtime baseball a vital ingredient which is sadly lacking now"My Telephone Service was the natural choice."



Some things are just common sense. So when I heard about a telephone service offering high-tech solutions at affordable rates, I was more than a little interested, When I learned they also offered local telephone service, long distance, Internet and paging, together in a low-cost bundle, I was sold. So it's only natural they'd become my telephone service, too.

LONG DISTANCE

Boxing Heavyweight Championship, the Masters Golf Tournament, The World Series and the Final Four. In 1979, he created his won production company, Cawood Ledford

Olympic Games in Australia, While the perennial favorites from Cuba would field a team peopled with players capable of playing in the bug leagues, something Premier Fidel Castro going to be the big Dodger in has long forbidden, the American squad consisted of college types and unheralded mercenaries of questionable tal-

mance which astonished the

Continued from p2 panions, perhaps it is because he career, he was the author of hears a different drummer. Let seven books. Upon his retirehim step to the music which he ment in 1992, the University of hears, however measured or far Kentucky retired a jersey in his away." Cawood led the parade. honor; a tribute normally given This, scholarship will give only to their basketball players.

deserving students the opportu-Dick Vitale, the ESPN televinity to follow Cawood's path." sion analyst, only recently com-Cawood Ledford was born piled a 16-member list of his April 24, 1926 in Cawood. favorite college basketball radio personalities entitled the "All-Commonwealth hero, Ledford, a Cawood Ledford Team," in graduate of Centre College. honor of this Kentucky legend. taught high school English in his

In 1998, Cumberland College presented Cawood Ledford with an Honorary Doctorate of Laws degree. Cumberland is scheduled to honor Ledford once again with the "Outstanding Kentuckian of the Year 2001" award. The award is given annually to a citizen or native of Kentucky who has been a shining example of continued leadership and dedication to the betterment Commonwealth.

Since the Cawood Ledford Endowed Scholarship has been established by Wayne Perkey at Cumberland College, Ledford's legacy will live on in those who benefit from this gift. Proceeds me to knock good base runfrom the fund will be used to ning," he said. "However, if assist Kentucky students attending Cumberland College. Anyone wishing to contribute to the Cawood Ledford Endowed Scholarship Fund may do so by sending your gift to Cumberland College, Office of the President, 6191 College Station Drive, Williamsburg, Ky. 40769.

Cumberland College, located in Williamsburg, Kentucky, is a private liberal arts college in its 112th year of operation. Cumberland offers four undergraduate degrees in 37 major fields of study, 30 minors and nine pre-professional programs.

question, why not?"

As a motivational speaker Lasorda had few peers. He never saw a losing situation in life. Not a few detractors considered his line of work to be a bit much and said so for the world to hear. One such naysayer was Joe Garagiola, a recognized mouth of no little moment, who masqueraded as a major-league ballplayer for the St. Louis Cardinals and later held forth as a network com-

mentator.

around." A product of the old school trivial of injuries.

Lasorda is not one to fault the present-day obsession with the longball. Quite to the contrary.

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#### 2001 POINTS STANDINGS

9.	Diale Jarrett, 1,236
2.	Jeff Gordon, 1,113
3.	Sterling Marlin, 1,049
4-	Johnny Benson, 1,049
5.	Steve Park, 1,039
6.	Rusty Wallace, 1,008

7. Bobby Hamilton, 990

B. Ricky Rudo, 970 9. Bill Elliott 943 10. Elliott Sadler, 924

Kevin Harvick, 1,097 Jason Keller, 982 Greg Biffle, 971 Jeff Green, 923 immie Johnson, 917 Mille McLaughlin, 870 Jeff Purvis, 858 Kenny Wallace, 848 Matt Kenseth, 824

Scott Riggs, 675 Joe Ruttman, 648 Ricky Hendrick, 610 Terry Cook, 600 Randy Tolsma, 599 Jack Sprague, 575 Ted Musgrave, 569

Travis Kvapil, 563

Rick Crawford, 543

Coy Gibbs, 485

### TOP TEN

Todd Badine, 809

■ NASCAR This Week writer Monte Dutton ranks the top 10 drivers heading into this weekend's race. Last week's ranking is in parentheses.

1. (1) Dale Jarrett

2. (2) Jeff Gordon 3. (6) Steve Park

(4) 4.

5.

6. (7) Ricky Rudd

7. (3) Kevin Harvick

Rusty Wallace Making the best of it

10. (-) Jeff Burton

Things couldn't be better Won pole but faltered in race Also lost ground to Jarrett Sterling Marlin Still no Dodge wins (5) Johnny Benson Surprisingly, the best Pontiac Heartbreaking setback Took his lumps at Martinsville Bobby Hamilton Hey, he's seventh in points

Near the front at long last

#### FROM LAST WEEK

#### WINSTON CUP

MARTINSVILLE, Va. -Take notes, kids, or else Dale Jarrett is going to put all of you in detention, There might be a quiz

Jarrett stands alone at present. In a stock car racing world being invaded by wave upon wave of young rock 'n' rollers, Jarrett has become the lone reliable

link to the past. In fact, fueled almost by Jarrett alone, the past is kicking the Pensi Ge ation's butt. The 44-year-old Jarrett's victory in Sunday's Virginia 500 was his third in the last four weeks, serving notice for the umpteenth time that NASCAR has little

need for a seniors tour. Martinsville Speedway had been one of the few worlds to have remained unconquered by Jarrett. Neither he nor his father. Ned, a two-time champion himself, had ever won on the paper-clip-shaped, .526-mile speedbowl.

Overall, the victory was

championship.

FROM THE ARCHIVES

Nashville, Tenn., was

racing for many years,

and the opening of the

new Nashville Super-

speedway gives local

the next few years.

race, at the old

eight and Cale

Yarborough seven.

Geoff Bodine won the

most recent Nashville

fairgrounds track, in

1984. The racing was

quite competitive there.

as evidenced by the fact

Richard Petty won nine

times, Darrell Waltrip

fans hope of regaining a

Winston Cup date within

a hotbed of Winston Cup

Dale Jarrett vs. Jeff Gordon

**FEUD OF THE WEEK** 

This is no war of words. Both drivers are gentlemanly

and complimentary of each other. But this is a vibrant

season's results to date seem to point to a two-man

NASCAR This Week's Monte Dutton gives his

emerge, but among the perennial contenders, only

228 points out of first. Tony Stewart is 364 points

out. Unless the wildly improbable occurs, Labonte,

behind, reigning champion Bobby Labonte 430 out of

first, Mark Martin is 489 behind and Jeff Burton is 531

opinion: "After eight races, the distance between Jarrett

and Gordon and the rest of those who were expected to

- like, for instance, Steve Park or Sterling Marlin - will

Rusty Wallace is anywhere close, and Wallace is already

be contenders is extraordinary. It could be that others

rivalry, made more intense by the fact that the

race between the two for the Winston Cup

past 1960s star Fred time top 20.

Jarrett never won a Winston Cup race until he

Lorenzen was barely over 30 when he collected the last of his 26 victories in 1967

MARTINSVILLE, Va. -How did the Dodge Ram

Scott Riggs gave the Dodge its fourth consecutive victory in the Advance Auto Parts 250 at Martinsville Speedway. of the front row and took

Riggs became the third Dodge driver to win.

Joe Ruttman captured the season-opening race at Daytona, and Ted Musgrave won races in Homestead, Fla., and Bakersfield, Calif.

Jarrett's 27th, moving him Lorenzen into NASCAR's all-

was nearly 35.

### **CRAFTSMAN TRUCK**

suddenly become so dominant?

Riggs started on the outside control in the latter stages.

### COMING UP ON THE CIRCUIT

#### WINSTON CUP

What: Talladega 500 Where: Talladega (Ala.) Superspeedway (2.666-mile track), 188 laps/501.288

When: 1 p.m., April 22 Defending champion: Jeff

Qualifying record: Bill Elllott, Ford, 212.809 mph. April 30, 1987

Race record: Mark Martin, Ford, 188.354 mph, May 10,

By MONTE DUTTON

NASCAR This Week

In the aftermath of his

father's tragic death, Dale

most popular driver on the

Virginia 500 enabled the

third-generation driver -

grandfather are members of

Car Hall of Fame - to move

As a rookie, Earnhardt Jr.

won Winston Cup races last

Richmond, and he then went

on to win The Winston all-

star race at Lowe's Motor

Speedway. He hasn't won

finish second behind

30 at Texas Motor

Speedway.

Age: 26

earnings

Michael Waltrip in this

since, but he did manage to

year's Daytona 500. He won

his third career pole March

Hometown: Kannapolis,

Career statistics: 47 starts,

3 poles, 2 victories, 4 top-

five finishes, 8 top-10s,

more than \$4.5 million in

Firsts: Start (May 30,

1999, at Charlotte), pole

Car: No. 8 Budweiser

owned by Teresa Earnhardt

Crew chief: Tony Eury

Do you feel like you are

recovering from the loss of

your father? "No, not at all,

really. I think it'll be a long,

long time before I feel like I

felt before all that happened.

little way. I try to deal with it

You've got to deal with it.

Everybody has their own

Chevrolet Monte Carlo.

(May 28, 2000, at Charlotte).

win (April 2, 2000, at Texas)

the National Motorsports

Press Association's Stock

from 20th to 19th place in

Winston Cup circuit.

both his father and

the points standings.

spring at Texas and

Earnhardt Jr. is probably the

An 11th-place finish in the

Notable: Dale Earnhardt won the final race of his career at Talladega, and he collected 10 of his 76 career victories at the track. . Gordon won this race last year after starting 36th.

#### **BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL**

What: Nashville 300 Where: Nashville Superspeedway, Lebanon, Tenn. (1.333-mile track), 225 laps/299,925 miles

Dale Earnhardt Jr.

Winston Cup Series

When: 1 p.m., Saturday Defending champion: First race

Qualifying record: None Race record: None

Notable: This brand-new track is D-shaped and paved in concrete. ... Previously, BGN races in this area were held at the Nashville Fairgrounds.

#### **CRAFTSMAN TRUCK**

What: Ram Tough 250 Where: Gateway

International Raceway, Madison, III. (1.25-mile track), 160 laps/200 miles

When: 1 p.m., May 6 Defending champion: Jack Sprague

Qualifying record: Stacy Compton, Dodge, 133.093 mph, Aug. 19, 1999

Race record: Jack Sprague, Chevrolet, 113.726 mph, May 7, 2000

Notable: Dodge Rams have won all four races this season.

### Your Turn

### **Letters From Our Readers**

Dear NASCAR This Week,

I am writing in reference to the unfair rule placed on the Fords this year for the aerodynamic disadvantage that gives the other makes an advantage. The rules should have all makes using the same measurements on trunk scopes, and also the same number of new scopes that are now required on the rooftops. The only reason that NASCAR placed these disadvantages on the Fords was after they won the points championship for 2000 and some of the Chevrolet drivers kept complaining Roger A. Smith

Hagerstown, Md.

We assume you mean the manufacturer's championship, which Ford did win in 2000. But the points championship was won by Pontiac driver Bobby Labonte.

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Dear NASCAR This Week,

Dale Earnhardt was always the first to apologize if he wrecked someone and never badmouthed anyone who wrecked him. That's why I was a fan of his. For anyone to find fault, or send death threats, because of his fatal crash is an insult to his memory. Those idiots should go watch professional wrestling and leave us NASCAR fans alone. Cliff Reed

Renville, Minn.

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Dear NASCAR This Week.

I'm writing about Dale Earnhardt's death. The people who are true racing fans would not blame Sterling Marlin, It's just part of racing. Dale would not have felt this way. I'm an avid Dale Earnhardt fan and have been for years. People are so cruel! I thank God for taking Dale so he didn't have be like a friend of mine. He injured his brain stem and can't walk or talk ... just a vegetable in a wheelchair. No fan would want Dale to be that way. He was The Man in my book.

Dorothy Finch Sidney Center, N.Y. Sad stories touch many lives. Thanks for writing.

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#### the best way I can. I think about him all the time. It seems like there are good days and bad days. Just when you think you're feeling better about it, and it seems to be lessening each day, you hit a bump in the road, and you'll spend several days where you can't think about nothing else. I don't know how long that'll be, but it's not such a bad thing. I think

about him often.' Have you noticed the great outpouring from fans? "It really surprised me. You walk out on pit road, and that's when you realize how many people are paying attention and how many people know what's going on. ... The fans in the grandstands really give me a positive reaction. It's cool to see that. It really pumps you up and gives you a good feeling. It makes you want to give them something

to make them laugh and give them something to cheer about Is racing a release for you?

John Clark/NASCAR This Week

"It's something that would really take me a long time to explain. The way I look at racing and the way I feel about racing, going to the track on weekends, the way I think about it, the way I prepare myself for each race

. it's totally different now

than it was before. Some of the aspects about racing that were huge to me a year ago don't really matter no more. There are things I didn't really think I would appreciate, I appreciate now. I raced for three years in the Busch Series and the Winston Cup Series, and the majority of my enjoyment was how proud my father got and to see him happy after a win, and things like that they're not there no more."

# Who's Hot ...

HOT: Dale Jarrett has three wins in the past four races and is 123 points ahead in the standings. ■ NOT: Todd Bodine was. last at Martinsville and has been 32nd or worse

### Trackside Trivia

It's been nearly two months since Dale Earnhardt

seems like there are good days and bad days."

Jr. lost his father. "I think about him all the time. It

1. When did Jeff Green make his Winston Cup debut?

2. How many bonus points does a driver receive for leading at least one lap in a Winston Cup race? 3. What year was the current Winston Cup points system introduced?

> 3. 1975. 1 1994; 2, FIVE: ANSWERS

# Who's Not

in four straight races. ------

### **AROUND THE GARAGE**

### Two Winston Cup teams make crew chief changes

By Monte Dutton NASCAR This Week

hired new crew chiefs in the past week. Fred Graves, who once directed Series championship, is Hornaday's

Lopez's departure. Jim Long has replaced Tim ter - at that race. Brewer as crew chief of Mike Wallace's Ford.

WHERE IT ALL BEGAN: It was at a Craftsman Truck race at Martinsville Speedway where Richard Childress first started paying atten-

ves for Childress in the Winston rained out or whatever," Mast said. Cup and Busch series.

Two Winston Cup teams have thought were pretty gutsy," remembers Harvick, "Mostly I was beating up on another driver. I wasn't shoot-Ron Hornaday to a Craftsman Truck ing for it, but it turned his head in my direction. For that, Martinsville crew chief again, at least on an will always be special. I didn't interim basis, since Philippe know it for a while, but my life crew) that, if I could ever once run completely changed - for the bet-

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VIRGINIA IS FOR MAR-TINSVILLE LOVERS: Another son, who came to Martinsville racer of the commonwealth, Rockbridge Baths native Rick Mast, recalled his first visit to Martinsville.

"I forgot exactly what happened, tion to Kevin Harvick, who now dri- if the (local short-track) race was Benson's taste.

We were coming back home and Speedway. It was in the daytime, and I remember pulling up to the fourth-turn gate. "I remember peering out at the

racetrack and looking down the straightaway. I told the guys (on his this racetrack, my life would be fulfilled.

ranked third in the points standings, entered the Virginia 500 with a certain trepidation.

KEEP IT CLEAN: Johnny Ben-

The tiny track is a little rough for

"Martinsville is a track that is hard on brakes, and it's a place "I made a few moves that he we stopped off at Martinsville where it is hard to pass," Benson

> "You sometimes have to bump people out of the way, and people are always bumping and hitting you. Everybody, going into the race, feels like he's got to hit or wreck somebody to get by them, and that is what they do so that takes some of the fun out of it. I don't like hitting or wrecking people. That's not racing.

> "Some guys take it to the point they say, 'Well, everybody expects to get hit, so I will just hit them and get them out of the way.' If you've got a good car there, then, I think you can get to the front without hitting people."

### CREW OF THE WEEK

The speed of Dale Jarrett's pit crew gives him confidence that he can get out of the plts faster than other competitors, and the team, led by crew chief Todd Parrott, has been a huge factor in Jarrett's three recent victories.

"My pit crew makes every gamble a little less of a gamble," Jarrett sald after his Martinsville victory. "1 guess they give us some leeway that other teams don't

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Donna R. Morton Medicare Benediclary Outreach Coordinator AdminaStar Federal

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Refinancing a residential mortgage loan or obtaining a mortgage to be able to own a home of your dreams in the Big Sandy region recently became easier when CNC Mortgage opened its office at 81 Weddington Road, in Pikeville. Only a few months after opening its new office, CNC Morgage conducted an open

house on Thursday, April 5, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

CNC Mortgage is a subsidiary of Citizens National Bank, the second largest independently-owned and operated community banking company in the Big Sandy Region, Citizens National Bank, headquartered in Paintsville, operates branches and ATMs in five counties of the Big Sandy Region.

"Opening this residential mortgage loan office, in Pikeville demonstrates another way that Citizens National Bank can be the bank for your life," said Dennis Dorton, president and CEO of Citizen National Bank and its subsidiary, CNC Mortgage LLC "People will soon discover how convenient and easy it is at CNC Mortgage to apply for money to buy a home. In most cases, we will be able to close on loans much quicker than other sources. Our mortgage specialist, Greg Lee, has the experience that is necessary in the Big Sandy region to be able to help customers comfortably make one of the largest investments they'll ever make, purchasing a

According to the National Association of Realtors, the national average for a 30-year mortgage dipped to 6.89 percent the third week of March,

far below the peak of 8.64 percent that hit May, when the Federal Reserve pushed interest rates up for a sixth straight time in an effort to slow what was then red-hot economic growth that was raising concerns about inflation.

The most common reason people refinance a home is to take advantage of lower interest rates, thereby saving on mortgage costs," said Greg Lee, CNC mortgage specialist. "Now, is the time to refinance a home, when the economic conditions for doing so are right. Of

(See CNC, page three)



"It's just good, clean fun for everybody," said Pat Lemaster, current owner of the "Redlight Diner," formerly "Our Place," in Prestonsburg. Patrons joined in with the festivities on Friday night during their Easter celebration. "Wild Fire," a local band, played for the crowd, and the children were entertained with and Easter egg hunt and visits from the Easter bunny and a clown. Racheal Tussey, Prestonsburg, won a four-foot Easter bunny given away during the celebration. The diner roasted hot dogs outside, while customers visited booths. Charlotte Powers, Auxier, and Meranda Lafferty, Wayland, were the winners in the store naming contest. Pat Lemaster, owner says she plans to continue the fun throughout the summer with similar celebrations to be held each month.

### Lodestar Energy Inc. Vendors

by JOHN W. HUGHES, PRESIDENT

On Friday, March 30. involuntary bankruptcy petitions were filed in the U.S. Bankruptey Court in Lexington affecting Lodestar Energy Inc. and its parent. Lodestar Holdings Inc. The filings were made on behalf of a firm that recently acquired a substantial majority of Lodestar's outstanding public debt, Apparently, this firm has concluded that the bankruptcy process is the best means for restructuring the debt.

It is important to understand that this filing of an involuntary bankruptcy petition has no immediate legal impact on Lodestar. In many ways, it's the same as the filing of any other lawsuit. Lodestar will now have the opportunity to review the filing in the context of the company's current financial situation and determine whether it agrees that our ongoing restructuring process will benefit from the formal reorganization procedures of the bankruptcy court. If Lodestar agrees, it may in essence "take over" the process and proceed as though Lodestar itself had filed the petition. If Lodestar does not agree, it will contest the filing and the bankruptcy court will

(See VENDORS, page three)

determine whether the



Nine months ago, R&S Truck Body began a reward program in an effort to raise awareness of the importance of perfect attendance and safety management. On April 9, employees were awarded with plaques for their exemplary efforts in both categories. Plaques were presented to Danny Webb, Jimmy Whitaker, Brian Tipton, Charles Stambo, Bruce Shelton, Michael Sammons, John Pelphry, George Music Jr., John Johnson, Dwayne Hicks, Sie Hamilton, Johnathon Freeman, Clarence Davis, Danny Daniels, Roy Cox, Tony Collins, Mike Butcher, Gary Butcher and Adrain Adkins. Charles Collins, president of R&S, said that the company is currently planning other incentives to stress the importance of attendance and safety management with R&S employees.

### **Faculty present at National Conference**



Three Prestonsburg Community College faculty members presented at the 25th Annual National Association for Developmental Education (NADE) Conference held in Louisville, on March 14-18. John Carrell. instructor in developmental reading, Rick Casper, assistant professor in developmental education, and Myra Salisbury, assistant professor in developmental English, presented Teaching Organization and Idea Development in Writing to Generation X.

Those participating in the event came from a variety of educational areas including reading, mathematics, writing, tutoring. counseling/advising, learning assistance, disability service, learning strategies, retention, and administration, as well as several other disciplines. Though many came from across the United States, international countries were represented also.

Carrell, Casper, and Salisbury divided the participants into small groups and used structured brainstorming and affinity diagramming techniques, designed to be flexible and useful with students who have different learning style preferences, to develop ideas for writing.

Evaluations of the session were positive, with the majority rating the experience as "excellent." John Carrell said, "Rick, Myra and I were very honored to have been selected as presenters for the conference. It was a very positive experience for us, and we feel the participants truly enjoyed the opportunity to apply a teaching technique."

### **Financial FOCUS**

### No time to be on investment 'sidelines'

Disappointing investment results in 2000 may be sending some people out of the market and onto the "sidelines"-where they'll wait for things "to get better" before jumping back in. But is it a good idea to take a timeout from investing? Not really.

If you're investing for the long term, you always have to be looking into the future-far beyond today's headlines. And no matter what the market as a whole is doing, you can always find areas that offer strong potential for growth. Plus, when the market is down, you may be able to pick up high-quality stocks at good prices

Furthermore, by staying invested, you won't miss out on any market upturns. Remember, the market can rise just as quickly as it can fall. If you're off to the side, just watching, you could be left behind quickly when the market takes off. And there's ample historical evidence that it could do just that; over long periods of time, stocks have typically trended up, overcoming the down years and bear markets.

Still, there's no question that the market's performance in 2000 was shaky enough to give even experienced investors a case of the jitters. The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down 6.2 percent for the yearits worst year since 1981 and its first losing year since 1990. But the Dow's slide was dwarfed by the drop in the technology-heavy Nasdaq composite index, which tumbled 39.3 percent for the year-its worst year ever.

If you do want to stay in the market, but you don't want to be unnecessarily victimized by drops of these magnitudes, what can you do? Your most important defense is diversification—the distribution of your investment dollars over a variety of asset classes, including income, growth, growth-and-income, aggressive growth, cash and cash equiva-

Diversification can help protect you against downturns affecting just one or two market sectors. And, because you're exposed to a wide range of investments, you'll increase the likelihood that, at any given time, some parts of your portfolio

will do well. Your individual asset allocation mix will depend on several factors, including your risk tolerance, age, objectives and financial resources. A qualified financial professional can help you determine the combination of investments that's right for your situation. Once you've established the asset allocation mix for your portfolio, you'll need to monitor it. and make adjustments as you encounter changes in your life. For instance, as you move closer to retirement, and you've achieved some of your important goals-college for your kids, a paid-off house, etc.—then you may want to alter your asset allocation mix somewhat, possibly moving a certain percentage of your portfolio out of the "growth" area and into "mcome.

Even with a carefully prepared asset allocation plan, there's no guarantee that you will avoid losses. especially in the short term. But if you've chosen high-quality investments, and you have the patience to stick with them over the long term. you should do a lot better in the market than out of it.

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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions -

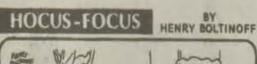
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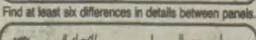
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