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Santa Claus will be leaving Allen Fire Department at 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 23, and making the following stops.

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- Mouth of Rice's Branch at church, 1:35 p.m.
- Hall Mart at Ivel, 1:50 p.m.
- Daniels Creek Church, 2:10 p.m.
- Woods Grocery, 2:25 p.m.
- Dwale Post Office, 2:40 p.m.
- Happy Mart at New Allen, 3 p.m.
- City Hall in Old Allen, 3:15 p.m.
- Mouth of Finance Hollow, 3:30 p.m.
- Mouth of Click Branch at Arkansas Creek, 3:50 p.m.
- Church of God in Arkansas Creek, 4 p.m.

Caroling in Prestonsburg

The city of Prestonsburg will host Christmas caroling Sunday night. The event will take place in the municipal parking lot from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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Today
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I did it

Gunnels confesses in letter to newspaper

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Times received a letter Thursday from confessed murderer James Austin Gunnels, the 22-year-old Dwale resident charged with the murder of store clerk Bonhje Jean Hall during a robbery in July.

The letter was a combined confession and death threat, marked with a return address of the Pike County Detention Center where Gunnels is currently being held.

Officials at the Pike County Detention Center confirmed yesterday the return address, which included a cell number, as being that of Gunnels.

Mailed to the newspaper and put to the attention of "Stacy Compton," the letter came as one in a long list of similar letters written by Gunnels and sent to those close to the case, most notably Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner, Gunnels' prosecutor.

Although The Floyd County Times does not employ anyone by the name of Stacy Compton, the newspaper does, however, employ a staff writer named Sheldon Compton who has written several articles centered

on Gunnels' case since his July arrest.

Gunnels was indicted shortly after his arrest and charged with nine felony counts, including first-degree murder and first-degree robbery. A separate indictment was consolidated with the first after more evidence garnered an additional charge of first-degree rape against Gunnels.

The letter, which was written on Tuesday, December 18, begins with Gunnels stating his intentions to write the newspaper with the "facts of the case" after five months in hopes of breaking the trend of "lies" and "understatements" that have been printed in the past.

"I know how bad you like to put understatements in the newspaper about myself, James Austin Gunnels," wrote Gunnels. "So, I thought after five months I would write you to get the facts of the case in the paper... The headlines should read 'He did it,' because I did and would like to let Floyd County know I did it."

Gunnels goes on, however, to explain that his letter was not only intended as a countywide confession of guilt, but was also meant to motivate Commonwealth's Attorney

Brent Turner to "do his job."

"I have told the very slow Floyd Co. courthouse more than once I did it, but they have yet to do anything about it," continued Gunnels. "This letter is not just to let everyone know I did it but this letter is to try and get your very own Brent Turner to do his job. It has been five months and he will not let anyone know what he is going to do."

Gunnels' plea of urgency to Turner within the letter as to what Turner's intentions were was clearly understood to be a question as to whether or not the Commonwealth's Attorney's office would pursue a death sentence in the case, something Gunnels has expressed an interest in before and again in his letter to Compton on Thursday.

"The bad thing about it is, is that I told him that I did it," said Gunnels, "and now he can't think of what to do with someone that cares nothing about death at all."

Turner said on Thursday that his office has come to a decision as to whether or not to pursue the death penalty against Gunnels, but is awaiting the results of a competency evaluation.

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'I just did what I did to have a little fun and pass a little time'

'...I can't say how good it did feel to kill someone that did nothing to me.'

'[Turner] can't think of what to do with someone that cares nothing about death at all.'

Excerpts from letter written by accused murderer James Gunnels

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No jail time in Martin plea deal

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

A jury trial scheduled to begin yesterday for local attorney Sheridan Martin was called off after Martin and attorney Burl McCoy reached a plea agreement with Assistant Attorney General Luke Morgan and Martin's victim.

At just before 9 a.m. yesterday morning, a call was placed to the Floyd County Clerk's office informing them to contact the selected jurors for the trial and inform them not to come to court.

At approximately 9:30 a.m. Martin appeared before Floyd District Special Judge John "Kevin" Holbrook and entered a guilty plea to count one — third-degree sexual abuse — and a merged count two — second-degree unlawful imprisonment — in connection to an incident which occurred in April.

In entering his plea yesterday morning, Martin admitted to locking the victim in question in his office and subjecting her to sexual contact by rubbing his crotch against her.

Martin's sister, Judee Hale, also came under the eye of the legal system when a claim was made against her by Martin's victim and a second female connected to the claims against him.

A warrant was issued for Hale's arrest after both women claimed Hale had tried to prevent them from seeking the arrest of Martin.

Those charges against Hale were dismissed yesterday morning just as Special Judge Holbrook accepted Martin's guilty plea, with the condition that Hale not be

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Stumbo's latest bill tries different approach

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

House Floor Majority Leader Greg Stumbo unveiled a bill Monday afternoon in Frankfort that has now become an old soldier in Stumbo's campaign to solve what he says is an increasingly debilitating problem with waste in Kentucky.

The proposal includes a half-cent fee on disposable drink containers and fast-food cups, the proceeds from which would serve to fund cleanup efforts across the state.

Although the upcoming legislative session will be Stumbo's fourth attempt at passing a bill to bring litter under some kind of control, it does not reflect exactly the same proposals presented before.

The "environmental impact fee" will not apply to all disposable containers as a comprehensive measure. Instead, certain items such as infant formulas, cereals, juices, milk, medical food prescribed by a physician, fruit and vegetable juices and drinks in containers that are 25 ounces or more in volume, or greater than four ounces and less than 25 ounces packaged in units of three or more containers will not apply. Nutritional products designed to gain, reduce or maintain weight or aid in a healthy diet will also be exempt.

Those effected by the fee would be distributors, fast food retail establishments, retail establishments other than fast food which provide customers with disposable

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House Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo unveiled his latest proposal to deal with litter caused by drink containers during a press conference Tuesday in Frankfort. Unlike Stumbo's previous attempts, the latest bill does not require deposits.

Board reaches settlement with South Floyd property owners

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

A land dispute focusing on property that's been adapted as part of the proposed South Floyd High School Athletic Complex, rounded out this week with an agreement between the Floyd County Board of Education and two of its former employees.

Attorneys, who have spent nearly a year tossing numbers across the table to reach a

final agreement between the board and plaintiffs Harold and Georgia Newman — retired Floyd County School teachers — settled the case on Wednesday, just a day shy of the initial trial date, which was slated for circuit court Thursday morning.

"Mr. Newman is a great person," said board attorney Michael J. Schmitt. "He has lived there many years and didn't want to leave. He always wanted a higher appraisal value. People don't want to take people's property, but it's worked out now and I

hope the Newmans are satisfied with it."

According to Schmitt, the 4.55 acre property was acquired by the board in a hearing last December when the judge overruled the Newmans' position that the board didn't have the authority to condemn property to be used for non-academic purposes. Newman's position conflicted with standards set by the eminent domain law, said Schmitt, which recognizes the authority in all public agencies to condemn property that will ultimately benefit the public.

Following the decision, a commissioner of the court was appointed to make a deed for the property, which was forwarded to the board in February.

"All that was left to do was to determine how much the Newmans would receive," said Schmitt, "and we've been working on that since then."

The original complaint against the Newmans, represented by Prestonsburg

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Letter

tion sought by Gunnels and, as of yet, still ongoing.

"We cannot make a formal decision on whether to seek the death penalty until we know what the results of the evaluation are ... we haven't seen the doctor's reports," said Turner. "If the doctors find him incompetent in some way, then we would obviously want to know that before making a decision. If they find him competent, we would have to see where they intend to go from there."

According to Turner, it is not an uncommon thing in a case as serious as Gunnels' for

the evaluations and procedural maneuvering by the defense to force the progress of a case to drag out for several months.

"We will not allow Mr. Gunnels to dictate the pace of the proceedings because he's interested in meeting some sick desire to obtain publicity for murdering someone," Turner said.

In addition to Gunnels' attack on Turner's effectiveness as a prosecutor, Thursday's letter also contained his denial of being "crazy" and what could be considered almost boastful insight

into how he says it felt to murder Hall.

"Some people may think I am crazy but I am far from it. I just did what I did to have a little fun and pass a little time or should I say I was just 'Killing Time,'" wrote Gunnels, alluding to a portion of a headline used by The Floyd County Times which ran along with the original story in July, "I did murder Bonnie Hall and I can't say how good it did feel to kill someone that did nothing to me."

Gunnels finished his letter by saying he "hoped to see

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something from the letter in the paper," warning Compton that if anymore "lies" were printed there would be consequences.

"I hope to see something from this letter in the paper, Stacy," wrote Gunnels. "If not I will hunt you down and kill you if you put anymore lies in the paper about me."

Gunnels circled the word "kill" in his letter.

Gunnels headed the letter with a suggestion for a headline which read, "He did it" is Floyd Co. to slow," and signed the letter, "Thanks for your time", underlining "time."

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cups and landfills. According to Stumbo's proposal, landfill operators, beginning January 1, 2003, will be required to pay a tipping fee of \$1 for every ton of municipal solid waste disposed at the landfill.

The money garnered from the impact fee would be used for several things targeted to improve the current waste problem. One development would be funding to clean illegal dumps across the state, which contains approximately 500 old dumps, according to Stumbo, while a second effort would provide funding to close existing landfills.

"Many counties — including Floyd — have existing landfills that need to be closed but they don't have the money they need to do it with," Stumbo said.

A third area that would be funded from the impact fee would be in implementing educational programs to make people more aware of the environment, and encourage children to not litter, an attempt to stop the waste problem with the early generation.

Another key difference Stumbo was quick to point out in his new proposal was the absence of a bottle bill, which he says has proven to be highly difficult to pass.

"This bill is a little bit different in that it does not contain a bottle bill or refundable deposit revision," said Stumbo. "It's impossible to pass that kind of proposal."

Stumbo explained on Wednesday that the goal to improve the waste problem in Kentucky was something that had been looked at closely in the last three years — attention that had enabled those involved to come to an understanding of how much such an endeavor would cost.

"We've looked at this problem for about three years," said Stumbo, "and what we need to clean up the state is about \$30 million annually."

The time and effort Stumbo has contributed to a set plan for improving the waste problem in

Kentucky has gained support from state, local and city officials, Stumbo says, as well as support from the Kentucky Association of Counties and the Kentucky League of Cities.

"We've been working on this all summer," said Stumbo. "I've been working with the Kentucky Association of Counties and the Kentucky League of Cities to try to come up with a bill that does work ... Both groups announced their support, which is a tremendous help."

Stumbo explained that the bulk of the money collected from the impact fee would go back to the counties and cities, which will be charged with the responsibility of putting the funding to use.

Floyd County's share would be \$380,000 dollars annually and could be used in any number of ways, according to Stumbo.

"They are required to do roadside cleanups at least three times a year, and that's for every city and county road," said Stumbo. "Because the cities get money to do the same thing. The counties

could also use the money to promote recycling programs to supplement their garbage collection system."

Floyd County succeeds in managing 78 percent of its garbage collection door to door because, Stumbo said, that's about how many people actually pay for the services.

"It's one thing for people who have the ability to pay not paying," said Stumbo, "but some of this money could be used to pay in place of those who actually can't afford to pay."

With Stumbo's proposed bill, all counties participating would have until June 2007 to prove that at least 85 percent of their municipal solid waste — residential and commercial — was being disposed of in a lawful manner.

Stumbo feels, given the motivation of a condition to go along with the impact fee funding, most counties would be able to meet the 85 percent mark.

"If the counties don't do that," concluded Stumbo, "then they lose the money. So it's a pretty good incentive."

Plea

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in contact with the two women anymore.

Martin was sentenced to 30 days in jail, probated for two years on the condition that he have no contact with his victim, which means he will spend no time in jail, pending he honors the terms of his probation.

Martin returned to his practice, awaiting a deposition, immediately after pleading guilty with his attorney where he spoke of his decision as a means to an end of a long and grueling situation.

"I'm certainly pleased that it's resolved," said Martin. "It's been a difficult year and I'm looking forward to the new year."

Martin also shed the formality of his conversation and spoke from what he referred to as a "personal standpoint" about the events of the last year.

"My belief in God is greater than the evil that lurks in the hearts of people that have attacked me in recent months, considering what I had to do to end it," said Martin. "That's what I had to do and that's what I did do."

Martin, who still maintains his innocence despite pleading guilty yesterday, said it was simply in his best interest to do so.

"It was in my best interest," said Martin. "Over time, unfortunately, false statements can overshadow the truth ... Certainly I've placed myself, I've allowed myself to be placed in positions that I shouldn't have been placed in, but now I'm ready to continue my life ... I'm considerably a better person for the events that have occurred. It makes you stronger. It makes you wise."

Meredith rejects plea deal, will go to trial

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

A Prestonsburg man facing 20 years to life in prison turned down a plea bargain with the Commonwealth's Attorney's office this week following a pre-trial conference in Circuit Court.

Preparations will now continue for the jury trial of Dennis James Meredith, 41, charged with first-degree sodomy and first-degree sexual abuse.

Although Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner declined to comment on the plea bargain sentence offered to Meredith, he did indicate that Meredith's refusal could have been mistake.

"He was looking at a Class A felony, 20 to life," said Turner Wednesday. "We offered him something somewhere between that, and he turned us down. His

time is up. We believe the evidence in this case is what it is. We have a good case against him."

Meredith was arrested by Kentucky State Police Detective Mike Goble on July 12 after a complaint against him was registered with the Cabinet for Families and Children.

The reports indicated alleged sexual abuse involving a 10-year-old female.

Officials involved in the case previously stated that Meredith was allegedly "cutting weeds" near a marijuana patch on his property at the time of his arrest.

He was additionally charged with cultivating and possession of marijuana, as well as possession and/or use of drug paraphernalia.

According to records at the Floyd County Detention Center,

Meredith was given a 12-month sentence on those charges. He is currently detained at the jail.

Meredith pleaded not guilty to the sexual abuse charges during his arraignment on July 16. Investigators in the case, however, indicated that KSP obtained a taped confession allegedly given by Meredith which will be presented as evidence during the trial. Sexually explicit tapes and magazines containing pornographic materials were also found at the residence, officials said.

During an interview yesterday, Meredith's attorney, Harolyn Howard of the Public Advocacy Office, declined to comment extensively on her client's motive for turning down the plea bargain.

"The only comment I care to make is that I think it's obvious," said Howard.

In addition to the sexual abuse charges, Meredith will also be tried as a persistent felony offender, which could add five to 10 years to his original sentence if he is convicted by the jury. A Floyd County grand jury indicted Meredith on that charge this week. The latest indictment was filed with the Floyd County Circuit Court Clerk's office yesterday.

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Prestonsburg High School forensics team moving toward state competition

The Prestonsburg High School Forensics Team has competed this year in several events, winning place recognition on several occasions. On December 8, the team competed in the "Pike/ Knott Central Christmas Swing" at Pike Central High School in Pikeville. Prestonsburg team member Josh Hall won first place in the storytelling category during the "Pike Central Swing" competition. Winning honorary mention were Courtney Conn for storytelling, as well as honorary mention for dramatic interpretation. The team won fourth place in overall team performance.

During the "Knott Central Swing" competition, Josh Hall again won first place in storytelling, with Courtney Conn again winning honorary mention. The team won sixth place in overall team performance.

On December 15, the team traveled to Lexington to compete in the "Speak of the Devil Classic," held at Henry Clay High School. Josh Hall placed second in storytelling and sixth place in humorous interpretation. Jessica Bryant placed third in solo acting, with Breanne Harmon placing fourth in the same category. Placing sixth in duo improvisation were the team of Robert Risner and Megan Goble; the team of Robert Risner and Caitlin Bentley placed fifth in this category. The high school team placed fifth in overall team performance.

Barbara Williams, English and Fine Arts teacher and coach of the team, said, "We have many talented students on our Forensics Team this year. I hope all my members qualify for state. Students must place in first through sixth place at competi-

tions that have at least 20 entries in each category. I have not received confirmation about state placements as of yet, but I do know that some categories did not

have the required amount. I will announce state bound winners following our regional competition at Adams Middle School on February 2."

Don't wait. Donate blood

We often take important things for granted—our family, our home, and our good health. January is National Volunteer Blood Donor Month to honor the thousands of people who care enough to help the sick and injured by making sure blood is there when it's needed. Central Kentucky Blood Center, together with McDowell ARH urges all Floyd County residents to give blood on Wednesday, January 2, from 10-4 p.m. at the Launch Pad. There is no substitute for blood. When the ill and injured require transfusions, only another human being can provide this unique gift. The thousands of Kentuckians who donate blood each year are responding to a continuous and vital need for adequate blood supplies in hospitals throughout our area, such as McDowell ARH. Don't wait for an emergency. Give blood on Wednesday, January 2. For more information, call Dawn Wheeler at (606) 432-4979.

Film explores Kentucky's civil rights history through participants' eyes

A new documentary, "Living the Story: The Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky," which presents the powerful stories of Kentuckians' efforts to end legal segregation in the commonwealth, will premiere Thursday, January 17, at a private viewing at the Kentucky History Center. The film is presented by the Kentucky Oral History Commission of the Kentucky Historical Society.

The first video to explore Kentucky's civil rights history, "Living the Story," will then be broadcast statewide at 8 p.m. on Monday, January 21—the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday—on KET, Kentucky Educational Television. After the broadcast, the Oral History

Commission will distribute the film to schools for use in the classroom.

In 1998, the commission initiated the Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky Oral History Project to collect, preserve and present the stories of Kentuckians who participated in the movement from 1930 to 1975. "Living the Story" is based on the more than 175 interviews collected by project director Dr. Betsy Brinson and Dr. Tracy K'Meyer from the University of Louisville. Arthur Rouse, of Video Editing Services in Lexington, produced and directed the documentary with Joan Brannon, co-producer/director, and Brinson, executive producer.

"Kentucky has often been neglected in histories of the civil rights movement in this country, but the struggle to end legal segregation was very much a part of the Kentucky experience," says Brinson. "The vivid recollections

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For more information, contact the Kentucky Oral History Commission at the Kentucky Historical Society at 1-877-444-7867, or through the websites at www.kyhistory.org or www.kyorall-history.org.

"Living the Story" is intended for use in the classroom as well as for adult audiences. The film is organized in eight segments that look at specific issues such as life in a segregated society, education, public accommodations and housing.

"Growing up in Kentucky," I rarely saw images or heard stories about the lives of black people," says Brannon. "I often questioned the missing historical context and contributions of African Americans in this state. This video begins to reveal some of that history."

Working with the Kentucky Department of Education, teachers and project staff developed lesson plans for various grade levels that are available on KET's website (www.ket/civil-rights.org), after January 1. Copies of the film will be provided to schools through their media departments and will be available by February 1.

"The purpose of this film is not to present a comprehensive history of the civil rights movement in Kentucky, but to tell parts of that history by weaving together the experiences of those who "lived the story," says Brinson. "It is our hope that the documentary will inspire our young people to learn more about the history of the movement and the civil rights issues of today. Most importantly, we hope the film will serve as a catalyst for improving racial understanding in our increasingly multicultural society."

The Oral History Commission encourages community groups to organize "viewing parties" for the January 21, broadcast. Several have been organized at college and university campuses statewide, churches, and other locations, and a discussion guide is available for viewing party hosts.

Settlement

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Attorney Gerald Derosssett, was filed by the board in June 2000. According to the petition, the board adopted a resolution during a meeting to condemn the property, but had been unable to negotiate a price for the property, which the Newman's initially stated was worth \$350,000.

As requested by the board, the court appointed three impartial commissioners to evaluate the Newman property, but to no avail.

In June 2000, the appointed commissioners, Michael Vance, Darvene Hamilton and Elmo Allen, assessed the property at \$250,000, an amount board attorney Michael Schmitt suggested was "grossly excessive and does not accurately represent the fair market value" of the property.

During the course of negotiations with the Newmans, four other appraisals conducted by both parties varied from \$112,000 to \$180,000.

As negotiations rounded out this week, the Newman's reluctantly settled with the board for \$180,000, the same price the board awarded Newman's neighbors, Bart and Margaret Meade,

who purchased the property with the Newmans in the 1970s.

"We settled for the maximum amount that could have been recovered at trial," said Derosssett Thursday. "I think Mr. Newman really didn't want to move, but he was awarded the maximum assessment available to him."

Harold Newman testified during a deposition hearing in November 2000, that he was personally responsible for most of the labor in the home's construction, in which the family resided for more than 20 years.

Before their retirement in 1995, the Newman's collectively held nearly 60 years with the Floyd County School System before retiring in 1995. Ironically, Harold Newman spent several of those years — from its opening until his retirement — in South Floyd's science department.

According to Derosssett, the Newmans moved out of the county several months ago and now reside near relatives in Central Kentucky.

When contacted by the Times, the Newmans declined to comment.

tions of the 15 men and women presented in the film, clearly illustrate the depth of commitment by Kentuckians to bring about social justice in the commonwealth and the nation.

"Their stories provide a powerful context through which to understand, not only what was accomplished, but what remains to be done in the continuing struggle for civil rights," said Brinson.

The documentary begins with the recollections of 102-year-old Jennie Wilson from Mayfield, whose parents were slaves and whose father fought in the Civil War. It moves quickly to the 1950s and 1960s, with stories of segregation, of young people challenging legal and cultural barriers, and of political leaders working to change the laws of Kentucky. They tell of marching in Frankfort with the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., organizing department store boycotts, participating in non-violent protests at movie theaters and restaurants, and making themselves heard in the halls of government.

"The film is important, because it provides a rare opportunity to get to know some of the people, who were instrumental in the civil rights movement in Kentucky," says Rouse. "We can see the passion in their eyes, hear the resolve in their voices, and perhaps better understand what it was like to take a stand for social justice in those days. The documentary is an opportunity to bring history to life and in the process be assured that a person can make a difference."

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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

Fear of becoming a has-been keeps some people from becoming anything

—Eric Hoffer

Amendment 1

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Guest View

Unavoidable cuts

Faced with a revenue shortfall, the easiest place for Gov. Paul Patton to cut spending may have been in education.

More than half of the state's budget is allocated to education of one kind or another.

Previous governors have shown no reluctance to sap education funding when revenues were tightly squeezed.

But through four rounds of cuts over two years, Patton has painstakingly avoided cuts to education.

This week it was education's turn. Continuing sour economic times and the growing budget shortfall made it unavoidable.

Still, Patton's cuts apply only to higher education, which has enjoyed large budget increases in recent years and can absorb cuts more readily since it has tuition and other funding sources on which it can count.

Funding for public education for kindergarten through 12th grade was spared though that may be where budget trimming will have to go if more is required.

The \$18.4 million in cuts to the state's higher education system average to about a 1.8 percent cut-back. For any single university, the largest cuts total 2 percent — the same as all other parts of state government took in the fourth round of cuts in October.

Patton has carefully crafted a reduction in state spending, seeking foremost to protect the gains Kentucky has made in education.

He been right to do so and he's done a good job of it.

John Stanton, chairman of Kentucky Advocates for Higher Education, expressed it well: "In the long run, investing in education, even in times of a tight budget, is the best way to improve the commonwealth's economy and our quality of life."

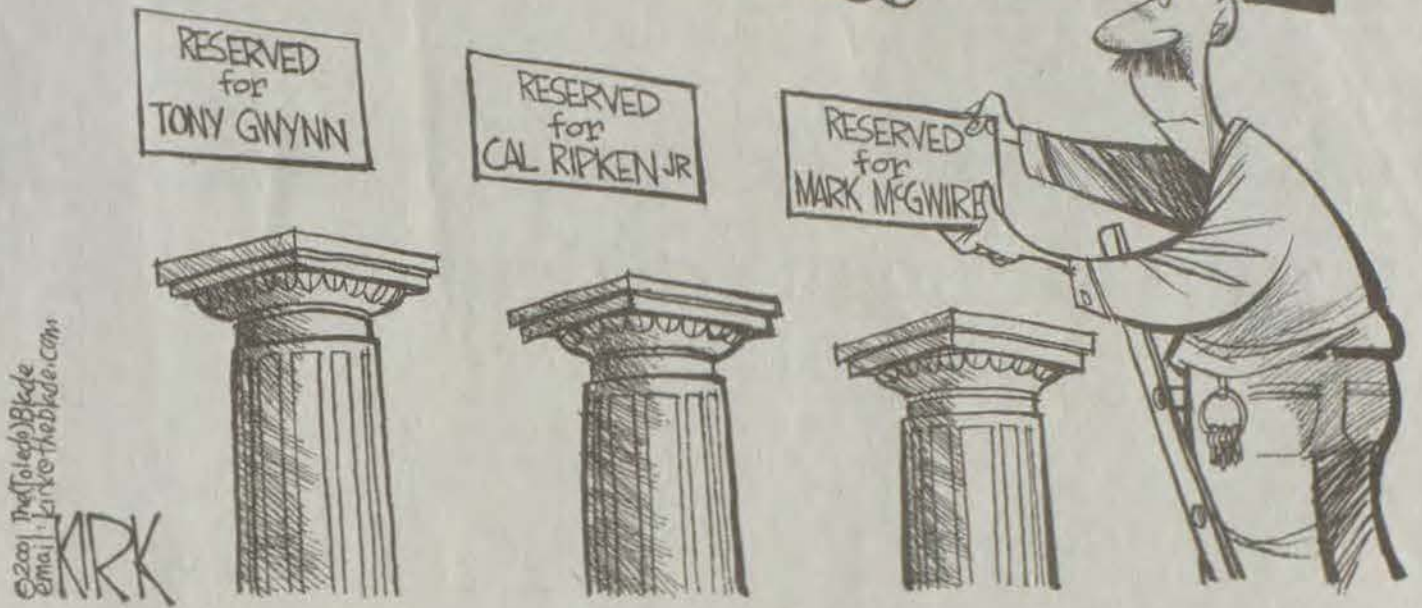
In short, education is economic development. And to cut deeply into education, is to cut deeply into the future.

—The Kentucky Post

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Think About It

Watching out for number one

Look, I want us to find Osama bin Laden and tear some stitching his mama can't sew up just as bad as the next hot-blooded, been-done-bad-wrong American, but we must keep a sensible perspective about all this.

I mean is the leader of any country really going to expose themselves to the possibility of getting a good sized hole blown in them? No, of course not. Did our president, when the strikes against our nation occurred, go running into the wide open streets of America shaking his fist into the air? No, of course not. There was even some widespread complaints about his lack of presence after the terrorist back-stabbing on September 11. For the life of me, I cannot — even



SHELDONCOMPTON

now, so long after the fact — understand why anyone would be bewildered about Bush's disconcerting lack of presence at that time.

He was hiding, people!

I may not agree with all the policies the prodigal son has pursued during his first term as our fabled leader, but that's one I both support and understand, and have absolutely no problem accepting.

Besides, he didn't hide the entire time. He made brief comments after hearing the news in Florida, and then again later when addressing the nation. But initially our number one human target was tucked away in a bunker somewhere protecting himself as any of us probably would were we to be categorized into a walking bullseye along with such symbols of the American dream as the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

All this is to say that bin Laden, although perhaps the very reincarnation of Lucifer himself, is not dumb by any stretch of the imagination. To think so and become frustrated that our troops and special op teams have not yet ripped a chunk out of his hide is simply naive at best.

There have been number one citizens killed in various countries, even ours.

But assassinations and high-profile, wartime casualties are not one and the same.

If America is waiting for the day when news will spread across this great democracy of bin Laden's death at the hands of American foot soldiers, that wait will be a long one. News would sooner come informing us that bin Laden did, in fact, shave his beard just as some reports have claimed, cleaned the American blood from under his fingernails and decided to join the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, changing his name to Bobby Biblethumper and claiming Dr. Graham as his long lost brother.

Now, just to cover my bases here, I could be wrong, of course. CNN may bring us news of bin Laden's death even before this column sees print, and if that proves to be the case then I will be very happy to have been wrong. Although, I would much rather see him captured and made to answer for his crimes against our country — humbled, so to speak, perhaps forced to watch hours upon hours of home video footage of the thousands of innocent lives he took while rotting in a cell somewhere cold and dark and dirty.

I guess, in the end, I'm just a dreamer, too.

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For the Record

MARRIAGES

Brenda Lois Case, 47, to Wendell Martin, 59, both of Printer.
Tracey Lynn Huff, 30, of East Point, to Ray Eugene Stephens, 28, of Bishopville, Ohio.
Lona Marie Compton, 22, to Billy Joe Hunter, 23, both of Prestonsburg.
Linda Faye Woods, 42, to Chillis Meade, 42, both of Hi Hat.

LAWSUITS

Sheila Gregory vs. John E. Gregory; petition for child support and health care insurance.
Natosha R. Endicott vs. Justin M. Endicott; petition for child support and health care insurance.
Debbie L. Wallen vs. Charlene S. Flanery; petition for child support and health care insurance.
William R. Hall vs. Redonna S. Hall; petition for health care insurance.
Carolyn S. Goble vs. Hubert Goble; petition for health care insurance.
Brandy L. Trump vs. Eric E. Hall; petition for child support and health care insurance.
Kristina D. Hayes vs. Paul Hayes; petition for child support and health care insurance.
Teresa G. Lee vs. Clarisa J. Lee; petition for child support and health care insurance.
Debra L. Miller vs. Robert S. Miller; petition for health care insurance.
Manufacturers and Traders Trust vs. Linda Kilburn, Inez Deposit Bank and Floyd County; complaint.
James H. Isaacs, Jr. vs. Amy Isaacs; divorce.
"Kentucky Employers" Mutual Inc. vs. David Justice; complaint.
Kristina Hayes vs. Paul Hayes; divorce.

CHARGES FILED

Teresa Joyce Hall, 41, Price, second-degree assault.
B.J. Wood, 21, Banner, two counts of theft of mail matter.
Sheila A. Yates, 40, Allen, theft by deception.
Zachary H. Salisbury, 18, Wheelwright, criminal mischief.
Allen R. Moore, 23, Wheelwright, fugitive/governor's warrant.
Franklin E. Gilliland, 31, Teaberry, alcohol intoxication.
David Newsome, age unlisted, Hi Hat, criminal trespassing.
Donald Scott, 48, Bypro, criminal trespassing.
Loretta Risner, 31, Salyersville, public intoxication.
Tonda R. Conn, 30, Honaker, harassment.
Lori Hampton, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, harassment.
Lydia Kimbler, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, harassment.
Kimberly Harmon, 41, Minnie, harassment.
Kimberly Harmon, 41, Minnie, criminal trespassing.
Shirley Caudill, age unlisted, McDowell, harassment.
Aric Russell McCoart, 24, Van Lear, alcohol intoxication.
Michael Cranston Peters, 26, Martin, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.
Barbara A. Greene, 29, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.
Robert McCoy, 36, Burnwell, alcohol intoxication.
Diana Hayes, 42, Belfry, alcohol intoxication.
Hope R. Castle, 21, Flatgap, public intoxication.
Dana Thompson, 37, Pikeville, alcohol intoxication, failure to wear seatbelt, possession of an open alcoholic beverage container in a motor vehicle, permitting an unlicensed operator.
Le Harris, age unlisted, Portsmouth, Ohio, obstructing a highway/public passageway.
Angela Y. McCoy, 36, East Point, hunting/fishing without a license.
Harry Leroy Fogle, 60, McDowell, criminal littering, theft by deception.
Ronnie Williamson, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, terroristic threatening.
Virgil Cross, 24, Hi Hat, terroristic threatening.
Beverly Tricks, age unlisted, Ivel, harassment.
Jennifer Bentley, age unlisted, Ivel, harassment.
Kellie Keathley, age unlisted, Honaker, fourth-degree assault.

Mark L. Spears, 29, Martin, harassment.
Brian K. Moore, 30, Prestonsburg, disorderly conduct.
Joshua Howell, 18, Craynor, public intoxication.
Brenda G. Hamilton, 35, Grethel, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
Bobby Gayheart Jr., 20, McDowell, alcohol intoxication.
Steve L. Hamilton, 25, McDowell, alcohol intoxication.
Billy D. Stumbo, 33, McDowell, alcohol intoxication.
Jackie Hall, 40, Topmost, alcohol intoxication.
William V. Vance, 42, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.
Ray D. Isaac, 51, Fort Wayne, Ind., alcohol intoxication.
Patty Carpenter, 37, Prestonsburg, terroristic threatening.
Paul D. Lafferty, 47, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.
Larry Moore, 47, McDowell, alcohol intoxication.

INSPECTIONS

McDonald's, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: No violations at this time. Score: 100.
Peking Chinese Buffet, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some food containers and dispensers are not labeled, potentially hazardous foods not being properly thawed, no sign posted at the salad bar to obtain clean plates when returning, some clean utensils are stored upright on tops of shelves with no covers, floor inside the walk-in cooler is noted to have a slight amount of debris at doorway. Score: 93.
Huddle House, Betsy Layne, regular inspection. Violations noted: One under the counter refrigerator has no observable thermometer, handle of ice scoop stored in contact with ice, facility has no chlorine test strips, wiping cloth not stored in sanitary solution when not in use. Score: 94.
Boyd's Dairy Bar, Dana, regular inspection. Violations noted: Proper hair restraints not in use, floors in disrepair, wall in slight disrepair in restroom. Score: 97.
Season's Inn, Allen, regular inspection. Violations noted: One room not provided with adequate towels for occupants, sink overflow hole in room 7 is slightly rusted. Score: 94.
Velocity Market, Betsy Layne, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Food source condition — no spoilage — has been corrected as of this date. Score: 94.
Betsy Layne Senior Citizen's Center, Betsy Layne, regular inspection. Violations noted: Upright freezer unit has no easily seen thermometers, wiping cloth not in proper solution when not in use, single service articles being reused, lighting not sufficient in the food preparation area. Score: 95.
Opportunities Unlimited, Martin, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Food source condition — no spoilage has been corrected. Score: 96.
Opportunities Unlimited Cafeteria, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some canned food items have severe dents, gasket is torn loose on door of one warmer, some dust accumulation over top of the door inside one warmer, no cover on the waste receptacle in the women's restroom. Score: 91.
Burger King Food Express, Allen, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all utensils are being completely air dried before being stored, commode reservoir lid in the men's restroom is cracked, floors in women's restroom are noted to have debris accumulation behind the hot water heater, floors below cabinets at the soft drink dispenser have slight debris accumulation, some lights in the food preparation area are not shielded. Score: 95.
Compton's Quick Stop, Weeksburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some cans of baby foods on shelf are outdated, horizontal freezer in back of store has the door gasket loose, panel is missing from the bottom of the reach-in cooler with milk stored in it. Score: 92.
Compton's Quick Stop, Weeksburg, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Outdated cans of baby food have been removed from the shelf. Score: 97.
Jan & Ben's II, Bevinville,

regular inspection. Violations noted: Inside of one refrigerator door is in disrepair, some cooling units do not have handles on the doors, chocolate syrup being stored in half gallon milk container which is a single use article, ceiling files in the restrooms are discolored possibly due to water damage. Score: 94.
Jet's Pizza, Martin, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Critical violation concerning insect, rodent and animal control has been corrected as of this date. Score: 94.
Jerry's, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not easily seen if present in ice cream freezer, storage of food products in walk-in refrigerator on floor, walk-in unit does not have a working door latch, back wall facing dish washing unit has signs of mildew and chipping paint, back dry storage area does not have shielded light

for food protection, damp mops stored on floor and should be hung to dry or stored in mop bucket. Score: 93.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Mary C. Pruitt to Billy Nelson, property located at Dwale.
A.J. McCoy Jr. and Linda McCoy to Jamie McCoy Blair, property located on Johns Creek.
Margaret Carroll and Everett Carroll to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located on Tackett Branch Road.
Jimmie Joe Rose and Vicki Clark Rose, to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located on Jim Rose Hollow Road.
Tammy Gean Wilburn and Gregory Brian Wilburn to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located on Tackett

Branch Road.
Ina Mae Thornsby to Gary Thornsby, property location not listed.
Glen Martin and Shirlene Martin to Everett Carroll, property location not listed.
Kimberly Price Preston and Mark Preston to Community United Methodist Church, property located in Porter Addition, Prestonsburg.
Eilford Case and Reeda R. Case to Vernon Case and Julavene Case, property located on Little Mud Creek.
Gladys Adkins to Ronnie Adkins and Teresa Adkins, property located on Wilson Creek.
Edgel Osborne and Sadie Osborne to James Osborne and Angela Osborne, property location not listed.
Syed G. Badrudduja and Meraj Badrudduja to Islamic Center of Eastern Kentucky, property located on Big Branch of Abbott Creek.
Kathy Ann Phillips and Bruce

Phillips to Barbara Blanton and Shannon Adkins and Pamela G. Hazelett and Derrick Thacker, property location not listed.
Charlene Martin to Lindsey Crum, property location not listed.
Bill Sloan and Thursa Sloan to William Jeff Sloan and Bridget Sloan, property location not listed.
William L. Wallen to Knott Floyd Land Company, property located on Brush Creek.
Tom O. McGuire and Orella B. McGuire to Tom O. McGuire Jr. and M. Mark McGuire, property located on Court Street in City of Prestonsburg.
Melissa Kidd and Larry D. Kidd to Charles Tackett, property location not listed.
Ellen and John Meader to Royce W. Mayo, property located in Richmond Memorial Cemetery.
Ellen Mae Akers to Dwayne Newman, property located on Clear Creek.

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: Due to rising costs and space limitations we will no longer be accepting items for our Community Calendar that contain a revenue-producing nature as of Monday, October 8. If your organization is holding a fundraising event, please contact our classified or advertising departments to announce your

event. The Floyd County Times will continue its practice of posting meeting dates and public service announcements, up to seven lines of type. These submissions must be received in writing no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication, and 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. Items may not be taken over the telephone. Community Calendar items are subject to editing according to space limitations.

Santa in Coming to Town

Angel Eyes is sponsoring a Christmas Program Saturday December 22, 2001 1:00 P.M. At the Old Wheelwright High School gym. Free admission, bring your children to see and talk with Santa. For more information call (606) 377-2030.

Red Cross moves to new location

The American Red Cross, Big Sandy Area Chapter has moved to a new location. We are now located at the Big Sandy Area Development District Building, 100 Resource Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Phone 886-8330.

Senior Citizen Holiday

Covered dish dinner, live entertainment, games, gift exchange, and door prizes all at the Prestonsburg Senior Citizens Center, located at Archer Park, on December 21, beginning at 10:00 a.m. For more information, call Ruth Owens or Avanel Hicks at 886-6588.

Earn college credits before graduation

Don't let the lack of a high school diploma keep you from earning your college degree or diploma. Students who do not have a high school diploma or GED may still qualify for financial aid while attending college

level courses. Contact Jennifer Leedy at Mayo Technical College for more information. 789-5321 extension 291.

Love Line Christmas donations

Bring toys or food to the following locations: John Gray Pontiac, Paintsville, 606-297-4066; Gloryland Church, Pastor Jim Riddle, 270-622-5266. Contact "LoveLine Outreach" at 606-889-9056 from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m., or fax to: 606-889-9092, or write to: 57 Hopson Street, Auxier, KY.

PHS grads of 1992 plan reunion

The 1992 graduates of Prestonsburg High School are now planning their 10th reunion. Phone numbers and addresses of all graduates are needed. Please contact Alan Derosssett at (606) 874-9514.

Quilt Guild to meet

The Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild meets on the first Wednesday of each month at the Floyd County Co-op Extension office. New membership is encouraged. Hand quilting techniques taught and shared, new ideas welcomed. Bring: Two - 18" sq. muslin; batting, hoop, needle, thimble, thread, and scissors. More info. call 886-2668.

Auxier Lifetime Learning Center

G.E.D. classes - FREE - each Thursday, 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 886-0709.

FREE study hour available to all elementary and high school students. Hours 4:30 to 5:30 each Tuesday and Thursday. Gym time allowed after completion of homework. Tutors available.

Mud Creek Clinic

A social security representa-

tive will be at the Mud Creek Clinic, Grethel, each Tuesday (except holidays) throughout Nov., and Dec. This representative will assist in filing retirement and disability claims, and survivors benefits, in addition to SSI, Black Lung, and accepting applications for social security numbers.

Housing assistance in Wayland area

HOMES Inc. has opened an office in the Wayland Community Center to assist low income persons in the Right and Left Beaver areas with housing needs. Nelson Hopkins is in the office on Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. to help persons who need repairs on their existing homes or with securing new housing. Area persons may call 358-9473 on Wednesdays to speak with Hopkins or leave a message on other days. Or they may call the HOMES Inc. headquarters in Neon, toll-free, at 1-877-271-1791, ext. 10.

Attention Veterans!

The Kentucky Dept. of Veterans Affairs has moved their veterans field representative office from the Prestonsburg Courthouse to the Kentucky National Guard Armory on Rt. 321 North, just outside of Prestonsburg. Services remain free of charge and phone number remains the same—(606) 886-7920.

SHARE group meeting

A Highlands SHARE Pregnancy & Infant Loss support group meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 18, from 7:00pm until 9:00pm in the Floyd Room at Highlands Regional Medical Center. "Coping with the Holidays" will be the topic discussed. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Jeanie O'Bryan at 886-7468.

■ Laryngectomy Support Group — Meets every 3rd Thursday of each month at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Medical Office Building, meeting room B. Further info, call Connie Clifton, (606) 886-2995.

■ Fibromyalgia Support Group—Meets 1st Tuesday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Betsy Layne Senior Citizens Building on Pike-Floyd Hollow Road, just above the Betsy Layne Fire Dept. For more info. call Sharon at 478-5224, or Phyllis at 874-2769.

■ Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group—Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church (near Jerry's) at 7 p.m. For more info., call Dana Caudill at (606) 886-0265.

■ Depression Support Group—Meets every Thursday at 6 p.m., at the Allen Convention Center, Stumbo Park. For more information, call Tina at 874-0544.

■ The Ups of Down's Syndrome Support Group—Meets the 1st Sunday of each month from 2-4 p.m., at the Pikeville YMCA, beside the Pikeville Independent School. For more info., call (606) 377-6142, or (606) 478-5099.

■ Narconon—Free assessment, evaluation and referral services can help you to overcome your drug addiction problems. Call 1-800-468-6933, or visit www.stopaddiction.com.

■ Domestic Violence—24 hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence Counselors—Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. "Love Doesn't

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In Memory of Curtis Warrix
Passed away Dec. 21, 1991



You were so sick for so long, but we were not ready to give you up.

It was so close to Christmas—if only you could have stayed around a few more days.

But memories of that day are still around.

When we look at your picture which sits around, you seem close enough to touch.

Looking around, we see the work that you did, which will never go away.

In our memory, you are still there.

You are missed by your family

Obituaries

Mary Mabel Wiley

Mary Mabel Wiley, 93, of Prestonsburg, Ky., died Wednesday, December 19, 2001, following an extended illness.

Born on July 31, 1908, in Johnson County, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Manford Dixon and Laura May Dixon. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of God of Prophecy at West Prestonsburg, Ky.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Overton Wiley.

Survivors include four sons, Jimmy Wiley of Columbus, Ohio, Gary Wiley of Ontario, California, Jack Wiley of Dearborn, Michigan, and Russel Wiley of Colorado Springs, Colorado; one daughter, Betty Mullins of Wheelwright, Ky.; two brothers, Paul Dixon of Columbus, Ohio, and Carl Dixon of Flatwoods, Ky.; two sisters, Virginia Ambrose of Indiana, and Ethel Woods of Prestonsburg, Ky.; 15 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, and six great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Overton Wiley Jr.; two daughters, Ellene Fletcher and Helen Smith; two brothers, Glenn Dixon and Billy Dixon; two sisters, Ruth Stratton, and Laura (Toostie) Casebolt; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, December 23, 2001, at 11 a.m., at the Church of God of Prophecy at West Prestonsburg, Ky., with Atha Johnson and others officiating.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation will be at the Church of God of Prophecy at West Prestonsburg, after 1 p.m. on Friday. (Paid obituary)

SPECIAL DENTURES

1. THE PALATELESS UPPER DENTURE

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A. No more gagging
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Dear Santa,
I want a trampoline, and a super Nintendo, and a new basketball.
Zachary

STUMBO ELEMENTARY
- Mrs. Hughes' class

Dear Santa,
My name is Ashley Smith. I am 6 years old. I was good. I want some toys for Christmas. Mreey Kate and Ashley clouse and a CD player and a tebbly berq.

Love,
Ashley

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. What I want for Christmas a bike. I hope I get a Brittany Spears Cd her song Slave. A hit clip. A many more hit clip.

Love,
Ashley Lynn Gillespie

Dear Santa,
I have been so good. my mom said you should bring me a playstation 2. so, if you do would you get me smackdown 3 and a harley dvasne moter cical. and games and toys and eds.

Love,
Douglas

Dear Santa,
My name is Austin blake Saddler. For Christmas I what a playstation 2. And some games. And some cards.

Love,
Austin

Dear Santa,
I wot a car and truck and 4-wheeler and Harley Davidson Jeep.

Love,
Josh Thacker

Dear Santa,
I want a Playstation 2 for Chrismas. 4 mi cat - cat food. How does yore rain Deer floy. How does yore elfs mack toy. With the Playstation 2 atv far wilre game.

Love,
Kannon Kole Newsome

Dear Santa,
I want a digimon Playstation and pokemon playstation. I want a cat. I want a coat. I want a snake toy.

Love,

Sebastian
Your friend,
Ryan Conn

ALLEN ELEMENTARY
- Linda Wallen

Dear Santa,
I would like three collector's knives and a pirate playset. I have been mostly good. I will leave you a surprise for when you come to my house.

Love,
Sebastian LeMaster

Dear Santa,
I have been very -good. I want a red motorcycle for Christmas.

Thank you, Santa.
Thomas Pettit

Dear Santa,
What I want for Christmas is a Barbie Doll and a new Baby Doll.

Love,
Morgan Haywood

Dear Santa,
My name is Joey. I want a Santa suite just like yours, and I want a golf ball set. A catdog toy and a monkey Bike.

Thank you, Santa,
Joseph Adkins

Dear Santa,
Please bring me Driver 2 for my Play Station.

Thank you very much your friend,
Nathan Lafferty

Dear Santa,
I have been very good all year I would like to have a doll.

Kaitlyn Wright

Dear Santa,
This year I want a computer and some nintendo 64 games and lego blocks and a remote control truck.

Thank you,
Zachary Spears.

Dear Santa,
I would want peace on Earth. I want money to give to the poor. For myself, I want a motor scooter.

Love,
Bekah Allen

Dear Santa,
for Christmas I want a Kid Rock cd. And a WWF game for my N-64. I have been very good this year.

Your friend,
Ryan Conn

Dear Santa,
My name is Aaron Griffith. This year I would like to have a Gameboy Advance. This year I have been half good.

Thank you,
Aaron

Dear Santa,
I would like the Nutcracker barbie, barbie karok machine, and a real pretty dress to wear on Christmas day. The thing I want most of all is peace and love in the world.

your friend,
Whitney Lashae Lewis

Dear Santa,
My name is Chesare Slone. I hope I get a Barbie van and a diva Star doll. I wish I could see you but I know I'm suppose to be asleep when you come. I love you, Santa. Have a merry Christmas.

Love,
Chesare

Dear Santa,
I want a Nutcracker toy. I have been good this year. I want my neice Katie to come home for Christmas. I will leave milk and cookies on the table for you.

Rebecca Salyer

Dear Santa,
I would like to have a train set and Playstation.

Love,
Shane Webb

Dear Santa,
I want a playstation, Harry Potter legos, Nas Car Racing, College Game Day, and a Pair of roller blades. I have been good.

Bryson Williams

Dear Santa,
1. I want a cub X
2. I want a turtle.
3. I want a remot contol cat.
4. I want a puppy.
5. I want a Battletops.
Fo: Zachary Click

Dear Santa,
How are you? This year I have been good. I would like a CD Player. Pellet gun.

Merry Christmas!
Your friend,
Andrew
Donna Collins' room - first grade

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New Bethel Assembly of God, Ironton, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.
Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 60 and U.S. 23, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Stots, Minister.

BAPTIST
Allen First Baptist, Allen, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.
Auster Freewill Baptist, Auster, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.
Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fish, Minister.
Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.
Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.
Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.
Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.
Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.
Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.
Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Berner, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 8:30 p.m.; Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Randy Turner, Minister.
Endicot Freewill Baptist, Buffalo, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.
Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Workside Eglpt. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.
First Baptist, Garret, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
First Baptist, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Evening Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Graydon Howard, Minister.
First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial), Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Pica, Minister.
Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 2656 West Mt. Parkway, Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jennings West, Minister.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Guthrie Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Barham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist, Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garret, Minister.
Jack's Creek Baptist, Devineville, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Barrell, Minister.
Jeff Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.
Lacey Freewill Baptist, Lacey, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
Lanier Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bob Carpenter.
Liberty Baptist, Denver, Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.
Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, East; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.
Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Bar, Minister.
Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bob Vainey, Minister.
McDowell First Baptist, McDowell, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Harry Hargis, Minister.
Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Vernon Stone, Minister.
Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Cole, Minister.
Pleasant Home Baptist, West Gap Road, Lanier, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.
Prater Creek Baptist, Berner, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Fish, Minister.
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Rock Fork Freewill Baptist, Garret, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Cigar, Minister.
Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garret, Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Eldr. Sons, Messer, Jerry Mann, Assistant Minister.
Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Huysville, Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 4th Sunday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.
Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Danz, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Terry Hill, Assistant Minister.
Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch, Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Marford Ferrin, Minister.
Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers), Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.
Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist, Cliff Road, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.
Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist, Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.
United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Huysville, Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.
Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louise Ferns, Minister.

CATHOLIC
St. Martha, Water Gap, Mass; Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday, John Morley, Pastor.

CHRISTIAN
First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.
Garrett Community Christian, Route 550, Garrett, Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Ackworth, Minister.
Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherr Williams, Minister.

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.
Church of Christ, South Lake Drive, Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Barry Blankenship, Minister.
Harold Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.
Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Huysville Church of Christ, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.
Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lois Meade, Minister.
Mans Creek Church of Christ, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Mitchell, Minister.
Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.
Wheelwright Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.
First Church of God, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
Garrett Church of God, Garret; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.
Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Proter, Jr., Minister.
Little Point First Church of God, 571 Little Point Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heaster, Jr., Minister.
The Church of God of Prophecy, H.H.H.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Don Frisley, Jr., Minister.

EPISCOPAL
St. James Episcopal, Sunday Service, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday Study Group 6:00 p.m.; Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:30 p.m.; Father Johnnie E. Ross, Rector.

LUTHERAN
Our Savior Lutheran, Slip Bayes Room Cottage House Motel, Parretville; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLW (600 am) 12:00 p.m.; Roland Gertrup, Minister.

METHODIST
Auster United Methodist, Auster, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Doug Layton, Minister.
Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.
Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lanester, Minister.

Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Healey St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Procopello, Minister.
Elliot's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.
Emma United Methodist, Emma, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Paul Alton, Minister.
First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wayne Sayre, Minister.
Horn Chapel Methodist, Auster Road, Auster, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
Martin Methodist, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Maytown United Methodist, Langley, Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Salisbury United Methodist, Printer, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.
Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.
Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
Drift Pentecostal, Drift, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday, Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Baxter Hayton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, Saturday, 7 p.m.; John Jay Patton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 of Mt. Parkway at Campton, Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Coker, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Seiler, Minister; David Pika, Associate Minister.
Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David, Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.
Parkey First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line, Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister; 297-6262.
Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

PRESBYTERIAN
Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Mary Alice Murray, Minister.
First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; George C. Love, Minister.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway, Sunday School, 8:15 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Gay Shepherd, Minister.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society/Prashood/Primary, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Mtg., 11:20 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Church Meeting House address, Hwy 80, Martin, KY 41642; Meeting House telephone number 285-3133; E.P. Gidgely, Bishop.

OTHER
Drift Independent, Drift, Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 6 p.m.; Woodrow Crum, Minister.
Grace Fellowship, Prestonsburg (next to old bus market); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Bill Sulzberger, Pastor; 886-0925.
Faith Bible, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shapard, Minister.
Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Workside Eglpt., Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Hagens, Minister.
Faith Worship Center, US 460, Parretville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.
Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.
Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hill St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cooby, Minister.
Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Saturday/Sunday.
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Coming back after Duke

by **BILLY REED**
TIMES COLUMNIST

INDIANAPOLIS — So now the challenge for the Kentucky Wildcats is to forget Tuesday's overtime loss to top-ranked Duke and focus on Saturday's meeting with Indiana in the RCA Dome, a game that over the years has produced tons of emotion, upsets, great plays, and pride in neighboring states where basketball is king.

The bar was set high in 1971, when IU's Steve Downing scored 42 to lead Coach Bob Knight's first Hoosier team to a 90-89 overtime win over Adolph Rupp's last UK team in Freedom Hall. Since then, the UK-IU scrapbook includes the following snapshots:

Knight cuffing UK Coach Joe B. Hall on the back of the head in 1974...UK ruining IU's unbeaten season and national championship hopes with a 92-90 win in the 1975 Midwest Regional final in Dayton...IU star Steve

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Bentley's Comments

Today's offerings

by **RICK BENTLEY**
TIMES COLUMNIST

Today we offer two things: Merry Christmas wishes from me to all of you, and notes from Kentucky's 95-92 overtime loss to Duke.

■ Is there any question as to who college basketball's best player is? After Tuesday night, I'm pretty comfortable with my answer.

I like Tayshaun Prince, but Jason Williams is clearly the man. The junior pumped in a career-best 38 points, and his team needed about all of them for this win.

Williams, who is from Plainfield, N.J., in the shadow of the Meadowslands, was 12-of-21 from the floor and an even more impressive 7-of-10 from the arc. Williams was clearly the key to Duke's win, as he

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Fishing

Anglers hold awards banquet

TIMES STAFF REPORT

On Sunday, December 16 the Tug Valley Bass Anglers held their annual awards banquet at the Southside Western Sizzlin Steakhouse. The banquet is the last function in a hard fought, nine tournament season, which can best be described as an East Kentucky tournament trail. There were eleven awards given out in seven categories. Kevin Runyon, who is the club's president and sponsored by Falcon Graphite Rods and Lucky Craft Lures was the big winner, taking top honors in both the Angler of the Year and Club Champion categories for the second year in a row.

In addition to the trophies and cash awards the top 10 in points all got club jackets and every member attending the banquet received a club hat. "Our club has some of the very best fishermen in Eastern Kentucky," said Runyon. "I am very proud of all of them, especially the guys in the top 10. These guys worked very hard all year, against some tough competition to get where they are and they deserve it. Fishing in this club is not

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Betsy Layne girls edge South Floyd

After brief Christmas break, Ladycats headed to Sunshine State

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

58th District basketball games always seem to hold little surprises of sorts. Take last year's first round game in the 58th District girls' tourney when South Floyd, a No. 4 seed, knocked off No. 1 Betsy Layne. That wasn't supposed to happen. The Lady Raiders rode the first round tri-

umph all the way to a district title. Tuesday night, the return bout between the two 58th District heavyweights was set. Both teams played even with 10 points apiece in the first quarter before the visiting Lady Raiders went into the half with a one-point advantage. The Lady Raiders led by three at the end of three quarters before the host Ladycats got their composure and pulled off a two-

point victory, thus winning the long-awaited rematch.

Betsy Layne shot 69 percent from the free-throw line. The Ladycats were 18-for-26 in the fourth quarter, outscoring South Floyd 22-17.

Now, Betsy Layne heads to Orlando, Fla. for the KSA Holiday Basketball Tournament at Disney's

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file photo

Tabettha Witt (53) pulled down nine rebounds to help lead Betsy Layne to a two-point win over Allen Central on Tuesday night.



photo by Jamie Howell

P'burg's Megan Hyden (15) and Molly Burchett (10) scurried to get the ball against an Allen Central player.

State All 'A' draw scheduled for this weekend

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

The 2002 15th Region All 'A' Classic boys' basketball tournament will be held at Allen Central High School. The pairings for that tournament are already set and have been for some time now. The pairings are also set for the girls tourney to be held at Phelps High School. The state tournament returns to Richmond and Eastern Kentucky University's McBrayer Arena. The pairings for the state

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UK basketball book author to visit P'burg today for signing

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

Veteran sports writer Tom Wallace will be in Prestonsburg today to sign copies of his highly acclaimed new book, The Kentucky Basketball Encyclopedia. Wallace will sign for Kentucky basketball fans from 6 to 8 p.m. at Readmore Bookstore in the Glyn View Plaza.

Written in a unique, easy-to-read style, and featuring a foreword contributed by the late Cawood Ledford, the Kentucky Basketball Encyclopedia brings to life the exploits of all the best Wildcat teams and players. It includes details on 'The Fabulous

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Prestonsburg Ladycats hand Lady Rebels 66-60 setback

by **JAMIE HOWELL**
SPORTS WRITER

Prestonsburg Ladycat Coach Harold Tackett had to be wondering when the Ladycats would begin to show what kind of team he knew they could be. Prestonsburg would finally get that illusive first win at the expense of the Allen Central Lady Rebs on Tuesday night and gave themselves a greatly needed confidence boost. Allen Central would not make things easy for Prestonsburg as the

Rebels built an early lead of 11 points and seemed to be in the drivers seat. Allen Central would control the glass early and convert on their fastbreak chances.

The Ladycats found themselves in early foul trouble as Amanda Webb picked up three quick fouls in the first half and had to remain on the bench for an extended period of time. Coach Tackett went to his bench and got some good play from Vicki Bowling as she battled hard in the middle for

Prestonsburg. The Lady Rebels used their early success to build a nine-point lead at 36-27.

As the teams returned to the floor for the second half, it seemed as if the lid was clamped on the Lady Rebels goal, as they went ice cold from the floor in the third period. The Lady Rebels could manage only six points in a nine-minute span in the second half. Prestonsburg has the backcourt duo of Megan Hyden

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photo by Jamie Howell

Traffic in the paint was heavy and physical as Prestonsburg and Allen Central met up in boys' basketball action Tuesday night in Eastern.

Prestonsburg stuns Allen Central

by **JAMIE HOWELL**
SPORTS WRITER

'You've come a long ay baby,' that's song the fans of the Prestonsburg Blackcats are singing so far this year. The Blackcats are coming off a dismal season and have really turned the corner already in this young season as was evident in the Blackcats 76-67 win on

Tuesday over the Allen Central Runnin' Rebels. The Rebels were coming off a big win over the defending 15th Region champs, the South Floyd Raiders, and seemed to be in the drivers seat in the 58th District.

Prestonsburg was on a three-game winning streak of their own, but on a night when Allen Central's Shawn Newsome was expected to steal the show, it

was the Blackcats who took the spotlight. Prestonsburg has fallen on hard times in the past few years in its basketball program, but this could be the breakthrough for the Blackcats.

The Runnin' Rebs came into the game boasting one of the state's top players in the talented Shawn Newsome, and

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ROUNDBALL SPOTLIGHT

Daniel Sazabo

School:
Allen Central

Coach:
John Martin

Position:
Center

Class:
Senior



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Tonight

Boys

- ▶ Prestonsburg at Sheldon Clark
- ▶ Piarist at Allen Central

Girls

- ▶ Piarist at Allen Central
- ▶ South Floyd at Gatlinburg, Tenn. tourney



photo by Tony McGuire

Prestonsburg High wrestling coach Jerry Butcher (second from right) looked on during action at a recent three-team event held at Perry County Central High School. The Blackcats travel to Powell Valley High tomorrow.



Allen Central's Jackie Brown (34) looked for an open teammate. photo by Jamie Howell

Marshall comes out of 13-day break with win over Robert Morris

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HUNTINGTON, W. Va.—The Marshall women's basketball team (4-3) used a career night from sophomore Catie Knable (Floyd Knobs, Ind.) to drop the Robert Morris College Colonials (0-6) 77-60 Tuesday night at the Cam Henderson Center.

Knable scored a career-high 18 points and tied a career high in rebounds with 16 in only 24 minutes of play to lead the Herd. It was Knable's first double-double of the season. "This was our seventh different starting lineup this season, and those five stepped up

for us," said head coach Royce Chadwick. "Catie Knable gave an outstanding effort, and she's getting better every game. More importantly, our kids did a good job of executing the game plan we gave them."

Marshall started the game ice cold from the field, shooting a season-worst 29.4 percent from the floor in the first half. However, the Herd took the lead 8-7 at the 15:25 mark in the first half and never looked back, expanding their lead to 33-21 at the break. Marshall's pressure, half-court defense held the Colonials scoreless midway through the

second half, and propelled the Herd to some easy, fast break baskets to put the game out of reach for the visitors. The Herd outscored Robert Morris 12-0 in fast break points, and an impressive 28-4 in the paint.

Ida Dotson (Tombstone, Ariz.) was the only other Marshall scorer in double-figures with 15 points. She also added six rebounds.

The Colonials were led by Missy Spangler, a Pennsboro, W. Va., native, and Keisha Brown who both tallied 13 points. Candace John added 12 points.

Marshall travels to Stillwater, Oklahoma to take on Oklahoma State tonight. That game is scheduled to tip off at 7 p.m. local time, 8 p.m. Eastern.

Betsy Layne

Wide World of Sports Complex. The Ladycats begin play in the tournament on Thursday, Dec. 27 when they take on West Virginia's Greenbrier East High School. Whitney Lykens paced Betsy Layne with 10 points, seven rebounds and six assists. Lykens was the only player to score in double-figures for Betsy Layne.

"Whitney had another good game for us," said Betsy Layne. Coach Cassandra Akers. "She's playing real well."

Devon Reynolds had eight points and Natasha Stratton added seven. Kim Tackett and Tabetha Witt each had six points. Witt also pulled down

nine rebounds to lead the Ladycats in that category.

"We're on our way to Florida with a 6-2 record," added Akers. "We'll see some real good basketball teams down there; it should be a good experience for us."

Sara Johnson scored a game-high 14 points to lead South Floyd. Kandice Mitchell and Brandi Anderson each had eight points for

South Floyd. Lady Raider point guard Megan Ousley added seven points along with Tabitha Berger. The loss dropped South Floyd to 4-2.

The Lady Raiders are currently in a tournament in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. They were slated to begin play in the event with a first round game yesterday against Pendleton County. Results were unavailable.

Athletes of the Week



Rusty Tackett,
South Floyd,
senior
34 points vs.
Betsy Layne



Whitney Lykens,
Betsy Layne,
soph.
10 points, 7
assists, 6 reb.
vs. South Floyd

Fishing

easy. You're not given anything, you have to work hard every tournament to be successful. The ones that embrace our format and try hard, learn a lot and get better every tournament and are rewarded for their efforts. I would also like to give a special congratulations to Donald Collins and Brandon Staten who finished second and third in the Club Champion and Angler of the Year races. Thanks guys for the competition, you made it a year to remember."

The awards and winners are as follows:

Angler of the Year (Award based on total weight for 9 tournaments)

- First - Kevin Runyon, Total weight: 35 pounds, 15 ounces.
- Second—Donald Collins, Total weight: 31 pounds, 13 ounces.
- Third —Brandon Staten, Total weight: 29 pounds, 14 ounces.
- Club Champion- (Award

based on total points for nine tournaments. A total of 10 points awarded for each win.)

- First — Kevin Runyon, 46 points.
- Second - Donald Collins, 45 points.
- Third — Brandon Staten, 37 points.
- Big Bass Award - 6 pounds, 4 ounces; largemouth from Yatesville Lake at the March tournament.
- Largest Weigh-in Award - (Award based on the largest one day stringer of fish weighed in.)
- Kevin Harper- 8 pounds, 15 ounces; five fish limit from Douglas Lake at the April tournament.
- Most Improved Angler - Don Taylor
- Non-boater Champion - Brian Compton
- Club Classic Champion - (Top 10 anglers qualify to compete) Green River Lake, November tournament.
- First - Brandon Staten, 9.63 pounds, two-day total (4 fish Sat., 4 fish Sun.)
- Second - Kevin Runyon, 8.31 pounds, two-day total (4 fish Sat., 3 fish Sun.)
- Third - Brian Compton, 5.58 pounds, two-day total (3 fish Sat., 2 fish Sun.)



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Alford sitting out a UK game because he had posed for a sorority calendar...Knight presenting UK announcer Cawood Leford with an IU sweater before the 1991 game...UK's Derek Anderson and Ron Mercer dazzling the Hoosiers in a 99-65 win in 1996 at Freedom Hall.

In 1975-'76, the Hoosiers became the last unbeaten team to win the NCAA title. One of their closest calls came against UK in Freedom Hall, when 6-foot-11 center Kent Benson slapped in a falling-down tip to send the game in OT, where the Hoosiers prevailed, 77-69.

Played annually since 1969, UK-IU is, arguably, the best non-conference series in college basketball. Since 1990, it has been rotated between Freedom Hall and the RCA Dome. The tickets are split 50-50, creating a truly neutral climate. The UK fans try to outscreeam their IU counterparts, and vice-versa.

The cheerleaders go head-to-head and stunt-to-stunt. And there's always the battle of the giant school flags, which never fails to generate a great din of noise.

Saturday's game should be worthy of the past.

If Kentucky plays back to its performance against Duke, the Cats will win. They crushed the Blue Devils on the boards (51-34), swatted away 10

Duke shots, and got terrific play from substitutes Rashaad Carruth (19 points) and Marquis

Estill.

Jules Camara, making his first start at center, negated Duke's Carlos Boozer, and point guard Cliff Hawkins, starting in place of J.P. Blevins, blew past Duke's Chris Duhon whenever he wanted. Defensively, UK caused Duke's scoring machine to lurch like a cheap used car.

When the Cats got up by 12 in the second half, Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski pulled his starting five in disgust. That reminded older UK fans of the 1978 NCAA tournament, which Wildcat coach Hall did the same thing against Florida State in Knoxville. This time the play worked as well for Coach K as it did for Hall.

Slowly the Blue Devils crept back into contention. In the last 10 minutes, the one thing the Cats couldn't do was find an answer for Duke point guard Jason Williams, who hit seven of 10 three-pointers while pouring in a career-high 38 points.

If the Cats were so emotionally drained by the Duke disappointment that they come out flat on Saturday, the Hoosiers are good enough to hand them a second consecutive loss.

The most interesting matchups figure to be UK's 6-9 Tayshaun Prince against IU's 6-9 Jared Jeffries, and UK's 6-5 Keith Bogans against IU's 6-4

Dane Fife. The Cats have more bulk inside than the Hoosiers and more depth.

Indiana's inside players — Jeffrey Newton, George Leach,

and Jared Odle — will have their hands full with UK's Camara, Marvin Stone, and Estill.

After seeing what Duke's Williams did to UK, the Hoosiers may emphasize the three. Guards Tom Coverdale and Kyle Hornsby both are excellent outside shooters. Fife has improved dramatically, and Jeffries isn't adverse to moving outside and popping from beyond the arc.

UK got a break when Prince and Bogans entered their names in the NBA draft, then withdrew to return to school. IU wasn't so lucky with 6-10 Kirk Haston. Had he come back for his senior season, the Hoosiers would be a legitimate Top 10 team. Without him, they're capable of losing to a team such as Miami of Ohio.

At least, however, the Hoosiers appear to be much more relaxed, and having more fun, under second-year coach Mike Davis than they were under Knight. They're not afraid of making a mistake. And if they get into a zone, they can be dangerous.

The history of this series is full of examples of one team or the other rising to play above its head. Nothing can be taken for granted. It's essential that Kentucky puts the Duke game out of mind.

So make it UK 85, IU 77. At the end, UK's depth will make the difference.

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Rebels

seemed on their way to an easy victory over Prestonsburg. In the first period the Rebels outplayed and outthrustled the Blackcats. Newsome had the hot hand early in the contest

with 11 first quarter points. Allen Central had great early success in the rebounding department. The Rebs had several second and third looks at the basket with eight first

quarter offensive rebounds. The combined play of Newsome and Neil Allen propelled Allen Central to an early lead at 25-13, and the Rebels increased that lead to a whopping 15-point advantage early in the second period. Prestonsburg Coach Jackie Day Crisp then decided he had seen enough and called a timeout with 6:00 remaining in the first half, and Allen Central in control. Crisp went to the bigger lineup after the timeout, inserting the 6-2 Brandt Brooks and 6-3 T.C. Hatfield. After the timeout the tide of the game slowly began to switch as Prestonsburg then went on an 18-7 run over the last six minutes of the first half to cut the Rebel lead to one at the half. The solid play of Chris Kidd and Joey Willis helped the Blackcats erase the big deficit and go into the break down by only one.

In the second half both teams began to really get physical in the middle. The officials called several early fouls in an effort to keep the game clean. Prestonsburg took the lead on a Brooks tip in early in the third period and never trailed again. Chris Kidd led the Blackcats in scoring on the night by tossing in 26 points. Two other Blackcats also finished the game in double-digits; Joey Willis had 11 points and Brooks pitched in 10.

Allen Central looked to struggle when Prestonsburg handed Matt Slone the task of defending Newsome. The tough defense by Slone forced

the Rebels into some shots they did not like.

Prestonsburg has gotten solid play off the bench this season from such players as Jeremy Clark and Nick Jamerson - both gave Crisp some quality minutes.

Prestonsburg would not let Allen Central get any closer than eight points in the closing minutes as the Blackcats shot very well from the free-throw line. The Blackcats would continue to make their shots late as the Rebels were forced to foul, and the Blackcats would eventually come away with the nine-point win.

Prestonsburg began the

season 0-2 but has since reeled off four consecutive wins to improve to 4-2 on the year, while the Runnin' Rebels fell to 3-3 with the loss. Both Allen Central and Prestonsburg return to action tonight as the Blackcats travel to Sheldon Clark and the Runnin' Rebels host Piarist.

Prestonsburg scoring:

Chris Kidd 26, Joey Willis 11, Brandt Brooks 10, Jeremy Clark 9, Matt Slone 8, T.C. Hatfield 7, Brad Bevins 5.

Allen Central scoring:

Shawn Newsome 30, Neil Allen 10, Rossi Sammons 8, Mike Slone 8, Daniel Sazabo 8, Justin Hall 3.

Two institutions certified

The NCAA Division I Committee on Athletics Certification announced decisions recently concerning the certification status of two Division I member institutions as part of the Association's second cycle of athletics certification.

Northern Illinois University and Idaho State University were certified.

A designation of certified means that an institution operates its athletics program in substantial conformity with operating principles adopted by the

Division I membership.

The second round of athletics certification is being completed on a 10-year cycle rather than the five-year cycle used during the initial certification process. All 321 active Division I members participate in the certification process.

The certification program's purpose is to help ensure integrity in the institution's athletics operations and to assist athletics departments in improving their programs. Legislation mandating athletics certification was adopted in 1993.

Bentley

poured in 23 of its the final 31 points in regulation.

I'm sure he won't shoot 7-of-10 from the arc again, but I'll give you this much - when the Blue Devils are on television, he's worth watching. What a player.

There was a lot of talk about "The Game" in the buildup of Tuesday's clash. In my estimation, the greatest college basketball game ever played was on March 28, 1992, when Christian Laettner stomped on Aminu Timberlake and his Wildcat teammates in a 104-103 win.

Maybe seeing all the footage from that game has brought this on, but is it just me or could Dukie Mike Dunleavy be the younger brother of former

Wildcat Deron Feldhaus?

They're close to the same size, although Feldhaus was clearly a shade thicker. I always thought Feldhaus was built more for football and was about the maximum size you could be and be effective on the court. They're both talented, skilled role players who aren't necessarily the stars of their team but certainly make it better.

And they're both sons of coaches.

Maybe it's just me, but Dunleavy could have easily been the youngest of

Allen Feldhaus, clan.

Oh, and speaking of "The Game", there is one thing that is usually not mentioned when it's discussed: Not only did Coach "Kriz-kru-ski" (I loved those commercials) need that miracle of a shot from the evil Laettner, he needed a perfect

night from him. Unfortunately, with 10-of-10 from the floor (including a three-pointer) and 10-of-10 from the line, he got it.

It will be interesting to see how Kentucky does in the polls next week after pushing No. 1 to overtime.

Most often, when a team loses it finds itself sliding down the polls when they are next released. But says here Kentucky proved that there probably aren't six (in the AP poll) or seven (in the writer's ratings) better teams in the country right now.

Still, I wouldn't be surprised to see the Cats land around 10-12 in each poll when they're released next week. Sad but true.

Let's consider this line from Tuesday's box score for a moment: 2-of-6 from the floor (including a miss on his only three-point try), 4-of-4 from the line, four rebounds, two assists, two turnovers, four fouls.

In 34 minutes of play Tuesday night, that was what Keith Bogans was able to muster: eight points.

That said, everyone who thinks he's ready for the NBA please raise your hand.

Anybody? OK.

Bogans isn't any more ready now than he was last spring when he and Prince declared themselves eligible for the draft. He is a streaky shooter who looks terrific when he's on and highly mediocre when he's not, which has been the case often this season and most definitely was the call on Tuesday.

How many players who are "ready" for the NBA get replaced by freshmen in the closing minutes of a game against No. 1?

Not many.

Bogans needs to get comfortable in Wildcat Lodge. Says here he needs to stay there another year and a half.

All these years later, don't you still get chill bumps when you hear Jim Valvano's speech from the 1993 ESPYs?

Coming out of this titanic struggle, the big question mark for this Kentucky team is the post.

Sure, we finally got to see what Jules Camara could do, and the junior was impressive. His 10 points, 11 rebounds and five blocked shots were a welcome addition. He was especially impressive on his drive-and-dunk in the first half.

But until we see it again on Saturday, and then again a week from Saturday against Louisville, we have to assume this was a fluke. As for the rest of the interior, it was MIA in this battle. Marquis Estill had nine points and four rebounds but logged only 13 minutes. And where exactly was Marvin Stone? One point and one rebound in three minutes?

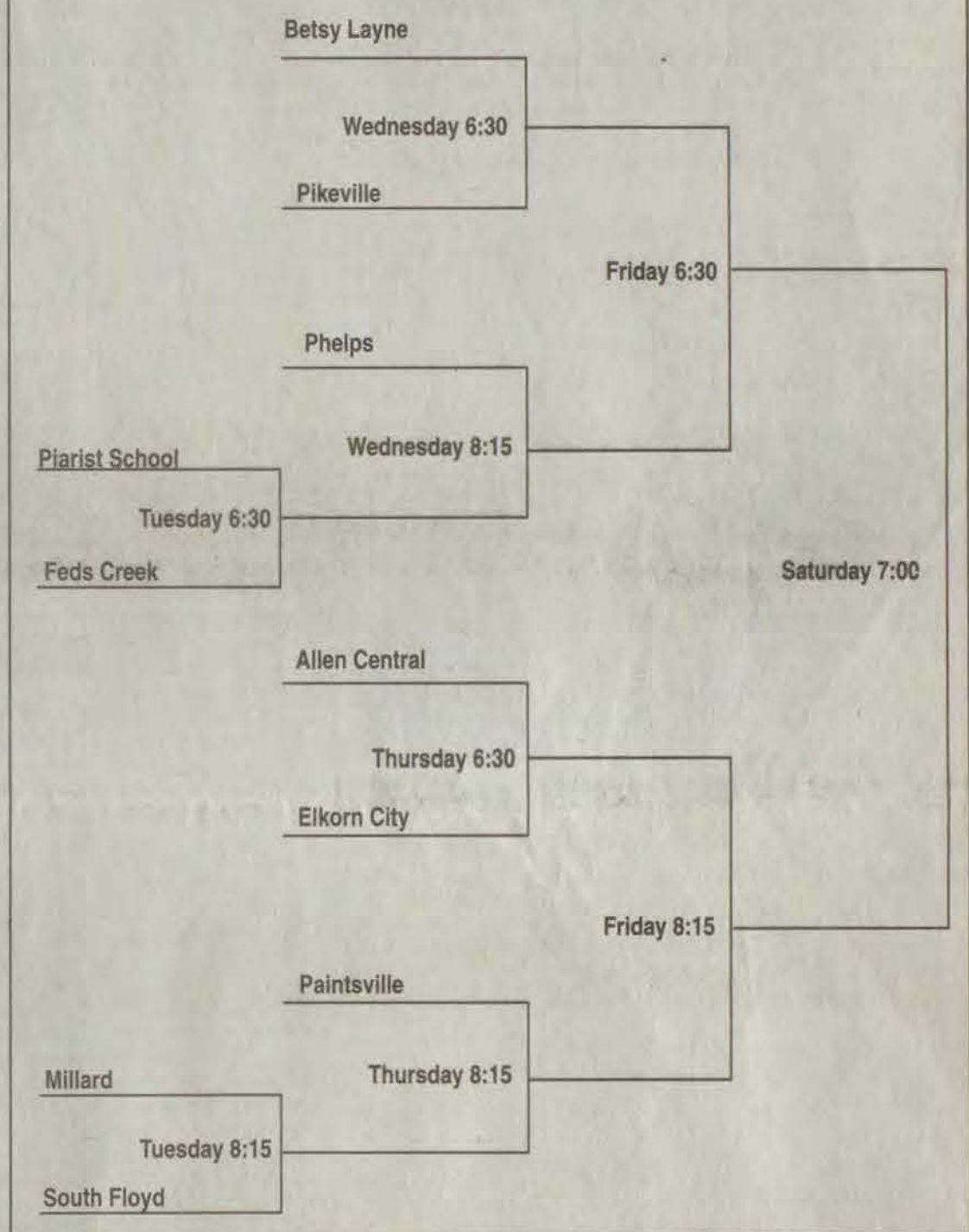
Sounds like someone is in the coach's doghouse. With Stone, it could be anything from poor academic standing after the fall semester right on down.

Hopefully we are wrong, and Smith just felt as if Stone couldn't produce against the Devils.

Only time will tell.

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Wednesday, Dec. 26

Game A

7:15 PM - Court 4

Nease HS (FL)

Loser Game A

Winner Game A

Game E

1:00 PM - Court 6

Enterprise HS (AL)

Thursday, Dec. 27

Game B

2:00 PM - Court 4

Scarsdale HS (NY)

Loser Game B

Winner Game B

Winner Game E

Winner Game G

Game G

2:45 PM - Court 6

Winner Game J

Game J

1:30 PM - Court 2

5th Place

Game L

5:00 PM - Court 2

Winner Game L

Champion

Loser Game C

Winner Game C

Thursday, Dec. 27

Game C

3:45 PM - Court 4

Wilson HS (SC)

Winner Game F

Game F

9:30 AM - Court 6

Greenbrier East HS (WV)

Thursday, Dec. 27

Game D

5:30 PM - Court 4

Betsy Layne HS (KY)

Game H

11:15 AM - Court 6

Winner Game H

Loser Game L

2nd Place

Loser Game E

Game I

11:45 AM - Court 2

Loser Game F

Loser Game G

Game K

3:15 PM - Court 2

Loser Game H

Winner Game K

3rd Place

Loser Game J

6th Place

Winner Game I

7th Place

Loser Game I

8th Place

Loser Game K

4th Place

Team on Top of Bracket = Visiting Team - Dark Uniforms
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-NOTICE-

Due to Christmas, The Floyd County Times will be temporarily adjusting deadlines for the Wednesday Paper, December 26rd.

WEDNESDAY'S PAPER:

All Deadlines

Friday, December 21, at 2:00 pm

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First Commonwealth Bank seeks an experienced Paralegal or Legal Secretary to perform a variety of functions including but not limited to serving as liaison between Bank management and outside counsel, conducting legal research, processing garnishments and bankruptcy claims, communicating new laws and regulations to staff, drafting deeds and other legal documents and providing other administrative support. A minimum of 2 years' related experience is preferred. Competitive compensation package includes 401(k) plan, medical benefits, long term disability plan and life insurance plan. Serious inquiries from qualified applicants may be sent by December 31, 2001, to the following address:

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Employment Opportunity

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-8051 - Transfer In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Branham & Baker Coal Company Inc., P.O. Box 270, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, intends to transfer permit number 436-8005 to AEP Kentucky Coal, L.L.C., P.O. Box 270, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The new permit number will be 836-8051. The operation disturbs 52.00 surface acres, for a total of 52.00 acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.

The operation is located 0.75 mile northwest of Goodloe in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 1.0 mile northwest from State Route 404's junction with State Route 850, and located 0.1 mile south of Lick Fork of Middle Creek. The operation is located on the David U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

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Pursuant to Application Number 836-8052 - Transfer In accordance with the provisions of 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Branham & Baker Coal Company Inc., P.O. Box 270, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, intends to transfer permit number 436-8007 to AEP Kentucky Coal, L.L.C., P.O. Box 270, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. The new permit number will be 836-8052. The operation disturbs 85.76 surface acres, for a total of 85.76 acres. No new acreage is affected by the transfer.

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

For the Project Titled: **ADDITION AND RENOVATION JOHN M. STUMBO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** Floyd County Schools Grethel, Kentucky

Floyd County Schools will receive sealed bids for construction of the above named project until 2:00 p.m. local time, Thursday, December 27th, 2001, at Greg Adams Office located at 23 Martin Street, Allen, Kentucky. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Project consists of the construction of a single-story addition of 20,647 square feet. The addition contains classrooms, art room, music room and a gymnasium. A media center addition comprises an alternate to the project.

The structure will be a combination steel frame and masonry bearing walls with concrete foundation and spread footings. The roof structure will be single-ply roofing and insulation over steel trusses and joists.

Exterior walls will be a combination of face brick and metal panels. Interior partitions will be concrete masonry units. Windows will be color anodized extruded aluminum, projected, with insulating glass. Exterior doors will be hollow metal with tempered glazing. Interior doors will be factory-finished solid core wood in hollow metal frames.

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The addition and existing building will be fully sprinklered. Exterior lightning will be H.I.D. fixtures. Interior lighting will be primarily fluorescent lamps with incandescent fixtures for accent. Emergency lighting will be self-contained battery self-packs.

Other electrical work includes fire alarm and conduit and boxes for security cable television and telephone systems.

Bidding Documents, including Drawings and Specifications, may be examined at the following places:

- F.W. Dodge/ABC Planroom, 132 Venture Court, Suite #12, Lexington, KY
- F.W. Dodge/ABC, 1812 Taylor Avenue, Louisville, KY
- Builders Exchange, 2300 Meadow Drive, Louisville, KY
- Associated General Contractors of KY, Inc., 1717 Alliant Drive, Suite 10, Louisville, KY
- Associated General Contractors, 2321 Fortune Dr., Suite 112, Lexington, KY
- Construction Market Data, 1951 Bishop Lane, Suite 202, Louisville, KY.

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Poage Engineers, 446 E. High Street, Lexington, KY.

Bidding Documents, including Drawing and Specifications, may be purchased for the non-refundable amount of \$125.00 per set, payable to Lynn Blueprint. Documents may be obtained from the distribution department of Lynn Blueprint & Supply Company, 328 Old East Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507, (859) 255-1021. If documents are to be mailed, an additional non-refundable charge of \$15.00 per set is required, made payable directly to Lynn Blueprint & Supply Company, Inc. The successful Bidder is responsible for all additional sets they may require.

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Bids must be submitted, in duplicate originals, on Bid Form included in the Project Manual. Mailed Bids shall be addressed to the Owner's office.

Any bid received later than the time specified for receipt

of bids or any bid which is not submitted in the proper form, shall not be considered.

The owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, or to waive any formalities in the bidding. Bids received after the scheduled closing time for the receipt will be returned unopened to the bidders. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 30 days subsequent to the opening of bids without consent of the Owner.

A Pre-bid meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 19th, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the office of Mr. Greg Adams, 23 Martin Street, Allen, KY 41601.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

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by KATHY J. PRATER
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CHRISTMAS DREAMS

Christmas Day is almost here and like many others, my mind of late has wandered back to Christmases past. Looking back at numerous black and white photographs of me in pajamas sporting a variety of "bedhead" hairdos, I took note of the old black and white t.v. that once sat in my parents' living room and the aluminum Christmas tree that was, I believe, a sign of the times.

In almost every photo I am found looking adoringly at a baby doll. Baby dolls and stuffed animals were always high on my list of Christmas wants. I can still remember most of the dolls I ever received on Christmas morning. There was a doll named "Tiny Tears" that "cried real tears," a doll named "Chatty Cathy" which I liked a whole lot in spite of the fact that she spelled her name with a "C" instead of a "K" like me, a doll named "Thumbelina"

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This Town That World

Editor's Note: For years, Floyd County Times founder and former publisher Norman Allen wrote a weekly column that looked at Floyd County through his eyes. His columns are being reprinted due to request. The following column was written in 1961.

Yes, we do pay—now, don't we? Last week we skipped publication; this week we're paying for it, through the well known proboscis. Two of our force sick, everything piled up—and this column yet to do.

NO RESOLUTION

A friend asked me this week if among my New Year resolutions was one to refrain from saying anything about fishing in this spot. Well, since I've mentioned it in the foregoing sentence, I'll not resolve to refrain...At hand is a card from Gordon "Red" Moore, one of our more fortunate citizens who hied himself away to Florida during the holidays with some boon companions. Wrote he:

Won't say, "Wish you were here." If you were, we wouldn't be catching any fish."

And what do they do? They catch bass—big, big bass. (See picture next week.)

Almost in the same mail came a renewal from Mrs. Martha Bevins, of Stanville, and she enclosed, for my benefit, these lines:

"About the only time a fisherman really tells the fishing truth is when he calls a fellow fisherman a liar."

I ask you—Is there any such thing as the fishing truth?

GOOD ADVICE

Former City Councilman Orville Cooley played the good sport at the meeting of the new Council, shook hands all around the table, Tuesday night. Ready to leave, he grinned and left with this parting advice: "Have a good time, boys."

After he had sworn he had not "fit" a duel or been a second therein, etc., etc., one official remarked to us: "I whacked a feller over

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The Dime

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Bobby was getting cold sitting in the back yard as the new fallen snow glistened all around him. He wasn't wearing snow boots - he didn't like them and anyway, he didn't have any. The thin sneakers that he did wear were well-worn with more than a few holes in them. They did a poor job of keeping out the cold.

Bobby had, by now, been sitting for more than an hour pondering upon the Christmas dilemma that faced him, saddening him down to his very soul. For you see, Bobby had no money with which to purchase his mother a Christmas gift.

Ever since his father had passed away, more than three years ago now, Bobby's family of five had struggled. It wasn't because his mother didn't do her best to provide, she did, working long nights at the local hospital. But the small wage that she earned could only be stretched so far. Nonetheless, what Bobby's family lacked in money and material things, they more than made up for in love and family unity.

Bobby had two older and one younger sister. The two older sisters ran the household in their mother's absence. All three of his sisters had already fashioned beautiful gifts for their mother. It just wasn't fair, Bobby's brow furrowed as he lost himself in self-pity, here it was Christmas Eve, he thought, and he had nothing to give his mother.

Wiping a tear from his eye, Bobby got up, kicked a snow bank and began to walk down his street. There was a small cluster of shops and stores near the corner. Bobby walked past each window, marveling at the beautiful decorations and all the lovely items for sale. Everything seemed so far out of reach for him - he would suffer Christmas without a single gift for his dear mother.

It was nearing dark and Bobby reluctantly turned toward home. Suddenly, his eyes caught sight of a glimmer - there, just by the edge of the curb. As the setting sun's rays brightened and then waned, they were reflected by a small object. Squatting, Bobby reached toward the light and discovered a shiny new dime. Never before had anyone in the world felt so wealthy!

As he held his new-found

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One corner of Rosa Daniels' "Christmas Room" that displays a variety of Christmas collectibles that sing and move.

Christmas collectibles hobby for Drift woman

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR



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Rosa Daniels with one of her many Christmas angels.

Folks collect all sorts of things from stamps to toy trains, and many of us hold on to our family Christmas treasures, adding ornaments and such each year. But one Drift resident goes far beyond what most of us do.

Rosa Daniels has been collecting Christmas houses, angels, animated figures, and porcelain dolls for six years now. And in six years time, she has gathered together quite an impressionable collection.

"I put all these things up a little bit at a time," Daniels said. "Last year it took me so long to get it all out that I just decided to leave it up all year."

Daniels has one entire room in her home devoted specifically to Christmas. In this room the walls are wallpapered with shiny foil to give a mirrored look and all around the room light reflects off glittered and sparkly Christmas decorations.

The room is equipped with multiple shelves that hold Christmas towns that have everything from Main Street to the "Drift Theatre" to house lights to waterfalls.

Christmas angels that sing, move and are illuminated with lights stand watch all around.

Christmas figurines sing, dance and even "complain" of aching feet.

As you stand within this room, you are encompassed by color, music and wonder.

"And it all started with a just a little box full of unpainted Christmas houses," Daniels said. "I bought them at a yard sale for about nine dollars, painted them and set them up, and just had to have more. After awhile, my family got in on it all, buying me things they'd see around. Then we started going to Wal-Mart and K-Mart the day after Christmas and that's when we'd get some really good buys. It just all grew and grew, and I know I'll keep buying. It's my hobby, I love it."

Daniels is quite happy to show off her collection and anyone who lives nearby or just wants to stop in is "quite welcome." "I love company," she said.

Daniels lives on Route 122 in the community of Drift and her impressive collection of items was discovered by Ms. Ruby Akers, the president of the Drift Woman's Club.

Things to Ponder...

"Tis the last week before Christmas and all through the house..."

(This is a rerun article. I am doing this as a gift to myself. Hope you enjoy it.)

'Tis the last week before Christmas and all through the house, everyone is stirring and the house is a mess. The dishes are piled high in the sink and the clothes are dirty, cause all have been shopping in a big hurry. Supposedly, all are busy getting ready for the holiday that is automatically expected to bring warm feelings, good cheer, and cement our love for our fellow man. Some folks seem to think that it will come together like the visions of sugarplums dancing in their head, and shown repeatedly on TV. Instead of being nestled and calm, it seems it is a screaming math at times; children without rules run about. Moms are so upset that dads are quarreling about money that they don't have, being spent on ridiculous items, just because someone wants them for Christmas. Some moms are also upset that dads are drinking too much, plus cursing and hitting. The question becomes, "When do they settle down for a long winter's nap?" The poor and the sick ask, "When can we get the bustling over, and get on with business as usual?"

Besides buying all the gifts for Santa to bring down the chimney, there's all that "meeting and eating" at each major household of the family. Children will have to be rushed out of bed to go visit Grandpa just so many minutes, before

Finally at the end of the day, the mob will begin to drive out of sight, Granny and Grandpa will exclaim, "Happy Christmas to all, and isn't it nice to be quiet!"

trooping to the "other" MamMaw's for Christmas dinner. Instead of a luster of midday by new-fallen snow, many little feet will track mud in the house. But, oh! Someone has forgotten! Dad and mom divorced during the long hot summer, and that brings on more things that must be remembered, such as visits counted by the hours and done by the legal books, with three hours "here" on Christmas Eve and four hours "there" on Christmas afternoon. Thus everyone

will feel as though THEY have had a chance to enjoy the children's Christmas. However, the purpose of Christmas may be forgotten.

Everyone will finally gather at the table with care; in some households the men will sit at the "first table," while women will wait in the kitchen. At other households, the grandmother will fix up all the trimmings, and you know them by name—turkey, dressing, sweet potatoes, cranberry mess, pickles, and olives. Then the young adults will arrive just in time to enjoy the combination of aromas connected with "good" past childhood memories. They will be shocked when the worn out matriarch lays her apron down by the stove and without a word, gives a nod, and up the staircase she goes. While in flight and straight up to bed for the rest of the day, she thinks, "Now, dash away! Dash away! Dash away all!" Similar to dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly, the men and the kids make scare of the pies.

While laying there resting with her eyes closed, the "grandmother of the day" has her own fantasies. What if someone inquired about what she want-



by MABLE ROWE LINEBERGER, PH.D.

ed to do? Why did they not know that she was so tired of being responsible for it all? Who will be saying, "Thank you for everything, and next year it's on me?" Then Granny may hear the dishwasher, and even the little ones pitching in. Why they will be getting things together! Won't that be clever! She may start to see that the crew really does care and that she had nothing to dread. Granny will be so proud that her best linen will be made as white as the snow. Her eyes how they will twinkle when she thinks of the scene! She will feel so merry! She will even begin to feel like a

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School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center
 ■ Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.
 ■ Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any of the listed activities, call 886-9812.

Allen Central Middle School and Youth Service Center
 ■ School is currently collecting Food City receipts. Students may turn them in to their homeroom teachers.
 ■ Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. Call 358-0134 for more information.

Allen Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center
 ■ Service Center Hours: Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 Telephone: 874-0621

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.
 ■ G.E.D. classes offered-FREE each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m. and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda

Clark Elementary
 ■ Dairy Queen "buy one, get one free" cards still on sale through the Family Resource Center.
 ■ After School child care hours are 3:00 - 5:30 p.m., school days.
 ■ FCHD nurse in the center on Thursdays. Please call the center at 886-0815, to schedule an appointment. Appointments are currently being scheduled for Hep B immunizations and 6th grade physicals for the 2002 fall school term.

■ MCCC services are available at the center. Call for more information, or to schedule an appointment.
 ■ The Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. Center is located in the Clark Elem. school building. Hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Office phone is 886-0815.

McDowell Family Resource Center
 ■ Floyd County Health Department nurse, Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday. Services provided include: immunizations, T.B. skin tests, school physicals (Head Start, kindergarten, and sixth grade), WIC appointments, prenatal and

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Dime

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treasure in his palm, a warmth spread throughout his entire body and he could barely contain his excitement as he headed toward the nearest shop door. His excitement was quickly extinguished, however, as the salesperson inside informed him that he simply could not buy anything with only a dime.

Dejected, but yet nurturing a small amount of hope, Bobby walked toward a florist's shop on the street's corner. As he entered, he took his place in line, the shiny dime held tight in his small and determined fist.

As his turn came, the shop owner looked down at the small boy, pondering how he could help him. "May I help you?" he asked.

Bobby moved closer, laying the shiny dime upon the store's counter. "I'd like to buy a flower for my mother," he said. "For Christmas."

The shop owner gazed for a moment at the boy and at the dime lying on the counter. "Wait here," he said. "I'll see what I can do."

As Bobby waited, he looked at all the beautiful flower arrangements and, even though he was but a small boy, he could see why mothers and girls liked flowers. The sound of the shop door closing broke his reverie as the last customer filed from the store.

Standing alone in the shop, Bobby began to worry. What could the florist possibly find that he could let Bobby have for only a dime? Perhaps he should just leave now, run along and stop bothering the neighborhood store clerks. His mother wouldn't like knowing he was making a nuisance of himself.

Just as Bobby was about to turn, the shop owner returned. He held in his hands twelve long-stemmed red roses. As he laid the beautiful flowers on the counter, Bobby could see that the roses were arranged with delicate flowers of white interspersed here and there among the leaves of green. The bouquet was tied up with a big, silver bow.

Bobby's heart sank as the owner picked up the bouquet and placed it gently into a long, white delivery box. Of course, he thought, these beautiful flowers would go to a beautiful woman who lived in a beautiful house somewhere. As his mind's eye turned to his mother's image, Bobby knew in an instant that there was no more beautiful woman anywhere than his own gentle and loving mother.

Bobby lowered his eyes, ashamed to

have bothered the shopkeeper on Christmas Eve.

"Well," the shopkeeper spoke. "Do you have nowhere to go on Christmas Eve? That will be ten cents, please. I would like to close up shop and make my way home for a mug of fresh eggnog."

Unbelieving, Bobby's hand moved slowly, his fingertips pushing the small dime toward the florist's cash register. Could this be true?, he thought. Why, no one else would give him a thing for his dime! He had hoped for a small, single flower. He had not once dared to dream of a beautiful bouquet.

Sensing the boy's reluctance, the shop owner added quietly, "I just happened to have some roses on sale for ten cents a dozen. Would you like to buy this bouquet?"

This time Bobby did not hesitate, and he smiled widely as the shopkeeper placed the long box in his unmittened hands. It was true, he thought, I have a Christmas gift for my mother, a glorious Christmas gift!

As Bobby walked out the shop's door, he heard the shopkeeper say, "Merry Christmas, son."

As the shop bell hushed its jangle, the shopkeeper's wife entered from the back room. "Who were you talking to," she asked, "and where are the roses you were fixing?"

Staring out the window, catching the last glimpse of a little boy in worn sneakers making his way home through the drifts of snow, the shopkeeper blinked back tears from his eyes. In reply he said, "A strange thing happened to me this morning. While I was setting up to open shop, I thought I heard a voice telling me to set aside a dozen of my best roses for a special gift. I wasn't sure at the time whether I had lost my mind or no, but I set them aside anyway. Then, just a few moments ago, a small boy came into the shop, wanting to buy a flower for his mother. He had only a dime."

"When I looked at him," he continued, "I saw myself, many years ago. I too, was a poor boy with no money to buy my own mother a Christmas gift. A bearded man, whom I never knew, stopped me on the street and told me he wanted to give me ten dollars, to help make Christmas for me. When I saw that little boy tonight, I knew who that voice was, and I put together a dozen of



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Rosa Daniels relates the history of some of her Christmas collectibles to Ruby Akers, president of the Drift Woman's Club.

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that moved ever so slooowly "just like a newborn infant," and a doll named "Baby First Step" that in addition to "walking" completely on her own, could also roller skate. I was, earlier this week, relating to the office crew a story about the Christmas morning I received "Baby First Step."

I recall how very, very badly I wanted Santa Claus to bring me a Baby First Step doll. I think I was about nine years old and each time a commercial came across the "colorized" screen of my family's new color television, I would become mesmerized. Baby First Step had blonde hair, she wore a cute pink dress and little white shoes, and she came with a pair of little white roller skates that strapped on over these little shoes. She was amazing. She could walk completely on her own, no need to hold her hand unless you just wanted to, and even more amazing, she could roller skate - something that I myself couldn't even do!

Each time one of these mesmerizing, colorful commercials came on I would begin to yell, "Mommy, Mom! Hurry, hurry! Baby First Step is on! It's the one I want, Mommy, it's the only thing I want for Christmas, the only thing! You have to be sure to let Santa Claus know!"

Each time, my mother would come running, dish cloth in hand, to see this wonder of a doll, a child's dream come true. Each time she would say, "That's the same doll you showed me before, isn't it?", and I would say yes and once I asked her why she kept asking me that because I began to get worried that if she had to keep asking if this was the same doll then maybe she was going to get Santa Claus all mixed up about it too.

For weeks, I dreamed of that doll and I worried that so many little girls all over the world were dreaming and asking Santa Claus for this same doll that he would surely run out before he got to me. I hoped so hard that my mom would get my Santa message through and that his elves had made lots and lots of these wondrous creations.

As it turned out, the elves that supplied Eastern Kentucky hadn't made enough of

these amazing toys and my dad had to make a last minute run to Huntington, West Virginia to locate one for me (of course, I didn't find this out until many years later, but I do distinctly remember going to bed one evening before my father had returned home for the day, which was a quite unusual turn of events. When he finally did arrive, I awoke just long enough to hear he and my mother talking in the hallway about "all the people in the stores in Huntington" and "the long lines." A couple of years later, I put two and two together.)

This Christmas I am especially thankful for having had parents who were so dedicated to making the Christmas dreams of a little girl come true. My mother got the message right, and my father braved the then winding roads to another state after a long day at work just to make sure that their little girl was happy on Christmas morning.

It mattered a little that they forgot to purchase batteries for this wonder of a toy, putting my full enjoyment of this newly acquired treasure off to the next day, but I was pretty quick to forgive ole' Santa Claus after my dad explained to me that Santa was, after all, a little old, and he wasn't used to all these new-fangled doll babies that required, of all things, batteries.

Guess his elves forgot to send a memo.

Ponder

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another. They will be happy for making a difference in showing her that others really do care. The wads of wrapping paper and long pieces of ribbon will now be out of sight, after the team makes it all, as clean as a thistle. Then everyone will truly hug each other with care and so proudly say, "I'm so glad that we are all here." Finally at the end of the day, the mob will begin to drive out of sight, Granny and Grandpa will exclaim, "Happy Christmas to all, and isn't it nice to be quiet!" Merry Christmas!

Postscript: 'Tis the season

by PAM SHINGLER
 COLUMNIST

Sometimes the Christmas spirit catches us unawares.

As Christmas grows closer, we often begin to get a little jaded. We find ourselves spending a lot more money than we intended. With each new purchase, we do a silent "ka-ching," trying to keep a mental tab of what's happening to the checking account and/or the credit card balance. We get disgusted with long lines at cash registers, with long walks through crowded parking lots, with long days of preparations.

Then the spirit takes over. Case in point: Ann Currie at Appalshop, where I now work, is married to the pastor of the Presbyterian church at Blackey, an old mining town in Letcher County. Early last week, she sent an e-mail message to everyone at the Shop about a program the church is sponsoring to provide presents for children in needy families.

(By the way, as an indicator of the falling economy and perhaps of the effects of welfare reform, Ann said, whereas last year the small church had about 50 families on its help list, this year, it has more than 80.)

The church's program is not an unusual practice. You pick a child, you're given his or her clothing size and you're asked to buy an outfit and a toy.

I picked a 12-year-old boy and set out to fulfill my obligation. Armed with the size information, I went to the local discount store.

Now, I know very little about buying clothes for pre-teens, but according to the information I was given, this young man's clothes would come from the men's department. So that's where I headed.

I wandered among the racks for several minutes before an "associate" asked if she could help. I told her what I needed and showed her the angel cutout that had the sizes on it.

She asked where I got the name and commented that she would like to participate. I gave her a contact. Then, she took on the persona of one of Santa's elves, flitting from rack to rack, holding up one pair of pants and then another, checking out sizes and relating what styles the boys like and wear.

Another associate walked up and wanted to know what her colleague was doing. The excitement was contagious. The two of them then got wrapped up in finding a "cool" outfit for this young man, who will never know how much fun three people had in finding it for him. We looked at socks and underwear and outfitted him from top to bottom.

In another department, an associate helped me pick out a game for the boy, and when I mentioned something the whole family might enjoy, she took me directly to the jigsaw puzzles and dug out a three-piece set designed by Thomas Kinkade, the popular artist.

"My boyfriend, his dad and I are working on one of these," she said. "The family will love it."

I only hope the young man and his family enjoy these gifts as much as the store clerks and I enjoyed picking them out.

It really is more blessed to give than to receive. To the Floyd County Times family, whom I see too seldom these days, and to the readers, have a blessed holiday season. Give and receive.

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the head with a hickory stick, one time. D'ye reckon I've perjured myself?"

THEY DID THEIR PART

We are all—I hope—interested in a junior college to the extent that we're willing to back up our sentiments, with cold cash. A great many people are deeply interested, are working and will give till it hurts. But of all those who are making a sacrifice we would say Mrs. J. M. Porter and family are making the greatest.

They had the only sizeable tract of level land at the very city limits, they did not want to sell, and if they had, they could have realized much more by selling the tract in building lots. But they did not want to stand in the way of a college, and opportunity for thousands of youngsters. And so, whatever happens, nobody will ever be able to say they stood in the way...Wonder how many others would have done as much?

CRAZY, MIXED-UP WORLD!

This is, indeed, my friends, a crazy, mixed-up world.

In a world beset with trouble and fear and smeared with the filth that goes under the heading of literature, a school library out in California suddenly divests itself of every Tarzan book, on the grounds that Tarzan and Jane may not have been legally married, and at the same time strips the shelves of all the Zane Grey books because of a few mild cuss-words said by some character who always got his just desserts in the end.

Such prudery in a world whose leading literary lights sing the praises of outhouse prose such as appears in Miller's "Tropic of Cancer," in a world which murmurs not a protest at such sex and violence as flash on TV and movie screens every day of our lives!

The only youngsters I ever heard of suffering from a reading of Tarzan are those who, attempting to imitate him, missed a limb and came a cropper. Then there was a boy who suffered, too, because of his fondness for Zane Grey. He was caught swiping his ma's egg money to finance the purchase of another Grey book.

Why, everything is so mixed up they've taken Farmer McGregor's shotgun away from him in "Peter Rabbit."

We are so persnickitty nice, so asininely nice, sometimes, and at others so biase and lowdown, that it's plumb disconcertin'.

Anniversaries



50th Wedding Anniversary

Bill H. and Barbara Howard, of Prestonsburg, will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on December 28, 2001. The couple are now retired and have moved to a country home on Calf Creek where they enjoy gardening and days of leisure. Mr. and Mrs. Howard have two daughters, Mrs. Lynn Moyer, of Houston, Texas, and Mrs. Debbie Dixon, of Prestonsburg; one granddaughter, Lauren Ashley Moyer; and three grandsons, John Dixon, Adam Dixon, and John William Moyer.

Happy Birthday



Celebrates Christmas Day birthday

Chelsey Noel Couch will celebrate her fourth birthday on December 25, 2001, at her home in Rock Fork. Chelsey is the daughter of Chris and Christine Couch. She is the granddaughter of Isabelle Prater and Raymond Parsons, and Colson and Debbie Couch, and the late Delbert Prater. She has one sister, Caitlin Abigail Couch.

Brothers celebrate birthdays

Michael Williams will celebrate his fifth birthday on December 21, 2001. His little brother, Skylar Williams, will celebrate his second birthday on December 23, 2001. The boys are the children of Terry and Linda Williams, of Little Mud, and the grandchildren of Barlowe and Shirley Parsons, also of Little Mud, and Barbara Collins, of Florida, and Lawrence Williams, of Kimper.

Electrical stimulation can not replace sweat for muscle building



Family Medicine

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Answer: I see that you have developed a healthy measure of skepticism for claims you see in advertisements. Good for you! In this case, as in most, there is some measure of truth to the claims, however.

The electrical stimulation devices produce an electrical current of just the right characteristics of voltage, amperage and frequency around the skin electrode to cause the muscles in that region to contract. These contractions, when continued for a period of time, will fatigue the involved muscles just as repeated exercise does. I think you misunderstood the physical therapist, because repeatedly exercising a muscle to fatigue is how you strengthen that muscle group. Therefore, electrical muscle stimulation is one way to build muscle

strength.

However, (you were waiting for the "however", weren't you) this technique only works for those muscles that are directly stimulated. That is important since it isn't possible to get sufficient current to induce contractions in deep muscles by use of standard skin electrodes.

Our backs are supported and moved by a large number of muscles. Some of the most important ones in back pain are those that are short, just spanning from one vertebra to the next. These muscles are deep within the body and not reachable with electrical stimulation without the use of currents so great that damage to more superficial muscles would result.

Perhaps electrical muscle stimulation has some value in your back condition. This could be

true if it helps you condition the superficial muscles of the abdomen and back to a point where you can participate in a more successful physical conditioning program that stresses flexibility as well as muscle strength.

That program needs to be specifically tailored to your back problem by your physical therapist. The exercise regimen will stretch and tone the large muscle groups and — unlike the electrical stimulation — will also do the same for the short, deep ones.

The old adage of "no pain — no gain" is not true in conditioning.

Pain is an indication that you have overworked muscles or joints. Sure, you will eventually build muscle if you exercise this hard, but greater success is achieved with exercise that stress-

es muscles almost to — rather than past — the point of pain. Sweat, on the other hand, is a necessity for cardiovascular conditioning and also accompanies all but the most minimal strengthening exercises.

Talk to your doctor and physical therapist about a total conditioning program that is best for you. While this program may include electrical muscle stimulation, I'm quite certain that traditional exercise and some sweat will be the major centerpiece.

"Family Medicine" is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to John C. Wolf, D.O., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701. Past columns are available online at www.fhradio.org/fm.

Question: I've seen advertisements for electromuscular stimulation devices that are claimed to build muscles. Of course, all of the ads I've seen show men and women with Mr. Universe quality abdominals, arms, etc., who we are led to believe got their muscles without breaking a sweat. I've had low back problems most of my life and consequently have been unable to properly

condition my back and abdominal muscles. I've asked several physical therapists about these devices. Most of them say that they use similar devices to exhaust a muscle group for massage, but they haven't been used to specifically develop muscle strength. So, do these devices actually work, and would they help me improve my weak muscles?

School

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postpartum care and others. If you are in need of an appointment, call 377-2678 to schedule.

■ GED classes each Monday and Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Instructor - Linda Bailey, of the David School.

■ McDowell Family Resource Center hours are 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you are in need of assistance, call the center at 377-2678.

Mud Creek Family Resource Center / John M. Stumbo Elem.

■ The Bridges Project will be at the center each Wednesday and Thursday, from 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and each Friday from 12:30 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

■ Center is open weekdays 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Telephone: 587-2233.

Piarist School

■ The Piarist School is currently collecting Food City receipts to be used toward the purchase of school equipment and technical tools. You may send your receipts to school with any Piarist School student, or you may mail them in to the following address:

The Piarist School, Highway 80, Box 870, Martin, KY 41649.

Call 285-3950 for further information.

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ MCCC services available at the center. Call for additional information.

■ Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

■ After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ Adult education classes available.

■ The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 135.

The David School

■ Adult Education Class Schedule - Fall 2001:

■ Monday and Wednesday: McDowell Family Resource Center, 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Call 377-2678.

■ Monday and Wednesday: Morehead Big Sandy Campus, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Call 886-9860.

■ Tuesday and Thursday: Betsy Layne High School Family Resource Center, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389.

■ Tuesday: Cliffside Housing Project Community Center, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Call 886-9860.

■ Wednesday: Floyd County Detention Center, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

■ Thursday: Auxier Lifetime Learning Center, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Call 886-0709.

■ Thursday: St. James Episcopal Church, 5:00 - 7:30 p.m. Call 886-8046.

■ Friday - The David School, 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Call 886-8374.

W.D. Osborne Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center

■ Dec. - Nutrition program and "Shop with a Cop."

■ "Clothing Closet" available to all students.

■ Rainbow Junction Family

Prestonsburg Woman's Club donates "Books for Babies"

The GFWC/ KFWC Prestonsburg Woman's Club initiated a project in October called "Books for Babies." As a part of the focus of the Woman's Club on the importance of education and reading, club members donated books to Highlands Regional Medical Center.

These books are being given to the parents of new babies born at the hospital as a part of a care package.

It is our hope that the new parents will read to their children and make reading a positive experience.

For questions in regard to the "Books for Babies" program, please call Judy Bowen at 889-9399, or Pam Weiner at 889-9639.



Dorothy Harris, member of the Prestonsburg Woman's Club and Highlands Regional Medical Center volunteer, reads to Tanner Miller, age 3, and Taylor Miller, age 5, of Oil Springs.

No place to hide: drug abuse in the heartland

by CLARK CARR,
PRESIDENT, NARCONON INTERNATIONAL

150 years of creating public acceptance

Drugs and alcohol have been around for thousands of years. They have been intertwined throughout various cultures and time periods throughout the recorded history of this planet. They have been labeled and/or promoted as everything from the work of the devil, to a miracle cure for disease to the key in finding God. Some drugs have healed; others have destroyed lives, and even entire cultures.

As we begin to search for effective solutions for today's drug problem, we must first understand the origins of drugs in America. How did they come to be such a strong influence in today's society?

Heroin, which is a very popular drug of choice in the American drug culture today, is not a new drug that just showed up in the late 1960's, nor are its negative effects unique to modern times. Heroin is an opium derivative and, as with any of the opium derivatives, there is a severe physical/mental dependency that develops when it's abused.

The birth of the American heroin addict

In the mid to late 1800's, opium was a fairly popular drug. Opium dens were scattered throughout what we know today as the wild west. The opium influx during this period was due in large part to the drug being brought into the country via Chinese immigrants who came here to work on the railroads.

Accurate American history tells us that famous names of the period like Wild Bill Hickock and Kit Carson actually frequented opium dens more often than saloons. The stereotyped picture we have is part of the story of the old west. Oftentimes the cowhand was not belly up to a bar at all. He was in a prone position in a dim candlelit room smoking opium in the company of an oriental prostitute. It was not uncommon for some of these cowhands to spend several days and nights at a time in these dens in a constant dream state, eventually becoming physically addicted to the drug. Nonetheless, it was true that alcoholism was a bigger problem. Alcoholism was one of the major sources of violence and death during this period. Eventually, however, opium was promoted as a cure for alcoholism by the late 1800's.

It was from opium that, morphine, a derivative, was developed as a pain killer in approximately 1810. It was considered a wonder drug, because it eliminated severe pain associated with medical operations or traumatic injuries. It left the user in a completely numb euphoric dream state. Because of the intense euphoric side effects, the drug in 1811 was named after the Greek god of dreams, Morpheus, by Dr. F.W.A. Serturner, a German pharmacist. By the mid 1850's morphine was available in the United States, and became more and more popular with the medical profession. The benefits of using the drug to treat severe pain was considered nothing short of remarkable to doctors of the time. Unfortunately, the addictive properties of the drug, on the flip side, went vir-

tually unnoticed until after the civil war.

During the civil war the numbers of people exposed to morphine in the course of being treated for their war related injuries skyrocketed. Tens of thousands of northern and confederate soldiers became morphine addicts. In just over 10 years from its arrival into this country the United States was plagued with a major morphine epidemic. Even though no actual statistics were kept on addiction at this time, the problem had grown to large enough proportions to raise serious concerns from the medical profession. Doctors

FYI

Narconon® is a drug rehabilitation and prevention program used by a worldwide network of nonprofit or charitable centers. Narconon International offers this series on "No Place to Hide: Drug Abuse in the Heartland" to help concerned citizens better understand the subject. These are drug rehabilitation centers using the Narconon program worldwide. For further information, call (323) 962-2404.

became perplexed and were completely in the dark as to how to treat this new epidemic.

By 1874, the answer to this increasing problem was thought to be found in the invention of a new drug in Germany. This new wonder drug was called HEROIN, after its German trademarked name. Heroin was imported into the United States shortly after it was invented. The sales pitch that created an instant market to American doctors and their morphine addicted patients was that Heroin was a "safe,

non addictive" substitute for morphine. Hence, the heroin addict was born and has been present in American culture ever since.

From the late 1800's to the early 1900's the reputable drug companies of the day began manufacturing over-the-counter drug kits. These kits contained a glass-barreled hypodermic needle and vials of opiates (morphine or heroin) and/or cocaine packaged neatly in attractive engraved tin cases. Laudanum (opium in an alcohol base) was also a very popular elixir that was used to treat a variety of ills. Laudanum was administered to kids and adults alike—as freely as aspirin is used today.

There were of course marketing and advertising campaigns launched by the drug companies producing this product that touted these narcotics as the cure for all types of physical and mental ailments, ranging from alcohol withdrawal to cancer, depression, sluggishness, coughs, colds, tuberculosis and even old age. Most of the elixirs pitched by the old "snake oil salesmen" in their medicine shows contained one or more of these narcotics in their mix.

Heroin, morphine and other opiate derivatives were unregulated and sold legally in the United States until 1920, when Congress recognized the danger of these drugs and enacted the Dangerous Drug Act. This new law made over-the-counter purchase of these drugs illegal, and deemed that their distribution be federally regulated. By the time this law was passed, however, it was already too late. A market for heroin in the U.S. had been created. By 1925 there were an estimated 200,000 heroin addicts in the country. It was a market which would persist until this day. In part IV of this series we will discuss how cocaine and LSD found their way into American culture.



This shows the Prestonsburg men who participated in the 1942 WPA Scrap Metal Drive. In that year Floyd County collected more scrap metal than any other county in Eastern Kentucky. The three men who spearheaded the drive were Bud Towner, Sam Isbell, and Judge Edward Hill. In this picture, Judge Hill is seen at far right.

15th Region Records

15th Region Boys

Team	Record (overall)
Shelby Valley	6-0
Paintsville	6-3
Prestonsburg	4-2
Pike Co. Central	4-2
Sheldon Clark	4-2
South Floyd	4-3
Elkhorn City	4-3
Allen Central	3-3
Johnson Central	3-5
Belfry	2-1
Millard	2-3
Pikeville	2-5

Betsy Layne	2-5
Phelps	1-3
Feds Creek	1-4
Magoffin County	1-5
Piarist	0-6

Thursday night's games not included

15th Region Girls

Team	Record (overall)
Sheldon Clark	6-1
Betsy Layne	6-2
Shelby Valley	5-2
Magoffin County	5-3

Johnson Central	4-1
South Floyd	4-2
Belfry	4-3
Pikeville	4-6
Pike Co. Central	4-6
Allen Central	3-4
Paintsville	2-4
Elkhorn City	2-6
Feds Creek	1-1
Prestonsburg	1-3
Phelps	1-5
Piarist	0-6
Millard	0-7

Thursday night's games not included

BluegrassPreps: Top 20 Rankings

- North Hardin
- Lexington Catholic
- East Jessamine
- Paducah Tighman
- Ballard
- Butler
- Scott County
- Pleasure Ridge Park
- Covington Catholic
- Male
- Muhlenburg North
- Apollo
- Warren Central
- Christian County
- Montgomery County
- Saint Xavier
- Wayne County
- Daviess County

- Mayfield
- Rose Hill

Others To Watch By Region

- 1st Region: Calloway County
- 2nd Region: Lyon County, Hopkins County Central
- 3rd Region: Ohio County
- 4th Region: Barren County, Bowling Green, Glasgow, Russellville, Monroe County
- 5th Region: Larue County
- 6th Region: None
- 7th Region: Moore, Eastern, Christian Academy, Seneca
- 8th Region: Oldham County

- Bullitt East, Bullitt Central, Anderson County
- 9th Region: Highlands, Dixie Heights, Simon Kenton
- 10th Region: Mason County, Bourbon County
- 11th Region: Frankfort, Tates Creek
- 12th Region: Garrard County, Somerset
- 13th Region: Bell Co., Corbin
- 14th Region: Parry County Central
- 15th Region: Shelby Valley
- 16th Region: Morgan County, Rowan County, Ashland

Setback

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and Molly Burchett, and the two accounted for thirty-four points for the Ladycats. Prestonsburg senior Ramanda Music stepped up in the second half for Tackett to provide leadership, and settle her team in the late stages. Music finished the contest with 15 points.

At the end of the third period, Allen Central still held the lead at 49-46, but the Lady Rebs continued to misfire in the final stanza, and the Lady cats would take advantage of AC mistakes to take command

late. Prestonsburg placed four players in double figures for the game: Molly Burchett 18; Megan Hyden 16; Ramanda Music 15; Heather White 10.

Allen Central was led in scoring by Becky Thomas' 16 points. Sophomore point guard Terri Mullins finished with 12.

The 58th District appears to be a wide-open district this year, as every team looks to be equal talent-wise. Picking up early district wins could play a big part at season's end.

UK

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Five,' 'The Fiddlin Five,' 'Rupp's Runts,' and 'The Unforgettables,' as well as superstar players like Jamal Mashburn, Rex Chapman, Melvin Turpin, Kenny Walker, and many, many more. Veteran basketball writer and author Tom Wallace also features the many coaching greats who have helped make UK one of the biggest names in the college game, like Adolph Rupp, Joe B. Hall, Eddie Sutton, Rick Pitino, and Tubby Smith, who led the team to the national championship in his first year as a head coach. As the Wildcats compete in yet another exciting season, The Kentucky Basketball Encyclopedia is sure to be must-reading for all UK basketball fans.

Wallace has covered University of Kentucky basketball for over two decades, he spent seven years as the editor of Cawood on Kentucky, and is a former columnist for The Cats'

Pause. His previous books include Travis Ford: Big Blue Dream, Inside/Outside: A Behind the Scenes Look at Kentucky Basketball, Embracing the Legend: Jim Harrick Revives the UCLA Mystique (with John McGill), and Jeff Sheppard: Heart of a Champion. Wallace, a native of Central City, currently lives in Lexington.

The book is 382 pages with over 200 black and white photos throughout, plus a full-color panoramic foldout of Rupp Arena.

Sports Publishing L.L.C., located in Champaign, Illinois, focuses on publishing sports autobiographies, biographies, encyclopedias, and histories. The Kentucky Basketball Encyclopedia will be available to UK fans at the Prestonsburg Readmore Bookstore book signing, today for a special price with the signature of the author, Wallace.

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