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## Beetles wiping out pine stands

by CARA WADSWORTH  
STAFF WRITER

EASTERN KENTUCKY — The National Forest Service calls the southern pine beetle the most destructive forest insect pest in the Southeastern U.S. for good reason. Over the last two years, the beetle outbreak has quietly destroyed entire stands of southern pines in Eastern Kentucky and has infested half of the state.

According to officials at the Division of Forestry in Frankfort, up to 90 percent of existing pine stands in the Daniel Boone National Forest have been decimated by the beetle. In Florida and other southern states, thousands of acres have been lost to the small insect.

Locally, Forestry Service personnel conducted an aerial survey of a nine-county region from Letcher to Estill Counties in August to plot the extent of infestation on

maps for research and conservation efforts. Those flight surveys were also completed throughout the state.

Perry County forest ranger James Madden confirmed that up to 98 percent of the southern pine species such as the native yellow pines, shortleaf pines, loblolly and pitch pines were infected or dead in the nine-county region.

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This dead stand of pine trees can be seen from Route 15 South near Hazard. An outbreak of the southern pine beetle has killed 90 percent of the southern pine stands in some areas.

photo by  
Cara Wadsworth

## Domestic violence council forms

by GRETA FIELDS  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

HAZARD — "Walk for Domestic Violence" will be held Oct. 25 in Hazard, as one of the first activities of the new Perry County Domestic Violence Prevention Council.

Anybody who wants to take part should meet at 5:30 p.m. at Hazard City Hall to march down Main Street to the courthouse. A drawing will be held then for a birdhouse to raise money for the council.

The council met Wednesday at the courthouse in Hazard to discuss plans to get transitional housing for abused women and men.

Members just raised \$501 of the money necessary to file for tax-exempt status. However, they are very anxious to move ahead with activities.

Kymerly Feltner, vice president, considers transitional housing to be a major goal. "I want something in Perry County to really help victims, something to be safe," she said.

Perry County has several agencies which work on women's issues, but there is not enough transitional housing or day care. Abused women or men may live temporarily in the LKLP Safe House, but eventually they must find transitional or permanent housing.

Not enough room is available at the Safe House, where a woman and all her children are temporarily housed in one room with bunk beds.

"Child care is a main issue when you are leaving an abusive situation," said Leah Jett, a reporter who covered the meeting for the Hazard/Perry County News Journal.

Another goal of the council is establishing education and awareness programs at schools.

Getting a grant for more deputies to handle domestic violence cases was suggested by Jim Gibson, a council member from the University of

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## Council raises, lowers taxes

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Just a few days after the Floyd County Board of Education agreed to raise property taxes for residents throughout the county to implement a pay raise for teachers, the Prestonsburg City Council issued a first reading of an ordinance including a tax hike for tangible property.

The reading came during a special-called council meeting Friday morning in which six council members, including Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin, gathered just before noon.

However, the tax levy was not without a similar decrease for city taxpayers.

In contrast to the increase for tangible property, which consists primarily of office equipment such as computers or fax machines, the council also included in the ordinance a decrease in the real estate tax.

The adjustments were presented for proposed adoption, according to the ordinance, for the purpose of providing funds for the general operating expenses of the city for the fiscal year from July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002.

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photo by Mary Music

Michala Walters, 18, stood before Judge John David Caudill Friday afternoon. Represented by Public Defender Vicki Ridgway, she has been placed on a \$20,000 surety bond, and was ordered to report to the courthouse on a weekly basis.

## Walters remains free on bond

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Prestonsburg resident Michala Walters, 18, stood before Circuit Judge John David Caudill on Friday

afternoon with her head down during her arraignment.

Allegedly, Walters, previously diagnosed with oppositional defiant disorder and borderline personality disorder, attempted to start fires in two

bathrooms at Prestonsburg Community College in March, where she was attending classes.

She was indicted by a grand jury August 21 on two counts of first-

(See WALTERS, page two)



Dr. Spencer holds a newborn as a volunteer reads as a part of Project Read to Me.

## Perry board encourages mothers to read to babies

Staff Report

HAZARD — A program has been implemented in Perry County to show mothers the importance of reading to their children, even newborn infants.

Although infants may not understand what is being read, the early lessons lay a foundation for learning vocabulary and meaning.

"Instead of reading, many of today's young children grow up watching television," said Abbie Combs. "Television is two-dimensional and does not have the stimulation needed for brain development. The reasoning behind Project 'Read to Me' becomes self-evident."

Combs, Loretta Fugate, Rosita Combs and Linda Napier, all employees of the Perry County School Board, coordinate the program.

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## Times, Herald staffers attend training

Staff Report

In an effort to enhance the quality of its publication, five upper management employees at The Floyd County Times and The Hazard Herald participated in "intensive" two-day training seminars during recent months.

The seminars, supported by CNHI, The Times' corporate parent, focused on training in various fields of their work environment.

Rod Collins, publisher of both The Times and Herald, and Times Managing Editor Ralph Davis attended seminars conducted by the Readership Institute, an affiliate of the Media Management Center at Northwest University, on September 18 and 19 at the Embassy Suites in Lexington.

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Rod Collins



Ralph Davis



Becky Crum



Patty Wilson



Jenny Jones

the-art training to our upper management employees ..." said Collins. "That, in turn, gives us the opportunity to provide a state-of-the-art newspaper for our readers."

The seminars, conducted specifically for CNHI Bluegrass division newspapers in Kentucky as well as in parts of West Virginia and

Ohio, incorporated a study of over 37,000 readers of 100 American newspapers, including several CNHI publications, performed by the Readership Institute. Individuals who participated in the sessions learned not only what readers like to read in

(See TRAINING, page two)



# Man sentenced for defrauding hospital

LONDON — A Leslie County man was sentenced last week by U.S. District Court Judge Jennifer B. Coffman to two years and nine months in federal prison for theft from programs receiving federal funds.

In May, Scott Asher, 30, of Hyden, pleaded guilty to stealing more than \$500,000 from Mary Breckinridge Hospital in Hyden and for having the hospital write 10 checks to a fake company.

From October 1995 to March 1999, Asher used his position as the hospital's plant operations manager to order more than \$100,000 worth of supplies and equipment that he used in his business and to renovate his home.

Asher also caused the hospital to pay \$400,000 to the fake company he created for supplies, equipment and services that the hospital did not receive.

# Band competes twice in one day, brings home awards

by RENEE M. SNOWDEN  
BREATHITT COUNTY BUREAU

JACKSON — Horse racing fans are familiar with the daily double, but one Eastern Kentucky high school has found a way to apply it to the realm of marching band competition.

On Saturday, September 22, the Breathitt High School Band competed in two marching band competitions. The two competitions consisted of top bands from all over Kentucky and Tennessee.

The first competition took place at the Pulaski County

Marching Band Invitational, which led the Breathitt High School Band to a third-place finish in their division.

The band then traveled to London for its next competition. They performed at the North Laurel Marching Band Competition, where they received a second-place trophy for their division.

The band returned back home to Breathitt County on Sunday morning and were very proud of their performance because they knew that they had given it their best.

Band directors are Lisa Raser and John Day.

## Walters

degree arson, class A felonies, stemming from that incident.

During Walter's initial incarceration at the Floyd County Detention Center, concern mounted within the community concerning her mental health state, including concern from deputy jailers at the jail who disclosed their fear for her safety because of her behavioral problems, and District Judge Eric Hall, who previously called her plight "the saddest case" he'd ever encountered as judge.

Those concerns were reiterated at Walters' hearing Friday.

When Caudill asked about the commonwealth's recom-

mendation for bond, Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor told the court that he didn't consider Walters to be a "flight risk," and therefore suggested bond to be set at half the amount of her original bond.

"To the best of my understanding, her bond was initially set at \$10,000 in district court," Taylor told the court. "With two class A felonies, ordinarily the commonwealth would give a recommendation of \$50,000 or more. But given the fact of her emotional health and the fact that we don't believe she constitutes the threat of a flight risk, we suggest a bond of \$5,000."

Walter's attorney, Public Defender Vicki Ridgway, asked the judge to consider either a surety bond or at least a 10 percent option on the \$5,000 cash bond, to keep Walters from returning to jail.

"She poses no threat to society, even though the charges are serious charges," argued Ridgway, who referred to Walters' previous behavioral problems during her incarceration. "... It was a fire in a couple of trash cans. If you put her on a surety bond, she will assure you that she'll be here."

Caudill agreed.

"Frankly, I agree with you

that jail is not the proper place for her right now," explained Caudill. "I don't know where this case will turn out, but these are very serious charges against her, and could possibly lead to incarceration in the future."

Caudill placed a separate order on the bond, a \$20,000 surety bond, ordering Walters to participate in weekly visits to the pre-trial officer at the courthouse. The bond will remain in effect for 30 days, said Caudill.

Ridgway said she was pleased with the bond settlement, but declined to comment further on the case. Ridgway said she is currently looking for a residential facility for Walters, who is now living with her mother, Jennifer Walters.

"All that we know is that she's been charged with two very serious class A felonies," said Taylor. "Our job is to prosecute on our assumption that she is mentally capable, unless proven otherwise in the courts. We'll take into consideration any competency issue raised by her attorney at a later date ... It's a difficult situation with a delicate balance between the charges against her and her mental state."

If found guilty of the charges, Walters could face two 20-year sentences.

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## Council

Kentucky Women's Institute.

Floyd County obtained a full-time deputy with a special grant, Gibson said.

Commonwealth's Attorney John Hansen came to the meeting to offer assistance.

"If it necessitates felony prosecution, call the police or my detective (John Pray), and we'll be glad to take it up to the grand jury," Hansen said.

"Unfortunately, a lot of people think women are property. That is also one of my goals ... to let people know they are human, not disposable," he added.

The council also discussed modeling some of its activities after the Letcher County Domestic Violence Prevention and Assistance Council.

The Letcher County group has already received a \$300,000 grant for transitional housing. Rep. Howard D. Cornett obtained the grant through the governor's office. A building to serve as housing was donated by Dr. John Pellegrini.

The council in Perry County meets the third Wednesday at

noon in the second floor conference room, adjacent to the commonwealth's attorney's office. About a dozen people attend.

Others who attend include Karen Roberts, the council president, who works at Project Advance at Kentucky River Community Care; Lois Valentine, council secretary, from the LKLP Safe House; Dawn Weasler, an attorney with Appalachian Regional Defense Fund; Ardell Campbell, advocate for rape victims, from the Care Cottage; Liz Buchanan, victim's advocate from the commonwealth's attorney's office.

Also, Cindy Plummer, from Hazard Community College Human Services; Jeannette Rheeder from LKLP; April Davis; Rose Stacy; and Ivy Fugate.

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## Taxes

If adopted, city residents would find themselves paying 21.2 cents for every \$100 of assessed value, a drop from last year's 21.7 cents per \$100 of assessed value.

The decrease may not find Prestonsburg residents noticing a drop in taxes made payable, however, as an increase was presented for all tangible property not already exempted from taxation.

Taxpayers may find their tangible property up nearly 2 cents from last year's 26.2 cents per \$100 of assessed value at the proposed 28.1 cent recommendation included in Friday's first reading.

A discount of 2 percent still stands for taxpayers who submit payment before November 30 of each year, with a penalty of 6 percent and imposed collection for those who fail to pay before December 31.

Not all council members who were present for the reading Friday expressed overall support for the decision.

"I'm strictly against a tax increase," member Hansel Cooley said prior to Friday's meeting. "I've been here some 17 years and I can't ever remem-

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The Kentucky River District Board of Health met in Jackson September 18 and presented L.C. Reese, the Lee County judge-executive, second from right, with a plaque for serving as 2000-2001 chairman. Perry Judge-Executive Denny Ray Noble, second from left, will serve as chair and Lee Mayer, DMD, far right, will serve as vice chairman for the next fiscal year. Also show is Karen Cooper, district director.

## Training

their local newspapers, but also what practices establish a "more satisfying newspaper" for the reader.

"Anytime you get a chance to take a look at the newspaper you produce from a new perspective, it is beneficial, and this certainly accomplished that," said Davis.

Even before the training sessions, Times employees gathered the results of the survey to see in what areas "we were doing well, and those we were doing not so well," said Davis.

As a result of the training, said Davis, several changes have and will continue to be implemented into the publication process. According to both Collins and Davis, the training is part of a "ongoing, continuing" process that ensures providing

the public with a better source for the news.

Times Advertising Manager Becky Crum, Times Circulation Manager Patty Wilson and Hazard Herald Circulation Manager Jenny Jones also received additional training recently at the Embassy Suites in Lexington during two-day seminars supported by CNHI.

Crum, an 11-year veteran of The Times who has worked in the advertising department for four years, received training in the fundamentals of social advertising management.

During the seminar, Crum learned advertising applications such as growth awareness, selling techniques, color and placement, new business and promotional ideas.

Crum also received additional training last year at an advertising seminar presented by Promax Training and Consulting Inc.

Jones and Wilson, a 10-year veteran of The Times who has worked in the circulation department for the past two years, completed a seminar in August for additional training with various applications in her department.

During the seminar, the two received instruction in the fundamentals of successful administration training.

Jones and Wilson learned various approaches and applications such as job interviewing and hiring techniques, selling techniques, CNHI policies on contracts, the accountability sys-

tem, the reward and recognition system, administrative training, as well as tracking and feedback system training. The group also discussed NIE (the Newspapers in Education Program) and its benefit to school-aged children.

"Customer service is your highest priority," Jones said of the message she took home from the seminar. "Customers are the only reason you are here. If you don't have customers, you don't have a job."

Crum, Jones and Wilson, who participated in these events alongside CNHI employees from Kentucky, Ohio, Tennessee and West Virginia, received certificates for their participation.

In an effort to improve the quality of the publication, training sessions such as these will remain a focus of The Times and The Herald for years to come, said Davis, and the two papers will continue to look for ways to implement the skills learned from them.

As an example of that commitment, Davis pointed to an upcoming seminar both he and Herald Editor Greta Fields will be attending in November. The two will travel to Lexington to attend a three-day workshop presented by the American Press Institute.

"During current economic uncertainty, when many newspaper companies have been laying off employees and cutting expenses, CNHI has made the remarkable move of actually tripling its training budget," said Davis. "And a large part of that is based on providing readers with a better newspaper — better news."

## Reading

The project sends educators and community volunteers to the Hazard ARH to meet with every child born in Perry County before they are discharged from the hospital.

"Read to Me" volunteers distribute packets containing various children's books that are read to the parent and child, a "Read to Me" t-shirt, book markers, a tote bag, a learner's permit from the Perry County School Board, and various flyers and informative brochures on reading and early childhood

development.

Project "Read to Me" was implemented by the Perry County School System and the following partners: Dr. Mitchell Wicker and the Hazard Clinic; ARH Obstetrics Department; Perry County Health Department/First Steps; Perry County Public Library; Perry County 4-H Extension Services; Kentucky River Preschool Interagency Planning Council; and the Commission for Children with Special Health Care Needs.

## PHS

principal Jerry Butcher, said Friday the school was finding a steady calm now that the more extreme rumors had been proven false and disciplinary action had been taken against appropriate students.

Thursday morning, Hampton called law enforcement officials from both state and local posts to the school to investigate and question approximately 30 students in what Hampton said was the result of rumors and threats which escalated as the day progressed.

The day before, threats among a group of students referred to as "The Darksidars" and other members of the student body extended to physical confrontation when an altercation ensued between two students.

The run-in alarmed many parents with children enrolled at the school and resulted in calls being placed by the parents to both the Floyd County Board of Education and the local police department, asking that something be done.

Following the investigations Thursday, Hampton expressed confidence that the problems had been handled effectively and said he expected no more incidents.

Floyd County Superintendent Dr. Paul Fanning endorsed Hampton's statement, saying the issue had been "addressed" and that he was confident those involved had "come to grips" with the situation.

With many students, faculty members and parents alike on hand Thursday for the school's homecoming assembly,

Hampton explained he took the opportunity to remind the student body as a whole about the importance of unity, now more than ever.

"I addressed the student body before the homecoming assembly yesterday in an announcement," Hampton said Friday. "I stressed to them the pride of being a student at Prestonsburg High School and a citizen of the United States. I told them that with 6,000 Americans being killed recently in the attacks against our nation, that they should keep this in mind and realize that we are all a part of America and should come together."



Helen Baker of Busy was injured Thursday morning when her sport-utility vehicle hit a cliff on Route 15 south of Hazard. Captain Minor Allen of the Hazard Police Department is investigating the crash.

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# Investigation on gas prices leads to no charges

FRANKFORT — Investigators in Attorney General Ben Chandler's Office have followed up on complaints of price gouging in the wake of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. From September 11 to 21, the office was contacted by 447

Kentucky consumers who reported gas price increases at approximately 185 stations. Chandler said that his staff made over 130 spot checks of gas stations on the day after the attacks, and this past week has followed up with personal interviews at 39 stations, all of which

had complaints of prices of \$2.00 or more per gallon. "It appears that those stations that raised their prices did so starting around 5 p.m. on Tuesday, just as people were getting off work," said Chandler. "The higher prices were in effect for a matter of hours, and all stations returned to pre-attack price levels by Sept. 12."

Chandler said that operators of the stations gave a variety of reasons for the increases. "When interviewed, some station operators said their distributors told them the price of fuel was going up," he said. "Others said they were trying to slow down the demand by their customers because they were running out of gas at the pump. Still others said they were just keeping up with their competitors, or that they had seen television stories about higher prices in other states."

"I am pleased to note that 15 of the stations that raised their prices significantly have voluntarily offered refunds to their customers," said Chandler. "I encourage any citizen who paid an exorbitant price for gas anywhere to return to that station and request a refund, and I strongly encourage the operators who raised prices to give refunds."

Even though the gas prices have lowered, Chandler said his office would continue to monitor the situation in case further action needs to be taken. Kentucky does not have a specific price gouging law, as do states such as Florida, Georgia and Texas. However, the Kentucky Consumer Protection Act does prohibit "unfair" acts in trade or commerce. An act is deemed "unfair" if it is "unconscionable." Penalty for willful violation is a \$2,000 fine per violation. Prosecution depends in part on whether the consumer was able to buy gas at a reasonable price in the area. No charges have been filed against any station in Kentucky at this time, because the preliminary investigation indicates alternative sources of fuel at

lower prices were available to consumers in the area. In a related matter, Chandler

## FYI

If you suspect someone is fraudulently collecting funds, or for other inquiries, contact the Attorney General's Office at (502) 696-5396 or 1-888-432-9257. You may also obtain information on the OAG website [www.kyattorneygeneral.com/cp/active.htm](http://www.kyattorneygeneral.com/cp/active.htm). The Department of Justice has also established a website identifying charities that are helping victims [www.usdoj.gov/crimina/fraud/WTCPent-SpecRpt.htm](http://www.usdoj.gov/crimina/fraud/WTCPent-SpecRpt.htm)

warned Kentucky citizens to beware of bogus charities trying to capitalize on the tragedy the

nation suffered last week. "During times of tragedy, we see the best and, unfortunately, the worst in people," he said. "Some individuals will try to take advantage of people's willingness to help in times of need. Kentuckians should consider donating to well-established local charities whose relief efforts are already in place to assist victims of the tragedy."

## The Office of Attorney General offers these tips for charitable givers:

- Deal only with established, well known charitable organizations.
- If you are contacted by phone to donate, ask questions. Where will your donation money go? How will it be used? What percentage will actually go to relief efforts? By law, solicitors must tell you. You may verify percentages by contacting the Attorney General's Office.
- Check with the Attorney General's Office to inquire whether or not the professional solicitor is properly registered.

■ Also check with the Better Business for charity information. ■ Do not send cash to an organization. It is better to write a check.

## Women's Health Resource Center available on web

FRANKFORT — The Office of Women's Physical and Mental Health has launched a "Women's Health Resource Center" on its website with information on numerous health topics affecting Kentucky's women.

Available with each health topic are hundreds of toll-free hotlines, a listing and links to federal and state offices and organizations, and local resources and statewide statistics — all specific to each health topic.

The website address is: [chs.state.ky.us/womenshealth/](http://chs.state.ky.us/womenshealth/). The website also includes an events calendar which provides information on upcoming conferences, meetings and other events related to women's health.

Visitors to the website may order one free copy of the 2002 Women's Health Data Report which will be released in early 2002. They can submit their request on-line and also join the women's health mailing list. Once published, the report will be available to view and download from the website.

## Two-car accident in Breathitt hospitalizes ambulance driver

by RENEE M. SNOWDEN  
BREATHITT COUNTY BUREAU

JACKSON — On Wednesday, September 19, a two-car accident occurred near the Breathitt-Wolfe county line.

According to police reports, Chris Whisman, the driver of a Toyota pickup, was driving south on Highway 15 toward Jackson and, as he traveled around a curve, lost control of his truck and rammed into a Wolfe County Ambulance that was driven by Charles Riley Campbell.

The crash pushed the ambulance approximately 50 feet. It was traveling to the Wolfe County Nursing home with a patient.

Whisman's truck was knocked over a guardrail and flipped several times, leaving him lying near the guardrail.

Caudill was removed from the ambulance with the help of the Jaws of Life, operated by the Jackson Fire Department. He was then taken to the Kentucky River Medical Center, where he was later transferred to the University of Kentucky Medical Center for surgery. He had suffered multiple broken bones.

Whisman was treated for multiple injuries he received after being thrown from his truck.

Police say that the accident may have been caused by slick roads due to the fact that it had just rained.

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■ Baton Rouge
■ Shreveport
■ Oklahoma City
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<b>\$659 PEAK</b>
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## Beetles

Madden explained that the outbreak must run its course once the trees are infected. Reports of the checkered beetle, a natural predator, starting to make a dent in the population of the southern pine beetle brings hope that the outbreak may soon slow.

"Toxic pesticides can be used, but kill all vegetation surrounding the trees," Madden explained. "Prevention of infestation requires the cutting and clearing of infested trees, and the thinning of pine stands, or use of pesticides before infestation occurs ... The beetle also infects the trees with a blue fungus that weakens the wood structurally so owners can't sell the lumber except for fence posts."

The southern pine beetle started spreading northward with the last three years of drought and mild winters said Madden, who explained that the resulting stressed trees produce chemicals which attract the insect. The beetles then burrow underneath the bark and girdle the trees, cutting off their nutrient supply.

During the summer, the needles of the dying evergreen trees could be seen turning from green to yellow, red and finally brown as the infestation progressed. "We noticed during the aerial survey, the dead stands that make up less than 5 percent of the entire forest were scattered in isolated patches throughout the region. We looked to differentiate between the yellow and red needles to see how quickly the beetles spread," explained Madden.

Twenty-five years ago, infestation was reported only in the southern tip of Perry County. In June, the infestation had reached northward to the Ohio River and westward to Casey County. Now the beetles have crossed the river and infected pine stands in Indiana, Madden reported. He noted that the beetles can fly and are running out of food in the region.

"We can't predict when the infestation cycle will slow down," said Madden. "It depends on the weather. We hope to have periods of sub-zero temperatures this winter to help stem the outbreak."

Evidence of the outbreak can be seen on the hillsides where dead trees and branches remain. "This is a new threat to us during the fall fire season because the dead branches and trunks burn quickly and spread to other areas in a torch effect ..." said Madden. "Owners with two acres or more of dead stands should clear a 25-foot trough around the dead wood or completely clear out the area for fire prevention."

"The stands will come back with time because of plenty of seed beds, although the regrowth will take years to mature and replace the dead pine stands," Madden noted.

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## guestview

### Worst of times brings out best in America

Following September 11's devastating terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, as the shock wore off and reality set in, we — and many others — called on Americans to unite, to display the resolve that makes our country great.

What we've witnessed in the last few days, though not surprising, has been nothing short of amazing. The picture of President Bush on September 13 as he continued to learn details of the aftermath could have stood as a portrait of most all of us. His chin quivering, his eyes filled with tears, he struggled to choke back the emotions inside. But he gathered himself and pledged there's a job to be done, and it's going to get done.

The message: We're hurt, but we'll recover.

Today will likely be a time for introspection as we think about the week gone by and wonder what the future will hold. There should be plenty of reasons to maintain hope.

What we've seen, time and again, is that the worst of times bring out the best in Americans. We've lived it here at home, as this city, county, region and others from far away became one community as we recovered from the flood in 1997 and the tornado of 2000.

Admittedly, those events seem minor compared to a war being waged on our country, on our soil, but they illustrate what we're seeing in New York and Washington, D.C., and all across the nation.

Despite watching more than 200 fellow firefighters and police officers being buried in the collapse of the twin towers, rescue workers continued through the night, endangering their own lives in hopes of pulling someone alive from the rubble.

New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani sent out a call for volunteers and within hours there were more people ready to pitch in than rescue officials could handle.

Across the nation, a plea was made for blood donations, and people flocked to blood centers, some waiting in line as long as four hours so they could do their part.

Prayer and memorial services were held, not only to help people deal with their grief, but as a way to ask blessings on and pay respects to those killed in the attacks.

American flags flew proudly; schoolchildren donated their saved change; military recruitment offices saw a jump in inquiries.

Even Congress put aside differences that once seemed insurmountable to stand behind the president, Republicans and Democrats shoulder to shoulder singing "God Bless America."

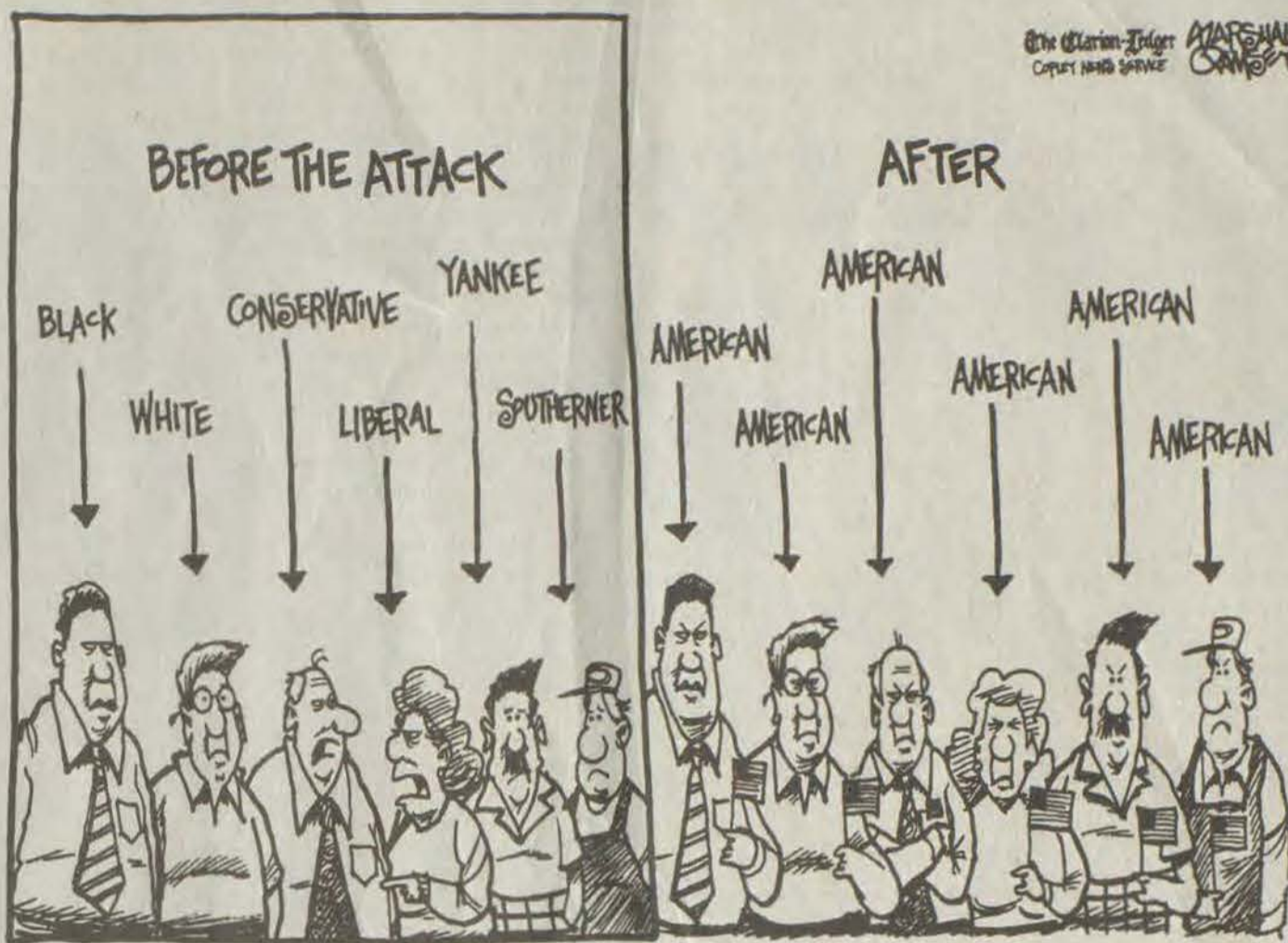
And in a story filled with heroes, maybe the most heroic of all were those men and women aboard United Flight 93, who realized their plane was about to be turned into a guided missile likely headed for the White House, so they took it down in a Pennsylvania field, taking their own lives to save others.

There have been disappointing scenes, like gas stations gouging customers, playing on their fears that gas may become scarce. And incidents of harassment of Muslims, who did nothing wrong other than share the religion of those believed to be behind the attacks.

Americans will be forced to deal with other adversities in the coming days, months, even years as a result of September 11's events. Most analysts predict we're headed for a global recession. Flying in and out of U.S. airports will not be the same for a long time to come. And retaliation may not come as quickly or be as easily defined as some would like.

America has come through tough times before, and we'll no doubt do it again. It's what we do, who we are. It doesn't matter if you live in New York or Washington, D.C., or Owensboro, everybody has a role to play as our country recovers.

— Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer



## guest column

### Here, Mr. President ... some common sense

by DONALD KAUL

I'd like to apologize to President Bush. Last week in this space (or one very much like it) I gave him a hard time over his immediate reaction to the terrorist attacks that leveled the World Trade Towers and blew a hole in the Pentagon. I suggested that perhaps he shouldn't have spent the better part of the day flying from here to there, hiding. I thought it sent a bad message to our enemies.

I'm sorry I said that. I still think it sent a bad message to our enemies (that you can make the president of the United States a fugitive in his own country with a well-timed phone call) but he was getting a lot of high-level advice to the contrary and he took it. Late in the day he overruled his security people and came back to the White House, which was to his credit. In any case, at a time like this he doesn't need smart-alec columnists second-guessing him. That's for good times. As a British friend of mine said, when I complained to him about the verbal clumsiness and apparent cluelessness of the president: "All of that may be

true, but right now he's what you've got."

Which is true. Actually, President Bush performed well at times in the first week after the attack (when he went to the Islamic mosque to speak on tolerance) and not so well at others (when he made his four-minute "address to the nation" on the evening of the attack). He's doing the best he can and we have to cut him some slack.

So I'm not going to make fun of him anymore. For a while, I would, however, like to offer some constructive suggestions in the spirit of helpfulness. For example:

- Stop already with the John Wayne rhetoric. This is not World War II, even less the Gunfight at the OK Corral. It's easy to say you want terrorist Osama bin Laden "dead or alive," but actually getting him is something else again. Same with waging a "war on terrorism." What does that mean? Surely not that you're going to start killing innocent people in the hope that a few guilty ones will be killed as well; surely not that.
- The rhetoric of the president and of his advisers has seemed to be more measured in recent days. Good. The last thing we need right now is braggadocio. (If the president has bombed cities and killed civilians in the interval between the writing and the reading of this, I take back everything nice I said about him.)
- Ditch the missile shield. There are those in Congress pushing for funding the missile shield right now

because of last week's attacks. That's crazy. If the attacks proved anything, they proved that our enemies don't need weapons that arrive with a return address. They can sneak in among us, make their hit and leave us wondering where they came from. The money for a missile shield could better be spent on defenses that work against a threat that's real.

- Get rid of the notion that the United States is all-powerful, all-knowing and can do anything it wants to without regard to the opinion of others. That was the attitude during the first stage of the Bush administration as we refused to sign treaties, attend conferences, or submit to laws that didn't please us. Now we're asking for international cooperation. To get cooperation, Mr. President, you have to give some.
- Forget the tax cut. A tax cut for the rich was always a bad idea but now, with the economy tanking and expenses skyrocketing, it's bonkers. Rescind the cuts you've already promised and don't propose any more. We need the money for other things right now.

That's it for now, sir. But listen, if you need any more advice please call me — any time of the day or night. Collect. I'm on your side. For now.

Donald Kaul recently retired as Washington columnist for the Des Moines Register. He has covered the foolishness in our Nation's capital for 29 years, winning a number of modestly coveted awards along the way.

## letters to the editor

### God has a plan

In the middle a crisis, we seem to find that Christ is there for us. And in every disaster, we find that God has a master plan for us all.

This story is based on the "9-11" on September 11, which is what I call the real 911. Now, just think for a moment, and you will see how true that statement is.

In New York and Washington, attacks were brought against the World Trade Center and Pentagon. The hijacked airliner that crashed in Pennsylvania it is now understood to have been on target for the U.S. Capitol or another federal building. So what is the master plan in all this?

Our President George Walker Bush has gone against the ACLU with a national day of humiliation and prayer for the United States of America. Now, once more, we hear that our schoolchildren are praying in the public schools for the first time since June 1967. Praise

God for that.

In the book of Genesis (50:20), it says, "You thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people."

The answer to what has taken place in America is recorded in II Chronicles (7:14): "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

Now, if you believe that God is sovereign, "all-knowing" and "all-powerful," then you have to believe that "all things work together for good to those who love God, to those are called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28.)

In the book of Revelation, 18:18, it says, "... and cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying what great city is like unto this great city." And verse 19 says, "They cast dust on their heads and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, alas, alas, that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness, for in

one hour is she made desolate."

In the book of II Timothy, 3:1, it says, "Know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come."

"We cannot but acknowledge the goodness of heaven in constantly supplying us with preachers of the gospel whose concern has been the temporal and spiritual happiness of this people. In a day like this, we cannot but place great hopes in an order of men," said John Hancock on December 6, 1774.

On April 30, 1863, President Abraham Lincoln had a proclamation for a national day of fasting, humiliation and prayer.

On September 14, 2001, President George Walker Bush gave us a national day of prayer and humiliation. The ACLU and bin Laden once said you can have faith, but don't pray openly at your schools or your ballgames, but keep it out of your courthouses and all of your government and public buildings. This preacher said, "Just look at us now!"

God has a plan in time of disaster. He is still American lord and master.

Dr. Rev. Ernest Simpkins  
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# 'Leave no one out of 2000 census results'

FRANKFORT — A collection of state lawmakers and advocacy groups came together

Wednesday to call upon federal officials to compile U.S. census results in a way that

ensures minorities, children and the nation's poorest citizens aren't overlooked.

"The census is more than a collection of numbers and statistics," said Sen. Ernesto Scorsone, D-Lexington. "It should be an accurate snapshot of our nation, one that captures all the racial, ethnic and social diversity that makes our society strong."

Research has shown the census has historically undercounted some population groups more than others.

To correct that, participants in today's press conference — which included advocates for the elderly, minorities, citizens with mental illnesses, residents of Appalachia, and the homeless — called upon federal officials to use modern statistical methods to adjust the census and ensure the results properly mirror the demographic makeup of the United States.

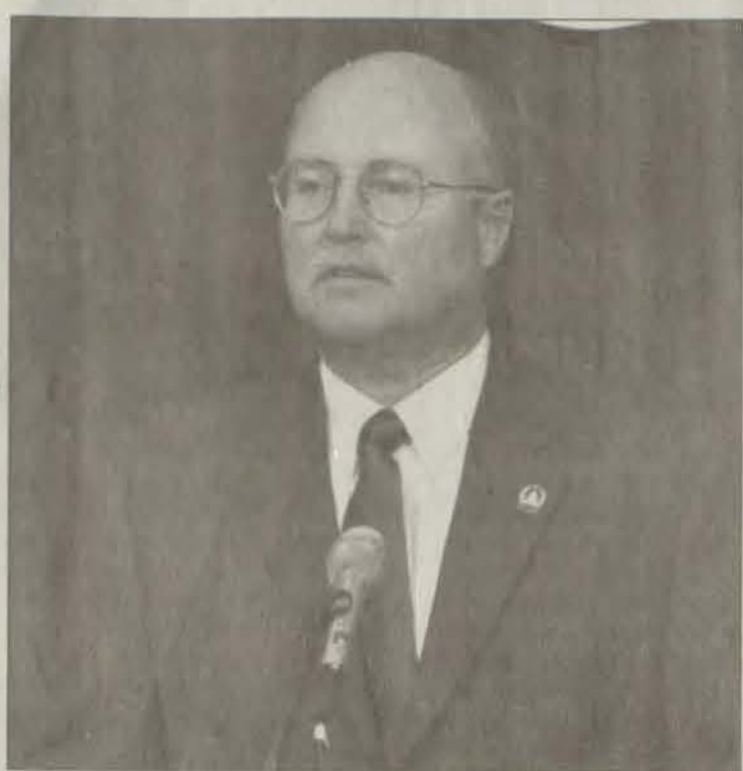
"To do any less (doesn't) deal with the central issue here, which is one of justice,"

said Sen. Gerald Neal, D-Louisville.

Inaccurate census results can have long-term consequences. The figures are used as a guide in distributing federal dollars among a variety of government programs, such as Medicaid, Foster Care, Child Care and Development Block Grants, Substance Abuse Prevention, Adoption Assistance and Vocational Education Basic Grants.

The Census Bureau and U.S. Commerce Department are expected to decide next month whether or not to scientifically adjust census figures accumulated from the long-form census questionnaire.

In addition to urging adjusted census results so proper spending decisions can be made, participants in today's press conference also urged federal officials to release adjusted census data relating to population, race and ethnicity of U.S. citizens to help guide the redistricting process for state political districts.



Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Drift, discusses issues surrounding the 2000 Census.

## Addington WMA Closed During Elk Hunts

Addington Wildlife Management Area (WMA) near Hazard, Kentucky in Perry, Knott and Breathitt Counties will be closed during Kentucky's first elk hunt in 150 years.

Addington WMA will be closed to public access from October 6 through October 12. During this time, only those drawn for the elk hunt can be on the WMA.

The Addington WMA will also be closed to the public from December 1 through December 7 for the antlerless elk hunt.

Addington WMA is open to squirrel hunting, rabbit and quail, grouse, fall archery turkey, archery deer, muzzle-loading and youth deer hunt weekend (modern firearms are not permitted). The only firearms hunting allowed for deer on Addington WMA is muzzleloading.

There is a \$12.50 user permit required to enter Addington WMA for recreational purposes. The user permit is available

wherever licenses are sold.

### Grouse Season Opens October 1 for Selected Wildlife Management Areas

Grouse season will open on October 1 and close December 31 for selected Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) in eastern Kentucky. The WMAs opening October 1 are: Beaver Creek WMA (McCreary and Pulaski Counties, closed during quota deer hunt), Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area (McCreary County, closed opening weekend of modern gun deer season), Cane Creek WMA (Laurel County, closed opening weekend of modern gun deer season), Clay WMA (Nicholas County, closed during deer quota hunt and from Nov. 30-Dec.4), Fleming WMA (Fleming County, open Oct. 1-9 and Nov. 12-Dec. 31), Lake Cumberland WMA (Clinton, Pulaski, Russell and Wayne Counties, closed

opening weekend of modern gun deer season) and Mill Creek WMA (Jackson County, closed during deer quota hunt).

The daily limit for grouse is four and the possession limit is eight. Grouse hunters are reminded they must comply with hunter orange clothing requirements when hunting during any firearms deer seasons.

### Archery Season for Deer

The archery season for deer is now open and will run through January 21, 2002 statewide. Hunters using bow equipment from November 10-19, 2001 and during muzzle-loading seasons must follow all firearm season tag use restrictions and hunting requirements including complying with hunter orange requirements.

Solid, unbroken hunter orange garments must be worn on the head, chest and back by all hunters anytime a firearms season is open for deer. This includes small game hunters

who are in the field during a deer firearms season.

Deer hunters participating in the 2001-2002 deer season are reminded that the tag marked antlered/antlerless in their statewide permit can be used for either sex deer, but it is the only tag that can be used for antlered deer. The limit on antlered deer is one per hunter per season on private land. Additional antlerless archery deer tags may be purchased and used statewide by bow hunters, except where zone restrictions for firearms seasons may dictate otherwise. Hunters should consult the 2001-02 Kentucky Hunting Guide for details on bag limits for the given county where they hunt or visit [www.kdfrw.state.ky.us](http://www.kdfrw.state.ky.us).

## Governor suspends permits for non-coal mining operations

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Governor Paul Patton today ordered the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet and the Department for Mines and Minerals to temporarily suspend issuing new permits for non-coal mining operations and to review permits for oil and natural gas wells.

The Department for Mines and Minerals was also asked to review permit applications for new wells in the vicinity of Breaks Interstate Park, the Cumberland Gap National Historic Park, the Pine

Mountain Trail and other areas near Pine Mountain to determine the effect of this activity upon the eco-tourism industry in the region.

The agencies are to assess the negative impact these operations could have on the eco-tourism industry and the environment, especially in the Pine Mountain area.

"We have a responsibility to ensure the protection of our natural resources and our unique natural areas for future generations," Patton said. "Our state is a destination point for thousands of tourists each year, and

we must make certain these operations are not afflicting the landscape of Kentucky."

Patton directed the agencies to review permitting and reclamation requirements for non-coal mining operations and oil and natural gas wells. They are to recommend any changes to current requirements to the governor.

If the review determines the drilling could impede growth of the eco-tourism industry in the region the permit may be delayed until July 15, 2002. The 2002 Legislature will have the opportunity to take action concerning adverse effects of oil and natural gas exploration.

Additionally, the cabinet was asked to suspend, until July 15, 2002, the issuance of new permits for non-coal mineral mining and excavation. Also suspended is the processing of pending applications for new permits.

The cabinet will study the cumulative negative environmental impact of current non-coal mining activities and determine the cumulative positive environmental impact of additional enhancement and reclamation standards and requirements. The cabinet is directed to report to the governor by Jan. 1, 2002 for preparation of recommendations to the 2002 General Assembly.

The order also instructed the secretary of the state Transportation Cabinet to study any increase in the cost of highway construction material as a result of any proposed reclamation requirements.

## Sewer grants available to Big Sandy homeowners

Grant funding is now available for low-income homeowners to install a septic system or to hook up to an existing sewage collection line.

Grant funding is limited to existing residences occupied by low-income homeowners. Income guidelines for Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties are \$12,100 for one-person households, \$13,850 for two, \$15,550 for three, \$17,300 for four, \$18,700 for five, \$20,050 for six, \$21,450 for seven and \$22,850 for eight.

Interested homeowners are asked to call Bob Lewandowski at Big Sandy Area Development District at 1-800-737-2723 to secure an application form or for additional information.

Homeowners will be required to provide proof of ownership through a copy of the recorded deed, proof of residence through a recent electric bill and proof of income through a federal income tax report for the previous year or a Social Security benefits statement.

Grant funds are designed to help clean up the environment by enabling homeowners to eliminate straight pipes, install a septic tank, replace a failing septic tank or hook up to an existing sewage collection line.

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## Lawmakers updated on early childhood development efforts

FRANKFORT — Lawmakers got an update Tuesday on the ways early childhood legislation passed in the General Assembly's 2000 session is improving the lives of children



Rep. Tom Burch, D-Louisville, co-chair of the Interim Joint Committee on Health & Welfare, speaks during the committee's September meeting.

throughout Kentucky. During the meeting of the Interim Joint Committee on Health and Welfare, Dr. Kim Townley, executive director of the Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development, updated lawmakers on some of the progress that has been made since the General Assembly passed a sweeping early childhood development bill aimed at getting Kentucky's children off to a good start in life.

Townley reported:   
 ■ Almost 40,000 women have received folic acid supplements and intensive counseling through local health department folic acid supplementation and counseling program services. Studies show that women who take the recommended amount of the B vitamin folic acid daily prior to conception and during the first trimester of their pregnancy can significantly reduce their risk of having a baby with severe birth defects of the brain and spine.   
 ■ Almost 24,000 infants have received hearing screen-

ings though Kentucky Infants Sound Start (KISS). Hearing screenings are important in detecting hearing problems before they unnecessarily disrupt a child's development.

■ In the area of immunizations for underinsured children, over 246,000 vaccine doses have been distributed to physicians since July 2000 and 10,000 children have been immunized.

■ The Voluntary Home Visits program in which child experts visit first-time, at-risk parents and offer advice are operational in 52 counties with almost 4,000 families enrolled. Rep. Tom Burch, D-Louisville said early childhood efforts are getting off to a sound start and that they deserve long-term support from lawmakers.

"All the General Assembly committed to this," Burch said. "There wasn't a dissenting vote in either house."

"This program is a 30-year commitment to the children of Kentucky."

## Lawmakers pass resolution against cuts in mental health programs

FRANKFORT — Members of the General Assembly's Health and Welfare Committee Tuesday passed a resolution urging Gov. Paul Patton to fix budget shortfalls without cutting money appropriated for mental health and mental retardation programs.

Committee members passed the resolution, which was introduced by Rep. Bob Heleringer, D-Louisville, on a 13-5 vote.

The resolution urges Gov. Patton to look for ways to curtail the state's spending on personal service contracts, particularly those for consulting or legal services that

could be performed by state employees. Any savings gained through cutting personal service contracts should be used to head off a \$4.2 million spending cut proposed for mental health and mental retardation programs, according to the resolution.

Rep. Steve Nunn, R-Glasgow, who supported the resolution, said state officials must determine their top priorities now that state revenues are getting tight.

"We just have to decide what our priorities are in this state," Nunn said. "Are we going to prioritize for people

who have been left behind too many years who need services ... in order to provide contracts for a lot of nonessential things?"

Heleringer said the lawmakers should uphold their commitment to boost spending for people who need mental health and mental retardation services.

"These people, I think this committee is well aware from years of testimony, have waited the longest for services and programs that have been long promised and not always delivered, even when enacted into law," Heleringer said.



Rep. Tim Feeley, R-Crestwood, discusses Census 2000 statistics during the September meeting of the Interim Joint Committee on State Government.

## Lawmakers prepare for redistricting by studying U.S. Census data

FRANKFORT — In preparation for mandated redrawing of legislative districts following the 2000 Census, Kentucky lawmakers heard from several experts on population trends and redistricting Wednesday.

Ron Crouch, director of the Kentucky State Data Center, told members of the General Assembly's State Government Committee that Kentucky's population grew by 9.7 percent during the 1990s, according to 2000 Census data. The state's overall population grew 14

times faster during the 1990s than it had during the 1980s, with most of the growth taking place in urban areas and along interstate highways, said Crouch, who also gave legislators growth and other population statistics for each Kentucky county.

Crouch also described the "middle aging" of Kentucky, telling lawmakers that the state's largest growth group was people between ages 45 and 54 and predicting that, accordingly, during the next ten years, the

55-64 age group would experience the greatest growth.

While the state's population of mature adults is growing, Kentucky has fewer children than it did in 1980, said Crouch. The number of families without children has increased and the number of babies born to teenagers has dropped below the national average, he said. However, Census data shows that about a third of all births in Kentucky are out of wedlock, said Crouch.

Projecting that the next 20 years would bring no growth in households headed by someone under age 45, Crouch told legislators that the "middle aging" of Kentucky may bring changes in several areas ranging from the need to delay retirement to changes in the homebuilding industry.

"I expect we'll see more patio homes and fewer two story houses with laundry facilities in the basement, for example," said Crouch.

Vernon Smith, senior systems researcher for the Kentucky State Data Center, described the process through which governmental entities can challenge Census 2000 counts in certain circumstances. The committee also heard a presentation from Peter Wattson, counsel for the Minnesota State Senate, about legal considerations of political redistricting.

Rep. Charles R. Geveden, D-Wickliffe, co-chair of the State Government Committee, told lawmakers that redistricting would be a difficult and potentially controversial process.

"Seldom does everybody come out happy, but we'll do the best we can," said Geveden.

## Sheriffs want funds for court security paid to their offices

FRANKFORT — When the 2000 Kentucky General Assembly increased court costs paid to sheriffs for providing security in criminal court cases from \$5 to \$12, the funding was placed in the Finance and Administration Cabinet's budget.

Sheriffs appeared before the Interim Joint Committee on Local Government today to tell lawmakers they are not receiving that money, although they need it to meet security demands, such as responding to bomb threats. Jefferson County Sheriff Col. John Aubrey — who said his county's new judicial center had to be evacuated on Sept. 24 following a bomb threat — asked lawmakers to redirect the increased court costs to Kentucky's sheriff departments.

"I'm not here to cry over spilled milk, but to emphasize the critical situation," said Aubrey. "We want that \$7 increase to go where it was intended."

The money has been directed instead to the Administrative Office of the Courts, which oversees court buildings and some court functions. Kentucky's sheriffs departments are responsible for ensuring the safety of the persons in those buildings, Aubrey said.

The increase in court costs for sheriff departments was included in Senate Bill 326, which was passed by lawmakers in the 2000 session and signed by Governor Paul Patton.

The \$7 increase in court costs for a criminal case was expected to generate approximately \$4 million in the 2000-01 and 2001-02 fiscal years. A fiscal note on the fee increase attached to the SB 326 says the money would "support the increase in the amount of costs to be paid to sheriffs."

Sheriffs told committee members of their department's financial worries. Carroll County Sheriff and Kentucky Sheriffs' Association President Charles Maiden said he has had to personally borrow money to keep his department operational. Maiden asked members to raise a state advancement paid to sheriff departments up to \$60,000 to boost their coffers.

Rep. J.R. Gray, D-Benton, was disturbed by the fact that sheriffs or any official would have to borrow money to oper-

ate their office.

"I think it's absolutely ridiculous that has to come about," Gray said.

Lawmakers also reviewed a regulation that would increase elevator inspection fees, and heard the Kentucky Magistrates and Commissioners Association's legislative wish list from its president, Mason County commissioner F.J. Finn.

Finn said the state's county magistrates and commissioners are interested in insurance premium tax reform, improving access to potable water, increasing funds to meet election costs, improving solid waste management without unfunded mandates, and considering home rule in any proposed "smart growth" legislation.



Sen. Julie Denton, R-Louisville, confers with Rep. Brian Crall, R-Owensboro, during a meeting of the Interim Joint Committee on Banking & Insurance.

## Lawmakers want better health insurance for state employees

FRANKFORT — Providing affordable health insurance choices and an adequate number of health care providers for state employees in all parts of Kentucky was at the minds of state legislators at Tuesday's meeting of the Interim Joint Committee on Banking and Insurance.

State workers now are in the process of choosing their health insurance plan for calendar year 2002 and several lawmakers voiced concerns about inequities in the coverage being offered for employees in some parts of the state.

Noting that state employees living in Louisville, Lexington and Northern Kentucky, for example, can choose from several insurance providers offering a wide array of physicians, pharmacies and hospitals, several committee members said workers living in other areas, particularly Eastern and Western Kentucky, have far fewer choices.

"In some counties, we'll have a carrier proposing to cover people, but they have no network of providers there," said Sen. Bob

Jackson, D-Murray. "Having access to hospitals and doctors is critical, so the coverage isn't really a feasible option without a network of providers."

Citing concerns about last-minute additions to provider networks and other confusion, lawmakers asked State Personnel Secretary Carol Palmore to extend the enrollment period in selected counties to enable state employees to get more information before making a decision about their health insurance plan. As a result, the enrollment period in some counties will be extended to mid-October.

Committee members also discussed other options for improving health insurance for state employees in the future. Jackson encouraged legislators to consider a self-insurance plan for state workers, and Mark Birdwhistell, chief executive officer of insurer CHA Health, advocated a regional rating system that would enable insurance companies to establish different rates for different regions of Kentucky, even though the coverage offered would be identi-

cal.

Such a system would take into account the higher cost of providing treatment in some areas and prevent workers who live in places where health care is less expensive from being forced to subsidize costs for those living in more expensive areas.

"Setting a single statewide rate is difficult, so going to regional rating would allow companies to charge a little more in some areas than others," said Birdwhistell.

Palmore said her department was considering both a regional rating system and a self-insurance plan for 2003, but warned that both ideas had potential problems.

Regional rating would not be popular with many employees who may find themselves paying more money than colleagues who live in other parts of the state, although their policies and coverage would be the same, while liability and administrative costs must be considered in looking at a self-insurance plan, said Palmore.

## Nelson files bill to create county cemetery boards

FRANKFORT — A bill filed Sept. 21 by Rep. Rick Nelson would create county cemetery boards statewide that could apply for state and other funds to maintain local cemeteries.

The bill, which will be introduced for consideration by the Kentucky General Assembly during its 2002 session beginning in January, would allow new or existing county cemetery boards to seek up to \$10,000 in available grant funding for non-profit cemeteries without perpetual care funds, said Nelson, D-Middlesboro.

The funds, including state and federal appropriations and other public and private moneys, would come from a County Cemetery Fund created by the bill which would be overseen by the state Department for Local Government.

Nelson said the bill will help poorly-funded cemeteries to adequately maintain their grounds, and would help them comply with state consumer protection laws. A state task force on cemetery preservation was created in May by the Attorney General's Office to investigate complaints of cemetery mismanagement and neglect in some counties.

"This legislation will ease the minds of families across this state who worry their loved ones' gravesites are not being

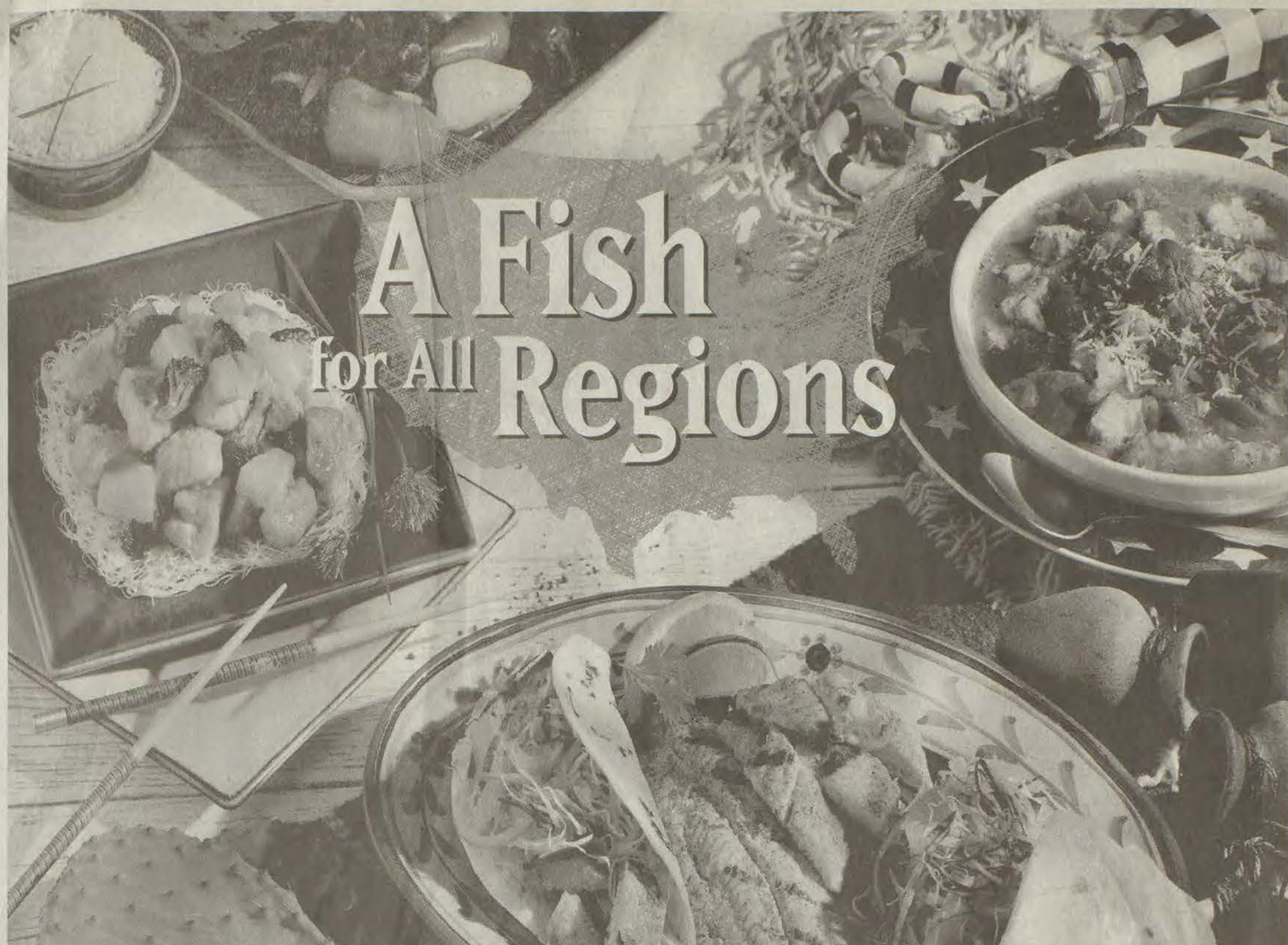
properly maintained," said Nelson. "It will give cemeteries another way to fund proper upkeep of their grounds so that the deceased and their families receive the respect they deserve."

The bill would allow up to 10 percent of the grant money to be used to buy and service equipment, including hand tools, lawn mowers and weed eaters. The entire grant could be used to pay for maintenance of the grounds including mowing, tree trimming and "guarding and transporting prison labor for cemetery maintenance," the bill states.

The cemetery board would be composed of five volunteers, and no more than three members would be from the same political party. Each member would have to have lived in the county for at least a year and have shown an interest in local history, cemetery preservation or a related area, according to the bill.

Members would serve one-year terms, although they could serve successive terms, and would receive no payment for their service, the bill states. The board would meet at least three times a year.

Nelson got the idea for the bill from families in his district who are concerned about overgrown cemeteries and maintenance of those cemeteries.



Sample the many tastes of the United States with these regional catfish dishes. Pictured from left: Glazed Catfish Stir-Fry, Grilled Catfish Tacos With Citrus Slaw and Manhattan Catfish Chowder.

**T**raditionally considered Southern fare, U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish is making a splash across the United States.

An increasing number (and variety) of restaurants have added catfish to their menus. Restaurants like Chili's®, Rainforest Cafe® and McCormick & Schmick's now offer entrées, and consumers across the country are preparing catfish at home more often, as well.

A survey by the Southern Regional Aquaculture Center found consumers in all U.S. regions—across diverse ethnic, income, age, religious and occupational groups—are consuming U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish. Per capita catfish consumption increased nearly 30 percent during the latter half of the 1990s, according to the National Fisheries Institute, making catfish the fastest growing category among U.S. consumers' top five seafood picks.

The growing popularity can be attributed to the fact that U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish is an extremely versatile, high-quality fish, according to chef Elizabeth Terry, who has served U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish dishes in her Savannah, Ga., restaurant, Elizabeth's on 37th, for years.

"With a sweet, yet mild, flavor, U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish is a perfect partner for a variety of regional cooking techniques, including grilling, blackening, sautéing, poaching, broiling and stir-frying," Terry says. "Restaurant chefs and at-home cooks are realizing catfish absorbs the seasonings and marinades of regional cuisines in minutes, making it a convenient and nutritious addition to their menus."

The versatility of U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish is demonstrated in these four recipes, each representing a distinct regional taste. Each takes less than 30 minutes to prepare and provides you with an anytime meal solution for the hectic workweek—and the opportunity to sample the many flavors of America without ever leaving the kitchen.

To find more quick-and-easy U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish recipes, log on to [www.catfishinstitute.com](http://www.catfishinstitute.com). Recipe information also is available by mail or phone at The Catfish Institute; P.O. Box 327FH;

## Glazed Catfish Stir-Fry

Serve over hot steamed rice or noodles

- 1 pound U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish fillets, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 20-ounce can pineapple chunks, packed in unsweetened pineapple juice; drain, reserving 2 tablespoons juice
- 1 tablespoon finely minced fresh ginger
- 2 tablespoons reduced-sodium soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons unsweetened pineapple juice (from canned pineapple)
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 2 teaspoons sesame oil, divided
- 1 1/2 cups chopped broccoli
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch blended with 1 tablespoon cold water

In a large bowl, stir together ginger, soy sauce, two tablespoons pineapple juice, garlic, sugar and one teaspoon sesame oil. Add catfish and stir to coat. Set aside. Heat remaining teaspoon of sesame oil in a wide, nonstick frying pan or wok over medium-high heat. When oil is hot, add fish mixture and stir-fry gently until catfish is just opaque but still moist in thickest part (2–3 minutes); cut to test. Remove catfish from pan with a slotted spoon; keep warm. Add broccoli to pan; stir-fry for 30 seconds. Stir cornstarch mixture well, then pour into pan. Cook, stirring, until sauce boils and thickens slightly (1–2 minutes). Return catfish to pan. Add drained pineapple chunks; mix gently but thoroughly, just until catfish is hot and coated with sauce.

**Yield:** 4 servings. **Per serving:** 345 calories; 24 g carbohydrates; 15 g fat; 28 g protein; 342 mg sodium; 80 mg cholesterol; 2 g fiber.

## Grilled Catfish Tacos With Citrus Slaw

- 4 6-ounce U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish fillets
- 1 tablespoon mild or hot chili powder
- 1 tablespoon canola oil
- 1 tablespoon fresh lemon or lime juice
- 4 flour tortillas, "soft taco" (10-inch) size
- Citrus Slaw (see recipe below)
- Lemon and/or lime wedges
- Cilantro leaves, optional

Prepare grill. Combine chili powder, oil and lemon/lime juice in a small bowl; brush over both sides of fillets. Arrange in a wire grilling basket coated with cooking spray. Place grilling basket on a grill rack; grill 6–8 minutes on each side until catfish flakes easily when tested with a fork. Slice fillet, place sliced catfish on a tortilla and top with Citrus Slaw. Squeeze lemon and/or lime over slaw. Garnish with cilantro, if desired.

### Citrus Slaw

- 2 cups prepared cole slaw mix
- 1 cup orange sections, diced
- 1 cup thinly sliced red bell pepper
- 1/2 cup vertically sliced red onion
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 2 tablespoons seasoned rice vinegar

Combine all ingredients in a bowl; tossing gently. Cover and chill.

**Yield:** 4 servings. **Per serving:** 518 calories; 38 g carbohydrates; 27 g fat; 33 g protein; 559 mg sodium; 80 mg cholesterol; 3 g fiber.

## Manhattan Catfish Chowder

Serve with wedges of warm, crusty bread

- 1 pound U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish fillets, cut into bite-size pieces
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1/4 cup diced onion
- 1 can (1 pound) diced tomatoes with oregano and basil
- Pinch cayenne pepper or more to taste
- 1/2 cup dry white wine
- 1 cup reduced-sodium chicken broth, diluted with 2 cups water
- 2 tablespoons minced parsley
- 1/4 cup fresh, grated Parmesan cheese

In a large, heavy saucepan, heat the olive oil over moderate heat; add the garlic and onion; sauté until golden. Add tomatoes, cayenne pepper and wine. Cook, uncovered, for 10 minutes. Add the diluted broth; cover and bring to simmer—about 3 minutes. Mix in the catfish and cook, uncovered, 5 minutes longer. Ladle into bowls and sprinkle with parsley and grated Parmesan cheese.

**Yield:** 4 servings. **Per serving:** 285 calories; 6 g carbohydrates; 17 g fat; 21 g protein; 436 mg sodium; 58 mg cholesterol; 2 g fiber.

## Golden Sunflower Catfish

- 4 6-ounce U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish fillets
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons dried thyme leaves, divided
- 2 tablespoons dried minced parsley, divided
- 1 large egg white, lightly beaten
- 1/4 cup 1% low-fat milk
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/2 cup dry roasted or raw sunflower kernels, ground

Preheat oven to 500° F. Coat a wire rack with cooking spray, place the rack on a baking sheet and set aside. Combine 1/2 cup flour, 1/2 teaspoon thyme leaves and 1/2 teaspoon parsley in a shallow dish; set aside. Combine egg and milk in a shallow dish; set aside. Combine remaining thyme and parsley, pepper and sunflower kernels in another dish; set aside. Dredge each fillet in flour mixture; dip into milk mixture; and coat one side of fillets with sunflower mixture. Place the coated fillets on the prepared wire rack and bake for 10 minutes or until golden brown and fish flakes easily with a fork.

**Yield:** 4 servings. **Per serving:** 377 calories; 18 g carbohydrates; 21 g fat; 31 g protein; 107 mg sodium; 76 mg cholesterol; 3 g fiber.

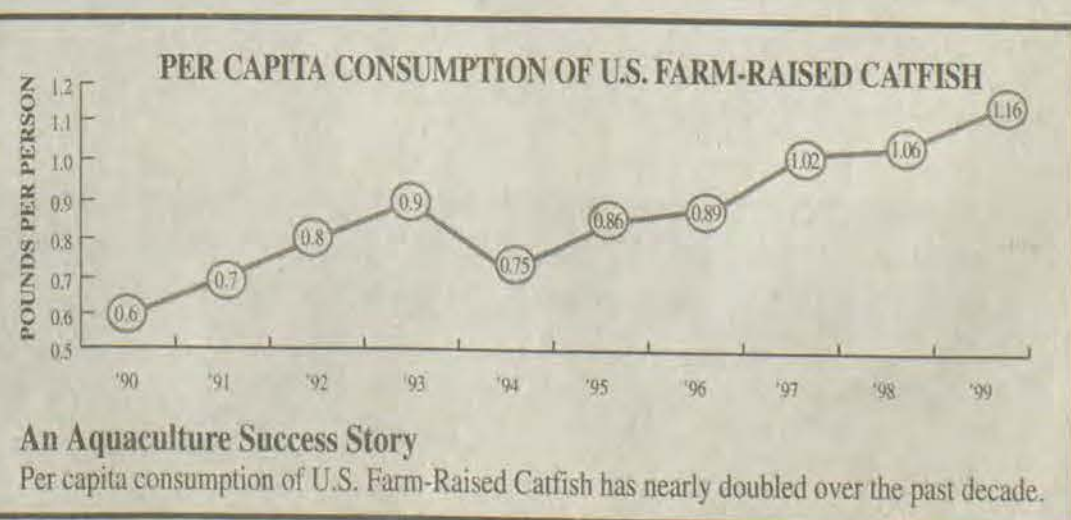
## Purchasing and Serving Tips

U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish is not only easy to prepare, it's easy to find. The mild-flavored fare is available year-round in most supermarkets, seafood specialty stores and popular restaurants throughout the United States. Look for the "U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish" quality seal to identify catfish that is raised under the U.S. government's stringent quality measures.

"Don't be afraid to ask if the catfish you're buying is U.S. Farm-Raised," advises Henry Gantz, president of The Catfish Institute. "It's the only way to ensure the catfish is raised and processed under strict quality controls, which guarantees you get a consistently sweet, mild-flavored fish."

When shopping for U.S. Farm-Raised Catfish, keep these tips in mind:

- Fish fillets should be moist with no drying or browning around the edges.
- Smell fish after purchase to check for a clean scent; if there is an unpleasant odor, return to fish counter immediately.
- Fish should be kept wrapped and stored in the coldest part of the refrigerator.
- Fresh fish should be used within two days of purchase.
- Frozen fish packages should be undamaged and the fish should have no freezer-burn and should not be off-color or covered with ice crystals.
- To thaw frozen fish, do so under refrigeration, never at room temperature.
- Fish is ready to eat when the cooking process produces flesh that is opaque and flakes easily with a fork.



# Regional Obituaries

## Floyd County

Anthony E. Brock, 73, of Columbus, Oh., died Friday, September 21, after a long illness. He is survived by his wife. Graveside services were conducted Tuesday, September 25, at noon, at the Lucy Hall Cemetery, McDowell, with the Hall Funeral Home, caring for those arrangements.

Freda Adkins Compton, 74, of Corbin, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Tuesday, September 11, at the Marymount Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 13, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Hershel Fouts, 73, of Melvin, died Saturday, September 22, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, following a

brief illness. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 24, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Viola Juanita Ricker Fraley, 76, of Hi Hat, died Sunday, September 23, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, following an extended illness. She is survived by her husband, Don Fraley Sr. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 25, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Norman Hampton, 62, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, September 27, following an extended illness. He is survived by his wife, Norma Hunter Hampton. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 29, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Dave Vaughn Lynch, 72, of Riverview, Michigan, formerly of Betsy Layne, died Thursday, August 30, at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Mi. He is survived by his wife, Beatrice Sturgill Lynch. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 3, under the direction of Lucas and Hall Funeral Home.

Earl "Hi" Mitchell, age 86, of Grethel, husband of Verlie Imogene Howell Mitchell, died Sunday, September 23, in the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 26, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Claude Mullins, 70, of Saint Mary's Ohio, a native of Bevinville, died Tuesday, September 18, at his residence, after a brief illness. He is survived by his wife, Mary Mullins. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 21, under the direction of Millers, Long, and Folk Funeral Home, Saint Mary's.

Joseph Reynolds Jr., 59, of Allen, died Wednesday, September 26, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin, following a long illness. He is survived by his wife, Charlotte Sue Steele Reynolds. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 29, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Elic Salmons, 54, of Glendale, Ariz., died Wednesday, September 19, at the Carl T. Hayden V.A. Center in Phoenix, Ariz. He is survived by his mother, Jane Prater Salmons. A memorial service will be conducted on Sunday, October 7, 2001, at 11 a.m., in Pikeville, at the home of Fredia and David Rasnick.

## Knott County

Lester Boggs, 71, of Emmalena, died Monday, September 17, at the Hazard Nursing Home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 20, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Ruby Carol Cook, 28, of Topmost, died Thursday, September 20, following an automobile accident. She is survived by her husband, Gregory

Cook. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 23, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Viola Juanita Ricker Fraley, 76, of Hi Hat, died Sunday, September 23, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Don Fraley Sr. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 25, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

## Pike County

Tim E. Branham, 66, of Wellington, formerly of Meta, died Saturday, September 22, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington. He is survived by his wife, Jean May Branham. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 25, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Elmer Dale May, 70, of Pikeville, died Sunday, September 23, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Irene Mullins May. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 27, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Ervin H. McClanahan, 73, of Bristol, Virginia, died Saturday, September 22, at Johnston Memorial Hospital, Abingdon, Virginia. He is survived by his wife, Maureen Keen McClanahan. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 25, under the direction of Grundy Funeral Home.

Tabitha Nicole Ollie McCoy, one-year-old daughter of George and Mary Sellards McCoy, of McAndrews, died Tuesday, September 25, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 28, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Cora Mae Sullivan McCoy, 75, of Freeburn, died Monday, September 24, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, September 27, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Services.

Lexie Prater, 97, formerly of Greasy Creek, died Tuesday, September 25, in Lexington. Funeral arrangements were

under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

## Johnson County

Johnie J. Clark, 80, of Flat Gap, died Saturday, September 15, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Sarah Spears Clark. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 18, at the Brushy Fork United Baptist Church and burial was in the Clark Family Cemetery, Flat Gap.

Joshua "Josh" Stephen Fitch, 21, of Thelma, died Tuesday, September 18, in Staffordsville. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 21, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Patty Mayhan Olson, 45, died Saturday, September 15. She is survived by her husband, Jerome Olson. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 21, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

## Johnson County

Ivahlee Doris Hackney, 73, died Saturday, September 15, at the Martin County Health Center, Inez. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 17, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Alvin York Johnson, 80, of Hager Hill, died Saturday, September 22, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Faye Spears Johnson. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 26, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

Gordon VanHoose, 80, died Sunday, September 23, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, Paintsville. He is survived by his wife, Agnes VanHoose. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 26, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home Chapel.

Dorothy Lydean Wells, 80, died Friday, September 21, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home, Paintsville. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 24, under the direction of Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

## Martin County

Lena Mae Chapman, 72, of Inez, died Monday, September 17, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, James Albert Chapman. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 19, under the direction of Inez Funeral Chapel.

James Robert Howell, 73, of Warfield, died Thursday, September 20, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Mary Fluty Howell. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, September 22, at 1 p.m., at Sidney Old Regular Church. Burial was in the Howell Family Cemetery, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Home.

Roberta Moore Newsome, 65, of Warfield, died Tuesday, September 18, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Friday, September 21, under the direction of Warfield Funeral Home.

## Lawrence County

William Henry Mills, 66, of Offutt, died Thursday, September 20, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Martha Evelyn Preece Mills. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 23, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

William Herman Moore, 60, of Louisa, died Friday, September 21, after an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted Monday, September 24, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Alonzo G. Smith, 75, of Genoa, W. Va. died Monday, September 24, at Three Rivers Medical Center, Louisa. He is survived by his wife, Marie Noe Smith. He is survived by his wife, Agnes Pelphrey VanHoose. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 26, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home Chapel.

James Irvin Sturgill Sr., 71, of Maulk, Ga., formerly of Fort Gay, W. Va., died Friday, September 21, at Bringham VA Medical Center. Graveside services were conducted Monday, September 24, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Hubert Vance, 69, of Louisa, died Sunday, September 23, at King's Daughters' Medical Center, Ashland. He is survived by his wife, Ethelene White Vance. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, September 26, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

## Magoffin County

Marie Arnett Patrick, 85, of Salyersville, died Saturday, September 22, at St. Joseph Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, September 25, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Chapel.

## Pike County

Freddie Lee Allen Moore Jr., son of F.L. Allen and Bonnie Varney Moore of Canada, was stillborn Friday, September 14, at Cabell Huntington, Hospital in Huntington, W. Va. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, September 23, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

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- Monday, Oct. 1**
- Mini-Prince and Princess Contest- 5 p.m., PHS Gym
  - Prince and Princess Contest- 6:30 p.m., PHS Gym
  - Little Miss Apple Blossom Pageant- 8 p.m., PHS Gym
- Tuesday, Oct. 2**
- Junior Miss Apple Blossom Pageant- 5 p.m., JCHS Fieldhouse
  - Miss Apple Blossom Pageant- 7 p.m., JCHS Fieldhouse
- Wednesday, Oct. 3**
- Little Apple Bowl- 8 p.m., Memorial Field
  - Amusement Rides
  - Mini Apple Parade- 1 p.m., Downtown
- Thursday, Oct. 4**
- Flea Market-City Parking Lot
  - Amusement Rides
  - Grade School Folk Dance- Court Street, 9 a.m.- 2 p.m.
  - Apple Bowl- 8 p.m., Memorial Field
- Friday, October 5**
- Arts and Crafts- 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Paintsville Elem. parking lot and College Street
  - Street
  - Flea Market- City Parking Lot
  - Merchant's Market- Court St. from Second to Third Streets, Second Street from Court Street to Church St.
  - Amusement Rides
  - Postage Cancellation - 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., College Street.
  - Quilt Block Contest Awards
- Saturday, Oct. 6**
- Arts and Crafts- 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Paintsville Elem. Parking Lot & College St.
  - Ducky Derby- 11 a.m.
  - Flea Market- City Parking Lot
  - Merchants Market- Court St. from Second to Third Streets, Second St. from Court St. to Church St.
  - Amusement Rides
  - Postage Cancellation- 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., College Street
  - Gospel Sing (Billy Fields and others)- Paint Creek Park, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and 3 pm.- 6 p.m.
  - Auto Shows; Antique, Corvette and Street Machines. Registration till noon.
  - Citizens Bank-Broadway
  - Apple Festival Parade- 2 p.m.
  - Country Music Show featuring: Ricky Skaggs and Southern Storm, 8 p.m., JCHS Fieldhouse
  - Downtown Square Dance- 6:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m., Citizens Bank Lot-Downtown (bring lawn chairs)
- School Activities- 10 a.m., Courthouse, Apple Arts Awards**
- Apple Penmanship Awards
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  - Ol' Fashion Spelling Bee
  - Terrapin Trot- 1 p.m., Our Lady of the Mt. School
  - Lip Sync and Karaoke Contest- 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Paint Creek Park
  - Ol' Fashion Costume Contest- Registration 1:30 p.m., Contest, 2 p.m.
  - Clogging (bring lawn chair)- 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m., Citizens Bank- Broadway
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**Bentley Comments**

## About October...

RICK BENTLEY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

PIKEVILLE — Come Monday, it'll be all right, and come Monday, it'll be October. Many people think March is the top month for sports in this country, and they could be right. But this year in particular, there are several compelling stories taking place in our tenth month, with some seasons coming to an end and some taking shape quite nicely.

So with apologies to David Letterman, we offer our Top 10 Reasons October is a Big Sports Month, in no particular order:

1. Baseball playoffs. Well, I say no particular order, but the regular reader(s) of this space understand my love of America's Pastime and aren't surprised to see it top the chart.

2. Can the Yankees help the collective mental state of New York by winning yet another World Series? Can Seattle or Cleveland or Oakland deny them the chance? Can Atlanta hold off the upstart Phillies or Amazin' Mets long enough to even qualify for the tournament?

3. They say it's a long way to October, but when you're staring down the last weekend of September and you play baseball, you'd better have all your ducks in a row and on the pond, or it'll be a long way to April.

4. Barry Bonds. Baseball fans across the country have been staying up late or checking the box scores early to find out how

(See COMMENTS, page two)

**Basketball**

### Willen named as Union College men's basketball interim coach

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BARBOURVILLE — The Union College men's basketball team has a new leader ... for the time being. James Willen is taking over the reins of the Bulldogs as the team's interim head coach for the 2001-02 season.

"This is a great opportunity. This is eventually what I wanted to be, so this will allow me to put into place a lot of the ideas that I've had about basketball and how the game should be played," Willen said.

The coaching vacancy was created when Brian Evans, who had served as the Bulldogs' head coach for seven years, resigned to

(See UNION, page three)

**Volleyball**

### Allen Central volleyball teams swept by Breathitt Co.

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN — Allen Central went head-to-head with Breathitt County Thursday night in high school volleyball action and came away with losses in both the varsity and junior varsity matches.

The Allen Central JV (16-1) took the first game of the JV match 15-8 then fell 17-15 and 15-13 to suffer the loss. The loss was the Allen Central junior varsity team's first setback of the season.

(See CENTRAL, page two)

## Cumberland's Morris honored by AFCA

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

CUMBERLAND — The American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) has recognized Elisha Morris, of Bonnyman, a senior at Cumberland College in Williamsburg as a member of their 2001 Good Works Team. Morris, a graduate of Perry Central High School, is a former Commodore standout nearing his col-

### Former PCC Commodore now thriving in classroom, on football field for Indians

lege graduation.

The AFCA honors players for their dedication and commitment to community service. In a recent press release, AFCA Executive Director Grant Teaff was quoted as saying; "It says a lot about the character of these

young men that they can find the time to devote themselves to the community. It is our pleasure to honor these student-athletes for all they have done."

Each college's sports information department submitted nominations for the award.

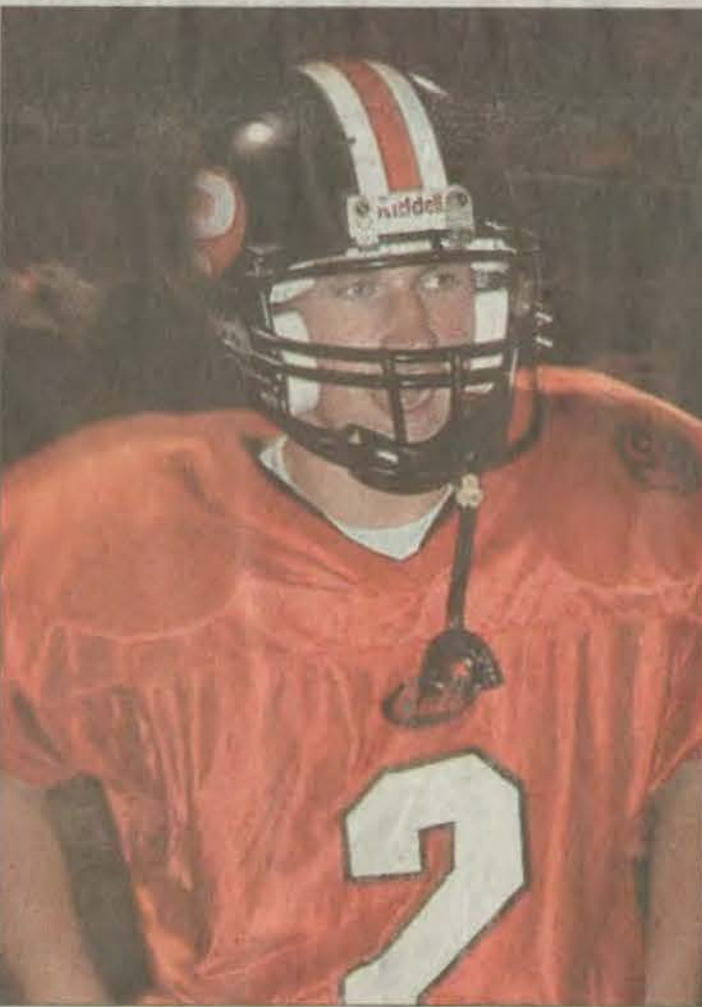
Nominees have to be actively involved and committed to working with a charitable organization, service group or involved in other community service activities. Candidates must also display sincere concern and reliability, while also

having made a favorable impression on the organizations with which they were involved. Morris was the only NAIA athlete to receive this prestigious award.

Morris, a senior tight end for the Cumberland College Patriots, has been involved in numerous activities off the field. He has worked with the DARE program for seven

(See AFCA, page three)

## PRESTONSBURG VS. BETSY LAYNE



## A Dickens of a Game

When the Betsy Layne Bobcats came calling on the Prestonsburg Blackcats Friday night, the game represented a tale of two programs — the best of times and the worst of times.

For Prestonsburg, playing in front of a homecoming crowd in their still-new stadium, things could not have been much better, as the sixth-ranked Blackcats improved to 6-1 overall on the season and all-important 2-0 in the district.

Betsy Layne, however, played on the other end of the story line, reaching a season low in a winless campaign. The Bobcats fell hard, 85-0, as Prestonsburg appeared to struggle to slow down the pace of the game.

### Professional baseball players will play game in Hazard against local Wal-Mart team

by BRYAN KIRSCH

HAZARD — You need not turn many pages of baseball's record book before stumbling upon the names of Steve Carlton, Ozzie Smith and Brooks Robinson — whether its Carlton's 329 career wins, Smith's wizardry at shortstop for the Padres and Cardinals, or Robinson's unprecedented 16 Gold Gloves at third base.

Meeting any one of these legends, for most, would be a real-life Field of Dreams.

Imagine being able to assemble a collection of some of the finest players ever and bring that team to your hometown for a chance to play against some of the hardest working people in the community. Well, that's exactly what's happened.

The Nabisco Biscuit Company and the Coca-Cola Company have announced that Wal-Mart's Hazard store is the division winner of the Nabisco/Coke All-Star Team contest. The Hazard store has won a head-to-head competition against every one of the Wal-Mart stores in the region for a chance to have its own store associates play a 7-inning softball game against the Nabisco/Coke All-Star Team featuring Carlton, Smith, Robinson, Gary Carter, Ryne Sandberg, Steve Garvey along with Dot Richardson and Lisa Fernandez from the 2000 Olympic Gold-Medal winning softball team.

How did the Hazard Wal-Mart win?

The Hazard Wal-Mart won the contest and the right to host the game by having the highest percentage increase of purchases (through the register) of all Nabisco cookies, crackers, breakfast snacks and Coca-Cola

(See HAZARD, page four)

## State volleyball tourney draw held

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Saturday, Oct. 27

Quarterfinals at 9 and 10:15 a.m. at both sites; Semifinals at Ryle High School at 2 and 3:30 p.m.

State Championship at Ryle High School at 7:30 p.m.

UNION — The draw for the 23rd KHSAA State Volleyball Tournament has been conducted. The State Volleyball Tournament will be played Oct. 26-27 at Ryle High School and Gray Middle School in Union. This marks the fourth consecutive year for Ryle and Gray to

host the event and sixth time in the last eight years.

The volleyball postseason gets underway with District Tournaments slated for Oct. 8-13 and Regional Tournaments scheduled for Oct. 15-20. Six-time defending State Champion Assumption will go for its

(See VOLLEYBALL, page two)



■ Krystal Willis

**VOLLEYBALL...**

### Willis comes off bench to lift Perry Central past Pikeville in two games

by TONY McGUIRE  
SPORTS WRITER

HAZARD — Over the past couple of years contests between the girls' sports programs at Perry Central and Pikeville have become commonplace. It is not unusual to find the softball and volleyball teams doing battle several times a year. This past week the two

(See WILLIS, page three)

**ACADEMICS...**



■ Bill Watson

### 2000-01 Lady Bears among nation's smartest

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — As it turns out, last year's women's basketball team was a Top 25 club after all.

The Pikeville College Lady Bears got votes in several of last year's national ratings, narrowly missing the Top 25 on more than one occasion. But in a recent poll, that team was among the nation's elite — in team grade point average.

A study by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) found Pikeville to be 22nd among NAIA schools in GPA. Coach Bill Watson's group rang up a 3.304 average.

(See LADY BEARS, page two)

Comments

No. 25 is doing as he pursues Mark McGwire's record of 70 home runs.

Bonds isn't the most popular guy in the sport, and doesn't care to be. He has maintained all along that he isn't particularly concerned about breaking this record, only recently hinting that his emotions will come pouring out if he does indeed hit No. 70.

Many people are rooting against him, but personally, I'm for anyone keeping this terrific sport in the spotlight.

■ **Pikeville vs. Fleming-Neon.** Traditionally another brick in the wall for the Panthers, this matchup takes on some importance this year.

Pikeville College alum J.J. Wright has his team playing very good football this fall, and will head into tonight's game with cross-county rival Whitesburg. They figure to be upwards of 7-0 on the night of Oct. 12 when they come calling on the Panthers.

The game is even more critical for the Chris McNamee's club after its Week Four loss at Hazard. Should the Bulldogs and Pirates keep winning, Pikeville could face a rare season of being on the road during

the first week of the playoffs.

■ **Belfry vs. Prestonsburg.** The Class AA Region IV, District Eight title figures to be on the line when Philip Haywood leads the Pirates to Floyd County to face his former team, the Blackcats of Prestonsburg.

Prestonsburg is having a fine season, as John DeRossett has continued the momentum his squad developed during last year's playoffs and has only lost once this fall.

But when it comes to district titles, Belfry is the Bull of the Woods, and next week's clash figures to be a classic. If Belfry wins tonight at Pike Central, next week becomes doubly important.

■ **Pike Central football.** In addition to Pikeville and Belfry, all four other Pike County schools still have post-season aspirations.

The best of these is Pike Central, which puts its run at perfection on the line tonight against Belfry. The Hawks then head out of state to play Portsmouth (Ohio) West before coming home to play Prestonsburg.

It could be a special year for the Hawks, and this could

be the team that ends the 26-year drought between playoff wins for a Pike County school other than Belfry and Pikeville.

■ **Midnight Madness.** That's right, hoops junkies, you're about to get your fix.

Basketball practice officially tips off with these annual celebrations across the college landscape in an attempt to whip the partisans into a frenzy weeks before the games actually begin.

Believe it or not, one of the first schools to hold one of these celebrations was Pikeville College, as locals were introduced to the concept by current Marshall head coach Greg White nearly two decades ago.

The tradition continues on Oct. 16.

■ **NBA opens.** Normally, this would be a weak flash on the local sports radar, but something tells me the league is about to have a resurgence in popularity, especially in the Washington D.C. area.

Even if you're dead set against comebacks (or comebacks) of this ilk, you have to be excited for the folks in the nation's capital. They

deserve something to cheer these days. However, the best team in the city will still be George Bush's cabinet. The Skins and Wizards will still be awful.

■ **Kentucky football.** First Kentucky (rightfully) decided to dismiss Hal Mumme, and then it chose to hire a very inexperienced Guy Morris. All that was fine.

But then, AD Larry Ivy, in an effort to prove once again he's no C.M. Newton, gave Morris a three-year deal before he welcomed his first class to campus.

The Cats got their first win of the season over Ball State. If they're to win a second in October, it will have to come at South Carolina (not happening), at home against LSU (probably not happening) or at Georgia (see South Carolina).

■ **The Bengals.** Are you kidding me? They're 2-0 heading into this weekend?

It won't take much of an upset (they're at San Diego Sunday) to enter October unbeaten. Football could be fun again in the Queen City after all.

■ **Halloween candy.** I was struggling to come up with a

10th offering, and Bill Watson pointed out that we make collecting goodies quite a sport, so we went with it. Getting home on Halloween itself can be something of a sport if you live in the right place.

Seriously, let's hope our real 10th note turns out to be the justice served to a group of criminals who have made September of this year something none of us will ever forget.

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ScoreBOARD

**Thursday's game**  
Campbellsville 14 .....Metcalfe County 7

**Friday's games**  
Ashland Blazer 48 .....Magoffin County 0  
Belfry 40 .....Pike County Central 6  
Bell County 47 .....Cawood 12  
Bellevue 21 .....Holy Cross (Covington) 6  
Berea 63 .....Fairview 24  
Bowling Green 23 .....Henderson County 20  
Boyd County 34 .....Sheldon Clark 0  
Breathitt County 47 .....Leslie County 13  
Breckinridge County 40 .....Waggener 29  
Bullitt East 35 .....Doss 6  
Cavema 58 .....Beth Haven 12  
Central 33 .....North Bullitt 0  
Central Hardin 65 .....Bullitt Central 10  
Cumberland 50 .....Harlan 41  
Eastern 14 .....Oldham County 9  
Fairdale 41 .....Valley Traditional 6  
Fern Creek 40 .....Jeffersontown 12  
Fleming County 56 .....Lewis County 14  
Fleming-Neon 31 .....Whitesburg 21  
Garrard County 28 .....Henry County 7  
George Rogers Clark 31 Madison Central 20  
Grant County 41 .....Scott 34  
Green County 48 .....Christ. Academy 14  
Greenup County 17 .....Johnson Central 14

Harrison County 49 .....Western Hills 6  
Hazard 46 .....Allen Central 6  
H. Cross (Louisville) 40 .....Trimble County 0  
Larue County 47 .....Elizabethtown 14  
Lawrence County 51 .....Rowan County 7  
Lexington Catholic 31 .....Bourbon County 0  
Madison Southern 51 .....Powell County 0  
Marion County 34 .....Lincoln County 11  
Mason County 26 .....East Carter 0  
Meade County 51 .....Nelson County 0  
Murray 49 .....Hancock County 0  
Newport Central Catholic 47 .....Ludlow 0  
North Hardin 12 .....Butler 0  
Owen County 7 .....Carroll County 6  
Owensboro 51 .....Greenwood 20  
Paintsville 56 .....Elkhorn City 11  
Pikeville 28 .....Phelps 0  
Prestonsburg 85 .....Betsy Layne 0  
Pulaski County 62 .....McCreary Central 6  
Pulaski Southwestern 48 .....North Laurel 0  
Russell County 43 .....Adair County 12  
Somerset 18 .....Harrodsburg 15  
Tates Creek 28 .....Lafayette 21  
Trigg County 42 .....Heath 0  
Warren Central 42 .....Warren East 6  
Wayne County 20 .....Taylor County 19  
West Carter 47 .....Bath County 0  
West Jessamine 49 .....East Jessamine

Volleyball

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seventh consecutive title as the Rockets have claimed volleyball's top spot eight of the last nine years.

15th District champ Prestonsburg and runner-up Betsy Layne represented Floyd County in last year's regional tourney. Other strong volleyball teams in last season's post-season play included Whitesburg, Letcher, Perry Central and Pikeville.

Following is the first round region vs. region match-ups for the State Tournament.  
(Bracket reads top to bottom - All times ET & local to site)

STATE SCHEDULE

Friday, Oct. 26

First Round Matches at Ryle High School  
Region 7 Winner vs. Region 2 Runner-Up, 6 p.m.  
Region 6 Winner vs. Region 8 Runner-Up, 7:10 p.m.  
Region 4 Winner vs. Region 3 Runner-Up, 8:20 p.m.  
Region 5 Winner vs. Region 1 Runner-Up, 9:30 p.m.

First Round Matches at Gray Middle School  
Region 2 Winner vs. Region 4 Runner-Up, 6 p.m.  
Region 8 Winner vs. Region 6 Runner-Up, 7:10 p.m.  
Region 1 Winner vs. Region 7 Runner-Up, 8:20 p.m.  
Region 3 Winner vs. Region 5 Runner-Up, 9:30 p.m.

KHSAA member schools participate in Red Cross Relief Fund Drive

Kentucky High School Athletic Association Commissioner Louis Stout announced

Friday, Sept. 21 that the KHSAA would coordinate a Red Cross Relief Fund Drive for its member schools to participate in on a voluntary basis.

Member schools were invited to collect donations for the Red Cross Relief Fund Drive at athletic events scheduled for Thursday-Saturday of this past week.

Funds received will be tallied with one unified donation to be made to the Relief Fund Drive on behalf of KHSAA member schools.

"We realize there are numerous efforts already established in raising funds for the Red Cross Relief Fund as well as other assistance programs," Commissioner Stout stated. "This program is strictly voluntary and hopefully will help start efforts where nothing is in place at this time. We simply hope to lend a helping hand through the Red Cross to those victims and their families from last week's incidents in New York, Washington D.C. and Pennsylvania," Stout conclude

Lady Bears

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No other Mid-South Conference schools were in the Top 25, and only Transylvania - ranked 17th with a 3.347 - joined Pikeville among Kentucky schools.

"This is something for our girls to be proud of," said Watson, whose last two teams have narrowly missed the poll. "Intelligence can be a real asset in the game of basketball, and it's obviously something we had in abundance last year. I'm proud of them, and I hope they are proud of themselves."

"This is an outstanding achievement for a quality group of young women," said Ron Damron, vice president of enrollment and student services who is also director of athletics. "Coach Watson and his staff are working hard to have a quality program here, and this is obviously a vital part of that."

"We congratulate them and thank them for their efforts." The 2000-01 team was 20-

13, and only the second team in women's basketball history at the school to win at least 20 times.

Concordia University of Seward, Neb., not only set the standard among NAIA schools but also posted the top GPA in any of the five categories with a 3.735. It was the second straight season the Bulldogs have taken the honor in NAIA.

Central

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The Allen Central varsity volleyball team fell in straight sets, 15-11, 18-16, dropping its record to 12-6.

The Lady Rebels are back in action tomorrow night, playing host to district rival South Floyd. Junior varsity play begins at 6 p.m.

Allen Central's next home match is Tuesday when it hosts Paintsville at 6 p.m. Senior Night will be held on Tuesday.

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# Total of 46 new proposals sponsored for 2002 Convention

## SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

A total of 63 proposals — 39 in Division II and 24 in Division III — are included in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation for the 2002 Convention in Indianapolis.

The publication was mailed September 21 to the Divisions II and III memberships.

Included are 46 proposals produced from the division governance structures — 34 sponsored by the Division II Presidents Council and 12 sponsored by the Division III Presidents Council.

Also included are five Division II proposals and 12

Division III proposals sponsored previously by the membership. Sponsors of those proposals were given an opportunity between August 15 and September 15 to change the proposals in any manner that is germane to the original proposals.

The Division II proposals from the Presidents Council include a Bylaw 17 deregulation package. The nine proposals would:

- Eliminate the requirement that individual skill instruction must be requested by the student-athlete.
- Redefine what is considered a countable athletically related activity.

- Limit participation by multisport participants to 20 hours per week of countable athletically related activities.

- Preclude exempted scrimmages from being counted as three hours of the permissible 20 hours and count as the actual duration of the activity.

- Permit off-campus intrasquad scrimmages during the preseason period.

- Eliminate the lists of annual exemptions and once-in-four-year exemptions in each section

of Bylaw 17 and create two all-inclusive lists that will apply to all sports (amended to indicate that a discretionary exemption in basketball, specifically an exhibition contest, can be played against a non-Division II four-year institution rather than restricting the contest only to Divisions I or III opponents).

- Redefine playing and practice season regulations for fall and spring sports except outdoor track and field and other selected sports amended to create an

exception in golf and tennis to allow an institution to designate either (or both) of those sports as a fall sport and utilize playing season dates for fall sports and follow nonchampionship segment requirements during the spring and be eligible for participation in the NCAA championship).

- Eliminate the prohibition against Sunday practice during spring football.
- Preclude student-athletes in team sports from missing

class to participate in contests conducted in the nonchampionship segment.

In Division III, the package of amateurism proposals that has been under review for several months will come to the Convention floor for a vote. The package being sponsored by the Division III Presidents Council is minus the "pay-for-play" element for prospective student-athletes that existed in earlier versions of the legislation. Under the current package, accepting a salary would make a prospective Division III student-athlete ineligible to compete and thus subject to the NCAA reinstatement process. That is different from the amateurism legislation Division II passed in January, which allows a prospect to accept compensation and then retain limited eligibility (provided there was no agent and no accompanying promotional contract).

Division III delegates also will consider legislation that would create a provisional membership random selection process to determine which six eligible institutions would be available for provisional membership each year assuming the membership moratorium is lifted as scheduled August 1, 2002. To be eligible to apply for provisional membership, an institution must sponsor at least five sports (at least three of which must be team sports) for each gender, and may not award any athletically related aid at the time of application. Institutions also must complete a one-year "exploratory period" before starting the provisional membership process.

The Division III Membership Committee had determined that six was the maximum annual number of provisional members that could be provided with appropriate services under the division's new comprehensive four-year education plan based on in-person meetings and educational opportunities.

If the legislation passes, the first selection would be held in conjunction with the June 2002

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## Willis

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school hooked up for a volleyball match at Pikeville High School. The Lady Commodores were able to down the Lady Panthers in two games due to the excellent play of Krystal Willis who came off the bench to serve up six straight points to lead Perry Central past Pikeville 15-5 and 15-8.

Game one of the contest started out slow as both teams checking out the others styles. Perry Central got on the board first with a single point by Jeanie Hamblin, and another by April Navarez. The Lady Commodores extended their lead in the first game with a five point set by Sara Barker (four of which were not returned).

Pikeville's Ashley Hull broke the Lady Panther's scoring drought with three points. The run was ended when Lindsey Knight floated down the baseline and set up for the kill. Perry Central then replaced Knight with Krystal Willis in the serving position.

Krystal Willis all but put the game away with a serving exhibition. Willis spread her serves around the Pikeville side of the court scoring six straight. Many of the serves were unreturnable (one was an ace). This gave Perry Central the 13-3 lead.

After exchanging serves for several minutes, Lady Commodore, Jacki Caron went behind the line to serve. Pikeville made an excellent

return on a low serve, setting up a short volley, but were unable to turn the service over. Perry Central took the first game by the score of 15 to 5.

In the second game, Perry Central turned to their seniors for the win. The Lady Commodores jumped out to an early 6-0 lead behind the serving of April Navarez. Navarez started the game with five consecutive no returns. Sara Barker provided the muscle at the net while Jeanie Hamblin fueled the defense with diving saves.

The Lady Panthers' team captain, Dani Moore, rallied her teammates to cut the Perry Central lead to two at 8 to 6. Moore started the rally with a kill down the left sideline and a short dump over the middle. She also served up a point during the run.

After a time out, the Lady Commodores came back onto the court with the intensions of putting the game away. Once again, it was senior leadership that led the way for Perry Central. The trio of Navarez, Barker and Hamblin went to work on the Lady Panthers, but this time a new face joined the mix, Brandi Hurley paced the offense by serving as setter for the team. Hurley called out the offense and spread the ball around allowing her teammates kill after kill. Perry Central took the second game and the match by way of the 15 to 8 win.



photo by Steve Lemaster

The atmosphere was quite relaxed on the Prestonsburg sideline, as the Blackcats wasted no time in putting the game out of reach. PHS led 66-0 at halftime and went on to win by a score of 85-0.

## AFCA

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years, served as a day camp counselor, a role model for a younger child, and helped with DARE fundraisers. He has assisted with the local Salvation Army special functions and has served as a bell ringer at Christmas. He is also actively involved in Cumberland's chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. In addition, Morris has volunteered with the Mountain Outreach building program and more recently served as a summer missionary in Mongolia.

For his athletic efforts, Elisha was nominated to the

2000 Mid-South Conference First Team and was the second leading receiver during the 2000 season. In a recent press release from the Mid-South Conference, Morris was selected to the 2001 Pre-Season All-Conference Team. Head football coach, Chuck King stated, "This award was so richly deserved. Elisha is a young man who is trying to do things right. He gives up his precious free time to help others in numerous venues."

It's nice to see that people do notice the important things in life. It's also nice to know that students at small colleges can receive recognition for what they do. This is the first of many awards Elisha will receive in his life, and the Lord will take care of him."

Morris is the son of Elisha and Joyce Morris. He is a Public Health/Movement and Leisure Studies major and will be graduated from Cumberland College in December 2002.

## Professional Wrestling

# AWF takes on Feds Creek

### TIMES STAFF REPORT

A good crowd of professional wrestling fans turned out to see the Feds Creek debut of the Appalachian Wrestling Federation on Friday, Sept. 14. This was also the re-launch of the AWF.

The action packed event was headlined by such stars as Brody Hanson, J.T. Funk, "Too Cool" Jamie Stone, Fed's Creek's own BJ the DJ, and King Kobra, the notorious Green Brothers, as well as several other top stars including special referee Mike Samson, a former WWF / WCW wrestler.

Also working behind the scenes was AWF star Jesse Younger. Younger had been sidelined by surgery in recent weeks.

The fans also were treated to some great country music by

Richie Rose and the Stone Cold Country Band.

Results from the Feds Creek AWF event scheduled to appear in the records section of the AWF website soon.

Plans are already under way for an AWF return to Feds Creek in the very near future, maybe as early as some time in October.

### Wrestling school up and running

The Storm Shelter Wrestling School is now accepting new students for Tuesday and Thursday classes from 5 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. For more information call Bobby Marble at 606/631-4198.

## UofL Cookbook available

The Tailgating Cookbook 2001 edition is now available through the University of Louisville Athletic Department. Get favorite recipes for appetizers, entrees, side dishes, desserts and many more! Proceeds from the sales of the publication benefit the Cardinal Athletic Fund, which aids in providing financial support for the many services we provide our student-athletes.

The cost of each book is just \$10 (plus \$2 for shipping and handling). To order, mail your check made out to "Cardinal Athletic Fund" to: University of Louisville, Cardinal Athletic Fund, Louisville, KY 40292

## Union

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take the coaching job at Whitley County High School.

Originally, Union athletic director David Nelson was going to serve as the team's interim head coach for the upcoming season. However, by coaching the team, Nelson felt he was pulled in too many directions, stating, "I simply couldn't handle running the basketball program with all my other responsibilities."

Willen, who was hired as an assistant coach for the team this summer, has been handed the duties of the head coach, but Nelson stressed the position still carries the label "interim." "We still plan to open the position up for applications in December. James will have to apply for the job like everyone else," Nelson noted.

Hailing from Mechanicsville, Md., Willen is a 1998 graduate of Wilmington (Del.) College, where he was a two-year starter at guard and

small forward. Prior to his stint at Wilmington, Willen served as team captain for two years at Charles County (Md.) Community College, which is now called the College of Southern Maryland. While at Charles County, he was named as a NJCAA Academic All-American twice and the school's Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year once.

Last season, Willen returned to Southern Maryland as the men's basketball assistant coach.

Although the team is changing hands for the second time in a matter of months, Willen does not foresee any adverse effects.

"From all accounts, the players feel there is no change. I feel that with me taking over it is going to solidify the position a little more because David was not going to be around as much as he would've like to have been," Willen explained.

"Now, everything I have been telling them for the last month is going to continue on through the season. Whereas, with David joining the team in October, which is when he would've started working with the program, he might have had some different things to say to the kids. This way it keeps more of the continuity."

Michael Clemens, who was Union's starting center last season, will serve as Willen's assistant.

"It's exciting. This is a great opportunity for myself to learn the ropes of the game because you're always a student of the game," Clemens said.

The Bulldogs finished the 2000-01 season with a 15-17 overall record and was second in the Mid-South Conference with a 10-6 league mark. Union will open the 2001-02 campaign on Nov. 2 against the University of Virginia at Wise in Bristol, Tenn.

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Your warming smile and bright shining eyes, I can hear you laughing from the skies.

In our hearts you're still there, when I think about the times we shared.

Your face we may no longer see, but your memories will always be.

We lost a friend who was so close, and that's the pain that hurts the most.

You are carried on in our memories and dreams, and by everyone on the team.

The day you left is frozen in time, the day we lost #59.

Your spirit will carry on forever, I know one day we'll be together.

Even after we put you to rest, in our hearts you're still the best.

—Class of 2003



Prestonsburg crowned its homecoming queen Friday night.

**Hazard**

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products compared with other stores in the region during the same three-month period last year (April-June).

The game will be played Saturday, October 13, at Perry County Park in Hazard. The game will begin at 11:30 a.m.

The game was cancelled once because of airline flights being grounded due to the terrorist attacks earlier this month.

"We are so pleased with Wal-Mart's participation in this event," said Douglas Haase, director of Nabisco Consumer Marketing. "I toured a lot of Wal-Mart stores across the

country during this promotion, and Hazard was one of many stores that went the extra mile to sell our brands and make this program come to life. The Hazard store deserves the honor of hosting the Nabisco/Coke All-Star Team."

"The community of Hazard is thrilled and honored to be hosting the Nabisco/Coke All-Star Team," said Mike Huber, store manager of Hazard's Wal-Mart. "The game is just another great way that Nabisco and Coke, with Wal-Mart's participation, are able to give back to local communities."

**NCAA Division I-AA football championship will start one week later**

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. —The 2001 NCAA Division I-AA Football Championship will begin December 1, one week later than originally slated. The decision was made today by the Division I Championships/Competition Cabinet's Administrative Committee to extend the regular season by one week. Most Division I-AA teams did not

play September 15 because of last week's terrorist attacks.

The opening round of the championship was scheduled to begin the Saturday after Thanksgiving (November 24). Now, first-round games will be played December 1. Quarterfinals will be played December 8, and semifinals will be December 15.

The championship game will be played Friday, December 21, at the W. Max Finley

Stadium/Davenport Field in Chattanooga, Tennessee. The game will begin at 5:30 p.m. Eastern time and will be carried live on ESPN.

As a result of the schedule change, November 24 becomes available as a date of regular-season competition for games that may have been cancelled last week. A list of teams and open dates is available at NCAA Online (<http://www.ncaa.org/schedules/openDates.html>)

**Proposal**

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Division III Membership Committee meeting. The first six eligible institutions chosen would begin provisional membership on September 1, 2003. The next six eligible institutions chosen by random selection at that time (if necessary) would start their provisional membership September 1, 2004.

Also of note in the Division III proposals is one that establishes a financial aid audit to ensure that Division III institutions comply with Division III financial aid regulations. The process requires each institution to have an outside auditor examine 10 percent of the institution's student-athlete population compared with the institution's nonstudent-athlete population. Each institution would be responsible for reporting instances of noncompliance to the NCAA Division III Financial Aid and Awards Committee for review and disposition.

**Amendments-to-amendments**

The Second Publication of Proposed Legislation was mailed to chief executive officers, faculty athletics representatives, directors of athletics, senior woman administrators and compliance coordinators at Divisions II and III institutions. Conference commissioners also received copies.

From now until November 1, the Divisions II and III Presidents Councils can submit amendments to a proposal for the 2002 Convention.

Also in Divisions II and III, amendments can be submitted by eight active member institutions (or one active conference on behalf of eight or more conference members).

Amendments-to-amendments at this stage of the legislative calendar must adhere to the traditional Association limitation — they are not permitted to increase the change in legislation put forth in the circularized proposal.

Amendments-to-amendments must be received in the national office by 5 p.m. (Central time) November 1. No amendments-to-amendments may be submitted after that date, except that the Presidents Councils have the authority to submit amendments-to-amendments at the Convention if deemed necessary.

Forms for submitting amendments-to-amendments will be mailed with the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation to chief executive officers.

The Official Notice of the Convention, which will include all proposed legislation and properly submitted amendments-to-amendments, will be mailed to the Divisions II and III membership by November 15.

**Summary of intent statements**

Following are the statements of intent for the 46 new Divisions II and III proposals for the 2002 Convention that appear in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation.

The list includes proposals produced from the Divisions II and III governance structures.

Intent statements for the 17 proposals from the Divisions II and III membership appeared in the July 30 issue of The NCAA News. Those proposals also appear in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation, but are not repeated in this summary.

The proposals below are numbered as they appear in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation (the numeral "2" appearing before each proposal refers to the publication).

**Division II legislative proposals**

**No. 2-1 Membership — Voting Conference Requirements**

Intent: To specify sports-sponsorship requirements necessary for multisport voting conference membership.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Membership Review Project Team)].

Effective date: August 1, 2002.

**No. 2-2 Member Conference — Eligibility**

Intent: To establish a provisional membership category for prospective Division II voting conference members.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Membership Review Project Team)].

Effective date: Immediately.

**No. 2-3 Membership — Provisional Member Exploratory Period**

Intent: To require institutions that desire to join Division II to complete an "exploratory period" before submitting a provisional membership application.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Membership Review Project Team)].

Effective date: Immediately.

**No. 2-4 Provisional Membership — Rules-Compliance Progression**

Intent: To require provisional member institutions to satisfy specified membership

requirements in years one and two of the four-year provisional membership period.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Membership Committee)].

Effective date: Immediately.

**No. 2-5 Membership — Annual Limit on Provisional Members**

Intent: To provide the Management Council with the authority to establish an annual limit on the number of institutions that will be permitted to begin the four-year provisional membership period.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Membership Review Project Team)].

Effective date: Immediately.

**No. 2-6 Provisional Membership — Eligibility**

Intent: To establish requirements that provisional member applicants must satisfy for an application to be considered.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Membership Review Project Team)].

Effective date: Immediately.

**No. 2-7 Provisional Membership — Application Fee**

Intent: To indicate that the provisional membership application fee will be determined by the Management Council as specified.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Membership Review Project Team)].

Effective date: Immediately.

**No. 2-9 Recruiting — Advertisements**

Intent: To permit institutions to place general institutional, summer-camp and summer-school advertisements in recruiting publications and high-school and two-year college game programs.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Legislation Committee)].

Effective date: August 1, 2002.

**No. 2-10 Recruiting — Institutional Control**

Intent: To eliminate the requirement that funds expended for recruiting purposes must be deposited with the institution.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Legislation Committee)].

Effective date: August 1, 2002.

**No. 2-11 Eligibility — Joint College/High-School Program**

Intent: To modify requirements related to joint high-school/college programs that would begin a student-athlete's eligibility under the 10-semester/15-quarter rule, as specified.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Administrative Review Subcommittee)].

Effective date: Immediately.

**No. 2-13 Eligibility/Seasons of Competition — Hardship Waiver**

Intent: To specify that a student-athlete's eligibility for a medical hardship should be determined by the number of scheduled contests or dates of competition rather than the number of completed contests or dates of competition.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Legislation Committee)].

Effective date: August 1, 2002.

**No. 2-14 Eligibility — Seasons of Competition — Foreign Tour**

Intent: To permit a student-athlete who qualified for a hardship waiver during the previous academic year to engage in competition on an institution's foreign tour during the summer vacation period at the conclusion of that academic year without using a season of competition.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Legislation Committee)].

Effective date: Immediately.

**No. 2-15 Satisfactory-Progress Waivers — Independent Institutions**

Intent: To require that satisfactory-progress waivers submitted by independent institutions be administered by the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee.

Source: NCAA Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Academic Requirements Committee)].

Effective date: Immediately.

(See Wednesday for rest on proposals)

**Date, times set for Big Blue Madness**

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Big Blue Madness, the first team practice of the 2001-02 season for the University of Kentucky men's basketball

team, will be held at Memorial Coliseum on Friday, Oct. 12, 2001. This year's event marks the 20th year for Madness at Kentucky and the theme will be entitled, "Midnight Special,"

which was name of the first event held in October, 1982.

Doors open at 10 p.m. and the program begins at 10:30 p.m. The 2001-02 Wildcats will be introduced at midnight. The UK women's volleyball team will play Alabama at 7 p.m. that night in the Coliseum. Should the time of the match run longer than 9:30 p.m., the gym will be cleared and the doors will open 30 minutes after the volleyball game's conclusion.

This is the earliest Madness in school history. NCAA rules permit Division I college basketball teams to begin practice "the closest Saturday to Oct. 15." This year, the first day of official practice begins Oct. 13.

Once again, free tickets to Madness will be offered to the public. On Saturday, Oct. 6, tickets will be distributed at 9 a.m. at the front windows of the Coliseum. Two tickets will be allotted per person. For fans unable to pick up tickets in person, seats also will be available at the same time on UK's official Web site, [ukathletics.com](http://ukathletics.com). A service charge of \$3 will be assessed per Internet order.

**Pay-per-view to be available for Kentucky at South Carolina football game**

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Kentucky at South Carolina football game on Oct. 6 will be televised in both states on a pay-per-view basis.

Cable systems in Kentucky are scheduled to carry the telecast from the VideoSeat pay-per-view service. Fans should contact their local cable system to receive price information and order the game. Not all cable systems in Kentucky will have the event available.

Home satellite dish owners (large C-band dishes) located outside the service areas of the participating cable systems may order the game by calling 800-

887-8277 beginning Monday, Oct. 1.

The game will be made available to Dish Network satellite owners (channel 455). Dish Network subscribers should follow ordering instructions on the TV screen prior to kickoff on game day. No phone orders will be taken for Dish Network subscribers.

Dish Network is the only small-dish service that has the telecast available. The telecast will not be available on DirecTV, PrimeStar, etc.

Game time at Williams-Brice Stadium in Columbia, S.C., is 1 p.m. EDT.

**Gummy Smiles and Receding Gums Can Be Corrected with Periodontal Procedures**

Pikeville—A smile is often one of the first things we notice about another person. Therefore, the appearance of your smile can greatly affect your self-esteem. People who feel they have gummy smiles, often hide their smiles. What they may not know is that a simple surgical procedure would allow them to smile confidently.

"Procedures like tooth whitening and bonding have received a lot of attention as cosmetics procedures for the smile. What many people do not realize is that there are also procedures which can be performed on the gums to enhance the smiles of people who feel their teeth appear too long or too short," said Terry W. Wright, D.M.D., a local periodontist, and member of the American Academy of Periodontology.

The answer for a gummy smile may be crown lengthening, which is the second most popular cosmetic periodontal procedure for patients under age 50, according to a recent poll of periodontists. With crown lengthening, excess gum and bone tissue is recontoured to expose a natural tooth. This can be done to one tooth to even your gum line, or to several teeth to expose a natural, broad smile.

Conversely, some people feel their teeth appear too long. If your tooth root is exposed because your gums have receded, soft tissue grafts can cover exposed roots, reduce further gum recession and protect vulnerable roots from decay.

If you are interested in having the best smile you can, talk with your dental professional. He or she can evaluate your current smile and provide a range of treatments available to help achieve the look you want.

For more information about periodontal disease and cosmetic periodontal procedures, contact Dr. Terry W. Wright, D.M.D., at (606) 437-1942; 1-800-354-4973, or visit the American Academy of Periodontology's web site at [www.perio.org](http://www.perio.org).

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## Amanda McDonald McDonald garners academy promotions

FRONT ROYAL, Va. — Amanda McDonald, the daughter of Jim and Donna Vanover, of Prestonsburg, and the late J.D. McDonald, has been promoted to the top leadership ranks of the Air Force Junior ROTC detachment at Randolph-Macon Academy, Front Royal, Virginia.

In a recent ceremony held at the academy, McDonald was awarded the position of Group Vice Commander for Operations and the rank of Cadet Captain. Only those students with strong academic

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## College CALENDAR

### ALC Appalachia Day Homecoming

Alice Lloyd College will hold its annual Appalachia Day Homecoming celebration on its campus in Pippa Passes in Knott County October 13. The celebration includes exhibits of Appalachian arts and crafts, traditional mountain music, special alumni events, the traditional soup bean supper and an Appalachian authors book signing. The June Buchanan School Theatre Department will also present Little Women.

Registration and events begin at 9 a.m. For more information, call (606) 368-6055 or (606) 368-6044.

### Meet MSU

Morehead State University has several activities designed to introduce the school to prospective students planned during the upcoming week.

There will be two "Meet MSU" nights during the week. The first will take place at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Hilton Suites. On Thursday, another will take place in Paintsville at the Ramada Inn Carriage House at 6:30 p.m.

Next Saturday, MSU will host an open house for future students at the Adron Doran University Center on its campus in Morehead. That event will begin at 9 a.m.

All of the events are free. More information can be obtained by calling (606) 783-2000.

### Book signing

Curt Davis, former superintendent of Elliott County schools, will sign his new book, "Forty Years In The One-Room Schools Of Kentucky," today from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Kentucky Folk Art Center in Morehead.

The book covers Davis' childhood years with eight older brothers and sisters, his schooling at Morehead State, and his work in the county school system. Published by the Jesse Stuart Foundation, his memoir is a 160-page, clothbound book with numerous photographs. The price is \$20.

Born in 1910 on Wells

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# Georgetown establishes new scholarship programs

GEORGETOWN — Georgetown College has established three new scholarship programs aimed toward high school students who are top academic achievers.

"Given our past success in recruiting top students, we feel these targeted scholarships will continue to turn the heads of the best and brightest," said Brian Taylor, director of admissions.

The new programs are the Governors Scholar's, Valedictorian and Black Achiever's scholarships. Every Kentucky student who has participated in the Governors Scholar's or Black Achiever's programs, and valedictorians from any accredited high school worldwide will be awarded one of these scholarships.

The scholarships for the three programs are valued from \$5,000 to \$9,000 a year. Each scholarship is renewable all four years for an overall total of between \$20,000 and \$36,000, provided the college's academic standards are met.

These programs are part of Georgetown's continuing commitment to recognize top scholars. For the 2000-01 academic year, Georgetown awarded

more than \$2.2 million in scholarships.

"These scholarships will greatly benefit the youth of Kentucky," said former Governor Martha Layne Collins, who is executive scholar in residence at Georgetown.

## FYI

Scholarship applications and additional information can be obtained from the Office of Admission: 1-800-788-9985 or at admissions@georgetowncollege.edu.

The Governor's Scholar's concept was formulated in fall 1982 when Collins was lieutenant governor. She refined and expanded it significantly while governor from 1983 to 1987.

To receive a Valedictorian Scholarship, students must be confirmed as the top student by the end of his/her

seventh semester, or be ranked or co-ranked first in the class.

For the 2000-01 academic year, 18 Governor's Scholars and 25 valedictorians enrolled as freshmen at Georgetown.

For the Black Achiever's Scholarship, students must be confirmed as a high-caliber scholar by the Kentucky Black Achiever's organization.

Georgetown College has a goal of attaining the standards necessary to be granted a Phi Beta Kappa honor fraternity chapter. Part of the criteria is the makeup of each new freshman class, which in addition to academics, includes other factors such as leadership ability.

The Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship also has been established because of Georgetown's collaborative efforts with the Phi Theta Kappa honor fraternity. The scholarship is valued at \$5,000 a year for a maximum of two years. Students qualifying for this scholarship must attend a community or junior college and intend to transfer to Georgetown. Before transferring, they must have received associate arts or associate science degrees and be a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

## Johnson named ALC alumna of year

PIPPA PASSES — Dr. Mary Ordell Ray Johnson was recently named the 2001 Alice Lloyd College Alumna of the Year at a banquet held at the campus.

Johnson, of South Williamson, is a native of Floyd County. She attended Wheelwright High School and, in 1951, received a two-year degree from Caney Junior College, which later became Alice Lloyd College.

As one of Lloyd's "Caney Scholars," she earned a bachelor of science degree from the University of Kentucky in 1953 and, in 1957, graduated from the University of Louisville School of Medicine. She performed her internship and pediatric residency at the University of Tennessee Hospital in Knoxville, Tenn.

Earlier this year, Johnson retired from a successful 40-year career as a pediatric physician in the South Williamson community.

Johnson first practiced at the Miner's

Hospital, which later became part of the Appalachian Regional Healthcare system. She was instrumental in establishing the Highlands Clinic located next door to the hospital, where she operated a private pediatric practice.

Through the years, Johnson volunteered her medical services to the Head Start program and no child was ever turned away from her office without assistance.

In 1981, the clinic was sold to ARH and proceeds from the sale were used to establish the Ephraim McDowell Foundation, which offers scholarships to local students pursuing medical careers.

Johnson's involvement in professional and civic organizations includes Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi and Alpha Omega Alpha. She is a member of the American Board of Pediatrics and is a fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Throughout her career, she has been a guest speaker for many schools and orga-

nizations.

Dr. Johnson credits Alice Lloyd's influence as her inspiration for becoming a pediatrician. She fondly recalls the school's founder telling her that she could do whatever she wanted in life and says that, because of Lloyd's encouragement, she was able to achieve professional and personal goals.

In appreciation of her own education at Caney Creek, Johnson has established the Ordell Ray Johnson Fund, an endowment for scholarships, to help ensure that current ALC students also have the opportunity to achieve their educational goals.

Dr. Johnson and her husband, Charles, have four children — Charles Edward Johnson II, Bryan Keith Johnson, Shawn Ray Johnson and Bruce Ashley Johnson — as well as seven grandchildren.

During her retirement, Johnson enjoys spending time with her family and catching up on many of her favorite activities.

## Governor Patton awards \$9,002 to EKU Center for Appalachian studies

FRANKFORT — Governor Paul E. Patton presented Eastern Kentucky University Center for Appalachia Studies a Kentucky Flex-E-Grant totaling \$9,002 for "The Headwaters Project"—Teaching Research Effort on Relationship of Economic Development and Water Quality Issues in Letcher County.

The Kentucky Flex-E-Grant Program for Economically Distressed Counties is a mini-grant program that provides short-term assistance to "distressed"

Appalachian counties for economic development projects, designed to better prepare communities to deal with development issues.

"The major challenge that tests our efforts to improve the economic and demographic profiles of Appalachian Kentucky, is relieving the conditions that contribute to economic distress," said Governor Patton. "These are conditions that lead to increases in unemployment, increases in the poverty rate, and decreases in per capita income."

EKU's study will be a teaching and research effort that focuses on the relationship between economic development and water quality issues in the county. The project's purpose is to expand and improve the county's civic capacity by developing tools that will help citizens and community leaders better understand and monitor how land use decisions affect water quality, public health, natural environment and stable economic futures.

Kentucky's Flex-E-Grant Program is an initiative sponsored by the Appalachian Regional Commission and is administered by the Department for Local Government. Recipients are selected by a committee consisting of representatives from the Appalachian Regional Commission, The Kentucky Appalachian Commission, The Kentucky Appalachian Advisory Council and the Department for Local Government.

For the current fiscal year, Kentucky has \$377,000 for distribution through this program. First round awards to 21 recipients total \$224,008. The balance of the funds will be available for second round awards that will be announced later this fall.

The term flex-e-grant is used, because the program enlists a flexible approach that allows local communities to tailor their approach to fit the development needs of the local area. All projects funded by this grant fall into five categories.

Developing strategic development plans, implementing existing development plans, building leadership skills and fostering civic involvement, conducting market research activities to identify tactics that would target impediments to development, and assessing the performance of existing development programs.

## Local student accepted into Auburn veterinary school

HUEYSVILLE — Shawn Tussey, the son of Bill and Priscilla Tussey, of Hueysville, has been admitted to the professional program of Auburn University's College of Veterinary Medicine as a member of the class of 2005.

Tussey is a 2001 graduate of the University of Kentucky food science program, and is a 1996 graduate of Allen Central High School.

The AU College of Veterinary Medicine is the official veterinary college for Kentucky, dating back to an agreement in 1946 through the Southern Regional Education Board.

AU's veterinary program, the oldest in the south, has been a continuous program since 1892 and has graduated more than 5,300 doctors of veterinary medicine since the first degrees were formally awarded in 1909. Of these graduates, more than 1,100 have been from the Commonwealth of Kentucky.



■ Shawn Tussey



■ Steve Estep

## Estep joins HCC staff

HAZARD — Steve Estep is the new Learning Center Coordinator at Hazard Community College. He also has been named chair for the Division of Developmental Studies and Educational Support Services. As chair, he will supervise activities of the Learning Center, Student Support Services Program, Ready to Work Program as well as the faculty who teach developmental courses.

"Steve is an excellent choice to head this new division for the college which coordinates a variety of academic support services to focus on student success," noted Dr. R. Kathy Smoot, HCC provost and academic dean. "With the implementation of a statewide student assessment and placement policy this year, and our college's overall emphasis on student retention, the need for this unit is greater than ever."

Estep said he looks forward to his role which involves providing tutoring to students in any subject where they need assistance.

"I will work to help any student, no matter what the subject, regardless of any barriers, to help them succeed," Estep said.

Estep noted some students may need help just making the transition from high school to college and he can coordinate that transition.

"Sometimes the help we provide is more than academic," he said.

Students needing help with math is the number-one attraction to the Learning Center, Estep said, but the center also serves as a place for those wanting to use a computer, study, do research or receive tutoring in other subjects.

Since joining the faculty at HCC, Estep said he noticed how all the other HCC employees have the students' needs foremost in their minds.

"I'm proud to be part of a staff where we all have the same goal," Estep said.

Estep holds a bachelor's degree in English from Berea College and a master's degree in English from Morehead State University.

Prior to joining HCC, Estep spent 10 years in the classroom. He was an English teacher at Pike

(See ESTEP, page two)



## Tackett accepted to U of L school of law

Ashley Tackett, the daughter of Paul David and Anita Tackett, of Teaberry, has been accepted into the University of Louisville Brandies School of Law. Tackett graduated magna cum laude from Eastern Kentucky University in May of this year. She is the granddaughter of Purvis and Ruby Hamilton, of Craynor, and Meryl Tackett, of Teaberry, and the late Walker Tackett.

# EKU alumni, friends invited to Homecoming 2001

RICHMOND — Eastern Kentucky University graduates, their families and other friends of the University are invited to the Richmond campus Oct. 18-20 for Homecoming 2001.

Thousands are expected for a week full of floats, football, family fun and fellowship.

"Eastern is fortunate to have so many loyal alumni and friends," said Dr. Skip Daugherty, associate vice president and executive direc-

tor of the University's Alumni Association, "and it's always exciting to see them back on campus."

Activities get under way the afternoon of Thursday, Oct. 18 with a College of Justice & Safety Golf Tournament at Arlington, followed by a reception from 7 to 9 p.m. Also, the University Singers will perform a free concert at 8 that evening in Brock Auditorium.

Activities on Friday, Oct. 19

include the College of Justice & Safety Professional Development Speaker Series, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Stratton Building. Featured speaker Keith Rhodes will address "Youth Gangs and Youth Violence: Impact on Schools and Community." Afternoon workshops are designed to give community workers, juvenile justice practitioners and educators specific skills to identify gangs and reduce violence in their communi-

ties. The registration fee is \$50 per person.

The Justice & Safety Alumni Society Awards Banquet will be held at 7 p.m. Friday in Stratton Cafeteria. The cost is \$20 per person. For reservations or more information about College of Justice & Safety events throughout Homecoming, call 859-622-8244.

Activities on Saturday, Oct. 20 include the 24th annual Homecoming Race and Parade at 10 a.m. along the traditional Lancaster Avenue-Main Street route. For race entry information, call 859-622-1244. To register an entry in the Parade, call 859-622-1260.

The largest tailgate party on campus, the Colonel Country Fair, follows from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Alumni Coliseum Parking Lot. The Fair will feature carnival booths, entertainment and a variety of foods on- and off-campus vendors and restaurants. In addition, numerous campus departments and organizations have scheduled reunions at the Fair, as well as throughout the weekend at

various locations.

At 4 p.m., the Colonels will take on Ohio Valley Conference rival Tennessee Tech at Roy Kidd

## FYI

A complete listing of Homecoming events is available at [www.homecoming.eku.edu](http://www.homecoming.eku.edu) or by calling the Alumni Relations Office at 859-622-1260 or, toll-free in Kentucky, 1-800-262-7493, ext. 1260.

Stadium.

The coronation of a Homecoming King and Queen will be held at halftime. Game tickets

may be reserved by calling the EKU athletic ticket office, toll-free in Kentucky, 1-800-262-7493, ext. 3654, or 859-622-2122, or visiting [www.athletics.eku.edu](http://www.athletics.eku.edu).

From 3 p.m. until the end of the game, the Departments of Athletics and Leisure Studies will offer recreational programming for children ages 4-10. The fee is \$10 for the first child and \$5 for each additional child. Pre-registration is required; call the Athletic Department at 859-622-6501 or Dr. Jon McChesney at 859-622-1835.

At 7 p.m. Saturday in the Grise Room of the Combs Building, Peter Cook will tell his original stories in American Sign Language.

The event, hosted by the Interpreter Training Program Association and the Blue Grass American Sign Language Teacher Association, costs \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. Children under 5 are free.

## EKU, HCC combine to meet shortage of social workers

RICHMOND — An increasing number of area residents are taking advantage of a cooperative agreement between Eastern Kentucky University and Hazard Community College that allows them to complete a baccalaureate degree in social work.

The degree is from EKU but, thanks to the partnership between the two institutions, the entire program is available at HCC.

"We're all approaching this with great enthusiasm," said Dr. Pat Peacock, who coordinates the EKU social work classes at the College. "The students are as excited as I am about this opportunity."

And with good reason. Peacock said the average student in her classes drives 35 minutes, and some as much as 90 minutes, and that's to HCC. It doesn't take a college degree to see that a two-hour-plus trip to EKU's Richmond campus is a difficult proposition at best, especially for married students with families and jobs.

"Most of our students work full time," Peacock noted, "so this is a big plus."

Area social agencies are

eagerly awaiting the graduates. "We're targeting an area where there has been a paucity of qualified social workers," Peacock said. "These are homegrown students who plan to stay in the area."

The agreement allows students a seamless transition in obtaining their bachelor's degree in social work. Courses needed to meet general education requirements and for the two-year human services degree are offered by HCC.

The necessary support courses required for the social work degree are available through a combination of courses offered by EKU and HCC, with Eastern offering all the upper division (junior and senior level) classes.

The program offered in Hazard is identical to the Bachelor of Social Work program offered at EKU's Richmond campus. All course syllabi, course content, texts and practicum activity is the same at both locations.

"This is a big commitment on the part of both institutions," said Peacock, a visiting assistant professor with 10 years teaching experience.

## Mayo Tech College to offer Fire/Rescue degree program

PAINTSVILLE — Bobby McCool, dean and chief administrative officer for Mayo Technical College has received official notification from the Commission on Occupational Education that the commission has approved an

Associate in applied science fire/rescue science technology degree program for the Mayo Technical College. This 65 hour degree program will not only be taught on the campuses of the Mayo but in fire stations throughout the region.

Bob Barringer, Area Eleven

State Fire Rescue Training coordinator said, "We are here to serve the firefighters of this region and to help prepare men and women who want to become firefighters and get a degree at the same time."

Non-degree training is also available to those who desire it. For more information contact the Mayo Technical College at 606-789-5321 or State Fire Rescue Training at 1-888-302-8935.

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## Faculty to present musical talent at MSU

MOREHEAD — The Annual Faculty Showcase Recital, featuring the talents of faculty members in the Department of Music at Morehead State University, has been rescheduled for Thursday, Oct. 4.

The program will begin at 8 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall on the campus.

"This will be an evening for relaxing and enjoying a variety of musical styles," said Dr. Christopher Gallaher, department chair. "For the continuing support of our patrons to the music programs, we offer this special performance with no admission charge."

Among those providing entertainment will be:

■ Dr. L. Curtis Hammond, horn; Dr. Ricky Little, voice; Frank Oddis, drums; Dr. Roma Prindle, voice; Dr. Robert Pritchard, flute; Dr. Gordon Towell, saxophones; and Dr. John Viton, oboe, all associate professors.

■ Michael Acord, clarinet;

Dr. Stacy Baker, tuba; Suanne Blair, cello; Sandra Derby, harpichord; Timothy Durbin, violin; Dr. Jeanie Lee, trombone; Dr. David Oyen, bassoon; Raymond Ross, guitar; and Steven Snyder, piano; all assistant professors.

■ Deb Eastwood, trumpet, and Janean Freeman, voice, adjunct instructors; Amy K. Jones, visiting assistant professor, trumpet; and Mary Ellen McNeill, staff accompanist, piano.

Also performing during the evening will be MSU senior J. T. Cure of Elkhorn City, bass.

Throughout the year, faculty members present recitals that feature works of a particular composer or programs with a particular theme. Dr. Gallaher noted, "On this occasion, they usually present pieces that are their favorites."

Additional information on the faculty showcase or other recitals is available by calling the Department of Music at (606) 783-2473.

## Estep

County Central High School and Allen Central High School. He has served as an adjunct faculty member for both Pikeville College and Prestonsburg Community College.

Estep also worked as an independent living specialist at Morehead State University where he worked with individuals with disabilities.

Prior to that he was a special education teacher for the Johnson County School System.

He is a member of four state and national education associations and is a published writer.

Estep and his wife Connie have a 2-year-old, Emma. Connie Estep is the director of the Booth Scholarship Program at Pikeville College.

## Morehead offers 'Octubafest' concerts

MOREHEAD — Morehead State University's Department of Music and the International Tuba Euphonium Association will present Octubafest 2001, a series of October concerts featuring instruments of the tuba family.

All events, held in Duncan Recital Hall in Baird Music Hall, are free and open to the public.

Concerts are scheduled for 3 and 8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 11. Other events include:

■ Thursday, Oct. 18, 8 p.m., guest recital by Dr. Ken Kroesche, on euphonium. He is an associate professor of low brass at Western Carolina University.

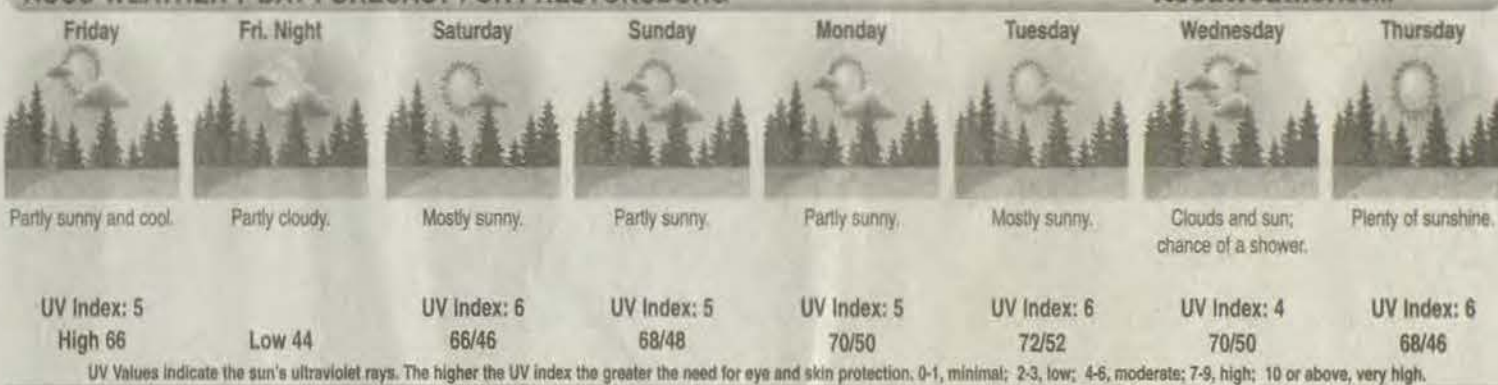
■ Sunday, Oct. 21, 3 p.m., junior recital by Robby Payne of Elizabethtown, on tuba.

■ Tuesday, Oct. 23, 8 p.m., guest recital by Dr. Jeffrey Jarvis, on tuba. He is an associate professor of tuba and euphonium at East Carolina University.

■ Thursday, Oct. 25, 8 p.m., "Spocktubafest," a concert by the MSU Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble. Audience members may come dressed in costume as their favorite characters from Star Trek, Star Wars or other science fiction movies.

Additional information is available from Dr. Stacy Baker, assistant professor of music, by calling (606) 783-2107, or by e-mail to [s.baker@morehead-st.edu](mailto:s.baker@morehead-st.edu).

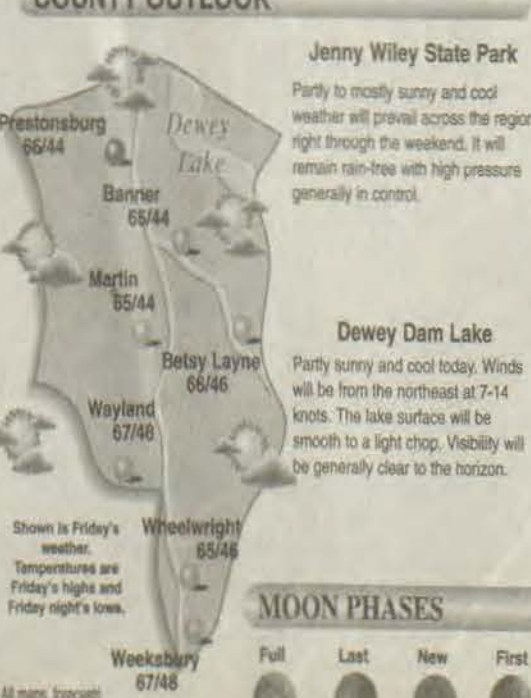
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Alexandria, VA	67	51	s	69	51	pc	70	55	pc	72	56	s	73	54	s
Beckley, WV	62	42	pc	65	43	s	64	46	s	64	46	s	66	44	s
Bristol, TN	66	44	s	70	46	s	70	47	s	69	47	s	71	47	s
Charleston, WV	64	43	pc	72	44	s	70	47	s	68	48	s	70	47	s
Cincinnati, OH	64	44	pc	66	46	s	68	48	s	66	46	s	72	48	s
Clarksville, TN	74	52	s	74	53	s	75	50	s	76	52	s	76	46	s
Evansville, IN	72	44	s	71	50	s	74	48	s	74	49	s	72	48	s
Frankfort	69	42	s	73	44	s	73	48	s	69	46	s	69	47	s
Huntington, WV	64	42	pc	72	47	s	70	47	s	68	47	s	69	47	s
Indianapolis, IN	66	44	pc	68	46	s	70	48	s	71	46	s	70	48	s
Jackson	63	46	s	73	47	s	72	50	s	69	49	s	72	49	s
Knoxville, TN	72	49	s	71	50	s	72	50	s	72	50	s	72	49	s
Lexington	66	45	pc	70	47	s	72	48	s	69	48	s	69	49	s
Louis	66	45	s	70	48	s	71	49	s	70	49	s	71	47	s
Marion	73	48	s	71	50	s	73	49	s	74	48	s	72	49	s
Memphis, TN	76	54	s	74	54	pc	76	56	pc	78	54	s	78	52	s
Nashville, TN	73	51	s	72	54	s	73	52	s	75	50	s	74	50	s
Paintsville	66	46	s	72	48	s	70	50	s	71	50	s	72	48	s
Peoria, IL	66	45	s	68	47	s	66	49	s	69	50	s	70	48	s
Pontiac, OH	65	41	pc	70	45	s	71	45	s	68	46	s	69	45	s
Salyersville	66	46	s	72	48	s	70	50	s	71	50	s	72	48	s
Tazewell, VA	64	44	s	72	45	s	69	48	s	66	46	sh	66	44	s
Valley Station	68	46	pc	70	46	s	72	50	s	74	52	s	73	49	s
Wheeling, WV	60	42	pc	66	44	s	68	48	s	66	48	pc	69	43	s
Williamson, WV	66	45	s	70	48	s	71	50	s	71	50	s	68	48	s
Winchester	66	47	s	78	50	s	76	49	s	76	50	s	74	49	s

### COUNTY OUTLOOK



### ALMANAC

Jackson for the week ending Sep. 25.

**Temperatures:**

High for the week	83°
Low for the week	42°
Normal high	75°
Normal low	57°
Average temperature	63.6°
Normal average temperature	66.0°
Temperature departure	-2.4°

**Precipitation:**

Total for the week	0.83"
Total for the month	1.09"
Total for the year	28.59"
% of normal this month	35%
% of normal this year	77%

**SUN AND MOON**

	Sunrise	Sunset
Fri	7:24 a.m.	7:19 p.m.
Sat	7:25 a.m.	7:17 p.m.
Sun	7:26 a.m.	7:16 p.m.

	Moonrise	Moonset
Fri	5:51 p.m.	3:29 a.m.
Sat	6:21 p.m.	4:27 a.m.
Sun	6:49 p.m.	5:24 a.m.

**MOON PHASES**

Full	Oct 2
Last	Oct 10
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First	Oct 23

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### DUCK, COOT & MERGANSER

■ Statewide: November 22, 2001 – January 20, 2002

■ Ducks: Bag limit – 6 ducks which may include no more than 4 Mallards (only 2 of which may be hens), 3 Scaup, 2 Wood Ducks, 2 Redheads, 1 Pintail, 1 Black Duck and 1 Canvasback.

### NOTE:

■ Canvasback ducks – January 1 – 20, 2002 ONLY

■ Bag limit – 1 Possession limit – 2

■ Coots: Daily limit – 15

■ Mergansers: Daily limit is 5, only 1 of which may be a hooded merganser.

■ Possession limit: Double the daily bag limit.

### CANADA GOOSE

■ Combined daily bag limit for dark geese (Canada, white-fronted and brant) is 6, with no more than 2

Canadas, 2 white-fronted, and 2 brant. Possession limit for dark geese is double the daily bag limit.

■ Western Goose Zone: December 13, 2001 – January 31, 2002 (except the portion of Fulton Co. in Western Goose Zone extends to February 15, 2002.)

■ Pennyrite-Coalfield Goose Zone (including West Central Canada Goose sub-zone): December 13, 2001 – January 31, 2002

■ Eastern Goose Zone: December 13, 2001 – January 31, 2002

■ Northeast Goose Zone: January 16, 2002 – January 31, 2002

### WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE

■ Statewide: November 22, 2001 – January 31, 2002

### SNOW GOOSE

■ Daily bag limit for

snow geese (including Ross' geese) is 20. There is NO Possession limit for Snow Geese.

■ Regular Season: November 22, 2001 – February 3, 2002 (In the portion of Fulton County in the Western Goose Zone, the regular season extends through February 15.)

■ Conservation Order Season: February 4 – March 31, 2002 (In the portion of Fulton County in the Western Goose Zone – February 16 – March 31, 2002)

### YOUTH WATER- FOWL SEASON

■ Eastern Zone: October 13 & 14, 2001

■ Western Zone: February 2 – 3, 2001

■ Bag and possession limits are the same as for the regular duck and goose seasons.



Elk have made a glorious return to Eastern and Southeastern Kentucky.

## Tips for viewing wildlife

Much of the excitement of wildlife viewing stems from the fact that you can never be sure of what you will see. While many species are difficult to view under the best of circumstances, there are several things you can do to greatly increase your chances of seeing wild animals in their natural environment.

■ Prepare for your outing. Always carry water, even in winter. Dress appropriately for the area, season and day's weather. Weather conditions can change rapidly and may vary markedly from one day to the next, especially in spring and fall.

■ Visit when animals are active. The first and last hours of daylight are most productive. Many animals and

(See TIPS, page 8)





submitted photo

Bill Sumner of southern Perry County killed this deer, which still had the velvet on its rack. Sumner's photo was recently posted at Rolane's hunting goods department in Hazard. The store has hundreds of hunting photos, and posts all the notices about hunting seasons and events. The store just sold an elk call.

Outdoor Supplies...

## New outdoor, hunting gear available for fall

■ **SWEENEY** expands wildlife feeder line. Sweeney's AF1100 and AF1300 directional feeders have 100- and 300-pound capacities, respectively, and are offered in galvanized steel and hunter green. A remote control adds convenience and effectiveness. The remote activates the feeder from up to 50 yards away.

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■ **LOC-ON** releases the Scorpion. The Scorpion climbing tree stand is easy to transport and install. The stand's sling-style seat can be posi-

## Helpful tips listed on using camping heaters, stoves

Summer is winding down and Labor Day weekend is over. For millions of nature lovers that means there are only a few weeks left to hit the great outdoors. And many of today's campers rely on propane fueled stoves, lanterns, and heaters to make their trip enjoyable.

Employees of the Hazard Ferrellgas office are helping area campers prepare for a safe camping trip by providing a list of outdoor equipment safety tips, compiled by the National Propane Gas Association and Ferrellgas.

"Proper use of camping equipment will ensure you and your family many years of enjoyment of the great outdoors," District Manager Kim Thompson said. "We want everyone to be properly informed so they can have a safe camping experience."

### Overall Tips:

■ First and foremost, make sure you read and understand all warnings supplied by the manufacturer and propane supplier, and always follow the manufac-

turer's instructions.

■ Make sure that the shelter or camper is adequately ventilated at all time.

■ Never leave the stove, lantern, or heater burning overnight or unattended.

■ Have your propane-fueled camping appliances checked periodically (at least once a year) by qualified technician to ensure they are functioning properly.

### Camp stove tips:

■ Never use a propane stove in an enclosed area. It should be located in an open, well-ventilated area away from shrubs, dry wood, or other combustibles.

■ Secure the stove on a level, nonflammable surface.

■ If ignition does not occur immediately, turn off the gas, wait a sufficient time for the gas to clear, and try again.

■ Never leave a hot stove unattended. Always turn it off, allowing it to cool before moving it.

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## Wal-Mart FLW Tour Championship canceled

GILBERTSVILLE — The nation's premier bass fishing event, the Wal-Mart FLW Tour championship, originally scheduled for Sept. 12-15 in New York and postponed in light of the attack on our nation has been canceled. The \$450,000 purse will be divided among the 100 contestants.

Operation Bass, the company responsible for the Wal-Mart FLW Tour, decided to cancel the championship event after officials consulted with anglers and sponsors. Television commitments and time elements also played a role in the decision according to Operation Bass president Charlie Hoover.

Contestants in the professional division will split a \$385,000 purse and receive \$7,700 each, while competitors in the co-angler division will divide a \$65,000 purse and receive \$1,300 apiece. The Wal-Mart FLW Tour championship is a no-entry-fee event.

As a result of the cancellation, the Wal-Mart FLW Tour Championship show that was originally scheduled to air on ESPN at 3 p.m. EST Oct. 14 and ESPN 2 at 10 a.m. EST Dec. 21 will be replaced by the Wal-Mart RCL Walleye Circuit championship to be held in Green Bay, Wis., Oct. 3-6.

"We are managing our business in a manner consistent with our desire to accommodate as many of our anglers and sponsors as possible while remaining sensitive to the unspeakable human tragedy unfolding around us," Hoover said. "As Americans our thoughts and prayers go out to all the victims and their families. We will now move forward with our business, making adjustments as the situation dictates."

Sponsors of the 2001 Wal-Mart FLW Tour are ALPO Pet Foods, BFGoodrich Tires, Black & Decker, Chevrolet, CITGO, Coleman, Conesco, Energizer, EverStart Batteries, Frito-Lay, Fujifilm, Kellogg's, Land O'Lakes, Lowrance, Mercury Marine, Minn Kota, Pepsi, Plano Tackle Systems, Poulan, Ranger Boats, Shop-Vac, Snickers Cruncher Bar, Timex, US Bank, Visa, Wal-Mart, Weed Eater, Wrangler and Yamaha Outboards. ACDelco spark plugs and oil filters, David sunflower seeds, ACT II, Excalibur, Strike King, Eagle Claw and Daiwa are associate sponsors of the 2001 tour.



An abundance of elk roam in other parts of the United States out of Kentucky. Elk have once again populated Eastern Kentucky.

## National Rifle Association runs service to assist hunters with disabilities

In its ongoing effort to expand hunting, archery and fishing opportunities for this nation's growing population with physical disabilities, NRA Disabled Shooting Services is offering a free packet of information. This first-of-a-kind educational packet will assist disabled sportsmen in learning about adaptive equipment specifically designed to help them better enjoy their favorite outdoor activity. The packet also contains valuable information about popular over-the-counter items that have been proven to be helpful to a sportsman with a disability.

Among the unique items for assisting disabled hunters is a powered deer stand that lifts the mobility impaired sportsman up into place, a wheelchair accessible ATV, two types of wheelchair rifle support mounts, an insulated hunting suit designed to allow easy entry by a person with limb impairment, and a long eye relief rifle scope for those who are partnering with a blind hunter.

For the sportsman who prefers non-firearm hunting, there is information on a fiberglass vest that makes archery a

real possibility for those who have lost the use of one arm and crossbow with an automatic cocking device for a hunter with reduced arm strength.

Since many hunters also enjoy fishing, NRA Disabled Shooting Services has included a catalog with new assortment of adaptive fishing gear. Appearing in the catalog is an electric powered reel, a rod holder for a one-armed fisherman, a wheelchair rod mount, an automatic casting device, and an ingenious knot typing block for fisherman with hand

dexterity problems.

Probably one of the most elusive items of information to locate is the names of professional outfitters who are equipped and willing to work with a disabled sportsman. Dave Baskin, manager of NRA Disabled Shooting Services, has research and placed in the packet a number of brochures from cooperating outfitters. In order to receive the free NRA Disabled Sportmen's Packet, simply call Dave Baskin at (703) 267-1495.



Arnold Combs of Perry County displayed this whitetail deer he recently killed.

## Turkey hunting begins early in the morning

STAFF REPORT

Hit the woods early and listen for a melody of tree-yelping and clucking on a hardwood ridge or hillside. Young hens may cackle at fly-down time. On a warm October morning a tom might even boom a gobble. After pitching out of his tree at first light, he might cut loose an aggravated purr to challenge other toms in the pecking order. You can hear flock talk and the thumping of descending wings for 200 to 400 yards on a clam morning.

Try to maneuver between roosted birds and a major food source nearby—fresh acorns, a grain field, a pasture with grasshoppers, etc. Set up in a "cut-off zone" and cluck, yelp and purr. A whole flock heading for breakfast might not come to your calls, but a curious bird or two might peel off and stray into shooting range.

During the midmorning and early-afternoon hours, hike logging roads, horse trails, power lines...you get the idea. Walk below the crests of ridges—don't skyline—where you can see flats, hollows, creek bottoms and fields below. Pause frequently to look and listen for turkeys (use a binocular). If you spot or hear a flock scratching leaves or yelping and purring, sneak close and call.

You can also have a blast by busting birds. Try to circle above a flock, handle your shotgun safely and sprint into the turkeys, yelling like a madman and barking and yipping like a dog (don't laugh, it works!). Get wild and try to scatter the birds in all directions.

Then study em' as they fly away. Hens and poults? Longbeards? Jakes? It helps to know so that you can tailor your assembly calling to the task at hand. For example, you don't want to kee-kee like a jenny hen to a busted 3-year-old tom. He won't come back to that. He's listening for gobble clucks and yelps.

Set up at the break site. If you flushed young birds, give 'em 20 minutes or so before yelping and kee-kee-

(See TURKEY, page 8)



courtesy of Rolane's Hardware Store

Wild turkey

## Red River Gorge

by **BRITTANY GREER**  
STAFF WRITER

One of the best outdoor activities for the fall is camping. Since most state parks close their campgrounds in October, many people are left wondering where to pitch a tent. Two of this area's best places for wilderness camping are the Red River Gorge Geological Area, near Slade, and the Redbird Wilderness, located in Leslie County. Both are included in portions of the Daniel Boone National Forest.

The Gorge contains over sixty miles of trails on which to hike and camp. The longest of these trails is the Sheltolee Trace, stretching for 268 miles. Its southern point is ten miles below the Kentucky/Tennessee border. It runs along the Cumberland Falls, through the Daniel Boone Forest and Red River Gorge, ending north of Moorehead, Ky. The Redbird district includes a fifty-two mile

loop trail. This trail, unlike most in the Gorge area, is open to horseback and ATV riders.

There are only a few restrictions to camping. First, a recreational pass is needed for vehicles parked between the hours of 10:00pm and 6:00am. These passes can be purchased in area gas stations or through district rangers. The cost ranges from \$3 per day up to \$30 annually. No camping is permitted within 300 feet of any road, within sight of any established trail, or in a developed recreation area. These are not established campsites. All are primitive with no facilities. Due to the remoteness of these sites, one should come equipped with a first aid kit and knowledge of how to use it. Like the Boy Scouts say, "Be prepared." For more information on the regulations of wilderness camping or vehicles on the trails contact the USDA Forest Service at 606.745.3100.

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# What's a girl to do? Become an Outdoors-Woman

There are lots of things a woman could do with her time, and unfortunately too

much of it is already spoken for. The everyday routine is carved in stone for most,

and sometimes it's tough to get a break from it.

Yet, for those who need a change of pace, and can whittle out a weekend this September, there's a great chance to step out of the crowd, explore some new territory, and escape from the same old leisure time activities.

The becoming an

Outdoors-Woman Program is an opportunity for continuing education for women, but it's really closer to a chance to enjoy a weekend of continuous fun in the outdoors, make new friends and learn a little something useful along the way.

Sponsored by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR), the Becoming an Outdoors-Woman, or BOW Program for short, offers women 18 years old and older a lot of choices. And, unlike the WTBS weekend movie, this isn't just "a guy thing." The outdoors offers recreation for all.

Workshop classes include hiking, backpacking, survival skills, introduction to safe handling of firearms and archery equipment, basic fishing and hunting skills, wildlife and bird identification, wildlife photography, edible and medicinal plants and tips on general woodsmanship.

If doing something a little different - getting a bit off the beaten track, or if you need to shake the summer doldrums and experiencing something besides

the ordinary sounds appealing to you, consider a BOW Workshop. Women with like interests will be there to learn with you as you become introduced to the wildlife-related recreation that surrounds you.

For \$150, participants can select up to four classes, get meals and lodging, and receive qualified instruction. Most sessions are geared to beginners.

The next BOW workshop was held September 21-23 at the Kentucky Leadership Center in Jabez on scenic Lake Cumberland. Registration is going on now and workshop size is limited, so for more information you need to call toll free 800-858-1549 today. You'll be sent a registration and class selection form. All you do is complete it and return it with the workshop fee. All other arrangements are taken care of for you.

Becoming an Outdoors-Woman - it will increase your knowledge, your skills and your confidence, but most of all, it will open your eyes to a whole new world of the enjoyment of nature and the outdoors for a lifetime.



## ELK QUOTA HUNT WINNERS

Ten lucky people were drawn for Kentucky's first elk hunt in more than 150 years during a July 28 festival in Hazard.

Those drawn for a bull elk permit (by order of draw) include:

- Tracy Cerise, Lexington
- Eugene "Gene" LeBrun Jr., Ashland
- Jimmy Garrett, Jeffersonton
- Elihu "Buddy" Hoagland III, Island

Those drawn for a cow elk permit (by order of draw) include:

- Tosh Akers, Grethel
- Richard Ikerd, Somerset
- James Durham, Bowling Green
- Billy Hayes, Stanford
- Kenneth Taulbee, Augusta
- Robert Edwards, Hardin

A total of 9,235 people applied for the elk draw. The winners, whose ages range from 23 to 70, are all Kentucky residents from throughout the state.

Children recruited from the audience drew name cards from a large drum, in front of a crowd of more than 100 people.

The state auditor's office oversaw the drawing to ensure fairness.

Two of the winning permit applications were sold over the Internet; three at large retail stores; three by telephone; one at a county clerk's office; and one at a local bait shop. All the winning permit applications were sold before the May 31 general deadline.

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On Sunday, October 7 at 2:00 p.m. join biologist and educator Laurie Davison for a lesson on reading Tracks, Scat, and Other "Sign." See how you can track and find winter wildlife using a few simple facts about their behavior and looking for the "sign" they leave behind.

We'll search for tracks, droppings, escape tunnels, nests, and more, all left by wildlife that call the Salato Wildlife Education

Center "home." Cost: \$5.00. Class size is limited, please call ahead to register. Program is subject to cancellation due to bad weather.

### FYI

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## Outdoors

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■ **TOMORROW'S RE-SOURCES UNLIMITED** offers the Grizzly Release. The Grizzly glove-style release uses closed-cell foam for greater comfort and sweat resistance. The release folds away for easy climbing and allows archers to wear gloves while shooting. The Grizzly is available with caliper jaws or with TRU Ball's LoopMaster rope-loop style head.

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■ **WINCHESTER** releases .300 Short magnum ammo. The .300 WSM's short, fat case increases the efficiency of powder burn, creating velocities equal to the conventional .300 Win. Mag., but with 10 percent less powder weight. The cartridge's short design and high performance allow shooters to gain .300 magnum power in short-action rifles. Winchester offers .300 WSM ammunition in Supreme and Super-X varieties.

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■ **TREE-LOUNGE** improves its climbing stand line. Tree-Lounge's improved stand is 20 percent lighter than the original and features a hunter green powder finish. The redesigned 19-pound stand has an expanded seating area, a 1,400-pound static weight capacity, rounded metal corners and innovative straps for greater carrying comfort. The Tree-Lounge also uses a climbing pin, telescoping control knobs, and a cinch strap for easier and more stable climbing.

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Billy Begley shot this European Fallow deer in western Kentucky.

photo submitted



## Turkey

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ing. But if they were mature gobblers, wait another 30 minutes. Whenever turkeys begin assembly talking on their own, call back and mimic the calls they're making.

Keep slipping around the woods and looking and listening for turkeys. If you scatter a flock late, say after 3:30 p.m. or so, the birds might wait until the next

morning to reassemble. Return to the flush site at dawn and you're almost guaranteed to hear clucking and yelping, and it will probably be louder and more animated than normal. Lost birds that roost alone for the night are eager to find their flock mates the next morning. They might fly down and run to your first calls.

## Tips

birds are quite active before or after storms or on cloudy summer days.

■ Wildlife viewing is often seasonal. Many species are present only during certain times of year. Waterfowl and shorebirds are best viewed when they migrate through Kentucky in large numbers. Bald eagles may be seen only in certain months.

Use field guides. Pocket field guides are essential for positive identification of many animals.

■ Use binoculars or a spotting scope. Viewing aids bridge the distance between you and wild animals. Binoculars come in different sizes such as 7x35, 8x40, 10x50. The first number refers to how large the animal will be magnified compared to the naked eye. The second number refers to the diameter of the lens that faces the animal. The larger this number, the greater the amount of light entering the lens - which means better viewing in dim light.

■ Move slowly and quietly. When you arrive at a viewing site, you can employ several strategies for getting close to wildlife. You can stay in your vehicle and wait for animals to pass by, or you can find a comfortable place, sit down and remain still. Walk into the wind if possible, as a blind. Wear dark-colored clothes or camouflage.

■ Enjoy wildlife at a distance. You can actually harm the wildlife you care about by getting too close. Move away

from an animal if it stops feeding and raises its head sharply, appears nervous, stands up suddenly or changes its direction of travel. Causing animals to run or move in winter forces them to use critical energy reserves needed to survive.

■ Never touch orphaned or sick animals, especially skunks or raccoons. In Kentucky, skunks and raccoons may carry diseases harmful to humans. Young wild animals that appear to be

alone usually have parents waiting nearby.

■ Some wildlife may be dangerous. Maintain a safe distance from black bears, especially sows with cubs; white-tailed deer bucks and elk bulls in fall and bobcats any time of year.

■ Honor the rights of private landowners. About 95% of Kentucky is privately owned. Always get permission before entering private property.

# Addington WMA closed during elk hunts

Addington Wildlife Management Area (WMA) near Hazard in Perry, Knott and Breathitt Counties will be closed during Kentucky's first elk hunt in 150 years.

Addington WMA will be closed to public access from October 6 through October 12. During this time, only those drawn for the elk hunt can be on the WMA.

The Addington WMA will also be closed to the public from December 1 through December 7 for the antlerless elk hunt.

Addington WMA is open to squirrel hunting, rabbit and quail, grouse, fall archery turkey, archery deer, muzzleloading and youth deer hunt weekend (modern firearms are not permitted). The only firearms hunting allowed for deer on Addington WMA is muzzleloading.

There is a \$12.50 user permit required to enter Addington WMA for recreational purposes. The user permit is available wherever licenses are sold.

Grouse Season Opens October 1 for Selected Wildlife Management Areas

Grouse season will open on October 1 and close December 31 for selected Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) in eastern Kentucky. The WMAs opening October 1 are: Beaver Creek WMA (McCreary and

County, open Oct. 1-9 and Nov. 12-Dec. 31), Lake Cumberland WMA (Clinton, Pulaski, Russell and Wayne Counties, closed opening weekend of modern gun deer season) and Mill Creek WMA (Jackson County, closed during deer quota hunt).

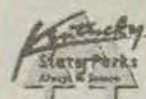
The daily limit for grouse is four and the possession limit is eight. Grouse hunters are reminded they must comply with hunter orange clothing requirements when hunting during any firearms deer seasons.

## Archery Season for Deer

The archery season for deer is now open and will run through January 21, 2002 statewide. Hunters using bow equipment from November 10-19, 2001 and during muzzle-loading seasons must follow all firearm season tag use restrictions and hunting requirements including complying with hunter orange requirements.

Solid, unbroken hunter orange garments must be worn on the head, chest and back by all hunters anytime a firearms season is open for deer. This includes small game hunters who are in the field during a deer firearms season.

Deer hunters participating in the 2001-2002 deer season are reminded that the tag marked antlered/antlerless in their statewide permit can be used for either sex deer, but it is the only tag that can be used for antlered deer. The limit on antlered deer is one per hunter per season on private land. Additional antlerless archery deer tags may be purchased and used statewide by bow hunters, except where zone restrictions for firearms seasons may dictate otherwise.



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Most bass old enough to spawn weigh 1 to 3 pounds. A 5-pound bass is considered a trophy in the north-

a popular game fish, that they receive heavy fishing pressure throughout the United States. Most bass anglers religiously practice catch and release to insure quality fishing in the future.

The vast majority of today's bass anglers rely on lures, because they cover the water faster and are easier to acquire and maintain than live bait. Even so, live bait fishing is very effective and regularly takes heavyweight bass. This point is proven time and again in Florida where shiner fishing consistently catches more trophy bass than lures.

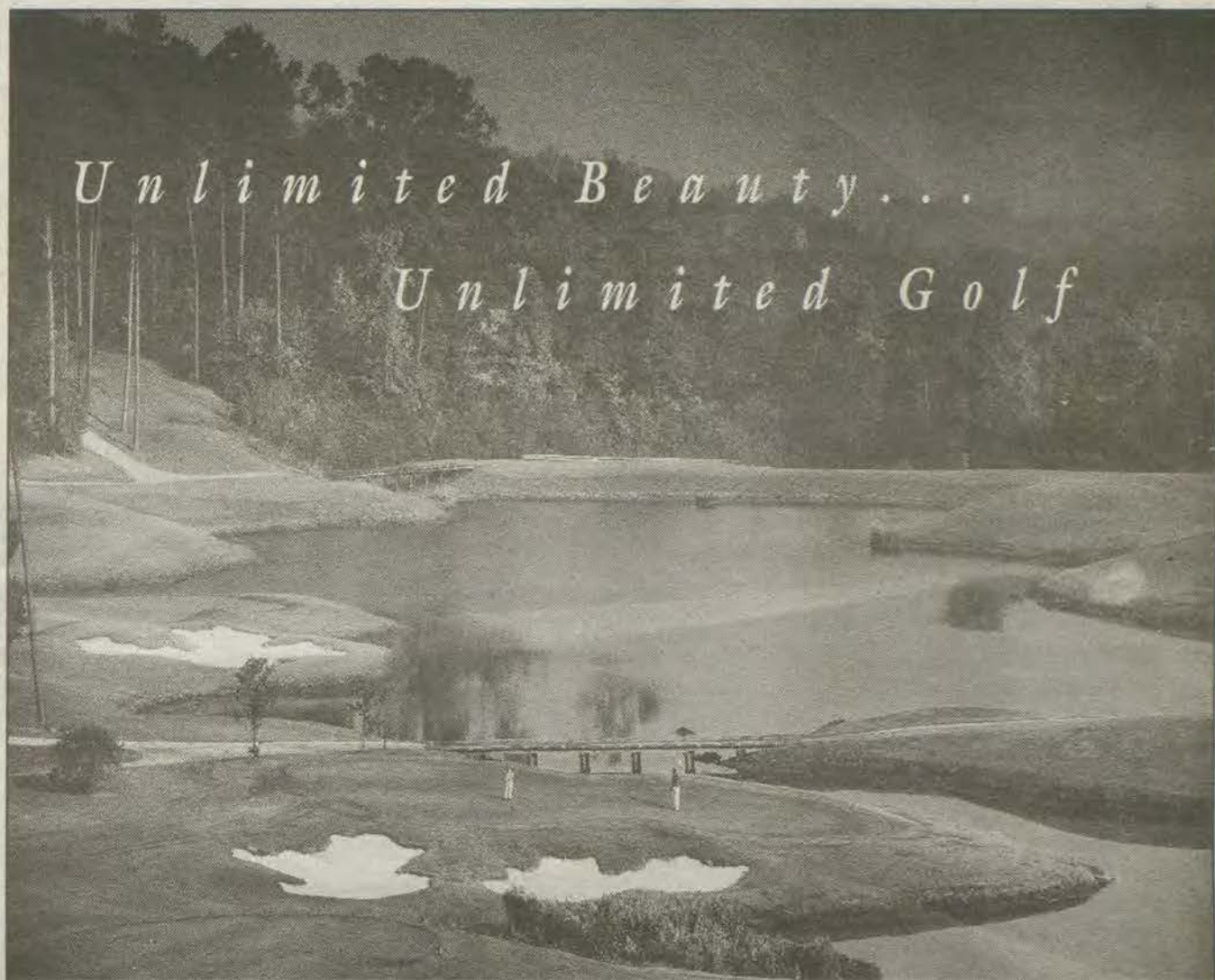
The biggest disadvantage with live bait fishing is its slow pace. You must make critical choices regarding where to fish. Set up where no bass are present and you won't get bites no matter how tempting the bait.

Panfish anglers catch incidental bass on night crawlers dangling beneath floats. A much more effective method for fishing night crawlers incorporates walking sinkers, such as those made by Lindy and Gary Roach.

Start with a medium action rod and 6- to 8-pound monofilament. Run the line through a walking sinker just heavy enough to maintain constant bottom contact and tie the line to a swivel. To the other end of the swivel tie a 2- to 3-foot leader attached to a No. 4 to No. 2 bait hook. Run the hook one time through the collar of a fat night crawler and slowly drag the rig along the bottom over bass structures. The swivel keeps the walking sinker from sliding down to the bait. Some anglers use a syringe to inject the crawler with air to keep the bait floating higher off the bottom where bass can easily see it.

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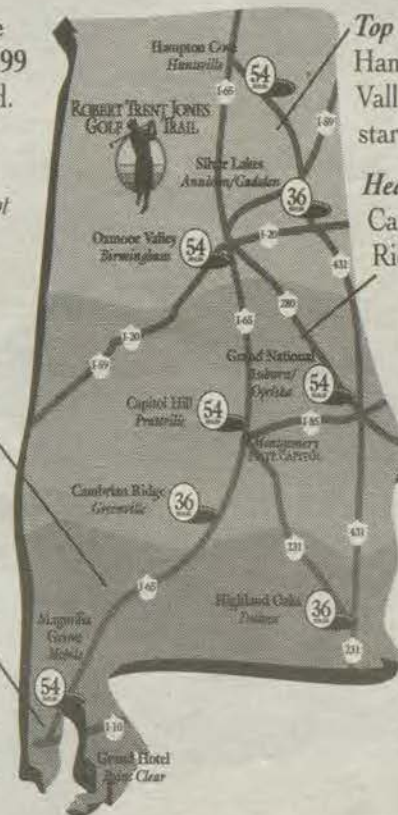
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Watching elk has become a hobby of many outdoor enthusiasts throughout the region.

## Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Kentucky donates \$300,000 to Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Foundation

Toyota Motor Manufacturing of Kentucky has pledged \$300,000 to bring a living stream exhibit in Frankfort to life. "This is the largest corporate donation we have ever received," said Andy Hils, president of the nonprofit Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

Toyota's donation to the foundation will help fund construction of an artificial stream through the grounds of the Salato Wildlife Education Center in Frankfort. The exhibit will allow visitors an up close view of otters, turtles, fish and stream ecology.

The foundation's mission is to bolster wildlife conservation, educational programs and exhibits of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR).

Pete Gritton, vice president of Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky, said the company is interested in educational pro-

grams. The living stream project fit the company's goal perfectly.

"What attracted Toyota to this project was the educational aspect of the living stream," Gritton said. "Protection of our natural resources begins with education. Toyota feels the living stream exhibit at the Salato Center is one way to begin the educational process for children and adults alike."

Hils said the exhibit will highlight the importance of clean water to the environment and the aquatic and terrestrial wildlife that depend on stream habitat.

"This is an outstanding gesture on behalf of Toyota to the people and students of Kentucky, and demonstrates a strong commitment to do their share for Kentucky's natural resources," said KDFWR

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## Bass

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a stash of bullet sinkers that weigh from from 1/32- to 1-ounce. These are used mainly to add weight to Texas- and Carolina-rigged soft plastic baits. The rule of thumb with Texas rigs is to go with the lightest bullet sinker that gets the lure, say a plastic worm, down to the bass. In extremely shallow water, where bass are frequently found, a 1/16-ounce sinker may be

just the thing. On the other hand, a heavy sinker that bangs against the bottom and bass-holding cover often brings bass around and sparks them into action. This is exactly the case with the 1-ounce sinker typically used with the Carolina rig.

Bullet sinkers work well when allowed to slide freely on the line. Some anglers prefer to "peg" the

sinker to the lure, especially when fishing brushy cover. An easy method for pegging sinkers is to push a toothpick into the line hole in the bottom of the sinker and to break or clip off the excess wood. This pushes the line against the side of the hole which holds the sinker in place. Push the sinker down to the head of the lure and you're in business.





Buckhorn Lake Campgrounds

# Carr Creek State Park

by BRITTANY GREER  
STAFF WRITER

With the coming of fall and cooler temperatures, many people are leaving the house and turning to the outdoors for fun. This area offers a variety of activities, ranging from guided events to open trails. Generally, for organized activities, the state parks of the area are the first place to look. However, because the end of summer is near, many scheduled events have already taken place.

Carr Creek State Park will be closing most facilities -the campground and recreational areas- by October 20th. The marina on the other hand, remains open year-round, as do the two trails in the park. Both trails start at the Carr Creek Dam. One is shorter and stays in that area, while the second is six

miles long and goes to Sugarbranch, at the end of the lake.

Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park has two trails, as well. Both are self-guiding, with the longer of the two stretching for a mile and a half. The last night available for camping will be the 28th of October. Although the campground will close soon, the lodge, with thirty-six rooms and three cottages, remains open all year. The park is a haven for wildlife. Deer and wild turkey can be spotted on a regular basis. The lake is a great place for fishing, with large populations of crappie, muskie, and catfish. Also on the property are volleyball, tennis, basketball courts, and a bike rental. Close by is a new playground. Located near the two picnic

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## Carr Creek

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shelters is an eighteen hole miniature golf course. In addition to the self-guided activities, the staff at Buckhorn provide planned recreation. Some of the scheduled events for this fall include a haunted house on weekend evenings throughout October with Halloween festivities ending on the weekend of the 26th and 27th. The following events are some of those planned: a hayride; ghost stories; pumpkin carving; and a masquerade parade. November will be an equally eventful month. On the 9th, a Rook tournament will be hosted. The park will welcome a group of actors on the 17th for a night of dinner theatre. Mountain Sisters, a comedy, will be performed. In conjunction with Thanksgiving, several historical activities are planned. For more information on any of these events, or to obtain a detailed weekly schedule of activities, call Buckhorn Lake at 398.7510.

## Toyota

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Commissioner Tom Bennett.

"Thousands will see this exhibit, which will ultimately include live river otters, turtles and other native species that depend on clean water and protection of stream ecosystems to survive and flourish," added Bennett.

Nearly 100,000 people visit or participate in programs at the Salato Center each year. The center, operated by the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, is located three miles west of Frankfort on U.S. 60.

For information on hours of operation and programming at the Salato Wildlife Center, call (800) 858-1549 weekdays or (502) 564-7863 on weekends.

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# Cave Run Lake Fishing Report

Dennis and Eve Butcher are two of the best muskie hunters on Cave Run Lake, year in and year out they consistently put both numbers and quality size muskie in their boat. I would like to think them for all the helpful information they have shared with me, other members of the guide staff and lodge guest of Kentucky Mountain Muskie. Also their conservation efforts as to educating of others on the need for catch and release to secure the future of the mighty muskie should be applauded.

Muskie action on the Cave has slowed over the past 10 days, after having one of the best summer streaks I have ever had (18 legals in 10 days) this muskie guide went fishless for five days. Last evening a finally landed a 37 incher out of Big Cave on a

"Prowler" from Figure Eight Lures that hit on the Figure 8 to break my slump. Guests of the lodge slipped away from the holiday lake traffic this weekend to take three muskies from the Charity and Fugate branches of the river on Suicks and a Wildcat buzzbait by Grem Reaper. Monday evening the recreational boaters packed up and left and the water calmed as I witnessed two muskies in the upper 30's taken in Buck Creek, another 40.5 incher was taken out of Donavan. We are looking for cooler nights and

some rain to get these fish moving as it is almost time for them to start their feeding frenzy

as they beef up for winter. Trolling has been a proven method over the past week, main lake points, creek mouths and weedlines have been their targets. Buzzbaits should start producing more fish as the cooler nights bring down surface temps. We had a slight taste of this a couple of weeks back and are looking forward to the weather playing its part in getting it going again. September kicks off

BULLDAWG season here (although they produced awesome during the summer) so remember to stock up on them this fall, having several colors will be smart as it seems to change quickly as to the flavor of the day. Here at the Muskie Shack I have stocked up on them as the last two years everyone of the lake has ran out, also I will have some hot custom colors that these Cave Run muskies haven't seen before. A good tip when throwing hook-ups is using a longer stiffer rod, the Lamigls GC 767 is by far the best rod for hooking muskies on the Dawgs. Always us a solid wire leader when tossing the dawgs to avoid fouling, an added blade can also help in stained water, keep them close to the weeds and you'll find muskies.

## FYI Report Updated September 26, 2001

Lake Level: 3 inches  
above summer pool  
Water Temps:  
Surface 81, at 25' 73  
Water Clarity: Clear  
to Murky

## You might be a fisherman if...

1. You have a power worm dangling from your rear view mirror because you think it makes a good air freshener.
2. Your wedding party has to tie tin cans to the back of your boat.
3. You call your boat "sweetheart" and your wife "skeeter."
4. Your local tackle shop has your credit card number on file.
5. You keep a flippin stick by your favorite chair to change the tv channels with.
6. You get 40 to life because your teenager asked you to buy a jet ski.
7. You name your black lab "Mercury" and your cat "Evinrude".
8. Bass Pro Shop has a private line just for you.
9. You honeymooned on Lake Okeechobee - ALONE.
10. You have your name painted on a parking space at the launch ramp.
11. You have a photo of your 40 lb. catfish on your desk at work instead of your family.
12. You consider viennies and crackers a complete meal.
13. You think MEGABYTES means a great day fishing.
14. You send your kid off to the first day of school with his shoes tied in a polomar knot.
15. Your wife wears green lipstick so you'll kiss her more.
16. You think there are four seasons - Pre-spawn, Spawn, Post spawn and Hunting.
17. Your \$30,000 boat's trailer needs tires so you "borrow" the one's off your trailer house.
18. Your wife tells you she is feeling "frisky" but you don't know what she means until she explains she wants to spawn.
19. You trade your wife's van for a smaller vehicle so your boat will fit in the garage.
20. Your kids know it's Saturday - because the boat is gone.



submitted photo  
Chris Haley caught this huge fish at Buckhorn State Lake Resort Park on the Perry/Breathitt line. Haley, who is from Grapevine, is an experienced guide for fishermen in Eastern Kentucky.

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# BRANDED



## What's in store for shows, creators and viewers

by **STEPHEN ENGLISH**  
TVDATA FEATURES SYNDICATE

It's likely that few TV viewers have heard of, let alone worry about, a marketing strategy called "branding." But as networks develop overall brand identities, they tailor their programming to the brand, which means original show ideas that don't fit the mold can be lost. "Something dramatic is happening," promises TNT. "The night is young," invites The WB Network. "It's not just TV, it's HBO," the premium channel clarifies - all in the effort to keep from becoming a piece of straw in today's 100-plus-channel TV haystack. "The television companies now have a very specific idea of what they want," says Monty Python and Fawcett Towers vet John Cleese, "and I think they're largely wrong. I think they understand the audience much, much worse than they think they do."

Across the pond, where Cleese does most of his work, there are only a handful of channels in comparison to the sea of programming American viewers swim in. "The effect of so many channels, with the audience being broken up and fragmented more and more, is that each channel's trying to create its own individual identity," Cleese continues in what might be one of his famous comedic rants - if he wasn't deadly serious. "Well, that may be sensible in one way, but is it really a good way of getting good creative people to come and work for you, when you're handcuffing them far more than you used to? No, it's exactly a good way of putting creative peo-

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# Smile Awhile...

## FIFTY FOUR YEARS AND COUNTING

by SARA HOPSON BLAIR

Ronnie and I spent several hours Sunday afternoon helping his parents, Dennis and Iris Blair, celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary. Joining us in the celebration were Ronnie's brother, Jim, his wife and son, Mary Jane and Matthew, (we were celebrating Matthew's 27th birthday, also) and Mary Jane's mother, Edra Hill.

As we sat in the restaurant talking and enjoying our meal, I glanced across the table and realized that I was in the presence of greatness.

Dennis and Iris were married in the sanctuary of the old First Baptist Church, located on the corner of 4th and College streets, in Paintsville, Kentucky, on September 24, 1947. He had returned from the war to find that Iris's family had moved next to his and they began courting.

What amazes me most about their marriage - besides the fact that they are still together when other marriages have ended in divorce - is that their union has survived opposing political views and different religious affiliations. Despite these differences, it hasn't phased their relationship at all. It is easy to see the adoration and love they have for each other. When she laughs at his jokes, her smile is glowingly genuine and her eyes sparkle with the enthusiasm of a teenager in love. And, if words could describe that smitten look Dennis gets on his face when he ribs Iris about her driving or cooking, they would be "I love you".

For a person who has tied the ceremonial knot three times, I think 54 years with the same person is phenomenal. As everyone knows, two people living together under the same roof is not always idyllic. Living with another person requires patience, kindness, compassion, good listening skills, and on many occasions, keeping your mouth shut.

My first marriage ended in divorce. I attribute the failure to the fact that I should not have married until after I'd had my braces removed. I quickly learned that a person should never marry when he or she is 16 years old and has never washed a dish, cooked a meal, or

made a bed. You should also never marry when you still play with paper dolls and sleep with your baby blanket under your pillow. All in all, I did learn some valuable lessons from the marriage that helped me later in life so I just chalked it up to experience.

I wasn't prepared for my second marriage to end at all. Jimmie gave me the love and security I needed, and I admired and respected his honesty and wisdom. Unlike Dennis and Iris, Jimmie and I rarely agreed on politics or religion. Although our moral values were much the same, I was a dyed-in-the-wool republican, and he was a yellow-dog democrat. Thus, many hours were spent in spirited debate. When Jimmie died, I came to the realization that it really didn't matter which political party you belonged to as long as you believed in the political process. I'm sorry I never got to tell him that, but I somehow suspect he already knows.

When I came to the conclusion that two marriages were more than enough for one lifetime, I met Ronnie.

I had heard of Ronnie Blair all my life, but wasn't personally acquainted with him. At the time I met him, I was working for my friend, Anna Melvin, and she encouraged me to go out with him and start living again. After a couple of dates, he started to grow

on me. (Sort of like moss on the north side of a tree). We enjoyed so many of the same things; he liked reading, writing, music, historical research, and watching old movies. He also cooked, cleaned, and washed and ironed his own clothes. I almost had to pinch myself because I truly believed I was in Heaven! The icing on the cake was that he had never been married so all he would learn about marriage was what I would teach him. We just celebrated our second wedding anniversary, and I think he's getting the hang of it.

What I really think is that Ronnie respects marriage because he gauges it by the example his parents set for his brother and him. Ronnie says that he never remembers an argument or disagreement in the house when he was growing up. And even though he knows that they couldn't have agreed on everything, they somehow managed to make it look as though they did.

I think the proof of the pudding is a remark made by our friend, Susan Stauter from San Francisco, who says that "Ronnie is the victim of a happy childhood." That in itself is a testimonial to the Blair's marriage.

Here's wishing them 54 more. And I hope we're all here to celebrate it with them.

## KCAC sponsors art in the park

The Kentucky Creative Arts Club will sponsor its 41st annual Art in the Park on the 17th Street side of Ashland's Central Park, on Saturday, September 29. The event is open to all artists of the Tri-State 18 years and older. Registration is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., in both professional and non-professional divisions. Entry fee is \$6.00 for KCAC members, and \$12.00 for non-members for an unlimited number of entries. Exhibitors must provide their own supports for their work. Categories include: landscape, seascape, still life/floral (each in oil); landscape, seascape, still life/floral (each in watercolor); miscellaneous (in all media); portraits (in all media); graphics; pastels/mixed media. Judging will begin at 12:30 p.m., by Bruce Bowersock of Ona, West Virginia. Presentation of purchase awards, ribbons, the Peoples' Choice Award, and door prizes will begin at 3:30 p.m.

The event is open to the public at

no charge. Viewers of the exhibition are encouraged to cast their vote for the Peoples' Choice Award. In case of rain, the site will be moved to the former AEP building on Central Avenue & 17th Street.

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2. Rush Hour 2 (PG-13) Jackie Chan, Chris Tucker
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4. The Others (PG-13) Nicole Kidman
5. Rat Race (PG-13) Cuba Gooding Jr., John Cleese
6. The Princess Diaries (G) Julie Andrews, Anne Hathaway
7. O (R) Mekhi Phifer, Josh Hartnett
8. Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back (R) Jason Mewes, Kevin Smith
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# Horoscopes...

## ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

You'll soon have a chance to take a big step up from where you are to where you want to be. Check it out first. Remember: Even the Mountain Sheep looks before it leaps.

## TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)

This week brings a challenge that could determine the future direction of your life. If you're ready for a change, accept it with confidence. A loved one supports your decision.

## GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

A disruption creates a delay in completing your projects. Use this time to pursue a personal matter you were too busy to deal with before. You'll find it will be time well spent.

## CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

You still need to be on the alert for any signs of problems that could create serious misunderstandings. A more positive aspect begins to emerge toward the week's end. Be patient.

## LEO (July 23 to August 22)

With things slowing down a bit this week, it would be a good time for luxury-loving Leonines to go somewhere for some well-earned pampering. Things liven up around Friday.

## VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)

Single Virgos looking for partners are finally getting a break from Venus, who has moved in to make things happen. Attached Virgos see their relationships blossom.

## LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)

You've been working hard to get things done. Now take a breather and recheck your next step. You might want to make some changes in view of the news that comes your way.

## SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)

The watchword for savvy Scorpios this week is "preparation." Consider sharpening your skills to make the most of the new opportunity you're about to take on.

## SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21)

There might still be some loose ends that need tucking up if you hope to get that important relationship repaired. A new spurt of activity starts soon.

## CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)

It's a good idea to keep the positive momentum going by finding and getting rid of anything that could cause you to stumble. Keep the path ahead clear and open.

## AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18)

A period of contemplation is advised before you make your next move. Be sure that where you decide to go is the right place for you. A health matter needs attention.

## PISCES (February 19 to March 20)

That new energy surge that hit you last week continues to send out good vibrations. Try investing a part of it in creating something noteworthy on the job.

## BORN THIS WEEK:

You like to balance your personal universe, and in doing so, you help bring harmony into the lives of the rest of us.

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# Soaps...



Edén Riegel is "Bianca" on "All My Children"

## ALL MY CHILDREN

Hayley overheard Mateo tell Adam that he assumes Arlene made the mysterious call. Laura threw her medication away after mistakenly interpreting the comforting hug Leo gave Greenlee as romantic. Meanwhile, Bianca assured Erica she no longer had romantic feelings for Laura. Adam got a hair from Mia for a DNA test. Wait to See: Chris makes the mistake of mocking Erica. Tad is haunted by his past.

## AS THE WORLD

## TURNS

Jennifer and Billy let the passion between them ignite. Barbara and Paul realized that Barbara's creative instincts are missing. Molly helped Jake face the surprise of his life. Lily and Holden accomplished their mission. Wait to See: Jennifer betrays Bryant, again.

## THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL

Ridge joined Taylor in telling Brooke to go to Paris to be with her ailing father, Stephen. Later, Ridge found Massimo's business card in Brooke's office. Meanwhile, Eric saw Stephanie kiss Massimo in gratitude for his help with Brooke, and ordered him to stay away from his wife. Amber told Ginger that although she might be pregnant with Rick's child, she still thinks about Deacon. Kristen told Tony that despite his HIV status, she wants them to make love. Wait to See: Eric tries to deal with Tony and Kristen's relationship.

## DAYS OF OUR LIVES

In Puerto Rico, Victor vowed he would use all his resources to find the three missing teens: Belle, Shawn and Philip. Nicole overheard Jan asking Paul what disease he gave her (when he raped her), and he replied that she infected him. Nicole later confronted her father (Paul) and shot him as they struggled for the gun Victor had given her. In Salem, Jennifer turned down Jack's proposal. As Rolf began preparations to put Gina's memories into Hope, Bart said he wished he could be transformed into Frank Sinatra. Wait to See: A rescue goes wrong.

## GENERAL HOSPITAL

Carly vowed not to let Angel take Sonny away from her. Nikolas urged Laura to believe that Stefan did not kill Chloe. Meanwhile, as Stavros tried to seduce Gia, Lucky arrived and attacked him. Later, Lucky saw Melissa and Roy studying the walls of the cave depicting the cryochamber. Lucky and Roy later arrived at Laura's house just as Stavros was about to touch her. Helena promised Nikolas she'll give him full control of the Cassadine empire once he kills Elizabeth. Tony failed to get some of the biotoxin antidote, but did get a sample of Stavros' blood. Wait to See: Kristina confronts Stefan.

## GUIDING LIGHT

Edmund took on a new project, along with a new business partner. Danny faced the dreaded "threat" posed by the mob. Catalina and Marah each made an unsettling discovery about the other. Richard made a decision about the parenthood issues. Wait to See: Cassie and Richard try to decide what's best for Alonzo.

# Top of the Charts...



## Top 10 Pop Singles

1. Jennifer Lopez No. 2 "I'm Real" (Epic)
2. Alicia Keys No. 1 "Fallin'" (J)
3. Janet No. 3 "Someone To Call My Lover" (Virgin)
4. Blu Cantrell No. 4 "Hit 'Em Up Style (Oops!)" (RedZone)
5. Eve feat. Gwen Stefani No. 5 "Let Me Blow Ya Mind" (Ruff Ryder)
6. Jagged Edge with Nelly No. 6 "Where the Party At" (So So Def)
7. Usher No. 7 "U Remind Me" (Arista)
8. Staind No. 8 "It's Been Awhile" (Flip/Elektra)
9. Train No. 9 "Drops of Jupiter (Tell Me)" (Columbia)
10. Lifehouse No. 10 "Hanging By a Moment" (DreamWorks)

## Top 10 Albums

1. Maxwell new entry "Now" (CRG)
2. Juvenile new entry "Project English"

(Universal)

3. Various artists No. 1 "Now 7" (Virgin)
4. Alicia Keys No. 2 "Songs in A Minor" (J)
5. NSYNC No. 3 "Celebrity" (Zomba)
6. The Isley Brothers feat. Ronald Isley AKA Mr. Biggs No. 4 "Eternal" (Interscope)
7. Linkin Park No. 9 "[Hybrid Theory]" (Warner Bros.)
8. Usher No. 5 "8701" (Arista)
9. Staind No. 8 "Break the Cycle" (EEG)
10. Jennifer Lopez No. 10 "J.Lo" (Epic)

## Top 10

### Hot Country Singles

1. Blake Shelton No. 1 "Austin" (Giant)
2. Toby Keith No. 2 "I'm Just Talkin' About Tonight" (DreamWorks)
3. Keith Urban No. 3 "Where the Blacktop Ends" (Capitol)
4. Cyndi Thomson No. 4 "What I Really Meant to Say" (Capitol)
5. Brooks & Dunn No. 6 "Only in America" (Arista Nashville)
6. Trisha Yearwood No. 8 "I Would've Loved You Anyway" (MCA Nashville)
7. Tim McGraw No. 12 "Angry All the Time" (Curb)
8. Jo Dee Messina No. 5 "Downtime" (Curb)
9. Alan Jackson No. 13 "Where I Come From" (Arista Nashville)
10. Jamie O'Neal No. 7 "When I Think About Angels" (Mercury)

### Top 10 Video Rentals

1. The Mexican (R) Brad Pitt (DreamWorks Home Entertainment)
2. Enemy At the Gates (R) Jude Law (Paramount Home Video)
3. 15 Minutes (R) Robert De Niro (New

Line Home Video)

4. The Family Man (PG-13) Nicolas Cage (Universal Studios Home Video)
5. Chocolat (PG-13) Johnny Depp (Miramax Home Entertainment)
6. 3000 Miles to Graceland (R) Kevin Costner (Warner Home Video)
7. The Wedding Planner (PG-13) Jennifer Lopez (Columbia TriStar Home Video)
8. Josie & the Pussycats (PG-13) Tara Reid (Universal Studios Home Video)
9. Cast Away (PG) Tom Hanks (FoxVideo)
10. O Brother, Where Art Thou? (PG-13) George Clooney (Touchstone Home Video)

### Top 10 DVD Sales

1. Enemy At the Gates (R) (Paramount Home Video)
2. 15 Minutes (R) (New Line Home Video)
3. The Mexican (R) (DreamWorks Home Entertainment)
4. Chocolat (PG-13) (Miramax Home Entertainment)
5. 3000 Miles to Graceland (R) (Warner Home Video)
6. American Pie, Ultimate Edition — Unrated Version (NR) (Universal Studios Home Video)
7. Josie & the Pussycats (PG-13) (Universal Studios Home Video)
8. The Family Man (PG-13) (Universal Studios Home Video)
9. Recess: School's Out (G) (Walt Disney Home Video)
10. Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon (PG-13) (Columbia TriStar Home Video)

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# Critter Corner...

## In praise of our four-legged rescuers

by DR. CAROL COMBS-MORRIS, DVM

Like everyone else in America, I've been glued to the news for the past couple of weeks, which is unusual for me. I'm generally the last person to know about anything that's going on. Anyhow, while watching all the coverage, one of the things that caught my eye was, of course, the "Search-and-Rescue" dogs

being used to help locate victims buried in the rubble of the World Trade Center towers. I am surprised that there hasn't been more coverage of these unique rescue teams. (Or maybe I just missed it - I did see a segment on some robots being used in areas too cramped or dangerous for dogs). At any rate, that is what prompted my choice of a subject for this week.

I realized that I really didn't

know much about search-and-rescue dogs myself, so I did some searching on the Internet, and found a wealth of information. So much, in fact that I was a little overwhelmed. Typing in "sense of smell in dogs" on Yahoo for some basic facts generated over 41,000 possibilities! I narrowed my search and bookmarked lots of sites to revisit when I have more time.

For one thing, it seems that everyone agrees that dogs have an extraordinary sense of smell, but no one appears to know just how good it is. I found estimates that dogs' noses are anywhere from one thousand to one million times more sensitive than human noses! More specific tidbits of information included the fact that dogs have about 220 million scent-detecting cells in their nose, which, if laid flat, would take up an area the size of a handkerchief. Humans' scanty 5 million olfactory cells take up only the space of a postage stamp. In addition, the olfactory lobe of the brain, which is the area that processes information on smells, is on average 4 times larger in the dog than in the human, despite the fact that the overall brain size is much smaller.

To learn more about the practical use of this fantastic sense of smell, I visited three particular search dog web sites: the National Association of Search and Rescue (NASAR), the Kentucky Search Dog Association (which is very entertaining as well as informative), and SAR-Dog of Jefferson County, KY. Here are some of the interesting things that I found out about these remarkable dogs.

Dogs not only can detect a huge number of scents, but they are able to discriminate between different scents. This is what makes them so valuable for search and rescue work. All humans, alive or dead, constantly shed skin cells that give off invisible particles of scent. These particles settle to the ground as a person moves. Search dogs are specifically trained to locate these tiny scent particles, often in situations complicated by bad

weather, hazardous terrain, and the confusing scents of other rescue personnel.

There are three basic types of dogs used in SAR work: air scenting, trailing, and tracking.

"Air Scenting" dogs are trained to pick up and follow indiscriminate human scent. In other words, these dogs are not following any particular person's scent; they are trained to alert their handler to the presence of any human scent. They work with their head held up, because they are sampling the air, not surfaces, for traces of odor. These are the dogs we see at work in disaster areas such as New York. Skin cells of trapped victims, with their accompanying scent, rise on air currents through collapsed debris. (Dogs locate drowning victims the same way, because cells and gases given off by a submerged body are lighter than water, and the dog can detect them on the surface.) A good SAR dog can cover as much ground as 48 trained human searchers in the same amount of time.

In contrast, both "Trailing

and Tracking" dogs are trained to follow the residual scent of a particular human. Both work from human scent in skin cells that have fallen to the ground, but differ in how closely they follow the path taken by the person they are searching for. An item such as a piece of clothing worn by the missing person is presented to the dog to let him know what scent he is to follow. These dogs work with their nose to the ground; we typically get a mental image of bloodhounds, and for good reason. A German shepherd can work a trail about 6 hours old; a few Bloodhounds have been known to follow scent trails made weeks earlier.

Cells that fall off a person may drop straight down to the ground, or some may be blown by the wind for a considerable distance. They often collect along some natural barrier, such as a row of shrubs, or the edge of a sidewalk. The trailing dog follows the basic route taken by the missing person, although he may not follow the exact same steps.

"Tracking" dogs are more

precise; they are trained to follow the direct path taken by the person by scenting the disturbed soil and crushed vegetation left behind by his footsteps. This can pose problems when the surface consists of very compacted soil, rocks, or concrete. Because of these limitations and because the precision is not necessary (and in fact, may waste time) in search work, tracking is often done more as a competitive sport.

It normally takes a year of training at least twice a week before a SAR team is mission ready. In addition to training the dog, the handler must learn navigation (by compass and topographical maps), search tactics, and first aid. The teams are often made up entirely of volunteers, who invest considerable amounts of time and money and risk their lives to help others. When the newscaster praises the efforts of all the rescue workers who have and continue to work so hard, remember that some of them have four legs.

## Soaps

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### ONE LIFE TO LIVE

Max donated blood in hopes of saving Al's life. Nancy reminded Seth that their goal was to get lots of money. Nora brought Matthew to the hospital after his accident and was surprised at the tests Troy insisted should be done on the boy. Later, Keri arrived as Nora prepared for her romantic date with Sam. Lindsay inadvertently let Bo know something disturbing about Melanie. Wait to See: Ben overhears Allison make another mysterious call. Todd learns Blair is in danger.

### PASSIONS

After escaping from the warlocks with Timmy, and (temporarily) ditching Norma, Tabitha was upset to learn that Charity had used her powers to help her friends survive the hurricane. Grace and David watched as Sam prayed at Ivy's bedside. Luis felt sure the body found in the sea was not Sheridan's. Rebecca tried to blackmail Julian into marrying her immediately, while Theresa demanded Julian annul their marriage as soon as possible. Wait to See: Sam makes a move that could change his life.

### PORT CHARLES

Jack had a nightmare about Livvie going back to Caleb. Ian was upset to learn that black powder caused the explosion in the storage closet. As Jack, Alison and Rafe explored the ruins of the burned-out monastery in search of evil, the floor gave way beneath them. Alison was injured, but Rafe used his special powers to heal her. Wait to See: Jack makes a startling discovery about Livvie, while Lucy worries about her relationship with Kevin.

### THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS

Jack refused Phyllis' request to elope and insisted on giving her the wedding of her dreams. Lauren "cautioned" Isabella that Paul was still hung up on Chris, only to have Isabella flare back and say she's pregnant with Paul's child. Victor noted Tricia's mood swings were continuing despite her medication. Sharon's baby shower included a gift from Nikki in Brazil. Wait to See: Sharon's nightmares about Matt take a more ominous turn.

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## Kentucky History Center turns spotlight on 'In the Dark' exhibit

"Things that go bump in the night" won't seem so scary after exploring "In the Dark," a \$2 million Cincinnati Museum Center traveling exhibit that opens October 6, in the Changing Exhibits Gallery of the Kentucky Historical Society's Kentucky History Center. The exhibit runs through January 13, 2002.

The 4,000 square foot exhibit introduces visitors to unusual and little known elements of some of the world's dark environments. "In the Dark" shows not only unseen worlds, but explores the ways people have reacted to darkness throughout history.

"This exhibit is not specifically associated with Kentucky history," said Nancy Glaser, head of the museum division. "But we are always looking for opportunities to partner with institutions such as the Cincinnati Museum Center to bring interesting exhibits to the area. This is an exhibit that crosses geographic lines. Unseen worlds exist everywhere, so the principle is universal," she said.

Each of "In the Dark's" walk-through areas uses sophisticated, life-size dioramas; interactive elements, such as computer games, mechanical displays and chemical experiments; specimens and fiberglass models; and informational panels to surround visitors with

the sights, sounds, smells and sensations of several dark ecosystems.

"In the Dark" five walk-through areas are:

### The Darkness of Night

Encounter animals that dwell in diverse environments as darkness falls; a forest in the great Smoky Mountains and the Sonoran Desert. In the Smokes display, visitors walk through the 60-square-foot diorama of a mountainous forest and witness the activities of a bobcat, a barred owl, a spotted skunk, a flying squirrel and salamanders, as they forage for a meal. In the Sonoran Desert diorama, visitors can watch bats feed on night-blooming cacti.

Interactive games within The Darkness of Night area show visitors more about how animals and plants adapt to darkness. "The Viper Game" teaches visitors how some snakes use heat-sensing abilities to strike at prey in the nighttime desert, and "Flashers of the Night" encourages visitors to select the correct response to a firefly's flashing signals.

### Darkness within the soil

What lurks below the soil of your own back-

(See KENTUCKY, page fifteen)



# News of the Weird...

BY CHUCK SHEPHERD

## LEAD STORIES

■ In September, Tokyo's Mainichi Daily News reported that a 25-year-old bulimic woman from Toyoda, Japan (near Nagoya), was arrested for massive violations of the country's Waste Disposal Act after being identified as the person who has, for over a year, been illegally dumping about 60 pounds a week of vomit that she had collected in plastic bags. She said, according to police, "I didn't want to throw away the vomit near my home, so I took it to faraway places."

■ A study reported in a September issue of the journal "Nature" presented good news and bad news about the sexual apparatus of the male earwig (which is, according to a dictionary, a "dark and slender nocturnal insect of the order Dermaptera, having horned pincers at the rear that can rise up like a scorpion's"). The bad news: The organ is thin and brittle and frequently breaks off. (Ends of penises are sometimes found inside females.) The good news: Researchers say that earwigs are equipped with a fully functional spare organ.

■ Boxer Tony Ayala, Jr., 38, whose promising career (27-0, 24 knockouts) was cut short in 1983 by a rape conviction for which he served 16 years in prison, won a big comeback fight in San Antonio in July by gaining a 10-round decision in a bout during which he wore a court-ordered ankle bracelet so that authorities could monitor his whereabouts. (In December, Ayala had been arrested on a charge of burglary with intent to commit a sexual assault; he pleaded guilty to lesser charges in September. Ayala won the July fight despite a shoulder weakened by a bullet hole, put there by the woman whose house he had allegedly broken into.)

## Wedding Bell Blues

■ Marie Solomon, 41, was arrested at a friend's wedding in July for loudly and incessantly yelling out reasons why the couple should not marry (Bridgeport, Conn.). Groom Howard Brown, 31, was arrested in August after allegedly shooting a guest at his wedding reception because the guest had brought too many friends (San Antonio, Texas). Newlyweds Marcia Alarcon

and Carlos Alarcon-Schroder were jailed in May after brawling over whose parents they would visit first (Des Moines, Iowa). Bride Kathy Naylor, 28, was arrested in August after following home a guest from her wedding reception and reigniting an earlier brawl (Crystal River, Fla.).

## Can't Possibly Be True

■ In earnestly reported stories on Aug. 3 and Aug. 7, the Wichita (Kan.) Eagle informed the community that more than a thousand 30-inch-long, dried corn husk leaves had floated down from the sky onto the town over the weekend. Two meteorologists said that no weather phenomenon could have accounted for it. To add to the mystery, a Wichita-area evangelical ministry had woven "corn husks" into its pro-life message in mid-July and consequently took the phenomenon as a sign. Townspeople's favorite guess (though no evidence has yet been offered): an elaborate (and illegal) airplane prank by University of Nebraska football fans.

■ Kids Growing Up Fast: At rodeos across the country (such as Florida's Okeechobee Rodeo over Labor Day weekend), kids as young as 3 ride, broncolike, for endurance (up to 4 seconds) on sheep ("mutton busting"), before inevitably acquiring the rodeo experience of being dumped on their backsides. And in June, state investigators examining Valdez (Alaska) Community Hospital practices found that several physicians had routinely brought their kids (from teen-agers down to infants) into operating rooms and offices while treating patients; among the episodes was one girl "assisting" her father in placing a cast and another in which a doctor's 4-year-old became frightened at a patient's shrieks during a hip-manipulation procedure and caused a major incident.

## Least Competent Criminals

■ The robber of the One Stop Grocery in Kenai, Alaska, in July got away. The store was packed with people at 9 p.m. when the man suddenly appeared with his hand in his pocket pointing a "gun" at the clerk and shouted, "Everybody freeze, don't move. You know what that means." However, everyone ignored him. He snatched some beer from the cooler and shouted again, "You peo-

ple don't understand. I really mean it." One customer told him he could get in trouble talking like that. Finally, the man cussed a bit, complained again that nobody was listening to him, and left with the beer. And in June, Kevin Shegog, 41, was charged in Highland Heights, Ky., with eight gas station robberies when police finally found a witness who could identify the getaway car: It was the one with the license plate "SHEGOG."

## Also, in the Last Month...

■ While celebrating her son's homecoming from college, Karyn Aikin suffered 1st and 2nd degree burns on her face, incurred by igniting a shot glass of 151-proof rum and trying to swallow it (Newfane, N.Y.) Professor Merryn Dineley announced he will soon start selling a historic-recipe beer in the Orkney Islands (Scotland) that is flavored with a trace of baked animal droppings (Manchester, England). Connecticut state Rep. Kevin Ryan, freshly sentenced to four months' hard time as a recidivist DUI, said he can

very well conduct his legislative business from his cell and does not intend to resign. Stanford University medical professor Simon Stertz, who just finalized the deal to buy the Palomino Club strip joint in North Las Vegas, Nev., said he plans to funnel

all the profits from the club into his research on cardiovascular medicine.

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## Swappin' meetin' Family Bible days

The staff of the Appalachian Archives will present a demonstration on the care, preservation, storage and display of Family Bibles, Saturday, October 6, at the Godbey Appalachian Center, Cumberland, in the Appalachian Archives, Room 119, 9:00 a.m.; 11 a.m.; 1 p.m.; and 3 p.m. Sessions will last approximately half an hour with time at the end for questions and consultation.

Additional services offered by the Appalachian Archives will be scanning family genealogical pages. The Appalachian Archives will scan the family genealogical pages of your Family Bible and provide a master copy from which to make additional copies, and avoid damaging the original pages by repeated copying.

The Appalachian Archives will maintain

collection of family genealogical pages that will insure that this important Appalachian family information will be available if something unfortunate should happen to the original Family Bible or its family pages.

The Appalachian Archives will offer free individual consultation and recommendations on the care, preservation, storage and display of Family Bibles, letters, documents and photographs. Printed handouts on the care of these important historical artifacts as well as a list of archival supply vendors will also be available.

Family Bible Days is presented by Southeast Community College, Cumberland, Appalachian Archives and Swappin' Meetin' in its continuing effort to promote the preservation and appreciation of Appalachian history and culture.

## Kentucky

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yard? Darkness Within the Soil examines animals that thrive just beneath the earth's surface. It emphasizes the relationships among the world's complex underground ecosystems and the plants, animals and humans above ground. Using a 60-square-foot life-size diorama of a cross section of earth beneath a Midwestern backyard, the exhibit reveals moles, cicadas, bumblebees, worms, millipedes, slugs and other animals that call this environment home.

Darkness Within the Soil also includes interactive games such as "The Nose of a Mole," which invites visitors to touch a computer pad that simulates the vibrations a mole may sense within its underground habitat. "Robomite" invites visitors to "become" a termite and investigate the underground colony using termite senses to find food, locate the queen and map the city—all before Robomite runs out of power.

## Darkness deep within caves

Two dioramas and accompanying interactive elements introduce visitors to open and closed cave systems. The area examines natural processes that form each type of cave and the unique and varied organisms within them. The dioramas include an 80-square-foot walk-through

recreation of a Kentucky limestone solution cave. Interactive elements focus on animal adaptations to cave environments, such as the cave cricket's use of fine hair-like structures called mechanoreceptors, to collect information about its dark environment. "Look What I Hear," is a computer cave maze that allows visitors to use sounds like bats to find their way out of a simulated cave.

## Darkness of the deep sea

This display highlights two deep-sea environments—a deep-sea vent field and a section of the open deep sea. It compares the two diverse ecosystems, the organisms that live in each, and unique deep-sea creatures' survival methods.

This exhibit features a 60-square-foot life-size diorama of deep sea vents similar to those at the Galapagos Rift Vent Field, two and a half kilometers beneath the ocean surface, as well as a smaller diorama of a column of water in the Pacific Ocean. Visitors can observe the inhabitants of the deep-sea vents, including tubeworms and foot-long clams. They also can learn about bioluminescent organisms that live in the darkened depths of the ocean.

Several interactive elements introduce topics such as how hydrogen sulfide is the

basis for the food web around a deep-sea vent and the depth at which the ocean becomes completely dark to human eyes. "Keep on the Level" simulates the body design of a jellyfish and asks visitors to orient themselves like a jellyfish.

## Darkness and humans

Using a 60-square-foot recreation of an urban duplex and eight related interactive elements, the Darkness and Humans area tells of past and present human interactions with dark environments and the resulting effect on these ecosystems. This exhibit area presents information about the stories used by different cultures to interpret night and darkness and relates human's technological adaptations to the dark, such as sonar, radar and image enhancers in "Dare to Compare." These technologies parallel the biological adaptations of animals such as dolphins, bats and owls. Several interactive components convey the history of making light and the negative effects of using artificial light in some environments that thrive in darkness.

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