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briefs

School closing dates

Students in Floyd County will begin their summer vacations as early as May 29 and as late as June 5, according to a new calendar released by the Floyd County Board of Education.

Because different schools missed a different number of days for a variety of reasons, there will be a total of six "last days" for students this year.

The last day of school for students, by school, is as follows:

- May 29: Allen Central High, Allen Central Middle, Duff Elementary, Opportunities Unlimited.
- May 30: Allen Elementary, Clark Elementary, Adams Middle, Prestonsburg Elementary, Prestonsburg High.
- May 31: Betsy Layne Elementary, Stumbo Elementary, May Valley Elementary.
- June 3: South Floyd High, South Floyd Middle.
- June 4: Betsy Layne High, McDowell Elementary.
- June 5: Osborne Elementary.

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Today

Scattered storms
 High: 88 • Low: 61

Tomorrow

Storms
 High: 86 • Low: 60

For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com

Board turns center over to county

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

Loss of state funding blamed

The Floyd County Community Center board made a motion in a special called meeting on Tuesday to turn financial responsibility for the center over to the county as a result of the state's failure to give a continuance grant to the center.

According to board member Mike Vance, the center's budget for the next 14 months would have to be limited to what is now left in the fund, plus some contribu-

tions from the county. He said that with the \$97,000 in the state account, the \$120,000 in the center's account, and the county's help, there should be \$250,000 to operate the nearly-finished community center.

Vance said that the current \$9,000 per pay period payroll would have to be cut to \$6,000, resulting in a 30 percent pay reduction. Vance said that the center would still

have to fill two jobs — building administrator and a janitor — when the building is complete.

Vance said the center will also have to hire a project director in which he suggested that they hire from the staff that is already in place. He said that there were three in management positions now, Johnny Mayo, Theresa Allen and Merrill

Little. Vance suggested that due to the state's failure to secure funds for the center next year, he would like to see the county take over financial responsibility of the center. Vance made a motion that the board turn the center over to the county and render the board to a non-paid volunteer council. The motion was seconded by Donna Sammons.

According to the builder, Lloyd

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photo by Loretta Blackburn
 Lisa Stevens of Allen and Angi Cramer of Prestonsburg started a petition rallying against a new welfare reform proposal that could limit education opportunities for KTAP/TANF parents.

Students, others criticize president's welfare plan

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

The Bush administration's welfare reform proposal, HR 4090, has drawn strong criticism from many across the nation, including a group of Prestonsburg Community College students who have begun a petition.

According to an article published by the National Governors Association, the 1996 welfare reform law, including the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) block grant, needs to be reauthorized before September 30.

The proposal made by the Bush administration for that block grant has significantly changed from the 1996 policy.

According to an analysis of the proposal done by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, some aspects of the proposal broaden state flexibility, but taken as a whole "the proposals would substantially limit the flexibility states currently have to design work programs" that would meet the needs of recipients and respond to the conditions of the labor market in their states.

According to an article from the Workforce Alliance, a national coalition of local employers, trainers and public officials focused on workforce development, Bush says his proposal promotes education and training for recipients, but the details of his plan will make that far less of an option than under the current law.

The Workforce Alliance reasoning behind this statement is that the proposal forces states to do far more without an increase in funding, which means that most of the funds available would be used for cheap, short-term services (not education and training).

The article states that the proposal is far more restrictive in the kinds of education and training it allows for recipients than under current law and that no recipient would be allowed to get more than three months of full-time training in any two-year period.

According to a 2001 panel study, KTAP clients who gained an educational/job training certificate, license or

(See WELFARE, page six)

Federal prison warden named

USP Big Sandy expected to open in January

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

A meeting of the Big Sandy Area Development District involved the announcement of a warden for the new federal prison being constructed near the Floyd, Johnson and Martin county lines.

Dan L. Dove, 53, originally from

Ashland, was selected as warden on March 21.

Dove is a 25-year veteran of the Federal Bureau of Prisons. Most recently, he served as the warden at the Federal Institution in Edgefield, S.C.

Dove and his family should be ready for transfer in late spring or early summer.

According to information at the meeting, the prison should be ready for inmates by next January.

Also at the meeting, two resignations from the ADD were discussed.

Director of Economic and Community Development Sandra Saad and Community Services Manager Lydia R. Chandler both submitted letters of resignation.



Gary Nicholas Francis, son of Tonia and Ricky Robinson of Prestonsburg and Gary D. Francis of Garrett, was chosen as an alternate for the 2002 Governor's Scholars Program. As an alternate, Francis will attend the program this summer if any of Floyd County's Governor's Scholars are unable to attend. "We must stress the importance of our students chosen as runners-up," said Karen Derossett, left, guidance counselor at Prestonsburg High School, where Francis attends. "There are thousands who apply and for Nick to be a runner-up is an honor for him and our school and our county." Francis plans to attend the University of Kentucky to study medicine.

Pair accused of attacking girl at motel

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

Two Lexington men have been arrested and charged with fourth-degree assault on a woman.

Christopher L. McQueen, 25, and Edwin Smith, 24, allegedly attacked Crystal Vanover in the Super 8 Motel in

Prestonsburg.

According to the police report, McQueen assaulted Vanover by choking her and then hitting her in the face.

Smith was also charged with assault along with a charge of criminal mischief.

Both men were issued a 500-foot restraining order as a result of the incident.

Ivel man charged with stealing underwear, indecent exposure

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

A Floyd County man was arrested on April 9 and charged with indecent exposure, terroristic threatening, theft by unlawful taking and harassment.

Gregory Thacker, 27, of Ivel, was arrested at the Harold Happy Mart as a result of a

warrant that had been issued for his arrest.

According to the police reports and court records, Thacker is charged with indecent exposure for allegedly exposing himself to Monica Adkins and her two minor children.

The charge of terroristic threatening stems from Thacker allegedly threatening

to blow up Adkins' home, and he was also charged with theft for allegedly taking two pairs of Adkins' underwear. A vague statement in court records says he then "told her minor children what he planned to do with them (the underwear)."

Thacker then allegedly grabbed Adkins and began pulling and kissing her, saying that "she owed him."

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Odds and Ends

■ **HARTSVILLE, S.C.** — Anna Hardin and Kely Allen are perfect roommates.

Not only do they share a room at a public boarding school, they also share a perfect score on their college entrance exams. Each girl got a 1600 on her SATs.

The girls are students at the South Carolina Governor's School for Science and Mathematics, a public boarding school for academically advanced high school juniors and seniors.

Kely says she couldn't believe it at first and thought she might be misreading the scores.

"This is a most unusual thing," said Gerry Caffee, vice president for student development at the school. "We've had some students score 1,600 in the past, but we never had two in a class score that high, let alone two roommates."

Now the room the girls share is known as "Room 3200."

"Everybody's probably going to want to get that room from now on," Caffee said.

■ **PROSSER, Wash.** — A steer with wanderlust led an animal control officer, city workers and police on a chase after escaping from a petting zoo in

the parking lot of Prosser High School.

"It livened things up," said vocational education director Rick Adams.

Sophomore Taylor White is raising the steer and brought it to school Tuesday for a petting zoo sponsored by Future Farmers of America. When the steer headed east, so did a lot of other people.

"We had the animal control officer, city of Prosser pickups, a couple of police cars ... several neighbors and friends who stopped to assist with the herding," Adams said.

The steer was caught about a

mile away from the school.

Adams said the steer didn't have a name as of Tuesday.

"It might have one now, and it might not be very nice," he said.

■ **PEMBROKE PINES, Fla.** — School custodian Ricardo Pena Loza was preparing the campus for the morning arrival of students when he felt a lump under his foot and heard a growl.

The lump was a 6-foot alligator.

The alligator was stepped on Monday in an alcove between buildings at Pembroke Pines Charter School. It reacted by whipping around and charging Loza, snapping its jaws.

"It happened in seconds. I was enclosed between walls and had nowhere to run," said Loza, who jumped over the alligator, which pursued him for a short distance.

Wildlife trapper Kevin Garvey caught the alligator with a noose.

Garvey said alligators' mating season is between April and June, when they cross land between canals and lakes seeking mates.

Last year, the Florida Wildlife Commission received 2,500 complaints from residents who spotted alligators on or near their property.

Pembroke Pines is near South Florida's Everglades in Broward County.

■ **PETTIBONE, N.D.** — A

rare two-headed calf born on Darrell Guthmiller's dairy farm wasn't expected to live more than a few hours. But 10 days later, it was taking milk from a tube.

Guthmiller planned to try a bottle this week.

"My daughter said I was going to get attached to the little bugger," he said. "I guess I am."

The reddish crossbred female calf, born early this month, has two noses, two snouts, a pair of tongues that work in tandem, three eyes and a slit where another started to form.

Andrea Grondahl, a veterinarian with the North Dakota Department of Agriculture, said not much is known about what leads to the birth of two-headed animals, or the reasons why they die.

Guthmiller, who bought the dairy farm in 1994 from his father-in-law, has never seen anything like it.

"The vet said it is a once-in-a-lifetime thing," he said.

"I've always been a person who likes challenges," Guthmiller said. "My wife said now I've got my challenge."

■ **BATAVIA, N.Y.** — A turkey recently decided to take a turn as a critic, attacking movies in a video store — and taking particular aim at hunting videos.

Nancy Arena arrived at her video store 30 miles east of Buffalo last week to find the front window smashed and feathers and movie cases scattered everywhere.

She called police, and when the officer arrived at the store, he flushed a young tom turkey out of the science fiction section.

An animal control officer eventually took the 12-pound bird away.

Arena says the episode "was kind of weird" because the turkey bashed into the hunting videos first — and left some droppings on them.

Spring is mating season for turkeys, and wildlife experts say the video-store crasher may have been looking for a feathered companion among the video displays.

■ **MCKEES ROCKS, Pa.** — This wedding ceremony was hotter than most wedding nights.

McKees Rocks firefighter Amy Connolly and Pittsburgh firefighter Victor Cushmanick were married Tuesday night at Connolly's fire hall in their "turn-out" gear — the protective clothing worn while fighting fires.

Connolly's only concession was to wear a veil instead of her helmet, and to carry a bouquet of flowers. The couple's Dalmatian, Murphy, wore a black bow tie.

"I just have to be different," said Connolly, 32, who met Cushmanick on the Internet several months ago while chatting about — what else — firefighting. "It's something that we're both into, and we wanted to do

(See **ODDS**, page six)

Funeral for slain sheriff draws thousands of mourners

by **ROGER ALFORD**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SOMERSET — Slain Pulaski County Sheriff Sam Catron was remembered as a hero Thursday during funeral services that drew more than 2,000 mourners.

"We owe Sam Catron this, that he did not die in vain. We must follow and pass on his example," said U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers, R-Ky., who delivered a eulogy at the Center for Rural Development, where the funeral was held.

The auditorium was packed with a standing-room only crowd and dozens of people listened outside to loudspeakers set up for the event. The route lead-

ing to the cemetery was lined with additional mourners.

"I've never witnessed such widespread and universal grief," Rogers said. "Everyone feels as if they've lost not just a family member, but a close family member."

Catron, who had been sheriff since 1986, was killed by a single gunshot from a high-powered rifle Saturday night after giving a speech at a political rally and fish fry in Pulaski County.

In the days that followed, three men were arrested and charged in connection with the slaying, including Catron's opponent in the upcoming Republican primary for sheriff.

Catron was running for a fifth term.

Rogers, one of four speakers at the funeral service, also read a letter from President George W. Bush, expressing his condolences to Catron's mother and family.

The Rev. Mark Toby, a Baptist minister from Somerset, said many people in Pulaski County saw Catron as more than hero. "Truly, Sheriff Sam Catron was a superhero."

(See **SLAIN**, page six)

Addington subsidiary agrees to temporary halt in production

by **MARTHA BRYSON HODEL**
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

NITRO, W.Va. — A subsidiary of AEI Resources Inc. agreed Thursday to temporarily halt coal production at two strip mines as penalty for a pattern of environmental violations involving the mishandling of explosives.

Beginning at 12:01 a.m. Friday, production was to stop for three days at Evergreen Mining Co.'s Knight-Ink No. 1 mine and for one day at the Knight-Ink No. 2 mine in Webster and Nicholas counties, according to a consent agreement signed Thursday by Evergreen and the state Department of Environmental Protection.

Although it will take place over a weekend, the shutdown still covers regularly scheduled production shifts, said Matthew B. Crum, DEP's director of mining and reclamation.

"This isn't a miners' holiday or something like that?" Crum asked.

"No," replied Art Hale, superintendent of the Evergreen operations.

Hale said the shutdown likely

will cost the company one trainload of production, which is 110 railcars, each loaded with about 100 tons of coal. Hale estimated the cost to the company at \$250,000.

Although Evergreen agreed to the penalty, lawyers for the company continued to assert that its violations do not comprise a pattern of violations, as asserted by the DEP.

Under the law, a pattern of violations warranting a permit suspension is defined as three or more related violations within 12 months. Evergreen had three blasting violations in 350 days.

"We began this proceeding denying that there is a consistent pattern of violations, and we still disagree that there is a pattern of violations," said Evergreen's lawyer, Mike Carey.

The agreement also requires Evergreen to change its mining methods and to adopt a new blasting plan that will assure that rock debris does not leave the mine's permit area during blasting.

If Evergreen violates the terms of the agreement at any time in the next year, DEP will begin the process of forfeiting Evergreen's bond for the two

permits.

Hale said the people who had been in charge of blasting have left the company, and said he would report any future violations to DEP.

"That's always been my philosophy," said Hale, who has been in charge of the operations since January 2001.

"Going forward under the new blasting plan ... and the consent decree will help ensure

our compliance," he said.

AEI Resources, formerly known as Addington Resources, is West Virginia's fourth-largest coal producer with 11.9 million tons a year of production through a number of subsidiaries.

The company is based in Ashland, Ky., and is the sixth-largest coal producer nation-

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Fire reported at Perry County mine

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — A fire at an underground coal mine in Perry County began Wednesday morning, an official with the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals said.

No one was injured and the fire was expected to be extinguished with little problem.

Spokeswoman Holly McCoy said workers at the Blue Diamond Coal Co. No. 77 mine smelled smoke and found a conveyor belt had caught fire.

Such belts are commonly used to transport coal from underground mines.

By early afternoon, firefighting teams had contained the fire and additional equipment such as a foam generator were expected to help put it out by Wednesday night.

The cause of the fire was unknown. The state department, along with the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration planned a joint investigation to determine the cause.

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For the Record

MARRIAGES

Amanda Marie Miller, 20, to Rickey Ray Knox, 22, both of Langley.
Leann Michelle Davis, 21, to Gary Haston Shortridge, 29, both of Prestonsburg.

LAWSUITS

Legal Recoveries Inc. vs. Barbara Sword; complaint.
Phoenix Healthcare of Kentucky vs. Knox County Family Practice Clinic, Manchester Family Practice Clinic and Williamsburg Family Practice Center; complaint.
Curtis Tackett vs. Swift Transportation Company and Lawrence Niece; complaint.
Vick D. McCoy vs. Eddie Brewer and Tanya Brewer and Joseph P. Fugate; complaint.
Tanya Brewer and Joseph P. Fugate; complaint.
Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. KHP Mining; complaint.
U.S. Bank vs. Norma Salisbury, Raymond Salisbury and Commercial Credit Investment Inc.; complaint.
Reo Martin Jr. vs. Nawenia Martin; divorce.

Diane Wallen vs. Shawn Dale Wallen; divorce.
Community Trust Bank vs. Jamie Ray Boyd; complaint.
Equitable Production Company vs. Joe Burchett; complaint.
Greg White vs. Ford Motor Company and Lane Brothers; complaint.
Marcella Shepherd vs. Life Insurance Company of North America; complaint.
Kenneth Webb vs. Billie F. Webb; complaint.
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company and James Hall vs. Rusty Hamilton and William Sachett; complaint.
The Chase Manhattan Bank vs. Scotty Williams; complaint.
Estate of Paula A. Mitchell vs. Bradley D. Combs; complaint.
BB&T Corporation vs. Benjamin Akers; complaint.

CHARGES FILED

Jennifer Rogers, 21, Harold, fourth-degree assault.
Gregory Thacker, 27, Ivel, theft by unlawful taking.
Gregory Thacker, 27, Ivel, indecent exposure, terroristic threatening, theft by unlawful taking, harassing communications.
Robert A. Fortner, 65, Prestonsburg, criminal littering.
Jean Dingus, 53, Printer, harassment.
Travis Ryan Johson, 23, Bevinsville, probation violation.
Frank Newsome, 42, Prestonsburg, terroristic threatening.
Wallace R. Johnson, 39, Langley, simple assault.
Cynthia A. Johnson, 22, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
Jay Prichard, 23, Garrett, fourth-degree assault.
Kimberly A. Yates, 36, Van Lear, menacing.
Shawn Picklesimer, 26, Meally, alcohol intoxication.
Shawn Wright, age unlisted, Martin, simple assault.
Lorene C. Wright, 22, Martin, simple assault.
Lorene C. Wright, 22, Martin,

possession of marijuana.
Thomas Sherington, 19, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.
Michael Parsley, 25, Prestonsburg, simple assault.
Elizabeth L. Stough, 34, Meally, alcohol intoxication.
Daniel Slone, 65, Garner, alcohol intoxication.
Christopher Whitworth, 24, Paintsville, alcohol intoxication.
Aubert Clevanger, 19, Salyersville, criminal mischief, burglary, theft by unlawful taking.
Jackie L. Dalton, 29, Inez, theft by unlawful taking.
Timothy Trimble, 45, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking, criminal mischief.

INSPECTIONS

Hamilton's Mobile Home Park, Price, regular inspection. Violations noted: some lots have grass in need of cutting, some mobile homes have a light amount of debris around them. Score: 94.
Pizza Den, Ivel, regular inspection. Violations noted: containers not properly labeled, thermometers not present in all refrigeration and freezer units, food item observed stored on the floor of the walk in freezer, several food contact counter tops in disrepair, pizza boxes stored on the floor, wall in utensil washing area in disrepair. Score: 92.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Vivian Hamilton Conn to Vivian Hamilton Conn and Donald Ray Conn, property located in Rolling Acres Estates.
Gordon Thornsby and Lydia Thornsby to Dewey Owens and Fredia Owens, property located on the Left Fork of Beaver Creek.
Myrtle Hamilton to Sarah A. Barker and Sharon C. Barker, property located in Stanville.
Judith Lynn Neeley to Philip D. Neeley, property located on Left Abbott Creek.
Edith Noble to Chanda Lea Hall, property location not listed.
Dock Reynolds Jr., Helen Reynolds and Phillip Dale Reynolds to Dock Reynolds Jr. and Deborah Reynolds, property located on Big Mud Creek.
The Elk Horn Coal

Corporation to Southern Water and Sewer District, property located on Ned Fork of Frasure Creek.
Elmer Hamilton and Kimberly Ann Hamilton, to Brad Hamilton and Sondra Hamilton, property located on Big Mud Creek.
Emzy Risner, James Risner, Bill Risner and Betty Risner to Pam Clark, property location not listed.
Emzy Risner, Pam Clark and Joe D. Clark, Bill Risner and Betty Risner to James Risner, property location not listed.
Joseph Blane Collins to Lanora Harless, property located in David.
Commonwealth of Kentucky to Floyd County Fiscal Court, property location not listed.
Lois Marshall to Sonja Faye Ratliff and Wayne Wendell Ratliff, property location not listed.
Katrina R. Lewis Bartram, Henry Compton Jr. and Mildred Compton to Katrina R. Lewis Bartram and Jeffrey S. Bartram, property location not listed.
Aloha Jean Setser and Frank Setser, Johnny Rollen Rodebaugh and Reba Jean (Harmon)

Rodebaugh, Dewana Kay Robinson and David Robinson, Rayanna Lea Spradlin and Kenny Spradlin, Dwayne Michael Rodebaugh, Lydia Kaye (Burchett) Rodebaugh, and Geisella Sue Rodebaugh to Alfred Music and Charity Music.
Larry Hamilton and Deloris M. Hamilton to Marco A. Pacheco and Marta L. Pacheco, property location not listed.
Rudolph Akers and Marjorie Akers to Larry Gene Akers and Clara Akers, property located near Martin.
Rudolph Akers and Marjorie Akers to Terry Akers, property located in Martin.
Billie Gray Goble to Joe A. Burchett Sr. and Barbara Clark Burchett, property located near KY 1428.
Pamela M. Parker and Timothy A. Parker, Virginia A. Williams and Robert K. Williams and Tammy R. Jenkins to Rita Sue Jenkins, property located on Buck's Branch of Beaver Creek.
Proctor S. Brown and Hanna S. Brown to Deedra Lynn Brown Gearheart and Stephen R.

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Allen Central High School student Terry Moore placed in pencil drawing at the Kentucky All-State High School Art Exhibit at Morehead State University. The Kentucky Art Association sponsored the event.

Tax changes on the table for special session

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Gov. Paul Patton said Wednesday he will include the opportunity to make tax changes part of the agenda for a special legislative session to work out a budget.
The session will start at noon Monday, prompted by the General Assembly's failure to come up with a spending plan for the state during the 60 days of its regular session that ended earlier this week.
"It would include the ability to close loopholes if the legislature would decide to do that," Patton said.
Rep. Harry Moberly, D-Richmond, the chairman of the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee, said this

week the disagreements that held up a budget would make it much more difficult to make any changes in the tax laws during a special session.
Moberly proposed legislation during the regular session to make modest tax changes in such technical areas as eliminating the deduction for income taxes paid by companies to foreign governments and placing a cap on the reimbursement companies receive for collecting sales taxes.
But even Patton seemed undecided about tinkering with the tax code during a special session.
"Exactly whether or not we will be supportive of any such measure is yet to be decided," Patton said.
Kentucky's Constitution gives the governor sole power to call a special session and determine its agenda. Legislators can adjourn at any time, however.
The official call issued Wednesday sets the agenda for "enactment of a biennial budget relating to appropriations and revenue measures as deemed necessary."
Revenue receipts that are once again falling short of projections might seem to add some urgency to consideration of tax changes, but the real problem in reaching a budget is a much more basic item.
House and Senate negotiations broke down over public financing of gubernatorial campaigns in 2003.
Patton and the House are lined up on one side, insisting that provisions be included to ensure that the partial public financing system used since 1995 remains intact. The House budget included \$9 million.
The Senate, led by Republicans, wants to scrap public financing, at least for the general election. Senators said \$9 million is not enough to cover the primaries and November campaigns.
Gubernatorial politics has dictated that portion of the budget debate and the stakes may have been raised this week.
Democrat Charlie Owen of Louisville said he would be a candidate for next year's race. Owen's personal fortune could allow him to pay for his own campaign and he declined to say whether he would take part in

public financing.
House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, was a primary advocate of retaining public financing. Senate President David Williams accused Richards of putting his own campaign ambitions ahead of a budget agreement.
If a candidate campaigns outside of the spending limits of public financing, other candidates can raise more money and have it matched by public funds. That would increase the drain on the budget from public financing.

which Republicans have referred to as a "rat hole."
Patton said with the 2003 campaign nearly in full swing, it is too late to take up the topic of public financing.
"That's one of the things that's complicating this discussion and debate right now. People are beginning to look at this with the perspective of individual and unique candidates. That's not the way to do it," Patton said. "So, the best time to review the law is before the next governor's race starts."

Detective: Triggerman may have been promised a job

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SOMERSET — The alleged triggerman in the sniper-style murder of Sheriff Sam Catron may have agreed to do the killing in exchange for a law enforcement job, authorities said Wednesday as mourners lined up to pay respects to the slain lawman.
State police Detective Todd Dalton said Catron was murdered to get him out of the running in the upcoming Republican primary election. He was seeking re-election to a fifth term as sheriff. A rival candidate has been charged along with two of his campaign supporters.
"We believe it's all politically motivated," Dalton said. "Each one of those persons had their own motivation for the murder."
A sheriff's candidate, Jeff Morris, 34, of Somerset; and Kenneth White, 54, of Burnside, were arrested Monday on charges of complicity to murder a police officer. That was one day after Danny Shelley, 30, of Eubank, was arrested for murder for allegedly shooting Catron on Saturday at a political rally and fish fry.
Dalton, the detective, said Morris wanted Catron killed to improve his own chances of being elected. White, who previously faced drug charges, wanted Morris to win the race so he'd have a sheriff who would look the other way, Dalton said. Shelley may have been promised a job as deputy if Morris was

elected, according to the detective.
"It's not uncommon to be promised a job for something like that," Dalton said.
Mark Stanziano, a Somerset attorney representing Shelley, said Dalton is speculating about something he doesn't know.
"That's the great thing about America; Everybody has an opinion," Stanziano said. "But an opinion won't stand up in court."
Stanziano said he doesn't know what Shelley told police in a tape-recorded statement Sunday night. In the arrest citation, police said Shelley confessed to the crime.
It was unclear Wednesday who would represent White and Morris.
Catron was well-known as an enemy of drug traffickers, flying a helicopter to search for marijuana plants and filling courtrooms with offenders his department had nabbed.
On Wednesday, the helicopter was parked on the lawn of the Center for Rural Development, where his body lay. His brown cruiser with a star on each front door was parked not far from the coffin. Thousands of people, including police officers and deputies from across the state, stood in line to walk past the open casket.
Michael Muse, a retired lieutenant from the Somerset Police Department, wiped tears as he exited the building. He said he

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"I was wrong."
Gov. Paul Patton

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— Dorothy Parker

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

Los Angeles Times, on cell research:

There is almost no support for so-called "reproductive cloning," the morally repugnant notion of copying DNA for the purpose of creating a child. But what about creating a few human cells that might cure Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, cancer or other serious diseases, without creating a fetus? That use, though it requires examination, certainly does not fall in the same class as baby-making.

President Bush threw out the medical with the immoral ... in a White House speech calling for a comprehensive, no-exceptions ban on human cloning. ...

Bush called for the support of Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle (D-S.D.), which is about as likely as Bush supporting new taxes. There's a possibility that the president's speech was really meant to score points with ardent abortion opponents, many of whom were in the audience, and provide ammunition to use against Democrats in November.

But even if that cynical scenario is true, Bush is rebuffing science. The Brownback bill would bar federally funded scientists from engaging in so-called "therapeutic" or "research" cloning: replicating the DNA of early-stage embryos to pursue promising leads in disease treatments. ...

Perhaps the worst result of the bill would be to drive public research into the private sector, where no federal ethics or public disclosure rules apply and where scientists would have no official oversight whatsoever. The possibility of that outcome should trouble everyone. ...

Given the recent, unconfirmed reports that Italian gynecologist Severino Antinori had produced a cloned human embryo, the need for regulation is urgent. ...

Standard-Speaker, Hazleton, Pa., on the U.S. Postal service:

We've been hearing a lot lately about the United States Postal Service and the trouble it's had staying afloat.

The 226-year-old arm of the executive branch of government has taken a seemingly hard hit these days for several reasons.

There's the high cost of everything, like maintaining buildings, fuel, and yes, even salaries. With 800,000 employees, it takes truckloads of stamps to pay wages and benefits. ...

The advent of the Internet and electronic mail has bitten off a chunk of the Postal Services revenue base, too. ...

So what does the Postal Service do? Ask for a rate increase.

In June, rates will increase to 37 cents for a first-class mailing, up three cents from the last increase that was granted not that long ago. It's not the most popular move, and it's one that has people grumbling. To quell some of the ill feelings, last week the Postmaster General announced a transition plan that will morph the mails into a leaner, meaner and more profitable entity. ...

There's talk of closing sorting facilities and even post offices themselves.

And there's even a proposal for a public-private kinship to maintain current levels of service. ...

It's a hard concept to grasp.

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At the same time, those same people can thumb their noses at the time-honored, fairly reliable service offered by the entity that allows the box to exist on its property. ...

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In the moment

Social comparison dilemma

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

The topic of interest to me this week is the inherent competition between women and the reasons behind these silent attacks on the self esteem. We are told by mass media that we are less than if we don't weigh a certain amount, wear certain things, or work out enough, just to name a few of the misconceptions we fall prey to in today's society. However, theoretically speaking, we are not recent victims to this way of behaving toward other females. According to theory, since pre-historic days we have been battling for the biggest, strongest, man in the name of survival. Even

though there is less emphasis on the securing of food we are still out to prove that we are a better choice than the next female. Yes ladies, in a real sense we still act like cave women.

At the risk of losing modesty I will disclose that, because I am attractive, I have been shunned by women my whole life. In my younger years I couldn't understand why I was treated this way. As a defense mechanism, I decide that I would believe it was their jealousy, so that I could avoid thinking it was something about me. In my youthful ignorance I was actually right to an extent. Jealousy is one of the many shortcomings in the combination of factors that make up the behavior we use toward those that we see as a threat. I

am not on a high horse, claiming to have never made a catty remark toward another female out of jealousy. I most certainly have. I have deliberately avoided other women in the past because they had a firmer stomach or down played someone's suggestion because she appeared to be smarter than me.



LORETTA BLACKBURN

When I became ashamed of this abhorrent behavior I started investigating to find out what it was inside me that made me act this way. What I found out is that when I behave cold and indifferent toward another female it is because I somehow feel threatened by her presence. Okay, so I know that it

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Guest Column

Social Security: Hiding the good news

by DEAN BAKER

When President Bush first described the War Against Terrorism, he warned that we might never learn of some of the victories in the war. One such victory, that may have escaped public attention, occurred last Tuesday, when the Bush Administration kept the 2002 Social Security trustees report out of the hands of terrorists.

Ordinarily, the annual trustees report, which provides detailed projections on the health of the Social Security program, is released at an early morning press conference. Copies are made available to anyone who wants one. The report is also

posted on the Web, where the public (and terrorists), can freely download it.

Reporters usually spend the day reading and digesting the report. They also contact experts around the nation to get their assessment of the new report. Then they file their story. This information is then transmitted by radio and television, across the country and around the world, where even al Qaida terrorists in caves along the Afghan border can pick it up.

That didn't happen this year. The Bush Administration released the report in a late afternoon press conference. It also did not make it available on the Web. This meant that reporters had only a few minutes to file a story for their newspapers or television. There would be too little time to assess the report or to contact outside experts. Besides, these experts would not have seen the report in any case.

As a result, the public was not likely to be well informed about its contents. For example, most people are probably unaware of the fact that the new report projects that the program will be able to pay every penny of scheduled benefits until the year 2041. By that year, the oldest of the troublesome baby boom generation would be age 95, and the youngest would be age 77.

Even after the trust fund is projected to be depleted in 2041, the report shows that Social Security will still be able to pay a benefit that is more than 10 percent higher in real (inflation adjusted) dollars than what current retirees receive. In fact, the new report shows that Social Security is stronger financially than at any point in the 1940s, 1950s, 1960s or 1970s.

If the Social Security trustees had assumed that productivity would grow as fast as President Bush's Council

of Economic Advisors predicted in the most recent Economic Report of the President, the program would be fully solvent until almost 2050, with no changes whatsoever. Alternatively, if the trustees assumed that the nation would have as many immigrants in two decades, when it faces a labor shortage due to the retirement of the baby boomers, as it did in the last decade, Social Security's future would also appear significantly brighter.

But even taking the report at face value, this was the fifth straight year that the trustees had pushed out the date when the trust fund was projected to run into trouble. Back in 1997, Social Security was projected to face a shortfall as early as 2029.

News like this could cause many people to question the need for the privatization plans put forward by

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Untether yourself from the tube during TV-Turnoff Week

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NEW YORK — Soon the TV networks will be airing retrospectives like never before.

NBC is spotlighting two different 10th anniversaries and throwing itself a diamond jubilee. CBS has a pair of golden anniversary specials. ABC has "Laverne & Shirley Together Again" to mark that sitcom's, er, twice-a-baker's-dozen year.

You can catch it all. Or,

instead, you can observe a different kind of anniversary from April 22 through 28: The eighth annual TV-Turnoff Week.

Click! The whole family is invited to make a clean break from the tube, whose temptations would otherwise snare adults an average of more than 28 hours that week and children 21 hours.

"TV-watching is the default setting for many people," says Frank Vespe, executive director of the nonprofit Washington, D.C.-based TV-Turnoff

Network.

Vespe, who averages a half-hour of viewing a week, knows TV-Turnoff Week won't send the Nielsens into a swoon or bring broadcasters to their knees.

"TV isn't going away and we're not saying that it should," he says. "But if we can get people to the point where they're making a conscious choice to watch when they watch, and to spend more time doing other things, we will have made a difference."

As Monday approaches, start steeling yourself for seven days without "Oprah," "Law & Order" or "The Osbournes." At worst, you'll be testing the truth of that old adage, "Absence makes the heart grow fonder."

But TV-Turnoff Week proposes you'll find better things to do than pine for television. And you can recruit other TV abstainers to do those things with.

On the TV-Turnoff Network's Web site, you'll find tips on how to rally children and fellow adults. The group estimates 6 million pulled the plug last year and claims to have signed 15,000 organizers for Turnoff '02.

The Web site also furnishes plenty of arguments for re-examining your leisure time priorities — and your kids'. (A good reason to start with: The connection between obesity and TV-watching drawn by then Surgeon General David Satcher as he endorsed last year's TV-Turnoff Week.)

There are lots of alternative

activities with which you can fill your TV cooling-off period. The Web site lists 101 suggestions, including baking, learning yoga, tending the garden and reading a book.

The objective is to occupy yourself exclusively with something other than TV, Web-surfing and video games — what Vespe calls "passive-screen entertainment."

"TV is easy, it doesn't demand anything of you," he says. "Every worthwhile activity in the world is difficult in some measure and requires a

conscious effort."

The issue isn't watching "better" television, of choosing "Masterpiece Theatre" over "WWF Smackdown!" Instead, the TV-Turnoff Network contends Americans' lives increasingly are identified with the media they consume.

"To an unprecedented degree, the torrent of images, songs and stories streaming (from the media) has become our familiar world," writes Todd Gitlin (who happens to be

(See **TURNOFF**, page seven)

Regional arts and entertainment

by RICHARD CROWE

"Have you got an extra ticket? Who has tickets to sell?" Bluegrass Music lovers sounded like UK Wildcat fans in the lobby of Rupp Arena just before a big game last Friday night. The crowd was at the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg, however, for a sold-out show featuring Dr. Ralph Stanley and the Clinch Mountain Boys.

Stanley, a veteran of 55 years of performing, recently won a Grammy Award for "O Brother, Where Art Thou." His high lonesome tenor voice was as clear as ever and the 1,050 fans who got seats were not disappointed.

I recognized people from Ashland to Whitesburg in the crowd and all agreed that they had seen an excellent show.

Ralph's son, Ralph Stanley II, sang a couple of solos and proved that his voice has really developed over the years. He has a much sweeter voice than his father's and I look for greatness from his singing and guitar playing in the future.

Also included in this show was Ralph's grandson Nathan Edward Stanley, who obviously enjoys the stage. His singing, joke telling and mandolin playing far exceeded the talents of a normal 9-year-old, but who would think that traveling with

Ralph Stanley could lead to anything but excellence? He is the musician who helped start the careers of Keith Whitley, Ricky Skaggs and Charlie Sizemore.

A real treasure

If you haven't been to the Mountain Arts Center and you like music you should do your-

self a favor; get over there and enjoy a show with your family. Ticket prices are very reasonable and the place is a real treasure.

The auditorium reminds me of the Dollywood theatre in design and size with two exceptions. The stage at the MAC is much bigger and the beautiful

(See **REGIONAL**, page seven)

'Survivor' producer wants to make all-star version with past contestants

by DAVID BAUDER
AP TELEVISION WRITER

NEW YORK — How would the villainous Richard Hatch do against sweet-talking schemer Tina Wesson? Can you imagine Susan Hawk from the first "Survivor" dressing down Rob Mariano from the current show?

Such what-ifs could happen. "Survivor" executive producer Mark Burnett said Tuesday that he's planning an all-star edition matching memorable players

from past editions of the game. He'd like to make the alumni game sometime next year.

Burnett wouldn't be limited just to the players who won. He would have free reign to match his favorite personalities, and said most would love to do it again.

The current, fourth edition of "Survivor," on the South Pacific island of Marquesas, has represented something of a critical comeback for the show. Burnett conceded that the third

"Survivor," in Africa, didn't resonate quite as well with viewers.

"I loved it, but clearly from a viewer's point of view, it was a bit harsh, there wasn't enough chemistry, and we could have used the water challenges," he said.

CBS is planning to shoot the concluding episode of the current "Survivor" in New York City's Central Park, if permissions could be granted. The last two final shows were shot in Los Angeles.

Burnett recently received government approval from Thailand to shoot another "Survivor" edition on a tropical island there. He wouldn't confirm that's where "Survivor 5" will be, saying he's also scouted locations in the Amazon.

And he said he's continuing to pursue a deal with Russian authorities to shoot a reality show in space. A previous agreement fell through, literally, when the Mir space station fell to Earth.

Burnett's other adventure game, "Eco-Challenge," begins later this month on the USA cable network.

Electronic device blocks objectionable words on television

by BILL POOVEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — Rebekah Renfrow is mad as uh, heck and she's not going to take it anymore.

Her breaking point came when she watched an episode of "Everybody Loves Raymond" with her four young children and heard a certain derogatory reference to women that made her cringe.

"I don't want to be overprotective but there is no need to have it coming in my house," Renfrow said. "I really don't want my kids hearing that kind of language."

Renfrow was a waiting buyer weeks later when one of her children came home from school with a promotional flier about ProtecTV. The new electronic device — a hand-sized box selling for \$79.95 — selectively mutes words and phrases that television viewers like Renfrow consider objectionable.

Besides blocking the obvious lexicon of four-letter curse words, the device mutes or edits from closed-captioning scripts words such as stupid, moron, cocaine, horny, intercourse, hell and shut up.

Every time a word is spoken it is compared to a dictionary of more than 400 offensive words and phrases and if the word matches, it is deleted from the soundtrack and captioning. The viewer will experience a momentary gap in the audio and for viewers reading the captions, the undesirable written word is replaced by XXXX's.

The boxes, made by Global Cable Inc. of Trenton, Ga., can be connected to a television, VCR, cable box, DVD player or a satellite TV system.

Global Cable Vice President Allan Ward said the company purchased worldwide rights to manufacture and sell ProtecTV last year after he saw it demonstrated at a cable product show in Toronto.

Diane LaPierre, a former forklift operator from Calgary, Alberta, developed and patented the technology after trying to use closed captioning to help her teach her son to read.

Ward said he and Global Cable owner Jim Gee talked to a few people about using the technology to create ProtecTV "and everyone saw the value."

"If you have ever sat down with one of your kids and watched an evening television show, a lot of times you end up answering a lot of questions that you don't want to answer,"

(See **BLOCK**, page six)

NYC premiere of 'Star Wars' prequel to raise money for children of Sept. 11 victims

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The New York premiere of "Star Wars: Episode II — Attack of the Clones," will raise money for the city's underprivileged kids and children of the victims of Sept. 11, festival organizers said Wednesday.

"As a father and filmmaker, it's my pleasure to offer the film in support of the children of New York City," said "Star Wars" creator George Lucas.

The premiere, scheduled for May 12 during the Tribeca Film Festival, will benefit The Children's Aid Society, which helps the city's disadvantaged children and has provided millions of dollars in aid to those affected by the terrorist attacks.

Two private screenings of the latest "Star Wars" prequel will take place that morning for children and their families; the premiere that afternoon will be the fund-raiser to benefit The Children's Aid Society. Natalie

Portman, one of the movie's co-stars, is expected to attend, as well as Frances McDormand, Karen Allen, Dan Aykroyd and Donna Dixon.

Tickets are \$500 for the pre-party and screening and \$1,000 for the pre-party, screening and VIP seating.

Premieres of the film will take place in 11 North American cities on May 12, with seats in each theater set aside for underprivileged children.

"Attack of the Clones," the second chapter of Lucas' six-part "Star Wars" saga, also stars Hayden Christensen, Ewan McGregor and Samuel L. Jackson. It opens nationwide on May 16.

The inaugural Tribeca Film Festival (May 8-12) aims to help reinvigorate the Tribeca section of lower Manhattan, one of the hardest hit on Sept. 11. Robert De Niro, co-founder of the festival, based his Tribeca Productions in the neighborhood in 1988.

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They forget the railroad did likewise for men like Jack,

Employed by C and O, then Chessie, then CSX.

Still and listening for the Lord's call, with his loved ones by his beside,

He missed his hand-rolled Prince Albert smokes.

He missed the railroad,

For there he had left a part of himself.

He put pride into his work, and the railroad men respected him as family.

As a young man in a day when working men went without cars,

He would walk to work from Banner to Martin.

Bent tired from his labor,

He still had the strength to stop along the way home

To dig coal for his parents from a coal bank.

Retired in 1988, he remained devoted to his family—

Loving Rita, Mike, Jason and Joshua's Paintsville Stock Sale business.

Being behind the tape stand allowed him to talk to strangers,

Who by the time he finished "placing" them

Were strangers no longer.

Quiet times

He spent in reading—

Never content to skim the headlines.

He most loved reading of places

Trains had never taken him.

The engine's whistle sounds to warn of a crossing.

It sounds louder before the mountain rains come.

It sounds louder still, now that he's gone.

As he approached his crossing,

He was soundless and at peace.

But he did what a good railroad man would do.

He signaled a silent goodbye to William, Kathy, Rita, his grandchildren,

Family—both present and away—

Kin, and workers to whom he claimed kin

Because they were so much like family to him.

When the Lord called him home, he found strength for two blinks of his eyes

That signaled his crossing from this world to Heaven.

The first was for the railroad men, his buddies in youth.

The second was a goodbye and a thank-you to his family.

Now each time they hear a loud engine's whistle, they think of him.

Sadly missed

By: William, Rita, Mike, Jason, Joshua, Amanda, Sarah and Kathy Amber

Welfare

diploma were significantly more likely to exit the program.

According to Viola Miller, secretary of Kentucky's Cabinet for Families and Children, current laws require welfare recipients to participate 30 hours a week in work-related activities and allows them to meet that requirement through job-related education for 12 months. Students in Kentucky can still count 10 hours of education toward the 30-hour requirement and can cover the remaining time doing on-campus student work.

Miller wrote that the President's plan would block that path for many by requiring people to work 40 hours a week,

doing away with the option of pursuing an education full-time for a year.

According to an overview of the proposal from the White House website, the administration proposes that 50 percent of TANF families with one or more adults must be participating in a combination of work and other activities that lead to self-sufficiency as quickly as possible.

Jean Rosenberg, coordinator, and students with the Ready to Work program at PCC have responded to this with a petition. According to Lisa Stevens, of Allen, the changes would significantly affect her and many others like her because the plan is too limited to allow KTAP recipients to go to school full-time.

Stevens fears that she will not be able to continue her education because she would have to work too many hours to comply with regulations and her income would remain below the poverty line indefinitely. Therefore, "going to work as soon as possible" would not change things for her and her children.

"What they are taking away is what is helping us now," said Stevens.

The petition started by Stevens and Angi Cramer, of Prestonsburg, accumulated 550 signatures in two-and-a-half days. The petition urges citizens to voice protest before the pro-

posal becomes law.

Rosenberg said she fears that if the proposal becomes law, it could mean the end for programs such as Kentucky's Ready-to-Work program. That program has provided skill training and support to 3,087 KTAP participants since it began four years ago and 247 recipients have graduated from KCTCS colleges this year alone.

Center

Johnson, offices should be finished by the end of April, and bleachers will be installed in the building by the end of May or the beginning of June. He anticipated the total completion of the building by the end of June.

The board decided to paint the building "meadowland" — somewhere between green and gray — after laughing off suggestions of "Purple Flash" or "Red, White and Blue".

The board also adopted an employee policy handbook, requested that utility lines be installed and paid bills.

Moment

is jealousy that provokes this nasty attitude but where does it come from?

It started coming together for me in my religion class the other morning when it was suggested by my professor that the reason Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit was because they were not content with what they had. I believe that what I have to do in order to really move past this irritating, bothersome obstacle to peace of mind is to learn how to be content with what I have been given by mother nature. When I am wary of you because of a quality that you have it is because I think yours is better than mine, so to speak. If I were truly content with my qualities, I would not be worried about yours. But how would I accomplish that?

I was discussing this issue with Nicole Schnopp-Wyatt, professor of psychology at Pikeville College, when clarity came dancing in to my head. She educated me on social comparison theory which basically says that we compare our actual self with our ideal self. That is what I am doing when I get nervous around another female and often times become jealous of her. "I'm saying this part of me whatever it may be is not what I want". It really doesn't have anything to do with the other

Slain

Hundreds of cruisers from across the state and nation were part of the procession to the cemetery. Lawmen and civilians wiped tears as a bugler played taps, and as police helicopters flew through the partly cloudy sky in the v-shaped missing man formation.

Pikeville Police Chief James Justice said officers across the state had known Catron's reputation as a no-nonsense sheriff.

"Thugs and drug dealers are not mourning too much right now," Justice said.

Sheriff Harold Don Gabbard of Butler County, Ohio, said Catron worked tirelessly.

"It made no difference how many hours a day he had to work or how many days a week," said Gabbard, who worked closely with Catron on drug investigations that involved both departments. "The crooks would move back and forth between Ohio and Kentucky to hide. They couldn't with Sam on the job."

Lt. Eddie Herrell of the Florida Highway Patrol, said Catron's reputation in law enforcement circles was nationwide.

"He was well-respected, a superb law enforcement officer," Herrell, a Kentucky native, said as he prepared to go into the funeral. "This is basically equal to losing a brother."

Pulaski County Judge-Executive Darrell Beshear said in a eulogy that Catron worked long hours because he loved the job, but also because he loved the people he worked to protect.

"He was the truest and most dedicated public servant I have

ever known," Beshear said. "We will never replace Sam Catron; nor should we try."

The Rev. Gerald Ashley, another Baptist minister who spoke at the funeral, said Catron's death weighed heavily on local residents, just as did the death of President Kennedy or the terrorist attacks on New York and Washington.

"For Pulaski Countians, last Saturday was one of those days we will never forget," he said.

Guest

President Bush's Social Security Commission. After all, if the program appears solid long into the future, why would anyone want to dismantle it? As every pollster and politician knows, Social Security is an enormously popular program. It doesn't make sense to fix Social Security, if it's not broken.

The trustees report also shows that the Social Security system is far more efficient than the private accounts advocated by President Bush. The administrative costs of running private accounts — the

money paid out to financial industry — would be approximately 5.0 percent of annual benefits, according to the Bush Commission's own estimates. By contrast, the Social Security trustees report shows that the administrative costs of running the Social Security system are just 0.7 percent of annual benefit payments. The difference would amount to tens of billions of dollars paid from workers' retirement savings to the financial industry.

But, tens of millions of Americans will not know these basic facts about Social Security, at least in part because of the way the Bush administration chose to release the 2002 Social Security trustees report. The administration's strategy kept the publicity around the report to a minimum. Those who are troubled by this fact can at least rest assured that the al Qaeda terrorists don't know the truth about Social Security either.

Dean Baker is co-director of The Center for Economic and Policy Research (CEPR). CEPR was established to promote democratic debate on the most important economic and social issues that affect people's lives. CEPR works to ensure that the citizenry has the information and analysis that allows it to act effectively in the public interest. For more information, see: www.cepr.net.

Agrees

wide. In 2001, it produced 48.2 million tons of coal from mines in Appalachia, the Illinois basin and the Rocky Mountains. Most of its employees are in Kentucky and West Virginia.

AEI Resources filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in February and is working on a reorganization plan that would take control of the company away from the Addington family and give it to the company's largest creditors.

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From Everyone At The Floyd County Times

Allen Central High School

Is accepting nominations for parent representative to their site based decision making committee (SBDM). Nominations should be turned in to Brenda Turner, Secretary, from 7 a.m. til 3 p.m., daily at the school. Deadline for nominations is May 15, 2002, at 3 p.m. The election will be on Monday, May 20, 2002 at 6 p.m., in the school library. All parents of Allen Central students are urged to attend and vote.

Block

Ward said. "I have nothing against prime-time television but it's not for children."

Ward and Gee approached Hamilton County school board member Marty Puryear about test marketing the product through an agreement with the Chattanooga-area schools.

Global Cable would give 2,800 devices to public schools to connect to classroom televisions in exchange for officials allowing thousands of students to take fliers home to their parents advertising the product.

The school system would also receive \$33 for each ProtectTV box sold during the two-month sales promotion that coincided with the startup of marketing the devices in January.

"It just seemed like something that would work. You are helping public education and it gives you a chance to test market your product," Puryear said.

The school board agreed, and Ward sold about 225 devices and the school system got more than \$7,000.

Ward said he has sold ProtecTV on some television shopping networks and has approached retailers about carrying it. The device also is available on the company's website.

Renfrow, who describes herself as a "stay-at-home mom," said she connected the ProtecTV box to a television in a basement room where her 9-year-old daughter and three sons — ages 3, 5 and 8 — often watch television while she is doing other things.

"I can send them downstairs to watch TV and don't have to

Record

Gearheart, property location not listed.

Francis Branham, John Edward Walker, Charles Douglas Walker Sr. and Geneva Walker, Edith Mae Meeks to Ronnie Douglas Taylor, property located on Big Sandy River at Tram.

Randall Slone and Alda Lucille Slone to Sherri Lynn Engle, property location not listed.

Glennis Tackett and Jennifer Robin Tackett, Wanda Johnson and Joe Johnson, Mary K. Newman and Tivis Newman to

possible to strike a balance. I just have to pay attention when I am comparing my actual self with my ideal self and change my ideal self to match my actual self. A simple concept on paper, but much harder in life. But necessary unless I want to spend my life bouncing up and down on the ladder of self-esteem, relying on people other than myself to decide how I am going to feel about myself. I don't think I want that kind of life so I am on a journey to fully accept myself. All I really have to do is appreciate what I have been given which is a pretty good package when I look at it in its entirety.

Rodney Newsome and Nina Newsome, property location not listed.

James S. Reid and Carrie Reid to John E. Gregory, property located on Abbott Creek.

James Ronald Meade and Sharon Meade, Paula M. Blackburn and Dwight Blackburn to Melissa Dawn Johnson, property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Betty Carr Richards and Carl A. Richards to Kythryn A. Carr and William H. Carr Jr., property located on Beaver Creek.

Betty Jo Carr, Betty Carr Richards, Carl A. Richards to Kythryn A. Carr, property located on Arkansas Creek.

Harmon Tussey and Rhoda F. Tussey to Hershel Conn and Coney Conn, property located in the City of Prestonsburg.

Claudette Newsome Reaume and Jeffery Reaume, Melody Renee Newsome to Charles Akers and Sola Akers, property location not listed.

Kimberly Tackett McKay to Earl Cook Jr. and Virginia L. Cook, property location not listed.

Crit Conn and Eula Conn to Iris J. Prater, property located on Prater Creek.

Richard Ousley and Eliza Ousley to Victor Doderer and Melinda Doderer, property located in the City of Prestonsburg.

Thomas Thacker and Nancy Thacker to Jason S. Reid and Carrie Reid, property located on Abbott Creek.

Betty Ann Chaffins Reed to Helen Renee Womack, property located on Salyers Branch.

Charles Akers and Sola Akers to Palestene Akers, property located in Grethel.

Virgil Ray Conn and Amarine Conn to Sally Stone Gessel, property location not listed.

Odds

something that is memorable."

"Traditions are what you make of them," said Cushmanick, 34.

About 100 people attended the wedding, about five miles south of Pittsburgh, including 24 McKees Rocks firefighters in dress uniforms.

The groom's mother, Julia Cushmanick, was caught off guard by the wedding's nontraditional theme.

"All mothers would like their children to have a traditional wedding — but I understand," she said. "As long as my son is happy, I am happy."

OLIVE BRANCH, Miss. — Cigarette smokers who toss their butts out the car window might learn from the example of Mari Ann Sistrunk, who faces a \$203 fine for littering.

"I did it. I admit that. I just wasn't thinking, and I threw the butt out the window," she said.

Sistrunk, 31, was driving home from work at a Wal-Mart

on Monday morning when she discarded her cigarette. Olive Branch patrolman Adam McHann pulled her over.

When she asked what the ticket would cost, McHann referred her to the number for the municipal court clerk.

"I couldn't believe it," Sistrunk said. "The ticket was \$203. Two hundred and three dollars for one cigarette butt. I could have been speeding, I could have hit someone. Anything like that, and the cost would have been lower."

McHann said his original intent was to warn Sistrunk not to throw butts out the window.

"I tried to explain to her that the intersection of Bethel and U.S. 78 was the worst intersection in the city for litter, but she said throwing a cigarette butt out the window was not littering," he said.

In addition to the litter, McHann said grass fires are a threat at the intersection, where a construction project is under-

way.

MADISON, Wis. — An annual Wisconsin tradition has been put out to pasture.

Cows on the Concourse, which promotes the state's dairy industry with livestock displays and dairy products during June Dairy Month, has been canceled, said Kelli Lamberty, Madison's community events coordinator.

She said the Dane County Dairy Promotion Committee didn't have enough people to coordinate the event.

"It would have been the 25th year so it's very disappointing that they couldn't do it," Lamberty said.

The event is traditionally held on the Capitol Square on the first Saturday in June in conjunction with the Farmers' Market. Last year, live cows were replaced with life-size models because of concerns about foot-and-mouth disease.

Lamberty said she didn't know if the event would return.

Obituaries



Cecil Jefferson Miller

Cecil Jefferson Miller, 78, of Naples, Florida, passed away March 30, 2002, at the Naples Community Hospital in Naples, Florida, after a brief illness.

He lived in Naples for twenty-seven years, having moved there after his retirement in 1975. Cecil was born July 23, 1973, in Drift, Ky., the son of the late Thomas Jefferson Miller and Minnie Martin Miller.

He is survived by a sister, Josephine Miller of Drift, Ky.; two brothers, Hugo E. Miller of Drift, Ky., and William Ralph Miller of Hot Springs, Ark.

Cecil attended Hunter and Drift Elementary Schools, graduated from McDowell High School, and attended Georgetown College in Georgetown, Ky. He attended the American Institute of Technology and Electronics. Cecil was a certified private pilot. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during W. W. II. After his honorable discharge from the Marines, he became interested in the field of radio engineering and worked for radio stations in Pikeville, Hazard, and Paintsville, Ky. Following this experience, he joined Philco as a Technical Representative and General Electric as an Electronic Intelligence Gathering and

Evaluation Representative of early warning air defense systems as a site manager. He worked on the Over the Horizon Radar, E2-C Early Warning Airborne Radar Program and Electronic intelligence Gather-ing Evaluation. He did advisory and maintenance work, primarily in countries receiving military aid contracts from the United States. These lands, chiefly Asian ones, included Japan, Korea, Turkey, Okinawa, Philippines, Pakistan, Formosa, Guam, and India. He also worked for eight years in light military applications training Air Force personnel and assisting in the maintenance of airborne radar and ground communications. He received many honors for his work in foreign countries from the USAF, the Air Service Command Advisory Team in Taiwan and from the Turkish Air Force Air Defense Command. He spent many years in Japan, Turkey, Pakistan, Afganistan, and many other remote areas of the world. Cecil had traveled the globe many times during his life. He was listed in the First Edition of the U.S. Who's Who in Aviation and Aerospace of 1983.

Cecil was also a gifted musician. He played classical guitar, violin, and keyboard. There will be a Memorial Service at the Hall Funeral Home in Martin, Ky., April 21, at 1:00 p.m. Cremation was done by the Hodges Funeral Home of Naples, Florida, and the remains will be placed in the family cemetery in Drift, Ky.

Memorials may be made to the Drift Presbyterian Church, Box 99, Drift, Ky. 41619.

(Paid obituary)

Judith "Judy" Hale Bennett

Judith "Judy" Hale Bennett, 41, of 208 Bailey Circle Road, Erwin, Tennessee, died Sunday, April 14, 2002, at the Unicoi County Memorial Hospital, Erwin.

She was a native of Prestonsburg, Ky., and the daughter of Charles G. and Minnie Sue Campbell Hale, Prestonsburg. She was saved when she was 11 years old, and has been involved in church work for more than 20 years. She was a graduate of Pikeville College and earned her Master of arts in Christian Education at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky. She had served as Children's Ministry Director of Calvary Baptist Church since 1987.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her husband, Rev. Tim Bennett.

Other survivors include her father-in-law, T.J. Bennett of Erwin; two brothers-in-law, Tommy Bennett and wife, Phyllis, and Jerry Bennett and wife, Kim, all of Erwin; one niece, Amber Bennett of Erwin; two nephews, Aaron Bennett and Andy Bennett, both of Erwin; three uncles, Zeb Campbell, Bill Campbell and Arthur Campbell, all of Prestonsburg, Ky.

Funeral services for Judith "Judy" Hale Bennett were conducted at 8:00 p.m., on Tuesday, April 16, 2002, at Calvary Baptist Church, with Rev. Dean Hampton, Dr. John Kuhne and Dr. Christopher Ward officiating. Vocal selections were provided

by the Calvary Trio.

The family received friends at Calvary Baptist Church from 5 p.m., until service time.

Committal service will be conducted at the Chapel of Memories at Washington County Memorial Gardens, at 10 a.m., on Wednesday.

Serving as pallbearers are Jerry Bennett, Tommy Bennett, Aaron Bennett, Andy Bennett, Mike Campbell, Patrick Burke, Roland Banks and Terry Hale.

Serving as honorary pallbearers are deacons of Calvary Baptist Church, ministers of Unicoi County, ministers of the Holston Baptist Association, Gus Kalos, Gary Wright, Bill Campbell, Oliver Webb Jr., and Roger Spradlin.

Those attending the committal services will meet at Valley Funeral Home at 9:15 a.m., on Wednesday, to go in procession to the cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to Calvary Baptist Church Bus Fund, 540 Adams Street, Erwin, TN. 37650, or to the Holston Baptist Association Judy Bennett Children's Fund, 207 University Parkway, Johnson City, TN. 37604.

Condolences may be e-mailed to the family via Valley@Funeral-Plans.com. These arrangements are made especially for the family and friends of Judith "Judy" Hale Bennett, through Valley Funeral Home, 1085 N. Main Ave., Erwin, www.Funeral-Plans.com/Valley.

(Paid obituary)

Olga Owens

Olga Owens, 88, of Blue River, Ky., died Saturday, April 6, 2002, following an extended illness.

Born on December 21, 1913, in West Prestonsburg, Ky., she was the daughter of Sam Bayes and Della Coburn Bayes. She was a retired cook, for Wise Restaurant.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry Owens.

Survivors include one son, Henry Jr. Owens, of West Prestonsburg, Ky.; three daughters, Mable Sue Owens of Buckeye, Ky., Della Lou Hackworth of Prestonsburg, Ky., Sally Jo Slone of David, Ky.; one brother, Harvey Bays of Prestonsburg, Ky.; three sisters, Betty Jo Hackworth and Elsie Sherman, both of Abbott, Ky., and Rena Blair of Paintsville, Ky.; 14 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Sammy Bays, Woodrow Bays and Henderson Bays; and one sister, Lacressa Von.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 9, 2002, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky., with Van West and Jimmy Brown officiating.

Burial was in the Owens Cemetery, Buckeye, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Virginia Mae Storie Moore

Virginia Mae Storie Moore, age 77, of McDowell, Ky., wife of Edgle Moore, passed away Wednesday, April 17, 2002, at the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital, Hazard, Ky.

She was born July 8, 1924, in Drift, Ky., the daughter of the late William McKinley Storie and Katie Amerzee Storie.

Survivors include her husband; three sons, Edgle Moore Jr. of Ezel, Ky., Dana "Pogo" Moore of McDowell, Ky., Christopher "Doc" Moore of Hazel Green, Ky.; two daughters, Paula Fern Mitchell of Plant City, Fl., Pamela Sharon Moore of McDowell, Ky.; two brothers, Douglas Storie of Willoughby, Oh., Daniel Storie of Monroe, Oh.; seven sisters, Ola Patton of McDowell, Ky., Eula Stumbo and Dixie Turner, both of Prestonsburg, Ky., Bonnie Burchwell of Hillsboro, Oh., Joyce Clark of Hampton, Tx., Frances Stapleton of Fairfield Glades, Tn., Helen Nicola of Tucson, Az., 12 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Virginia Moore will be conducted Saturday, April 21, 2002, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky.

Burial will follow in the Moore Family Cemetery, Orkney, Ky., under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation is 12:00 noon til 9:00 p.m., Friday, at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Myrtle Franklin Reasor

Myrtle Franklin Reasor, 89, of N. Highland Ave., Prestonsburg, Ky., died Wednesday, April 17, 2002, at the Prestonsburg Health Care Center.

Born September 12, 1912, in Hindman, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Watson Franklin and Flora Pigman Franklin. She was a former teacher for the Floyd County school system; a member of the First United Methodist Church for over 50 years; and local, state and Big Sandy Retired Teachers Associations. She attended Wheaton College and graduated from Eastern Kentucky University.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 18, 2002, at 3 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. George Love officiating.

Interment was in the Richmond Memorial Cemetery, Prestonsburg, Ky.

Contributions suggested to First United Methodist Church, Prestonsburg, Ky.

(Paid obituary)

Jeanette Jane Crider Flannery Frazier

Jeanette Jane Crider Flannery Frazier, of N. Highland Ave., (Prestonsburg Health Care Center), Prestonsburg, Ky., died Tuesday, April 16, 2002, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born March 20, 1915, in German (Floyd County), Ky., she was the daughter of Marion Crider and Dixie Spears Crider. She was a homemaker and member of the Freewill Baptist Church.

She is preceded in death by her first husband, T.J. Flannery on April 28, 1968; and second husband, Hager Frazier.

Survivors include one daughter, Ann F. Davis of Prestonsburg; three sons, Phillip Flannery of East Point, Ky., Marion Flannery of Warsaw, In., William Flannery of Silver Lake, In.; one sister, Nola Stepp of Prestonsburg, Ky.; one brother, Jack Crider of East Point, Ky.; and 11 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Yvonne Flannery in 1936 and Alice Faye Flannery in 1937.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, April 19, 2002, at 11 a.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Steve Williams officiating.

Interment will be in the Richmond Memorial Cemetery, Prestonsburg, Ky.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Regional

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stonework inside is really top of the line. Both of these features add to the musical experience.

The folks there are also very friendly and helpful. They are there primarily to help develop the young musical talent in the mountains. Debbie Scott, board member Randy Martin, and the new executive director Pat Bradley all made me feel very welcome and I'm sure they will do the same for you.

Some upcoming shows include GooseCreek Symphony, May 4; Joe Diffie, June 1; Loretta Lynn, June 21; Patty Loveless, July 5; Billy Ray Cyrus, July 19; Crystal Gayle, July 26; and Ricky Skaggs, August 9.

Call toll free 1-888-MAC-ARTS for ticket information. If you enjoy music you will enjoy the MAC.

Upcoming events

The newly-rebuilt

Paramount Arts Center in Ashland will present Carrot Top on April 30. Call (606) 324-3175 for ticket prices and information.

Renfro Valley will host Carl Hurler April 25, 26 and 27.

James C. Claypool will present "Exploring Kentucky in Song" at the Kennedy Memorial Library in West Liberty on April 26. Call 725-5133 about this free offering.

The Greater Hazard Area Performing Arts Series will present a dinner and dance program featuring Revolution: The Beatles Tribute on May 3. Call Tammy Duff about ticket prices at 436-5721, ext. 8067.

Regional Arts and Entertainment is provided as a public service of Hazard Community College. Email questions, comments, and upcoming events to Richard.Crowe@kctcs.edu.

Turnoff

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on the TV-Turnoff Network board of advisers) in his recent book "Media Unlimited."

"In a society that fancies itself the freest ever," he declares, "spending time with communications machinery is the main use to which we have put our freedom."

TV-Turnoff Week is a way to fully reappropriate that freedom, if only for a seven-day experiment. In this media flood, the best way to glimpse an alternative state may be to poke your head above the surface.

So consider TV-Turnoff Week a call for TV, video-game and computer habitues to spend a few days re-engaging with real life.

A lot to ask of this couch potato nation?

"It's a pretty uphill battle

we're fighting," Vespe says. "But I think more and more people know of us and what we do."

One clue: The fate of a recent legislation to encourage Virginia families to give their televisions a week's rest. In February the measure was killed by a state Senate committee whose 15 members, as The Washington Post reported, had been lobbied by the cable and broadcast TV industry.

"Sure, the industry can defeat that resolution," Vespe says. "But for them to spend the money and resources to lobby against it — well, I think that was nice validation that we're making some noise, we're making some progress."

On the Net
www.tvturnoff.org

Card of Thanks

The family of David Goble would like to thank everyone for the food, flowers, donations, and kind and loving words.

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Job

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remembered Catron as a 12-year-old boy who hung around the police station to be near the action.

"He loved police work," Muse said. "If Sam ever expected to die, he expected to die in uniform."

A single bullet from a Remington 25.06-caliber rifle killed the 48-year-old Catron shortly after he finished a campaign speech at a fish fry and political rally Saturday at a volunteer fire department in Shopville, a tiny community about 70 miles south of Lexington.

Witnesses saw a man fleeing the scene on a motorcycle, and Shelley was captured after wrecking the cycle, which was registered to Morris.

Jim McWhorter, the chief deputy sworn in as sheriff hours after the shooting, said Morris was a deputy under Catron from 1996 to July 2001. Morris resigned as a result of an "internal matter" that McWhorter declined to explain. McWhorter said Morris worked as a plumber after he resigned.

White had been arrested last year for possessing cocaine, a charge that was dismissed after

he agreed to serve as an informant for the sheriff's department. Shelley's criminal record has a litany of traffic offenses, one arrest for alcohol intoxication and one for strong-arm assault.

Dalton said Morris "had sunk everything into the campaign," and that White also had invested heavily.

"It's the talk of the town that Kenneth White was bankrolling the campaign," Dalton said.

Funeral services for Catron were set for Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Center for Rural Development in Somerset.

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: Due to rising costs and space limitations we will no longer be accepting items for our Community Calendar that contain a revenue-producing nature. If your organization is holding a fundraising event, please contact our classified or advertising departments to announce your event. The Floyd County Times will continue its practice of posting meeting dates and public service announcements. These submissions must be received in writing no later than 5 p.m. Monday for Wednesday's publication, and 5 p.m. Wednesday for Friday's publication. Items may not be taken over the telephone. Community Calendar items are subject to editing according to

space limitations.

M.C. Volunteer Firemen

The Mud Creek Volunteer Fire Department holds regular monthly board meetings on the second Thursday of each month. Meetings are held at 6:00 p.m. Public participation is invited.

Betsy Layne High Class of 1961

The Betsy Layne High School Class of 1961 will hold a reunion at Dale Hollow Lake State Resort Park, located in Burkesville, Ky., on June 8, 2002. Call 1-800-325-2282 for lodge reservations A.S.A.P. Please R.S.V.P. your plans to attend by May 15 to: Anna Burchett Prendel, 908 Norfolk, Jackson, MI 49202, or phone (517) 787-8076, or email: a.prendel@worldnet.att.net

April is Fair Housing Month

Kentucky's Fair Housing Law forbids discrimination in

housing because of a person's color, religion, race, sex, national origin, familial status, or disability. An aggrieved person may file a complaint of a housing discrimination act with the: U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development, Asst. Sec. for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Washington, D.C. 20410. The Big Sandy Area Development District supports fair housing and is operated in accordance with the United States Dept. of Housing and Urban Development.

David Appalachian Crafts 30th Anniversary Celebration. Saturday June 1, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Potluck, games, music, silent auction, craft demonstrations, cake walk. For more info. call 886-2377 or 886-2513, or email: dac@kih.net, or skrw@hotmail.com.

PHS Class of '82

Are you a graduate of or would you have graduated with

the Prestonsburg High School Class of 1982? If so, please contact either Ronald Rowe, at (859) 608-0565 or (606) 886-2904 or e-mail to: dan.coolley@mail.state.ky.us Plans for the 20th year class reunion are being made now.

Board meeting

The Martin Area Senior Citizens Center will hold a board meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

Moms and Babes Club

Members wanted. Mothers interested in a local playgroup for their children, ages 0-5 yrs. Once a week meetings to be held in the home of a local stay-at-home mother. Purpose of club is to provide stay-at-home mothers with the opportunity to meet other moms and to allow their children a safe environment in which to interact with one another. As the cold weather decreases, play group out-

ings will be planned. Older children are also welcome to attend. Note: This will be a "Mom's & Babes Club," not a day care service. Serious inquiries may be directed to (606) 297-7778, ask for Rachel.

McDowell High Class of '92

A reunion of the McDowell High School Class of 1992 is currently being planned. Anyone who graduated from, or would have graduated from, MHS in '92 is welcome to become a part of the planning forum. All addresses are needed for each classmate. Send addresses and any suggestions to: Debbie (Fannin) Crum, P.O. Box 506, McDowell, KY 41647 or Misty Little, Unit 2, Box 4, Martin Drive, Minnie, KY 41651.

Big Sandy Chapter DAV

Meets each 1st and 3rd Friday at the Auxier Fire Dept. at 6:00 p.m. All veterans interested in joining may call

Ballard Shepherd, commander, at 886-7887; Bill Baldrige, Adjutant, at 886-2834; Fred Hannah, Chaplain, at 297-4273; or Billy Lewis, vice-Commander, at 789-7067.

Over 40?

A study is currently being conducted to determine interest in an "Over 40" singles club to be organized in local area. The purpose of the club would be to introduce singles, over 40 years of age, to their peers. The private club members would then meet for travel, shopping, sports activities, picnics, dances, or simply to talk. A yearly membership fee of \$25 would be required. If interested, please call 606-874-3989 and leave a message. All information will be kept strictly confidential.

Class of '92 reunion

All Betsy Layne High School class of 1992 that are interested in attending the ten-year class reunion, contact Patty Williams Meade at 606-478-5740 or Tracy Kidd Young at 606-587-1320. Phone numbers and addresses needed.

Maytown Homecoming 2002

The Maytown Homecoming week-end event will be held on May 24, 25, 26, and 27, at the Maytown Lifetime Learning Center (formerly Maytown High School). Registration will be held on Friday, May 24, along with a traditional Gospel Sing. Saturday, May 25, will be a fun-filled day of activity, among them a possible auction of donated items with proceeds going to support future homecomings. Sunday, May 26, will be set aside for church and visiting relatives and family cemeteries. Monday, May 27, will also be a day of visiting. All are encouraged to attend.

Notice to all veterans

If you are a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces, you may be entitled to VA benefits that you are unaware of. Visit the Disabled American Veterans office located at Ivel, or call (606) 478-9810 during regular office hours, Monday - Friday. Our mailing address is DAV, Betsy Layne Chapter #169, 480 Conn Street, Ivel, KY 41642. There is never any charge for our services.

Free training offered by Mt. Comp Care

Mt. Comprehensive Care Center's Victim Service's Program will be offering free training sessions to become a volunteer advocate for victims of child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault. The training will be held on April 13, and 20 in Prestonsburg. If you would like to become a volunteer victim's advocate, call Linda Hutchinson, Volunteer Coordinator/Advocate, at 886-4323.

Attention

"Earn while you learn"
The Big Sandy area C.A.P. is taking applications for the senior training program. You must be 55 or older to apply.

We are located in six counties. Floyd: 886-2929; Magoffin, 349-2217; Pike, 432-2775; Lawrence, 638-4067; Martin, 298-3217; Johnson, 789-6515.

BLHS class of 1982 reunion

Are you a graduate of or would you have graduated with the Betsy Layne High School Class of 1982?

Class reunion plans are being made now! Please, contact us as soon as possible.

Class reunion committee, call 587-2404 or 478-1980 or 478-1861.

Red Cross moves to new location

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

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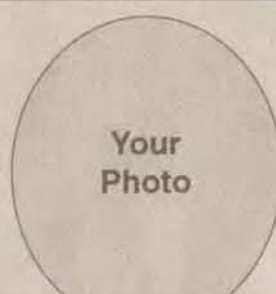
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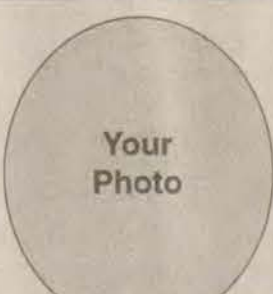
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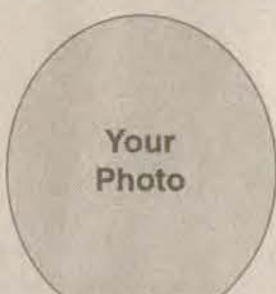
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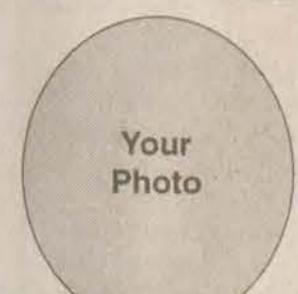
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Golf Today versus Golf Yesterday

by **BILLY REED**
TIMES COLUMNIST

"Golf, as it is played by most cart-riding wheezers, is not only less exercise than walking the dog or knitting, but it can destroy a healthy person."

— Ex-Chicago columnist Mike Royko

You probably noticed long ago that the golf played on the PGA Tour by Tiger

Woods and his supporting cast is a far different game than the one played by you and your fellow thieves at your local club. I'm not talking about the differences in the caliber of play. That's as obvious as Phil Mickelson's inability to win a major championship.

Heck, I've not even referring to the difference in appearances. The pros all are models for the latest in golf fashion. You and your pals probably look as if you got your shirts, shorts, and shoes on sale at Tacky-R-Us.

But the most difference is in the area of sportsmanship.

The pros observe golf's rules and etiquette as rigidly as if are a bunch of blueblood countesses serving high tea to the Queen of England. They wouldn't dare cheat, even if there was no chance of getting caught.

In 1967, Argentine golfer Robert DeVicenzio forfeited the Masters because he inadvertently signed an incorrect scorecard. Pros will even call penalties on themselves, which is refreshing in an era where the motto in every other sport is: "Get away with anything you can."

In baseball, basketball, football, and, of course, hockey, it's standard operating procedure to cheat, then cry whenever you get caught. Even when they know the officials are correct, the players and coaches glare an com-

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Sideline Shots

P'burg Little League opens moved back

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

It's spring and it's time to get outside and enjoy the warm (lately hot) weather. Such won't be the case this weekend for Prestonsburg Little Leaguers, but it won't be long until they get started.

The Prestonsburg Little League, according to representative Richie Schoolcraft, will open up the first

Saturday of May, Saturday, May 4.

The Paintsville Little League tried to get in its Opening Day games last Saturday, but Mother Nature just wouldn't cooperate.

The Harold-Allen-Prater Little League charter has reportedly moved its season-opener set of games back to April 27. The Times is in need of information on all area Little League charters.

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Roberts family returns after 48 days

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

Adam Roberts is certainly glad to be back home. As a matter of fact, it has been some 48 days since the youngster was home.

On March 1, Adam Roberts and his younger brother, Andrew, were riding with their grandfather when they were involved in a

horrible wreck. The grandfather never made through the wreck alive. The youngest Roberts brother was treated at Pikeville Methodist Hospital and later released. The older of the two brothers was in for a long stay that eventually ended Monday when he returned to the D.W. Howard Fieldhouse, a place where he often lit up the nets as

an eighth-grader on the Betsy Layne Elementary School boys' basketball team. The tragic wreck occurred the Friday before this year's Floyd County Grade School Tournament. The wreck took its toll on the entire Roberts family, as well as the surrounding Betsy Layne school district and

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photo by Steve LeMaster

Adam Roberts is back home after a lengthy hospital stay.

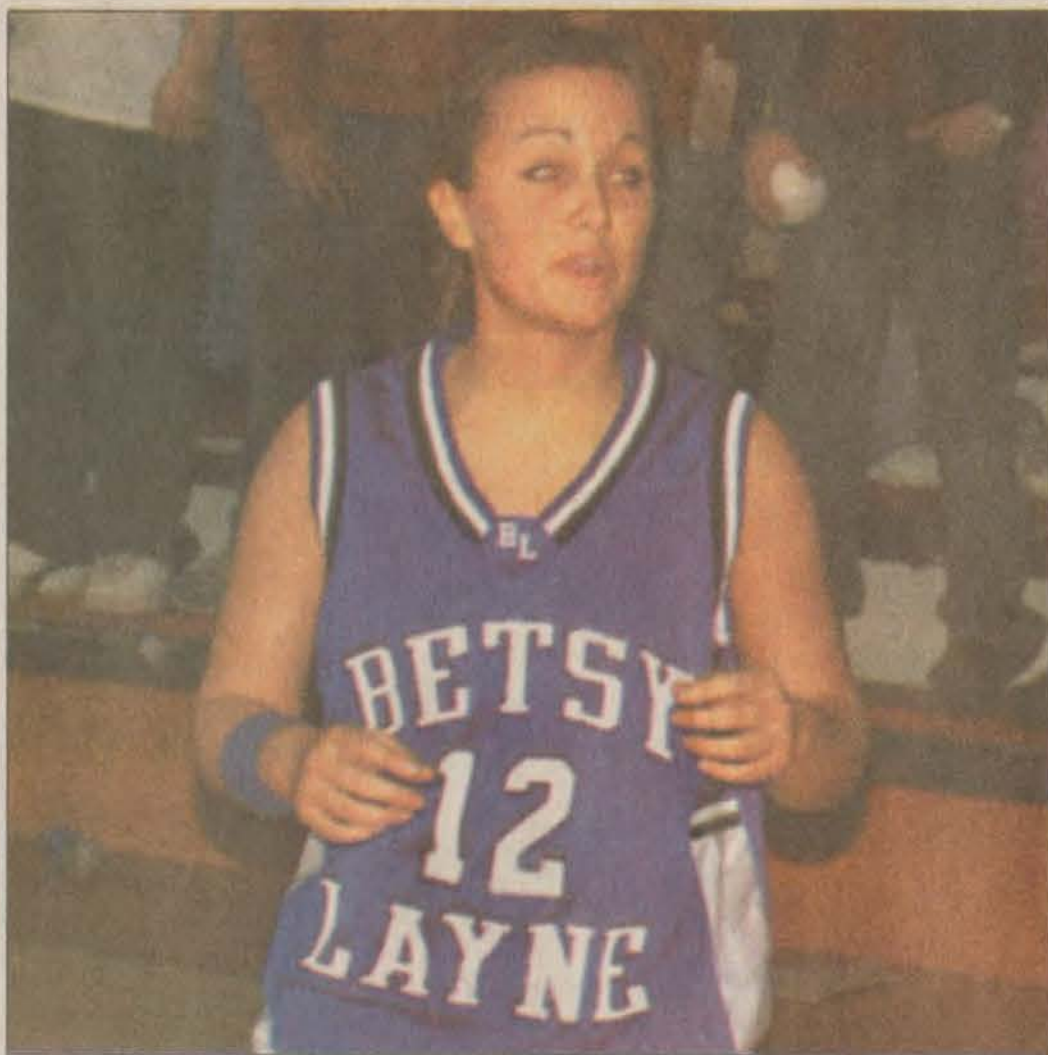


photo by Jamie Howell

Devon Reynolds has signed to play college basketball for the Alice Lloyd Lady Eagles. Reynolds remains active after basketball season, playing softball for her high school.

Reynolds signs with Alice Lloyd College

Betsy Layne senior becomes first women's signee this year

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

Devon Reynolds is making a move to the next level. On Wednesday, Reynolds, a 5-4 guard, signed to play college basketball at Alice Lloyd College in Pippa Passes. Present at the signing was Alice Lloyd College Coach Denise Campbell. May 4 will be Campbell's last day at the helm of the ALC women's program. After that, she will officially move on to

East Ridge High School where she has accepted the head coaching job of the girls' basketball program.

Reynolds has a GPA of 3.6, having scored 20 on her ACT. Future college plans include going into a medical field, although she remains somewhat undecided on her college major.

Last year's ALC women's team surprised some people, finishing with a winning record. Reynolds has the opportune chance to step in and play some of as a true fresh-

man.

The Betsy Layne senior earned numerous honors throughout her high school career in the sports of basketball, softball and track and field. On top of that, it isn't over yet as she is still playing fast-pitch softball.

Accomplishments during her high school career include Gatorade Will To Win Athlete (2), The Floyd County Times Player of the Week

(See REYNOLDS, page five)

Runyon close to signing with Pikeville College

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — Paintsville High School senior Matt Runyon, son of PHS head boys' basketball coach Bill Mike Runyon, appears close to signing to play football for Pikeville College, his dad's college alma mater.

Runyon, a versatile two-way performer for the Tigers on both sides of the football, could upon signing, help a depleted Pikeville College offensive line. Last season, the Bears (3-8) struggled to go strong with depth along a sometimes injury-plagued offensive line. Runyon could sign with Pikeville as early as next week. He helped lead

the Tigers to the State Semifinals this season where they eventually lost to Newport Central Catholic (State Runner-up).

The elder Runyon is a Pikeville College Hall of Famer.

Zak Willis is in his second season as head football coach at

(See RUNYON, page six)

P'burg's Clark, Sanchez win

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

The Prestonsburg High School tennis team was in action Wednesday night against visiting Greenup County. Jeremy Clark, ranked No. 1 in the region, scored an impressive 8-1 win over a Greenup County opponent, while teammate Claudio Sanchez fared much the same, beating his Greenup opposition 8-4 to score a victory.

Sanchez comes to Prestonsburg from Chile as part of a foreign exchange program. He compliments Clark well. A near state champ last season, Clark, who transferred to Prestonsburg from Betsy Layne last season, is currently ranked third in the state. The talented duo, along with the rest of their

Prestonsburg teammates, are coached by Bobby Hamilton.

Prestonsburg was due back in action last night against Rowan County in a home contest slated for a 5 p.m. Results were unavailable for this edition.

The PIT (Prestonsburg Invitational Tournament), scheduled for this weekend, has been cancelled. Prestonsburg returns to action on the road Monday against rival Paintsville. Prestonsburg and Paintsville are scheduled to begin play on Monday afternoon at 4:15.

Raptors defeat Trailblazers 2-1

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Johnson County Youth Soccer Under 10 Ramada Raptors faced off against the Floyd County Trailblazers this past Saturday on their home field in Johnson County. The Ramada Inn Raptors defeated the Trailblazers 2-1.

Forwards Cara Richardson and Jerralyn Kelsey, along with Mid Fielders Tori Parker, Trent Davis and Jordyn Combs got the ball rolling in the first half of the game. Defenders Clinton Combs, Josh Reed and Ashley Melvin built up an impressive defensive wall against the Trailblazers. Kelsey came up the field and kicked in a goal six minutes into the game and scored again after Davis and Parker dribbled the ball up the field and centered up a shot for yet another goal. The Raptors led 2-0 at halftime.

The second half of the game saw Megan Caldwell and Taylor Robinette move into the positions of midfielders. Parker and Richardson fell back into the Defenders position and were assisted by Alex Allen and Courtney Coburn, who were determined to keep the ball clear of their half of the playing field.

Rachel Goble once again took up the post as goalkeeper. Goble with the unrelenting aid of the Defenders kept the Trailblazers to only 1 goal the entire game, which allowed the Raptors to come away

(See RAPTORS, page five)

Tackett visits U.Virginia-Wise

Betsy Layne hurler one of region's top pitchers

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
SPORTS EDITOR

WISE, Va. — Betsy Layne senior Kim Tackett is leaning toward U.Va.-Wise as her college choice. The Ladycat pitcher visited the Virginia college recently and from various reports really liked what she saw. Tackett's softball and bas-

ketball teammate, Devon Reynolds, signed on Wednesday to play basketball at nearby Alice Lloyd College. ALC wouldn't be a bad fit for Tackett as well, only if it still offered a women's softball program. Tackett, a very important part of Betsy Layne's 15th Region runner-up team this past girls' basketball season, wants to go to a school

where she can play softball. U.Va.-Wise has a quality softball program, one of which also has some tradition behind it.

A versatile athlete and performer, Tackett has opened for country music group Exile.

A two-time all-district star on the

(See TACKETT, page five)

Lady Bears win first-ever MSC title

TIMES STAFF REPORT

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Pikeville College women's tennis program won its first Mid-South Conference tournament yesterday, edging out Georgetown College 5-1.



Kinney

With the win, Pikeville improved to 14-4 on the season. The Lady Bears are ranked ninth nationally.

They will advance to next week's NAIA Region XI tournament in

Rome, Ga., and should be the top seed. The next highest seed in the field is Union (Tenn.) University, checking in at No. 21. "We're very proud of these young ladies and how hard they've worked," said Pikeville assistant coach Rodrigo Puebla. "They have been determined to not let anyone work harder than them, including our guys, and they have done that."

"We're proud of the way we've represented Pikeville College, and hope to keep it going in the regional tourna-

(See LADY BEARS, page six)

Briefs

BASEBALL

SAN DIEGO — Barry Bonds hit his eighth home run, a 442-foot solo shot that reached the second deck in right field at Qualcomm Stadium.

Bonds is tied for the major league lead with Houston's Lance Berkman, who hit his eighth.

Bonds is sixth on the all-time list with 575, nine short of passing Mark McGwire.

DENVER — The Colorado Rockies received good news about slugger Larry Walker, but the team will lose right-hander Pete Hamisch for the season because of elbow surgery.

Walker left Tuesday's game with soreness in his right elbow but an MRI showed no major structural problems.

MILWAUKEE — Brewers pitcher Ben Sheets and Pirates third baseman Aramis Ramirez were ejected in the top of the third inning after dugouts cleared.

Sheets' first pitch to Ramirez hit the batter. Ramirez charged the mound, threw his batting helmet at Sheets and took a couple wild swings.

SANTA ANA, Calif. — Cleveland Indians pitcher Chuck Finley filed for divorce from actress Tawny Kitaen just days after she was arrested for allegedly hitting him.

Finley, 39, filed divorce papers in Orange County Superior Court on April 4 and obtained a temporary restraining order preventing Kitaen from seeing him. He also received temporary custody of the couple's two daughters, ages 9 and 3 1/2.

OLYMPICS

LONDON — The investigation into the use of blood-transfusion equipment by members of Austria's Olympic cross-country ski team has ruled out the involvement of any medalists.

IOC president Jacques Rogge told The Associated Press that the probe has found that three Austrian competitors received blood transfusions during the Salt Lake City Olympics, but none were medal winners.

PARIS — Russia's Larissa Lazutina, stripped of a gold medal at the Salt Lake City Olympics after testing positive for a banned substance, reportedly failed drug tests performed in December.

The French newspaper daily L'Equipe reported that Lazutina tested positive for the endurance-increasing drug darbepoetin in December.

BASKETBALL

NEW YORK — Milwaukee's 123-89 loss, combined with Toronto's 103-85 victory

over Cleveland and Indiana's 103-80 win over Philadelphia, meant that the Eastern Conference's final two postseason spots went to the Raptors and Pacers.

Toronto, which won 12 of 14 after Vince Carter went down for the season with a knee injury, gained the seventh seed and will play Detroit.

The playoffs begin Saturday with Detroit-New Jersey, Utah-Sacramento, Seattle-San Antonio and Orlando-Charlotte. Sunday's games will be Philadelphia-Boston, Minnesota-Dallas, Portland-Los Angeles and Toronto-Detroit.

NEW YORK — Jason Terry of Atlanta and Don Reid of Orlando were fined and suspended without pay from their teams' final regular season games for fighting during a game the previous night. The NBA fined Terry \$10,000 for throwing a punch at Reid, who was fined \$7,500 for fighting back.

SOCCER

DUBLIN, Ireland — Ireland got around U.S. defenders to score a pair of goals and defeated the Americans 2-1 in the last round game for the United States before the World Cup.

TENNIS

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Top-ranked Jennifer Capriati, playing on clay for the first time since winning the 2001 French Open, beat Janette Husarova 2-6, 6-2, 6-4 in the Family Circle Cup.

Capriati, the defending champion, overcame 43 unforced errors to advance to the third round.

In a third-round match, third-seeded Serena Williams beat Nathalie Dechy 7-6 (7-3), 6-3.

Six seeded players lost second-round matches — No. 4 Jelena Dokic, No. 6 Amelie Mauresmo, No. 8 Meghann Shaughnessy, No. 10 Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, No. 11 Daniela Hantuchova and No. 12 Elena Dementieva.

MONTE CARLO, Monaco — Australian Open champion Thomas Johansson advanced to the third round of the Monte Carlo Masters, beating Stefan Koubek 6-4, 6-1.

Andy Roddick also advanced, beating Bohdan Ulihrach 7-6 (7), 7-6 (3).

Second-seeded Juan Carlos Ferrero defeated Felix Mantilla; Marat Safin, seeded sixth, easily beat Richard Gasquet, two-time French Open finalist Alex Corretja, seeded 13th, beat Andrea Gaudenzi; and 11th-seeded Jiri Novak defeated Nicolas Pietrangeli.

SPORTSBOARD

MLB BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	9	6	.600	—
Montreal	8	7	.533	1
Florida	7	7	.500	1 1/2
Philadelphia	7	8	.467	2
Atlanta	7	9	.438	2 1/2

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	9	5	.643	—
St. Louis	9	6	.600	1/2
Cincinnati	7	7	.500	2
Houston	7	7	.500	2
Chicago	5	9	.357	4
Milwaukee	3	12	.200	6 1/2

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	10	4	.714	—
Arizona	10	6	.625	1
Los Angeles	8	7	.533	2 1/2
San Diego	7	7	.500	3
Colorado	5	11	.313	6

Tuesday's games
 Montreal 8, Chicago Cubs 4
 Florida 7, Philadelphia 6
 N.Y. Mets 3, Atlanta 1
 Houston 8, Cincinnati 3
 Pittsburgh 5, Milwaukee 1
 Colorado 6, Los Angeles 4
 Arizona 5, St. Louis 3
 San Francisco 5, San Diego 1

Wednesday's games
 Atlanta 2, N.Y. Mets 1
 Pittsburgh 3, Milwaukee 2
 Los Angeles 6, Colorado 3
 St. Louis 8, Arizona 4
 Montreal 15, Chicago Cubs 8
 Philadelphia 7, Florida 5
 Houston 7, Cincinnati 2
 San Francisco at San Diego

Yesterday's games
 Houston (Oswalt 2-0) at Cincinnati (Reitma 0-0)
 N.Y. Mets (Leiter 1-0) at Montreal (Vazquez 0-0)
 Philadelphia (Parson 0-2) at Florida (Beckett 0-1)

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	9	4	.692	—
New York	9	7	.563	1 1/2
Toronto	6	8	.429	3 1/2
Tampa Bay	5	8	.385	4
Baltimore	4	10	.286	5 1/2

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	11	3	.786	—
Chicago	9	5	.643	2
Minnesota	9	6	.600	2 1/2
Kansas City	5	7	.417	5
Detroit	2	11	.154	8 1/2

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	13	3	.813	—
Oakland	8	7	.533	4 1/2
Anaheim	5	9	.357	7
Texas	4	11	.267	8 1/2

Tuesday's games
 Boston 14, Toronto 3
 Detroit 9, Tampa Bay 3
 Baltimore 5, N.Y. Yankees 4
 Minnesota 8, Kansas City 5
 Chicago White Sox 10, Cleveland 5
 Anaheim 5, Texas 5, 10 innings
 Seattle 6, Oakland 2

Wednesday's games
 Boston 10, Toronto 3
 Detroit 7, Tampa Bay 6
 N.Y. Yankees 7, Baltimore 1
 Kansas City 16, Minnesota 3
 Chicago White Sox 7, Cleveland 2
 Texas 4, Anaheim 1
 Seattle 7, Oakland 4

Yesterday's games
 Kansas City (Suppan 1-1) at Minnesota (Milton 2-1)
 Tampa Bay (Rupe 1-1) at Detroit (Weaver 0-2), 2:05 p.m.
 Anaheim (Ortiz 1-1) at Oakland (Hillis 1-1)
 Baltimore (Ericksen 1-1) at N.Y. Yankees (D. Wells 2-0)
 Cleveland (Colon 3-0) at Chicago White Sox (Ritche 0-1)

Baseball

Morris finally beats Schilling

by IRA PODELL
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

AP Sports Writer Matt Morris couldn't beat Curt Schilling in last year's NL playoffs. In fact, no one could.

Schilling's dominance carried into this season, but Morris finally broke through and without his best effort.

Morris allowed three runs in the first three innings but grew stronger in the St. Louis Cardinals' 8-4 victory Wednesday night over Schilling and the Arizona Diamondbacks.

The pair locked up in two duels in the playoffs last season, and the Diamondbacks escaped with 1-0 and 2-1 victories.

Morris (4-0) joined Schilling's teammate Randy Johnson as the NL's first four-game winners this season. Morris and Schilling led the majors with 22 wins each last season.

"I just tried to keep it close," Morris said Wednesday. "I was all over the place. Once we got the lead, I settled down and was able to make pitches later in the game."

In other NL games, it was: San Diego 5, San Francisco 3; Atlanta 2, New York Mets 1; Pittsburgh 3, Milwaukee 2; Los Angeles 6, Colorado 3; Montreal 15, Chicago Cubs 8; Philadelphia 7, Florida 5; and Houston 7, Cincinnati 2.

Schilling (3-1) allowed six runs on nine hits, struck out seven and walked two in six innings in his first loss since Aug. 23. He was 4-0 in the post-season last year.

"That's not the best Curt Schilling," said Jim Edmonds, who hit a grand slam to rally the Cardinals from an early deficit. "He didn't have his best stuff."

For Edmonds, who also doubled and scored in the fourth inning, it was his fourth career slam and sixth home run of the season.

"You don't give up grand slams if you don't walk people," Schilling said. "I felt I had good command. I just didn't make pitches when I needed to make them, and I made some good pitches that they hit. It was a combination of things."

Morris yielded four runs on nine hits in seven innings. He struck out five and walked none. Jason Istringhausen pitched the last two innings for his second save.

"He did so many good things to be the winning pitcher today," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said. "I mean, he's doing it more and more. He's growing up so quick. He's doing stuff that Randy Johnson and Curt Schilling do. He just kept going. He never got discouraged and quit competing. That's the reason we won."

Padres 5, Giants 3

Barry Bonds hit a 442-foot homer, but Ryan Klesko and Phil Nevin led San Diego over San Francisco.

Bonds sent a drive into the second deck at Qualcomm Stadium for his eighth home run, tied with Houston's Lance Berkman for most in the majors.

Klesko homered and drove in three runs and Nevin had three hits as the Padres finished a 7-2 homestand.

Kevin Jarvis (1-3) left after five innings with soreness in his right elbow. Trevor Hoffman got his sixth save in as many chances.

Kurt Ainsworth (1-1) took the loss.

Braves 2, Mets 1

Rafael Furcal drove in two runs with a triple and single as Atlanta lost starter Greg Maddux early but ended a four-game skid.

Kevin Millwood (2-1), making his second relief appearance since 1998, threw four innings of two-hit ball after Maddux was forced out after just one inning because of recurring back pain. John Smoltz pitched two innings for his third save.

Jeff D'Amico (1-1) lost for the host Mets, who had won three straight.

Pirates 3, Brewers 2

David Williams allowed two hits in five innings and drove in two runs, and Pittsburgh completed a three-game sweep of Milwaukee with a brawny victory.

The Pirates have won seven straight road games for the first time since 1987.

Williams (2-1) allowed only one earned run in five innings. Mike Williams worked a perfect ninth for his sixth save.

Mike Buddie (0-1) took the loss.

Dodgers 6, Rockies 3

Chad Kreuter's sacrifice fly snapped a tie, and pinch-hitter Dave Hansen's two-run double in the seventh inning gave Los Angeles the lead at Colorado.

The Dodgers' three-run seventh gave the win to Kazuhisa Ishii (3-0), who yielded eight hits in six innings.

Colorado starter Mike Hampton, who had lost his last five starts, surrendered eight hits with six walks and six strikeouts in six innings. Rick White (0-1) took the loss, the Rockies' sixth loss in seven games.

Eric Gagne pitched the ninth for his fifth save.

run deficit to snap Florida's three-game winning streak.

Rolen hit a solo shot in the eighth inning off Braden Loper (0-3) to break a 5-5 tie.

The visiting Phillies had 14 hits and left at least one runner on base in eight innings. Rheel Cormier (1-1) pitched two perfect innings, and Jose Mesa worked a scoreless ninth for his fifth save.

Florida fell to 7-17 the past two seasons against Philadelphia.

Astros 7, Reds 2

Lance Berkman's two-run homer, his fourth home run in two days, led Houston over Cincinnati.

Berkman, who drove in eight runs over the two games, became the seventh Astros player to homer four times in a two-game span.

Cincinnati starter Jimmy Haynes (1-2) fell behind 3-0 in the first.

Carlos Hernandez (1-0) allowed two runs on four hits in 5 1-3 innings for the host Astros.

Expos 15, Cubs 8

Vladimir Guerrero hit a bases-loaded triple and single during an eight-run rally in the fourth inning and Montreal came back from a six-run deficit to beat Chicago.

The Expos trailed 6-0 after Tomo Ohka failed to retire any of the six batters he faced to begin the game. Bruce Chen (1-0) allowed Chris Stynes' RBI single after relieving Ohka as the Cubs took a 6-0 lead with nobody out.

Guerrero, who hit a sacrifice fly, had his sec-

Harness racing

Results

Northfield Park (April 10)

Soupbone Bob
 Finish: 1st
 Class: NW200PSCD Trot
 Owner: Rhonda K. Conn (Printer)
 Driver: Elliott Deaton
 Trainer: Steve Momingstar

Marthas Kirkboy
 Finish: 1st
 Class: 8000NW3 LC
 Driver: Elliott Deaton
 Trainer: William Nartman

Northfield Park (April 12)

Prime Star
 Finish: 2nd
 Class: FMNW200PS
 Driver: Randy Tharps
 Trainer: Gerald Russell

Cam's Valentine
 Finish: 1st
 Class: FM OPEN HC
 Driver: Elliott Deaton
 Trainer: Martin Wolfman

Lebanon Raceway (April 13)

Traction Control
 Finish: 4th
 Class: 5000CL
 Driver: James Dailey
 Trainer: Jeff Brewer

Go Scooter
 Finish: 1st
 Class: 7500CLCD
 Driver: David Setzer
 Trainer: Charles Stovall

Bad eye baker
 Finish: 1st
 Class: NW1250LSHG
 Driver: James Dailey
 Trainer: Jeff Brewer

Mr. Hanky
 Finish: 2nd
 Class: NW150PSHG
 Driver: Roy Wilson
 Trainer: Jeff Brewer

Lebanon Raceway (April 12)
Broadway Minx
 Finish: 2nd
 Class: NW150PSHG
 Driver: Jimmy Whisman
 Trainer: Roy Murphy

O'Malley
 Finish: 8th
 Class: NW150PSHG
 Driver: Roy Wilson
 Trainer: Jeff Brewer

GA's Jay Net
 Finish: 7th
 Class: W1-4XPMLFM
 Driver: Roy Wilson
 Trainer: Jeff Brewer

Grand Curocity
 Finish: 1st
 Class: NW2750LSFM
 Dr: Tony Hall
 Trainer: Kevin Manley

Ticket T Boo
 Finish: 2nd
 Class: 2000CL FM
 Driver: Jack Dailey

Hoosier Park (April 15)

MR CODY
 Finish: 1st
 Class: NW2PMLTCD
 Driver: Jay Cross
 Trainer: Maurice Westfall

Northfield Park (April 15)

Imacatch
 Finish: 7th
 Class: NW200PSCD
 Driver: Elliott Deaton
 Trainer: Elliott Deaton

Armbo Sweepstake
 Finish: 4th
 Class: 3000CLCD
 Driver: Elliott Deaton
 Trainer: Elliott Deaton

The Red Mile Qualifiers (April 16)

Liven Good
 Finish: 1st
 Class: Race 1 Qualifier
 Driver: Dan Shetter
 Trainer: Dan Shetter

Rights Tulip

Finish: 1st
 Class: Race 2 Qualifier
 Driver: Dan Shetter
 Trainer: Dan Shetter

Big Sky Queen

Finish: 1st
 Class: Race 3 Qualifier
 Driver: Michael Zeller
 Trainer: William Beckley

Lady Luvs Diamonds

Finish: 1st
 Class: Race 4 Qualifier
 Driver: Stephen Waller
 Trainer: Stephen Waller

Pit and the pandulum

Finish: 1st
 Class: Race 5 Qualifier
 Driver: William Beckley
 Trainer: Ivan Suggs

Eat on Em Up

Finish: 1st
 Class: Race 6 Qualifier
 Driver: Phillip Loney
 Trainer: Phillip Loney



After all the fish were weighed in Chris Ferguson and Henry Jarrell won the tournament and the \$1,500 first place prize and trophies with one fish weighing 4.71-pounds. Big bass was also won by the pair, adding another \$200 to their winnings plus the "Big Bud" Trophy.



Second place in the Food City Open Bass Tournament, \$775 and trophies, went to Robbie Kennard and Scott Tackett with one fish weighing 4.62-pounds. The tournament article appears inside today's edition.



Devon Reynolds signed to play college basketball at Alice Lloyd College next season. Pictured from left to right, from row are Bonnie Reynolds (mother), Devon Reynolds and Junior Reynolds (father). Back row, left to right: BLHS assistant principal Shawn Ousley, BLHS girls' basketball head coach Cassandra Akers, outgoing ALC head women's basketball coach Denise Campbell and Betsy Layne High School principal Margaret Vaughn.

Polls

Baseball

1. Pleasure Ridge Park
2. Lexington Catholic
3. Apollo
4. Trinity (Louisville)
5. Henry Clay
6. Webster County
7. St. Xavier
8. Tates Creek
9. Dunbar
10. Male
11. Ballard
12. Daviess County
13. Corbin
14. Boyd County
15. Breckinridge County
16. Covington Catholic
17. Pulaski County
18. Conner
19. Boyle County
20. Bowling Green
21. Henderson County
22. Franklin County
23. Lafayette
24. Eastern
25. Glasgow

Softball (fast-pitch)

1. North Laurel
2. Greenwood
3. Owensboro Catholic
4. Dunbar
5. Manual

District Play

Lady Raiders dump Prestonsburg in district softball play

by JAMIE HOWELL
 SPORTS WRITER

The South Floyd Lady Raiders took on the Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats in district softball play on Tuesday and came away with an impressive 12-6 win over P'burg. Ashley Johnson got the win for South Floyd on the strength of seven strikeouts. The Lady Raiders did not waste any time jumping on Prestonsburg early, as they played 9 runs over the first three innings and cruised to the 12-6 win. The South Floyd trio of Megan Ousley, Monica Hobson, and Carla Hall all had a multi-hit game for the Lady Raiders and the defense was also solid for South Floyd. With the big offensive outburst early, South Floyd was able to cruise home late in a big district win over Prestonsburg.

Food City Open Bass Tournament held

TIMES STAFF REPORT

If you didn't compete in the event or come to the weigh in you missed a great tournament and an outstanding weigh in show. Thirty-four boats competed in the event, eight boats weighed in fish and eight total bass were weighed in. Several hundred spectators were there during the day to watch the show. Along with the bass tournament Food City had a cook-out, a live radio remote by FM 103 WDHR and the Tug Valley Bass Anglers conducted two Bassmaster Casting Kids contests.

"This is without a doubt the best ran tournament I have ever competed in.", "You guys did a great job, the Tug Valley Bass Anglers is a great organization and a class act", "The best tournament I have ever fished." These were some of the comments made after the second annual Food City Open Bass Tournament.

The tournament day began early with registration starting at 5 a.m. The pre tournament meeting started at 6:30 a.m., followed by the drawing for launch positions. The tournament began with a 7 a.m. blastoff. As the boats were navigating around all the floating hazards

Ferguson-Jarrell duo take top prize in event

to get to their first spot, the day was dawning on what would prove to be a tough day of fishing. When the fog raised the fishermen were greeted with with a cloudy, windy, unsettled day.

The lake had quite a bit of floating debris. When this debris would blow against the bank or in the cuts it made fishing difficult according to some of the competitors. From listening to early morning dock talk there were two patterns that were going to unfold this day. One was staying where the water was relatively clear and sight fishing for bedding bass. The other, because of the clear water at the dam was to run up in the river where the water had more color and fish with jigs, spinnerbaits and crankbaits.

After eight hours of competition the contestants had to check back in by 3 p.m. After all the boats checked in everyone loaded their boats and prepared for the trip to the weigh in. The boats with fish were led by police escort to the Food City

store at the Weddington Square. After a 20 minute trip from Fishtrap lake to Food City the boats were lined up and the anglers were placed in the boat. A member of the Tug Valley Bass Anglers drove the contestants up to the weigh in stage where they got their fish out of the livewell and walked up on the stage in front of the crowd.

When the tournament concluded the aerated tank was hauled back to the lake and all the fish were released alive.

After all the fish were weighed in Chris Ferguson and Henry Jarrell won the tournament and the \$1,500 first place prize and trophies with one fish weighing 4.71-pounds. Big bass was also won by the pair, adding

another \$200 to their winnings plus the "Big Bud" Trophy.

Second place, \$775 and trophies went to Robbie Kennard and Scott Tackett with one fish weighing 4.62-pounds.

Third place, \$400 and trophies was won by Charles Martin and Clifford Hall with one bass weighing 4.31-pounds.

Fourth place went to Dean

Harless and Scott Rowland with one fish weighing 3.48-pounds.

Fifth place went to Jackie Lawson and Madonna Lawson with one bass weighing 3.40-pounds.

Sixth place was Tim Hopkins and Glen Coleman with one bass weighing 2.85-pounds.

Seventh place was Robert Thacker and Jeff Gillespie with one bass weighing 2.78-pounds.

Eighth place was Darren Gamble and Roger Fairchild with one bass weighing 2.17-pounds.

The Tug Valley Bass Anglers would like to thank and recognize all the sponsors, because without their help this great tournament would not be possible.

Sponsors included Food City, Pepsi, Budweiser, Big Sandy Cardiology, Coleman Oil, Carole Friend Conway Law Office, Dr. Walsh, Dr. Puram, Dr. Stevens, Frasures Fin Fur & Feather, Pro Auto Body, Don's Street Machine, T&D Sporting Goods, Cingular and Lucky Craft Lures.

The Tug Valley Bass Anglers would like to thank all the fishermen who participated in the event and all the spectators who

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Roberts

the BLES boys' basketball team. "It was hard looking out their in the county tournament and not seeing Adam out there," said BLES head boys' coach Dewayne Johnson. "I wanted to look out there and yell out instructions to him, but he wasn't there."

Betsy Layne eventually finished the season second to South Floyd Middle School.

Adam's parents, Steve and Anita Roberts, have been with Adam for the 48 days. After being transported to the UK Medical Center spent eight days, before moving on to Cardinal Hill. Brain damage and a broken pelvis were what Adam Roberts faced following the wreck. When he returned home on Monday, he was in a wheelchair, but he could walk, but was urged by his doctor to wait two more weeks before putting the pressure down needed to walk.

"It's been a tough time," said Steve Roberts. "We're just so glad to be back home."

Upon his arrival at The Dome in Betsy Layne, the recovering youngster was met by teammates, friends, classmates, family members, coaches and teachers. After making his entrance, Adam Roberts took the microphone

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upon request and thanked the many who had shown up, saying, "Thank you for coming, I didn't know this many people loved me."

Tearful eyes were common around the Betsy Layne crowd.

EQUESTRIAN

Olympians head huge starting field for 2002 Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON - The top international competitors will be vying for victory in one of the world's most prestigious equestrian competitions, the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event, presented by Bayer, held at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington April 25-28. With over 70 entries from Australia, Canada, the Dutch Antilles,

Great Britain, Ireland and the United States, there is no shortage of star power as the world's best compete for 190,000 in prize money with the winner taking home 60,000 and a Rolex timepiece. In addition, the winner also has a chance at the \$250,000 Rolex Grand Slam of Eventing, awarded to any rider who wins the Rolex Kentucky, Badminton and Burghley Four Star events in succession. Defending Rolex champion David O' Connor will be looking to make it two in a row, an attainable feat for the reigning Olympic champion who last year won the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event in dramatic fashion on Giltedge, owned by Jacqueline Mars. His wife and two-time Olympic teammate, Karen O' Connor, may pose the biggest threat, having tasted victory in 1999 with Prince Panache. Following numerous top ten placings, including a fourth place finish in 2001 with Little Tricky, two-time World Champion Bruce Davidson will be looking for his first win in the

four-star division at Rolex Kentucky. His son, Buck Davidson, 26, will also be hoping to improve on his best previous finish, a sixth place in 1998. Finishing fourth in 2000 secured Kimberly Vinoski's reputation as a force to be reckoned with while 2000 Olympian Julie Burns will be chasing international glory following two top

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COLLEGE BOWLING

Pikeville College bowlers in Nationals

P'burg resident Compton a team member

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSVILLE, N.Y. - For most teams in their first year, simply completing the season is an accomplishment. But the 2002 women's bowling team isn't just any other team.

The club will represent Pikeville College in the College Bowling USA national tournament after winning the East Sectional tournament, held in Downingtown, Penn., just outside of Philadelphia, on March 24. The team rallied from a 216-pin deficit after the first day of action to edge Shippensburg (Penn.) College by a mere 51 pins over the 64-game tournament.

"These young ladies refuse to quit," said Ron Damron, who coaches the bowling teams in addition to his duties as vice president of enrollment and student services and director of athletics. "The top four teams from each section qualified for the national tournament, but that wasn't enough for them. They wanted to win it, and they did."

In the college bowling post-season, the Baker format is used. In that, each school uses five bowlers to bowl a game. One will bowl frames one and six, another two and seven, etc. Substitutions can be made at any

time, and that offers a strength

to the Pikeville team. "You need seven bowlers to really compete," Damron said, prior to the team's departure. "On the second day, you can really tell the ones who are going with only five. They start to drop off. But for us, we have good substitutes, and it works to our advantage. They are a big reason we were able to make up ground in the sectional tournament."

Pikeville is led by April Ellis, a native of Jackson, Tenn., who averaged 196.4 this season and finished in the top 25 in seven of her 11 tournaments this season. That average has her 36th in the nation.

All of the bowlers are freshmen, with the exception of sophomore Lindsey Durham. A transfer from Central Missouri State University, she was the only bowler with college experience entering this season. She has participated in the Kentucky-Indiana series for four seasons.

Ellis and Durham are joined by Stacey Wyatt of Louisville, who won the Kentucky-Indiana All-Star Match a year ago. Angela Gatzke of Vine Grove in Hardin County, another four-year member of the Kentucky team that bowls against the

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COMMENTARY

Take me out to the empty ball game

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

A study released this week by USA Today has me scratching my head for several reasons.

The nation's newspaper has determined that attendance at Major League Baseball games this season is off 3.5 percent, which translates into 1,000 people per game, which equals 2.43 million fans over the course of the season.

The first thing that had me baffled a state I find myself in all too frequently and easily these days was that the newspaper studied stats on a season only two weeks old. One of the few things that made sense in this

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BASSMASTERS

Casting Kids coming to Johnson County

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE - A one-day fishing tournament and a Bassmaster Casting Kids competition will be held April 27 at Paintsville Lake in Johnson County.

The tournament will begin at the dock at 7 a.m. and last until 3 p.m. Entry fee is \$100 per boat with a 100-percent payback to 10-percent of all contestants.

A limit of five fish per boat will be observed with only largemouth, spotted and small-

mouth bass being measured.

All fish must be 15-inches long and only artificial bait will be allowed.

Additional information on the tournament can be obtained from Keith Sammons by calling 606/265-3664.

Preregistration is available at Jim's Bait Shop in Staffordsville in Johnson County. Contestants can also register at the ramp.

The Casting Kids competition is free for children ages 7-10 and 11-14 and will be held from noon until 2:30 p.m.

Contestants will be judged on the basics of fishing such as flipping, pitching and casting.

Winners from local competitions will advance to state and national competitions.

Athletes of the Week



Adam Roberts,
Betsy Layne
Elementary
School



Ashley
Johnson,
South Floyd
High School



of Prestonsburg

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NEW AT THE TIMES...

EACH FRIDAY, THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES DEVOTES A PAGE TO AUTO RACING. THE TIMES WILL FEATURE NEWS AND NOTES FROM AREA DIRT TRACKS AS WELL AS THE LATEST FROM NASCAR ALONG WITH SOME OF THE SMALLER RACE GROUPS. THE TIMES WILL ALSO FEATURE PROFILES ON LOCAL RACERS.



THIS WEEKEND:
201 Speedway
opens for the
2002 season.

Jarrett looking to bounce back this weekend

by HANK KURZ Jr.
ASSOCIATED PRESS

In his upbeat way of looking at things, Dale Jarrett hopes his fourth-place finish at Martinsville marks the end of a frustrating start to the season and a sign that things will improve. The former NASCAR Winston Cup champion, hampered by bad luck, bad

gambles and a team leadership controversy in the first seven races, even overcame some more misfortune to rally Sunday at Martinsville Speedway.

"After our air wrench broke and got us a lap down, I didn't have any idea we could be racing for the win," he said after the Virginia 500. "But our guys did a great job and got me back and at least got us a top five."

It was the first top-five finish of the season for Jarrett, the champion in 1999 and a constant in the title hunt the last seven years.

It also lifted him from 24th to 21st in the points race, 396 behind front-running Sterling Marlin with 28 races remaining.

It's a big deficit that has helped narrow the big picture.

"Right now, our focus is just on individual races, not even considering where the standings are and what they are," he said. "I'd say our goal right now would be to work our way back into the top 10 before the end of the year, if we looked at it like that. That's the only way that you can get through this that I know of. We can't look ahead."

"We," for Jarrett, again means working closely with Todd Parrott, who returned as crew chief before the April 8 race at Texas when owner Robert Yates abandoned an off-season experiment to give Jimmy Elledge the reins.

Parrott started the season as team manager but found he wasn't quite

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IDBA Thunder Nationals roar into Bristol Dragway this weekend

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRISTOL, Tenn. — One of Bristol Dragway's newest and most electrifying events, the IDBA Thunder Nationals, kicks off its season in Thunder Valley, today through Sunday.

The event will see action in three categories, including Street Bikes, Race Bikes and Professionally Prepared Bikes. Street Bike divisions include Street E.T., Kawasaki, Suzuki, Honda, Yamaha, Harley Davidson and Buell, while Race Bike classes are Top Gas, Super Comp, Super Gas, Pro E.T. Bracket Box and Pro E.T. Bracket No Box. Pro Street makes up the Professionally Prepared class.

In addition to the many bikes going head-to-head in racing action, the event will include 4-Wheeler racing, a wheelie contest, Grudge Runs, a bike show, and a Performance Midway made up of some of the top manufacturers in the area.

Entry fee for Street Bikes is \$40 with the exception of Street E.T., which is \$50. Entry fee for Race Bikes is \$90 for Top Gas, Super Comp and Super Gas and \$60 for Pro E.T. Bracket Box and Pro E.T. Bracket No Box. Entry fee for professionally prepared bikes is \$150.

A test and tune for participants will take place today with gates opening at 3 p.m.

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Earnhardt still searching for identity

by JOHN ZENOR
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Millions of adoring NASCAR fans would like to know the real Dale Earnhardt Jr. Maybe they could enlighten him on the subject, too.

In recent months, Earnhardt has come across as a laid-back party animal as well as a young man dreaming of settling down. Like most 27-year-olds, he doesn't seem completely sure where he's headed in life.

"I'm real happy with the exposure that we've gotten, but I feel like we've just really oversaturated the public with, 'Where's Dale Jr. now? How's he feeling now? And where's he headed from here?'" Earnhardt said.

"And those are some hard questions to answer, because I don't even know what ... I'm going to be doing next. And I don't care to really dissect it that far."

The son of a NASCAR legend has established himself as one of the top drivers on the Winston Cup circuit — and perhaps its most popular.

In a recent Newsweek article, he said he and his buddies often down 12-15 beers apiece during drinking binges.

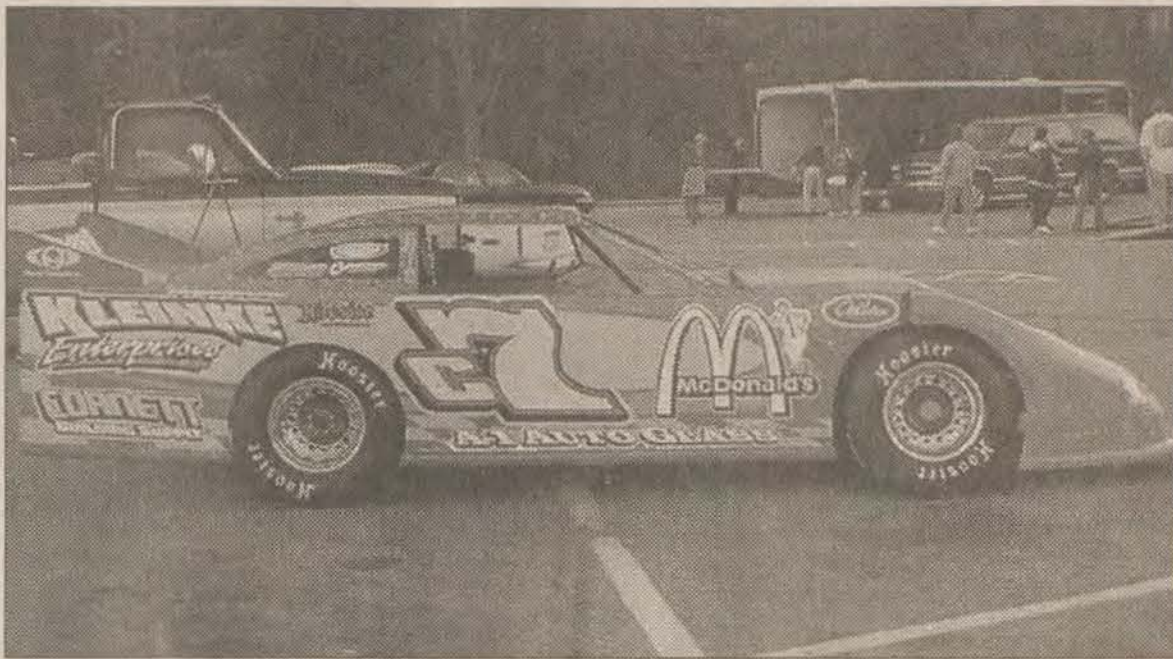
"I'm not a social drinker," he told the magazine. "If I'm gonna drink, I'm drinking to get drunk."

Even though he is sponsored by Budweiser, it's an image that Earnhardt isn't entirely comfortable with.

There are nights, he said last week, that "I just sit around and hang and talk to my cats and cook lasagna in the microwave and watch 'SportsCenter.'"

"There's times when I'm at home and I'm grabbing my buddies and I'm like, 'Man, let's go. Let's go down to this bar and just have some beers,'" Earnhardt said, his shirt hanging out and cap tugged low. "And then there's times when I just sit at home and it's

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Kenny Christy returns to the track this race season like most all other drivers, looking to win and capture the checkers.

DIRT TRACK NOTEBOOK

Willard Speedway saving opener until May

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

WILLARD — Many tracks across the country have yet to open their gates for the 2002 race season. Here in our area, one track will wait until to make to start running. But, when it does, watch out.

Willard Speedway, formerly known as East Kentucky Raceway Park, located in Carter County plans on opening in May. The late start is due to re-surfacing the track with red clay. Track owner Jim Allen has put together some very good race shows since opening the Carter County track over five years ago. Allen, a race veteran of sorts, has hosted everything from Late Models to Legends at his track located just outside of Blaine in Carter County in the rural town of Willard. Allen changed the name of the track to pay tribute to the small town. Willard Speedway will race on Friday nights beginning in May.

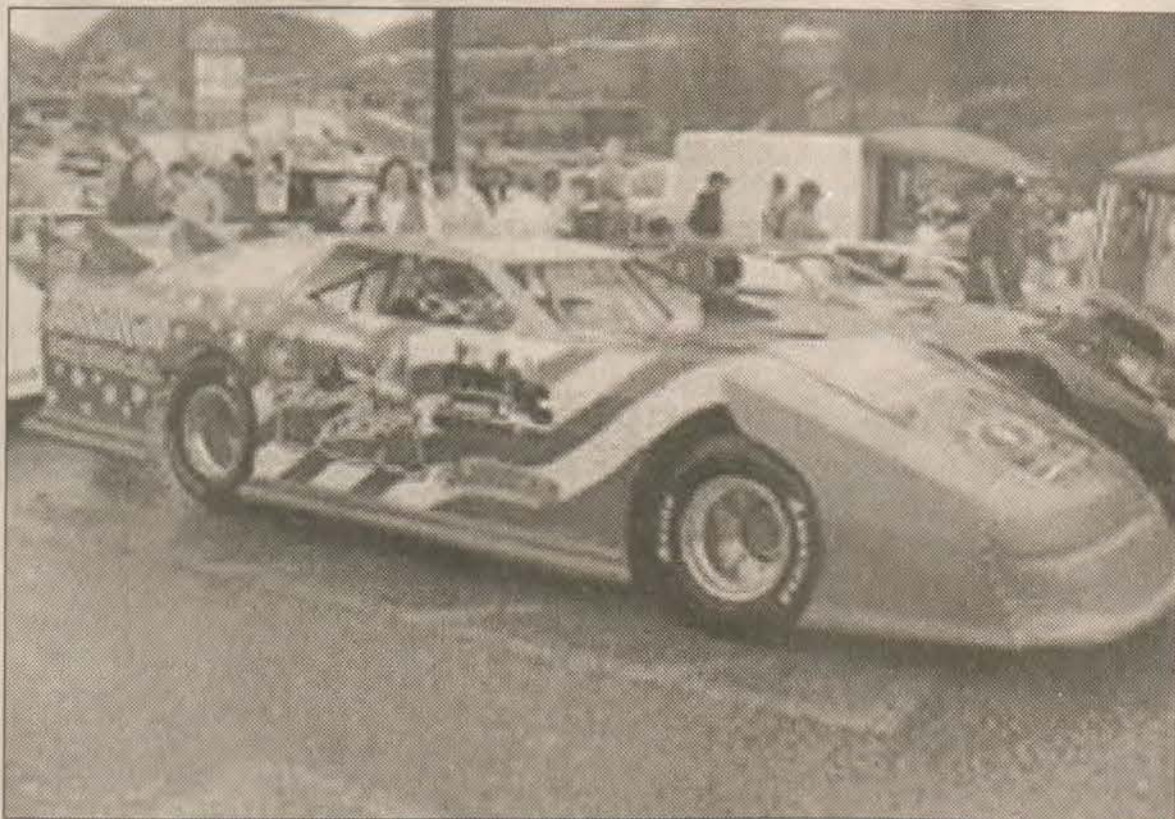
Thunder Mountain Speedway in Carter County announces that it is now planning to open April 27, the delay is due to an illness in the immediate family of the track's owner. Thunder Mountain Speedway has struggled in recent years, but is looking to turn things around this season.

Mountain Motor Speedway is holding another practice tonight.

In Sitka, in Johnson County, 201 Speedway will hold its season-opening races this Saturday night, after being rained out last Saturday when heavy rains throughout the area halted everything from Little League games to car races.

Floyd County PVA candidate Glenn David May will put his race career on hold until the May Primary election is over. May, a Prestonsburg High School graduate, drives a Late Model.

A new motocross track is reportedly in the works in Johnson County. A new proposed track, rumored to be located somewhere on Route 460 is also said to be geared for a 2004 opening season run.



Eastern Kentucky driver Bennie Feltner likes the 'Stars & Stripes' paint scheme.

Kimmel stays busy with racing, honors

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Frank Kimmel was to be recognized Thursday night as the defending ARCA RE/MAX Series champion at the annual International Motorsports Hall of Fame Inductee ceremony & dinner at the speedway. In addition, RE/MAX Series driver Tina Gordon was to join Kimmel at the Hall of Fame in Talladega for all the festivities. Kimmel has local ties to Floyd County as he is related to the Branham family.

Family, not racing, comes first for Keller

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GLADEVILLE, Tenn. — Nights are the hardest for Jason Keller.

The NASCAR Busch Series driver finishes his work at the track each weekend by heading to his motor home in the infield. He phones home to Greenville, S.C., and tells 5-year-old son Joe and 3-year-old daughter Jade good night.

Then he's all alone. "That motor home can get really, really big when you're by yourself. Really, really lonely," Keller said.

Keller doesn't like being alone. A man who grew up accompanying his father to motorcycle tracks in South Carolina before getting behind the wheel himself, he's happier with his family. Having his wife, children and his father close by allows him to do what he does best — drive fast.

"He's always been a real family-oriented person," said crew chief Steve Addington, who's worked with him for most of the past 15 years. "And he's real intense about his racing."

Keller, 31, is poised for his best season since joining the Busch Series full time in 1994. He ranks third in the points race after his third finish in the top five this season to go with a victory at Rockingham.

Credit familiarity for a driver who finished second in the Busch title race in 2000 and third in 2001. He is competing for ppc Racing for a second straight season with the same crew chief, team and car make.

"It's the best chance I've ever had," Keller said.

"The more you can keep the same, the better off you're going to be to take advantage of it. It probably puts a lot more pressure on myself. I feel a lot more comfortable behind the wheel

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UDTRA ready for Southeastern Swing

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WOODSTOCK, Ga. — United Dirt Track Racing Association Pro DirtCar Series and the nation's top dirt late model drivers are preparing for the upcoming April Southeastern Swing at three different tracks in North and South Carolina, and Georgia. Over \$225,000 will be up for grabs in prize money during four events over a two week period.

The UDTRA April Southeastern Swing begins on April 19-20 at Lancaster Speedway in Lancaster, S.C. The UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series will then travel to Lavonia, Ga. on April 26, and then complete the tour on April 27 at Thunder Valley Speedway in Lawndale, N.C.

There will be two events sponsored by Speedsportsbook.com at Lancaster Speedway, the first being a 30-lap \$7,000-to-win race on April 19, and a 50-lap \$10,000-to-win main event on April 20. For the UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series, the \$85,000 weekend at Lancaster Speedway will be a return to its roots.

The first-ever UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series event was held at Lancaster Motor Speedway on May 3, 1990, when the series was called the Hav-A-Tampa Series. The 1996 UDTRA Champion Freddy Smith of Knoxville, Tenn. won that event on the 1/2-mile clay oval.

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Junior

real pathetic.
"I think that people assume that there's way more happening than is really happening."

Two months ago, the driver

known as "Junior" or "Little E" spoke of marriage and starting a family.

"I definitely want to have a little son that I can take to the

racetrack and he's old enough to know what's going on," he said. "I don't want to be retired by then."

He hasn't always lived up to

the heady responsibility as perhaps NASCAR's top draw.

At a recent autograph session with about 30 drivers in Kingsport, Tenn., fans began

lining up about 1 a.m. But Earnhardt — the driver most of them wanted to see — reportedly skipped the event to attend a concert in Huntington, W.Va., by his friend, Kid Rock, and that angered some fans.

Earnhardt is more reliable on the racetrack, where he is 11th in the Winston Cup points race heading into Sunday's

Aaron's 499 at Talladega Superspeedway, a race his father dominated. He has three top five finishes in his first seven events here, including a win last fall.

Last month, a frustrated Earnhardt bumped Robby Gordon after the race in Bristol,

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BASKETBALL

Gibson announces Alice Lloyd College Basketball Camp

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

PIPPA PASSES — Gary Gibson, Alice Lloyd men's basketball coach, will hold his annual basketball camp for boys and girls in June at Alice Lloyd College. The dates for the boys camp are June 17-21 for grades 28, and June 24-28 for girls in grades 2-8. The purpose of the camp is to improve offensive and defensive fundamentals within an enjoyable and competitive atmosphere.

Coach Gibson has over 20 years of head coaching experience at the college and high school levels. Campers should arrive on campus by 8 a.m. on Monday to complete the registration process.

Camp will run from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 8:30 a.m. - noon on Friday. Each camper should bring basketball shoes, gym trunks, jersey and swimming attire. Cost of the camp is \$98. A \$48, nonrefundable deposit is required with each applica-

tion. Mail applications to: Coach Gary Gibson, 1240 Hwy. 3410 Mayking, Ky. 41837. Make checks payable to: Gary Gibson Basketball Camp. Camp Features: Each player will be placed in a division most compatible with his/her individual abilities. Individual and group instruction will be given at fundamental stations throughout the week. Various competitions will be held throughout the week such as league 5-on-5 play, free-throw competitions and Super 6 com-

petitions. On Friday, all players will be recognized and awarded a participation certificate, a camp T-shirt, and an official ALC Eagles Camp Basketball and ALC season basketball passes. The winners of the various competitions will be awarded trophies on Friday. A hot lunch will be provided Monday-Thursday. For more information contact Gibson by calling 606/633-2651. Interested parties are encouraged to register soon, enrollment is limited.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

P'burg AAU team holds banquet

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Prestonsburg nine-year-old AAU team had a basketball awards party at the Pin Zone Bowling Alley on Sunday. The team improved greatly as the season progressed and expects to compete for a tournament berth in next year's 10-year old AAU State Tournament. Alex Griffith and Wil Allen led the team in scoring. Griffith also led the team in rebounding. Awards at the Party included:

Alex Griffith "Go To Man and Rebounding Award"
Wil Allen "Mr. Offense Award"
Nathaniel Fraley "Mr. Defense Award"
Joseph Jamerson "Mr. Fix-It Award"
Erica Meade "Ms. Offense Award"
Brian Branham "Mr. Most Improved Award"
Andrew Skeens "Mr. Excitement Award"
Erica Meade "Miss Defense Award"
Julie Compton "Miss Most Improved Award"
Zach Spiggle "Mr. Hustle Award"

While some of these awards are obvious in meaning, some require a little further explanation. Joseph Jamerson was "Mr. Fix-It" because of his athleticism and versatility. He played every position on defense (point, wing, baseline, center). He also played every position on offense with the exception of point guard. Andrew Skeens was "Mr. Excitement" because he created an up-tempo atmosphere when he entered the game. He had his share of fouls but also came up with some big steals, especially on the press. The team was coached by Robert Allen and Scott Branham.

Reynolds

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(numerous times). The Floyd County Times Athlete of the Week (numerous times), AKIT All-Tournament, All-District (2), All Conference (2) and All-Region.

If ALC offers a women's softball team in future years, Reynolds could become a two-spot performer in the college ranks.

"I think Devon has made a good decision with Alice Lloyd College," said BLHS girls' head coach Cassandra Akers. "It's hard for a high school senior to make the transition to the freshman year of college, but I think she'll do fine."

"I'm looking forward to playing there," said Reynolds.

Raptors

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with another victory. The Ramada Inn Raptors will be in action again in Pike County this Saturday when they face off against the Belfry Thunder at noon. Soccer fans of all ages are invited to travel with the Raptors. This Saturday's game is 'Silent Saturday,' which means the players and referees are the

only ones allowed to communicate. Coaches, families and fans are to remain silent throughout the game allowing the players to make plays and plan strategies. This particular game allows the players to step up and show the crowd what soccer is all about. Each game played this weekend will feature the silent concept.

Tackett

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Holston (Va.) High School softball team is already headed to Wise County (Va.) next season to continue her playing career with the Lady Cavaliers. Beth Matlock, a four-year starter with a .382 career batting average at Holston, recently signed a letter of intent to play her next four years at The

University of Virginia's College at Wise. In addition to her softball prowess, Matlock was a All-Region C basketball performer this season, averaging more than 16 points a game.

Tackett will likely make public her college choice in the next couple of weeks.

Rolex

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ten placings in 1999. Two-time Olympic team gold medalist Phillip Dutton of Australia will lead the international charge, eager to turn his second-place finish in 1998 into a win this time around. Fellow Olympic veterans Leslie Law and Ian Stark, both of Great Britain, Stuart Black of Canada, and Eddy Stibbe of the Dutch Antilles will also vie for victory. America's only Four Star Event, the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event has something for everyone — an International Trade Fair with more than 150 merchant and food vendors, Dog Agility competition and a variety of other entertaining attractions. For more information on the Rolex Kentucky Three-Day Event, please call Equestrian Events, Inc. at (859) 233-2362, or Fax at (859) 254-5116. General event and ticket information can be obtained at the event web site at: www.rk3de.org or by calling (859) 254-8123.

Keller

than I ever have."

Keller has been at home behind the wheel since racing his first go-kart at age 9. His father, Joe, spent his life racing motorcycles and had hoped his son would follow him when he gave him a small motorcycle when he was 3. Jason was riding without training wheels by age 4.

He won go-karting championships in 1984 and 1985, then moved to dirt tracks. That's where he hooked up with Addington.

He partnered with his father on Keller and Kel Racing and moved up through the ranks before joining the Busch Series full time in 1994. He won his first Busch race at Indianapolis in 1995 but decided to sell the team after the 1997 season to Greg Pollex.

It wasn't an easy decision, but Joe Keller said it has turned out for the best.

"It was good for both of us. He's my best buddy, and I enjoy watching him. I'll be cheering, and I hope I cheer him in Winston Cup," Joe Keller said.

Jason Keller keeps himself under control on the track, able to race side-by-side someone without touching. He picks his spots to be aggressive, unless he gets angry.

It's a combination that keeps the equipment in good shape, but can be frustrating to Addington.

"I've thought about reaching in and slapping him sometimes

to make him mad. But no. He's going to be himself," Addington said with a laugh. "That's what makes everything work on this race team. Everyone's got their own personality, and all the guys accept everyone else's personalities."

For Keller, it means putting family first, taking his son to school, going to T-ball games and playing on the floor with his daughter. His father shows up to cheer him whenever possible, while his wife stays at home in Greenville, S.C., where his son began kindergarten last fall.

He even took his Rockingham trophy to school for show and tell earlier this year, although he drew the line at letting the children touch it.

"I was still pretty proud of it and didn't want them to tear it up," he said.

Keller has the same birthday as his son, and there will be a big horseback-riding party on April 23 with 21 kindergartners.

During the summer, Deborah will join him with the children, and the whole family will be in the motor home. It's a tradition Keller hopes will continue whether he stays in the Busch Series or moves up to Winston Cup — at least as long as the kids think living in a motor home is cool.

"When they're there, it can get really small. It's a great place to spend time because you can't get away from each other. It's closeness. I'm very blessed," Keller said.

Sideline

Fax scores and information to 606/886-3603.

Now, to the notes...

■ Pikeville High alum Jill Kimberlain was a good high school basketball player. As a freshman last year at Pikeville College, she even saw some time in a starting position for the Lady Bears. The Lady Panther went to Pikeville College to play women's basketball. However, she now plays softball and has left the PC women's team, on good terms according to head coach Bill Watson.

Next year's Pikeville College

women's team will take part in a tournament in South Florida during the Christmas holiday. The trip will include a cruise for Watson and his team.

■ Summer Jones is back on the court for the Lady Bears. The former East Tennessee State University guard has a good shot of setting the nets on fire for the Lady Bears in Mid-South Conference play next season.

■ Pete Grigsby missed his first Boys' Sweet Sixteen State Basketball Tournament since 1950 this year when his father passed away.

Bowling

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Indiana stars. She also won the Coca-Cola Kentucky Bowling Classic last year.

Teresa Sanderson of Garfield, Ohio, a Cleveland suburb, has participated in the National Junior Olympic Gold Tournament. Patricia Trusty of Louisville won the individual crown in the 1997 Kentucky-Indiana competition. Dana Compton of Prestonsburg has won the Kentucky doubles title and also been a member of a state championship team. She is looking to do even more in this week's Nationals.

Obviously, the young ladies are exceptional bowlers. But Damron is just as proud of their attitudes. Only two tournaments this season gave sportsmanship trophies, but Pikeville College was the winner both

times.
"It says a lot about the quality of person we're dealing with," he said.

The bowlers now have their sites set on Williamsville, N.Y., a suburb of Buffalo, where the Pikeville will enter Wednesday's competition in Williamsville ranked seventh nationally.

"These girls hate to lose, and have proven that time and time again this season," said Damron, before his team departed. "They will work hard and won't settle for anything below their own expectations. No one will be able to tell this is our first year for the program. We will compete and play as hard as possible."

Results from the Nationals will appear in a future edition.

COLLEGE TENNIS

PC men's tennis wins second consecutive crown

TIMES STAFF REPORT

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Pikeville College won its fourth straight conference championship on Thursday, beating Cumberland College 5-0.

The crown is Pikeville's second in as many seasons since joining the Mid-South Conference. The team also won the title its last two seasons as a member of the Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletics Conference.

"We wanted to do a couple of things when we started five years ago," said John Kitchen, who has been named Coach of the Year in his league the last four seasons as well. "One of them was to establish a tradition as far as tennis goes at Pikeville College, and I think we've done that."

"We also want to win a national championship, and I hope we're closing in on that too."

The men, 24-1 on the season, entered the post-season ranked second in the NAIA and trailed only Auburn-Montgomery, which handed Pikeville its only loss of the season.

In addition to Kitchen's honor, Bear Edwardo Rincon, a sophomore from Duitama, Colombia, was selected MSC

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■ Paintsville High School head football coach David LeMaster has the grass on his football field at the point where he wants it to be. "This may be the best the field's ever looked," commented LeMaster.

■ Pikeville College will have its spring football game on Saturday, April 27.

■ Johnson Central senior Derrick Sublett has signed to play football at Morehead State University. Sublett joins Prestonsburg High School products Chris Jervis and Kevin Woods as two of the newest Eagles.

■ Another Prestonsburg High product, Jeremy Caudill, will play in his third Blue-White Spring Game Saturday at Commonwealth Stadium. Caudill has looked very impressive in spring drills for the UK football team and Coach Guy Morriss.

■ The Betsy Layne boys' basketball team, under head coach Brent Rose, will take part in a summer tournament at Murray State University in July.

■ The No. 19 Mountain Dew car of NASCAR Winston Cup driver Jeremy Mayfield will be on display in Pikeville during this weekend's Hillbilly Days. Mayfield is a Owensboro native.

■ The list of Eastern Kentucky fishermen on the Wal-Mart FLW Tour is impressive. Several area anglers fish the tour. It's nice outside, outdoor sports are in. Get out and cheer your team(s) on.

Bass

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came to watch the show. Check out Tug Valley's web site for additional information, www.se-tel.com/~tugvalleyanglers. The winners of the Bassmasters Casting Kids contests are as follows:

First Contest:
7-10 age group:
1st- Cody Kinney
2nd- Olivia Gilliam
3rd- Erin Walsh

11-14 age group:
1st- Austin Fields
2nd- Travis Newsom
3rd- Tabitha Newsom

Second Contest:

7 to 10 age group.
1st- Levi Tyler Coleman
2nd- Jeremy Gibson
3rd- Alyssa Kennard

11-14 age group:
1st- Jenny Johnson
2nd- Jonathan Johnson
3rd- Ben Bevins

Tennis

singles matches to advance, the Bears got wins from Nos. 2 and 3 singles. Cantador knocked off Ellis 6-0, 6-1, while Frantzen beat

Campbell 6-1, 6-2. Pikeville 5, Cumberland (Ky.) 0: Pikeville had little more trouble with the second-seeded Patriots on Friday

Lady Bears

ment." Pikeville's Suheil Lizana received top honors among women's tennis players in the league, being named MSC Player of the Year.

"She's very deserving," said Puebla. "She's very talented and has been a great player for us."

As the top seed in the tournament, Pikeville got a bye. In the rest of the first round, No. 2 Georgetown College defeated No. 7 Lindsey Wilson College 9-0; No. 3 Cumberland College eliminated No. 6 Campbellsville University 7-2; and No. 4 Cumberland University ousted No. 5 Lambuth University 6-3.

In the semifinals, played on Thursday due to rain in Music City on Wednesday evening, Pikeville beat Cumberland University 5-0, while Georgetown knocked off Cumberland College 5-0.

Pikeville 5, Cumberland (Tenn.) 0: Pikeville lost a mere four games in winning five quick matches in its tournament opener.

Lizana teamed with Margarita Bovea to defeat Popovic/Rosenheck 8-2. Marcela Velez and Catalina

Runyon

Pikeville College. Willis spent four seasons as a graduate assistant coach at the University of South Carolina, where he spent a season with legendary coach Lou Holtz. Willis has a B.A. from Furman University, where he was a part of an NCAA Div. I-AA national championship, and an M.A. from Southwestern Seminary in Ft. Worth, Texas. The coach began his profes-

Jarrett

ready to walk away from his crew chief duties, creating confusion and frustration for all involved.

Jarrett, like Yates, has praised Elledge's work and insists it would be unfair to make the departed chief the scapegoat for the team's troubles. Instead, Jarrett said, the blame should be shared by many.

"What luck we've had has probably been bad racing luck, but you're going to have that, you've got to expect it and you've got to work around it," he said. "It's just circumstances with each place that we've been.

Overadjusting the car at Atlanta, he said, turned a fifth-place machine into a 13th-place finisher. Running out of gas while running second at Texas last week was "a miscalculation." And trying to improve on his fourth-place spot in the field on the final lap of the season-

UDTRA

The series returned to Lancaster Motor Speedway on May 2, 1991 when Buck Simmons was the winner. Ronnie Johnson of Chattanooga, Tenn. won the last UDTRA event held at Lancaster Motor Speedway on April 30, 1992.

Lancaster Speedway will host a practice session on April 18 with the gates opening at 4 p.m. The grandstands will be open free of charge, and pit passes will be \$10. For race day information call 803/285-1877. Lancaster Motor Speedway is located 2.8 miles north of the SR 9 by-pass on US Highway 521.

The Jameson Inn at 114 Commerce Blvd. in Lancaster, SC will be the UDTRA Official Host Hotel for the Lancaster Speedway UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series event. The Jameson Inn will offer UDTRA fans and competitors a special discount rate of \$60 per night. Call 803/283-1188 for reservations and ask for the Special UDTRA Discount Rate.

The UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series will make its first-ever visit to Lavonia Speedway on April 26 with a 50-lap \$10,000 to-win main event. The series

Acosta shut out Ledford/Smith 8-0, while Diana Bovea and Stephanie Kinney blanked Wylie/Wuenter 8-0.

In singles action, Margarita Bovea won the No. 2 match over Rosenheck 6-0, 6-0, while at No. 3, Velez beat Ledford 6-1, 6-1.

Pikeville 5, Georgetown 1: No. 23 Georgetown provided a scare for the Lady Bears early before Pikeville rallied to claim the championship.

No. 1 doubles team Lizana and Margarita Bovea had no trouble with Jessica Virgin and Rebecca Quate 8-0. In No. 2 doubles, Valez/Acosta squeaked past Hayley Hurt and Suzanne Collins 8-6.

In No. 3 doubles, Georgetown's Megan Adams and Jennifer Brown rebounded from a 6-1 deficit to win 8-6, making the count 2-1 entering singles.

But Pikeville had no trouble getting the wins it needed. Lizana took the No. 1 singles match 6-0, 6-0 over Quate, while Valez won No. 3 singles 6-2, 6-1 over Collins.

The title was clinched when Acosta beat Brown at No. 5, 6-2, 6-2.

sional career at Greenville College in Greenville, Ill., where he worked his way to assistant head coach, defensive coordinator and recruiting coordinator.

PC assistant coach/defensive coordinator/recruiting head Shawn Thacker handles much of the recruiting for the Bears. Belfry's Adam Reed signed to play for the Bears last week.

Thunder

opening Daytona 500 resulted in a spinout that dropped him to 14th place.

"We've run reasonably well. We've had a couple of races where we've run really well and the finishes don't back that up, so until you start putting all of that together, we're not going to advance," Jarrett said.

Having Parrott officially back in command should help.

"Things have always been good between Todd and I. It's just a matter that our guys and everybody knows who's in charge now," Jarrett said.

Racing will take place from 5 p.m.-9 p.m. Racer admission is \$25 and spectator admission is \$5. Gates open at 8 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday with rac-

will make its second visit to Thunder Valley Speedway for a 50-lap \$10,000-to-win main event on April 27. The 1999 UDTRA Champion Dale McDowell of Rossville, Ga. won that last time out for UDTRA at TVS in 1999.

For more information about the UDTRA April Southeastern Swing call 864/488-1717 or Email at udtraswing@aol.com. Also visit the UDTRA web site at www.udtra.com for series news and information.

Effective immediately, all UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series Competitors must meet the following criteria when in competing at any UDTRA Event.

All models regardless of brand will have the following criteria on Roof dimensions and Roof Support dimensions. Roof dimensions; the minimum dimensions 48" wide X 46" in length. The maximum dimensions will be 50" wide x 51" in length.

Roof supports dimensions; the minimum dimension will be 40" in length across the bottom with a maximum dimension of 43" in length across the bottom. The roof supports must be

afternoon, adding the tournament title to the regular-season championship.

Play opened with doubles action. Rincon/Cantador ousted Alejandro Biederman and Wai Kin Khoong 8-2; Valdes/Frantzen beat James Thomas and Wai Hong Khoong 8-4; and Lopez/Lopez downed Matt Corry and Han Seong Ngiam 8-3.

In the finals, Pikeville left it to the Lopez's - the team's only seniors - to secure the title. Renzo Lopez, playing at No. 4, had no trouble with

Corry 6-1, 6-0, and the title was clinched when Cristian Lopez finished off Ngiam 6-1, 6-2.

Empty

study - unveiled over three stories, four graphs and two photos was a quote debating the merits of these findings.

"A baseball season is a marathon, not a sprint," said Vince Waldika, identified only as a spokesman for MLB. "To make a week-by-week comparison is unrealistic." I have to agree.

One of the most interesting - and obviously undisputable - points was that nearly a quarter of the current stadiums housing big-league ball has had the smallest night of attendance ever already this season.

Now, let's be fair here. Four of these totals were still in excess of 20,000, including Denver's Coors Field, which drew a new "low" of 29,522 on

April 10. Also, none of these were stadiums that have reached legendary status.

The other seven are all relatively new too. They include, with their new low figure, Pro Player Stadium (4,466), Comerica Park (11,833), PNC Park (12,795), Miller Park (14,090), Astros Field (21,528), Camden Yards (22,781) and Jacobs Field (23,760).

Of these, four are in their second or third year, with the oldest being Camden, in its 11th season.

The real meat of the "expose" came on the inside, where the paper showed that half of the 30 teams experienced a decline in enrollment compared to the first two weeks of last season. It doesn't include information such as whether teams had a significant change in the number of games hosted, or - more importantly - whether this year's games were mid-week as opposed to higher-drawing weekend games.

The three teams mentioned most often last winter in contraction conversations were on the extremes of the study, and two of them aren't fairing so well.

Montreal is on the bottom of ing starting at 10 a.m. both days. Spectator admission is \$20 or a two-day pass is \$35. Children 13 and under will be admitted free. Overnight parking is \$20 per vehicle for the weekend.

aligned from side to side on all race cars competing during any UDTRA event. The roof support windows must be filled with lexan or have the holes cut out the same size on both sides.

All nose pieces and nose templates regardless of manufacture must be submitted for approval to the Series Directors before it will be allowed in competition at any UDTRA event. All nose pieces must meet the following criteria.

From the bottom lip of the nose to the top of the bumper portion of the nose must not be laid back more than 5 inches. Any competitor believed to have changed or altered any portion of the nose or using a non-approved nose the competitor will be assessed a 100 pound weight penalty.

Hood scoops will have the following dimensions as the maximum at all UDTRA events. The dimensions will be a maximum of 4" high at the center of the carburetor air cleaner stud. The scoop may run for a maximum length of 15" from the center air cleaner stud and taper down to a 1 inch opening at the base of the hood. The width will be only as wide as the air cleaner.

■ **SOFTBALL**

Offensive outburst paces Lady Rebs past Feds Creek

by **JAMIE HOWELL**
SPORTS WRITER

The Allen Central Lady Rebels battled the Feds Creek Lady Vikings in girls softball play on Tuesday at Allen Central and had the bats on fire early scoring 11 runs over the first three innings.

The Lady Rebels pounded out 18 hits in the contest and

held Feds Creek to one hit in the game. Every Lady Reb recorded at least one hit on the night led by Jeni Jo Spurlock and Tabitha Caudill who each came through with three hits.

Allen Central led 12-1 after four innings and cruised home to win 13-4. Megan Harris and Terri Ann Mullins, both holdovers from the rising Allen Central girls' basketball team,

also banged out three hits for the Lady Rebs in the Tuesday contest.

Emily Walton had the only hit for Feds Creek which was the only blemish on an almost perfect game for Allen Central's Tiffany Turner.

Softball

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the list, seeing a 38.6 percent drop in attendance. While this looks drastic in percentages, in actual numbers it probably wasn't tremendous just because a lot of people didn't go last year either. However, the main article does concede that unlike last year, when the Expos played home weekend games against the Mets, this year's games - against the Marlins and the Cubs were midweek tilts.

Speaking of the Marlins, but for the grace of the Expos go they. Their 36 percent falloff is 29th in the league. The Miami-based franchise - under new ownership that had the misfortune of coming in after spring training

commenced - also has a staggering number of season-ticket holders. A mere 4,000 Floridians have ducats for every game this season.

I'd almost guarantee the Lexington Legends, a Single-A affiliate of Houston, top that total.

The other team considered on the brink of extinction was Minnesota, but they're coming out in droves in the Land of Jesse Ventura. The Twinkies are

Reed

plain, in the hope of getting a favorable call the next time.

Even in the once-genteel sport of tennis, players whine when a close call goes against them, and sometimes get involved in shouting matches with the judges or their opponent. This is the legacy of Jimmy Connors and John McEnroe, who would have made a great tag team in the World Wrestling Federation.

That leaves golf as the lonely bastion of honesty and integrity. Pro golf and organized amateur golf, that is. The games at your local country club and public course have elevated cheating to an art form. It's incredible how a \$2 Nassau will make even a rocket scientist suddenly forget how to add and subtract.

At the local clubs and courses, golfers play fast and loose with the rules. That's a nice way of saying that they invent their own game, which includes such wonderful ideas as the mulligan (a second shot) off the tee, taking a ball out of a bad lie and putting it in a good one, and conceding "gimme" putts.

None of this is necessarily bad, if everyone in the group plays under the same rules and doesn't add new rules without telling the other players. The point, after all, is to have fun, get a little exercise, and enjoy a pleasant nature stroll in the company of friends.

Of course, if high-stakes gambling and alcoholic beverages are involved, it can be a different matter altogether. Such "friendly" games have been known to ruin friendships and even lead to fisticuffs. Shooting bad golf and losing money can lead to self-loathing and depression, which is why Mike Royko said golf can destroy a healthy person.

The late Mike Barry, my longtime golfing companion, was a stickler for the rules. When our group would be on the first tee discussing such issues as mulligans and rolling the ball anywhere to get a good lie, Mike finally would say "You guys can play any game you want, but I'm playing golf." He played the ball at it lied on every shot and sometimes wouldn't even accept a "gimme" putt.

But the rest of us played more or less by "Mulligan's

experiencing the largest growth in the league, up a tremendous 37.8 percent.

Of course, this year they had the luxury of coming off a fantastic season; had the league contracted them before the 2001 campaign, odds are good only Tom Kelly would have noticed.

The other interesting part of this spread is the excuses offered for the sluggish attendance. One was contraction, as we've discussed. The other three include:

■ Apathy. A Detroit fan from Canada summed it up. "Fans are not cynical, but apathetic. You'd rather have them be cynical. At least there would be emotion." Along with the Tigers, Kansas City, Colorado and Toronto are facing this problem, it said.

Here's one thought: Win! In the same edition of the paper, those four teams were a combined 15-34. Based on that percentage, those four teams would average fewer than 50 wins this season (!).

■ Star power. Based on this theory, folks had been going to Camden Yards only to see Cal

Ripken and local favorite Brady Anderson, while those in Cleveland were only there for Robbie Alomar, Juan Gonzales and Manny Ramirez.

Oh, to emphasize the point about the Marlins having only 4,000 season ticket holders, consider this: Baltimore's total plummeted this season to a mere 1.6 million, off 200,000 this season.

■ New digs. According to this, the only reason folks went to games in

Pittsburgh and Milwaukee last year was because they had new stadiums.

Now that they mention it. But look for that to change. Pittsburgh is off to a decent start. The

Brewers are miserable (3-11 as of Thursday), and also have the misfortune of being under the influence of the Seligs.

It amazes me that a study like this merits this much attention two weeks into a six-month season, especially considering that on the day this was published, the NBA was ending its season; the NHL was starting playoff action; and the NHL was three days from its draft.

Laws," which include the following:

1. Since bad shots come in groups of three, a fourth bad shot is actually the beginning of the next group of three.
2. When you play in a mixed foursome, there always will be at least one hole where you have to hit your second shot before the ladies tee off.
3. Never play with anyone who would question a 7.
4. No matter how bad you are playing, it is always possible to play worse.
5. Golfers who claim they never cheat also lie.
6. The score a player reports on any hole should always be regarded as his opening offer.
7. It takes considerable pressure to make a penalty stroke adhere to a scorecard.
8. A stroke does not count unless it is observed by more than one golfer.
9. Every time a golfer makes a birdie, he must subsequently make two triple-bogies to restore the fundamental equilibrium to the universe.
10. You can hit a two-acre fairway 10 per cent of the time, and a two-inch branch 90

per cent of the time.

11. It is always winter somewhere. (Note: winter rules are more lenient than summer rules.)

12. Knowing the swing-weight of your club is as indispensable to playing good golf as knowing the temperature of the grass in the fairway.

13. There are two things you can learn by stopping your backswing at the top and checking the position of your hands: How many hands you have, and which one is wearing the glove.

14. A two-foot putt counts the same as a two-foot drive.

15. If there is a ball on the fringe and a ball in the bunker, yours is in the bunker.

May you all have a wonderful golfing summer. May all your shots be straight and long. And may you have the wisdom to play by the rules that your group sets because cheating is liable to get you a Titleist in the mouth and unsightly beer stains on your best Izod shirt.

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Junior

Tenn., ended. Gordon retaliated by spinning Earnhardt on a crowded pit road. Both drivers were fined. Earnhardt said he was angry because Gordon, who had been lapped, wouldn't let him pass.

Earnhardt hit the wall on lap 184 after a brush with the lapped car of Shawna Robinson two weeks ago in Fort Worth, Texas, but this time he didn't lose his cool.

"NASCAR is pretty good at throwing the fines out there," said Earnhardt, adding he never heard his father bash other drivers. "Probation is the scariest thing because once you get that, you know NASCAR won't hesitate to kick you out of a race, and that really hurts."

"That's millions of dollars to you and your sponsor and you can't have that. That's why I didn't say anything about Shawna."

It happened last weekend in Martinsville, Va., with NASCAR sitting Kevin Harvick down for Sunday's

Winston Cup race.

Harvick, already on probation until Aug. 28 for grabbing Busch series driver Greg Biffle after a race last month, was punished for spinning out Coy Gibbs during Saturday's truck race in Martinsville.

On Sunday, Earnhardt will be chasing his second straight win on Talladega's 2.66-mile oval.

He has his father's comfort level with restrictor plate racing - and a similar confidence in his abilities.

"I like restrictor plate racing because it's so hard to pass," Earnhardt said. "I'm not the most physically strong guy in the field, but I think when it comes down to making decisions under those circumstances, I think I'm the best there is out there."

"That's not me bragging, that's my outlook on it. I go in there thinking, 'I'm going to beat you because I can set myself up to be up front when it counts. Not because I outdrove you.'"

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First, the good news...

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

Life is good this spring. I've got more than the usual "few" pounds to concentrate on getting rid of as the temperatures warm, due to



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

spending the winter months at this computer, but, in general, I have to admit that spring is approaching in a positive vein

around my household.

I've learned that my lagging energy levels, chronic cough and shortness of breath have been caused by asthma and allergies. As well as my never-ending "clogged" ears. I've got some power drugs that I hope are going to change my quality of life for the better and already my breathing has become less shallow and the wheezing has all but subsided. Now, if we can just, once and for all, knock that cough out of me maybe I'll actually feel like going out and getting the exercise I am in so desperate need of.

If you are suffering from any of the symptoms I've mentioned, I would most avidly recommend that you see an allergist. Relief is out there.

I have a new pet peeve. It revolves around folks in the service industry who tend to

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POSTSCRIPT

Bloomin' hills

How can you look at the hills and creek bottoms this time of year and not smile? The colors are matchless, some not seen any other time of year. They are muted, but nevertheless brilliant, offering a preview of further beauty to come, much like a baby crawling toward full bloom.

And the scene is constantly changing. Look at the hills soon after sunrise and record the vision. By late evening, the hues will be noticeably different. The spring changes, typical of birth, are quicker and more dynamic, more startling than the subtle transition of fall when dormancy and death settle in.

Although I love winter in the mountains when the reality of the earth can be seen, I still take great pleasure in spring and its promise.

Do yourself a favor. Take a drive along a meandering, secondary road and absorb the sights of spring. (Turkey Creek in Floyd County is a

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Dogwood blooms are plentiful in the hills of eastern Kentucky during the springtime months. Dogwood trees are often chosen by local homeowners as ornamental additions to their home's landscape design, and there are many, with both white and pink blooms, dotting the neighborhoods of Prestonsburg.

All around THE TOWN

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

Spring has been on the scene for a few weeks now and all around the county springtime flowers and trees have bloomed majestically. From daffodils and tulips to dogwoods and "red buds," the landscape has brightened around every bend.

Tulips adorn planters all around the city and the city's elementary school grounds are graced with these springtime favorite flowers, blooming in rainbow colors. The students at Prestonsburg Elementary toiled in the autumn breezes last fall as they dug into the soil, planting the bulbs that have now rewarded them with their beauty. The tulip bed was a school-wide project that was accomplished through the labors of the elementary students and PRIDE grant funds. The funds were also used to create a pond near the tulip bed that will soon be

filled with "eco-life" of many sorts, making it not only a thing of beauty, but an excellent environmental learn-



ing "facility" also. Dogwoods have also bloomed all over the eastern Kentucky hills as well

as on the lawns of many homes. Dogwoods have long been loved and cherished in our valley as a symbol of springtime and its promise to mankind.

Many know the well-loved "Legend of the Dogwood Tree" that tells the story of how the Dogwood Tree was, at one time, one of the strongest trees in the Middle East. So strong, it was chosen to become the cross on which Christ would die. As the legend goes, the noble tree was so sorrowed by being chosen for such use, that Christ made a promise: never again would the dogwood grow large enough to be used for such a purpose. "Henceforth, it shall be slender and bent and twisted. Its blossoms shall be in the form of a cross and in the center of the outer edge of each petal there will be nail prints, brown with rust and stained with red. And in the center of the flower will be a crown of thorns, and

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

This horticultural feat is on display in the side yard of the home of Frank and Kathy Fitzpatrick, located on North Central Avenue. It isn't quite the trademark "Kentucky Blue," but we think it's pretty impressive.

This Town That World

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

One way to get warm is to get into an argument with your neighbor about whether this is dogwood or redbud winter.

OF RAMPS

I have a special request from a friend at Lackey to inform her and the general public about ramps. (You will recall, it was this vegetable and its odor which caused Secretary Udall to excoriate Southern cooking, the other day.)

You will excuse us, please, from giving the botanical name (which we do not know), but ramps is a vegetable which could very well claim kinship with our wild onion. It grows in West Virginia and Tennessee, and perhaps several other states, but not in our section. In fact, ramps is quite famous in West Virginia. At Richwood, West Virginia, folks have an annual ramps festival.

Everybody eats ramps where they are eaten at all, we understand. Have to. Otherwise, the non-eater wouldn't be able to abide those about him.

But why should a fellow like Secretary Udall complain about the odor of ramps, since he comes from the big city, where they smell up the premises with limburger, garlic and the like?

WE'RE SORRY

This similarity of names is still causing us and other folks trouble. We are asked to explain here that the Charles Osborne caught here recently with a load of booze is not the Charles Leonard Osborne, who attends Caney Junior College. Writes Charles Leonard in mild protest: "Since this article was published, more than 15 people have asked me to get them a case of beer, my next trip."

Last Thursday I made it back to the lake. Same beautiful lake, same friendly hills all about—same old luck.

Our item in this space last week about Roy Ramey's 200-pound catch seems to have been a bit ambiguous. Well, to clear up the matter we will tell what we did not intend to say: His fishing partner, Earl Castle, fell in the lake.

SHUCKS!

Mention of fishing brings me around to the violation of a confidence. I must tell you about Ernest Turner and his son-in-law, Olin Elliott, and their fishing contest.

They started the season off with an agreement that the one who caught the largest game fish this year would pull down \$10 from the other—and, first thing, Elliott hauls off and lands an 8 1/2-pound bass. But his father-in-law is not one to give up easily, and he is holding onto his ten-spot.

Last Friday, he tells Elliott as they start fishing, "I'll fish from the bow of the boat, this time, and I'll show you how to beat that minnow you caught."

And sure enough, it wasn't

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Now I lay me down to sleep

A guess is that the recent time change has really influenced bedtime in many family households. It's usually hard to get toddlers to bed at a reasonable time, when they just don't understand why it might not be dark outside and they need to go to bed. It is also difficult for the older children to come inside and prepare for bedtime, when the weather is much nicer and so right for play and having a good time. Nothing helps to cure "cabin fever" like springtime, flowers, grass, and change in routines. Meanwhile, there are still those awful sleep problems for some families with school

Clinical experience suggests that TV-viewing habits have a potentially significant influence on sleep behavior for both adults and children. Falling asleep in front of the TV, was reported specifically by parents as contributing to sleep problems in more than 25 percent of children diagnosed with behavioral sleep disorders, such as sleep onset association sleep disorders.

children—night terrors, nightmares, sleep-onset association disorder with parents busily trying to keep the child happy and accept going to sleep—that were discussed last time. Since TV occupies such a major part of our children's lives, perhaps some families will benefit from this summary of recent research results (9/99) pertaining to the

influence of television-viewing habits and sleep disturbance in school children (J. Owens, M.D. and others, Brown University School of Medicine, Providence, Rhode Island).

Although we are well aware of the great influence that television has on our children's lives, it seemed shocking that American children typically

spend almost as much time per week watching TV, about 25 hours, as they are in school. The current American Academy of Pediatrics recommend that children watch no more than two hours of TV per day. Past research has shown that families with a lower level income are likely to view increased amounts of TV. Children's TV-viewing

habits have been related to various significant behavioral outcomes, such as obesity and poor eating habits, decreased physical activity and physical fitness, and poor school performances. Publications have repeatedly been about the association between children's exposure to TV violence and their later acting-out aggressive behaviors. It goes without saying that extended and frequent TV viewing cuts down the time and opportunity available for the family to interact and do various activities.

Clinical experience suggests

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by Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

Around

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all who see will remember."

Dogwood trees - white, pink and weeping - are seen throughout our eastern Kentucky communities, and the legend, I'm sure, is told in many homes.

I snapped a few photographs that I hope you will enjoy. Maybe you'll recognize the same tulips, dogwoods and "Kentucky" phlox that I noticed as you drive "all around the town" this spring season.

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long till he was all tangeled up with a whopper that had struck an eel-strip while he was jigging. This monster took off; he circled, he rose and he went down.

"Reminded me of the way a porpoise will act," Turner said. But the big fish was well-hooked, and finally he swung back toward the boat. "Guess this'll hold you!" he yelled to Elliott. "Get the landing net."

Elliott cooperated, slipped the net beneath the fish, then heaved mightily to bring it into the boat.

The fish would have gone a good 10 pounds, Turner swears. But it was never weighed, he sadly relates. It was a carp.

EUREKA!

My notes, meticulously taken with the best of intentions, often go astray, sometimes to be found, occasionally lost forever. Here's a scrap of paper which was intended to remind me to write an item about three girls who are members of the staff of the Bobcat Times, publication of the Betsy Layne school. Know how long this item has been wandering around in limbo? The girls were here to register to vote. Their two ports of call in Prestonsburg were The Floyd County Times and the Floyd County jail (no wise-cracks, please). The visitors: Joyceleen Martin, editor; Josephine Kidd, reporter; Connie Mitchell, typist.

Ponder

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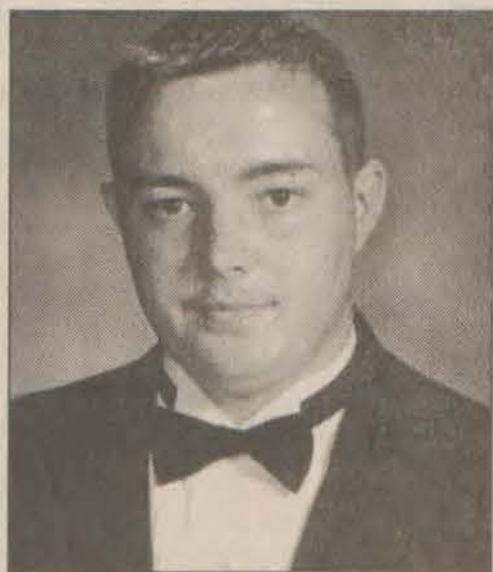
that TV-viewing habits have a potentially significant influence on sleep behavior for both adults and children. Falling asleep in front of the TV, was reported specifically by parents as contributing to sleep problems in more than 25 percent of children diagnosed with behavioral sleep disorders, such as sleep onset association sleep disorders. Several possible theories were given as to how TV-viewing habits could impact on sleep and result in poor-quality sleep: (1) simply serve to decrease time, so sleep duration is shortened to unacceptable limits; (2) replace other more energizing activities (like playing outside); and (3) TV program's content with excessive violence and/or stimulating themes might relate to difficulty falling asleep and/or night awaking associated with anxiety. Other separate factors created by parents may account for both excessive TV viewing and bedtime resistance in their children, such as parents not being able to set limits and parents' TV-viewing habits and attitudes about TV. It has also been found that adults with insomnia have engaged in increased amounts of TV viewing compared with normal sleepers.

The researchers of Brown University had the parents of 495 children in grades kindergarten through fourth grade from three public elementary schools complete their packet of questionnaires about TV watching and sleep disturbance in their children. Most of the TV-viewing practices thought to affect sleep negatively were found to be associated with at least one sleep disturbance. The TV-viewing habits most associated with the greatest number of sleep disturbances were bedtime TV viewing, the presence of a TV in a child's bedroom, the child's use of TV as a sleep aid, and the amount of television viewed daily. Don't think it was surprising that a TV in the child's bedroom was the most powerful predictor of overall sleep disturbance and bedtime resistance, with the amount of TV viewed per day. Increased amounts of TV viewing were associated most significantly with the child's difficulty getting to and staying asleep. As expected, the presence of a TV in the child's bedroom made a big difference. In addition, the amount of TV watched tended to be associated with daytime sleepiness and suggesting some impact on daytime functioning. Bedtime resistance and sleep onset being delayed were the two sleep topics most affected by TV-viewing habits overall. A less active lifestyle that was often associated with increased TV watching may contribute both to the perception of sleepiness by teachers and to more problems sleeping.

The Brown University researchers found that the presence of a TV set in the bedrooms of more than 25 percent of the children was high, but similar to past research results. Even though parents did not think that their child needed a TV to fall asleep, it was found that TV viewing at or around bedtime was a common practice in many families. It was also suggested that not turning the TV off at bedtime and/or definitely using TV viewing as a sleep aid might play a role in bedtime TV habits.

Please take time to assess where, how, and when your child sleeps. Is there a TV for viewing at the child's disposal, night and day? Does your child display symptoms of a sleep disturbance?

Bailey named to 'Who's Who' of high school students



Joshua R. Bailey, a senior at Meade County High School, Brandenburg, has been chosen to be included in the 36th annual edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students, 2001-2002," an honor reserved for only five percent of our nation's high school students each year.

Bailey is a member of the National Honor Society and has remained consistently on his school's honor roll throughout his high school career. He has been a "Student of the Month" nominee as well as an honor student. Bailey has been accepted to the College of Engineering at the University of Kentucky and has accepted a \$2300 scholarship from that department. He plans to attend Elizabethtown Community College for the 2002-2003 school year, transferring later to UK to continue his education in engineering. He has also been granted approval to receive over \$2000 from the Kentucky Educational Excellence Scholarship funds.

Josh is an avid motocross enthusiast and has participated in motocross races statewide. Last year, his first season of racing, he won first place standing at the Blackrock Motocross held in Leitchfield.

Bailey is the son of Randy and Kim Bailey, of Big Spring, formerly of Prestonsburg. He is the grandson of Ralph and Karen Houston, of Prestonsburg, and the great-grandson of Imogene Houston, of Meally.

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good one.)

A couple of weeks ago I had the privilege to meet up with Floyd County native M. Ray Allen for a literary matter.

I did a story on him a few years ago when his book Beyond Star Bottom was first published and he came to the annual McDowell school reunion.

When my show, Appalachian Coffeehouse (on WMMT-FM, 88.7), moved to Wednesday evenings, Ray was my first on-air evening guest. Turns out, he's a natural for radio. He was able to talk seamlessly during the interview from 7 to 8 and then move effortlessly to a public reading with an audience in the Appalshop gallery. Like the interview, the reading was broadcast live.

Ray took the opportunity to drive over early from Clifton Forge, Virginia, where he now lives, to take care of some family business on Left Beaver. In the town north of Roanoke, he teaches English at Allegheny High School and has been a baseball coach. He also manages the Historic Stonewall Theater and the Virginia Opry.

When we originally scheduled him back in January, his school was to be out all week, but by the time April 3 rolled around, officials had cut back the spring break. This meant Ray had to drive the five or so hours back home that evening and work the next day. Now, there's a good sport.

Ray had many good things to say about family and friends in McDowell and Floyd County. His poems vividly recall his strong attachment to home as he has traveled across the globe. The poems also mourn the economic and environmental losses of the region.

I really appreciate his sharing of his art, talent and time with the radio audience. Thanks, Ray.

One writer has fallen significantly in my

Eyes

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ignore children. My youngest child has always tended to be a little small for her age, but unlike her mother, what she lacks in girth, she more than makes up for in "mouth."

She isn't shy and will make her feelings and opinions known at the drop of a hat (sound like anyone you know, "Nana"?). So, I often send her in to deliver messages or drop off utility payments and what not as I lazily wait in the cool environment of my car. Most times, all goes well, but sometimes, most often in restaurants, things don't go so smoothly.

She learned quite a while ago that she wasn't going to be noticed in a favorite fast food restaurant if she approached the counter for a dessert ice cream cone, and for quite some time, I have simply gone ahead and purchased the extra item for her myself.

Now, though, she's gotten a little older and a little taller, so she has once again been venturing up to the fast food counters.

In the past few weeks, she has been ignored twice. On one occasion, she was already standing at the counter when an adult couple walked in. Although my daughter was there first, the adult couple were waited on before her. To add insult to injury, two local law officials walked in through another door on the opposite side of the building, placing them at the ending point of the line rather than the beginning point, but they, nonetheless were also waited on before my daughter.

As I watched from our table, I prepared to go up to the counter and rescue my child, although I had already made up my mind to not purchase her dessert item in this particu-

estimation. I've greatly admired Chris Offutt's books, Kentucky Straight and The Good Brother. I did not care for his memoir, The Same River Twice. It seemed far-fetched to me, a feeling that was confirmed by someone who knows him well. But few of us write consistently well (if at all).

Two articles in the Lexington Herald-Leader last week indicate that Offutt skewers eastern Kentucky, where he grew up in Rowan County, in his latest book, No Heroes: A Memoir of Coming Home. The book follows a year he spent on the English faculty at Morehead State University.

I'm doing something I generally disapprove of - putting down a book I haven't read. But, I have a good bit of respect for Cheryl Truman, the Herald-Leader's book editor and, by the way, a native of McDowell.

In her angry review, Truman cites several extremely damaging quotations in the book to support her thesis that "A state as small as Kentucky might not be big enough to hold Chris Offutt's ego."

She cites a number of out-and-out untruths - such as Offutt's writing that the town of Morehead has no bookstore. Not true; there's at least one good-size bookstore, not counting the one on campus. According to Truman, he writes of giving a dictionary to a student who told him the campus bookstore does not carry them. I haven't been in the MSU bookstore for several years, but I can say with some assurance that's got to be a lie.

I admire much of Offutt's writing. Perhaps he was under pressure from a publisher to produce something quickly, or maybe someone at MSU made him terribly angry. I just wish he'd opted to write some more short stories, like the ones in Kentucky Straight, which shows the region with warts intact, but more kindly.

The one thing we don't need more of is trashing by one of our own.

I don't think I need to fork over \$24 for this book. I don't need to be any angrier than I usually am.

lar establishment. At about the same time that I rose, she turned around and marched disappointingly back toward our table. "They never pay attention to me," she complained.

"That's all right," I said, "they just lost a sale. Let's go, we'll get your dessert somewhere else."

I've remembered this particular incident because I left the restaurant without notifying the person in charge that my daughter had just been treated rudely and I really wish that I had. It may not have helped in the long run, but at least I would have gotten it out of my system.

I've had many jobs in which I have served the public. I waited tables in college, I worked as a bank teller and I've served the public in other business establishments. Not once did I ever consider ignoring anyone, let alone a child.

Children who walk up to service counters go there because they have a request. Maybe they want a simple ice cream cone, maybe they need to deliver a message, maybe Mom sent them up there to order take-out dinners for the rest of the family members who stayed home to finish homework or play video games.

Whatever the reason, they deserve to be noticed. They are little people, but they are nonetheless, people. They notice when they've been ignored or treated rudely.

And their mommas, you can rest assured, will choose to spend their money in establishments whose workers realize that very often, it's the kids in a family who choose the restaurant in which their family will dine.

School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

APRIL is CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS MONTH - to obtain a blue ribbon to show your support, stop by the center or call 886-9812.

April 15-26 - CATS/CTBS testing window. Students should be at school, punctual and well-rested for testing.

April 30 - Free Basic Computer class will be held at the school, 6:00 p.m. Call the Youth Services Center for more information or to register for the class.

Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment for more information about the center or any of the listed activities, call 886-9812. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley. Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen.

Allen Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center

Service Center Hours: Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Telephone: 874-0621

Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.

G.E.D. classes offered-FREE-each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m. and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda Bailey

Betsy Layne Elementary

The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource Center. Service hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.

Clark Elementary

April 22-26 - Volunteer Appreciation Week.

April 30 - Adult Computer Class, ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL, 6-8 p.m.

Dairy Queen "buy one, get one free" cards still on sale through the Family Resource Center.

After School child care hours are 3 - 5:30 p.m., school days.

FCHD nurse in the center on Thursdays. Please call the center at 886-0815, to schedule an appointment. Appointments are currently being scheduled for Hep B immunizations and 6th grade physicals for the 2002 fall school term.

MCCC services are available at the center. Call for more information, or to schedule an appointment.

The Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. Center is located in the Clark Elem. school building. Hours are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Office phone is 886-0815.

Duff Elementary Family Resource Center

April 21-27 - NATIONAL VOLUNTEERS WEEK

April 24 - Volunteers Appreciation Luncheon will be held in FRCenter from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

April 24 - Flower Planting on school grounds, 8:30 to 10:00 a.m. Please join the Center in beautifying our grounds, "Alone we can do little, but together we can do so much."

The Floyd County Health Department is on site each TUESDAY of the week. The following services are provided: immunizations, TB skin test, school physicals for Head Start, Kindergarten, Well-Child, and Sixth Grade. WIC services also provided. If you are in need of any of the above services, please call 358-9878 to schedule an appointment.

May Valley Family Resource Center

Each Wednesday - Health Dept. Nurse. Services offered:

WIC, blood pressure checks, immunizations, TB skin tests, and Head Start, Kindergarten, 6th grade, and well-child physicals. Must call center at 285-0321 for appointment.

McDowell Family Resource Center

Floyd County Health Department nurse, Joy Moore, is in the center each Monday. Services provided include: immunizations, T.B. skin tests, school physicals (Head Start, kindergarten, and sixth grade), WIC appointments, prenatal and postpartum care, and others. If you are in need of an appointment, call 377-2678 to schedule.

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

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

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

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

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

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

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

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

South Floyd Youth Services Center

Child Abuse Awareness booth set up in school foyer for distribution of information to students, staff, employees and community.

Adult education classes available.

Walking track open to public.

The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.

The David School

Adult Education Class Schedule - Fall 2001:

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

Monday and Wednesday: Morehead Big Sandy Campus, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405.

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

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

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

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

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

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

W.D. Osborne Rainbow Junction

Family Resource Center "Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks.

"Clothing Closet" available to all students.

Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen.

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Family Medicine

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Advice to reader on cholesterol therapy: stick with what works

Q I have had high cholesterol for thirty years. My total was 230. The past six months I have been taking supplements of fish oil and flaxseed oil. My recent blood tests showed a dramatic drop to a total cholesterol of 197, my HDL was 54 and the triglycerides were 124. These are the lowest readings I've had in thirty years. I have been reading about policosanol. Can I take this supplement with my Lipitor? Are there any possible conflicts to taking both?

A Cholesterol is an important chemical that is present in every cell of our bodies. It is the "raw material" for building hor-

mones, cell walls and other components that are necessary to sustain life. As you might surmise from its importance, it is manufactured within the body and it is also absorbed from the foods we eat.

As I'm sure you know, increased levels of cholesterol are associated with heart attacks and other circulatory problems such as strokes. Generally a level of the total cholesterol over 240 mg/dl is associated with this increased risk. Unfortunately, the total cholesterol alone isn't the best predictor of heart disease. Levels of other lipids (cholesterol is chemically classified as a lipid) HDL and LDL and their subgroups are used to more accurately

assess risk. Generally HDL levels of 30 or higher are desirable while LDL levels should be 130 or less. Individuals with a

previous history of heart disease should try to get their LDL below 100. Triglyceride levels over 200 are also associated with increased risk so those with multiple risk factors or existing heart disease should try to get their levels to 150 or less.

Since most cholesterol within the body is made there, it is often helpful to restrict the raw materials the body uses in this manufacturing process. The important ingredient is saturated fats — these are principally animal fats. You didn't mention if you are being attentive to your diet. I hope you are since medicines, including prescription and non-prescription types, work most effectively when combined with a low saturated fat diet.

The non-prescription drug poly-

cosanol is also marketed under the names of policosanol, octacosanol and octacosyl alcohol. It is a 28 straight-chain carbon compound (for you chemistry types) that is usually extracted from sugar cane wax, honey or wheat germ oil. It is proposed that policosanol interferes with production of cholesterol in the liver just one metabolic step ahead of the spot where statins, like the Lipitor that you are taking, work. Since it is a derivative from a food substance, policosanol sidesteps the Food and Drug Administration's scrutiny as a drug. However, just because a substance is classified as a food supplement doesn't mean that it can't be effective or, conversely, potentially dangerous.

Currently there aren't a lot of scientific papers addressing the effectiveness and safety of policosanol, but that isn't particularly surprising because of the way these very expensive investi-

gations are (or are not) funded. Those studies I could find do indicate policosanol may be

an important addition to the treatment of high lipids. In these generally small and short-term studies, it was as effective as the statin class of cholesterol medicines. It was also safe when taken in a dose range of 10 to 20 mg, but the studies only involved a relatively small number of people for only a few months.

Your current lipid values are just where they belong. You didn't mention that you are experiencing any problems with your diet and medicine. Therefore, why do you want to take something else, particularly something that doesn't have a proven benefit for you? If it were my liver and I had good lipid values, I'd minimize the risk by avoiding all unnecessary prescription or non-prescription medicines until there is a clear reason to change.

Elementary Academic Regional Competition - held at Duff Elementary School

Mathematics Written Assessment

- 1st Brandon Tackett-Osborne
- 2nd Keith Williams-May Valley
- 3rd Elizabeth Hughes-Duff Elementary
- 4th Warren Vierheller-MCA
- 5th Clyde Hamilton-McDowell

Science Written Assessment

- 1st Cody McCoy-Prestonsburg
- 2nd Liz Kilburn-MCA
- 3rd Savannah Bartley-Osborne
- 4th Warren Vierheller-MCA
- 5th Shika Sachdeva-MCA

Composition

- Tie>1st Hannah Howard-Duff Elementary
- Tie>1st Dru Walters-Hindman
- 3rd Elizabeth Hughes-Duff Elementary
- Tie>4th Jade Morgan-Carr Creek
- Tie>4th Samantha King-Beaver Creek

Social Studies Written Assessment

- 1st Elizabeth Davis-MCA
- 2nd Chelsie Cordial-Duff Elementary
- 3rd Ronnie Smith-Cordia
- 4th Cody Johnson-Beaver Creek
- 5th Evan Lawson-Duff

Elementary

Language Arts Written Assessment

- 1st Elizabeth Davis-MCA
- 2nd-Morgan Davis-June Buchanan
- 3rd Tiffany Marden-Jones Fork
- Tie 4th >Keturah Tackett-Stumbo
- Tie 4th > Elizabeth Howard-Jones Fork

General Knowledge Written Assessment

- 1st-Seth Perry-May Valley
- 2nd-Michela Tussey-Duff Elementary
- 3rd-Brandon Tackett-Osborne

- 4th-Trista McDowell
- 5th-Chelsie Cordial-Duff Elementary

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- 2nd-Duff Elementary
- 3rd-Hindman
- 4th-Carr Creek

- 2nd Place MCA
- 3rd Place Osborne
- 4th Place May Valley

FINAL STANDINGS (OVERALL)

- 1st Place Duff Elementary

Katherine Humes Award for sportsmanlike conduct was received by Duff Elementary.

New Arrivals

Highlands New Arrivals

April 4, 2002
A son, Matthew Shayne Spradlin, to Shaayne and Kachael Spradlin

April 4, 2002
A son, Timothy James Smallwood, to Ricky and Deborah Smallwood

April 5, 2002
A son, Jayvan Hunter Johnson, to Angelina Prater

April 5, 2002
A son, Cameron Allen Robinson, to Cletis and Delilia Robinson

April 6, 2002
A son, Jackson Thomas Colton Goggans, to Tracy and Jeffrey Goggans

April 8, 2002
A son, Matthew Ross Cole, to Deborah Carol and Lennie Ross Cole

April 9, 2002
A daughter, Chassity Nicole

Back, to Sebra Back and Randy J. Back

April 9, 2002
A daughter, Patience Emma Leigh Rose Murrell, to Jessica Murrell

Daughter of local physicians runs for office in Florida

Attorney Mariza DeGuzman Cobb, the daughter of Martin physicians Drs. Ray and Virginia DeGuzman, will be running for the office of Circuit Judge of Broward County, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. She is the first Asian American to run for the Circuit Judge office in this county.

Cobb has worked as a prosecutor in Dade County and is currently

working as assistant Attorney General in Broward County, Department of Child Abuse and Domestic Violence. She also currently serves as vice-president of the Asian American Community, Fort Lauderdale.

She currently resides in Broward County with her husband, James Cobb, a Florida state prosecutor. The couple have one son, Hayden.

Wedding Engagements

Hall-Hamilton to wed



Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hamilton, of Weeksbury, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their son, Carl Bradly Hamilton, to Candice Nichole Hall, the daughter of Rose Ann Hall, of Allen. The couple will be joined in marriage in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, April 27, 2002, at the afternoon hour of one o'clock, at the Wheelwright Free Will Baptist Church, Bypro. The minister John Coleman will officiate. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed. A reception in the couple's honor will be held immediately following the marriage ceremony.

Akers-Owens to wed



Greg and Carol Akers are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Monica, to Christopher B. Owens.

Miss Akers is a graduate of Morehead State University, as well as Eastern Kentucky University, and is currently employed at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She is also an instructor at Prestonsburg Community College. She is the granddaughter of Dennis and Alpha Kidd and Eddie and Christa Akers. Mr. Owens is the son of Beverly Owens, of Lookout, Ky. and Johnny Blake Owens, of Pikeville. He is employed at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He is the grandson of Bernie and JoWanda Ratliff and Paul Blake and Rusby Owens. The couple will be joined in marriage in a ceremony that will take place at the Marrowbone Missionary Baptist Church on Saturday, April 27, 2002, at 2:30 in the afternoon. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed. The couple plan to reside in Dana following the wedding ceremony.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-0295

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located at Craynor in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 299.14 surface acres and will underlie 70.70 acres for auger, of which 50.97 acres are included in the surface area, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 240.80 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 miles southwest from KY 680's junction with KY 979 and located on Hamilton Branch of Mud Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Arnold Howell, R. S. Newsom Heirs, Curt Hall Heirs, Orvissie and Wanda

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The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

Wade of 127 Porter Lane, Lot #18, Pikeville, KY 41501. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is Final Frontier. The nature of the business will be beer, Carry Out, Pool Tables and Juke Box. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk no later than May 16, 2002 in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

be 450.98 acres. The proposed operation is 0.5 miles southeast of the junction of KY 122 and the Hunter Branch Road, and is located 0.5 miles south of Hunter Branch. The proposed operation is located on the McDowell, Harold, Martin, and Wayland USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation. The mineral is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation. The operation will underlie land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Laura Fitzpatrick, Wm. Richard Salisbury, Alta Moore, Floyd C. Taylor, Luna Halbert, Ellis Moore, Alex Stevens, Ellen Halbert, Davis May, Bee Halbert, John A. Bruce, and Gena Salisbury, and Tandy Martin. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of County Road 5310. The operation will not involve relocation of the public road. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or request for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, # 2 Hudson Hollow, US 127 South, Frankfort, KY 41654.

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Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for May 16, 2002, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd Floor in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of or in opposition to the granting of the permit.

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 Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.
 Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Wordwide Expt. on Rt. 1428; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.
 First Baptist, Garret; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Coburn, Minister.
 First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.
 First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial); Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, minister.
 Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 2656 West Mt. Parkway, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jennings West, Minister.
 Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
 Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
 Gretzel Baptist, Sata Rt. 3375, (Barham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
 Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garret, Minister.
 Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Bassett, Minister.
 Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.
 Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
 Lancer Baptist Church; 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter.
 Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Mele Little, Minister.
 Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon; Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.
 Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Enit; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Mims, Minister.
 Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.
 Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bob Varney, Minister.
 McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Harry Hargis, Minister.
 Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Vernon Stone, Minister.
 Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 Ky Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crap, Minister.
 home phone 285-3385
 Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Landon; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.
 Prater Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Fish, Minister.
 Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J 102, Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; French B. Harmon, Director; Elia C. Goble, President; 874-9466/478-2978.

Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garret; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendal Crager, Minister.
Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garret; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; East Stone, Minister; Jerry Marns, Assistant Minister.
Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Haysville; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 4th Sunday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.
Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Shane Powers.
Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Marford Farris, Minister.
Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Branch); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.
Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist; Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 6:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judy Spencer, Minister.
Trinible Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.
United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Haysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beatty, Minister.
Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrel, Minister.

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

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST
 Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.
 Church of Christ, South Lake Drive; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Benny Benkship, Minister.
 Harold Church of Christ, Harolt; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.
 Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
 Haysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.
 Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harolt; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Loree Meade, Minister.
 Mare Creek Church of Christ, Sarville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
 Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Mitchell, Minister.
 Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Torrey Dale Bush, Minister.
 Weeksbury Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD
 Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.
 Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.
 First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
 Garret Church of God, Garret; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.
 Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.
 Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.
 The Church of God of Prophecy, Hi Hat; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Don Friley, Jr., Minister.

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

LUTHERAN
 Our Savior Lutheran, Slop Bayes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKJW (600 am) 12:05 p.m.; Roland Benrup, Minister.

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

Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Nolley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pecoscosko, Minister.
 Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.
 Emma United Methodist, Emma; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Paul Aiken, Minister.
 First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue; 9 a.m. Contemporary Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMSY Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wayne Sayre, Minister.
 Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxler Road, Auxler; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Pottar, Minister.
 Martin Methodist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
 Maytown United Methodist, Langley; Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
 Salisbury United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.
 Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.
 Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
 Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Compton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.
 Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Santan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.
 Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.
 Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister; 297-6282.
 Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

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

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
 Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Gary Shepherd, Minister.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
 The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society/Preliminary/Prayer, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Mtg., 11:20 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Church Meeting House address, Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; E.P. Grigsby, Bishop.

OTHER
 Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
 Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 6 p.m.; Woodrow Crum, Minister.
 Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg, next to old flea market, Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.
 Faith Bible, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
 Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.
 Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Wordwide Equipment; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Hagens, Minister.
 Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.
 Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Layvonne Lafferty, Minister.
 Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.
 Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Saturday/Sunday.
 Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin; Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.
 Spurlock Bible, Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heinzelman, Minister.
 Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.
 The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.
 Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.

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