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### briefs

#### Fed prison interviewing

At the regular meeting of the Big Sandy Area Development District in Prestonsburg on Thursday, members learned that federal prison under construction in Martin County has begun interviewing potential employees.

The federal Bureau of Prisons has accepted 90 applications out of 1,000 that have been received for the site.

The meeting included staffing recommendations from Workforce Development Director Bill Little.

The following people have accepted positions as workforce development specialists: Paul Stewart, serving Carter County; Gina Roberts, serving Lawrence and Elliott counties; Tanya Rice, serving Bath, Rowan and Montgomery counties; and Carolyn Williams, serving Laurel, Whitley and Knox counties.

Also at the meeting, members were informed that nominations are being accepted for the Kentucky Transportation Hall of Fame, and were urged to think of a nomination from the Big Sandy ADD.

One resignation was announced at the meeting with Randall Scott Campbell leaving to take a position with the Department of Employment Services.

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## Conley withdraws from board race

by JARRID DEATON  
STAFF WRITER

The race for Floyd County Board of Education District 2 narrowed to two candidates Thursday when Prestonsburg Police Chief Darrel Conley withdrew his candidacy for the position.

According to Conley, he

decided to check on his registration for the position and discovered that he could not hold an office with the city and the commonwealth.

"If I had won, I would have been illegally in office," Conley said.

The remaining candidates

(See CONLEY, page six)

## Clerk verifying city school district petition

by JARRID DEATON  
STAFF WRITER

Although it has yet to be certified, a petition to give control of Prestonsburg schools to the city will probably make the option available on the November ballot.

The petition was filed with the Floyd County Court Clerk's office on Monday and is currently under review before it is certified.

According to County

Clerk Chris Waugh, the petition needs about 190 signatures to make it onto the ballot for the fall election, and it appears that it will with the unofficial count being 421.

"I am in the process of making sure all of the signatures belong to registered voters," Waugh said.

The drive to create an independent city school district began as an alternative to consolidation for Prestonsburg schools.



Dr. Philip Simpson, candidate for Prestonsburg City Council, drew a number from County Clerk Chris Waugh to determine where he would be placed on the November ballot. The drawing for ballot positions was held on Thursday.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

## 'OxyFest' defendant receives 18 months

by JARRID DEATON  
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — A Perry County woman received an 18-month prison sentence Wednesday in U.S. District Court in Pikeville.

Bridgette Boggs, who was arrested during the 2001 "OxyFest" received the sentence for possession with the intent to distribute and distribution of a Schedule II controlled substance while she was out on bond from previous charges.

Boggs's attorney, Thomas Goodman, reminded Judge Karen Caldwell that his client had done well as a prisoner and had been participating in Alcoholics Anonymous meetings and was working on her General Equivalency Diploma through the prison education system.

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photo by Loretta Blackburn

Collette Lawson, left, Reba Lawson and Shelia Ratliff have been working toward renovating the former Spruce Pine Elementary School on Little Mud with aspirations of turning the building into a community center.

## Volunteers seek to give new life to old school

by LORETTA BLACKBURN  
STAFF WRITER

LITTLE MUD CREEK — Community members have united in an effort to prevent the former Spruce Pine Elementary School, built in 1931, from "fading into history."

The three-room former schoolhouse has been the educational site for many Little

Mud residents and for some the sentimental value has motivated an interest in salvaging the deteriorating building.

According to Colette Lawson, former teacher at the school, Spruce Pine officially closed in the 1989-90 school year and was later donated to the community by the

(See SCHOOL, page six)

## Police stop alleged burglar in progress

by LORETTA BLACKBURN  
STAFF WRITER

WAYLAND — After responding to a report of a burglary in progress at Wayland on August 9, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department arrived just in time to arrest Oscar Lee Short, 21, who was caught leaving the residence.

According to court records, police

were informed that there was a burglary in progress at Wayland at approximately 11:50 p.m. The sheriff's department arrived to catch Short leaving the residence allegedly carrying pliers, a flashlight and items from the residence with him.

Short also allegedly assaulted the

(See BURGLARY, page six)

## Florida men charged with taking cemetery monument

by LORETTA BLACKBURN  
STAFF WRITER

LANCER — Two Florida men, Matthew L. Livingston, 24, of Palm Harbor, and Zach Rosenthal, 19, of Valvich, escaped charges of grave robbery but were arrested on August 10 and charged with alcohol intoxication and violation of graves, after admittedly taking a monument from a grave at Lancer.

According to court records, a citizen stopped Officer Steve Little, of the Prestonsburg Police Department, on Route 1428 early Saturday morning with

a complaint that two men were taking objects from the graveyard at Lancer.

When Little arrived at cemetery, both Livingston and Rosenthal were on the roadway and allegedly intoxicated.

Court records allege that Rosenthal was in possession of an angel monument, which was hidden under his jacket. The police report says that Livingston admitted to Little that they had taken the monument, with the reason being that "they liked it."

Both men were arrested and transported to the Floyd County Detention Center.

## State checking mine sediment ponds in East Ky.

The Associated Press

WHITESBURG — A state agency has begun a review of coal mine sediment ponds and the process used to permit them to determine whether they pose flood risks to people living downstream from them.

The Kentucky Department for Mine Reclamation and Enforcement began the review after finding that a coal company may not have followed a state-approved

design for a pond on a mine that has been blamed for flooding problems in Letcher County.

Sediment ponds are smaller but far more numerous than sludge ponds like the one that leaked some 300 million gallons of black goo into streams outside Inez about two years ago.

Mark Thompson, director of field services for the state agency, said the review was initiated after inspectors cited Premier

Elkhorn Coal Co. for not following an approved design for the pond at Chopping Branch in McRoberts.

The Mountain Eagle of Whitesburg reported in Wednesday's editions that inspectors ordered Premier Elkhorn to grade, seed and plant vegetation on dirt and rock around the pond after finding that conditions on the 800-acre surface mine didn't match the design approved by the state. The pond is at the base of a so-called

hollow fill, an area where dirt and rock excavated in the mining process is dumped.

Premier Elkhorn is contesting the validity of the citation, company spokesman Paul Matney said. Matney did not elaborate on what the company disagrees with.

Inspectors issued the notice of noncompliance to Premier Elkhorn after Chopping

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# Odds and Ends

■ **TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** — The humble hyphen is at the center of a dispute over the listing of a congressional candidate's name on a primary ballot.

One of four Democrats seeking an open Sarasota-area congressional seat sued one of his opponents over the punctuation in her name, which affects where it will appear on the ballot.

Candidate Patrick Feheley objects to his rival being listed as Candice Brown-McElyea. He prefers Candice Brown McElyea.

Candidates will be listed on the ballot in alphabetical order when voters go to the polls on Sept. 10. Brown-McElyea comes before Feheley; McElyea, used alone as a last name, doesn't.

Feheley's suit seeks to determine whether a candidate "may for the purpose of gaining a preferable ballot position change their surname after having qualified as a candidate."

Brown-McElyea says Brown is part of her last name, not her middle name.

"There's no statute, no law, that says I did anything wrong," she said. "You can be anything you want on the ballot."

The suit was filed in Tallahassee, the state capital, because the state Division of

Elections certifies names for the ballot.

■ **LODI, Ohio** — Most hospitals build garages when they need more parking. Lodi Community Hospital built a horse shelter.

The hospital, Ohio's smallest with just 25 beds, has had hitching posts for years so Amish patients had a place to tie up their horses.

The posts were removed when the parking lot was repaved and a helicopter pad was added during the hospital's renovation. That left only light poles for the tethering of horses.

The hospital paid Amish workers \$500 to build a 12-by-14-foot horse shelter. It can hold three horses or a horse and buggy. For religious reasons, the Amish shun modern conveniences such as electricity and cars.

"I think a lot of times, the Amish people think they're looked down upon," said Dr. Jeffrey A. Burkey, a physician at a practice on the hospital campus, 26 miles west of Akron. "This allows them to feel a little more comfortable."

Dunlap Memorial Hospital in Orrville is also building a horse shelter for its Amish customers, Vice President Curt Sourwine said. In Stark County, Doctors

Hospital has an electricity-free house where Amish people can stay when loved ones are hospitalized.

■ **FERGUS FALLS, Minn.** — After being struck by a pickup truck, a teenager said he was stunned when he recognized a member of the ambulance crew that took him to the hospital as the driver he says hit him.

"I looked at him; I think he looked back at me," said Morgan Taylor, 16. "It was kind of weird. I was scared. I didn't dare say anything."

The 18-year-old emergency medical technician is expected to be charged next week with felony criminal vehicular injury and misdemeanor reckless driving, according to the Grant County attorney's office.

According to police, Taylor and a friend were walking home July 27 when they recognized a girl in a pickup truck's passenger seat at a park. The boys did not know the driver.

"They were starting to talk to them or harass them or whatever," said Elbow Lake Police Chief Luverne Sik.

The driver backed up, and Taylor's friend hopped in the back of the truck. Taylor was hit when the driver pulled forward, Sik said.

The driver told investigators

that one of the boys became confrontational, so he left. Taylor said the driver just sped away.

Taylor said his friend helped him limp to a nearby clinic, where the doctor called an ambulance to take him to the hospital. When the ambulance arrived, Taylor said he recognized the pickup driver as part of the crew.

■ **HARRISBURG, Pa.** — It wasn't the way Eric Greene hoped to spend his vacation: passing the afternoon in jail after being arrested at gunpoint and charged with robbing a bank.

After making a transaction at Members First Credit Union bank in Susquehanna Township on Friday morning, Greene said he returned home in the afternoon and found that police had kicked in his door and were pointing their guns at him.

He was arrested and charged with stealing \$60,000 from the bank in an armed robbery that

morning. He was released into his parents' custody.

"I didn't understand why they had arrested me or anything," the 26-year-old said. "I kept trying to tell myself 'I'm on vacation.' It was like watching something in a movie, but I was the star."

Susquehanna Township Police Chief Robert A. Martin said Wednesday it was a case of mistaken identity and all charges against Greene had been dropped.

"On behalf of the Susquehanna Township Police Department, we offer Mr. Greene our heartfelt apologies," Martin said. Martin declined to say what led police to pursue Greene as a suspect.

Detrick Dawkins, 18, who was also arrested in the robbery and charged with bank robbery, aggravated assault and related charges, remained in Dauphin County Prison on \$100,000 bail.

Greene said his family has hired an attorney and that he plans to take legal action against

the police department for the incident.

■ **BETHLEHEM, Pa.** — It wasn't your typical stolen vehicle - and it definitely wasn't a textbook police pursuit.

An officer on his way to work at 6:30 a.m. Monday was startled to see a 30-year-old man cruising down the shoulder of the street on a child's Fisher Price Power Wheels car.

The 180-pound rider was about 10 times the recommended age for the battery-operated car, which nonetheless held up under his weight, plugging along at 3 mph, police said.

Police eventually stopped the man after perhaps the slowest chase on record.

The officer sounded his car horn and showed his badge to the driver, who ignored him. So the officer got out on foot and walked up to the culprit.

Police said the driver smelled of alcohol and stumbled as he

(See **ODDS**, page seven)

## Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Aug. 16, the 228th day of 2002. There are 137 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Twenty-five years ago, on Aug. 16, 1977, Elvis Presley died at Graceland Mansion in Memphis, Tenn., at age 42.

### ON THIS DATE:

■ In 1777, American forces won the Revolutionary War Battle of Bennington, Vt.

■ In 1812, Detroit fell to British and Indian forces in the War of 1812.

■ In 1829, the original "Siamese twins," Chang and Eng Bunker, arrived in Boston to be exhibited to the Western world.

■ In 1858, a telegraphed message from Britain's Queen Victoria to President Buchanan was transmitted over the recently laid trans-Atlantic cable.

■ In 1861, President Lincoln prohibited the states of the Union from trading with the seceding states of the Confederacy.

■ In 1894, George Meany, first president of the AFL-CIO, was born in New York City.

■ In 1948, baseball legend Babe Ruth died in New York at age 53.

■ In 1954, Sports Illustrated was first published by Time Inc.

■ In 1987, 156 people were killed when Northwest Airlines Flight 255 crashed while trying to take off from Detroit.

■ In 1987, thousands of people worldwide began a two-day celebration of the "harmonic convergence," which heralded what believers called the start of a new, purer age of humankind.

Ten years ago: On the eve of the Republican national convention in Houston, President Bush and party officials denied a New York Times report that a confrontation with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein was motivated partly by political concerns.

Five years ago: Two cosmonauts just returned from Mir, Vasily Tsibliyev and Alexander Lazutkin, held a news conference in which they rejected criticism that they were to blame for troubles aboard the aging, problem-plagued space station. Thousands of Elvis Presley fans thronged Graceland on the 20th anniversary of his death.

One year ago: Paul Burrell, trusted butler of Princess Diana for many years, was charged with the theft of hundreds of royal family items, a charge he

denied.

Today's Birthdays: Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres is 79. Actor Fess Parker is 77. Actress Ann Blyth is 74. Actor Robert Culp is 72. Sportscaster Frank Gifford is 72. Actress Julie Newmar is 69. Actor John Standing is 68. Actress Anita Gillette is 66. Actress Carole Shelley is 63. Country singer Billy Joe Shaver is 63. Movie director Bruce Beresford is 62. Actor Bob Balaban is 57. Ballerina Suzanne Farrell is 57. Actress Lesley Ann Warren is 56. Rock singer-musician Joey Spampinato (NRBQ) is 52. Actor Reginald VelJohnson is 50. TV personality Kathie Lee Gifford is 49. Rhythm-and-blues singer J.T. Taylor is 49. Movie director James Cameron is 48. Rock musician Tim Farriss (INXS) is 45. Singer Madonna is 44. Actress Angela Bassett is 44. Actress Laura Innes is 43. Actor Timothy Hutton is 42. Actor Donovan Leitch is 34. Country singer Emily Robison (The Dixie Chicks) is 30.

Thought for Today: "The most persistent threat to freedom, to the rights of Americans, is fear." - George Meany, American labor leader (1894-1980).

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# For the Record

## Marriage Licenses

Brandy Michell Samons, 21, of Martin, to Brandon Hatfield, 21, of Auxier.  
 Patsy Ann Meade, 53, of Prestonsburg, to Everett Herman Austin, 62, of McDowell.  
 Patricia Lynn Reynolds, 24, of Virgie, to Gregory Alan Matthews, 22, of Ligon.  
 Wendy Sue Mitchell, 53, of Tennessee, to Hardy Kilburn, 40, of Martin.

## Civil Suits Filed

Bernita Hunter vs. Chester D. Hunter; petition for child support and health care insurance.  
 Virginia Hughes vs. Jeannie Hughes; petition for child support and health care insurance.  
 Eagle Service Corp. vs. Jennifer Hutchinson; debt collection.  
 Citibank vs. Don K. Bowling; debt collection.

Legal Recoveries Inc. vs. Linda Burchett; debt collection.  
 Tracey Lynn Rennett vs. Ashley Ray Bennett; divorce.  
 Beverly M. Meadows vs. Robert J. Meadows; divorce.  
 Chase Manhattan Bank vs. Shawn T. Amburgey; debt collection.  
 Phillip Eugene Mitchell vs. Lena Ann Trent Lewis Mitchell; divorce.  
 Earl Dean Hall vs. Stacy Lynn Hall; divorce.  
 National City Bank of Kentucky vs. Ballard Mosley and Lola Mosley; debt collection.

## Small Claims Filings

Legal Recoveries Inc. vs. Anna R. Collins; debt collection.  
 Legal Recoveries Inc. vs. Angela Gradley; debt collection.  
 Anesthesia Associates of Louisa vs. Demetra Bradford; debt collection.

Little Y Stop and Shop vs. Juanita Dorton; debt collection.  
 Little Y Stop and Shop vs. Chester Hunter and Burnita Hunter; debt collection.  
 Little Y Stop and Shop vs. Ike Spears; debt collection.

## Charges Filed

Bryan K. Johnson, 22, Blue River, alcohol intoxication.  
 James I. Reed, 29, Hueysville, alcohol intoxication.  
 Michael G. Shupert, 32, Middletown, Ohio, unauthorized use of motor vehicle, disorderly conduct.  
 Jeffrey K. Halbert, 18, Langley, alcohol intoxication.  
 Timmy Yates, 21, Martin,

alcohol intoxication.  
 Barry T. Thornsberry, 22, Garrett, public intoxication.  
 Shane Bowman, 25, Pikeville, theft by failure to make required disposition.  
 Ralph Hall, 27, Wayland, alcohol intoxication.  
 John Powell Lemaster, 22, Van Lear, alcohol intoxication.  
 Zach Rosenthal, 19, Valvich, Fla., alcohol intoxication, violation of graves.  
 Maudie Allen Bailey, 39, Hueysville, unlicensed sale of alcohol beverage.  
 Charles Vanderpool, 25, Hueysville, giving false name and address.  
 Matthew L. Livingston, 24, Palm Harbor, Fla., alcohol

intoxication, violation of graves.  
 William Brown, 43, Grethel, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.  
 Jimmy Hall, 49, McDowell, harassment/no physical.  
 Rosemary Isaac, 46, Weeksbury, theft by unlawful taking, criminal mischief.  
 Jessie Jr. Little, 24, Weeksbury, menacing.  
 Susan Moore, 30, Prestonsburg, harassing communications.  
 Eddie Robinson, 38, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking, criminal mischief.  
 Tina R. Osborne, 32, Hi Hat, terroristic threatening.  
 David Eugene Ferrell, 36, Prestonsburg, Simple assault.

Rodney D. Thornsberry, 47, Bypro, disorderly conduct, alcohol intoxication.  
 Theresa M. Ousley, 43, Prestonsburg, public intoxication.  
 Danny Martin, age unknown, Drift, theft by deception.  
 Sandy Smith, 35, Prestonsburg, harassment/physical contact.  
 Denzil Smith, age unknown, Prestonsburg, second-degree wanton endangerment.  
 Vada Martin, age unknown, Prestonsburg, receiving stolen property.  
 Nancy A. Gilbert, 56, Pikeville, theft by unlawful tak-

(See RECORD, page six)

# Most Kentucky candidates refuse to answer questions

by MARK R. CHELLGREN  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Most Kentucky candidates refuse to answer questions posed by a nonpartisan voter watchdog group about their positions on a range of issues.

The response rate from Kentucky candidates is even lower than most other states, said Adelaide Elm, communications director for Project Vote Smart.

None of the six incumbent members of Congress responded. Two of their highest-profile opponents did — Democrats Jack Conway in the 3rd District and Clint Alexander in the 1st District.

Less than a third of candidates for the Kentucky General Assembly responded to questions.

Neither party was more forthcoming than the other, though Republicans had a slightly lower response rate.

"The results are pretty dismal, honestly," Elm said in a telephone interview from the organization headquarters in Montana.

Project Vote Smart contacts candidates with surveys that

touch on a wide range of topics. The candidates are pestered for answers and contacted a half-dozen times. The surveys are framed so that answers are always on the positive, that is, if a candidate supports something.

The answers are not nearly as relevant as the willingness to provide information to voters, Elm said.

"We think it tells the voters something about a candidate," Elm said.

The survey for congressional candidates hits on topics from abortion and immigration to the budget and national security. For legislative candidates, questions involve topics such as funding for education, expanded gambling, the death penalty and exit

exams for high school students.

Though criticized by some as a liberal front, Project Vote Smart was founded by politicians across the spectrum, including former Sens. Barry Goldwater and George McGovern and former House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

Neither of the two U.S. Senate candidates responded to the survey.

Incumbent Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., did not reply directly. His campaign manager, Hunter Bates, said the campaign, "does not generally answer questionnaires of this nature."

Bates said, however, that McConnell has a long record of votes on issues during nearly 18 years in the Senate. Bates sent

Project Vote Smart a copy of McConnell's biography and "a summary of key Kentucky accomplishments since 1997."

Democratic challenger Lois Combs Weinberg said she believes in the goals of Project Vote Smart and "feel[s] that overall it is beneficial to the workings of our democratic society."

Nevertheless, Weinberg said in a letter to the organization that she would not respond because her answers would most help McConnell.

Weinberg said she has completed the survey and would provide it if McConnell did likewise. Otherwise, her answers would only be "grist for his political mill," Weinberg said.

# State has dozens of bigamy cases

The Associated Press

LEXINGTON — More bigamy charges are filed in Kentucky than in 11 other states that track the crime, according to court officials across the country.

In a state with 25 to 35 cases of bigamy each year since 2000, Fayette County has recorded two cases since June. A third man pleaded guilty last year to being married to more than one person at the same time.

"It's like opening a cereal box thinking you're getting cereal and you get an eggroll," said Gretchen Tribble, of Lexington, who filed bigamy charges in June against Lawrence Gilbert, an old high school friend she married in October 2001.

Lawrence Gilbert has not been arrested and court records indicate that he has left Kentucky. Gilbert and his first, legal wife, Patricia Gilbert, were not able to be located Thursday.

"I felt a little foolish at first, but now I realize that I did nothing wrong," Tribble said. "I had no reason to distrust him. If you want to judge a book by its cover, he put on a heck of a show."

Officials can't explain Kentucky's numbers, but Fayette Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Joe Bouvier said the state might record more cases because it has the technology to track all criminal charges. Not all states can.

In 2001, the year that Kentucky had 35 bigamy prosecutions, only North Carolina came close with 27.

Florida reported a total of 12 in 2000 and 2001. In comparison, Utah, a state closely identified with polygamy, has prosecuted fewer than 10 bigamy cases since the 1950s.

The other states that track the cases are: Colorado, Connecticut, Minnesota, North Dakota, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota and Tennessee.

In Kentucky, the cases are

not concentrated in any one region or county, according to officials.

Bouvier said that he prosecutes at least one or two bigamy cases each year in Fayette County, mostly among "people who didn't know each other very well and got married quickly."

Tribble said she had been divorced from her first husband for two years when she ran into Gilbert on a trip home to New

York in July 2001.

But, Tribble said, a few weeks after she married Gilbert in Lexington, she began receiving phone calls from four other women.

One woman from New York identified herself as Gilbert's wife and the other three said they were his girlfriends, Tribble said. Her charges led to a Fayette grand jury indictment

(See BIGAMY, page six)

# Coal company cited for destroying Pike County home

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — Lodestar Energy has been cited and forced to shut down a Pike County mining operation after a blast sent an 11-foot boulder flying through a nearby mobile home.

No one was injured in the incident that occurred about 5 p.m. Monday near Brushy in Pike County.

Cathy Prothro, a spokeswoman for the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals, said three families have been evacuated because other large rocks still are hanging onto the hillside.

She said Lodestar, a Lexington-based coal company, was paying for housing for the families.

Lodestar has been issued a notice of noncompliance. That was followed by an order to stop blasting on the mine site on Tuesday, said Kerry Holt, spokeswoman for the Kentucky Cabinet for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection.

Holt said mining operations will not be allowed to continue until Lodestar removes rock

from the area around the homes and submits changes to its blasting plans. Holt said her agency had given the company, the go ahead to begin rock removal on Wednesday. She said after the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration and the Department of Mines and Minerals approves the plan for cleanup, work can begin, probably Wednesday.

Lodestar representatives declined to comment Wednesday.

Jerry Pinson, who lived in the mobile home, was shopping when the boulder crashed through the bedroom area of the mobile home.

His neighbor, Melissa Logan, said she heard a louder than usual blast. "Just a few seconds after that was the big crash," she said. "And I looked out my window and saw that. I was just amazed. I was shocked."

Logan said the incident has shaken everyone living near the mine site.

"I'm just really scared about my kids," she said. "We're all the time outside playing, and I'm afraid it could happen here, wipe my house out."

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# Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

"Hatred, which could destroy so much, never failed to destroy the man who hated and this was an immutable law"

— James Baldwin

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Guest View

## A chance to make progress

As Stumbo Elementary's site-based council searches for a new principal, we hope the foremost consideration in their minds is the results from this week's release of Comprehensive Test of Basic Skills scores.

After spending the past few years flirting with the bottom, Stumbo finally hit it. The school's third-graders ranked last in the state overall out of 758 elementaries.

And there was no silver lining to that cloud. In the test's three subject areas, Stumbo ranked last in the state in reading and language. Only a fourth-from-the-bottom finish in math saved the school from a complete wipeout, but then fourth from the bottom is hardly any prize, either.

Sixth-grade scores were not at the bottom, but they weren't much better. Of 451 schools statewide, Stumbo's sixth-graders ranked 444th in reading, 421st in language, 432nd in math and 432nd overall.

We do not rehash these results to add to Stumbo's shame. Rather, we use them to illustrate the critical need for a top-to-bottom overhaul of how the school teaches its students.

Right now, the school's council has the opportunity to get the top part of that equation right. A good choice will ensure that the bottom gets fixed, too.

— The Floyd County Times

## Baseball's imbalance needs to be corrected

Major League Baseball players were smart enough Monday to realize that setting a strike date would have jeopardized ongoing negotiations with club owners, that a strike could jeopardize the game itself. They also need to realize that the obscenely high salaries a lot of them make are in danger of ruining the game.

Attendance is down almost everywhere in the big leagues this year. The economy is soft, of course, but ticket prices have kept right on climbing. ...

The main reason the prices have risen is the game's pay scale: The average player makes \$2.4 million a year, and a handful earn upward of \$20 million.

A team has to sell a lot of high-priced tickets (and have a huge television contract to boot) to afford those big salaries. The fact is, teams in many of the smaller markets (Pittsburgh, Tampa, Kansas City, for example) have had trouble doing so: Their best players often defect to cities such as New York, Los Angeles and Atlanta for bigger salaries; then, when the teams' performance falters, attendance plummets.

Despite a modest revenue-sharing program, there's still a huge disparity between the payrolls of baseball's haves (like the Yankees, at \$137 million) and its have-nots (like the Devil Rays, at \$33 million). And without some serious correction of that imbalance, the gap will keep widening, the same few teams will dominate play and the perennial weaklings will go out of business. Eventually, the game will be ruined.

— The Daily Gazette, Schenectady, N.Y.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

2002 All-Star game:

gutless

Bud Selig as baseball Commissioner:

clueless

Ted Williams on ice:

headless

Players on Steroids:

spermless

Baseball's future:

hopeless

In the moment

### Perceptions: 'What I see is up to me'

Recently, a very motivating retired teacher told me a story about how she informed her students at the beginning of the school year that they were starting out with an A in her class and symbolized that grade by holding a sheet of paper up in front of the class.

She told them that each time they neglected to do a homework assignment or study for a test, they would lose a portion of that A. She symbolized this by tearing pieces of the paper from the whole sheet. She told her students that it would be entirely up to them as to how much of the A they had retained by the time the grading period was up.

This is a perfect example of how a

person's perception of a situation affects the way that person will approach the situation. Like the student that has the opportunity of believing he already has an A, we can go about maintaining something that belongs to us. Or we can look at it in an entirely different way and by failing to recognize that we already have it, we spend much more energy striving to get it. And sometimes we give up when things get tough because we don't even believe that we can achieve it.

There have been many situations in my life that seemed to be impossible to deal with at the time, but by focusing and finding new ways to approach them, I have found ways to

clear away the confusion. When things became clear, it was obvious to me that all I needed to do was to change the way I was perceiving the situation.

In regards to a recent problem that I was dealing with, a friend of mine told me that I was failing to see what was really going on because I had "I want" blinders on. He meant that I couldn't see how things really are because I was too preoccupied with how I wanted them to be.

Although it is good for me to have an idea of what I want, it is debilitating for me to allow that to affect the way I view the way a situation really is. I can't get to the point of achieving the goal that I have for tomorrow if I fail to fully recognize where I am today.

(See MOMENT, page six)



LORETTA BLACKBURN

Letter

### No sexual misconduct

My name is Stephanie Estep. I was very shocked to see the front page article about me on Sunday, July 28. I was never charged with any sort of sexual misconduct. I was arrested for and pleaded guilty to theft by unlawful taking. It was as though there were opinions written as well as facts. I have never been involved in any type of "sex scam!"

A large percentage of the population of Floyd County and the surrounding counties reads this newspaper. I have received numerous calls from concerned friends and family members. Although people who know me are fully aware that I would never participate in anything of this nature, people with whom I am not acquainted may be led to believe that I've been arrested for a sexual charge.

I just want to get my chance to clarify this. I want it to be public knowledge that I have never taken part in any sexual misconduct.

Freedom is a beautiful thing. I just wish "free speech" hadn't been used to embarrass and degrade me.

I ask the readers, please don't pass judgment based on an article you read. Stephanie Estep Martin

### What are you missing?

I read in The Floyd County Times that all polar bears are left-handed.

I always say, "You never know what you are missing unless you read The Times."

Jimmie Goble  
Prestonsburg

### God or god

I am writing in response to the letter saying America should remove In God We Trust and other things pertaining to God. I am a follower of Jesus Christ but would like to say the author of "removing" was close to the truth.

"In God We Trust," which is on every piece of U.S. currency, suggests that the United States has a relationship with God. "One Nation Under God" suggests that we are ruled or conduct ourselves by the principles of His words. I would disagree with both. The U.S. has not been in a trusting relationship with the God I serve for many years, nor have we placed ourselves under Him.

So, in a sense, the original author of the letter was writing in truth. On the other hand Americans do trust in a God

and they place themselves under Him each and every moment. Like the God I serve the American god has three names. My God's names are Father, Son and Holy Spirit. America's god is named Me, Myself and I.

Ironically, we should keep the two sayings because they are true whether they be meant by a Christian or those who would serve themselves because it is truth when we say "In G(g)od We Trust" and that America is "One Nation Under G(g)od"

As rejecting this newspaper for printing such a letter I do not agree. The original idea of a newspaper was to spread the news unnerred and truthful. In printing this man's letter you did just that. Newspapers have always told of the good and the bad of our communities. They are the barometers or even the mirrors of the moral character in the community.

As it goes the Floyd County Times has painted an accurate portrait of Bible prophesy when printing such things. Jesus told us that in the end times men will be lovers of themselves rather than God. The Times and many other newspapers confirm His words everyday and for this I thank you.

Randell Reno  
Prestonsburg

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# At the Movies: 'Blue Crush'

by **CHRISTY LEMIRE**  
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

"Blue Crush" would have been so much better if the characters didn't speak.

The story of surfer girls braving fierce Hawaiian waves is shot beautifully, with underwater moments that are so vivid, you'll feel like you're getting sucked into the undertow.

The stars provide just the right balance of eye candy and athleticism, and it's hard to resist the feisty, you-go-girl attitude that oozes from every pore of their tanned, toned frames.

But then they have to go and open their mouths, and out tumble the usual corny sports movie clichés. The script from first-timer Lizzy Weiss and writer-director John Stockwell (whose "crazy/beautiful" felt so authentic last year) is awash with them.

When our heroine, Anne Marie (Kate Bosworth), is feeling apprehensive about the upcoming Pipe Masters competition, friends repeatedly remind her, "This is your dream." "This

is what you were born to do," "You're not a quitter, you're just scared."

Naturally, Anne Marie must return to the exact same spot



"Blue Crush," a Universal Pictures release, is rated PG-13 sexual content, teen partying, language and a fight. Running time: 109 minutes.

Two and a half stars (out of four).

where she nearly drowned three years ago during the contest, and face the exact same fear that's given her nightmares ever since. And with sponsors and talent scouts watching her every

move and dangling the promise of fame and fortune, the pressure's really on. Gee, how do you think it'll turn out?

Not that any of this criticism matters to the movie's target audience. "Blue Crush" represents the Britney Spears backlash in film form, and on that level, it hits the mark.

It's for all the teens who bought albums by girls with guitars like Michelle Branch and Avril Lavigne, who'd rather hang with the boys than hang onto them, who'd prefer to be admired for their strength than their beauty.

The women of "Blue Crush," though, have copious amounts of both. And that's why the movie is going to bring in a tidal wave of guys and girls.

In fact, it's so MTV-ready - with hot young stars and a soundtrack featuring songs by N.E.R.D. and P.O.D. and a rap remix of Bananarama's "Cruel Summer" - it would seem annoyingly calculated if it weren't so fun to watch.

Inspired by article in Outside magazine titled "The Surf Girls of Maui," the movie follows Anne Marie, her friends Eden (Michelle Rodriguez of "Girlfight") and Lena (newcomer Saoe Lake), and her rebellious younger sister, Penny (Mika Boorem of "Hearts in Atlantis"), who live together in a shack on the beach.

These girls make Gidget look like The Flying Nun. They're not sitting by the phone waiting for boys to call them - they're working as maids at a luxury hotel just to pay the phone bill, before getting up at dawn and surfing again.

But just as Anne Marie is at the height of her preparation for The Big Contest, she meets Matt Tollman (Matthew Davis of "Legally Blonde"), an NFL quarterback who's in Hawaii for the Pro Bowl.

Matt asks her for surfing lessons (a nice reversal in gender roles), and before long they're kissing with the standard glorious sunset behind them - though they're both so boring and have so little chemistry, the sunset is more interesting than the kiss itself.

The more time Anne Marie spends with Matt, the less time she spends training. And so she must choose what's more important to her - winning a surfing

(See BLUE, page seven)

## Do you mind? Crime dramas celebrate brain power with their 'nerd herd'

by **FRAZIER MOORE**  
AP TELEVISION WRITER

NEW YORK — Who'd a-think it? The "idiot box" is celebrating brains!

Sure, TV drama is largely the province of pugilists, enforcers and Romeos.

But step aside, boys; make room for TV's nerd herd! This new breed gets the job done by

using their bean. They save the day, then go home alone.

A trend-in-the-making began two years ago with the CBS whodunit "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation." Las Vegas forensic sleuth Gil Grissom approached each case with clinical dispassion. The clues (fiber, dirt, a decomposing corpse) held the answer to each puzzle, as he was forever preaching to his

staff: Just open your eyes and receive them.

As played by series star William Petersen, Grissom is engaging but, at heart, a misanthrope. His preferred companions aren't people, but facts, and his command of them is encyclopedic.

A wonkfest led by an anti-social know-it-all? "CSI" was the 2000-01 season's unexpected new hit.

Then, last fall, Grissom was joined in prime time by Detective Robert Goren of "Law & Order: Criminal Intent" (seen on NBC, with repeats on cable's USA).

As a member of the NYPD Major Case Squad, he, unlike Grissom, has plenty of contact with living, breathing suspects.

Even so, Goren (Vincent D'Onofrio) isn't what you'd call a people person. Living in his head, he takes psychological aim at wrongdoers while he keeps a lid on his emotional response to wrongdoing.

Though a towering, strapping fellow, Goren seems to shrink into his brawn. Physicality isn't his style. For him, it's all about the mind: outpsychoing his opponent, especially in the interview room.

For instance, while questioning one murder suspect, Goren brazenly slices his own hand with a pocketknife, flaunting his wound as the suspect passes out.

"An involuntary reflex, common in 10 percent of the population," Goren matter-of-factly explains to superiors. Which clears this suspect: The killer likes cutting up his victims.

The success of these two dramas was, well, a no-brainer.

Following in a tradition of mind-over-matter crimefighters such as Lt. Columbo and Jessica Fletcher on "Murder, She Wrote," the new wave took rational techniques to a new

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(See DRAMAS, page seven)

## Elvis is alive and well in some accounts

by **GLENN GAMBOA**  
NEWSDAY

The story starts like this: Elvis Presley is alive and well and living in an undisclosed location in Missouri.

No, The King did not rise from the dead. He simply faked his death 25 years ago today, a decision he made while he was in a deep depression and falling into debt. There were some dealings with the law, though he still can't really talk about that.

Yada yada yada, he didn't want to enter the witness protection program and went into hiding instead with the help of a few friends. He was tired of being Elvis, so he decided to take on the identity of his twin brother, Jesse, who died at birth. Sound too good to be true? Of course it does.

Officials for Presley's estate say that The King really did die on Aug. 16, 1977, and remains buried in the Meditation Garden

behind Graceland in Memphis.

They write this story off as one of the thousands of Elvis sightings that have circulated over the years, placing The King in a variety of unlikely locations.

Nevertheless, that hasn't stopped Dr. Donald Hinton, a psychiatrist from Missouri, from rolling out this tale in "The Truth About Elvis Aron Presley: In His Own Words," a collection of letters and photographs from Jesse, who talks about his earlier times as Elvis.

Hinton did not return calls seeking comment about his book. In his book, however, he writes: "I have been living in two different realities for several years. In one, which I share with people, Elvis is dead, despite the many rumors. In the other, that until now I had kept secret even from my own family, Elvis, now Jesse, is one of my patients."

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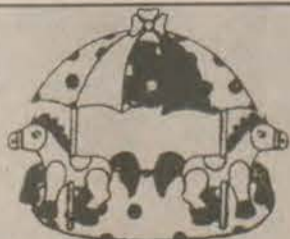
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# Condemned inmate's new attorneys argue for more time

by MARK R. CHELLGREN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky Supreme Court justices appeared skeptical of argu-

ments by an attorney for condemned killer Benny Lee Hodge that they should have had more time to prepare their case. Attorney Larry Komp said

he was given only a few weeks to prepare initial filings in Hodge's case after he was hired.

"We're new counsel to the case with a 15-year-old record," Komp said.

"We hear this in every one of these cases," said Justice William Cooper.

The oral argument Thursday came during one of the interim steps in what can become nine appeals of a death sentence in Kentucky. In this one, attorneys argue that a defendant did not receive adequate representation during trial.

Hodge's case is a lengthy and complex one.

He and Roger Dale Epperson are on death row for the murders of three people during separate robberies in 1985. Epperson is pursuing his own appeals, but all the cases are intertwined to some extent.

Hodge's appeal Thursday was from his conviction for killing Bessie and Edwin Morris in Jackson County. His first conviction and sentence in the case were overturned and he was convicted again in November 1996.

Hodge and Epperson are also under death sentences for killing Tammy Acker during a robbery of her father's home in Whitesburg, also in August 1985. During the Acker robbery, the pair took \$1.9 million in cash, jewelry and guns and were later arrested in Florida.

Epperson was defended by the flamboyant Lester Burns Jr., Hodge by Burns' partner, Dale Mitchell. At the time, both attorneys were being investigated and were eventually charged with taking their \$175,000 fee in stolen money. Burns was convicted and sent to prison.

Komp said Thursday that Hodge should get a hearing on his claims of poor representation at trial. Komp said there are materials he would like to present that he has not been able to provide to a trial judge. And Komp said he would like to question witnesses who were not properly examined at trial.

"You wanted a free pass to supplement or amend at any time," said Justice James Keller.

Cooper added that Komp is

trying to second-guess what came out during questioning of a woman involved with Hodge that could not have been foreseen at trial.

"Trial lawyers just have to hope for the best," Cooper said.

Assistant Attorney General Ian Sonego said Hodge's lawyers have been given adequate time to prepare their cases.

"The process was in this

case, I think, fair," Sonego said. The justices have no timetable for delivering their ruling.

Kentucky has 37 people under death sentences.

Kentucky has executed two inmates since capital punishment was reinstated in 1976 — Harold McQueen, electrocuted in July 1997, and Eddie Lee Harper, killed by injection in May 1999.



## Tyler is 7!

Tyler Compton turned seven years old on August 16, 2002. He is the son of Sheldon and Linda Compton, of Hi Hat, and Carrie and Scott Holbrook, of Paintsville. He is the paternal grandson of Loretta and Gary Tackett, of Hi Hat, and Orville Compton, of Virgie. His maternal grandparents are Marie Miller, of Paintsville, and the late Gary Miller, formerly of Ligon. Tyler recently received a very special birthday gift, a baby sister, Natalie Grace. He will celebrate his birthday and enjoy his new baby sister this week-end with family and friends.

## Burglary

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home owner of the residence as he was leaving and resisted when police attempted to arrest him.

Short was arrested by Lt. Shawn Roop and was charged with second-degree burglary,

possession of burglary tools, fourth-degree assault and resisting arrest.

Short was arraigned on Monday in Floyd District Court and bail was set at \$25,000 cash.

## Ponds

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Branch resident Betty Banks filed a complaint.

Chopping Branch has flooded five times since May. State officials said Premier Elkhorn's failure to plant vegetation on the hollow fill is only partly to blame for that flooding.

Allen Luttrell, deputy commissioner of the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, said in a letter to Banks that the departure from the approved design probably contributed to flooding, but said that "there would have undoubtedly have been damage, even if there were no mining in the area."

He said part of the blame also lies with the location of the houses along Chopping Branch and the placement and size of culverts placed in the creek over the past several years. He also blamed exceptionally heavy rainfall.

Luttrell said a rain gauge at the Fleming-Neon water treat-

ment plant measured 3.25 inches of rain in 1 1/2 hours on July 2 and an additional 2.1 inches in just over an hour on July 23.

Banks said the flooding she has experienced this year is not normal for the area.

"I've lived in this house for 41 1/2 years," she said, "... and we've never had this."

Inspectors said the hollow fill should have had grasses planted on it to help slow water running off the mine.

Dave Blankenship, director of safety and environmental affairs for Premier Elkhorn, said the company is grading and reseeding land above the pond, partly in response to the notice of noncompliance and partly as part of the normal course of reclamation.

"We normally wait until the growing season to do that, but based on the violation, that is being done five or six weeks earlier than we normally would," Blankenship said.

## School

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Floyd County Board of Education.

Shelia Ratliff said that her husband Tony and many others in the small community had attended the school and the history prompted her and others to make an effort to keep the old building standing by turning it into a community center. The area is in need of a playground for the children and a walking track for the elderly, Ratliff said, and she sees the reconstruction of the Spruce Pine School as a way of bringing those facilities to the community while preserving a piece of history as well.

The Auxier Learning Center provided some muscle and resources through a summer group and others have donated time, materials, labor and support. One of those supporters is Mary Blevins, Tony Ratliff's mother, who sent several children to the school. Another is Reba Lawson, who said she attended the school when it was Little Mud Consolidated School back in the early 1950s. When she graduated there were a total

of 10 students in the eighth-grade class.

The community has done considerable work on the building, but still has a long way to go. A major obstacle is obtaining resources needed for the project, such as wiring, paint, doors, windows and wood. The community is welcoming donations of any kind and is appreciative of the help.

The volunteers are currently displaying a list of contributors, whether it be through materials or time, on the bulletin board inside the school. Ratliff stated that anyone who would be so gracious to help could contact her at (606) 478-1338. Reba Lawson is looking for former teachers at Spruce Pine and asks that they contact her at (606) 478-5343 so that she can get photographs for a display.

The group has high aspirations toward reconstructing the building and turning the area into a center that the entire community can enjoy. However, limited resources require that they reach out for support.

## Conley

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for the Board of Education District 2 are Dr. Chandra Varia and Wayne W. Ratliff.

The only candidate for the Board of Education District 1 is Prestonsburg lawyer Earl Martin "Mickey" McGuire.

## Record

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Ronnie Manuel, 30, Martin, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, criminal trespassing, second-degree burglary.

Oscar Lee Short, 21, Wayland, second-degree burglary, possession of burglary tools, fourth-degree assault, resisting arrest.

Ronnie Terry, 47, Prestonsburg, cultivating more than five plants of marijuana.

Keith Halbert, 31, McDowell, operating on a DUIS-suspended license.

Naomi Thomas, 77, Prestonsburg, wanton endangerment.

Levon Thacker, 41, Wayland, disorderly conduct, wanton endangerment.

Shawn H. Stephens, 31, Dwale, flagrant nonsupport.

Sherry Rae Baker, 41, Pikeville, custodial interference.

John Towns, age unknown, Pikeville, theft by unlawful taking.

Henry Poston, 57, Paintsville, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Billy Poston, 21, Wayland, public intoxication.

Lenard Hall, 68, Martin, second-degree criminal mischief.

Timothy W. Blair, 46, Denver, public intoxication.

Charles E. Hammonds, 38, David, alcohol intoxication, criminal trespassing, disorderly conduct.

Sherman R. Poston, 45, Flat Gap, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.

Johnny D. Allen, 31, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.

Boone R. Meade, 25, McDowell, alcohol intoxication, possession of open alcohol beverage container.

Chi Coby Spears, 27, Minnie, resisting arrest, possession of open alcohol beverage container.

James C. Poston, 53, McDowell, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, criminal trespassing.

Larry D. Manuel, 23, Martin, alcohol intoxication.

Jimmy Rose, 43, Betsy Layne, fourth-degree assault, harassment or simple assault of police officer.

Dwight McKinney, 19, Printer, alcohol intoxication.

Ella Adkin, 41, Harold, public intoxication.

Ellen R. Hall, 33, Prestonsburg, second-degree criminal trespassing.

Michael N. Slone, 19, David, violation of emergency protective

order.

Ryan K. Justice, 20, Harold, unlawful transaction with a minor.

Roy Smith, 50, La Grange, Ind., alcohol intoxication.

## Inspections

Season's Inn, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Cobwebs at table, light amount of dust in reading area. Score: 98.

Martha's Pizza and More, Ivel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all refrigeration and freezer units have conspicuous thermometers, foam tray stored on floor, restroom commode lid broken, no self-closing door, two lights out over hood vent. Score: 95.

## Property Transfers

Ruthie Hall to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located on Big Mud Creek.

Ruthie Hall to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located on Parsons Branch Road.

Eugene Calhoun and Connie Calhoun, Burklin Calhoun and Betty Sue Calhoun to Grays Real Estate, L.L.C., property location not listed.

James Boyd, and Linda C. Boyd to Linda C. Boyd and Michael Todd Boyd, property located on Orchard Fork of Prater Creek.

Linda C. Boyd to James Boyd, property location not listed.

Barry Benny Adkins and Annette Adkins Ditto to Larry R. Lawson and Marmanda G. Horn, property located on Big Sandy River.

Carl Hayes and Angela Hayes, and Scott A. Hayes to Ralph Hall and Claudette Hayes Hall, property located on Hayes Branch.

Rick Dubson and Loretta Dubson to Terrence W. Smith and Sharon M. Smith, property locat-

## Moment

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What I have learned in regards to perceptions is that for every view I have, there is at least one other and often times several others for me to choose from. There are times when I am momentarily stuck in the view I currently have, due to the fact that I have some type of blinders on that cause me to refuse to look at it any other way. But the moment that I remove the blindfold and say,

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Caldwell recommended that Boggs continue her pursuit of an education along with enrolling in a drug rehabilitation program.

"I know you have had a hard life. Hopefully an education and

drug rehabilitation will change things for you," Caldwell said.

Once Boggs is released from prison, she will be under supervision for a period of three years.



photo by Jarrid Deaton

Sandy Runyon informed Big Sandy Area Development District members of upcoming nominations for the Kentucky Transportation Hall of Fame at the monthly ADD meeting on Thursday.

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ed on South Lake Drive.

Bill Jack Darby and Debbie Darby to Kitty Yvonne Hazler, property located on Cow Creek.

Nancy Hall to Mary A. Ridout, property location not listed.

Steadly-Sotsky Enterprises to Burt and Gettelfinger, property location not listed.

Ritchie Newsom and Bonita Newsom to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located on KY 979.

Ritchie Newsom and Bonita Newsom to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located on Big Mud Creek.

B.S.G.D., East, Janie C. McKenzie-Wells and Phaedra Spradlin, trustee for John Harlan Callis, III, to Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, Inc., property located on Court Street, Prestonsburg.

Moses Frasure Jr., and Pamela Frasure to Ollie Jenkins Jr. and Tanya Lynn Jenkins, property location not listed.

Caner and Betty Jean Hunter to Ashley Ronald Lykens, property location not listed.

Herman Mullins and Mildred Mullins to Gary Mullins II and Courtney Mullins, property located on Left Beaver Creek.

Edith Cordial and Clifford Cordial, Johnny Collins and Rebecca Collins, Jackie Collins and Pearl Collins, Laura

Overpeck and Clarence Overpeck, Jerry Collins and Velma Collins, Helen S. Daniel and Jerry Daniel, Billy D. Collins and Donna Collins, Jimmy Collins and Dixie Collins to Clifford Collins, property location not listed.

Thelma Meade to Guy Anthony Meade, property located on Meade Branch of Abbott Creek.

Brenda Ramey to Charles Ramey, property located on Steels Creek.

Jimmy Darrin Lawson and Jamie Lawson to Rickey D. Conley, property located on Stone Coal Creek of Right Beaver Creek.

Jimmy Lawson and Brenda Lawson, Donna Scott and Harold Scott, Regina Ison and John Ison, property located on Stone Coal Creek of Right Beaver Creek.

James Osborne and Angela Osborn to Willes Tackett and Roberta Tackett, property location not listed.

Charles Fannin and Bernice Fannin to Ollie Jason Whitt and Peggy Rife, property located on Brandy Keg Creek.

Freida Justice and Millard Justice, Delores Click and Ronald Click, Ralph Hager and Anna Sue Hager to Clinton Hager, property located on Little Paint Creek.

## Bigamy

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in June against the 45-year-old Gilbert.

In Kentucky, there probably are more cases than court records indicate. Prosecutors and family law attorneys say they can recall incidents of bigamy that never entered the court system because the victimized mates refused to cooperate in filing charges.

"It's easy to get an uncontest-

ed divorce in Kentucky. It's even easier to get a marriage license. A lot of people just assume that they won't get caught. And they may be right," Bouvier said. "One of the wives or husbands have to find out and want to do something about it."

Bigamy is a felony punishable by one to five years in prison. However, Bouvier said most people only receive probation and are required to pay restitution.

"They have to pay whatever expenses the victim might have in getting things straightened out if there is financial entanglement," Bouvier said.

Janet Bowermaster, an associate dean at the California Western School of Law, said the most common cases are "accidental bigamy," when a person has made some official contact with the court and honestly thinks he or she is divorced.

Intentional cases happen in the United States less frequently, Bowermaster said.

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# Obituaries

## Fred Fraley

Fred Fraley, age 91, of Lexington, formerly of Wayland, passed away on Wednesday, August 14, 2002, in the Pine Meadows Nursing Home in Lexington, following an extended illness.

He was born March 12, 1911, in Lawrence County, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas Fraley.

He was a retired independent merchant, and a member of the Wayland United Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Merle Mille Fraley, and his second wife, Billa Wanda Cooley Fraley, and one daughter, Mary Beth Stephens.

He is survived by one son, Marvin Fraley of Lexington; four grandchildren, William F. Fraley, Karyl Fraley, James Thomas Fraley, and Kathleen Kinman; four great-grandchildren, Heather Fraley, Stephanie Fraley, Elizabeth Kinman and Kathryn Kinman.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, August 16, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel at Martin, with Brad Tackett officiating.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

(Paid obituary)

## Willie Golden Wilburn

Willie Golden Wilburn, age 89, of Toler Creek Road, Harold, passed away on Wednesday, August 14, 2002, at his residence at Harold.

Born March 23, 1913, at Harold, he was the son of the late Finley and Mertie Sturgill Wilburn. He was a retired coal miner; a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, and a member of the United Mine Workers of America.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Flora Hamilton Wilburn; one daughter, Jewelle Likens; and one brother, Clifford Wilburn.

Survivors include one son, Phil Wilburn of Louisa; one daughter, Trilba Jean Keathly of Harold; three sisters, Norma Conn, Erma Damron and Rhoda Belle King, all of Harold; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, August 17, at 1 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel at Martin, with elders of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints officiating.

Burial will be in Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

(Paid obituary)

## Ottis Hamilton

Ottis Hamilton, 34, of Teaberry, died Tuesday, August 13, 2002, at the University of Louisville Hospital, following an extended illness.

Born on April 12, 1968, in Pikeville, he was the son of Dina Newsome Hamilton of Teaberry, and the late Jonas Hamilton. He was a mixer at Mountain Top Bakery, and a member of Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Teresa Fields Hamilton.

Other survivors include one daughter, Breanna Faith Hamilton of Teaberry; two brothers, Roy Hamilton of Albion, Michigan, and Ralph Hamilton of Battle Creek, Michigan; three sisters, Carol Day of Whitesburg, Peggy Hamilton of Paintsville, and Wanda Thacker of Albion, Michigan.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, August 16, at 11 a.m., at Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, at Teaberry, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Andy Hamilton Family Cemetery at Teaberry, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation is at the church

(Paid obituary)

## Banner Kidd

Banner Kidd Sr., age 72, died on Tuesday, August 13, 2002, at his residence in Kendallville, Indiana.

He was born at Prater Creek, Floyd County, on December 1, 1929, the son of William Greenbury and Hulda Mulkey Kidd. He was married to Verleen Akers on November 15, 1951, in Prestonsburg, and she survives him. He was a coal miner in Kentucky in his earlier days and also worked at Kendallville Castings from 1975-1994. He was a member of the Little Flossie Old Regular Baptist Church in Lisbon.

He is survived by his wife, Verleen Kidd of Kendallville; a son, Banner and Karen Kidd Jr., of South Milford; a daughter, Linda and Darron Burkett of Kendallville; daughter, Karen and Steven Brown of Orland; daughter, Jane and James Beardsley of Hudson; son, Rocky and Maria Kidd of Chicago, Illinois; son, Joe Kidd of Chicago, Ill; a brother, Dennis and Alpha Kidd of Prater Creek; brother, Clarence Edward and Sheila Kidd of Prater Creek; brother, Bert and Sandy Kidd of Lorain, Ohio; brother, William "Bill" and Betty Akers of Lorain, Ohio; a sister, Lovean Rose of Prater Creek; sister, Bertha Boyd of Prater Creek; sister, Oma Ferril of Ypsilanti, Michigan; sister, Maudie Peterson of Eugene, Oregon; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his stepmother, Rena Boyd, and four brothers and one sister.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, August 17, at 10 a.m., at Little Flossie Old Regular Baptist Church with Morris Wicker officiating.

Burial will be at the Springfield Township Cemetery, north of Mongo, Indiana. Preferred memorials are to: Gideons International.

Arrangements by Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, Indiana.

(Paid obituary)

## In Appreciation

The family of Whelen Pitts would like to thank those who so tenderly remembered us in a loving way during the recent passing of our loved one. Thanks for the flowers, food, and prayerful concern, to the Sheriff's Department for their help, and to Brother Earnest Sword for the comforting service. Thanks, also, to the Hall Funeral Home at Martin, Ky., for the professional, dignified services.

THE FAMILY OF WHELEN PITTS

## Card of Thanks

We, the family of the late Barbara Caudill, of Beaver, Ky., would like to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt appreciation to the many people who helped us in so many ways, after the passing of our loved one. We acknowledge with tenderness, the ministers of the Samaria Old Regular Baptist Church, for the warm, comforting services; to those who sent flowers, food, and especially for the many prayers that went up on our behalf. Thank you, Floyd County Sheriff's Department, for being there for the traffic control, and to the Hall Brothers, Johnny and Tommy, for the unsurpassed services. May God bless each and everyone.

ARTHUR CAUDILL AND FAMILY

## In Appreciation

The Sophie Samons family would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to all who helped in any way during our recent loss. We thank Brother Woodrow Crum and the singers for a lovely service, and to all who visited us at the funeral home, and sent flowers and remembered us in your prayers. Thanks, also, to the Hall Funeral Home staff for the kind, efficient and untiring service.

THE FAMILY OF SOPHIE SAMONS

## Thank You

The family of Lona Elliott Martin, acknowledges with grateful appreciation, all the kindness from so many during our recent loss. We thank you for the many arrangements of flowers that were sent, the food and prayers; thanks to Brother Clinton Moore and the ministers of Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church for their love and kindness; to the Deputy Sheriff who helped with traffic control, and to Johnny and Tommy, and Hall Funeral Home staff, for the excellent job and kindness; and to those who remembered us in your prayers. May God bless you all.

KATHERINE CASE AND FAMILY

## Card of Thanks

We, the family of Joe Martin of Hueysville, Ky., would like to extend a very warm thank-you to all who were so thoughtful during our recent loss. We thank the Old Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting messages, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for leading us safely to Davidson Memorial, those who sent floral arrangements, and for those who were so good and helpful to Joe in his last days. Thank-you to Hall Funeral Home for their wonderful job and for being so helpful.

Our prayers are with you all.  
THE MARTIN FAMILY  
KIM MARTIN, JAMES E. MARTIN JR., AND JOE MARTIN II

(Paid obituary)

## Eliza Mitchell

Eliza Mitchell, age 80, of Drift, wife of the late Ola Mitchell, passed away Tuesday, August 12, 2002, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital, McDowell.

She was born May 28, 1922, at Bevinville, in Floyd County, the daughter of the late William G. and Lena Hall Tackett. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include one daughter, Loretta Ferrell of Martin; two brothers, Charles Tackett of Hi Hat, and Sherman Tackett of Drift; one sister, Viola Hayes of Langley; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, August 15, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Ted Shannon officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

## Odds

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tried to get up. He told police he was going to his uncle's home, but didn't say why he was using a toy to get there.

The officer took the man to police headquarters and released him after he sobered up, police said. A woman who called police to report that her son's toy car had been stolen opted not to press charges, but police charged the man with public drunkenness.

### ■ TELLURIDE, Colo. —

A Town Council known for nasty squabbling called in a shaman to rid its meeting hall of bad vibes.

Christopher Beaver conducted a "smudging ceremony" in the Telluride Town Council chambers earlier this summer after he declared the basement room full of negative energy.

Members of the council say they've been in agreement more lately, but they're reluctant to attribute that to the ceremony, which included burning imported menthol. But they say it opened their minds.

"I'm not saying there is a connection," said Mayor John Steel, a 67-year-old, cowboy-hat-wearing attorney. "What it really did maybe was to focus people's minds on trying to seek higher ground."

Telluride's leaders have other unusual practices. They open meetings with a poetry reading and a moment of silence.

Steel said the open-minded Town Council may be open to whatever else might bring harmony, with meetings regularly stretching nine or 10 hours.

"We haven't gone to a sweat lodge yet," he said. "Maybe that will be the next step."

### ■ RHODES, Iowa —

Rogue cows have trampled the stars of a garden tour.

The tour, scheduled for Aug. 21, was canceled after the cows got into the garden and ruined the plants at one of Iowa State University's farms.

"There's nothing there to

show anymore," said Dennis Shannon, the manager of ISU's Research and Development Farms.

Shannon said Tuesday that he didn't know how many cows were involved or how they got in the garden.

"I don't know if they got through a fence or broke the gate open," he said.

The farm, near Rhodes in central Iowa, is primarily a livestock farm. Researchers also grow plants from zinnias and elephant ears to eggplant and pole beans.

"We grow things gardeners are interested in growing to see what works and what doesn't and they can come look at that," Shannon said.

### ■ ANGELS CAMP, Calif.

— An animal rights group has declared the famed Calaveras County Jumping Frog Jubilee cruel and inhumane, saying frogs should not be taken from their habitat for human entertainment.

The Animal Protection Institute, an 80,000-member group based in Sacramento, is encouraging outraged frog lovers to write to the directors of the annual event inspired by Mark Twain's classic 1865 short story, "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County."

Larisa Bryski says she remembers jumping frogs herself when she made a bid for Miss Calaveras County in 1988. Now, she'd prefer that humans stop jostling the amphibians in the hot summer sun altogether, saying constant handling of the frog's permeable skin makes it easy for disease and infection to take hold.

Longtime Calaveras County Fair manager Buck King said the frogs are treated with respect and returned to their homes in ponds and streams.

"We are very conscious of how frogs are treated. If any frogs are mistreated, we deal with the person," King said.

## Elvis

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Hinton has been treating Jesse Presley for chronic pain disorders since 1997 but was convinced of his patient's true identity early on. Jesse Presley has given Hinton several presents from Elvis' days, as well as samples of his hair and a gold

tooth he says he had removed before he faked his death.

These days, Jesse Presley, now 67, and a huge follower of numerology, maintains his life in hiding with only a handful of people knowing his true identity, according to Hinton. Keeping the secret forced Jesse Presley to live in out-of-the-way places, such as Apopka, Fla., and Warren, Ohio, before settling in Missouri.

In the book, Jesse Presley explains what happened. "The Colonel was the real mastermind behind it and we left so many clues that some people could find out," he writes. "I didn't want to be just an aging rock star fading away," he writes later.

Jesse Presley knows the story sounds far-fetched. He even cautions Hinton about using his real name because of the problems it could cause him. However Hinton writes that he wanted the truth to be known.

In the end, Hinton may have the last laugh. He has told some TV reporters that Jesse Presley plans to come forward this year to reveal the whole story, complete with DNA proof.

That would certainly get everyone all shook up.

## Dramas

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level - and the timing was ideal.

In an era defined by truth-telling-as-waffling (when the simplest answer might depend on what the meaning of "is" is), "CSI" and "Criminal Intent" were a breath of fresh air as they championed unconditional truth.

How nice that now "CSI" is spinning off another weekly hour of relief, "CSI: Miami," which will star David Caruso as Detective Horatio Caine. It premieres on CBS Sept. 23.

And look for "John Doe," which premieres on Fox Sept. 20. Its title character (played by Dominic Purcell) recovers from a near drowning to realize he knows just about everything - "from the exact ingredients in a

box of Apple Jacks to the mating rituals of a Quagga zebra," he marvels.

The one thing he doesn't know: Who he is. But the quest to find himself doesn't preclude helping others. In the series pilot, he tracks down an abducted child thanks to a token left behind by the kidnapper, which he recognizes despite there being "more than 1,300 variations of coin tokens in the U.S. alone."

Clearly, being smart can come in handy. But it isn't always easy. As he discovers the extent of what he knows, John Doe feels possessed by his knowledge, rather than the other way around.

Same for the hero of the recently arrived "Monk" (USA, with repeats on ABC).

San Francisco detective Adrian Monk wrestles with heightened awareness of all kinds. Afflicted with obsessive-compulsive disorder, he is hyperconscious of germs, clutter - and the rightness of his vast store of knowledge. Life for Monk is thus an obstacle course through other people's disarray and mistaken ideas.

Here is a guy who, by deductive reasoning, can tell you how many jellybeans are in a jar at the carnival - without seeing the jar. He can crack any mystery. But he must shower three times a day with a particular star-shaped nozzle. A pillow askew on the couch gives him the willies.

While the "CSI" duo are crime deconstructions, "Criminal Intent" a mind game, and "John Doe" something bordering on sci-fi, "Monk" is a character probe: How will someone as gifted yet screwed-up as Monk navigate this dirty, unruly world?

The answer is logical (and highly entertaining): Brains reign!

## Blue

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trophy, or being a trophy girlfriend.

Again, how do you think it'll turn out?

Seeing "Blue Crush" made me want to see a documentary about real-life female surfers; it's a compelling, naturally visual topic. "Dogtown and Z-Boys" touched briefly on it, but focused mostly on how surfing techniques inspired male Southern California skateboarders in the 1970s.

One of the most intriguing moments happens when a female surfer competing against Anne Marie helps her grab a wave when she sees Anne Marie freeze up. The fact that her sense of camaraderie superseded the competition, just for one moment, is perhaps the most fascinating dynamic of all.

"Blue Crush," a Universal Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for sexual content, teen partying, language and a fight. Running time: 109 minutes. Two and a half stars (out of four).

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND SCHOOL

Checkout Wednesday & Friday LIFESTYLES for weekly school updates and schedules.





# 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 con-

tact our classified or advertising departments to announce your event. The Floyd County Times will continue its practice of posting community meeting dates and public service announcements. Items must be either: Delivered to our office; faxed to 606-886-3603, or emailed: features@floydcountytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a

first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

## JENNY WILEY AARP 2528 TO MEET FRIDAY EVENING

Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP will meet Friday, August 16, at the First Presbyterian Church, Prestonsburg. The meeting begins at 6 p.m., and all members and friends are encouraged to attend.

## PHS CLASSES OF '35 TO '49 REUNION

A reunion of the Prestonsburg High School classes of 1935 to 1949, is planned for Saturday, August 24, 2002. The reunion will be held at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center, at Jenny Wiley State Park. Registration will begin at 3:30, with dinner being served at 5. Anyone who graduated or would have graduated is welcome to attend. For information, call Dallas or Ruby Sammons, 606-886-2684.

## BLHS CLASS OF '82 REUNION-DINNER NOTICE OF CHANGE IN LOCATION

The Betsy Layne High School Class of 1982 will hold a reunion-dinner on Saturday, August 17, at 6 p.m., at the The Log Cabin Restaurant in Pikeville. Anyone who graduated, or would have graduated, with this class is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Diana at 587-2404; Pam at 478-1980; or Rebecca at 478-1861. Or email us at: blhs82@hotmail.com.

## HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE TO BEGIN AUGUST 19

The Big Sandy Area Community Action Progra, Inc. will begin the operation of the Cooling Component of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program on Monday,

August 19, and will continue until funds are expended.

To be eligible for assistance, clients must

■ Meet the 110% poverty income guidelines

■ Be responsible for home cooling costs

■ Not have liquid resources in excess of \$1,500 (\$4,000 if resources are being used for living expenses due to a catastrophic illness).

Any eligible household that would like to apply for the program should contact the office in your county. Bring your most recent electric utility bill, proof of income, and the birthdates and social security numbers for all household members. If your electric is included in your rent, bring a letter from your landlord stating that you are responsible for the electric. Office hours are Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. till 4:30 p.m.

Floyd County, Courthouse Annex, Prestonsburg, 886-2929; Johnson County, West Third Street, Paintsville, 789-6515; Magoffin County, Church Street, Salyersville, 349-2217; Martin County, Russell Williamson Bypass, Inez, 298-3217; Pike County, Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, 432-2775.

## FLANERY-OUSLEY REUNION

The Flanery-Ousley reunion for the relatives and friends of the family of Parley and Grace Ousley Flannery will be held on Saturday, August 24, at the Pines Building at Jenny Wiley State Park. Everyone is invited to join in our fun. Lunch should start around 12 p.m.

## WAYLAND HOMECOMING 2002

The Wayland Area Community Homecoming is scheduled for August 30, 31 and September 1. Registration will begin on Friday, August 30, at 2 p.m., at the Wayland Community Center. For more information on planned activities, call 358-WHSI (358-9471).

## MARTIN HIGH CLASS OF '68

Members of the Martin High School Class of 1968 are planning a 35th anniversary reunion to be held in May, 2003, on Memorial Day weekend. If you are a member of this class, please contact Phillip Whitt at Biker2050@aol.com, or phone 301-442-0901 and leave a message.

## AUXIER LIFETIME LEARNING CENTER

■ FREE GED classes - Thursdays, 1-4 p.m. Also, free GED tutoring on Monday and Tuesday evenings - MUST CALL to sign up for tutoring.

Basic Computer Classes will begin Sept. 16 and will meet once a week for 10 weeks.

Mondays - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.; Tuesdays - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.; Wednesdays - 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.; Thursdays - 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Minimal fee. Possibility of free used computer to qualifying students. Call 886-0709 for more information.

## SMALL BUSINESS WORKSHOP

To be held Tuesday, August 20, at the MSU Big Sandy campus, from 1-3:30 p.m. For more info., or to pre-register, call the SBDC office at 606-432-5848. Workshop is free to the public.

## RAMEY/REMY FAMILY REUNION

A gathering of the descendants of Jacques (Jacob) Remy/Ramey (1630-1721) will be held on Saturday, Sept. 14 at 12 p.m. at the park-picnic area bordering the Greenup, Ky./Ohio bridge located midway on Rt. 23 between South Portsmouth, Ky. and Greenup. Watch for directional signs. Please bring covered dish and lawn chairs. Dinner will be served at 1 p.m. and an auction will take place at 2:30 p.m. Bring any unused item from your home for the auction. Historians will be on site to assist in reasearching your lineage.

## CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO MEET

The Floyd County Conservaton District will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, August 20, at 10:00 a.m., at the District Office located on Mayo Branch of Brandykeg. The public is welcome to attend. For more information, please call 889-9800 or email to: conserve@eastky.net

## FCHD MEETING

The Floyd County Board of Health will meet in regular session the second Tuesday of September and December 2002 and March and June 2003. All meetings are held at the Prestonsburg Health Department building and begin at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are open to the public.

## COMMUNITY PRAYER TEAM

A Christian community prayer team meets each Sunday at 4 p.m. in the gazebo located in the MCCC parking lot, across from the First Baptist Church, Prestonsburg. This is a non-denominational group that meets to pray for loved ones, the community, and the lost. The group invites all to become "prayer warriors" and to join them each Sunday in an effort to make a difference.

## HICKS FAMILY REUNION

The descendants of William and Naomi Reffitt Hicks will host a family reunion on Friday and Saturday, August 16 & 17, at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park. A genealogy workshop will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday. The family gathering will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday. Lunch will be served in the Lodge dining room. All family and friends are invited to attend. For more information, contact Delphia Hicks at 886-3108.

## PARSONS FAMILY REUNION

Will be held Sunday, September 1, from 12-4 p.m., at the Isaac Parsons Cemetery, located on Parsons Branch (off Rt. 979, Big Mud). Please bring a covered dish to share. Lunch will be served at 1 p.m. For more information, contact E.J. Parsons at 865-426-7585.

## HUNTER SCHOOL REUNION

The Hunter School and Community Reunion will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2002, at the McDowell/Minnie Senior Citizen Center. The days events will begin at 10 a.m. with old photos, special music, etc. A 12 noon meal will be served - please bring a covered dish to share; meats and drinks will be provided. At 1 a musical tribute to past memories will be held. Following, more activities will take place at the "Old Hunter Schoolyard". More info., call 358-3006 or 285-3910.

## STUMBO FAMILY REUNION

The descendants of Greenville Stumbo and Bill Buck Stumbo are invited to attend a family reunion that will take place on Saturday, August 24, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the First Baptist Church Community Life Center in McDowell. Please bring a covered dish to share. For more info., call Helen Stumbo Hall at 377-6218; Nancy Stumbo Gibson at 377-6262; or Johnny G. Stumbo at 358-9380.

## PRATT FAMILY REUNION

To be held Saturday, August 24, at Jenny Wiley State Park, Dewey Dam, shelter #1. Please bring a covered dish for the pot luck dinner which will be served at 1 p.m. Come early - stay late and invite others to attend. Prizes will be given out throughout the day. For more info., contact: Loretta Pratt Hackworth at 606-886-3928; Larue Pratt Lafferty at 606-785-3045; or Julia Pratt Jones at 606-285-3179.

## PRATER FAMILY REUNION

To be held on Saturday, August 17, beginning at 12 p.m., at the Old Homeplace located on Prater Fork, Brush Creek. Please bring a covered dish to share, a lawn chair, and if possible, a gift. For more information, please call Clearnce Prater at 285-9833.

## GARRETT HIGH SCHOOL REUNION

Will be held August 31. Contact Sally Adkins at 606-358-9463 for more information.

## BAILEY FAMILY REUNION

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#### THE KING WHO DIVIDED THE KINGDOM!



WHEN SOLOMON DIED, HIS SON, REHOBAM, ASCENDED THE THRONE OF ISRAEL. NOW, DURING SOLOMON'S REIGN, HIS WEALTH AND GLORY HAD BEEN MAINTAINED BY STERN MEASURES—HEAVY TAXES AND HARD LABOR EXACTED FROM ALL TWELVE TRIBES. THE POWERFUL TRIBE OF EPHRAIM WANTED NO MORE OF THIS AND A DELEGATION SOUGHT FROM THE NEW KING ASSURANCE THAT IT WOULD CEASE. REHOBAM ASKED THE OLD AND WISE COUNSELORS WHO HAD GUIDED SOLOMON DURING HIS REIGN FOR ADVICE—THEY TOLD HIM HE SHOULD PLEASE THE PEOPLE AND DEAL KINDLY WITH THEM....

...OBVIOUSLY, THIS DIDN'T FIT REHOBAM'S IDEA OF WHAT A KING SHOULD BE LIKE. SO HE SOUGHT ADVICE OF THE YOUNG PRINCES WITH WHOM HE HAD GROWN UP. TO A MAN, THEY ALL AGREED THE PEOPLE NEEDED A SEVERE LESSON FOR THEIR IMPUDENCE IN QUESTIONING A KING'S RIGHT TO TAX HIS PEOPLE. SO, THREE DAYS AFTER THE QUESTION HAD BEEN PUT TO HIM, THE KING GAVE THEM HIS ANSWER—HE WOULD TAX THEM GREATER THAN SOLOMON EVER HAD. HE WOULD WORK THEM HARDER THAN SOLOMON EVER WORKED THEM! AND PERHAPS REHOBAM SHOULD HAVE BEEN FOREWARNED FOR THE EPHRAIMITES APPEARED BEFORE HIM IN ALL THE ACCOUTREMENTS OF WAR—THE DIB WAS CAST! THE TEN TRIBES OF THE NORTH REBELLED, NAMING JEROBOMAH THEIR KING—AND NEVER AGAIN WAS ISRAEL UNITED!

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Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.  
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Faith Freewill Baptist, 14 mile above Worldwide Eggt. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.  
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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 Clisp, Minister.  
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Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.  
Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist, Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.  
Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 22 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.  
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**CHRISTIAN**  
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Church of Christ, South Lake Drive; Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Benny Blankenship, Minister.  
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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.  
Hueysville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.  
Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonnie Meade, Minister.  
Mare Creek Church of Christ, Stanville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
Martin Church of Christ, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Mitchell, Minister.  
Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy 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.  
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Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 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.  
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Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lamaster, Minister.  
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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.  
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Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.  
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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.  
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Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.  
Faith Revelation Ministry, 14 mile above Worldwide 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 Fyfe, 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.; Laverne Lafferty, Minister.  
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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.  
Spartan Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spartan Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzelman, Minister.  
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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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Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1 quarter mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428, Sun. Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m.; Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.  
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**CHILDERS FAMILY REUNION**

Will be held Saturday, August 24, 2002, at Dewey Dam, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, Picnic Shelter #3. Registration to begin at 11 a.m. Bring a covered dish and cold drinks; other items will be provided. Program: Honoring our Family in the Military: Past and Present. Please bring copies of your family's military photos and/or military memorabilia. Families of Abraham and Elizabeth Preston, as well as other Childers lines are all welcome to attend. More info., contact Donna Cox, 1720 Phillip St., Ironton, OH, or call 740-532-6301, or email to: coxd@zoomnet.net.

**WAYLAND HIGH CLASS OF 1946**

The Wayland High School Class of 1946 and 1947 will meet on Saturday, August 31, 2002, at the Wayland Historical Building, at 10 a.m. Contact Patty Shepherd DeCoursey, P.O. Box 485, Hindman, KY, 41822.

**ACHS CLASS OF '82**

The Allen Central High School Class of 1982 will hold a reunion on Sept. 7th and 8th. For more information about reunion plans, please contact the following: Tina at 285-0800; Lynn at 285-9813; Santa at 285-0668; or Tommy at 886-9299.

**WHEELWRIGHT CLASS OF '58 REUNION**

Will be held on Saturday, September 28, 2002, at the Prestonsburg Holiday Inn. For more information, contact Brenda Vance at (740) 642-2648, or email: bbvance@adelphia.net, or bbvance@msn.com, or contact Joann Little Martin at (606) 285-9387.

**WHEELWRIGHT HIGH CLASS OF '57**

The Wheelwright High School Class of 1957 will hold a reunion on Saturday, August 17, 2002, at the Pines Building, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. A finger food luncheon will be served at noon followed by dinner at 7 p.m. For more info., contact Gene Mosley at 859-744-8438, or fax to 859-737-4202, or email to: mosley@meginc.com.

**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.

**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.

**"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. Floyd County - 886-2929; Pike County - 432-2775; Martin County - 298-3217; Magoffin County - 349-2217; Lawrence County - 638-4067; Johnson County - 789-6515.

**CITY OF MARTIN VETERANS**

Anyone wishing to have a story about a veteran published in the Annual Red, White and Blue Festival book, please mail stories and pictures (if available) to Martin City Hall, P.O. Box 749, Martin, KY 41649, or call 606-285-9335 and ask for Pam Justice. Deadline is August 30, 2002.

**HRMC AUGUST CALENDAR**

August 15 - Laryngectomy Support Group, Meeting Room B, 5p.m. - 7p.m.  
August 27 - Living Well With Diabetes, Floyd Room, 5p.m. - 6p.m.  
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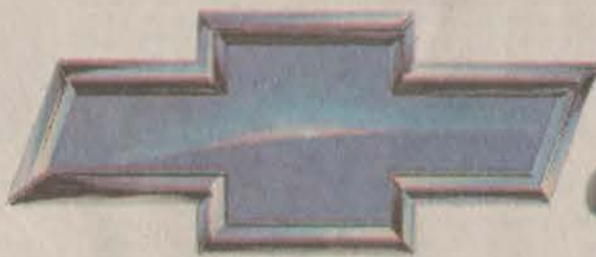


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# Morality of convenience

by **BILLY REED**  
TIMES COLUMNIST

LOUISVILLE — Some of us are still old-fashioned enough to believe that a big part of any coach's job is to "build character," as we characterized it back in the dark ages. In other words, we expect coaches to teach honesty, integrity, and good citizenship as diligently as they do blocking, tackling, and the quarterback draw.

Today, however, that part of a coach's job is more difficult than ever because of rampant cynicism, the politically-correct media, the pressure to win at any cost, and a no-boundaries culture that can lead young people down roads they later regret taking.

So this is the moral dilemma that now confronts University of Louisville Coach John L. Smith in the case of senior Jante Woodard, a 325-pound offensive tackle who probably will log a lot of playing time when the Cardinals play host to Kentucky on September 1 at

(See REED, page three)

## Baseball

# Gwynn to be in broadcast booth for LL World Series

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Tony Gwynn, one of the best hitters in baseball history, will be an analyst for ABC's 40th year of coverage of the Little League Baseball World Series. It will be Gwynn's first visit to the world's premier youth sporting event.

Mr. Gwynn joins veteran Little League Baseball World Series announcers Brent Musburger, Harold Reynolds, Jack Edwards, Dave Ryan and Tom Candiotti for this year's tournament, and will be in the broadcast booth starting Aug. 21 for ESPN and ESPN2. Musburger, Reynolds and Gwynn will be ABC's announcing team for the U.S. Championship (Aug. 24, 7:30 p.m.) and World Championship (Aug. 25, 6:30

(See GYWN, page three)

## Bentley's Comments

# It's time...

by **RICK BENTLEY**  
TIMES COLUMNIST

It's one of my favorite episodes of all time.

Barney and Andy discover that the reason an isolated neighbor has been acting so strange is that his wife is about to give birth. But when the time comes the doctor is away, so of course, it becomes Andy's job to deliver the baby.

Barney is reading Andy the instructions, paying very little attention to anything. And after the soon-to-be dad rushes in and grabs Andy, ol' Barn repeats his plea, but in a classic, deadpan read.

"It says, 'Sheriff, sheriff, it's time, it's time.'"

Today, for small-town sportswriters and sportscasters all across the country, it's time to enjoy the weekend. Because the next time we'll

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# Rebels, Bobcats hook up in one week

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

For many high school football fans, Friday, Aug. 23 couldn't get here quick enough. Especially if you're an Allen Central or Betsy Layne fan.

It's no secret, in Floyd County, we have four high school football teams. Mighty Prestonsburg cur-

rently resides in the top spot.

The Blackcats are coming off a Class 2A runner-up finish. Three years ago, South Floyd was a perennial playoff team. That was under head coach Donnie Daniels. Now, Daniels is back.

Betsy Layne has a first year coach in the form of Glen Ripkoski. The military veteran takes over for Tim McCoy who

spent just one season at the helm of the rebuilding program. And at Allen Central, Robert Mayton serves as head coach.

Allen Central enters the new season with an abundance of talent, led by senior quarterback Alex Patton and athlete Dustin Hammonds. Tailback James

(See REBELS, page three)



photo by Steve LeMaster

Allen Central QB Alex Patton dropped back for a pass Saturday against McCreary Central. Allen Central returns to pre-season action tonight against Shelby Valley.

## HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL



The Prestonsburg Blackcats will be back in pre-season action Saturday night when they host the Sheldon Clark Cardinals.

photo by Steve LeMaster

# Area teams get final scrimmages tonight, Saturday

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Sheldon Clark Cardinals will get their final scrimmage of the pre-season this weekend when they travel to Prestonsburg to take on the Blackcats. As part of a two-game grid, the Blackcats host the Cards and the South Floyd Raiders square off against the Pike County Central Hawks. However, before Saturday's scrimmage games, much football will be played throughout the area.

The Knott County Central

Patriots host a grid tonight. Knott Central is paired with Fleming-Neon. In the opener at 5 p.m., Hazard and new head coach Joe Beeder take on former KCC head coach Jay Cobb and his new team, the Somerset Briar Jumpers. The Knott Central-Neon game will follow. Knott County's first pre-season opponent was Clay County.

The Paintsville Tigers, coached by David LeMaster, get their first and only pre-season scrimmage this afternoon against the Bourbon County Colonels and head coach Chuke Williams. Both teams will

be featured in this year's Big Sandy Bowl in Week Two of the regular season. Paintsville will play Allen Central in a district game. Bourbon County will face host Johnson Central and new head coach Bill Tom Ross.

Betsy Layne will also host a grid tonight. Allen Central plays Shelby Valley in the first game at 6 p.m. Betsy Layne will take on Morgan County in the nightcap.

The regular season for some teams gets underway one week from today. Others will begin play on Saturday, Sept. 24.

## HONORS

# Ortega named pre-season All-American

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

Five Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference football players have been named pre-season All-American by the website d3football.com

Jeremy Boyce of Trinity, Daniel Schwartz of Rose-Hulman and John Ortega of Centre were recently selected as 2002 preseason first-team All-Americans by d3football.com. Roy Hampton of Trinity and Matt Bryant of Millsaps,

the SCAC offensive and defensive players-of-the-year from a year ago, were named to the second team.

Ortega, a Prestonsburg High alumnus, enters his second season of football at Centre College. He came to Centre after playing one season for the now defunct University of Kentucky JV team. He also played baseball as a Colonel this past spring.

Last season, Ortega led the Centre defense in

(See ORTEGA, page three)

## AUTO RACING

# Thunder Ridge picks up BoB race

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The payoffs are structured to where drivers can benefit greatly since the breakdown is very good."

The Battle of the Bluegrass Series race originally scheduled for Half Mountain Speedway in Royalton in Magoffin County has been canceled. However, the two-day event is not a total loss to the area. Instead, Prestonsburg's Thunder Ridge Raceway will host the two-day dirt track racing extravaganza. Earlier this year, the first-year series visited 201 Speedway in Johnson County.

The Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series by Arizona Sport Shirts will begin in Kentucky with an initial schedule of 15-20 events.

Gerald Newton, VP of Operations for Arizona Sport Shirts in Indianapolis, Ind., and Battle of the Bluegrass Series Directors, Spencer Wilson and James Essex announced before the start of

(See RIDGE, page five)

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## BOWL GAMES

# Rec Bowl activity list includes something for everyone

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

MT. STERLING — The Prestonsburg High football team is now a little over one week away from beginning its 2002 season. The Blackcats, losers of just two games last season, will debut in the state's oldest bowl game as they take part in the 55th annual Recreation Bowl in Montgomery County. The Blackcats will take on Lawrence County in the bowl's first contest at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 24. The second game pits Breathitt

(See BOWL, page three)



courtesy photo

Amy Hayes (center), the daughter of Morris and Freda Hayes (also pictured), formerly of Hi Hat and Ligon, is making a name for herself as a boxing ring announcer. See Sunday's edition for more on Amy Hayes.

## SOCCER

# FC Youth Soccer gears up for fall season

by **STEVE LeMASTER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

School in Floyd County started back Thursday. The fall season for youth soccer in Floyd County will begin in the coming weeks.

Floyd County will field several U6 teams. Names of all the coaches are expected to be released next week. The fall season is slated to begin on Saturday, Sept. 7. Many of the coaches that coached in the spring league will be back to assist in the fall. Many of the players who played in the spring will also return for

(See SOCCER, page five)



Briefs

BASEBALL

NEW YORK — Baseball's labor talks hit a snag when the sides delved deeper into the key economic issues, leaving the union's executive board on track to set a strike date Friday.

HOUSTON — Astros shortstop Julio Lugo will be sidelined for the rest of the season following surgery to repair a broken left forearm.

GOLF

CHASKA, Minn. — Phil Mickelson can explain how to make the ball spin sideways when it lands on the green. He knows the depth chart of nearly every NFL team.

SCARBOROUGH, N.Y. — Upsets dominated the opening round of match play at the U.S. Women's Amateur Championships.

Meredith Duncan, the 22-year-old defending champion from Shevereport, La., who had an asthma attack in the final round of qualifying Tuesday, was eliminated by Katherine Hull on the second extra hole of a playoff at the Steeple Hollow Country Club.

Hull then was ousted by 16-year-old Aree Wongluakiet of Bradenton, Fla. Wongluakiet then defeated Leigh Anne Hardin of Martinsville, Ind., another ex-U.S. junior champion.

TENNIS

MONTREAL — Jennifer Capriati defeated qualifier Sarah Taylor 6-4, 6-1 in the first round of the Rogers ATP Cup.

With top-ranked Serena Williams out of the tournament with tendonitis in her left knee, Capriati is hoping to win the hardcourt event as a tune-up to the U.S. Open, which begins Aug. 26.

Third-seeded Jelena Dokic and fourth-seeded Kim Clijsters both overcame spotty tennis and tough conditions to advance.

INDIANAPOLIS — Top-ranked Lleyton Hewitt advanced to the RCA Championships third round, but two of the top four seeds did not accompany him on Wednesday.

Hewitt outlasted Alberto Martin 6-3, 7-5, but second-ranked Marat Safin withdrew before his match, blaming an upper respiratory infection, and fourth-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov absorbed his second early easter in as many weeks, losing to 18-year-old Mario

WASHINGTON — Andy Roddick overpowered Justin Gimelstob 6-2, 6-2 to reach the Legg Mason Tennis Classic third round.

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BASKETBALL

RICHMOND, British Columbia — Steve Nash is caught in the middle of a fight between Mark Cuban and Russ Granik, the details of which could only be appreciated fully by Lloyds of London.

Unless a resolution comes soon, Nash might not play for Canada at the upcoming World Championships. And if the widening dispute between the outspoken owner of the Dallas Mavericks and the NBA's deputy commissioner gets any worse, two members of the U.S. team — Michael Finley and Rael LaFrentz — could also miss the Championships.

The argument boils down to insurance coverage for NBA players representing their national teams. Cuban maintains that the NBA-sanctioned policy that each federation purchases has become outdated.

NEW YORK — Free agent Rodney Rogers signed a three-year, \$9 million contract with the New Jersey Nets in a move that will put him on the court with former teammates Jason Kidd and Dikembe Mutombo.

SWIMMING

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — World record-holder Michael Phelps won the 200-meter butterfly in a meet-record time of 1 minute, 54.86 seconds at the U.S. national championships.

HORSE RACING

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky will receive \$1.4 million in federal funding for animal-forage research to help avoid crises like the April 2001 epidemic that killed hundreds of foals.

The funding will provide more research on the illness that caused the deaths, Mare Reproductive Loss Syndrome, and set up a federal research team that works with Kentucky researchers to create new technologies that enhance the health and performance of grazing animals.

TOKYO — Kentucky Derby winner Sunday Silence is showing little progress in his fight against a life threatening disease in his left foreleg, a spokesman at his Japanese stable said.

SOCCER

ZURICH, Switzerland — The United States broke into the top 10 of the FIFA world rankings for the first time, tying Italy for ninth in the August ratings.

Friday, Aug. 23

Baltimore at Philadelphia, 8 p.m. Carolina at New England, 8 p.m. Jacksonville at Champaign, Ill., 8 p.m. Tennessee at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 24

Pittsburgh at Detroit, 12:30 p.m. Buffalo at Indianapolis, 6 p.m. New Orleans at Cincinnati, 7:30 p.m. Atlanta at Dallas, 8 p.m. Miami at Houston, 8 p.m. New York Giants at New York Jets, 8 p.m. Washington at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m. San Francisco at Oakland, 9 p.m. Denver at Arizona, 10 p.m. Kansas City at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 26

Cleveland at Green Bay, 8 p.m.

Soccer

Major League Soccer Standings

Table with columns: Division, Team, W, L, T, Pts, GF, GA. Eastern Division: Chicago (9-9-4-31-36-29), Columbus (9-10-4-31-34-37), MetroStars (9-10-2-29-35-34), New England (7-13-1-22-36-44), D.C. United (6-11-4-22-19-27).

Table with columns: Division, Team, W, L, T, Pts, GF, GA. Western Division: San Jose (12-7-2-38-34-20), Dallas (9-5-7-34-31-28), Los Angeles (10-8-3-33-31-30), Colorado (10-9-3-33-33-37), Kansas City (8-7-8-32-32-35).

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Wednesday's Games

Columbus 3, Los Angeles 2; Chicago 5, Kansas City 1

Thursday's Games

No games scheduled

Today's Games

No games scheduled

Saturday's Games

DC United at San Jose, 4 p.m. Dallas at MetroStars, 7:30 p.m. Colorado at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Chicago at New England, 7 p.m.

Transactions

BASEBALL American League

ANAHEIM ANGELS — Sent INF Johnny Rabin to Milwaukee to complete the July 31 trade for OF Alex Ochoa.

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Placed OF Milton Bradley on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled OF Covelli Crisp from Akron of the Eastern League. Designated RHP Jason Beverlin for assignment.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Optioned RHP Kevin Frederick to Edmonton of the PCL. Activated RHP Mike Jackson from the 15-day disabled list.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Placed INF Craig Counsell on the 15-day disabled list. Activated C Damian Miller from the 15-day disabled list.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Released RHP Josias Manzanillo. Recalled RHP

SPORTSBOARD

MLB Baseball Standings

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table with columns: Division, Team, W, L, Pct, GB. East Division: Atlanta (78-41-655-), Montreal (59-60-496-19), New York (58-61-487-20), Philadelphia (57-62-479-21), Florida (57-63-475-21 1/2).

Table with columns: Division, Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Central Division: St. Louis (85-52-556-), Houston (63-56-529-3), Cincinnati (61-57-517-4 1/2), Pittsburgh (52-68-433-14 1/2), Chicago (50-88-424-15 1/2), Milwaukee (42-77-353-24).

Table with columns: Division, Team, W, L, Pct, GB. West Division: Arizona (75-45-625-), Los Angeles (67-53-558-8), San Francisco (66-53-556-8 1/2), Colorado (56-64-467-19), San Diego (50-69-420-24 1/2).

Tuesday's Games

Houston 5, Chicago Cubs 4; Colorado 5, Florida 4; Montreal 4, Los Angeles 3

Thursday's Games

San Diego (Tomko 5-8) at N.Y. Mets (Thomson 7-9), 12:10 p.m. Houston (Saarloos 5-2) at Chicago Cubs (Prior 6-3), 2:20 p.m. Los Angeles (Daif 9-6) at Montreal (Vazquez 8-8), 7:05 p.m. St. Louis (Hackman 3-3) at Pittsburgh (Benson 4-6), 7:05 p.m. Milwaukee (Quevedo 6-10) at Philadelphia (Roa 0-1), 7:05 p.m. Arizona (Johnson 17-4) at Cincinnati (Dempster 7-11), 7:10 p.m. San Francisco (Schmidt 7-6) at Atlanta (Moss 7-4), 7:35 p.m.

Today's Games

Arizona (Schilling 19-4) at Chicago Cubs (Smyth 1-0), 3:20 p.m. San Diego (Bjorknes 0-0) at Montreal (Yoshi 3-5), 7:05 p.m. Milwaukee (Sheets 8-14) at Pittsburgh (Fogg 11-7), 7:05 p.m. San Francisco (Ruetter 10-6) at Florida (Tejera 7-5), 7:05 p.m. St. Louis (Finley 3-2) at Philadelphia (Wolf 7-7), 7:05 p.m. Los Angeles (Nomo 11-8) at N.Y. Mets (Estes 4-9), 7:10 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table with columns: Division, Team, W, L, Pct, GB. East Division: New York (74-44-827-), Boston (69-49-585-5), Baltimore (57-60-487-16 1/2), Toronto (52-67-437-22 1/2), Tampa Bay (39-80-328-35 1/2).

Table with columns: Division, Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Central Division: Minnesota (71-50-587-), Chicago (58-63-479-13), Cleveland (53-65-449-16 1/2), Kansas City (48-72-400-22 1/2), Detroit (45-75-375-25 1/2).

West Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Seattle (73-47-608-), Anaheim (72-48-600-1), Oakland (70-51-579-3 1/2), Texas (51-68-429-21 1/2).

Tuesday's Games

Cleveland 9, Tampa Bay 5; Minnesota 6, Baltimore 0; N.Y. Yankees 10, Kansas City 5; Chicago White Sox 12, Texas 3; Seattle 10, Boston 3; Anaheim 7, Detroit 6, 12 innings; Oakland 5, Toronto 4

Wednesday's Games

Oakland 4, Toronto 2; Cleveland 5, Tampa Bay 4; Baltimore 6, Minnesota 5, 14 innings; N.Y. Yankees 3, Kansas City 2, 14 innings; Texas 11, Chicago White Sox 6; Boston 12, Seattle 5; Anaheim 5, Detroit 4

Thursday's Games

Cleveland (Westbrook 1-1) at Tampa Bay (Kennedy 7-8), 7:15 p.m. Baltimore (Johnson 3-8) at Minnesota (Lohse 10-6), 8:05 p.m. N.Y. Yankees (O'Hernandez 8-3) at Kansas City (Asencio 2-4), 8:05 p.m. Boston (Fossum 2-1) at Seattle (Garcia 12-8), 10:05 p.m.

Today's Games

Detroit at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m. Kansas City at Tampa Bay, 7:15 p.m. Boston at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m. Toronto at Texas, 8:05 p.m. Cleveland at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m. N.Y. Yankees at Seattle, 10:05 p.m. Chicago White Sox at Oakland, 10:05

Bronson Arroyo from Nashville of the PCL. ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Purchased the contract of RHP Gabe Molina from Memphis of the PCL. Optioned RHP Matt Duff to Memphis.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

LOS ANGELES LAKERS — Signed G A.J. Guyton. MIAMI HEAT — Signed F Rasual Butler. NEW JERSEY NETS — Signed F Rodney Rogers to a three-year contract. SACRAMENTO KINGS — Signed F Keon Clark to a one-year contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

BUFFALO BILLS — Released CB Jykine Bradley and WR Delino Fletcher. CHICAGO BEARS — Agreed to an injury settlement with DT Rodney Jones and waived him. GREEN BAY PACKERS — Claimed FB Jerry Westbrook off waivers from Miami. Placed S Scott Frost on injured reserve. MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Released QB Spergon Wynn and WR Devin Lewis. NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Signed CB Jimmy Hitchcock. NEW YORK JETS — Waived WR Jerri Evans.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Signed S Chad Cota. Placed S Kevin Curtis on injured reserve. Waived P Andrew Bayes.

Arena Football League

BUFFALO DESTROYERS — Placed L Jerry Crafts and WR/DB Jason Waters on the exempt list.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL — Announced New York Rangers D Tom Poti was awarded a one-year contract in arbitration.

CAROLINA HURRICANES — Signed G Randy Petruk to a two-year contract. DALLAS STARS — Signed G Corey Hirsch to a one-year contract.

NEW YORK RANGERS — Re-signed C Roman Lyashenko. TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Named Bill Barber director of player personnel.

In Depth

Bengals, Browns need map to find their division

by RUSTY MILLER ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Cleveland Browns and Cincinnati Bengals now play in the AFC North. The Bowl Championship Series no longer cares whether a team wins 2-0 or 102-0.

Those are among the big changes in the NFL and the NCAA as teams sweat it out on the field and prepare for the 2002 season.

In the high school ranks, blocking in the back was recognized as a distinct infraction from clipping.

Here is a synopsis of what's new and different.

NFL: Realignment and revamped scheduling will steal most of the headlines among the innovations at the pro level.

The Browns and Bengals now join the Baltimore Ravens and Pittsburgh Steelers in the new AFC North, which replaces the old Central Division.

The new South Division will include Tennessee and Jacksonville, along with expansion Houston.

Follow along closely, now. The Texans, led by No. 1 draft pick David Carr, return to Houston to replace the old Oilers, who became the Tennessee Oilers who were renamed the Tennessee Titans.

Tampa Bay's Buccaneers no longer are a part of the NFC's so-called Black-and-Blue

edly determines the teams qualifying for the national championship game.

The BCS' thinking was that elimination of the MOV would prevent bullies from running up the score on the Louisiana Techs, Prairie Views and, yes, Ohio Bobcats.

Some computer geeks said, yes, they would take the MOV out of their formulae. Others said it was important whether you won by 10 touchdowns or on a last-second field goal and declined to remain a part of the BCS.

In other new business, the sport's sanctioning body streamlined several rules dealing with media contact.

The NCAA made it official that players and coaches cannot be interviewed while the game is being played. Likewise, coaches cannot be wired with microphones during the game for media transmission. And reporters may not interview players once the game starts — even at halftime.

Yet a camera with no audio component may be attached to the umpire with prior approval of the official and the participating schools, so be prepared for those shots of the sky after a tackler accidentally blindsides an unsuspecting zebra.

In other rule makeovers, some dealing with trivial matters: all players of a team are required to wear facemasks of the same color; and penalties on the defensive team on a successful extra-point attempt may be levied either on the subsequent extra-point try or the succeeding kickoff, at the offended team's choice.

One of the most arbitrary and least popular penalties on kick plays — interfering with the kick receiver — will likely become even more arbitrary and unpopular. Before, the kicking team's players had to give the kick returner a 5-yard cushion to catch the ball. Now that has been doubled to a 10-yard buffer.

Don't be surprised if "kicker-interference" calls begin to outnumber those annoying Carot Top commercials on TV.

High School There were few changes at the prep level.

In the past, "blocking to the back" was referred to as clipping and assessed a 15-yard penalty. Now it is a distinct violation that draws a 10-yard step-off.

Like the NCAA, the Ohio High School Athletic Association also declared that defensive penalties on an extra-point play may be assessed on the subsequent extra-point try or the succeeding kickoff.

The OHSAA will also be monitoring two rules experiments.

First, the penalty for offensive pass interference will be 15 yards from the previous spot with no loss of down. Second, penalties called on receivers on kick plays will be enforced from the end of the kick.

Sports Calendar

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Wrestling

Bookings

The Appalachian Wrestling Federation is currently accepting bookings for shows. The AWF is one of the state's top independent wrestling promotions with access to international stars.

Email AWF Promoter Joe Clark at jccole@excite.com.

The AWF address is Appalachian Wrestling Federation,

Joe Clark, Promoter, 385 E. Campbell Br., Morehead, Ky. 40351.

Phone: 606/784-9186.

For more information on how to book the Appalachian Wrestling Federation and its stars, email questions and comments to awfbookings@yahoo.com.

Auto racing

Dirt track

Thunder Ridge Raceway will race again on Saturday. Gates open at 5 p.m., with hot laps beginning at 6 p.m. Racing starts promptly at 8:00.

- Admission is as follows: Grandstand: Adults: \$10 Children 6-11: \$5 Under 6: Free Pits \$20 Children under 6: Free

Golf

Tournament

South Williamson ARH Hospital has scheduled its fifth annual charity golf tournament at 9 a.m., Aug. 30 at Mountain Pub Link. The tournament is a four-person scramble format event with one mulligan per player per round; single-players can also enter and will be placed into teams before the event. Registration costs \$50; there is a \$500 first prize. Free food and beverages will be supplied throughout the day. For more information contact Jimmy Williamson (606/237-1700, Ext. 1749), Bryan Ferrell (606/237-1700) or Cindy Crigger (606/237-1772).

Fishing

Bass club memberships

The Big Sandy Bass Anglers are accepting new members for the 2002 season. For more information, call 606/432-5814 or 606/478-2242.

College update

Pollio new commissioner of Mid-South Conference

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

COLUMBIA — The Mid-South Conference will begin its eighth season with the hiring of its second commissioner, as Mike Pollio has accepted the league's leadership.

Pollio brings extensive coaching and administrative experience to the Mid-South Conference, having been head basketball coach at Kentucky Wesleyan College, Virginia Commonwealth University and Eastern Kentucky University. He was director of athletics at Kentucky Wesleyan from 1980-85 and was associate AD at the University of Louisville from 1992 until July 2001.

"I graduated from a small school and have been both a coach and AD at one as well, so I have great admiration for the mission and purpose of each school in the Mid-South Conference," Pollio said. "I am both proud and honored to have been chosen as their representative."

The Mid-South Conference, a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, consists of six full-time institutions: Campbellsville University, Cumberland (Ky.) College, Georgetown College, Lambuth University, Lindsey Wilson College and Pikeville College. It also has four associate members, which participate in football: Belhaven (Miss.) College, Cumberland (Tenn.) University, Union College and the University of Virginia's College at Wise.

The Mid-South Conference wholly embraces the NAAIA's Champions of Character initiative which creates an environment in which every NAAIA student-athlete, coach, official and spectator is committed to the true spirit of competition through respect, integrity, responsibility, servant leadership, and sportsmanship. Upon its inception, every coach and official working in the MSC endorsed the Champions of Character.

"We had a number of outstanding candidates for our commissioner's position, and we're pleased to have Mike on board," said Lindsey Wilson President Dr. William Luckey, outgoing chair of the President's Council. "The Mid-South Conference will always owe a debt of gratitude to Tom Dowling, who led us to become one of the premier leagues in the NAAIA. In recent years, the MSC has won national championships in men's basketball, football and men's soccer, and we look forward to continuing these achievements."

"We're very excited about naming Mike Pollio as our new commissioner," said Hal Smith, president at Pikeville College who will now chair the President's Council. "Mike understands the value of intercollegiate athletics in the smaller college and our emphasis upon the development of the 'whole' person." Pollio will officially begin his term August 19, with an office in Louisville.

DAIRY QUEEN OF PRESTONSBURG SPORTS FAN OF THE WEEK. Includes image of a football player and promotional text: 'If you are the sports fan circled here... it's your lucky day!' Bring this photo to The Floyd County Times office at 263 South Central Avenue (down the street from the courthouse) to claim your Gift Certificate, which will entitle you to a free 8-inch ice cream cake of your choice, redeemable at DAIRY QUEEN OF PRESTONSBURG, and choice of a Times hat or coffee mug.



Gwynn

p.m.). Both games will be televised live during prime time on ABC for the first time.

"Besides being one of the best students of baseball and hitting, Tony Gwynn is perhaps

more importantly one of the finest gentlemen to ever play," Stephen D. Keener, president

and chief executive officer of Little League Baseball, said. "He is a fine role model for

Little Leaguers to emulate, and we're pleased he will be joining us."

Gwynn, a 15-time all-star, retired following the 2001 season. He spent his entire career with the San Diego Padres, finishing with a .338 lifetime batting average. He batted at least .300 in 19 seasons, surpassing Honus Wagner's previous record of 17, set from 1897 to 1913. He received the Roberto Clemente Man of the Year Award in 1999 for combining sportsmanship and community service with excellence on the field, the 1999 Lou Gehrig

Memorial Award, the 1995 Branch Rickey Award, and was inducted into the World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame.

Eleven games of the Little League Baseball World Series games will be televised on ESPN and seven games will be televised on ESPN2, bringing the total televised games to 20. Previously, the highest number of televised games was 19 — last year.

In addition, ESPN2 will again carry all eight of the U.S. Regional Championship finals

(See Gwynn, page five)

Bowl

County against Fleming County. In all, the bowl features three Class 2A teams (Prestonsburg, Breathitt County and Fleming County), and one Class 3A squad. The bowl was established in 1947.

All participating teams made the postseason last fall. All four look to field very competitive teams again this fall.

The day's activities begin at 8:30 a.m. with a 5K run/walk. A punt, pass and kick competition is also scheduled for 8:30 a.m. All participants in the punt, pass and kick competition must have a birth certificate and be able to produce it that day.

A pep rally will be held at 1 p.m. At 2:30, Rec Bowl Queens

will be honored. Both games will be televised live on WYMT. A game ball will be parachuted in at 5 p.m., prior to the start of the Prestonsburg-Lawrence County showdown. A celebrity will sing the National Anthem and My Old Kentucky Home at 5:20, just before the start of the first game. Queens will be crowned at half-

time of the first game. At the end of the first game, a trophy and scholarship presentation will take place.

The Breathitt County-Fleming County game will begin one-half hour after the conclusion of the first game. A trophy and scholarship presentation will be held at the conclusion of the second game as well.

Time

have this opportunity again will be June.

Next weekend, the high school sports season commences with football season. Locally, that means bowls, like our own bowl Pike County Bowl. It begins Friday night, and will be notable because it will be the first game ever for Eric Ratliff and the East Ridge Warriors. Over in Mt. Sterling, Prestonsburg will take on Lawrence County in a battle which pits two of the area's top teams.

I still say they should have gone medicinal with the mascot of ER. The doctors, nurses, surgeons, something along those lines. Of course, I also think Noah Wyle or Tony Edwards should have been named to the staff, but I digress.

After that will come Night Two of the PCB, and with that, the first weekend of the football season will be behind us. It will continue until the playoffs begin in November, and they will wind

down just in time for basketball season.

We'll play hoops all winter, and when March rolls around, we'll throw a month-long party to decide who will get to trim nets from rims and go into the history books as champions.

And just as we're finished cutting down some twine, we'll go out into the cool early spring air and play baseball for a couple of months.

Baseball, and its female cohort, softball, will keep up rolling until the weather gets about nice enough to be outside to start with, and then we'll start playing tournaments there, too.

And sometime around the first or second weekend of June, the top few teams will gather in Applebee's Park in Lexington to decide who is the best of them all.

Oh, and don't think we've forgotten about the other sports. They'll play volleyball, golf, soc-

cer, run cross country and track and field, cheerlead and I don't know what all, starting a week from tonight, maybe even sooner than that.

And we'll be right there to report it for you.

Now, sometimes when we say "we", we mean me. But here, when I say "we", I really mean we. I won't be there all the time. Sadly, sometimes no one from the paper or radio station will be there. But that doesn't mean we aren't interested, and don't want to report it for you.

We'll be out all through the week in the fall reporting on volleyball and soccer and all weekend doing football. Then when winter rolls around, a staff of 20 couldn't cover all the games being played. With the exception of Sunday nights, we're out there about any night you want to check.

And you know what? We wouldn't have it any other way.

Reed

Papa John's Cardinal Stadium.

In January, Woodard pleaded guilty to receiving 15.1 ounces of marijuana from his hometown of Stockton, California. That's not good, and never mind that if every student and professor who uses marijuana were banned from campus, our universities and colleges suddenly would be very lonely places.

When questions subsequently arose about the validity of the arrest, Woodard asked the courts to allow him to withdraw his guilty plea. Until the courts rule on Woodard's request, Smith, who held Woodard out of spring practice, is allowing the big fella to practice with the team, which lacks depth and experience in the offensive line.

Smith's detractors, including many UK fans, are accusing the coach of compromising his principles because Woodard definitely could help the Cards go to a fifth consecutive bowl game. The cynics don't mind Smith being a social worker as long as he deprives Woodard of football, the most important thing in his life.

But Smith's supporters say the coach sincerely believes that Woodard is essentially a good kid who deserves another chance. They argue that playing football will help his self-esteem and keep him closely involved with the coaching staff and his teammates, the core of his support group.

Both sides make legitimate arguments. But the truth is, nobody knows what's best for the young man in the long run, including Smith. Yet because the buck stops at Smith's desk, he must make a decision that could very well determine the course of the rest of Woodard's life.

That's an awesome responsibility.

It's quite likely, of course, that no matter what Smith does, Woodard won't be able to overcome his mean-streets background and will end up as another

er of those sad cases who blew his opportunity for a better life.

But it's just as possible that Smith's confidence in him will change Woodard for the better. Maybe he'll become good enough to make an NFL team, and, five or six years from now, find himself playing in the Super Bowl.

Then the same columnists who now are pillorying Smith for letting Woodard play will write columns praising him for having the courage to do the right thing despite (their) criticism. They have no convictions, only a morality of convenience that constantly changes form, amoeba-like, depending on what plays best on a given day.

How many times have we seen it? The same columnists who wrote that U of L should give Ron Cooper and Denny Crum one more year now are heaping praise on Athletics Director Tom Jurich for getting rid of them when he did, enabling him to bring in Smith and Rick Pitino.

Then there are the columnists who praised former UK Athletics Director C.M. Newton for cleaning up the basketball program and hiring the right coaches to make the Cats nationally competitive. On Jan. 1, 1999, the day the UK football team lost to Penn State in the Fiesta Bowl and only eight months since Tubby Smith had won UK its seventh NCAA title, Newton was being hailed as a magician.

But today, because of the Mummegate football scandal that erupted after Newton had retired, Newton is considered fair game for the media snipers who have peppered him with cheap shots, poisoned darts, and stungun accusations.

The media's counter-argument might be that UK's various scandals, and the lying that accompanies them, have made it cynical. All of us have covered coaches who can't be trusted and who

don't care about their players' health and welfare.

Unfortunately, these bozos make life harder for the coaches whose interest in their players goes far beyond what they do on the field.

In a case such as Woodard's, it all finally comes down to the credibility of the coach. Some coaches have earned the media's skepticism and scorn. But others have earned the benefit of the doubt. By all accounts, John L. Smith belongs in the latter group.

Until he proves otherwise, he deserves to be cut a little slack on how he handles his problem players. He seems to understand that while policies and guidelines must be established, and while all the players should be treated more or less equally, there's also going to be a case every now and then that must be handled differently.

It's interesting that one of Smith's critics is a well-known sports columnist who should understand the importance of compassion and second chances.

Because of using some unethical methods during an investigation, this writer had his column taken away from him for six months. His employer, rightly, didn't give in to the angry readers who thought he should be fired. Instead, the paper kept him on the payroll and allowed him to do some features and research until his six months were up.

No telling where this columnist would be today if his employer hadn't stood up for him. Unlike Woodard, his transgressions weren't illegal. Just unethical. Still, the publicity about the situation branded him as untrustworthy in the minds of some, just as the publicity about Woodard gave him a stigma that he'll carry for a long time.

But this much is certain: John L. Smith has earned the benefit of the doubt instead of derision. Until proven differently, he's a coach who really cares about his players as human beings instead of just paying lip service to that concept.

He's trying to build character, as corny as that old bromide may sound today, and he's doing his best to deal with a serious problem that deserves more than a knee-jerk reaction from those who practice the morality of convenience.

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Rebels

Prater also returns for the Rebels. Allen Central won just two games last season in a district which features such teams as Paintsville, Pikeville, Hazard and Fleming-Neon.

Things aren't any easier for Betsy Layne. The Bobcats play the likes of Prestonsburg, belfry and Whitesburg. Not to mention Pike Central and Shelby Valley. Add a new team by the name of East Ridge to the fold, and yeah, Betsy Layne does have another tough season ahead of them.

The first game of a new season somehow often times sets the pace for how a campaign will go. Last year, Allen Central

began the season at home by beating Betsy Layne soundly, 36-0. The Rebels won just one game following the season-opener. Betsy Layne went on to lose all 10 of its games.

As Allen Central and host Betsy Layne step out for the first game of the season next Friday night, winning will be on the minds of all players, coaches and fans. Winning the first game is important. Especially with county rivals. Other in-county games this season include Prestonsburg-Betsy Layne; South Floyd-Betsy Layne; and Allen Central-South Floyd.

Ortega

tackles with 105, he also had three pass interceptions. In addition, he blocked two kicks and had six pass breakups.

See, people think we make a lot of money. And if you watch SportsCenter, or PTI or The Sports Reporters, you'll see people who do. Reporters and columnists like that make a killing.

But on this level, it isn't the case. When I tell people how much I'm paid to do this each week, they laugh.

We don't do it for money. If we did, no one would report your scores or take your pictures. We do it for the love of the game. We love our craft. We really, truly enjoy it.

Here's the other thing: We kind of do it for each other.

Last Sunday, we at Pikeville College held Media Day for football. It was fun to see all my friends in the media, many of whom I see rarely in the summer. We spend a lot of time together during our seasons, which is really just one big long, happy season for us.

We enjoy what we do, and while our bank accounts may not be bulging, we take a great deal of pride in it and gain many rewards not handed out twice a month.

So when you see one of us, and by us, I mean them, at your game, thank them for being there. They may work for the paper, the radio station or the television outfit, but it doesn't matter. We all come together under the same umbrella.

And when you see them, pat them on the back.

I'll guarantee you it will make someone smile, and it will probably make them a little more anxious to get back to your field or gym a little sooner next time.

Let the games begin.

A LOOK AT SPORTS...

Bowden would like to recall at least one trade

by ED TAYLOR  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

If you are a big Cincinnati Reds fan, you got upset when Reds General Manager Jim Bowden dealt, then leading hit-

ter Juan Encarnacion to the Florida Marlins for an already washed up right hander by the name of Ryan Dempster.

Encarnacion, at the time of the trade, was leading the ball club in home runs, runs batted in, and hitting for a good average. He was the main reason the Reds have been in contention most of the season, with his timely hitting with men on base.

Dempster had a horrible 5-8 mark when he came over to the Reds and I suppose Bowden figured a miracle would happen with Dempster but it hasn't thus far.

The Reds missed out on

Colon from Cleveland, Rogers out of Texas because they did not have the cash flow. Either one of those would have just about been what the Reds needed to win their division.

With the dismal starting pitching the Reds have had to endure this season, still they remain in contention for a divisional title, but only because the St. Louis Cardinals have been playing so poorly (nine straight losses).

I still think the team to beat in the National League Central is the Houston Astros. They, like the Atlanta Braves, are major league baseball's hottest team. I look for them to win the Central Division this year. They have a smart manager in Jimmy Williams, former Boston Red Sox mentor, and he seems to make the right moves.

Reds field manager, Bob Boone will probably get some votes for Manager of the Year

(See SPORTS, page five)



photo by Ed Taylor



An old ship which had blown inland during storms in 1993 today provides a picturesque scene.



photo by Ed Taylor

Mud boggin' has grown to one of the largest racing sports in the nation. The 200-foot mud track challenges any driver as they make three passes through for the best time.



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# RACING

## DIRT TRACK THIS WEEKEND

What: Dirt track racing  
When: Saturday night, 8 p.m.  
Where: Thunder Ridge Raceway,  
Prestonsburg  
Phone: 606/886-RACE (7223)

# Evernham's vision starting to pay dividends

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Ray Evernham paused and shot a look into the clear blue sky as the deafening roar of some F-16s muted his answer.

The flyover at Watkins Glen International created a brief escape for Evernham, who seemed uncomfortable talking about himself. But, like it or not, NASCAR's most successful crew

chief of the last decade will find no anonymity as its next great car owner.

Evernham refuses to accept the credit that he's the reason a driver perceived as washed up and a young crew chief are turning a second-year team into a power.

Driver Bill Elliott hasn't finished in the top 10 in points since 1997, but is eighth now as the Winston Cup circuit heads to Michigan for Sunday's Pepsi

400. "What makes me smile is that we've been coming and everybody writes us off," Evernham said. "Now, we win a couple of races, sit on some poles and we're just great. This business is too fickle to worry about that stuff."

Evernham, 44, tries to distance himself from the glory days, when he and Jeff Gordon ruled the sport with three championships and 47 victories at

Hendrick Motorsports.

"It's a different day, a different time, a different world, and I have to worry about what we're building, not what I once was part of," Evernham said as he sat in a director's chair outside his big red hauler. "What we're looking at is Bill Elliott, Mike Ford and Dodge."

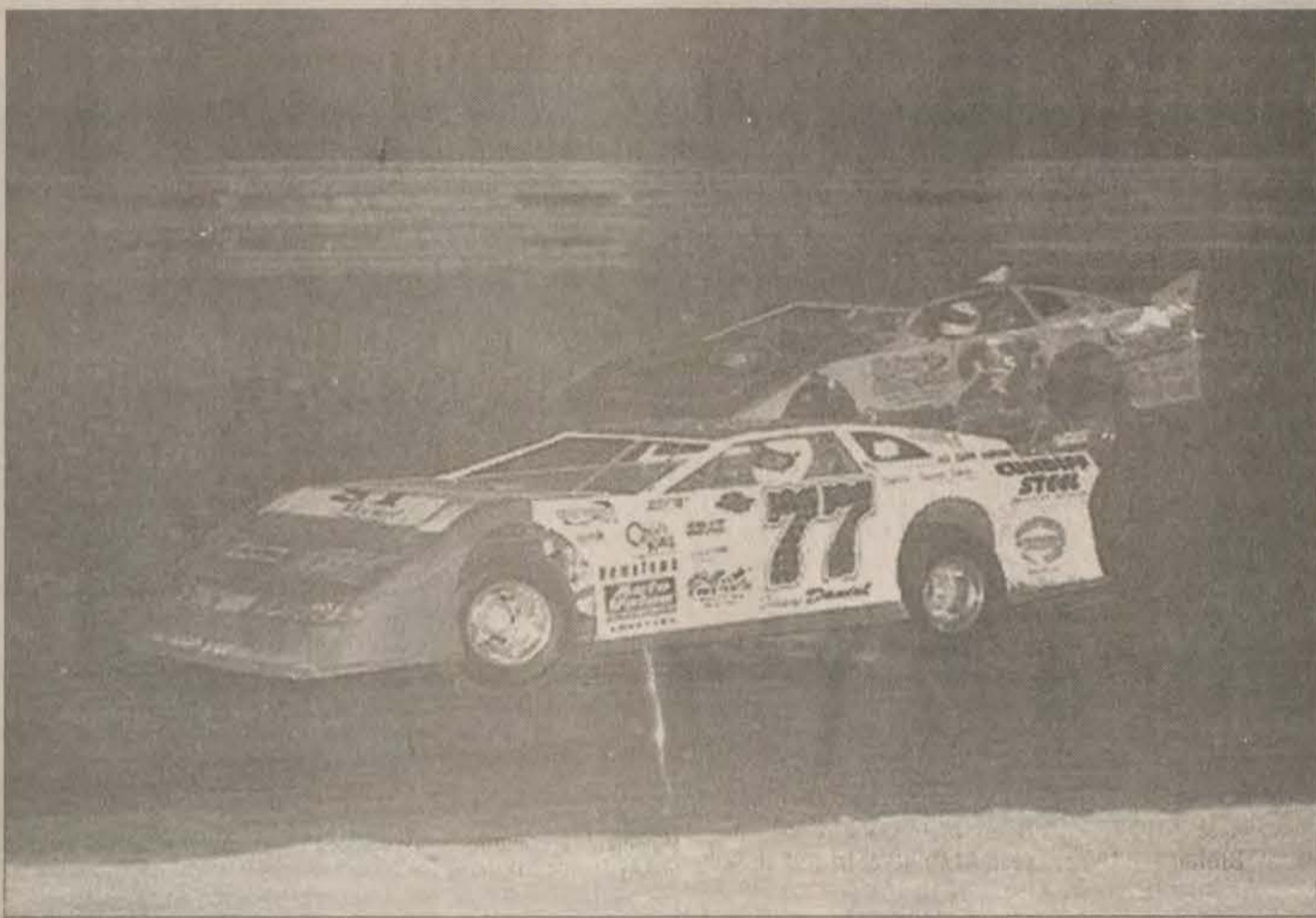
Elliott was winless for six seasons before Evernham hired him. Ford had never called the shots on raceday, and

Dodge had been missing from NASCAR's elite division for 16 years. It hardly seemed a success story in the making.

But Evernham never wavered, firm in his belief that the 1988 series champion would perform well given the right situation. Elliott had been stuck on 40 career victories since starting his

(See VISION, page five)

## STARS BATTLE OF THE BLUEGRASS



courtesy photo

The Battle of the Bluegrass Series comes to Thunder Ridge at the end of this month. The first-year series has enjoyed a great deal of success in its initial run.

# Leburn's Eddie Carrier Jr. drops BOB race

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MORGANTOWN - The 2002 STARS Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series Presented by Arziona Sports Shirts brought the "Summer Thunder" tour to the Soggy Bottom Speedway in Morgantown on Saturday night, as the largest crowd in the history of the track witnessed Campbellsville's, Johnny Wheeler become the 12th different event winner in 15 races this season as he wheeled the Larry Yantz Racing/Clayton

Homes/Luv Homes/Country Squire Homes/Ellison's Transport/AFCO Racing Products/American Race Tires/Cornett Racing Engines/C.J. Rayburn Race Cars Monte Carlo No. 57 to the 40-lap \$3000 to win main event. Wheeler took the lead on the 11th lap and then went on to take the victory. Mike Hawley in the R&P Industrial Chimney/Lamb's Tree Service/Rayburn would finish second followed by Aaron Hatton in the Russell Hatton Used Cars/Porter Tire Center/Jerry Hatton

Used Cars/Draime/Mastersbilt Grand Prix, Steve Casebolt, Jr. finished fourth in the Charlie Watson Ford Lincoln Mercury/Rayburn Taurus and Timmy Yeager would grabbed fifth at the finish in the Estes Automotive and Machine/Rayburn.

Polesitter Mike Hawley, who won the previous STARS BOB race at Richmond on August 2 took the lead at the start of the main event with Wheeler who started

(See BOB, page five)

201 SPEEDWAY

# Kinzer dominates for win

by CHRIS BELCHER  
201 SPEEDWAY TRACK  
WRITER

Another good crowd of dirt track fans filled the 201 Speedway Saturday night as over 70 racers in six divisions entered the pitgates for what would be a fast and often furious night of stock car racing action.

Qualifying times were a little faster as the red clay let go

of much of the water that had been soaked into the racing surface just as the late model division rolled onto the speedway. Allen's Brandon Kinzer blistered the 1/4 oval in late model qualifying, in a new race car, with a best lap of 13.87 in the Kinzer Drilling- and Alert Oil & Gas-sponsored No. 18, GRT Ford Taurus. Kinzer collected an additional \$100, which was put up by Rick Meade of High Tech Racing

Engines of Pikeville, and another \$100 that was added to the fast qualifier by #23, Blankenship Motorsports.

Blankenship Racing also made defending super bomber track champion Jim Lemaster's quick qualifying effort of 16.05 in his Blair's Body Shop-, Dave's Concrete- and Bruce Spence-owned No. 42 Monte Carlo worth \$100. No. 23 Blankenship Motorsports also made Logan, W.Va.'s Tim

Moore's 15.72 qualifying effort worth an additional \$100 in his Thornehill Superstore- and Mike's Harley Davidson-sponsored 1999 Lighting chassis.

In the late model division, Kinzer finished ahead of defending champion David Powers of Salyersville. Jim Lemaster brought the other #97 to the line for a third-place fin-

(See KINZER, page five)

UPDATE

# Priestley was no part-time racer

by JENNA FRYER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

In an episode of "Beverly Hills 90210," the gang is challenged to a street race and is all set to participate, when Jason Priestley's character arrives on the scene, explains the dangers and puts a stop to it.

TV's Brandon Walsh almost always thought through situations and carefully considered the risks.

Priestley himself loves racing and speed so much that he put acting on hold to try to make a career as a race car driver.

On Sunday, he crashed into a wall at about 180 mph during practice for an Infiniti Pro Series race at Kentucky Speedway. He suffered a broken back, a moderate concussion, a broken nose, fractures in both feet, and cuts and bruises on his face and neck.

The crash raised questions about whether Priestley and other celebrities who chase the rush that comes from high

speeds and side-by-side racing should be at the wheel of a race car.

"When you have a love for something, everybody knows it overrides what might be the safest thing," NASCAR driver Kenny Wallace said. "This

was a kid who has a great acting career, but like Paul Newman, wanted to go drive a race car.

"Maybe he shouldn't have, but he wasn't intimidated or scared, and he stood up to all the people who said, 'You should stick to being an actor.'"

The 32-year-old Priestley certainly is not the first actor to

race cars (though he probably was the first to call a race on TV, having worked for ABC Sports as an analyst).

Clark Gable and Spencer Tracy dabbled in racing, and Newman was one of the first big stars to pursue it seriously. Newman won a race this year

(See RACER, page five)

## WILLARD SPEEDWAY RESULTS

### MODIFIEDS

- 1 Jimmy Allen (3)
- 2 Frank Porter (6)
- 3 Chris Click (C-1)
- 4 Bill Dement (I-D)
- 5 Ben Adkins (B7)
- 6 Keith Samson (03)
- 7 Mike Mays (12M)
- 8 Bob Tackett (22)
- 9 Micheal Perkins (50)
- 10 Joe Stepe (J12)
- 11 Ronnie Mays (61M)
- 12 Davey Sanders (28)

### SUPER BOMBERS

- 1 Jim Lemaster (3)
- 2 Terry Hicks (64)
- 3 JR. Hunley (18)
- 4 Gary Raeger (17)
- 5 Corey McKenzie (33)
- 6 Paul Day (5D)
- 7 Brian Bledsoe (12)

### BOMBERS

- 1 Harlen Ferguson (1F)
- 2 George Meade (8JR)
- 3 Kenneth Howell (21)
- 4 Doug Moore (7M)
- 5 Bob Gollihue (3G)
- 6 Jack Tackett (2T)
- 7 Phil Rice (31R)
- 8 Ricky Davidson (7)

### MODIFIEDS

- 1 Bill Harper (33)
- 10 Jeff Flaughter (9F)
- 11 James Thingyess (54)

### SPRINTS

- 1 Aaron Fry (14)
- 2 Doug Heck (60)
- 3 Nick Mccord (33)
- 4 Terry Hicks (7w)
- 5 Stephen Caproni (16)
- 6 Rusty Mcnamee (34)
- 7 Adam Strausser (65)
- 8 Adam Fry (2)
- 9 Ryan Myers (56)

### ROAD HOGS

- 1 Wesley Blair (B4U)
- 2 Greg Anderson (48)
- 3 Joe Clevenger (70)
- 4 Mike Marshall (2B)
- 5 Larry Daily (11D)

### 4-CYLINDERS

- 1 Keith Anderson (84)
- 2 Greg Anderson (48)
- 3 Paul Day Jr. (14)
- 4 Danny Lemaster (L-2)
- 5 Paul Lemaster (L-1)
- 6 Johnny Johnson (J5)
- 7 John McKinney (3)
- 8 Kyle Robinson (15K)
- 9 Josh Lucas (L21)



Ridge

the first-ever BoB season that Arizona Sport Shirts will be the title sponsor for the inaugural campaign of the series. Newton, a native of Campbellsville, went into the project excited and pleased to be a part of the initial season of what promised to be one of the most exciting series of

events to take place in Kentucky for dirt late model racing enthusiasts.

"The quality of the drivers and race teams in Kentucky are underrated and we feel being a part of the initial year of the Battle of the Bluegrass Series will not only bring recognition to the dri-

Gwynn

in the Little League Baseball Division. The regional finals have been televised by ESPN2 every year since 1997.

The semifinal and championship games of the Little League Softball World Series in Portland, Ore., the final game of the Junior League Baseball World Series in Taylor, Mich., and the final game of the Big League Softball World Series in Kalamazoo, Mich., also

will be televised by ESPN2.

The state championship games in Little League Baseball for Connecticut, New Jersey and New York will be televised regionally by the YES Network, making a grand total of 36 Little League games to be televised nationally or on a wide regional basis in August — also the most in history.

Sports

simply because the Reds have competed all season long.

Boone did not listen to the boo birds in the stands at Cinergy when he played son Adam Boone while he was in a horrible early season slump. Boone has emerged as one of the most consistent hitters for the Reds since late May and has been a power hitter as well with 21 long balls, a career high.

The Reds need to deal Barry Larkin, if they can, during the off season, make Boone their short-stop and put Brandon Larson at third base. I do not see Sean Casey returning to the Reds at first base next season. The Reds know they have to have pitching when they enter the 2003 season in the Great American Ball Park. Look for Casey to be moved and packaged with someone else, maybe Reggie Taylor, for a quality starting pitcher next season.

compete against the other two. Brandford will run the second and fourth Saturday night of each month.

AIR BOATING ON THE GULF

I was afforded the opportunity to go on an air boat photo ride with a member of my church, Albert Johnson. Albert is an experienced boatman and loves to fish for mullett. I also learned that you do not fish for mullet with a rod and reel, but with nets. Therefore you have to have what they call a Dog Boat (motor in the front) or an air boat.

Albert and I did not do any fishing for mullett, but rather he took me on a trip that I will not forget. While on the gulf, he would duck in and out of little river waters where some of the most beautiful sites are secluded from public eye.

He showed me a ship that blew in, from where no one knows, during the Great Storm of '93. The ship, large in size, was stuck in the mud of about eight feet of water. While the old ship had been there for the past nine years, still it was a beautiful site to photograph.

In our journey, we spotted two porpoises who were looking for a school of mullett. They were a beautiful sight as well, dipping in and out of the water.

Albert guided the air boat through grass waters and it was a wonderful experience. He directed my attention to Rock Island, an isle that is nothing but rock, situated in the Gulf. What a beautiful sight that was and did I get a lot of pictures.

On the journey back inland, Albert shut down the boat and we just drifted as we conversed about some of the history of the area. I

Vision

own team in 1995.

The 46-year-old Elliott didn't disappoint Evernham, winning in the team's first season and then back to back last month. He has two poles and four front-row starts in the last four races.

Evernham emphasizes that "Mike Ford is the guy who built this team. Some days I don't even ask them what springs are on the cars.

"But I feel bad for Mike because everybody's saying Ray Evernham this and Ray Evernham that. Ray Evernham's a car owner, not a player anymore."

Ford, a 32-year-old former mechanic for Dale Jarrett's team, says Evernham's concept makes his job considerably easier.

"When we do well, everybody shares in the credit," Ford said. "When we don't do well, the blame falls on everybody."

Evernham defines his role as providing an environment in which Elliott's team and those of Jeremy Mayfield and Casey Atwood can flourish. The other teams have not developed as quickly, but Evernham is hopeful the chemistry of Elliott's unit can be duplicated.

All three teams are well-financed, with Dodge itself sponsoring Elliott and Mayfield. Evernham laughs when asked if he has been given a blank check to go out and win.

"I've not lacked for anything I wanted," he said. "But if I told them I wanted Michael Schumacher, I think I'd have a little trouble getting that."

Elliott's victory two weeks

ago in the Brickyard 400 left Evernham on the verge of tears. Twice, he turned away from the camera while trying to regain his composure.

He admits being overcome by the enormity of the victory in NASCAR's second-biggest race. In the emotion of the moment, he forgot to thank all his sponsors, a sin no big-time car owner wants to commit.

"In the flash of a car going across a line of bricks, that was a major accomplishment in my life, but it was kind of embarrassing to me, honestly," Evernham said. "That day, heaven forbid, if I dropped dead right after the checkered flag it wouldn't have mattered. I've got way more than my share."

As a short track driver in the 1980s, Evernham won some championships, but had to quit after suffering a serious brain injury in 1991. He still misses driving but is realistic about his abilities.

"I didn't have that much talent to begin with, so when I lost it, it was over for me," he said. "The years of working with Jeff Gordon put me in my place. There's no way you could ever race with somebody like that."

"That's like saying just because you play golf you can beat Tiger Woods."

Evernham doesn't even think about championships. He, Ford and Elliott insist the idea is to win races and let the points work themselves out.

"You can't just say I'm going to win a championship," Evernham said. "That's like trying to put a roof on the house before the foundation is built."

vers, but given the strong fan base in Kentucky, that this series will be successful for years to come," said Newton, prior to the series' first race of the season. "The payoffs are structured to where drivers can benefit greatly since the breakdown is very good." The Battle of the Bluegrass feature events will pay a minimum of \$3000 to win and \$250 to start. The total overall payoffs this year for series could exceed

Soccer

A breakdown of the teams for this fall's league follows.

FLOYD COUNTY YOUTH SOCCER FALL SEASON

- Several U6 teams

\$250,000."

Knott County driver Eddie Carrier Jr. has led the series points battle for most of the season.

According to the race series' website, the 2002 Battle of the Bluegrass Series Champion will currently receive \$4000. Currently the top ten in points will receive point fund money and contingencies. The Rookie of the Year Award will be worth \$1000.

Soccer

- 1 U8 team
- 2 U10 teams
- 1 U12 team
- 1 U14 team
- 3 U19 teams (The David School team and the Job Corps team included.)

There will be two coaching clinics held in Prestonsburg on Sunday, Aug. 25. Two more clinics will be held in Hazard one day prior to the Prestonsburg workshops on Saturday, Aug. 24.

The East Kentucky Youth Soccer Association held its officer election earlier this week. A list of newly-elected officers follows.

- Peggy Gawronski - President
- Cheri Brady - Vice President
- Louise Murtagh - Secretary
- D.J. McKenny - Treasurer
- Committee Chairs for EKYSA
- Coaching: Bryan Olsen
- Referee: Grant Curry
- Registration: Lynn Levy
- Scheduling: Bryan Olsen
- Appeals: Dan Salyer

For more information on Floyd County Youth Soccer, or the East Kentucky Youth Soccer Association, go online

was so busy clicking off one shot after another and then I realized that there was not noise around, everything was so quiet. I just paused to enjoy the quietness and watch the pelicans dive to the waters in search for food.

In a world that is filled with turmoil, it was just a pleasant experience to get on the ocean, enjoy the atmosphere there where the sharks, porpoises, pelicans and sea gulls were our company and no one was complaining about anything.

If you ever get a chance to air boat on the Gulf of Mexico, take advantage of it and take a camera.

Until Sunday, good sports everyone and be good sports.

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Racer

at 77, and two years ago he was on the winning team at the 24-Hour Race at Daytona — among the most prestigious sports car events in the world.

James Brolin, Gene Hackman and Craig T. Nelson also pursued racing semiseriously, actress Cameron Diaz has attended racing schools, and dozens of celebrities compete each year in the Toyota Pro-Celebrity Race in California, which races Toyota Celicas on a city street course.

But Priestley wasn't in it to raise money or make the society pages. He wanted to be a race car driver and was committed to proving it.

"His Hollywood credentials were not his passport into the sport's inner circle," said Jack Arute, a pit reporter for ABC who has followed Priestley's career since he ran rally races as a youngster with his father. "Instead, it was his passion for racing and his insatiable appetite for every sliver of knowledge it took to excel that endeared him to racers."

Priestley started seriously pursuing racing in 1991 in the California Rally Series and won his first race at the Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in 1998.

He was a broadcast analyst for the Indy Racing League last year. This season, he joined the Kelley Racing team in the Infiniti Pro Series — a developmental league for the IRL.

Opponents began viewing him as a knowledgeable and talented driver and noticed how hard he'd been working to prove himself.

"He's gotten to know everybody and changed everybody's opinion of him. He's shown he's a good racer. He's been running up front," driver Ed Carpenter said.

Jim Freudenberg, general manager of Kelley Racing, had noticed the changing attitudes toward Priestley.

"Drivers knew he was capable of running wheel-to-wheel with them and was in this quite seriously," Freudenberg said. "He had worked his way into the best shape of his life, he was testing cars and devoting a full effort to this. It wasn't a part-time thing."

Stanton Barrett, a Hollywood stuntman who occasionally races in NASCAR's Busch series, said he and Priestley would talk racing when Barrett was on the "90210" set filling in as either Priestley or Luke Perry's double.

BoB

third moving up to second as the duo drag raced down the back-shute. The second lap would see Wheeler get sideways in turn one with the result being Richard Smith turning his car and spinning in front of the on coming field as Smith was trying to avoid running into Wheeler. Several cars were getting together in turn one with Smith being sidelined for the rest of the night as he took his car to the infield pits. All of the other cars would continue in the race. With Hawley on the point Wheeler would fiercely try lap after lap to mount a challenge to Hawley pulling alongside Hawley on several occasions coming off of turn four and turn two, but Hawley would maintain the lead until the 11th circuit when Wheeler would power past him and take over the lead of the race.

Wheeler then started to move in on traffic and found another car in front of him on the 18th lap. While attempting to lap the car Wheeler got into the back of the car sending the driver to infield and Wheeler loosing quite a bit of his lead over Hawley. Hawley would close dramatically on Wheeler at this point but again for the third time in the event a caution flag would slow the action, as Wheeler was about to encounter more traffic ahead of him. On the restart Hawley would try his best to stay with Wheeler as BOB points leader, Eddie Carrier Jr. who was fighting off a spirited race by young Aaron Hatton closed in on Hawley to race him hard for third. Carrier Jr. would try every angle on the track to get by Hawley, but Hawley was holding his ground strongly and fought off Carrier, Jr. at every turn. As Hawley and Carrier, Jr. were battling for second Wheeler was pulling away from them around the super fast 3/8 mile oval.

Carrier's bid for second place would end on the 28th lap as he struck the inside turn four tire barrier causing a caution flag as he spun to a stop. Quick pit work would send him to the tail and in the 15 spot at this time. With the caution for Carrier, Jr., Wheeler's expanding lead was wiped out with Hawley left with 12 laps to go to decide the race. Wheeler exploded out of the gate and immediately put enough distance between himself and Hawley as he would go on to score his first ever STARS Battle of the Bluegrass win. Hawley would have another strong finish taking second place. Nineteen-year-old Aaron

Hatton would make his presence known all night as the BOB regular would be in the top five all race and at one point challenging his way in a race for second place, he would eventually bring his car home in third in a terrific run. Another young gun 24-year-old Steve Casebolt, Jr. in his first BOB start of the season would run a quiet, but yet solid race as he would come home in the fourth position. Timmy Yeager gained some valuable points on point's leader, Eddie Carrier, Jr. as he would have his best finish in the Estes owned No. 22 garnering fifth place at the pay window.

Completing the top-10 were Jesse James Lay, Whitney McQueary would be the hard charger of the race starting in the 17th starting position and finishing in seventh. Tennessee veteran, Eddie Pace, in his first BOB start of the year, would come home in eighth followed by Dustin Neat and Eddie Carrier, Jr. who came from 15th to 10th in the closing laps.

In preliminary events Eddie Carrier Jr. would set fast time at 14.554 seconds, which was the actual time he recorded instead of the 13.554 seconds which was announced. Eddie Carrier Jr., Johnny Wheeler and Mike Hawley won heat races.

**The Official Feature Finish: STARS Battle of the Bluegrass Late Models Soggy Bottom Speedway-Morgantown Saturday, Aug. 10**

15TH EVENT

1. Johnny Wheeler-Campbellsville, Rayburn/Comet/American Race Tires
2. Mike Hawley-Paint Lick
3. Aaron Hatton-Mt. Sterling
4. Steve Casebolt, Jr.
5. Timmy Yeager-Harrodsburg
6. Jesse James Lay-Walton
7. Whitney McQueary-Dunnville
8. Eddie Pace-Clarksville, Tenn.
9. Dustin Neat-Dunnville
10. Eddie Carrier, Jr.-Leburn
11. Jason Setser-Columbus, Ind.
12. Tyrel Todd-Eubank
13. Joey Daniel-Liberty
14. Bryan Barber-Buffalo
15. Bobby Carrier, Jr.-Harrodsburg
16. Lee DeVasier-Midway
17. Bobby Wolter, Jr.-Lexington
18. Richard Smith-Science Hill

**Next Events**  
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Saturday-\$5000 to win/\$300 to start

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ish ahead of the No. 87 of Gilbert, W.Va.'s John White, "Preacherman" Steve Littleton's No. 41, Grayson's Tom Hall in No. 6H and Williamson, W.Va.'s John Blankenship in No. 23.

Defending super bomber champion at 201, Falcon's Jim Lemaster, remained just that following his division's race, pulling him to within 30 points of points leader Glenn Patton of Pikeville, who had a 60-point advantage entering Saturday night's feature. Cory McKenzie held off Michael Paul Howard to finish second, Junior Hunley came back from a seventh-lap spin to finish fourth ahead of Brent McCormick and Tom Crabtree.

Entering Saturday night's open wheel modified feature, Tim Moore had pulled ahead of Prestonsburg's Chris Prater in the championship points battle by a mere five points, and the two would share the front row of Saturday night's race. But Prestonsburg's Clint Shutts took the win — his third — with Prater held onto second to take over the points lead, after Moore's night ended on the second lap. Drift's Scott Hall moved up to third in the points

with a third-place finish, ahead of Huntington, W.Va.'s "Racin' Jason" Perry and South Williamson's Darren Muncy.

Points leader Buck Lemaster rolled on to his seventh feature win of the season in Saturday night's bomber division. East Point's Gary Fitzpatrick finished second ahead of the No. 21 car of Martin County's Kenneth Howell, West Liberty's Scott Pennington and Bo Howard.

Pennington out-hogged Lowmansville's Mikey Wallen for his eighth road hog feature win of the season. Wallen finished ahead of Wes Bailey, Michael Marcum and Salyersville's Nathan Spurlock.

Points leader John Henson Jr. bested a field of 11 four-cylinders to take the feature win Saturday night. Royalton's Jeff Risner posted his best finish at 201 in his No. H20 Nissan pickup, ahead of third-place finisher Leroy Akers, D.I. Henson and the No. 31E of Shane Ellis.

Dirt track racing continues Saturday night at the 201 Speedway. For more information, call the track phone at 606/265-3201.



Allen Central High football players got in some sled work during a recent practice. Allen Central plays Betsy Layne in a season opener for both teams one week from today.

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# Some 'vacation'

As you read this column, I am off again on another "vacation." And what a play on words, a paradox if you will, to be "on vacation" and actually be "working."

I'm referring to the "leftovers" of moving. What I mean is, I still have lots of "leftover" boxes to attend to. It's amazing, I've found, how much "stuff" you can actually do without if you have to.

I've found myself wondering, "If it's been in a box since June and I've managed to make do without it for this long, do I really need it?"

Already possessing a quite practical nature, I think I'm on the verge of becoming a "Spartan." Let's see just how miserly I can really become once I set my mind to it. I've read about those thrifty women who melt small bits of crayon remnants in the microwave to form one gigantic multi-colored "Bigfoot" crayon or who save panty hose with runs and once they find a pair with a run in the right leg and a pair with a run in the left leg, simply snip off the

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## This Town That World

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

The last few days have convinced me that air-conditioning is here to stay.

### OUR "MISS AMERICA" CHOICE

I am "smitten with" Miss Nanci Bowling, the 1962 Miss Kentucky who visited Prestonsburg last week, I hasten to add that I am old enough to listen as well as to look.

It's a pity that more of our young people did not hear Miss Bowling when she spoke briefly at prayer meeting last Wednesday night at the Baptist Church here. They need to hear such statements, almost as badly as we who are older, they and we alike are so craven when it comes time to stand up and be counted.

As nearly as I can recall, and these notes were made not long after she had spoken, this is an excerpt from Miss Kentucky's short talk:

"Since I have been selected for this honor I am constantly being thrown into situations and social contacts which are foreign to what I have been taught and what I

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Kathy Prater  
Lifestyles editor

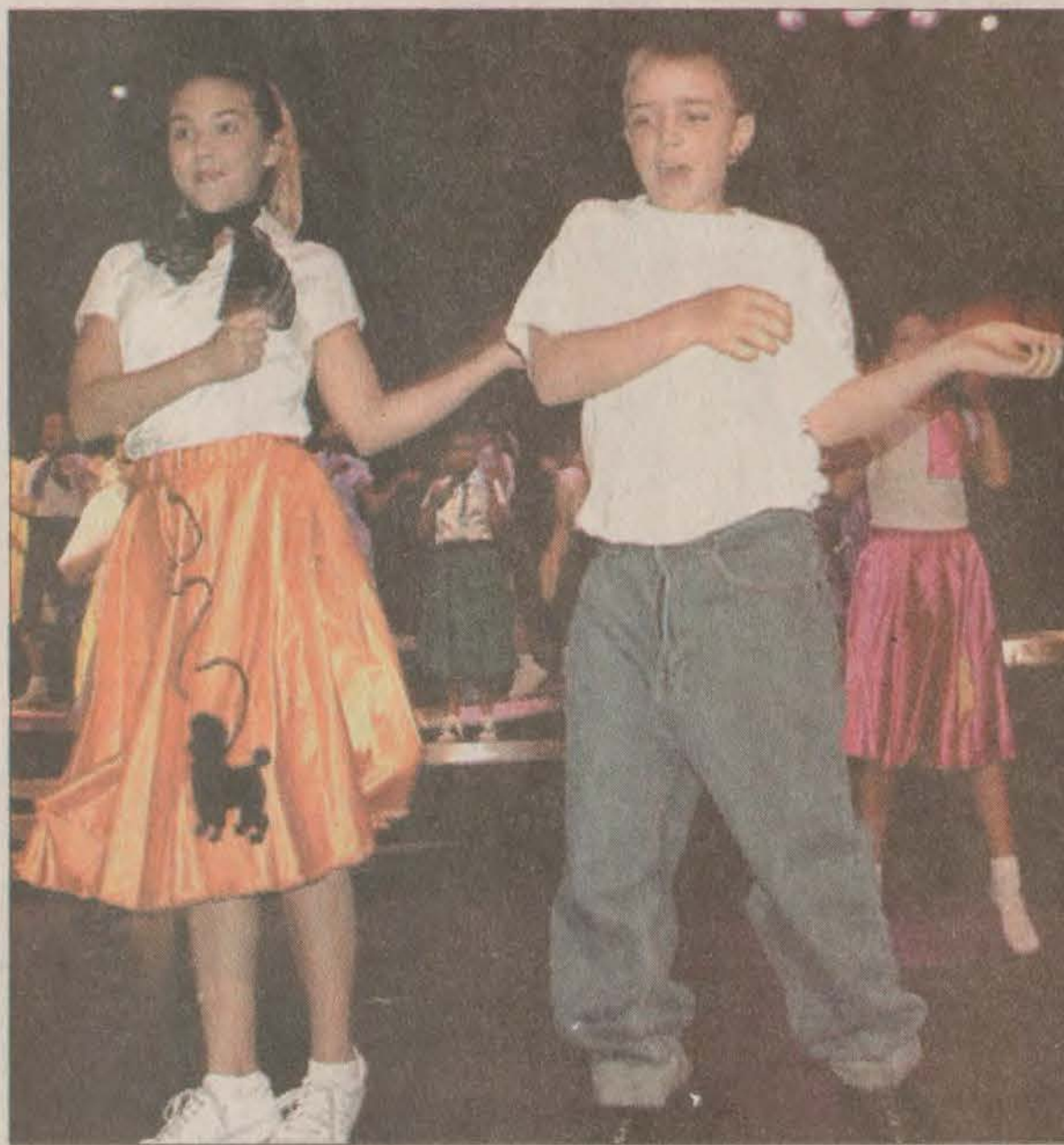


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Allison Lovely, Salyersville Middle School, and Shawn Wallen, Betsy Layne Middle School, were dancing to the oldies at the Eastern Kentucky Performing Arts presentation on Monday, August 12.

## POSTSCRIPT

### Mountaintop experience

Sunday week, two friends from Pikeville — Dorothy Carlson and Bill Gillis — and I did something purely for ourselves, for our spirits and for our bodies.

We'd talked for years about hiking to Bad Branch Falls, and we finally set a date.

I had seen lots of pictures taken by other photographers, had seen a piece on KET's Kentucky Life, and had heard a song about it. It was past time to go.

Since the weather has been Dog Days hot, we tried to get an early start. We left Pikeville about

8:45 a.m., drove to Whitesburg and then followed US 119 over Pine Mountain. Bill maneuvered his car over the magnificent ridge, which is the state's newest park-in-the-making — all 120 miles of mountaintop.

On this morning, parts of the mountain were still blanketed in fog and the ethereal beauty put a lump in the throat. The road is, of course, harrowing at times — although it's much better than it once was.

This part of Letcher County is where the Cumberland River starts. From these headwaters arises the 16th longest river in the United States. From here, the Cumberland begins its almost 700-mile flow to the Mississippi, creating a spectacular falls, feeding several lakes, dipping deeply into Tennessee and coming back into Kentucky on the far western shore.

Bad Branch Falls, flowing into Poor Fork, is part of the river's support system.

We began our trek at around 10:30 in the morning, with the sun's heat beginning to be felt full force. In the woods, however, the huge trees and shrubs, giving the feel of a tropical rain forest, offer complete cover. The temperature was probably 10 degrees cooler along the trail as shafts of light beamed through the trees.

The trail begins with a very slight, but steady slope. You feel that you must be going higher, but not painfully so. Occasionally, you have to take care over a particular

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### "Smile, Muffin!"

We all love our pets and we love showing off the cute photos we take of them. If you would like to see your pet's photo displayed alongside Dr. Carol Combs-Morris' "Crier Corner" column, send it in to Kathy Prater at any of the following addresses: The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or email to features@floydcountytimes.com. You're also welcome to drop it off anytime at our front desk. Don't delay, we're eager to share your pet's photos with our readers!

# 'ROCKSON'

## The Eastern Kentucky Performing Arts Group

by LORETTA BLACKBURN  
STAFF WRITER

The Eastern Kentucky Performing Arts group entertained the Floyd County Board of Education certified employees at the Mountain Arts Center on training day, Monday, August 12, with a presentation composed of various show choirs including "Rock On".

The group, composed of 36 middle school students from around the area, worked over four weeks to prepare for the show that displayed a wealth of talent and happy faces. Music Director Chris Lafferty, who is a music teacher at Allen Elementary, stated that the children worked four hours a day, four days a week, from July 8 to August 11 to prepare for the presentation. Some of the students, 10 to 15 from outside the county, came from the area school choirs.

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Submitted photo  
Sharon Vanhose, Citizens National Bank, volunteered to help with the door-prizes at the MAC on Monday, while four-year-old Andy Hazlette, Paintsville, drew for the winners.

# Slaying the evil dragon—jealously

Since August is one of the most popular months for weddings, and last time the topic had to do with "love or addition?" it seemed natural to think of other situations that might undermine the happiness of newlyweds. One that came to mind was the old evil dragon—jealousy! Seems it has been around for ages and has the potential to lurk in the biggest and smallest places possible. Are you jealous in your relationship? If you are, what might you do about it and the pain it creates?

According to Webster, "Jealous" means to be envious,

Similar to so many Evil Dragons in life, both real and unreal ones, jealousy will not cease to exist overnight. "Give it time." It will not fade without work. Also like other stressors, admitting to yourself that you are jealous, you can handle it, and do what you need to do, does wonders. No one made you jealous. You choose to react, consciously or subconsciously, to that which was going on about you. Someone else in the same situation might not be jealous at all!

suspicious, apprehensively watchful, solicitous, and zealously careful. Does this fit a description of your feelings toward your special one in your relationship? An appropriate relationship is built on trust. You trust that the person you have chosen wants to be with you, is

concentrating on you and not someone else, and trusts you to do the same. Most likely, if Person A of the relationship is constantly worrying that Person B is about to disappear, or that when Person B is late from work, it is really due to Person B being off with someone else, big

time difficulties and insecurities are going to erupt. The Evil Dragon appears—jealousy.

There are seven questions to consider whether or not you are jealous of your partner. (1) Is it good to make your partner jealous? "No!" Some folks believe that it is good to make the other

person jealous. "It proves he cares. I feel wanted when she's jealous." I would think that you would rather feel wanted and cared for without your loved one being afraid of losing you. (2) Does your partner feeling jealous make you feel wanted? "No!" Some individuals make their special one feel jealous because it increases their self esteem and makes them feel wanted and needed. (3) Do you dislike and/or pick on your friend's boyfriend or girlfriend? "No, you



Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

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believe. This is a challenge to me, and it also is a privilege to stand up for what I know to be right and to witness to Him who means so much to me, I am proud to be a Christian."

TO EXPLODE A MYTH

We do not discount the authenticity of the poll of newspaper editors taken recently by The Middlesboro Daily News. But we do question the inerrancy of aforesaid editors as to the thinking of the people.

I know, we are supposed to, as they say, "have our finger on the pulse of the people." But that is so much malarkey. We see folks, sure, talk to them when they'll speak to us. But we're probably the poorest political prophets in the business. (I'm the "expert," for instance, who had an idea the Democratic party was rent from stem to stern after the last gubernatorial primary, and that one John M. Robafol just might defeat Bert T. Combs.)

I recall a gentleman who dashed into this office, one day, apparently after going through prolonged osculatory exercises with the Blarney Stone. He wanted to know what "your people" are thinking...you keep your finger on the pulse of the people, blah, blah. I felt like telling him that, the last I felt, the pulse wasn't beating, but I was afraid he might remind me that it was I, not the people, who was dead.

IS THIS TREASON?

I am a hillbilly from 'way back, and proud of it. I will do battle (at a safe distance, with words) for our region, its people, their customs and so on. But I must confess, I am so tired of some of this music that fills the air and my craw—this hillbilly and rock-n-roll tripe—that the screeching of a prima donna trilling foreign words to music my ear cannot comprehend, would be blessed relief.

Some joker has submitted a couple of headlines:

"Man Bites Dog."  
"Allen Catches Fish."

ONLY ONE COMPLICATION

Blame this one on Ardian Conn, not me:

A young colored boy was talking to a neighbor, and the neighbor said, "I hear you got a new papa over at your house. How do you like him?"

"Oh," said the boy, "he's awful nice to me. He takes me out in the boat, out to the middle of the lake every Saturday mornin' and throws me out and I get to swim back to shore."

"But it seems to me that would be pretty hard on you to swim that far."

"Oh, I enjoy the swim," said the boy. "The hardest part of the whole thing is gittin' out of that sack every time."

Emily Post on How To Handle a Foot-Long Without Help:

Rest your left elbow on left knee, hold left end of foot-long with, yes, your left hand. Place right foot on dashboard and support middle of sandwich with right knee. Let right hand take care of remaining portion. Ask waitress to remove your glasses, then, with right knee as axis, move left hand forward and to the right, bringing right end of foot-long within reach of mouth. Then bite, gulp. And do not use ungentlemanly remarks. The sauce-stains on your shirt will wash.

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ly rocky spot.

On your left is the upper part of the mountain, with many fascinating rock faces and, you imagine, hiding places for the little critters to whom this is home. On your right is the creek, sometimes quite a distance down and always full of bubbling sound. Several little falls are evident, although they cannot always be seen through the thicket.

The very last section of the trail would be described as "difficult" by trail raters. You can hear the thunder of the falls, but you have to scramble up a steep outcropping of rocks to get there. Of course, the dampness adds to the occasional slide.

But, it's do-able and, my goodness, is it ever worth it! You bet.

The falls is absolutely beautiful. There's nothing bad about this branch as it cascades over ancient rocks and then falls on over boulders on its way out of the holler. The water is crystal clear and inviting. It is high on to impossible not to go on up and feel the spray on your body. And it's mighty tempting not to wade full into the natural shower—especially after the lather you've worked up on the hike.

The worst part of the trip was the journey back down. You feel like you're leaving a sacred place, a secret temple, a place where deity resides.

We were all a little sore the next day or two, but, ah, what a wonderful experience. As the song says, I wouldn't have missed it for the world.

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Happy Birthday



Natalie Grace has arrived!

Natalie Grace Compton, born August 8, 2002, stopped by the Times office with her parents, Linda and Sheldon, to meet the staff and take a little "bottle break." The precious bundle was born last Thursday at 12:34 p.m., at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She weighed in at 7 lbs., 3 oz., and measured 19 and 1/2 inches in length. She is the maternal granddaughter of Nancy and Raleigh Adams, of Viper. Her paternal grandparents are Loretta and Gary Tackett, of Hi Hat, and Orville Compton, of Virgie. She has one big brother, Tyler Compton, age 6.

Brittney is 6!

Brittney Nicole Woods, the daughter of Michael and Tammy Woods, of Prestonsburg, turned six years old on August 13, 2002. She celebrated her special day with family and friends.



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The children were transported throughout the course of training by buses, which were financed through the funding for the endeavor, secured by Billie Jean Osborne. The show was made possible through the collaborative efforts of the Floyd County Board of Education and the Kentucky Opry. When Osborne spoke of the group to the audience she called them "our children" as she proudly

boasted of their talent.

According to Lafferty, the children received a lot of free vocal training including harmony and solos, as well as dance techniques. The shows choreographer was Sandra Tackett, music teacher at Betsy Layne Elementary, and Clayton Case, a member of the Kentucky Opry Junior Pros, assisted with the choir, vocals, and dance.



photo by Loretta Blackburn

The Eastern Kentucky Performing Arts group included this piece, which portrays the peace and love of the Woodstock generation, at the MAC on Monday, August 12.



Submitted Photo Stephanie Calhoun, Allen Elementary, and Chase Lewis, Salyersville Middle School, are taking a seat on stage after dancing to a 60's tune.

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can share your friend!" Even though you and your friend are really close, you miss her when she begins dating a boyfriend and do not get to see her as usual. Since you can't expect your friend to stay the same, you need to balance life.

(4) You broke up with someone—are you jealous of his/her new partner? "No!" Be secure in what you do. After all, you broke up with your ex as you wanted—he was a jerk. You are now free, can do what you want, and have someone worthy of you. (5) Do you want your partner "not" to have opposite-sex friends? "No!" If your relationship is strong enough, you will not fear that another one will take your partner away. However, if you do have this worry, perhaps you and your mate need to sit down and talk about ways to have a more trusting relationship. (6) Are you jealous of your partner's coworkers? "No!" Again, your having a strong relationship will help you avoid these insecurities. A suggestion is that you find ways to be more comfortable—think about what you and your partner "do" have, and learn more about your partner's "work world," making it more "your" world and less

threatening. (7) How long do you think your current relationship will last? "As long as we can make it work—hopefully forever." Although this question may seem unrelated to jealousy, research has indicated that people who have confidence and security in their relationship are unlikely to be jealous. In addition, they are in for the long haul, since both of them are committed to the relationship. If you don't feel this way, examine why you might not be?

Several different techniques might be used to slay the Evil Dragon—dealing with jealousy. To begin with, "take a deep breath" and attempt to control your jealousy by trying not to show your partner every time you're jealous. Your partner is likely to become annoyed after a while, giving you the opposite effect you were hoping to achieve. When you calm yourself, think if you really have a reason to feel jealous. A fundamental approach is based on the idea that you "become bored with it." It doesn't matter how much you are attached to a thought or thing, you can become bored with it

(See PONDER, page three)

School Happenings

READY OR NOT – IT'S 'BACK TO SCHOOL'!

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

Health Records Update: Parents who have health records to bring in to the school may bring them to the Youth Services Center any weekday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Center is open during the summer each day from 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. Center is open all summer long and offers services to students regardless of income. Center telephone: 886-9812.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

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

A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment. The center is currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for students who will enter the 6th grade in the upcoming school year, kindergarten entrance exams and TD boosters for sophomores. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These nursing services are available to anyone in the community.

The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

DUFF ELEMENTARY FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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 ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Parents with children to be enrolled in Head Start, Kindergarten, or sixth grade during the upcoming school year need to schedule physical examinations and vaccination update appointments now. If you have not scheduled your child's health care appointment, please call 377-2678 and do so now.

GED classes are taught each Monday and Wednesday from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Classes are FREE. Mrs. Linda Bailey, of the David School, is the instructor.

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

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

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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.

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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

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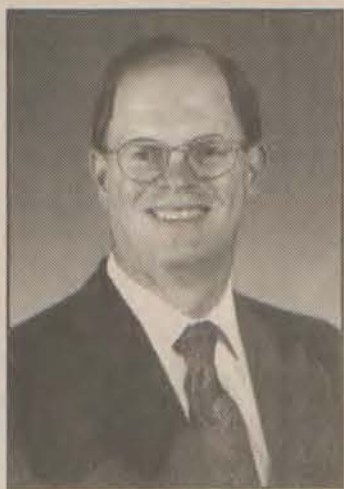
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# Family Medicine

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# Heat – heat – what should I do in all this heat?

**Q** My work keeps me outdoors on many of these summer days. Because of the heat, I drink plenty of water. Despite this, I got quite hot two days ago. I drank some sports drink and soaked in a cool bathtub when I got home. Later that evening, and still today, I had some nausea and feel generally weak. Did I catch some type of flu or is this a mild form of heat stroke?

**A** Infectious illnesses like influenza do occur in the summer, although they are more prevalent in the winter months. Food poisoning and other conditions can cause symptoms like nausea and feeling weak. With your description of the circumstances, however, I'd assume that you had a mild form of heat-relat-

ed illness. Our organs operate efficiently in a very narrow range of temperatures, about 98 to 100 degrees Fahrenheit. The reason we can function well in a wide variety of environments — from cold winter weather to the heat of summer — is that the human body has effective methods for controlling the temperature of the organs in the head, chest and abdomen.

In a warm environment, the body generates more heat than it needs to keep the organs at their optimal working temperature. The body deals with this situation by pumping the warmed blood to areas where its heat can be released to the environment. This is why on a hot day you become "flushed" as the circulation in the blood vessels close to the surface of

the skin is increased. In addition, the temperature exchange is augmented by the cooling effect of evaporation of sweat from the skin.

Normally these and other temperature-control mechanisms, including air exchange in the lungs, do a satisfactory job. In some situations, however, these methods may not be sufficient to keep the body temperature down where it belongs. Prolonged exercise while in bright sunlight on a hot summer day — such as you experienced — is one of these situations.

If the internal temperature of the body increases above the optimal level, the body's organs start to work less efficiently. A mild elevation, say to a temperature of 101 or 102, causes some general muscle weakness, nausea, headaches, dizziness, muscle cramps and clammy skin. This milder form of heat-related illness is called heat exhaustion. This is probably what you had, and the treatment you took — consuming liquids and cooling

off in the tub, is appropriate. Despite the prompt return of your body temperature to normal, the nausea, muscle aching and general "not feeling your best" sensations often take a day or two more to resolve.

In the most extreme cases of heat-related illness, the internal temperature may reach 105 to 107 degrees and cause serious damage to the liver, kidneys, brain and heart. This is called heat stroke, and it's a much more serious condition than the heat exhaustion you had. Heat stroke

can be fatal without immediate medical intervention. This is an important point to understand.

The best thing to do when you think someone has heat stroke is to call emergency medical services immediately. While waiting for the ambulance to arrive, move the victim into the shade. It will help lower the body temperature if you spray his or her bare head, chest and abdomen with cool but not cold water. Offer liq-

uids to drink if the person is able, but above all else, get emergency help as quickly as possible!

As in most situations, prevention of a heat-related illness is the best approach. To avoid getting into trouble again this summer, I'd suggest that you take frequent breaks to get out of direct sunlight. Wear lightweight, light-colored clothing, put on a sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher, and drink large quantities of liquids. Water is fine, and sports drinks are OK, too. The easiest way to tell if you have been drinking enough liquid is by your frequency of urination. If it's been over four hours — then it's time for a water break.

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

## Ponder

all, such as eating lobster three times a day for seven days per week. Your always having the jealousy thought helps it to be powerful, and typically you refuse to address it head-on. Simply put, remove the power of thinking about jealousy by not allowing it to hurt you anymore. Begin by identifying what really sets you off. Then, you record it into a cassette by describing the situation verbally. Keep playing the tape over and over until you are sick and tired of hearing it. "No more. Enough!" A prediction is that at this point you'll be better able to cope with the jealousy.

"Facing your fears" is another way to "move past" your jealousy and move on with your own life. One theory is that your jealousy developed over a spe-

cific incident, a trigger thought. As a result, the same image keeps replaying in your mind—on and on. It's best that you stop, attempt to figure out what the core image might be for you, and use the other techniques to help you resolve the situation. "Gaining control over the pain" is also a helpful technique for coping more effectively with feelings of jealousy. It is probably not shocking to hear that jealousy really only hurts the jealous person. It is as though the jealous one keeps thrusting a knife into his emotions and continues not being happy and content. One way to remove the knife's edge is to remove the power of allowing it to hurt you. Another technique to make the jealousy less painful uses the following steps. As mentioned

before, find out exactly what is hurting you the most. Next, close your eyes and picture yourself feeling safe and strong in a sunny, warm, and comforting place. While in "that place" and "feeling strong," imagine exactly what you "might" say or do. How would you handle it? Keep building on this mental picture. If you lose your relaxation, begin again or wait until later. Hopefully, after practicing this, if you think about the "event," you will be less likely to react with a irrational thought of "He's evil," but with a "Yes, that happened and I have learned so much, since then, I'm better able to cope with things now. I feel more confident and can face it."

Similar to so many Evil

Dragons in life, both real and unreal ones, jealousy will not cease to exist overnight. "Give it time." It will not fade without work. Also like other stressors, admitting to yourself that you are jealous, you can handle it, and do what you need to do, does wonders. No one made you jealous. You choose to react, consciously or subconsciously, to that which was going on about you. Someone else in the same situation might not be jealous at all! How do the circumstances threaten you? What do you fear will happen? It is also helpful to talk to the person and write down your own feelings about things, behaviors, etc. Understanding the jealousy at the start is the best, first step.

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## DAV Chapter 169 members receive honors at convention



The Betsy Layne Chapter 169 of the Disabled American Veterans recently attended the organization's state convention in Louisville. The convention was held at the Executive West Hotel. Shular Hurd, DAV Chapter 169 treasurer, was chosen as "Disabled American Veteran of the Year" for 2002 by the organization's executive body. Hurd was recognized for the work he does for his fellow disabled veterans, their widows and children. Hurd endures pain from his own handicaps to work as a state service officer who files claims for compensation and pensions for disabled veterans and their families. He also serves as a volunteer van driver who transports veterans who do not have other transportation to the outpatient clinic in Prestonsburg.

Hurd resides at Ivel with his wife, Phyllis, who is a member of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Betsy Layne.

Larry Roberts, commander of the Betsy Layne Chapter 169,

was elected to the state's second highest office in the Kentucky DAV unit, Sr. Vice-Commander. Roberts, a state service officer, has held the following positions in the DAV unit, prior to this most recent election: Department Inspector for the eastern portion of Kentucky; 1st Jr. Vice-Commander, Dept. of KY; 1st Sr. Vice-Commander, 7th district, Dept. of KY; member of the Constitution and By-laws Committee; member of the Legislative Committee; and volunteer DAV van coordinator.

Roberts resides on Prater Creek.

## Eyes

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offending "runny" legs and then put the two pair on, one over the other, to make one complete pair. A little bunched maybe, but hey, I guess it'd work.

And then there's always the "Soup of the Month" recipe that calls for all the odds and ends of the past month's leftovers to be sloshed together into one big pot with a quart or so of water and a little salt and pepper to make, Abracadabra!, "SOUP." As far as I'm concerned they can keep that idea 'cause all I'd be making if I did that would be a huge E.R. bill.

Nope, as I mull it over, I think I have to admit, I just don't have it in me to be miserly. Practical, yes. Practical to a fault, yes. But miserly, no.

So, I've gone for as long as I can. I've either gotta empty those boxes or I'm gonna have to start replacing kitchen gadgets, household items and knick-knacks, and...clothing. I've been wearing the same basic six or so outfits ever since I moved. I think it's time to delve back into some boxes — nose first, feet first, whatever end works, I guess.

So, enjoy your weekend and next week, I'll fill you in on my upcoming garage sale...

Until then, take care and be kind to one another.



The 2002-2003 academic year faculty of the June Buchanan School.



Parents, teachers and students were all excited about the first day of school this past week at the June Buchanan School in Pippa Passes.

## Osborne chosen as KASEP participant



Kortney Rae Osborne

Kortney Rae Osborne, the daughter of Larry and Rita Osborne, of Hueysville, is participating in the Kentucky Appalachian Science Enrichment Program (KASEP) on the University of Kentucky campus.

KASEP is a five-week summer experience for students who represent underserved minority groups in health care professions from the Eastern or Central part of the United States.

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KASEP is funded through a grant from the National Cancer

## June Buchanan School Begins School Year

The June Buchanan School, a private institution serving grades K-12 located on the campus of Alice Lloyd College in Pippa Passes, Kentucky, began its 2002-2003 academic year on Wednesday, August 7. A total of 197 students in Kindergarten thru Grade 12 will make up this year's student body. The June Buchanan School would like to welcome three new faculty members:

Amanda Compton, of McDowell, is teaching english

and journalism.

Angie Spady, of Leburn, is the new arts and humanities instructor.

Gary Stepp, of Pippa Passes, joins JBS as Assistant Headmaster, middle school math instructor, and boys basketball coach.

"I am excited about the new school year! I welcome all faculty, staff, and students back for another great academic year," noted JBS Headmaster, Mr. Yvon Allen.



Headed for Broadway

From left to right, Jessica Branham, Rechelle Johnson, Paige Tackett, and Courtney Foley enjoyed spending a portion of their summer studying under Laura Ruth Ford, arts education director, Mountain Arts Center. The children each performed in the play "The Three Little Kittens," on August 6, as part of the center's Children's Theater Presentation. All four girls did a wonderful job.



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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

PURSUANT TO APPLICATION 836-5186 RENEWAL

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, Notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 452 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for a renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 2.0 miles southeast of Teaberry in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 8.78 surface acres and will underlie 685.00 acres, and

the total area within the permit boundary will be 693.78 acres.

(2) The proposed operation is approximately 1/4 mile southeast from KY. 979 junction with Tinker Fork County Road, and located 2.0 miles east of Big Mud Creek. The latitude is 37° 23' 32". The Longitude is 82° 37' 40".

(3) The proposed operation is located on the McDowell/Pikeville U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Turner Elkhorn Mining Company and Ballard Martin. The operation will underlie land owned by Bruce Hall Estate, Ellis Keathley, Walter and Oma Keathley, Emery & Tilda Ray, Martha & Andy Hamilton, Annie Hamilton, Wellmore Coal Corporation, Harvey Tackett, Henry & Rosie Hamilton, Evan Hamilton, Milford Bryant, James Lowell Hamilton, James & Arlene Hamilton, Donna & Emma Hall, Turner Elkhorn Mining Company, Robert Mitchell, Frank Hamilton, Ovel & Margaret McKinney, Chester Hamilton, The Elkhorn Coal Corporation, John Jack Adkins, Delmar Kiser, William Howell and Ballard Martin. The operation will effect an area with 100 feet of public road, Tinker Fork County Road. The operation will involve relocation of the public road during the life of the mine.

(4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments objections or requests for a permit conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

Pursuant to Application No. 860-5176, Renewal No. 2

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Kentucky May Coal Company, Inc., 1045 Arnold Fork Road, Kite, Kentucky 41828, has applied for renewal of a permit for an existing preparation plant and underground coal mining operation. The proposed operation will disturb 107.94 surface acres, and will underlie 1070.00 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 1,177.94, and located 2.5 miles southeast of Halo, in Knott, Floyd and Pike counties.

(2) The Proposed facility area is approximately 1.5 mile southeast from Kentucky Route 1498's junction with KY 7, and located on Arnold Fork.

(3) The proposed facility is located on the Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the facilities is owned by the Virnus Isaac Estate, Louie Burke, Marion Johnson, Lewis Johnson, Kinship Resources, Inc., Agnes Taylor Heirs, Ben Johnson, Rabon Hall, Tommy Roop, Sid Hall, Vonda Meade, Johnny Roop, Carl Tackett, Grant Burke, Orville Burke, Leonard Burke, Mildred Isaac, Jeff Goble, Ed Gibson, Dewey Johnson, Primble Hall, Barris Hall, Larry Honeycutt, Anna Mullins, Clifford Hall, Willis Hall, Pete Johnson, Hobert Johnson, and Progress Land Corporation.

(4) The renewal

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, Kentucky 41653-1455. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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Creek has two, three, and four bedroom apartments, and Creekside Village apartments has two and three bedroom apartments. We do business in accordance with the Federal Fair Housing Law.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that James and Donna Johnson, 55 Tunnel Way, Price, KY 41636, have filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet for placement of fill to stabilize yard. The property is located approximately five miles south of McDowell, KY, on Rt. 122. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone 502-564-3410.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Danny Tackett, 32 Tunnel Pass, Price, Ky. 41636, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet for placement of fill along the yard. The property is located five miles south of McDowell, Ky., going on Rt. 122 to 32 Tunnel Pass, along Left Beaver Creek. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone (502) 564-3410.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that Hamilton Industries, LLC, 10282, Route 122, Box 76, McDowell, Kentucky 41647, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct an earthen fill and subsequent construction of residential structures within the 100 Year Floodplain. A bridge crossing Mud Creek is also proposed. The project site is located on the east side of Route 979, along the west bank of Mud Creek, approximately 0.85 mile north of the intersection of Route 680 and Route 979. The latitude is 37d 28m 28s; the longitude is 82d 39m 20s. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to The Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone (502) 564-3410.

**SURFACE MINE POSITIONS**

**DIAMOND MAY COAL COMPANY**

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We will only consider those applicants who have the required experience, skills and talents, and who have acceptable work records as proven by clearing a very in-depth reference check and interview process. Applicants must have up-to-date Kentucky required safety training and mining certifications and have at least one year of experience. Applicants are to come to the Kentucky Department for Employment Service office in Whitesburg to complete a **detailed** application, on either Tuesday, August 20, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., or Wednesday, August 21, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Bring a list of **HOME** phone numbers of your current, and as many former bosses, as you can. **This information is a must for further consideration.**

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