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Wreck leads to fugitive arrest

On January 25, Prestonsburg Police Officer Bryan Hall was responding to an accident in front of City Hall when it was brought to his attention that Melissa Cook, 26, of Martin, was a fugitive from justice in Indiana.

According to Hall, he responded to the accident after 3 p.m. last Friday and had the driver pull the car into the parking lot in front of City Hall. A driver license confirmation hit came from dispatcher John Hunt, informing Hall that Cook had been charged with a class D felony of larceny in Indiana.

Hall said that Lt. William Petry transferred her to the Floyd County Detention Center while he went to get a warrant signed. Hall then arrested Cook for the charges.

On Monday, Cook consented to be returned to the state of Indiana to stand trial on the charges alleged.

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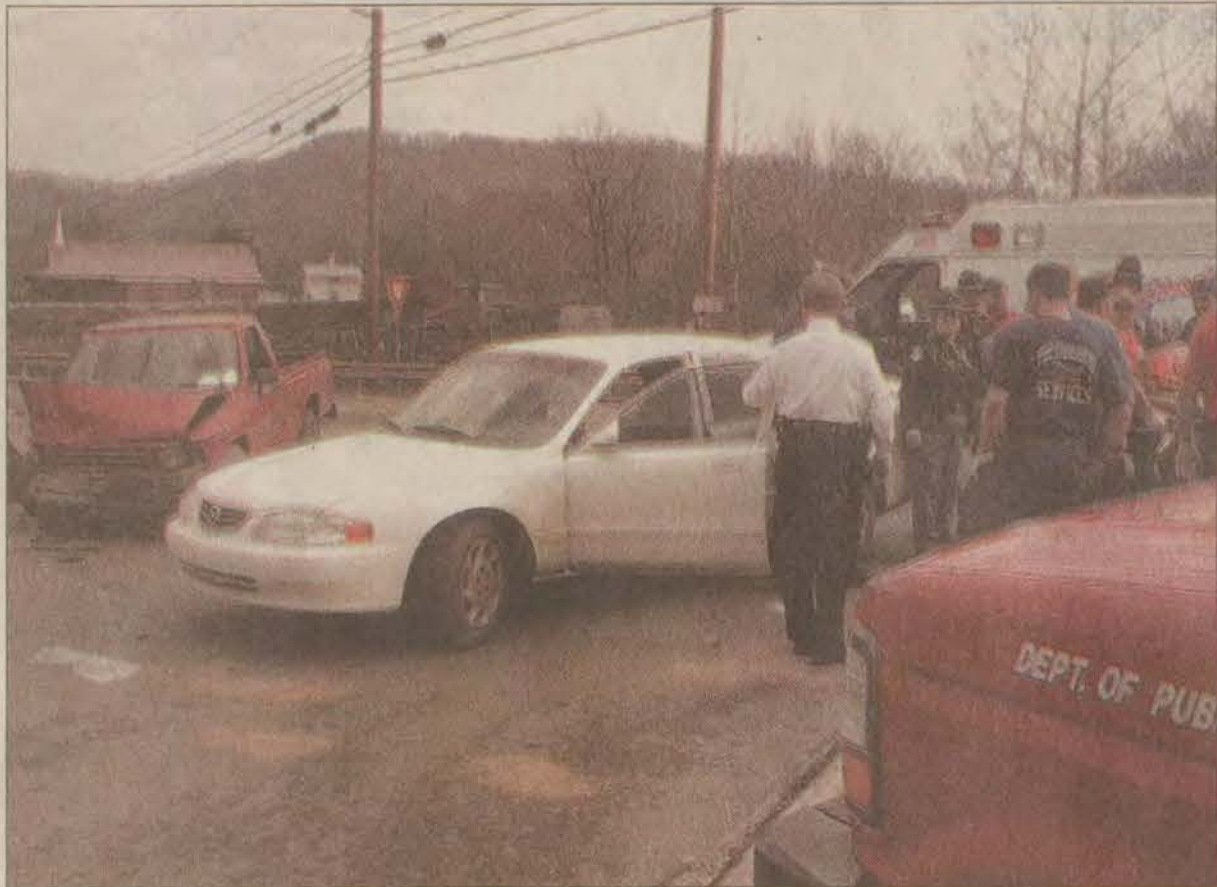


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Rescue workers helped Ginger Doderer, of Johnson County, from her vehicle as they prepare to take her to Highlands Regional Medical Center following a wreck around noon Wednesday. According to Prestonsburg Police Officer Sue Blackburn, Doderer was attempting a left turn from Route 302 to Route 1428, when she pulled in front of a pickup coming from the opposite direction driven by Tommy Castle of McDowell. Both drivers were treated for minor injuries and released the same day from Highlands Regional Medical Center. Castle was cited for driving without a license and having no insurance.

Dog's first test finds schools clean

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department continued what Sheriff John K. Blackburn referred to as a countywide plan to utilize the department's new canine unit and search schools and other facilities Tuesday morning with a first stop at Opportunities Unlimited School in Martin.

Although the Martin school was the first stop of the day, Blackburn said the sheriff's department has already implemented the department's new canine unit during searches at the Otter Creek Correctional Center in Wheelwright as well as other schools throughout the county.

"We've already been to some schools in the county and prisons," said Blackburn. "Those searches have been clean so far. We have another school to go to after this one."

Blackburn was accompanied by Deputy and canine handler Bob Caudill and the department's newest member — Nitro, a 1-year-old black Labrador, that Caudill was trained with last year as part of a Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement canine training program to enhance various aspects in policing for the county, as well as city and state agencies.

"I'm just happy to get a canine unit," continued Blackburn. "It'll be good for the schools and the county and for drug raids, as well. We're going to be working today and from here on with city officials and KSP. Anytime they call us we'll try to assist in whatever way we can."

Caudill, who said the opportunity to enter the canine training came after a spot opened in the Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement pro-

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photo by Sheldon Compton

Sheriff John K. Blackburn and deputy sheriff and dog handler Bob Caudill readied "Nitro," a black Labrador and the newest member of the sheriff's department for a drug search conducted at the Opportunities Unlimited School in Martin Tuesday morning. The K9 search was one of many Blackburn said he hopes to conduct at schools and other facilities throughout the county now that the option is available.

More water extensions ready to get underway

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

Contract agreements were signed Wednesday at Southern Water and Sewer District's offices in McDowell to move ahead on pre-construction plans for water extensions at John's Branch, one of many areas of the county that have benefited from a countywide water line initiative spearheaded by County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson and the Floyd County Fiscal Court.

The John's Branch project, which will find funding from Abandoned Mine Lands (AML) funds as well as the fiscal court, was stalled briefly in order to reroute plans for certain line placements, but will now be able to move forward on schedule, said PDR engineer Bob Taylor,

who was on hand for the construction meeting with several of his engineers to detail the basic terms of the contract.

The Lexington-based engineering company is working along with county and private companies on both the John's Branch extension as well as the Spurlock extension, set for final signing early next week.

Southern Water director Bob Meyer and the organization's chairman, Hubert Halbert, both touted Thompson's commitment to the project even as final papers were signed by Kinder Construction president Denver Kinder to begin work on the extensions in coming weeks.

The extension will serve to add approximately 40 hookups, resulting in around 600 new cus-

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photo by Ralph B. Davis

County Clerk Chris Waugh, Jamie Dawn Blackburn, who is challenging Waugh for his job, and a representative for clerk candidate Russell Shepherd were the first candidates to draw for ballot position Thursday. A list of the order in which the candidates will appear can be found on page A6.

Suspected drug deaths in 2002 already match 2001

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

Drugs could possibly be the cause for three deaths in Floyd County within the last week.

According to Floyd County Coroner Roger Nelson, the death of three Floyd County residents is suspected to be the result of drug overdoses. Nelson had not ruled out other possible causes and said that autopsy reports would not be available for another four to five weeks.

Nelson said that so far this year a total of four deaths of Floyd Countians are suspected to be drug-related, along with another three from other counties who ended up in Floyd County hospitals.

This is a considerably large number compared to the seven deaths that were directly related to drug overdoses all of last year.

However, Nelson remarked that it was not so unusual to see so many in such a short period of time.

"They come in spurts, and then we won't see another one for three or four months," said Nelson.

Along with the obvious increase in drug-related deaths in Floyd County one month into the year, Nelson stated that he had also seen a change in the types of drugs.

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Bishop competency hearing postponed

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

A competency hearing set for accused killer Dwayne Bishop, 42, of Teaberry, who allegedly killed his wife and left her body at an abandoned strip mine in Ligon in September 2000, was rescheduled this week following a set of motions presented to the court on Tuesday.

The public advocate's office filed a motion for review and a separate motion for continuance for the hearing to be rescheduled Tuesday.

The hearing had been previously set for Wednesday, but will now be heard by Circuit Judge John David Caudill on Tuesday, following an order to reschedule filed this week.

Bishop was arrested in September 2000 and charged with murdering his wife, Carolyn Bishop. He has since kept his court-appointed attorneys busy filing several motions, including an unsuccessful motion last year to have his \$250,000 cash bond lowered and an equally

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Odds and Ends

■ **PITTSBURGH** — Middle school students at Schiller Classical Academy are taking a bite out of history in an effort to improve the quality of their lunch.

The students, who were inspired by civil disobedience in the Boston Tea Party and the bus boycott in Montgomery, Ala., have started their own revolt of sorts.

Since mid-December, students have begun a boycott of the lunchroom and adopted the slogan: "We won't eat if it smells like feet."

They complain their pre-packed provided meals often include half-thawed frozen peaches, watery macaroni and cheese, greasy pizza and discolored meat. School officials say Schiller is limited in its offerings because the school lacks a cafeteria.

"They're not good ... and every other day it's the same thing," said sixth-grader Brittany Ford, 11.

The protest was sparked students in Antoinette Jones' eighth-grade history class after Jones urged students to take action, instead of just complaining.

"I told them to find a cause, document what they feel is wrong, document the steps they will take to change it, and I told them they must be willing to make a sacrifice," Jones said.

■ **PITTSBURGH** — A quirky running club that uses pink flour to help guide its joggers has run into a sign of the times.

Anxious calls to police were made Monday when resi-

dents discovered the flour at locations across the city and feared it might be anthrax.

"It was an error in judgment," said Jerry Agin, 60, an official with the Hash House Harriers running club. He called police and quickly explained.

The Harriers began its non-competitive social runs in 1938. Over decades, the club has developed a worldwide underground following.

A leader, known as a hare, gets a head-start and marks a course which other runners, known as hounds, follow. The course is marked with checkpoints and false-trails to create general confusion.

This isn't the first time Hashers have run into trouble using flour.

On New Year's Day, a mall in Fayetteville, N.C., was evacuated for two hours when another Harriers running club marked its trail with flour. And in October, a pair of runners in Oxford, Miss., were arrested after using white powder to mark their route through a busy downtown square.

"I guess we're just going to have to stay away from flour for a while — at least in the urban settings," Agin said.

■ **GREENSBURG, Pa.** — Shorty the dog should probably consider a career in law enforcement.

Duane Palmer was playing fetch on Jan. 16 with his 11-month-old Labrador-Huskey mix when the dog returned with a wallet instead of the ball that was thrown.

Palmer turned the wallet over to police and told them

where it was found.

Police said the address also was the location from which a woman called to report she had seen a man peeping into her living room window on Jan. 9.

North Huntingdon Patrolman Theodore Kukich said he found footprints in the snow and what appeared to be an impression left by someone laying down — but the man had fled before he arrived.

The woman who owned the apartment said she could identify the man if she saw him again.

When police showed her a picture from the driver's license found below her window, she positively identified a 23-year-old man, who was charged with loitering, prowling at night and disorderly conduct.

■ **DANBURY, Conn.** — Edward Ackell was in a hospital room, recovering from

emergency surgery with tubes protruding from his body. But that didn't stop him from casting a vote that forced a tie in the 138th House District election.

Republican Rich Antous and Democrat Grace Scire each won 1,166 votes in Tuesday's special election. A re-count is scheduled for Friday.

The Danbury voter registrar's office said the 71-year-old Ackell filled out the last absentee ballot issued Tuesday. Deputy Registrar of Voters George Schmiedel took the ballot to Danbury Hospital and left with Ackell's vote at about 6:15 p.m., less than two hours before polls closed.

Ackell won't say who he voted for, although he is a Republican, according to his wife, Beverly. She said that for some reason she believed her husband's vote was going to be important.

"I said to him, 'Ed, you know I just have this feeling that this vote is going to do something for the election,'" she said. After she called City Hall for help, Schmiedel delivered an emergency absentee ballot application and then returned with the ballot.

Ackell was ready. He put on his glasses, found something solid to put between the ballot and the bed sheets, and said, "OK, give me the pen."

■ **SALT LAKE CITY** — A jury awarded \$290,000 to two women who said they were deceived by a fundamentalist church whose leaders promised to produce Jesus Christ in the flesh.

The True and Living Church of Jesus Christ of the Saints of the Last Days was ordered Monday to pay \$270,000 to Kaziah Hancock and more than \$20,000 to Cindy Stewart for fraud,

breach of contract and intentional infliction of emotional distress.

As a condition of church membership, Hancock gave 67 acres of her farm and shares of water rights to the church for redistribution among members. Stewart contributed money from her retirement plan, attorney Don Redd said.

In return, church founder Jim Harmston promised payments on other property, membership in heaven's elite and the chance to meet Christ on earth, Redd said.

The eight-member jury threw out complaints of racketeering and unjust enrichment against the church and Harmston.

Harmston refused to comment and referred questions to his attorney, Mark Middlemas. Middlemas did not return calls Tuesday.

(See **ODDS**, page five)

Panel reviews bill to publicly finance legislative campaigns

by **BRUCE SCHREINER**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A matriculation in the campaign-finance reform movement on Thursday urged Kentucky to publicly finance legislative elections, a concept she said even political conservatives should embrace.

Doris "Granny D" Haddock, who at 90 walked across America to promote campaign-finance reform, said public financing would restore power to the people instead of monied interests.

Haddock, now 92, appeared before the House Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee to promote a bill to allow candidates for the General Assembly to run with taxpayer money. In return, candidates would be limited in what they could take in other funding.

Haddock said that is the key to ridding politics of special-interest influence that has disillusioned the public.

"They want a government where the men and women of the best skills and the highest character will rise to lead them — not those who have the richest friends or who are the best at selling their souls," she said.

The committee did not vote on the bill. Even the bill's chief sponsor, Rep. Jim Wayne, said its chances of becoming law are slim this year, mainly because of

the tight state budget.

Candidates could choose whether to rely on public financing.

Wayne, D-Louisville, estimated the public-financing system would cost about \$15 million. The money would come from qualifying donations from voters, higher filing fees and from the state's general fund.

"I have a long view on this," Wayne said after the hearing. "We will come back in two years when the budget picture is better and we'll push this harder."

Haddock, of Dublin, N.H., claims special-interest groups receive \$10 in tax breaks for every dollar they give to a candidate.

"If you are a political conservative, will you not trade a corrupt system of public financing for a clean one that costs the taxpayers one-tenth as much?" she said. "Is that not the essence of smaller, more efficient government?"

Rep. Woody Allen, R-Morgantown, said he agreed

with the concept of putting influence in the hands of the people. But he said people in his district belong to groups representing farmers, teachers, nurses and doctors. "My district is full of special interests," he said.

Kentucky already has public financing of governor's races.

Under Wayne's bill, legislative candidates would have to qualify for public financing by raising "seed money" in contributions of \$10 or less per individual — up to \$4,250 by Senate candidates and \$1,500 by House candidates.

Voters would send contributions to a "state clean election fund" in support of the candidate. The Kentucky Registry of Election Finance would oversee the fund and transfer money to the candidates.

Senate candidates in contested primaries would get \$54,000 from the fund; House candidates would get \$20,000. The same amounts would apply in general elections.

(The legislation is House Bill 355)

Defense wants psychiatrist to examine man charged in law school shooting

The Associated Press

GRUNDY, Va. — Defense attorneys are asking a judge to appoint a psychiatrist to examine the former student charged with killing three people at the Appalachian School of Law this month.

Peter Odighizuwa, accused of going on a shooting spree after learning he had flunked out of school, appears to have "distorted perceptions of reality," states the motion filed this week in Buchanan County General District Court.

Attorney Jimmy Turk is asking a judge to appoint Dr.

Seymour Halleck before a preliminary hearing scheduled for March 21. Halleck teaches at the University of North Carolina's law and medical schools and serves as a consultant for the FBI.

In a brief telephone interview Tuesday from the New River Valley Regional Jail, Odighizuwa told The Roanoke Times he was suffering from mental problems on Jan. 16, when police say he opened fire at the law school, killing the dean, a professor and a student. "I'm really mentally sick," he said.

Odighizuwa's former classmates have described him as a loner prone to outbursts in class who became increasingly frustrated with the small law school as his grades plummeted.

On Jan. 16, Odighizuwa went to the school to talk to a professor about his dismissal. Police say the 43-year-old Nigerian immigrant told the professor to pray for him shortly before gunfire erupted in the school's main academic building in Grundy.

Killed in the shooting rampage were Dean Anthony Sutin, who left a high-ranking job with the U.S. Justice Department to take a job at the fledgling law school; professor Thomas Blackwell, and student Angela Dales.

Three other students also were wounded in the shooting.

Buchanan County Commonwealth's Attorney Sheila Tolliver has said she will ask for a death sentence if Odighizuwa is convicted of three counts of capital murder.

State seeks to revoke man's blasting license

The Associated Press

CANADA — The Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals is seeking to revoke the blasting license for a man who detonated explosives on a construction site that killed a passerby earlier this month.

The state had already suspended the license of Lloyd Daniels III, who was working on a road construction project near Canada in Pike County when the accident occurred. The revocation action would permanently bar Daniels from working as a blaster.

The Department of Mines and Minerals sent Daniels a letter detailing its intent to seek revocation of his license on Jan. 24, the same day that Elmo Greer & Sons construction company of London received three citations related to the accident.

James H. Mollett, 56, of Staffordsville, died on Jan. 15 after being buried beneath 22 feet of rock and dirt.

Mollett, a natural gas company employee, was allowed to drive in his pickup truck along a narrow road to check a gas well just below the blasting area along U.S. 119. The Pike County coroner said Mollett apparently suffocated in his truck.

Inspectors said Elmo Greer & Sons failed to provide ample warning to people on the construction site that a blast was about to be detonated.

In addition, the inspectors said the company's procedure for alerting people that a blast was about to be detonated on the site was to drive a pickup truck along U.S. 119 blowing the horn.

Nearby residents could hear the horn, but a number of workers on the construction site could not, inspectors found.

Holly McCoy, spokes-

woman for the Department of Mines and Minerals, said the construction company also was cited because flag men failed to stop people from entering the danger zone and because the company failed to ensure that everyone was a safe distance from the blast or under sufficient cover.

McCoy said each citation carries a maximum fine of \$1,000.

Legislators discuss improving safety at site of fatal accidents

The Associated Press

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — New traffic signs may soon go up as legislators begin discussing ways to improve safety on a stretch of Interstate 64 that has been the site of four fatal accidents since Dec. 1.

Signs with caution arrows may be installed in the next week between the Hal Greer Boulevard and Huntington Mall interchanges, where four South Point, Ohio, residents were killed Friday in the most recent accident.

Delegate Dale Stephens, D-Cabell, said options may include reducing the speed limit, target-

ing aggressive drivers or building a median between the east-bound and westbound lanes. He hopes to see some action taken this year, and he is checking into funding.

The Department of Highways is doing a study of accidents over the last three years, what has caused them and whether there is a pattern, Stephens said. That should determine whether more signs or a temporary barrier would be needed, he said.

"If it's not a barrier, we need to know what the fix is and when they can get it completed," said Delegate Kevin Craig, D-Cabell.

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Senate panel approves bill to recognize fetuses

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A bill to recognize a fetus as a person, allowing homicide charges against some people responsible for the deaths of unborn babies, was approved Wednesday by a Senate committee.

The bill would exempt abortion, but an abortion-rights activist said it was a part of an attempt to erode women's access to abortion.

"This was a political show for the right-to-lifers who are up here," said Beth Wilson of the American Civil Liberties Union of Kentucky, referring to an anti-abortion rally Wednesday at the Capitol.

The bill easily cleared the Judiciary Committee and now goes to the full Senate. Half of the Senate's 38 members are co-sponsoring the bill.

The measure would broaden the definition of a human being in state law to include an unborn child from the time of fertilization onward, "without regard to age, health, or condition of dependency."

If the bill becomes law, a person who harms a pregnant woman, causing the death of the unborn child, could be charged with criminal homicide.

Sen. Dick Roeding, a lead sponsor of the bill, said that under Kentucky common law a child must be born alive before it can be a crime victim. Roeding, R-Lakeside Park, said that's wrong.

"I believe that the life of an unborn child is a sacred gift from God and when crime destroys it and takes that precious gift away from us, we all suffer," he said. "The criminal must be punished."

Similar "fetal-homicide" measures have won Senate passage in the past but were bottled up in the House.

Under the bill, health-care professionals would be exempt from prosecution for an unborn's death while providing diagnostic testing or treatment. Hospitals also would be exempt. The bill also would not apply to pregnant women who cause the deaths of their unborns.

Wilson said the General Assembly should follow another option — toughening criminal

penalties against people who harm pregnant women. She said that would punish wrongdoers without having to recognize a fetus as a person. Wilson did not testify before the committee.

A bill introduced in the House would allow civil penalties for the deaths of unborn babies. That bill is pending in committee.

Meanwhile, another bill would require that consultations between abortion doctors and women considering the procedure be done in person.

The bill, unveiled Tuesday, would nullify an opinion by the Kentucky Medical Licensure Board that the counseling can be done with a phone call.

The counseling is part of a 1998 law that requires women seeking an abortion to wait at least 24 hours before it is performed. The law requires women to be informed about the abortion and its risks, alternatives to the procedure and the fetus' probable gestational age.

Sen. Katie Stine, R-Fort Thomas and the bill's chief sponsor, said phone conversations wouldn't be conducive for the intended "give and take" between a doctor and a woman considering an abortion.

Abortion-rights activists say the bill would create a burden for women wanting abortions by making them go to an abortion clinic twice, once for counseling and again for the procedure.

"This bill will clearly punish the women of Kentucky," Wilson said.

In another development, the House tacked an abortion-related amendment to a bill allowing nurses in health departments to dispense certain prescriptions. The amendment, by Republican Rep. Mark Treesh of Owensboro, would ban health departments from prescribing anything to induce abortions.

Treesh wanted a roll call vote on his amendment, but House Speaker Jody Richards put it to a voice vote. The amendment was clearly approved but without any legislator having to make a recorded vote. The bill then passed 96-1 and was sent to the Senate.

(The fetal homicide bill is Senate Bill 115. The wrongful-death bill is House Bill 315. The health department legislation with anti-abortion amendment is HB 67.)

Odds

Harmston's wife, Elaine, told The Salt Lake Tribune that she was disappointed with the verdict, adding: "God's people have always been persecuted and right now is no different."

■ EBENSBURG, Pa. — A man who brought laxative-laced brownies to work to get back at co-workers who were eating his bagged lunches is being sued by one of the men who ate them.

John R. Anthony Sr. is seeking unspecified damages from Raymond Jastrzab for the pain and embarrassment he suffered when he ate the brownies.

Jastrzab was fired from OMG Americas in Johnstown following the Jan. 27, 2000, incident and has been denied unemployment compensation after the Commonwealth Court in Harrisburg ruled that he was guilty of willful misconduct and "evil design."

Jastrzab admitted to baking the brownies because co-workers had been eating his lunches, the company said.

Anthony ate the brownies only after they had been left on a table in the plant's dining room, said his attorney, Terry Graffius. It was an unwritten rule of the plant that food left on the table was available to anyone, he said.

Jastrzab stood by and watched Anthony eat them, Graffius said.

Anthony suffered nausea, diarrhea, cramps and dehydration which required medical attention after eating the brownies.

Jastrzab has an unlisted number and could not be reached for comment.

■ SALINA, Kan. — Adam Zaretsky knows what it's like to live in a fish bowl: He's on exhibit at the zoo.

Zaretsky's known as "Zed, species Homo sapiens," in the "Workhorse Zoo" exhibit. His home is an 8-by-8-foot glass room he shares with albino frogs, families of mice, microscopic worms and yeast.

Zaretsky, a 33-year-old San Francisco conceptual artist,

says the display is a combination of art and science. He hopes it will get people thinking about their relationships with other living things.

"I'm actually trying to blur the boundary between what is human culture and what is reality," Zaretsky said, while stretched out on an ambulance gurney that he uses for a bed.

Julia Reodica, who was Zaretsky's teaching assistant while he served as a visiting professor at San Francisco State University, is the zookeeper.

"As a serious researcher, I am finding Zed temperamental and unpredictable," observed Reodica, clad in a Boy Scout uniform with long, zip-up black go-go boots. "When agitated, he throws rubbish against the windows."

Zaretsky received a \$20,000 grant to stage his weekend exhibit.

■ ST. LOUIS — Less than 24 hours after their home-state

teams advanced to the Super Bowl, chief executives of Missouri and Massachusetts engaged in what has become a gubernatorial tradition — a little good-natured trash talking.

Acting Massachusetts Gov. Jane Swift kicked off the round on Monday, warning St. Louis that her state's New England Patriots shouldn't be overlooked by the Rams, already 14 1/2-point favorites for Sunday's title game in New Orleans.

"Being an underdog has suited the Patriots just fine this year," Swift said. "The Rams are going to find out very soon that these underdogs have a very painful bite."

Missouri Gov. Bob Holden took the high road, calling Swift an acquaintance and "very nice lady."

"We'll let the players on the field do the talking," Holden said. "The Rams are gonna win."

— The Associated Press

Convicted doctor must give up money taken in raid

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — A Harlan County doctor convicted Wednesday on eight counts of overprescribing drugs will not get back \$17,000 that police took in a raid at his office.

Jurors on Thursday decided that the money taken from Dr. Ali Sawaf was proceeds that came from prescribing drugs without a legitimate medical purpose. The money now goes to the federal government.

"People engaged in this type of criminal activity should not be allowed to profit from their crime," Assistant U.S. Attorney Roger West said.

Sawaf, 60, was found guilty on Wednesday of eight counts of overprescribing an assortment of painkillers that included

OxyContin. Jurors, who deliberated about seven hours, found the physician innocent of six other federal charges.

U.S. District Judge Karen Caldwell scheduled sentencing for 11:30 a.m. on April 25 in London.

Sawaf could be sentenced to 20 years and fined \$1 million.

Defense lawyer Russell Alred, who was appointed as a public defender, argued Thursday that prosecutors had failed to prove the money came from illegal activity and that it should not be forfeited.

In his trial, federal prosecutors described Sawaf as being desperate to make up lost income after he resigned from a \$230,000-a-year job at the Daniel Boone Clinic in August 2000 to go into private practice.

Bill would exempt construction supply trucks from road weight limits

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Trucks carrying building materials to housing construction sites could exceed highway load limits without special permits under a bill the Kentucky House passed Wednesday.

The sponsor, Rep. Jimmie Lee of Elizabethtown, said the bill was to solve a contractor's dilemma: what to do when a

small road is the only way into the subdivision?

Lee said the bill gives dispensation only for use of state and federal roads, not bridges or county roads. In addition, Lee said, the driver would have to produce a bill of lading "to show they're not just using that road for a shortcut."

The bill passed 80-15 despite a critic's charge that rural roads would be jeopardized so contractors could be spared the expense of making two trips.

"A lot of rural roads ... are state roads. They were built to handle farm traffic, and they're limited to 40,000 pounds," Rep. Bob Damron, D-Nicholasville, told the House.

Lee's bill would allow a dri-

ver "to take an 80,000-pound truck across a 40,000-pound highway, and he's going to destroy that road," Damron said.

Rep. Jim Wayne, a proponent of "smart growth" legislation to compel local planning and zoning, said Lee's bill was symptomatic of a larger problem — lack of coordination between developers and local government.

"The highway department does its thing. The water department does its thing. The sewer department does its thing. The schools do their thing," said Wayne, D-Louisville.

"Kentucky cannot continue to grow in such a scattered way."

(The legislation is House Bill 12.)

Bill would make campus police eligible for body armor grants

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Security police at Kentucky's public universities would become eligible for grants to obtain body armor for officers under a bill approved Wednesday by a House committee.

The money to buy the body armor comes from the sale of confiscated weapons at police auctions. Various police agencies already are eligible to receive the grants to purchase the protective armor.

The bill would add safety and security departments at public universities to the list of eligible police agencies.

The measure cleared the Judiciary Committee with little discussion. The bill's lead sponsor is Rep. Joni Jenkins, D-Shively.

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"He who tells a lie is not sensible of how great a task he undertakes; for he must be forced to invent twenty more to maintain that one."

— Alexander Pope

Guest View Editorial roundup

■ Lake City (Fla.) Reporter, on the changing economy: A 105-year-old retailer has declared bankruptcy while a 7-year-old dot.com has declared its first quarterly profits, and the tale of both is a tale of a changing America, and especially of an America transformed by computers.

Kmart, which lately did not innovate enough, was once an innovator aplenty. The store goes back not just to the last century — that would be the 20th — but to the late 19th. It was known as the S.S. Kresge Company, and if you never visited one of these five-and-dimes in towns across the land, you will likely have an older acquaintance who did. ...

Ah, but there was the growing competition, and the competition, say some analysts quoted in the press, was smarter. Target had more with-it merchandise, and Wal-Mart had lower prices. ... How did Wal-Mart and Target do that? With computers, we learn from one account. Kmart came oh, so slowly into using computers to figure out such crucial matters as what was popular, what wasn't and what sort of sales volume could be expected for particular products. Kmart has now filed for bankruptcy, and while that does not necessarily mean the discount chain will follow so many others to extinction, it is not click-your-heels time for Kmart execs, either. ...

The future plans of Kmart as it looks to keep up with technological advances, shifting demographics and endlessly evolving American lifestyles and tastes? Cut costs, for starters.

The more some things change, the more others stay the same.

■ The Scranton (Pa.) Times-Tribune, on welfare reform: Many members of Congress and former President Clinton knew in 1996 that a provision of the big welfare reform law they had passed and signed was based on a faulty premise.

Now, President Bush has agreed to the repeal of a section of the law that had eliminated food stamps for legal immigrants.

In addition to President Clinton, then-House Speaker Newt Gingrich observed at the time of passage that the provision was unfair, but they agreed to it in order to pass the sound provisions of the larger bill. Americans who earn as much as 30 percent beyond the poverty level are eligible for food stamps.

Legal immigrants were excluded because some lawmakers claimed, without supporting evidence, that immigrants were entering the United States only to take advantage of social programs.

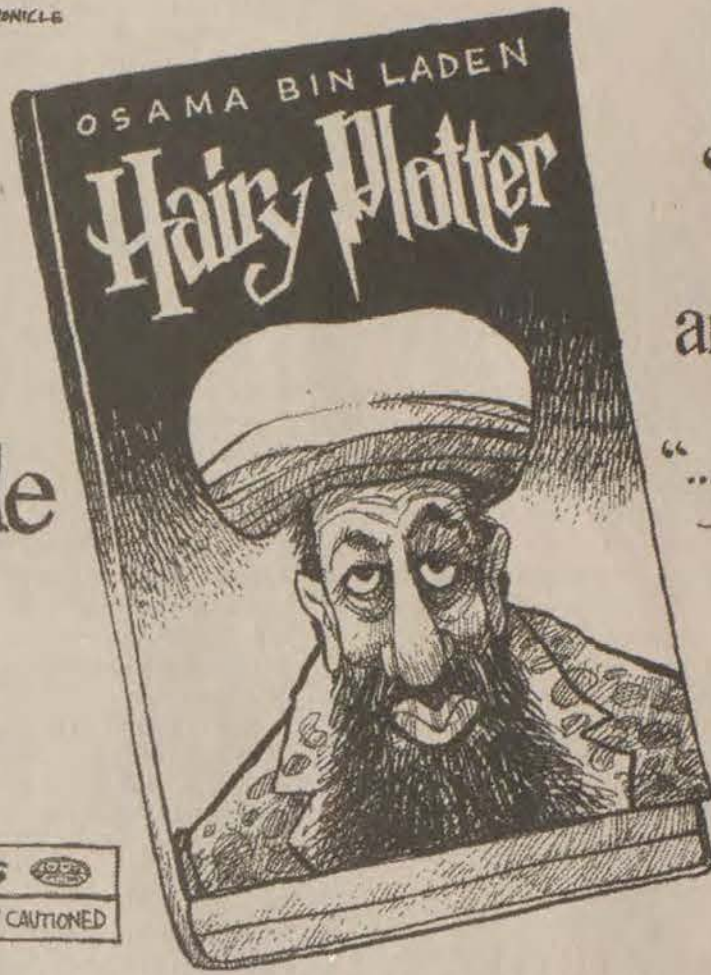
As a former governor of Texas, Mr. Bush understands that the vast majority of immigrants come to the United States to work, and that they collectively are a vital segment of the economy. The president's proposed budget will include the first installment of \$2.1 billion over 10 years to reopen the program to legal immigrants, about 800,000 of whom — less than 5 percent of total enrollment — were removed from the program in 1996.

Mr. Bush deserves credit for his humane decision, which contributes to the ability of new Americans to contribute to the nation's vitality.

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"Disgusting!"

— Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz

Think About It Stepping down from the throne?

I was appalled by the news that Stephen King, one of my all-time favorite authors, told a Los Angeles Times reporter during an interview recently that he was going to "retire" from writing.

I guess I probably wasn't appalled to begin with. I was more disappointed than anything else. But the more I thought about the statement itself, there more I began to question what that really meant.

I have been reading King since I started writing myself when I was 12 years old. I remember collecting all of his novels by saving my lunch money for school every day. I went without lunch for almost an entire year so I could own a comprehensive collection of King's work.

I couldn't get enough of King's writings, and the reading was supplementing my own work, which, because of King and encouragement from my father, was beginning to show some promise. I started submitting short stories for publication when I was 13. I still have a three-inch-high stack of rejection letters and a wealth of helpful advice from that time. That early enthusiasm and

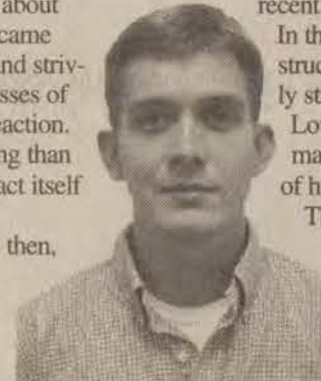
consequent improvement in the craft I love can be almost entirely attributed to Stephen King.

Now King tells me and the world that he's going to retire from the writing. It's just that I don't understand what that means. How can you retire from something you can't help but do?

I tried to quit writing once. I found myself scribbling on napkins in restaurants and making mental notes about story ideas that slowly became full-length works stifled and striving for life inside the recesses of my mind. That was my reaction. I can no sooner quit writing than I can quit breathing. The act itself is reflexive.

What kind of reaction, then, must a writer of King's vast talent be faced with? How can he hope to simply lay down his pen and do what? ... watch television, play golf, go to parties? As a writer I know that without nurturing that passion for creation, nothing else in your life seems real.

Maybe the entire thing would make more sense if I could understand his intentions to be that he is simply going to quit publishing, but not writing.



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Bankers retire, coal miners, accountants and teachers retire — not writers, not artists, not composers, not creative vessels.

King has hinted to his "retirement" several times in the past, but never followed through, thank God, and this too may be nothing more than a publicity stunt of some kind. Who knows?

However, King's decision may be more substantial this time around considering the recent events which have altered his life.

In the summer of 1999, King was struck by a van while taking a leisurely stroll near his summer home in Lovell, Maine, a tragic incident which may have taken some of the wind out of his sails.

The accident flung King several feet and left him with multiple injuries, including a collapsed lung, severe damage to his hip and roughly six operations to help him regain his ability to walk again.

But the bottom line is that King, who has labored, and succeeded for the most part, to terrify his multitude of fans for over 30 years, has just this week perhaps given the most horrific of all imagined possibilities — a literary world without Stephen King. Frightening, simply frightening.

Letters

Detainees not mistreated

I feel somewhat silly writing another "Letter to the Editor," however, your readers deserve the truth. Having guarded prisoners of war and know how they (detainees, as they are referred to today) were treated at that time, I felt compelled to respond.

I was stationed at Masan, South Korea, at the Marine supply depot, attached to the 1st Marine Division, starting out as a fireman and helping to save many South Korean lives, later being assigned as a military policeman and guarding prisoners of war. All of the personnel were extremely humane to the prisoners. They were clothed and fed better than they had ever been.

On the night of July 27, 1953, when the prisoners being held during the Korean War were released, I was on guard duty. What I remember most about that night is that the prisoners did not want to leave. They had been taken care of better as prisoners of war than they were when they were free, which says quite a lot for the treatment they received while imprisoned.

What bothers me today is how so many keep talking and writing about the inhumane ways we are treating the

detainees from Afghanistan at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. They must have forgotten quickly the events that happened on Sept. 11 and all of the innocent lives that were lost that day. I will always remember the sadness of people jumping out of buildings and all of the deaths at the Twin Towers in New York and at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

I am also old enough to remember World War II and the Bataan death march on Corregidor and the way we were treated as prisoners of war. We are a God-loving people and we have learned to forgive our enemies. But let us not be naive into thinking we harm prisoners of war when instead we are doing our best to be reasonable and humane in all respects.

I feel sure those guarding the detainees today are doing so with the utmost of care and caution for their safety, as well as ours.

Ray H. Stoess
Gilbertsville

Martin supports Rose

Gary Rose will make a fine new sheriff for Floyd County. Paul Patton dismissed him as head of

the state police during our gubernatorial race in 1999, and I supported Gary in a public statement at the time.

His reason for running for sheriff: "Out-of-control drug problems in Floyd County." This is nothing new. People in many counties told me the same while I was running for governor, and I said so publicly.

I have sent Gary a contribution towards his victory.

I encourage my friends in Floyd County to do what they can to help clean up the courthouse in Floyd County by giving money, time, putting signs for Rose in their yards, carrying their families to the polls on Election Day — all to help this fine man named Rose make a difference.

Peppy Martin
Bonnieville

Thanks Kentucky West

The Friends of the May House desire to acknowledge the give and installation by Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company of a much-needed gate to control egress from the property's parking lot.

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Entertainment Briefs

■ LOS ANGELES — Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has pulled television and radio ads connecting its upcoming action film "Rollerball" to the street-racing hit "The Fast and the Furious."

Universal Studios, which released "The Fast and the Furious" last summer, filed a lawsuit against MGM, claiming the rival studio was misleading the public by saying in ads that "Rollerball" was "from the filmmakers that brought you 'The Fast and the Furious' and 'Die Hard.'"

U.S. District Court Judge A. Howard Matz issued a court order Tuesday prohibiting MGM from "stating or suggesting" in ads that anyone responsible for creative content of "The Fast and the Furious" also was responsible for "Rollerball."

The link between the two films is John Pogue, who co-wrote "Rollerball," and has an executive producer credit for "The Fast and the Furious." "Rollerball" director John McTiernan shot the 1988 smash hit "Die Hard."

"Rollerball" is scheduled to open Feb. 8.

■ LOS ANGELES — High-definition movies are coming to home video, but on a variant of VHS tapes, not the newer DVD format.

20th Century Fox, Universal, DreamWorks and Artisan said Wednesday they plan to release feature films in D-VHS format, videocassettes that offer better images than standard VHS or even DVD can provide.

Initial titles, expected to be available by this summer, will include "The Terminator" movies, "Die Hard," "X-Men" and "U-571."

The D-VHS tapes will be aimed at those who own high-definition televisions, whose crisp digital images are set to replace the old standard of analog TV.

D-VHS machines also will be able to play standard VHS tapes. The four studios will release films on a digital VHS system created by JVC, whose current D-VHS player has a list price of just under \$2,000.

The high price and the relatively small number of high-definition televisions likely will make the D-VHS format a niche market for the immediate future. High-definition DVD technology is probably at least five years away, studio executives say.

"You have consumers today who would love to have a high-definition alternative, and we have nothing to offer them," said Craig Kornblau, president of Universal home video.

Other studios, worried the new format will confuse consumers as the DVD market continues to explode, have yet to embrace D-VHS.

"As far as we're concerned, D-VHS is not a commercial product," said Ben Feingold, Columbia TriStar home entertainment president. "The enormous success of DVD leads us to believe, both intuitively and practically, that there's a strong preference for a disc-based product."

■ GREENSBORO, N.C. — A sculptor is turning debris from the World Trade Center into a work of art.

Jim Gallucci will use 37,000 pounds of steel from the wreckage of the twin towers to create a sculpture commemorating the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. He's spent weeks working on designs

for the project, but declined to say what they are.

Gallucci wants to take the completed work back to New York on the first anniversary of the attacks, and then on a cross-country tour.

"All most people have seen was a TV image," Gallucci said Tuesday. "When you've seen the real stuff, feel the weight of it, the dynamics that it takes to crush it, to bend it, people will be in tears."

After watching the attacks on television, Gallucci decided he had to create something, and sought material from the fallen towers. He was directed to Metal Management in Newark, N.J., and was placed on a long list of people who wanted such materials.

Officials at Metal Management granted his request once he provided them with a proposal and references that included art gallery director Jenny Moore.

"Jim gets really passionate about the human condition," Moore said. "He has a deep feeling about human suffering, and I know he was determined to go and get this."

■ LOS ANGELES — Paramount Classics has acquired "Bloody Sunday," a dramatization of the police massacre of 13 Roman Catholics in Northern Ireland in 1972.

The distributor announced the acquisition Wednesday, the 30th anniversary of the bloodshed that occurred when police opened fire on an unarmed crowd during a demonstration. The shootings enraged Catholics and set off a wave of Irish Republican Army violence that led to the bloodiest year in the Northern Ireland conflict.

Written and directed by Paul Greengrass, "Bloody Sunday" stars James Nesbitt and Tim Pigott-Smith. Jim Sheridan ("In the Name of the Father," "My Left Foot") was an executive producer.

"Bloody Sunday" was co-winner of the world-cinema audience award at this winter's Sundance Film Festival.

Paramount Classics plans to release the film domestically this fall. The distributor also picked up rights for the film in Australia, New Zealand, Latin America, Japan and South Africa.

■ OXFORD, Miss. — Five finalists competing to design a national civil rights memorial at the University of Mississippi will visit the campus Friday.

Willie Birch and Marcus Akinlana of New Orleans and Terry Adkins, Meredith Bergmann and Dennis Oppenheim of New York City will be on campus to discuss the project with its organizers.

The memorial is to be built between the historic Lyceum, the administration building that's the university's most recognizable symbol, and the J.D. Williams Library, named for the chancellor during the institution's troubled entry into desegregation.

The monument is being paid for through private donations in response to an initiative that student leaders started in 1995. Installation of the artwork is scheduled for April 2003.

Three weeks ago, a national panel of jurors recommended the finalists from some 125 artists who applied.

Ole Miss Chancellor Robert C. Khayat will preside Friday morning over an orientation in which several former and current faculty members, as well as an Oxford religious leader, talk about their experiences with civil rights events on and off campus.

"We see the future in a very bright way," Khayat said. "We are committed to respect for the dignity of every individual, and this memorial will add to that commitment."

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Movie review: 'The Count of Monte Cristo'

by CHRISTY LEMIRE
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

What the world needs now ... is not another version of "The Count of Monte Cristo," but here it is — about the 20th adaptation of Alexandre Dumas' tale of betrayal and vengeance, and it's a mildly entertaining diversion during these dull days of the movie dumping-ground season.

Jim Caviezel isn't the world's most compelling hero as the wrongly imprisoned Edmond Dantes, and Guy Pearce is more sineling than sinister as Fernand Mondego, the jealous friend who frames him for treason.

And Kevin Reynolds — who previously directed the Kevin Costner calamities "Waterworld" and "Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves" — doesn't keep the pace as peppy as he should for the first half.

But the story picks up steam as Edmond puts his revenge plan into action, and that has more to do with strong supporting work from Richard Harris and Luis Guzman than anything Caviezel does on his own.

Screenwriter Jay Wolper has made some changes — Fernand now is Edmond's best friend instead of just an acquaintance — but the story remains essentially the same.

Fernand tells the prosecutor Villefort (James Frain) that Edmond has conspired to help the exiled Napoleon, prompting Villefort to send Edmond to the island prison of Chateau d'If.

Believing Edmond has been executed, his fiancée, Mercedes (Dagmara Dominczyk), runs to the willing arms of Fernand, who wanted her all along.

But Edmond is very much alive. Sure, he looks a little scruffy after years in a dark cell,

but he's remained mentally strong — and even retained a remarkable amount of muscle tone — despite regular whippings and a daily diet of gruel.

And with the help of Harris' Abbe Fera, a priest who's in prison for refusing to give Napoleon hidden chests full of gold, he learns to dig a tunnel beneath the prison, along with lessons in economics, philosophy and swordfighting, which will come in handy on the outside. Harris provides a much-needed jolt of wit and warmth, just as the movie gets draggy and cold.

Once Edmond escapes and swims to an island two miles away, he runs into a band of smugglers in the movie's most out-of-place but funniest scene. The thieves seem to have been plucked from "The Princess Bride"; when they force Edmond to prove himself in a duel against one of their own (Guzman), you half expect him to shout, "Hello, my name is Inigo Montoya. You kill-ed my fath-er. Prepare to die."

Guzman is a major anachronism, a refugee from Steven Soderbergh movies who talks like he's straight out of the barrio. But his character, Jacopo, gets some of the biggest laughs as the friend and servant who helps Edmond carry out his plan: Steal the hidden gold, get back at the men who put him away, and get the girl.

Edmond does all this disguised as the wealthy and mysterious Count of Monte Cristo, which requires us to suspend some major disbelief; granted, it's been 16 years and his enemies and former love think he's dead, but besides a goatee and slightly longer hair, he doesn't look that different.

Even at his most dashing, though, Caviezel's Edmond isn't nearly as much fun to watch as Pearce as the scheming Fernand. But their climactic swordfights have a sort of old-school swash-buckling charm about them, and thankfully are devoid of "Matrix"-style computer effects that seemingly every action film has these days.

"The Count of Monte Cristo," a Buena Vista Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for adventure violence/swordplay, and some sen-

(See MALCOLM, page six)

'Malcolm in the Middle' suits up for Super Bowl

by LYNN ELBER
AP TELEVISION WRITER

LOS ANGELES — Think you know football? So who won the Super Bowl in 1996? 1998? 2001?

The answers, in order, are "Friends," "3rd Rock From the Sun" and "Survivor II: The Australian Outback" — series that received the prized postgame spot and enviable audience spillover.

Since the Super Bowl provides television's single biggest predictable audience, playing piggyback with the quarterbacks can mean extra ratings yardage for a show.

The debut episode of "Survivor II," for example, aired after last year's Super Bowl and ended up scoring at the most popular entertainment program of the 2000-01 season.

"This is one you don't want to waste. It's golden ammunition," said industry analyst

Larry Gerbrandt of Kagan World Media.

Fox, home of the Super Bowl on Sunday, has anointed as the game's beneficiary "Malcolm in the Middle," the sitcom about a genius kid (Frankie Muniz) and his endearingly loopy family.

A one-hour episode — with a mud-wrestling match between series star Jane Kaczmarek and Susan Sarandon among the highlights — will follow the New England Patriots-St. Louis Rams game (at approximately 10 p.m. EST).

How did Fox make the call? "With a great deal of difficulty," said network programming chief Gail Berman. "We had a lot of good, viable candidates for post-Super Bowl."

Several factors tipped the contest toward "Malcolm." The network wanted to showcase a program that dovetailed with a Super Bowl that — like many post-Sept. 11 events — will have a distinctly patriotic tone.

A Message to My Friends and Supporters

For several weeks, I have been encourage by you, my many, many supporters and good friends, to enter the race for Floyd County Judge-Executive. Your demonstration of confidence in me, as a person, and as the chief executive of our county government, has been both humbling and gratifying. Your encouragement, your trust in me, and your belief in my abilities, mean a great deal to me. I also appreciate that you agree with my concerns for the future of our county.

After a lot of thought, I made the very difficult decision not to seek the judge-executive's office this year. Two factors guided me to this decision. First, I am at a point in my life where family obligations and responsibilities must come above all else. Second, I am personally committed to contributing as much of myself as I can, to continue the successes of Governor Paul E. Patton's administration through my position with the Governor's Office. These very powerful influences, and these alone, led me not to stand as a candidate for your judge-executive in 2002.

My decision means I will continue working for the betterment of Floyd County and east Kentucky from a forum other than the county courthouse. It means my energies for improving our county, and the region, will be spent through channels other than the judge-executive's office. While I won't have a county title for the next four years, I will have the best interest of Floyd Countians and east Kentuckians in my heart, in all that I do.

I ask you to remember, I am not out of politics; I'm just not in this year's judge-executive race. I will work to continue to merit your support and your confidence. We will have other elections.

Ben Hale

Ben Hale,
Floyd County Judge-Executive, 1995-1998

Obituaries

Arnold Combs

Arnold Combs, 80, of Topmost, Ky., died Tuesday, January 15, 2002, following an extended illness.

Born on July 24, 1921, in Raven, Ky., he was the son of the late Mont Combs and Canzella Hall Combs. He was a retired carpenter, a co-founder and past captain of the Knott County Rescue Squad for 17 years, and was inducted into the Knott County Hall of Fame in 1993.

He is survived by his wife, Minnie Martin Combs.

Other survivors include one son, Marvin Combs of Prestonsburg, Ky.; two daughters, Barbara Centers of Topmost, Ky., and Wanda Hall of Kite, Ky.; four brothers, Herschell Combs and Clifford Combs, both of Topmost, Ky., Russell Combs of Lexington, Ky., and Norman L. Combs of Toledo, Ohio; six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, one step great-grandchild; three step brothers, Eddie Hopkins, of Prestonsburg, Ky., Carson Hopkins, of Charleston, S.C., and Lowell Hopkins, of Grayson, Ky.; and his step-mother, Luna Jones Combs, of Prestonsburg, Ky.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Bertha Combs; one step-sister, Yvonne Schuster; and one brother, Normal Combs.

Funeral services were conducted Friday, January 18, 2002, at 11 a.m., at the Providence Old Regular Baptist Church, Topmost, Ky., with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial was in the Joe Hall Cemetery, Topmost, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Elder Alex Hall

Elder Alex Hall, age 85, of Galveston, Ky., husband of Liddie Hall, passed away Monday, January 28, 2002, at the Markey Cancer Center, Lexington, Ky., following an extended illness.

He was born January 6, 1917, in Pike County, Ky., the son of the late Noah Hall and Mary Alice Hamilton Hall. He was a retired coal miner and Regular Baptist minister. He was a member of the Little Rachel Regular Baptist Church, having been baptised September 1, 1979. He was a past moderator and honorary moderator of the church, and a member of the UMWA.

In addition to his wife, Liddie, he is survived by one son, Alex Hall Jr., of Belleville, New Jersey; two daughters, Betty Sue Moore of Grethel, Ky., and Sarah Hall Jones, of Bypro, Ky.; two brothers, Ermal Hall and Pat Hall, both of Virgie, Ky.; one sister, Rosie Morrow of Galveston, Ky.; six grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, and three step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Elder Alex Hall will be conducted Friday, February 1, 2002, at 1:30 p.m., at the Little Rachel Regular Baptist Church, Galveston, Ky., with the Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will follow in the Robert Hall Cemetery, Galveston, Ky., under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Government approves \$1.4 billion railroad line to get Wyoming coal to East, Midwest

by CHRISTOPHER THORNE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Federal regulators on Wednesday approved the largest railroad construction project in modern history, a 900-mile, \$1.4 billion line to help get Wyoming coal to power-generation plants in the East and Midwest.

The Surface Transportation Board cited economic and transportation benefits in endorsing the proposal by the Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern

Railroad Corp. The board, however, imposed nearly 150 requirements to address concerns about damage to the environment and noise along the line.

The plan calls for 280 miles of new track from coal beds in the Powder River Basin in northeast Wyoming through the Black Hills of South Dakota, and rebuilding about 600 miles of dilapidated line from southwestern South Dakota across southern Minnesota to the Mississippi River.

"The last time a project of this size was undertaken as a single rail construction project in the United States, Abraham Lincoln was the president," said Kevin Schieffer, president of the railroad.

Significant hurdles remain before construction can begin. For example, the railroad must get building permits from the Army Corps of Engineers and the Forest Service. It hopes to have the line completed by 2007.

Critics said they would continue to oppose the project, which will take the railroad through Buffalo Gap National Grassland in South Dakota and Thunder Basin National Grassland in Wyoming.

"We're fully prepared to file suit," said Nancy Darnell, a Newcastle, Wyo., rancher who said the tranquility of her ranch will be spoiled by rumbling trains.

The board, an arm of the Department of Transportation, acknowledged the project might cause "potentially significant" environmental problems. It said the economic benefits outweighed that possibility. But the board added conditions aimed at limiting the disruption for Indian tribes and other residents, as well as wildlife and natural areas, along the route.

The railroad estimates that demand for Powder River Basin

coal will grow from nearly 300 million tons in 1996 to more than 500 million tons by 2010. The railroad also says its project will produce 6,000 construction jobs over two years, approximately 2,000 permanent rail-related jobs and more coal mining jobs, and other economic benefits for communities along its route.

Schieffer said agriculture also will benefit from the new rail, and that new manufacturers will spring up along the line.

"This is not a coal project," Schieffer said. "It is a railroad infrastructure project."

When the new rail line is finished, DM&E envisions moving dozens of trains a day, each with 115 to 135 cars running at speeds up to 45 mph. That is a significant change from current rail traffic — three trains a day hauling an average of 57 cars apiece at speeds of about 17 mph.

It is the length, frequency and speed of the proposed train schedule that drew complaints from cities along the route, including Pierre, S.D., and Rochester, Minn.

Michael LaPlante, president of a Rochester neighborhood association, predicted it would be "disastrous" for people who live near the line.

"The fallout will almost certainly contribute to the demise of a neighborhood," he said.

Cheney to attend fund-raiser for Northrup in Louisville

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Rep. Anne Northrup, R-3rd District, said Wednesday that Vice President Dick Cheney would do some fund raising on her behalf in Louisville next month.

The Northrup campaign said Cheney would attend a Feb. 7 breakfast at the Seelbach hotel, which would cost \$250 per person. A separate briefing will set supporters back \$1,000.

Northrup faces Democrat Jack Conway in the November election. She said Wednesday she was pleased Cheney was coming to Kentucky to lend her campaign a hand.

"People have appreciated his long service to our country both as secretary of defense and now as vice president, and I'm thrilled to host him in Louisville," Northrup said.

Conway said he saw Cheney's visit as a sign Northrup was worried about the race. "It says a lot about the strength of our candidacy and our challenge to Ms. Northrup," Conway said.

The day before the Louisville event Cheney is scheduled to be in Evansville, Ind., to give Republican Rep. John Hostettler's re-election campaign a boost.

Congressional candidates have to file fund-raising reports with the Federal Elections Commission

Thursday.

Conway said his report would show that he has raised more than \$500,000.

Northrup Chief of Staff Terry Carmack said the incumbent raised more than that, but he declined to provide details.

by ERIN McCLAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — The U.S. flu season is nearing its peak, with a rising number of cases in the past several weeks, the government said Thursday.

About 14 percent of the specimens sent to a nationwide network of labs tested positive for influenza in mid-January, up from 4 percent in early December, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said.

The figure usually rises to at least 25 percent before flu season peaks, usually in February or March.

The good news is that 10 million doses of flu vaccine are still available in the United States. The CDC is urging health care providers to offer them through

February, especially to the elderly and chronically ill.

This year's vaccine fights well against the predominant strain of the bug circulating this season, the CDC said.

At the height of the anthrax attacks last fall, some doctors worried about a crush of people seeking flu vaccine and visiting hospitals so they would be able to quickly distinguish between flu and anthrax.

But the rush never came, probably the anthrax attacks stopped several months ago and

because this flu season is a mild one, CDC flu expert Dr. Tim Uyeki said.

Flu kills as many as 20,000 Americans each year. The CDC judges the severity of a flu season based on reports from doctors and labs across the country and records from 122 U.S. cities.

The last two years have seen early flu peaks, a problem compounded by shortages of vaccine and delays in its delivery. This year's pattern is much more normal, Uyeki said.

Flu season nearing peak; CDC calls it a mild one

Malcolm

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"We wanted to be supportive of that," Berman said. "We wanted to make sure the whole Super Bowl experience was a tremendous family experience. And one of our favorite family shows is 'Malcolm.'"

Asked if she was lobbied heavily by other Fox series, Berman replied: "I don't know that I would go so far as to say lobbying. Many producers thought it would be a good idea to be post-Super Bowl," sharing that view with her at parties and script meetings.

"Malcolm" had to be Berman's sentimental favorite. As then-president of Regency Television (co-owned by Fox), Berman developed the series before joining the network in 2000.

Expectations for "Malcolm" go beyond a one-time ratings pump. Expanding the "Malcolm" audience through Super Bowl exposure is the goal of Fox and the sitcom's creator and executive producer, Linwood Boomer.

The comedy does well among the advertiser-favored young demographic, but the numbers slip among older viewers. For the prime-time season so far, it's No. 1 among teenagers (tied with "The Simpsons"), but is ninth among viewers age 18-34 viewers and 16th among those 18-49.

"We have a very large audience and very specific group of people, which thankfully the advertisers like," Boomer said. "But the thing I've tried to do with this show is get whole families watching. We try very hard to make a show where there's something for the parents to watch, the kids to watch, and hopefully we can broaden that even more."

Of course, nothing is sure in the TV game, especially for an unproven player. For instance,

NBC premiered "Homicide" after the 1993 Super Bowl. The gritty crime drama scored a healthy 17.9 rating and 31 share of audience. After that, in its regular time slot, "Homicide" went on to finish 99th for the season.

This year, as befits its proximity to a sports extravaganza, "Malcolm" is pulling out the stops. Besides Sarandon, other drop-in celebrities include model Heidi Klum, basketball great Magic Johnson and Bradley Whitford of "The West Wing" (Kaczmarek's real-life husband).

What's the plot? "Let's see ... how do we arrange it so that Jane Kaczmarek and Susan Sarandon end up in a cat fight in the mud in front of 1,000 people," replies Boomer, wryly.

Kaczmarek said it was a delight working with the Academy Award-winning Sarandon. The rest of the experience, smothered in faux Hollywood mud with plastic packing pieces added as texture, was memorable in its own way.

"One surprise was to have Susan Sarandon's muddy butt in my face, and the other was that there were packing peanuts all over," said the breezily blunt Kaczmarek.

"Malcolm's" big play could end up fumbled, cautioned analyst Gerbrandt. "The fear is it's a blowout game ... What you want is a seesaw game, decided at the final second, so people hang around for the show."

Kaczmarek, in any case, won't be among them.

"I stopped watching football when Vince Lombardi died (in 1970)," the Wisconsin native said, referring to the legendary Green Bay Packers coach. "The Super Bowl has very little sway for me. I'm going to a baby shower that day."


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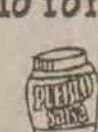
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Reading is still the foundation of success

There's no doubt that the ability to read is the foundation for all future academic and professional success. That's why the debate about how to teach reading has been taken up by legislators, local school boards, and businesses hoping to promote reading achievement in children. So what curricular components really promote reading literacy? Is there a magic wand, which, if used, will develop a great reading program and result in high levels of reading achievement for all

children? Research on reading has identified several practices that can strongly influence reading achievement.

First, the teacher provides direct instruction to help children develop skills and strategies they need. Above all, the quality of teaching is what makes the most difference in instruction.

Second, all children are given direct help in developing phonetic awareness and a practical command of phonics. Phonetic awareness is the critical factor for

success in early reading. Phonics instruction involves learning letters and sounds and how to combine them to form new words. Phonics is learned best in a context of connected, engaging text, such as stories.

Third, the environment is rich in literacy experiences and resources to facilitate reading development. Students are provided daily opportunities to read independently and aloud, and to reinforce skills and strategies by reading at home nightly. Time

spent reading significantly impacts achievement.

Fourth, quality-reading programs have carefully designed early intervention for children who experience difficulty in reading. Before-and after-school help and summer school are available to students beyond first grade who are in need of extra instruction, who need to review skills, or who are behind at the end of the school year.

Finally, teachers employ a

variety of techniques tailored to individual needs to help children acquire knowledge, skills, and strategies for better reading.

Parenting tips

Try to see that your elementary children spend 15-20 minutes each day reading at home, with older children spending additional time. It is important to stress the amount of time spent reading, rather than the number of books read.

Ask your child's teacher for information about what concepts are being taught, and how you can support your child's program.

Volunteer at your child's school to listen to children read aloud or to provide support for struggling readers.

Information from The Master Teacher Series, submitted by Beverly Crisman, Community Education, Floyd County Schools.

Legislature passes bill by big votes, though few seem happy

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Sen. Tom Buford wandered into Gov. Paul Patton's news conference on solid waste legislation Wednesday largely to greet a school group from Jessamine County.

He nevertheless managed to put the prospects for passage of the bill into immediate perspective. "There are going to be arguments over the tax issue — whether it's a fee, whether it's a tax."

Fee, tax, deposit, whatever it is called, the proposal to add one-half cent to the charge for every fast food cup and containers from grocery and other stores is the lynchpin of the proposal, sponsored by Rep. Greg

Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg.

The proposal is simple enough at first blush. The container charge, plus an additional \$1 for each ton of garbage taken to a solid waste landfill, will raise an estimated \$30 million annually.

The money would be divided among counties, to clean up litter, improve solid waste collection and get rid of old dumps; the Natural Resources Cabinet to properly close old municipal solid waste landfills; and the Education Department for environmental education programs. Any money beyond \$30 million would be split among the state Parks Department for cleanup and land acquisition, and the Fish and Wildlife Department for land acquisition.

"It does require the people of Kentucky to pay for it," Patton said.

The political climate in the General Assembly this year is decidedly against raising any sort of money, whatever the method might be called.

Patton said it would be a modest sum, when spread among the 4 million Kentucky residents, plus all the visitors who would pay through each soft drink they bought. The sponsors estimate the cost would work out to about \$7.50 per person per year.

In return, the state gets rid of an estimated 10,000 illegal

dumps — up from an estimated 3,000 last year — cleaner roadways, happier tourists and elimination of leaky old landfills.

Tourism Secretary Ann Latta said she routinely gets letters from tourists who complain about litter and eyesores. Nearly all end with the words, "And I won't be coming back to Kentucky," Latta said.

"And every time we lose a tourist, we lose about \$200 a day," she said.

A bill virtually identical to this one received 41 votes in the House in 2000. Stumbo said he is more optimistic this time, but refused to speculate on its chances in the Senate.

(The legislation is House Bill 174.)

Water

tomers in the John's Branch area, according to Meyer, and will include roughly 50 miles of actual lines. The project also becomes another step an overall project that Meyer says is something that doesn't happen often.

"Through Paul and Hubert's efforts we've done something out of the ordinary," said Meyer. "These kinds of expansion projects don't often happen at such a great scale."

The overall county project will cost approximately \$8 million, Meyer said, with a large portion coming from AML and an additional borrowed \$2 million of that total coming from the fiscal court.

A disappointing development for Thompson, in particular, during talks after the signing Wednesday was the time it would take to receive pump stations for the John's Branch extension.

The project will include a total six pump stations and six water towers scattered across the county once completed, but Kinder informed Thompson, Halbert and Meyer Wednesday that the wait for the pump stations would be around 16 weeks, but added that they would try to "speed it up."

"It's going to take four months for the stations?" asked a surprised Thompson. "We should just start building these things ourselves."

Kinder informed Thompson and the others that the wait had initially been longer, saying the station proposed for the Jack's Creek extension at Bevinsville had been set at about 18 to 20 weeks, but the constructors had managed to cut it to 16 weeks through negotiations.

The wait for completion of the pump stations will result in residents in the John's Branch

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and perhaps Spurlock areas not seeing actual water service until sometime in June.

Once intact, however, the water extensions throughout the county will have increased the customers relying on water service by leaps and bounds, said Thompson.

"In the next couple of years, we will look to be adding over 2,000 more people in this water district," Thompson said.

Prior to the project, which still plans to move into both forks of Weeksbury, Frasure's Creek, Mink Branch and numerous other areas in the county within the next month, Meyer said customers on the system rested at about 38 hookups. Since efforts have gotten underway that number has skyrocketed to approximately 5,000 new customers and, by the project's end, will likely exceed 6,000, according to Thompson.

Correction

In a story concerning the Martin City Council in the Friday, Jan. 25, issue of The Floyd County Times, it was stated that Mayor Thomasine Robinson made a motion to go into closed session to discuss personnel policy. It was council member Eulene Ratliff who made the motion to go into closed session at the prompting of Mayor Robinson. The motion was seconded by Charles Justice.

Overdoses

"I have seen the drugs change from illicit drugs to pharmaceutical drugs over the past year," said Nelson.

According to Nelson the drugs are sometimes prescribed for the patient and sometimes they are prescribed to someone else who has sold them to the

victim. Nelson said that people go "doctor shopping" and get prescriptions from several sources and then sell some to get whatever drug they want, creating a dangerous cycle.

"Doctors are handing them out too freely," said Nelson.

Bishop

unsuccessful motion to have various DNA evidence excluded from trial proceedings.

Authorities found what appeared to be blood on various articles of Bishop's clothing after his arrest and also on portions of the motorcycle he was riding when initially arrested on alcohol-related charges.

A competency hearing was

set in the murder case by Judge Caudill shortly after Bishop made public his theories that his attorneys were involved in an alleged scheme to "set him up" for the murder of his wife. Bishop claimed at that time to have evidence to support a conspiracy against him and misrepresentation on the part of his counsel.

Dogs

gram, completed 440 hours of training last year to be certified as a canine handler. The training involved school, warehouse and traffic stop scenarios, said Caudill, and spanned several counties including Fayette, Franklin, Hardin and Hart counties.

Caudill said that he and Nitro had not come across any drugs during searches so far, adding this was a positive thing and did not mean the canine unit wasn't needed.

"We haven't found anything in our searches so far," said Caudill, "but that's a good thing. You don't want to think you've got drugs in your schools. The main thing this does is act as a deterrent. If people know that we have this capability and don't know when we might show up, that will make people less likely to be involved with that sort of thing."

Each aspect of the canine unit is important, said Caudill, especially the choice of dog used by the department.

"We have a Lab, but you can train any dog," said Caudill. "We chose Nitro because Labs

are friendly dogs and just easier to handle. In a lot of cases other kinds of dogs would be used, like for attack dogs or that sort of thing, but this unit will be a search unit."

Many canine units enlist the use of German shepherds, but Blackburn said the decision to train a gentler dog was a must, considering the situations in which the unit would be used.

"Labs are just easier to handle, they have a better temperament," said Blackburn. "They're not a vicious dog and that makes the chance of someone getting attacked less likely."

Blackburn said his plan is to bring the new canine unit into all county schools at one point or another and he also expects the presence of the new unit to serve Caudill well during traffic stops in uncovering drugs which may be hidden out of view or on the driver.

"We're just looking forward to see how this can help us in the future," said Blackburn. "I'm just happy to have a canine unit and we'll see where it goes from there."

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

FRANKFORT — Weeks of partisan and often personal fighting finally produced overwhelming votes but little satisfaction with new boundaries for the General Assembly and Congress on Thursday.

The Senate voted 33-4 for the bill, and the House followed with a 93-7 vote. Gov. Paul Patton pledged to sign the bill once it was delivered to him.

Even with the dramatically redrawn district lines, legislators were not inclined to leave much time for potential opponents to file as candidates. The bill sets a filing deadline of 4 p.m. EST Friday, less than 24 hours after it was passed. Franklin Circuit Judge William Graham, who is presiding over a redistricting lawsuit and who had suspended the Tuesday filing deadline, could extend it further.

Senate President David Williams, the point man on redistricting for the GOP, said it was his party that took the lead on drawing fair districts for minorities, forcing Democrats to do what they had failed in decades of controlling the legislature.

"In this process, the African Americans of this state were best served by the Republicans," Williams said. "You can smirk, you can make smart comments, you can do whatever, but you can't hide."

And Williams made no apologies for the overtly partisan tone of the bills that favor the majority Democrats in the House and Republicans in the Senate.

"This is not as vindictive as many previous redistricting efforts done by the Democratic Party," Williams said.

Redistricting has already claimed some legislators, beyond the ones who find their districts moved far away or into districts with other incumbents.

Sen. Marshall Long, a 20-year veteran of the House and Senate, said he would not run again as he had planned this year. Long, a Shelbyville Democrat, saw his district lose Franklin County and gain Bullitt County. Long said he did not want to raise huge sums of money and go off to unfamiliar territory. "It wears you out," he said.

Rep. Bob Heleringer

announced previously he would not run again, which had the effect of leaving other Jefferson County Republicans safe.

He decried the bitter feuding and said the legislature needed to move on.

"The terms Republican and Democrat have almost become pejoratives up here," he said.

House Democratic leader Greg Stumbo said the plans are fair to majority and minority parties. But he had some harsh words for his Senate Democratic colleagues, whose efforts to seek more favorable districts often delayed the ultimate passage of a bill. Stumbo said Senate Democrats, who are outnumbered 20-18, need to make their case at the polls, not in the legislature.

"The fact of the matter is if they were as good politicians, and they got out there in these districts and worked and quit complaining and whining, they might win the doggone thing

back," Stumbo said. "It's time for them to understand there's not going to be a magic wand."

Some agreements that seemed in place earlier in the week fell apart. Moments before votes Wednesday, revelations about a boundary line change in Fayette County torpedoed the compromise.

Republicans offered a plan to move a prospective Democratic Senate candidate — former University of Kentucky basketball player Derrick Hord — out of the district of a Republican incumbent.

Williams said House Democrats and officials in Patton's office agreed to the move, a contention vehemently denied. The package passed Thursday leaves Hord's candidacy intact against Sen. Alice Kerr, who denied any involvement in the boundary move but declined any further comment.

The congressional redistrict-

ing leaves the 1st District in a shape from the Mississippi River counties sweeping along the Tennessee border all the way up to Casey County and even a slice of Lincoln County.

Daviess County is retained in the 2nd District, which also goes as far east as Shelby and Spencer County. The 3rd District remains entirely within Jefferson County.

Scott County is divided between the 6th and 4th districts.

In the state Senate, incumbent Democrats Ed Miller of Cynthiana and R.J. Palmer of Winchester wound up in the same district, with an election this year.

Daniel Mongiardo, D-Hazard, found his 17th District moved to north-central Kentucky and living in a newly numbered district where he would have to run this year.

(The legislation is House Bill 1.)

Primary ballot order selected

Times Staff Report

A drawing was held Thursday in a packed fiscal courtroom to determine in what order candidates would appear on the May primary ballot.

County Clerk Chris Waugh, whose office administers local elections, presided over the drawing.

It was also announced during the drawing that two candidates have dropped out of their races. Those candidates are John Hamilton of Drift, who had been running for county surveyor, and Vickie Hamilton Bryant of Beaver, who had been seeking the position of District 4 magistrate.

Following is a list of the order of candidates on the May primary ballot:

County Clerk

Stuart Basic Isaac
Jamie Dawn Blackburn
Chris Waugh
Russell Shepherd

Sheriff

John K. Blackburn
Gary Rose

Jailer

Roger Webb
Johnny Ray Pack
Lowell T. Samons Jr.

Calvin Shepherd

PVA

Jerome C. Greathouse
Connie Hancock
Glenn D. May II

Surveyor

Teresa F. Hall
Joe Back

District 1 Magistrate

Ernest Graham Burchett
Gary Garrett
Gerald Derossett

District 2 Magistrate

Bobby Whitaker
Curtis R. Holbrook
Jackie Edford Owens
David Stumbo
Bob Hackworth
Danny W. Martin
Bert Layne

District 3 Magistrate

Larry F. Stumbo
Russell Hamilton Jr.
David Martin
Mickey D. Samons
Gregory K. Johnson
Michael "Sam" Newsome
Glennis Ray Caudill
Donald Meade
Alan Mullins
Clinis Hall
Danny Martin
Roger Johnson

District 4 Magistrate

Paul D. Tackett
Marty Keith Hamilton
Ermal Tackett
Paul Stilton
Den Hunter
Lennix Cola Ray Akers
Gary Ray Jarrell
Stacy Hall

District 1 Constable

Billy Ray Jarvis
Gary Wolfe
Homer D. Neeley
Brandon Spencer

District 2 Constable

Larry K. Greer
James Hoover
Carl Goble Jr.
Sam Duncan
Gary Nelson
Lenard Hall Jr.
Terry L. Hill

District 3 Constable

Randy L. "Hoot" Bryant
Tandy B. Hamilton
Paul Younce

District 4 Constable

Arnold Bob McKinney
John Kidd
Mona Case
Troy Jarrell
Jamie O. McKinney
Aaron "Ernie" Conn
Alfred "June Bug" Newsome
Logan Tucker

Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

Highlands Supports

- *Stop Smoking* - Feb. 5, 12, 26 - Meeting Place A - 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- *Stop Smoking* - Feb. 19 - Meeting Room C - 6-7 p.m.
- *Mended Hearts* - Feb. 12 - Meeting Place B - 6-7 p.m.
- *Senior Advantage* - Feb. 12 - Meeting Place A & B - 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.
- *Childbirth Class* - Feb. 16 - Meeting Place A & B - 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- *Highlands S.H.A.R.E.* - Feb. 19 - Martin Room - 7-9 p.m.
- *Laryngectomy Support Group* - Feb. 21 - Meeting Place B - 5-7 p.m.
- *Save Your Sweetheart Basic

CPR Class* - Feb. 23 - Meeting Place A & B - 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Living Well with Diabetes - Feb. 26 - Floyd Room - 5-6 p.m.
For additional information, contact Highlands Human Resources Department at 1-606-886-7530.

Floyd County Conservation District

The Floyd County Conservation District will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 19th at 10 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 conserve@eastky.net

Retired Teachers Association

The Floyd County Retired Teachers Association will hold a meeting on Thursday, Feb. 7, at 10 a.m., at the May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Special guest speaker will be Carol Jo May, from Our Lady of the Way Hospital. All members are encouraged to attend.

Free business workshop

"Small Business Record Keeping" is a free workshop for prospective and existing small business owners that is being offered by the Morehead State University/Small Business Development Center. The workshop will be conducted on Thursday, Feb. 7, at the BB&T Bank Building located on the North Mayo Trail in Pikeville. The workshop will be held from 6 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Lynette Schindler, CPA, will instruct. Topics to be covered include: Managing Business Records, Handling Tax Payments, and Analyzing Financial Statements.

To pre-register, call (606) 432-5848.

Co-op Extension Services

The office is currently taking orders for strawberry plants. Varieties available are Earliglow, Surecrop, and Tribute. Plants arrive in bundles of 25 that will be shipped in mid-March. Order forms and money due in office by Feb. 25. Make checks payable to the Floyd County Extension Office. Call 886-2668 for more information.

Spring Beekeepers Workshop/Bee Give-A-Way to be held on Thursday, Feb. 21, at the Floyd County Extension Office at 6:30 p.m. Participants will be eligible to win one of ten 3-lb. packages of bees (with queen) that will be given away. Bees will be shipped in April. Must be present to win. Sponsored by the Floyd County Farm Bureau Federation.

2002 Floyd County Horse Course to be offered in a 3-part series. Each course will be held at the Floyd County Extension Service Office and will begin at 6:30 p.m.

- *Thursday, March 21 - Health and Feeding of your horse;
- *Thursday, March 28 - Selecting the Recreational Horse; and
- *Thursday, April 4 - Fencing and Facilities. For more information call Ray Tackett at 886-2668.

Notice to all veterans

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

any charge for our services.

Maytown Lifetime Learning Center

Basic Computer course to be taught. Learn to use mouse, settings and other basic functions. Begins March 4. Call 285-0539.

Free training offered by Mt. Comp Care

Mt. Comprehensive Care Center's Victim Service's Program will be offering free training sessions to become a volunteer advocate for victims of child abuse, domestic violence and sexual assault. The training will be held on March 23 and 30 and April 6, 13, and 20 in Prestonsburg. If you would like to become a volunteer victim's advocate, call Linda Hutchinson, Volunteer Coordinator/Advocate, at 886-4323.

Free gospel concert

The Perry Sisters, "the first ladies of gospel music," will perform in concert at the Caney Creek Freewill Baptist Church on Saturday, Feb. 2, at 6:30 p.m. Special guests, the Living Waters Trio and the Singing Johnsons New Generation will also perform. For more information, call (606) 437-0116.

Historic Cemeteries

"Exploring Floyd County Cemeteries and Historic Sites" class meets each Saturday at 9 a.m. in the Samuel May House parking lot. From here, the class travels to a chosen site to explore local history. Class is conducted by Dr. Robert Perry. For more information, call (888) 641-4132, or 886-3863, ext. 258.

Auxier Lifetime Learning Center

Computer and Literacy training course for those persons who have never used a computer and have little or no reading ability. Course will be offered free of charge and only if a minimum of three participants enroll. For more information, call 886-0709.

- Free G.E.D. classes every Thursday from 1-4 p.m.
- Free private tutoring - call 886-0709 for an appointment.
- Basic and Intermediate computer classes beginning in February. Call the center to enroll.

Attention

"Earn while you learn"

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

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

BLHS class of 1982 reunion

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

Class reunion plans are being made now!

Please, contact us as soon as possible.

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

Jenny Wiley AARP

offers free tax service

AARP Tax-Aide volunteers will provide free tax assistance for elderly (60 and over) and low income persons at the Floyd County Library, each Tuesday, beginning Feb. 5, through April 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Bring you last year's income tax return and current tax information.

2002 Girl Scout Cookie Campaign

Community Girl Scouts are currently taking orders for the 2002 Cookie Sale event. Past favorites, as well as the new "Friendship Circle" cookie are all available at a minimal cost of \$3 per box. To place an order, call toll-free 1-800-475-2621. Thank you for supporting your local Girl Scouts.

Red Cross moves to new location

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

Earn college credits before graduation

Don't let the lack of a high school diploma keep you from earning your college degree or diploma. Students who do not have a high school diploma or GED may still qualify for financial aid while attending college level courses. Contact Jennifer Leedy at Mayo Technical College for more information. 789-5321 extension 291.

PHS grads of 1992 plan reunion

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

Quilt Guild to meet

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

Mud Creek Clinic

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

Housing assistance in Wayland area

HOMES Inc. has opened an office in the Wayland Community Center to assist low income persons in the Right and Left Beaver areas with housing needs. Nelson Hopkins is in the office on Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. to help persons who need repairs on their exist-

ing homes or with securing new housing. Area persons may call 358-9473 on Wednesdays to speak with Hopkins or leave a message on other days. Or they may call the HOMES Inc. headquarters in Neon, toll-free, at 1-877-271-1791, ext. 10.

Attention Veterans!

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

"Looking for a Support Group?"

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

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

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

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

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

Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children—Free, confidential assistance for unplanned pregnancy concerns. Talk with someone who cares about you and your baby. Call 1-800-928-5242.

Prostate Cancer Support Group—Group is for all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets every third Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville. For more information, contact Susan Campbell, Kentucky Cancer Program, P.O. Box 1208, Hazard, Ky. 41702, or call (606) 487-8360, or 1-800-401-4287.

In Loving Memory



Verlie Tackett

10-12-25 to 02-02-01

Every time I see a beautiful sunset,
Or a colorful rainbow in the sky,
I think of you;
I wish you didn't have to die!

Every time I see a summer shower,
Or the first snowfall begin,
I think of you;
I wish I had you back, again!

Every time I feel lonely and sad,
Or I feel lost and out of place,
I think of you;
I see that wonderful smile on your beautiful face!

Every time I see a flower bloom,
Or the face of a child filled with excitement and expectations,
I think of you;
I am thankful that I had all those years with one of God's greatest creations!

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ACTION WAS SWIFT WHEN A WRONG HAD BEEN COMMITTED AMONG THE ANCIENT INHABITANTS OF WHAT IS TODAY THE MIDDLE EAST. THE IMMEDIACY AND THE AVENGING BEHAVIOR WAS SOMETIMES RASH AND SOMETIMES A FAR CRY FROM JUSTICE. TAKE THE CASE OF DINAH, JACOB'S DAUGHTER BY HIS WIFE LEAH, WHOM SHECHEM, A PRINCE OF THE HITTITES, LOVED AND SEDUCED AND THEN OFFERED MARRIAGE. ANGRILY, JACOB REFUSED TO PERMIT THE MARRIAGE BECAUSE SHE HAD BEEN DEFILED. THE RESULTING CATASTROPHE (GENESIS CHAPTER 34) ENDED IN THE SLAYING OF SHECHEM, HIS FATHER HAMOR, AND ALL THE MALES OF THE CITY OF SHELEM. HARSH TREATMENT, INDEED! EQUALLY AS HARSH WOULD HAVE BEEN DAVID'S RESPONSE TO NABAL, THE WEALTHY SHEEP OWNER WHEN HE REFUSED TO FEED DAVID AND HIS MEN AFTER THEY HAD PROTECTED HIS SHEEP FOR A LONG PERIOD OF TIME (1 SAMUEL CHAPTER 25). DAVID WITH A CONTINGENT OF HIS MEN, WAS RAPIDLY DESCENDING ON NABAL'S DWELLING WITH THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF KILLING HIM OUT WHEN A WIFE OF NABAL, INTERCEDED BY DELIVERING THE FOODSTUFF TO THE INDIGNANT AND RUTHLESS MEN. HOWEVER, NABAL'S OWN REASONS DID WHAT DAVID'S MEN PROPOSED TO DO--HE DROPPED DEAD OF FRIGHT! OF COURSE NOT ALL RETRIBUTION WAS AS LASTY AND HARSH AS THIS--CONSIDER THE WISE AND JUST ACTIONS OF MEN LIKE SOLOMON AND JOSEPH!

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- BAPTIST**
Allen First Baptist, Allen, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.
Auder Freewill Baptist, Auxier, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.
Benedict Baptist, Sick Rock Branch, Cow Creek, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.
Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.
Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbot Creek Road, Bonanza, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.
Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Com Fork, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.
Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.
Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.
Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.
Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.; Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Randy Turner, Minister.
Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.
Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Egypt on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.
First Baptist, Garrett, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
First Baptist, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.
First Baptist, 24 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial); Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, minister.
Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 2656 West Mt. Parkway, Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jennings West, Minister.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
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Gretel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branch's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist, Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.
Jack's Creek Baptist, Bevinville, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Baratz, Minister.
Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.
Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
Lancor Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m. Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter.
Liberty Baptist, Denver, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Mark Little, Minister.
Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, East, Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Fied) Morris, Minister.
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Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J 102, Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Franch B. Hamon, Director; Ella C. Goble, President; 874-9488/878-2978.
- Rock Fork Freewill Baptist, Garrett, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.**
Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett, Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Earl Stone, Minister; Jary Mairns, Assistant Minister.
Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Huysville, Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 4th Sunday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.
Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Davis, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Terry Hall, Assistant Minister.
Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch, Worship Service, 10 a.m.; Wednesday, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Marford Fannin, Minister.
Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers), Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.
Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist, Cliff Road, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.
Trimbale Chapel Freewill Baptist, Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.
United Community Baptist, Hwy 7, Huysville, Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.
Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferni, Minister.
- CATHOLIC**
St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; John Moriarty, Pastor.
- CHRISTIAN**
First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.
Garrett Community Christian, Route 550, Garrett, Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Hackworth, Minister.
Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherrn Williams, Minister.
- CHURCH OF CHRIST**
Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.
Church of Christ, South Lake Drive, Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Benny Blankenship, Minister.
Harold Church of Christ, Harold, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.
Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
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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.
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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 Gaudin, Minister.
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin, Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Quam, Minister.
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Garrett Church of God, Garrett, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.
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- METHODIST**
Auxier United Methodist, Auxier, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Doug Lawson, Minister.
Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.
Christ United Methodist, Allen, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lamaster, Minister.
- Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Nealey St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pascozolo, Minister.**
Elliot's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.
Emma United Methodist, Emma, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Paul Allen, Minister.
First United Methodist, 236 South Arnold Avenue, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wayne Seyra, Minister.
Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
Marlin Methodist, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Maytown United Methodist, Langley, Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
Salisbury United Methodist, Primer, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.
Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.
Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
Drift Pentecostal, Drift, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John 'Jay' Patton, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Coker, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton, Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Santan, Minister; David Pka, Associate Minister.
Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David, Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.
Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line; ; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister; 287-6262.
Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.
- PRESBYTERIAN**
Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift, Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Mary Alice Murray, Minister.
First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; George C. Love, Minister.
- SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**
Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Gary Shepherd, Minister.
- THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS**
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society, Prestonsburg/Primary, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Mtg., 11:20 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. Church Meeting House address, Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; E.P. Gogsy, Bishop.
- OTHER**
Drift Independent, Drift, Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale, Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 6 p.m.; Woodrow Crum, Minister.
Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg, (next to old flea market), Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0925.
Faith Bible, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.
Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Huggins, Minister.
Faith Worship Center, US 460, Parisville, Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.
Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.
Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.
Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Saturday/Sunday.
Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin, Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.
Spruckoff Bible, Spruckoff Fork of Middle Creek, Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzleman, Minister.
Town Branch Church, Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.
The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.
Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright, Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
Zion Deliverance, Wayland, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; Prayer Line: 336-2001 Ernest Morris, Pastor.
Taylor Cleopel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1/2 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.; Kerry Vanderpool, Pastor.

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MARRIAGES

Bobbi Marie McKinney, 19, to Travis Wayne Hughes, 21, both of Pikeville.

Greta Lynn Smith, 33, to Jeffrey Scott Smith, 34, both of Prestonsburg.

Rita Carol Kilgore, 29, to Steven Jamie Moore, 28, both of Chillicothe, Ohio.

Lora Lynn Frasure, 30, of Willard, Ohio, to Barry Thomas Frasure, 36, of Prestonsburg.

Howell Lynn Kelly, 23, to Kidd Benjamin, 26, both of Betsy Layne.

Lisa Kathleen Gibson, 21, to Johnny Edward Paige, 20, both of Wayland.

LAWSUITS

Katherine L. Bowling vs. Hubert David Bowling; divorce.

Clarence Brown vs. Nationwide National Fire Insurance; complaint.

Rebecca Spears vs. Donnie Spears; divorce.

Oakwood Acceptance Corp. vs. Donald Salisbury; complaint.

Sheila Adkins vs. Earl D. Adkins; divorce.

James G. Prater vs. Calvin Patrick; complaint.

Neil M. Price Jr. vs. Steve Hall; complaint.

Neil M. Price Jr. vs. Burnis Spears; complaint.

Randy Donohoe vs. Sandy Campbell Donohoe; divorce.

Shelby Spradlin vs. Daimler Chrysler; complaint.

Belfry Coal Corp. vs. Elmer Hamilton; complaint.

Melissa Branham vs. Ronnie Branham; divorce.

First Guaranty Bank vs. Estate of Maxine Patton; complaint.

Ernest Akers Sr. vs. Edith Akers; divorce.

Branch Banking and Trust Co. vs. Joe B. Justice; complaint.

Gregory Moore and Angela Moore vs. Jeanetta Hoover; complaint.

Centex Home Equity Co. vs. Robert Hood; complaint.

Branch Banking and Trust Co. vs. Larry Spears; complaint.

Marlene Howard vs. Paran Management; complaint.

CHARGES FILED

Larry Harris, age unlisted, Bevinville, theft by failure to make required disposition of property.

Melissa Cook, 26, Martin, fugitive from another state.

Robert E. Johnson, 27, Allen, receiving stolen property.

Arnold Mosley Jr., 38, Auxier, possession of marijuana.

Clifton C. Boyd, 22, Dana, public intoxication, prescription in an improper container.

Ledford T. Ross, 58, Hi Hat, theft by unlawful taking.

Jon L. Howard, 47, Hager Hill, alcohol intoxication.

Salley M. Howard, 44, Hager Hill, alcohol intoxication.

Sean B. Miller, 22, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking.

Barry S. Penix, 27, Williamsport, theft by unlawful taking.

Jodey G. Tackett, 22, Paintsville, public intoxication, prescription in an improper container, possession of marijuana, use/possession of drug paraphernalia.

Aaron S. Burchett, 29, Sitka, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or drugs, criminal littering, prescription in an improper container, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, two counts of failure to wear a seatbelt, carrying a concealed weapon, no insurance.

Randy Fletcher, 27, Salyersville, disorderly conduct, alcohol intoxication.

Johnnie C. Coffey Jr., 40, Debord, alcohol intoxication.

Lynn Redmon, 39, Lancaster, alcohol intoxication.

Sue Ann Thompson, 34, Durant, Fla., alcohol intoxication.

Lowell Steven Rasnick, 31, Orange City, Fla., alcohol intoxication.

Anita Evens, 18, Charleston, W.Va., theft by unlawful taking.

Kenneth Blankenship, 40, Phelps, alcohol intoxication, failure to wear a seatbelt.

Marion Kilburn, 41, Dwale, alcohol intoxication.

Seldon Lee Casey, 22, Phelps, alcohol intoxication.

Latisha L. Risner, 37, Salyersville, public intoxication (controlled substance) excluding alcohol.

INSPECTIONS

South Floyd High School, Hi Hat, regular inspection. Violations noted: One stall in boys' restroom in gym is missing a lock, waste basket in women's restrooms are not adequately covered, sink in the boys' visitor locker room does not have water, some floor tiles missing in the high school computer room, several rooms have ceiling tiles discolored due to water damage. Score: 92.

K & E Market, Teaberry, regular inspection. Violations noted: Packaged food on display from unknown source without label, commercially packaged products improperly labeled, several freezer and refrigeration units have no thermometers, improper dish washing procedure observed, clean silverware should be stored with handle inverted with stored in a cup-like container, no hand towels were observed at the hand wash sink, walls of the restroom are unfinished, upright refrigerator in food preparation area has no light, mop head stored on the floor of restroom. Score: 91 restaurant, 91 retail.

South Floyd High School Cafeteria, Hi Hat, regular inspection. Violations noted: A slight amount of food residue is noted to be on the meat slicer and also on the food processor, outside dumpster area has some waste items around dumpster, some ceiling tiles are missing and some are discolored in the cafeteria, overall kitchen is very clean and well-maintained.

Score: 96.

Sam & Tonio's, Betsy Layne, follow-up survey inspection. Violations noted: Hand wash sink is not operable, several other non-critical items observed during regular inspection have been corrected, facility has improved very much from previous inspection. Score: 97.

IGA, Stanville, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: This survey was conducted in response to a recall of Armour Premium marinated pork loin half, onion and garlic. Facility has none of the product. No score given.

Velocity Market, Betsy Layne, follow-up survey inspection. Violations noted: Survey was conducted in response to a recall of Armour Premium marinated pork loin, onion and garlic. Facility has none of the product. No score given.

Little A Market, Route 404, regular inspection. Violations noted: Out-of-date over-the-counter medication was found on the shelf, unable to locate all thermometers used to maintain product temperature, no thermometer located on hot storage display, personal drink stored in reach-in freezer, clean utensils used for cooking not stored inverted, hand sink in food preparation area do not have towels provided, walk-in cooler and freezer units do not have a light. The out-of-date medication was pulled from the shelf during inspection and not to be sold to the public. Score: 95

Wal-Mart, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Counter near three-compartment sink damaged and not easily cleaned, hand soap not refilled at hand sink. Score: 96 restaurant, 100 retail.

restaurant, 91 retail.

Tackett's Stop and Shop, Melvin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Light is not shielded in reach-in cooler with meat. Score: 99.

Little Y Stop & Shop, Melvin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Two coolers have thermometers not working properly, commode in restroom has the handle broken, sink is draining slowly in the restroom. Score: 97.

Speedway, Prestonsburg, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Potentially hazardous foods now held at correct temperature. Score: 98.

Allen Central High School, Eastern, regular inspection. Violations noted: One blade on slaw mixer is chipped, cafeteria is very clean and well-maintained. Score: 98.

Value Dollar, Garrett, regular inspection. Violations noted: No violations found at this time. Score: 100.

Murphy's Country Kitchen, Hueysville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all cooling units have easily seen thermometers, some food items are uncovered below open-rack shelving in the refrigerator in the back room, no hair restraints being worn in the food preparation area, front window sill has a slight amount of debris buildup, there is a hole in the ceiling in the food preparation area beside of the ventilation hood. Score: 95.

Rite-Aid, Prestonsburg, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Toxic items properly stored violation has been corrected. No score given.

Skean's Shell Mart, Prestonsburg, follow-up inspection. Violations noted: Violation concerning cross-connection, back siphonage and backflow has not been corrected, however some work has been done to correct and will be allowed five additional days to finish. No score given.

Bob's Catering, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Countertop damaged and not easily cleaned, ice machine has broken seals around lid, clean utensils stored above sink are not inverted, soap and towels not at hand wash sink, shields not provided in walk-in freezer. Score: 93.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Donald Hines and Carmen Haines, to Knott Floyd Land Company, Inc., property located on Brush Creek.

Alice O. Martin to Marty Tackett and Christina Tackett, property location not listed.

Dottie Hall and Carl Hall, Arda Kidd and Truman Kidd, Ted Hall and Tena Hall, Terry Hall and Gayle Hall, Tommy Hall and Dedre Hall to Ted Hall and Tena Hall, property located on Little Mud Creek.

Mickey Johnson and Rebecca Johnson, to Tilton Johnson Jr. and Christine Johnson, property location not listed.

Steven Helton and Angela Helton, to Charles Moore and Thelma Moore, property location not listed.

Steven Hughes and Krista Hughes, to Curtis Hughes, property location not listed.

Janice Henson and Crystal Lynn Lawson, to Amy Stawicki, Rondall Lawson II and Rona Rustigian, property located at Mays Branch.

Jo Ann Lyon, James W. Lyon, Larry Hackworth and Betsy Doll Hackworth, to Carlos Griffith and Karla S. Griffith, property located at Middle Creek.

Hubert G. Allen and Clotene Allen (aka Clotene Allen), to the Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways, property located at Midas.

Leslie Judith Jackson (aka Leslie Judith Haywood) and Kenneth Jackson, to the Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways, property located at Midas.

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What will you do on Super Bowl Sunday?

by BILLY REED
TIMES COLUMNIST

Although some Americans will quietly celebrate Super Bowl Sunday in the privacy of their own homes, surrounded by loved ones, many others will attend parties that require at least a casual knowledge of football in order to avoid being shunned as a doofus



who probably thinks St. Louis quarterback Kurt Warner is either a villain in a James Bond movie or one

of Elizabeth Taylor's ex-husbands. So today, for the benefit of you well-rounded souls who care so little about football that you might think the breakup of Pat Summerall and John Madden has something to do with a soap opera, here are 10 suggestions on how to fit in at a Super Bowl party:

1. When you're among football zealots, it's considered bad form to suggest the Super Bowl

(See REED, page three)

All 'A' Classic

Betsy Layne girls fall to dominating Jackson County

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

RICHMOND — Faced head-to-head against one of the strongest girls' basketball programs in the state definitely isn't how you would like to start out a

"Everyone that played for us, played well," said Jackson County head coach Greg Parrett. The Lady Generals rolled early on, leading the Ladycats 24-2 at the end of the first quarter.

state tournament. Just ask Betsy Layne head coach Cassandra Akers. On Wednesday night, Akers' Betsy Layne team had the big task of taking on state girls' basketball power Jackson County in a game many in the state saw as a huge mismatch, but

nevertheless, a game a majority of the Betsy Layne faithful felt they could in and stay in.

Domination is just one word of many that could be used to describe Jackson County's play Wednesday night.

When the ball tipped off Wednesday night, Jackson County immediately took control of the game — all facets of the game. The Lady Generals put together

(See ALL 'A', page three)

On tap

58th District meeting scheduled

A meeting for all 58th District boys' and girls' basketball coaches will be held Monday, Feb. 18 at Reno's Roadhouse in Prestonsburg. Prestonsburg High School girls' head coach Harold Tackett is heading up the meeting.

On a side note, the Paintsville-Piarist boys' basketball game scheduled for later this month, has been canceled, according to Piarist School Coach Gary Kidd.

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RAIDERS THRASH REBELS



South Floyd senior Rusty Tackett (20) and Allen Central senior Shawn Newsome (23) anticipated a play. photo by Jamie Howell

Impressive second half allows South Floyd to pull away

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

The South Floyd Raiders traveled to Allen Central early in this season and came away with a loss to the Runnin' Rebs in what some called an upset. On Tuesday night the Raiders had the memory of that loss on their minds as they took on the Rebels in a rematch that could decide the district championship. The Raiders were coming off a heart-breaking loss in the All 'A' final to Paintsville and most wondered how they would react in their

first game since that defeat. Allen Central boasts the No. 1 scorer in the state of Kentucky as of presstime in Shawn Newsome, so the Rebels seemed to have no reason to come into the contest intimidated.

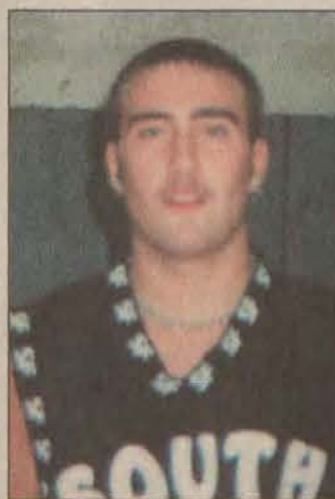
South Floyd could also boast the best duo in the state in Rusty Tackett and Michael Hall as the two always seem to come through with the big game night in and night out.

In the first half neither team looked to the fullcourt press as both seemed to be setting the tempo for the late stages. The

Scoring

▶ South Floyd — M. Hall 34, R. Tackett 23, T. Hall 12, J. Johnson 12, Skeans 5, Slone 2.

▶ Allen Central — Newsome 22, Sazabo 17, Slone 5, Lafferty 5, Kilburn 5, Francis 3, Paige 2, Samons 2, Webb 2.



■ Michael Hall, 34 points

Rebels' Daniel Sazabo came out on fire early scoring nine first quarter points to lead the Rebs, and the usually potent Newsome was held to just four first quarter points. Michael Hall and Rusty Tackett both netted six points respectively, to give South Floyd a 23-16 lead after one quarter of play. In the second quarter it was all Rebels as Newsome and Sazabo led the Rebs scoring nine and eight points, respectively, as they scored 17 points in the period and South Floyd went cold

(See RAIDERS, page three)

■ HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

Lady Rebs hang on to beat Lady Raiders

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

The Allen Central Lady Rebs held a big lead on Tuesday night after three quarters at 55-40 but had to hang on late as the Lady Raiders of South Floyd stormed back in the final period to almost pull off the shocker.

South Floyd had just lost to Allen Central in the girls All-A semi-finals a few short days ago and that game also ended with Allen Central hanging on late to prevail by one point, 73-72. The Lady Rebs built a 10 point halftime lead at 30-20 led by Tiffany Turner with 11 first half points. South Floyd was led in the first half by Tabitha Berger with 10 points. The Lady Raiders went cold in the second quarter scoring only 5 points in the period. In the second half the Lady Rebs extended their lead in the third quarter outscoring South Floyd 25-20 to take a 55-40 lead into the final stanza.

The Lady Raiders rallied in the final period aided by the full court press causing the Lady Rebs to turn the ball over several times in the final quarter, and Tabitha Berger stayed hot for South Floyd, scoring 10 points in the closing minutes to eventually tie the game late. But the trio of Terri Mullins, Erin Majaakey, and Tiffany Turner helped to pull off the win late by a final score of 73-72. Scoring leaders were, for South Floyd, Berger 20 points, Brandi Anderson 16 points and Megan Ousley 11 points. Allen Central was led by Turner with 21 point., Erin Majaakey had 14 points and Terri Mullins 12.



■ PIKEVILLE COLLEGE

Bears lose one spot in national poll

TIMES STAFF REPORT

A nine-point loss to Georgetown College back on Thursday, Jan. 17 resulted in Pikeville College losing a spot and the Tigers gaining one.

Pikeville fell to No. 21 as a result, while Georgetown's win combined with the first loss of the season by Biola (Calif.) University catapulted the Tigers to No. 1 in this week's NAIA Div. I poll.

(See BEARS, page three)

Daniels powers Bobcats past Elkhorn City



photo by Steve LeMaster
Senior Jeremy Daniels had a career-high 49 points.

Senior center nets 49 points, pulls down 20 rebounds in winning effort

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Betsy Layne senior center Jeremy Daniels put up 18 points and reeled in 18 rebounds in Friday night's game against South Floyd. Monday night Daniels, 6-5, and the rest of the Bobcats returned to action, scor-

(See BOBCATS, page three)



photo by Jamie Howell

It was a mad scramble for the basketball Monday night in Martin when the Piarist School Lady Knights hosted the Allen Central Lady Rebels. Both the Allen Central boys and girls scored victories.

■ UK FOOTBALL

NCAA puts Kentucky on 3 years' probation

by STEVE BAILEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — The NCAA put Kentucky on three years' probation Thursday for violations by the school's football program and said it effectively banned former recruiting coordinator Claude Bassett from working at an NCAA school for the next eight years.

In finding a lack of institutional control against Kentucky, the NCAA said it was "troubled by the widespread nature of the undetected violations in time, frequency and the number of individuals who would have some knowledge that the activities were improper and failed to report them to the proper authorities."

The NCAA also cut the

number of scholarships Kentucky will be permitted to award, and banned the Wildcats from a bowl game following the 2002 season. With a 2-9 overall record and a 1-7 Southeastern Conference mark this past season, however, the Wildcats would have needed a dramatic turnaround to be considered

(See UK, page seven)

Briefs

FOOTBALL

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. — The Buffalo Bills re-signed quarterback Alex Van Pelt to a five-year contract, rewarding the longtime backup for capably filling in for injured starter Rob Johnson.
NEW ORLEANS — St. Louis Rams running back Marshall Faulk, who led the NFL in total yards and touchdowns this season, won his second straight NFL Player of the Year award.
IRVING, Texas — Bruce Coslet, the former Cincinnati Bengals and New York Jets head coach, was hired as the Dallas Cowboys' new offensive coordinator under coach Dave Campo.
AUSTIN, Texas — Dick "Night Train" Lane hounded wide receivers with his ferocious tackles and quarterback with his interceptions.
An undrafted free agent who would become one of the greatest defensive backs in NFL history during his 14-year career, Lane died after a heart attack at the assisted living facility where he lived. He was 73.
NEW YORK — New England wide receiver Terry Glenn sued the NFL, saying it discriminated against him for a disability that prevented him from following certain rules in the league's substance abuse policy.

BOXING

LONDON — Lennox Lewis says he still has Mike Tyson's teeth marks in his thigh after a news conference brawl. The Nevada boxing commission won't let Tyson fight in Las Vegas, and the former undisputed world champion faces two possible rape charges.
Yet Lewis is confident the two will still get together in the ring.
If the fight doesn't happen in the United States, Danish promoters Mogens and Bettina Paile said they would be happy to stage it in Copenhagen.
Rodney Bernan, who staged Hasim Rahman's stunning upset victory of Lewis in Johannesburg, South Africa, last April, also would like to put on the fight.
Adrian Ogun, the champion's business manager, said there were still many options available and he would be talking to HBO as well as the WBC and IBF in New York next week.
LAS VEGAS — Las Vegas police are investigating a second felony rape allegation against heavyweight boxer Mike Tyson.
Clark County District Attorney Stewart Bell confirmed that detectives have been investigating sexual assault complaints against Tyson by two women.

GOLF

MELBOURNE, Australia — Ernie Els shot an 8-under-par 64 in perfect scoring conditions to hold a two-shot lead after the first round of the Heineken Classic.
Mark Pilkington of Wales, was alone in second after shooting a 5-under 66.
England's Nick Faldo and Barry Lane, Australians Adam Scott and Peter Lonard and New Zealander Eddie Lee were tied for third with 67s.
PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Tiger Woods was presented the PGA Tour's top awards for the third straight year.
Woods received the Jack Nicklaus Award as player of the year, the Byron Nelson Award for having the lowest scoring average and the Arnold Palmer Award for winning the money title.
Charles Howell III was the PGA Tour rookie of the year.

SOCCER

PASADENA, Calif. — After 120 minutes of mostly watching his teammates play at the other end of the field, Kasey Keller finally got his chance to make some diving saves.
The U.S. goalkeeper battled away two penalty kicks after a scoreless tie in regulation and overtime as the Americans beat defending champion Canada 4-2 on penalty kicks to gain the finals of the CONCACAF Gold Cup tournament.
The United States faces Costa Rica, a 3-1 winner over South Korea in the other semifinal, on Saturday at the Rose Bowl.

BASEBALL

SEATTLE — Short a veteran starting pitcher, the Seattle Mariners finalized a \$1.25 million, one-year contract with James Baldwin.
LOS ANGELES — Four-time All-Star Dante Bichette agreed to a minor league contract with the Los Angeles Dodgers, and the outfielder was invited to spring training as a non-roster invitee.
LOS ANGELES — It appears the career of Jeff Shaw, the Los Angeles Dodgers' career leader in saves, is finished.
Traded to the Dodgers by Cincinnati on July 4, 1998, Shaw went 3-5 with a 3.62 ERA and a career-high 43 saves in 52 chances last season.
BOSTON — The highest-priced tickets in baseball got pricier when the Boston Red Sox announced a 7.4 percent overall increase for this season.
Infield roof box, loge and field box seats, the most expensive at Fenway Park, will increase from \$55 to \$60.
Team officials said it's the smallest overall increase in seven years.

OLYMPICS

SALT LAKE CITY — Pavel Jovanovic, a U.S. bobsledder who said he accidentally took a banned steroid in a nutritional supplement was knocked out of the Olympics when an arbitration panel gave him a nine-month suspension.
Jovanovic's lawyer said he would appeal the suspension to the International Court of Arbitration in Sport, which scheduled a hearing for Salt Lake City next Wednesday, two days before the start of the Winter Games.

BASKETBALL

NEW YORK — Sacramento Kings forward Chris Webber was suspended for one game and fined \$7,500 for deliberately throwing an elbow to the head of Utah's Jarron Collins last week.
DENVER — The Denver Nuggets have formed a Hispanic advisory committee two months after former coach Dan Issel made an insensitive remark to a Hispanic fan.

TENNIS

LAS VEGAS — After eight years together, Andre Agassi and Brad Gilbert have ended one of the most successful player and coach relationships in tennis history.
With Gilbert as his coach beginning in March, 1994, Agassi won six Grand Slam titles, a gold medal at the 1996 Olympics and held the No. 1 ranking in the world at the end of 1999.

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Basketball

NBA standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Rows include New Jersey, Boston, Philadelphia, Orlando, Washington, New York, Miami.

Central Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Rows include Milwaukee, Toronto, Detroit, Indiana, Charlotte, Cleveland, Atlanta, Chicago.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Rows include Dallas, Minnesota, San Antonio, Utah, Houston, Denver, Memphis.

Pacific Division

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Rows include Sacramento, L.A. Lakers, Portland, Seattle, L.A. Clippers, Phoenix, Golden State.

Tuesday's Games

Table with columns: Team, Score. Rows include Detroit 89, Washington 86, Cleveland 114, Minnesota 81, L.A. Lakers 127, Atlanta 93, New York 78, Philadelphia 71, Milwaukee 109, Boston 90, L.A. Clippers 117, Dallas 100, Charlotte 78, San Antonio 73, Houston 100, Golden State 96, OT, Miami 100, Denver 94, OT, Phoenix 91, Chicago 90, Portland 92, Seattle 86.

Wednesday's Games

Table with columns: Team, Score. Rows include Indiana 83, Memphis 82, Philadelphia 96, Minnesota 91, Detroit 88, Atlanta 71, L.A. Lakers 111, Orlando 93, Utah 90, Chicago 78.

Last night's games

Table with columns: Team, Score. Rows include Washington at Cleveland, Milwaukee at New Jersey, Boston at Toronto, L.A. Clippers at San Antonio, Houston at Dallas, Sacramento at Seattle, Phoenix at Portland.

Tonight's games

Table with columns: Team, Time. Rows include Atlanta at Washington, 7 p.m., New York at Indiana, 7 p.m., Minnesota at Boston, 7:30 p.m., San Antonio at Miami, 7:30 p.m., L.A. Lakers at Memphis, 8 p.m., Orlando at Detroit, 8 p.m., Charlotte at Houston, 8:30 p.m., Golden State at Phoenix, 9 p.m., Denver at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

High school scores

Boys

Tuesday

Table with columns: Team, Score. Row: Aca. for Individual Exc. 66, Cor. Christ. 63.

Large table listing various sports teams and their scores, including basketball, football, and girls' basketball.

SPORTSBOARD

Table listing various sports teams and their scores, including football, basketball, and girls' basketball.

Girls

Table listing girls' basketball scores for various teams across different counties.

Wednesday

Table listing girls' basketball scores for various teams on Wednesday.

Transactions

BASEBALL

American League

SEATTLE MARINERS — Agreed to terms with RHP James Baldwin on a one-year contract. Designated LHP Norm Charlton for assignment.
TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS — Agreed to terms with 2B Brent Abernathy, LHP Steve Kent, INF Jason Smith, INF Ramon Soler and RHP Enger Veras on one-year contracts.

National League

CHICAGO CUBS — Agreed to terms with RHP Pat Mahomes on a minor league contract.
CINCINNATI REDS — Agreed to terms with RHP Ricardo Arambolles on a one-year contract.
COLORADO ROCKIES — Agreed to terms with RHP Mike James on a minor league contract.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Agreed to terms with OF Dante Bichette on a minor league contract.
NEW YORK METS — Agreed to terms with INF John Valentin on a minor league contract.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Named Tug McGraw special pitching instructor during spring training.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Agreed to terms with 2B Pokey Reese on a two-year contract.
SAN DIEGO PADRES — Agreed to terms with INF Delvi Cruz on a one-year contract.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA — Suspended Sacramento Kings F Chris Webber for one game and fined him \$7,500 for deliberately throwing an elbow to the head of Utah Jazz C Jarron Collins in a Jan. 26 game.
TORONTO RAPTORS — Signed G Jermaine Jackson to a contract for the rest of the season.
WASHINGTON WIZARDS — Activated G Richard Hamilton from the injured list. Placed G Bobby Simmons on the injured list.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

BUFFALO BILLS — Re-signed QB Alex Van Pelt to a five-year contract.
CAROLINA PANTHERS — Signed LB Bryan Ray, LB Roger Alexander, G Luke Firtz, S Deke Cooper, QB Mike Watkins and RB Terrell Willis.
DALLAS COWBOYS — Name Bruce Coslet offensive coordinator. Announced the contracts of Clarence Shelton, running backs coach, and Hudson Houck, offensive line coach, won't be renewed.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Agreed to terms with LB Richard Jordan and CB Central McClellin on two-year contracts.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Signed P Andrew Bynes, K Jamie Rheem, T Milford Stephenson, G-T Mark Bristol, T John Feugill, QB Aaron Garcia, WR James Jordan, RB Jamal Robertson, FB Jaesen Ison, TE Ben Steele, TE Neil Johnson, DE Jerome Davis, DE Shawn Hay, DB Oteji Jones and S Brian Smith.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

BUFFALO SABRES — Assigned F Norm Milley to Rochester of the AHL.
COLORADO AVALANCHE — Assigned F Jeff Daw, F Kelly Fairchild, F Riku Hani and F Radim Vrbata to Hershey of the AHL.
FLORIDA PANTHERS — Named Mike Santos hockey operations consultant. Promoted Brent Flahr to assistant to the general manager.
LOS ANGELES KINGS — Placed D Mathieu Schneider on injured reserve. Claimed LW Ted Donato off waivers from the New York Islanders and assigned him to Manchester of the AHL.
NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Claimed LW Reid Simons off waivers from the Montreal Canadiens and assigned him to Milwaukee of the AHL.
NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Assigned D Joel Bouchard to Albany of the AHL.
NEW YORK ISLANDERS — Assigned D Ken Sutton to Bridgeport of the AHL. Announced O Marco Kiprusoff and the team have agreed to a mutual release.
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS — Assigned F Shane Endicott and D John Jakopin to Wilkes-Barre/Scranton of the AHL.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING

Loaned LW Dimitry Alaiassenkov to Grand Rapids of the AHL. Assigned RW Nikita Alexeev to Springfield of the AHL.

Football

Division I-AA football scholar-athletes earn recognition

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

The Division I-AA Athletics Directors Association has recognized 43 members of the organization's fourth annual Academic All-Star Team.
The winners were chosen from 141 nominees and were announced at the Division I-AA Football Championship December 21.

"The 43 young men who are joining the previous 120 student-athletes to receive this award represent the best in terms of academic and athletics excellence in Division I-AA football," said John Johnson, chair of the selection committee and athletics director at Weber State University.
Nominees are required to have a minimum grade-point average of 3.2 (4.0 scale) in undergraduate study and to be a starter or key player with legitimate athletics credentials. In addition, they must have reached their second year of athletics and academic standing at the nominated institution and have completed a minimum of one full academic year at the nominated institution. Finally, nominees must also have participated in 50 percent of the games played at their designated position.

From the Academic All-Star team, five finalists also were selected for the Division I-AA Athletics Directors Association's inaugural \$5,000 postgraduate scholarship. One of the five finalists will receive the postgraduate scholarship during the organization's annual membership meeting held in conjunction with the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) convention in June.
The five finalists are Eric Damko, an offensive lineman from the University of Northern Arizona; Butler University quarterback DeWayne Ewing; Alcorn State University linebacker Louis Green; Vince Huntsberger, a strong safety from the University of Montana; and Marty McNamara, a University of Dayton cornerback.

Now in its ninth year, the Division I-AA Athletics Directors Association's mission is to enhance Division I-AA football. The Association is administered by NACDA.
Following are the members of the 2001 Academic All-Star Team:
Tommy Terrell Adams, wide receiver, Mississippi

Valley State; John Ahern, offensive lineman, Delaware; Uwadiae Airhiabere, defensive lineman, Brown; Jonathan Ambrose, free safety, St. Peter's; Nicholas Bamber, cornerback, Valparaiso; David Brookman, tight end, Brown; Billy Brown, wide receiver, Yale; Darren Brown, kicker, Wofford; Scott Carter, fullback, East Tennessee State; Eric Damko, offensive lineman, Northern Arizona; Khary Darlington, safety, Delaware State; Brian Davis, defensive back, Morehead State; Matt DeLellis, wide receiver, Dartmouth; Aaron Edwards, defensive back, Monmouth; DeWayne Ewing, quarterback, Butler; Ben Foster, running back, Wofford; Louis Green, linebacker, Alcorn State; Richard Holzer, offensive lineman, Hofstra; Vince Huntsberger, strong safety, Montana; Rodney Johnson, cornerback, Furman; Mark Kasmer, safety, Dayton; Justin Langan, kicker, Western Illinois; Peter Lee, quarterback, Yale; Ryan Lee, wide receiver, William and Mary; Gene Liebel, fullback, Towson; Ryan MacLean, defensive back, Albany; Marty McNamara, cornerback, Dayton; Eric Nash, offensive lineman, Wofford; Joe Pavick, safety, Duquesne; Dusty Peace, fullback, Northern Arizona; Hadley Prince, safety, McNeese State; Marvin Royal, running back, Sacred Heart; Trent Sansbury, tight end, Furman; Chris Sapp, linebacker, Indiana State; Justin Stark, offensive lineman, Harvard; Travis Stephens, linebacker, Citadel; Chris Stimmel, safety, Northern Iowa; Grant Swallows, quarterback, Tennessee Tech; Adam Vogt, linebacker, Northern Iowa; Armand Walters, wide receiver, Morgan State; Adam Waugh, linebacker, Illinois State; Jonathan Wilfong, defensive end, Richmond; Justin Wood, quarterback, Portland State.

Calendar

BASKETBALL

AAU meeting scheduled

A meeting will be held for a regional AAU girls' basketball organization for Floyd County and other surrounding counties, Wednesday, Feb. 6 at 6 p.m. at Adams Middle School. Anyone interested in helping to form the AAU girls' basketball organization, should call Rick Hughes at 886-2232. The organization will be comprised of all different age groups.

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Umpires needed

Anyone interested in umpiring high school baseball or softball this season is urged to contact Robert Staggs at 606/432-1807 or 606/353-0388.

H.A.P. LL meeting scheduled

The H.A.P. Little League will hold an organizational meeting Wednesday, Feb. 6 upstairs in the Pro Shop at Allen. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in coaching or helping with the league is urged to attend. New officers will be elected at this meeting. Players signups will not be held at this meeting.

High school

Ross, Stepp named new coaches

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

Johnson Central High School has a new head football coach. And so does Clay County High School. Former Raceland and Boyd County head coach Bill Tom Ross was announced as the new head coach at 4 p.m. on Monday at the Johnson County Board of Education. Ross comes to the Johnson Central program after a very successful stint as the head coach of the Boyd County Lions. He replaces outgoing head coach Bruce Humphrey, who after a first season at the helm with a 2-8 record, resigned in early-December. Humphrey remains on at Johnson Central, but is rumored to be headed to a couple of different coaching stints at other schools, including Lawrence County, where his close friend Garry McPeck is the head coach.

Along the lines of close friends, Ross is very close friends with former Johnson Central head man Bill Musick. Now the principal and football coach at Fairview High School, Musick resigned in 2001 after leading the Golden Eagles to a perfect 10-0 regular season in 2000.
Clay County High School also has a new head football coach. Aaron Stepp is the new head coach at Clay County.

Stepp, a Prestonsburg High alum, introduced himself to Clay County High classes as well as the middle school, asking players to come out and play for him.

Stepp went on to say that he hoped the juniors would help him, because he doesn't have much faith in the senior class next year because only one of them played football the year before.

"We will build this program up to be the top in Eastern Kentucky, mark it down," said Stepp. He is very serious, and it was evident he is intent on winning. Stepp, as he understands it, will remain as a teacher at Berea High, for the rest of the school year. Stepp also mentioned that before he went to Berea High the program hadn't had a winning season in 16 years and they've went to the state playoffs each of the last three seasons during his reign as head coach.



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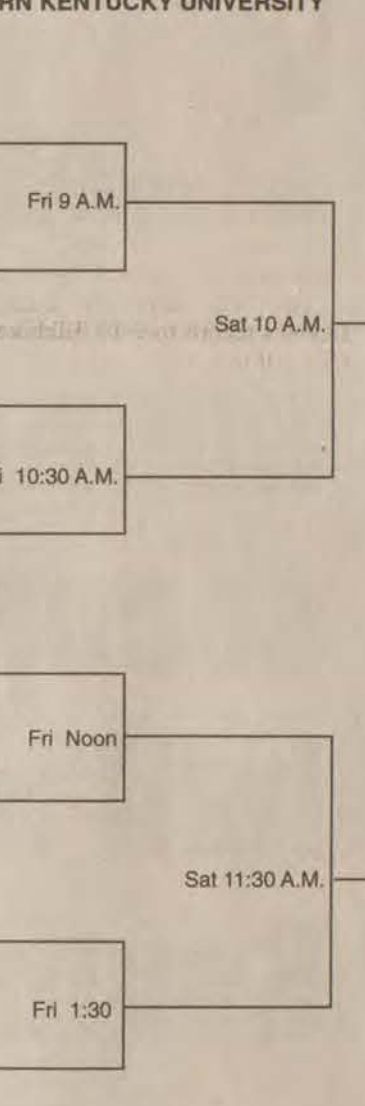


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Wide receiver knows how to rise to occasion

by R.B. FALLSTROM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — Isaac Bruce would like to be known as a player who makes big catches all the time, not just in big games.

Still, history shows the St. Louis Rams' Pro Bowl wide receiver likes the spotlight.

Two years ago in the Super Bowl, he caught six passes for 162 yards. His 73-yard touchdown reception on an under-thrown pass from Kurt Warner against the Tennessee Titans is perhaps the biggest play in franchise history.

"I have a tape of the game at home, and if there is nothing on television, I pop that tape in and fast-forward past everything up to that catch," Bruce said Tuesday during Super Bowl media day interviews. "It was one of the best moments of my career."

In the NFC championship game last week against the Philadelphia Eagles, Bruce had several big moments. The Eagles dropped their safeties deep to dis-

courage the long ball, so the Rams worked their way down the field methodically, and Bruce had a team-leading eight catches for 84 yards and a touchdown.

That included grabs of 15, 12 and 17 yards, all producing first downs during the Rams' 10-play, 71-yard drive in the third quarter of a 29-24 victory. He's one of the best in the NFL at changing direction without sacrificing speed.

"Isaac just had a stupendous game," coach Mike Martz said. "You watch, he'll show up and be a key factor in the Super Bowl."

That's not a role he's played in every game. In the regular-season finale, he hurt his back in the first half because he was wearing new inserts in his shoes and had just one catch for 6 yards. In the Rams' first-round playoff victory over the Packers, he was held to one catch for 19 yards.

In Bruce's defense, a handful of balls intended for him were batted down by Packers linemen. After the game, he said he was open, but just didn't get the ball.

"I don't want to be just a big-

game receiver, because there are a lot of games leading up to that big game," Bruce said. "I feel like I can make plays in any game — the first game of the season or the last game of the season or preseason, as long as they keep me in."

Bruce has had far more impressive seasons, but he said he's never played better than right now.

"If I've changed, it's for the better," Bruce said. "I know I'm a lot smarter player, but there's a lot more playmakers on the team."

Bruce made his fourth Pro Bowl, even though he had to share the spotlight and usually was the wide receiver teams game-planned to stop. Both he and Torry Holt had 1,000-yard seasons, and Holt had two more catches and 257 more yards.

Marshall Faulk had a team-leading 83 receptions, 17 more than Bruce.

Both realize double coverage on Bruce creates openings for them.

"We wouldn't be here if it wasn't for Isaac," Holt said. "Ike is one of the smoothest route-runners in the game, and it's good to have an opportunity to watch him."

Bruce's most impressive season — at least statistically — remains 1995, the Rams' first year in St. Louis after moving from the West Coast. He had a career-best 119 catches for 1,781 yards, the second-highest total in NFL history, with 13 touchdowns. His next-

best year from a statistical standpoint was 87 catches for 1,471 yards last season.

He'll trade both of those for the dangerous balance offered by the 1999 and 2001 teams. Though he didn't get as many catches this year, he averaged a team-best 17.3 yards per reception — and the Rams are in the big game.

"We all play the decoy role," he said, "and it works out just fine."

Bruce believes he and Holt could both have big days on Sunday if the Patriots blitz as often as they have in the past and play bump and run, man-to-man coverage. Bruce had one of his biggest games of the season at

New England, catching seven passes for 130 yards.

"I think we'd rather see that," he said. "With the safety in the middle of the field, that means Torry and myself will get a lot of opportunities."

"They kind of played that way the first time, so we just have to fight fire with fire."

■ NCAA MEN

Memphis 80, Louisville 70

by WOODY BAIRD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Louisville put up a strong fight toward the end, but it wasn't enough.

The Cardinals (12-7, 3-5 Conference USA) fell 80-70 Wednesday to the Memphis Tigers (18-4, 8-0).

Though behind most of the game, the Cardinals stayed within striking distance, trailing 73-70 with 3:07 left to play.

"They don't stop, and their relentless play is what keeps them in games and wins games for them," Tiger coach John Calipari said.

The victory gave Calipari a win over Louisville's Rick Pitino in their first meeting at the college level since both returned

from the NBA.

"You knew it was going to be a hard-fought game and Rick wasn't going to let his guys go away," Calipari said.

Pitino said the Tigers simply outmaneuvered his Cardinals, particularly as the game wound down.

"We just got overwhelmed. Memphis draws the foul very well, and they lean into you and hit you," Pitino said. "Where they hurt us was in transition, ducking their heads and getting fouled."

Dajuan Wagner led Memphis with 23 points, while Earl Barron added 19 points and 11 rebounds.

Wagner is the son of Milt Wagner, who was a starter on Louisville's 1986 NCAA championship team. The elder Wagner

is now coordinator of basketball operations for Memphis.

Kelly Wise had 16 points and 18 rebounds for the Tigers, and Antonio Burks added 10 more.

Luke Whitehead had 20 points to lead Louisville. Reece Gaines had 17 points, and Ellis Myles had 15 more and 15 rebounds for the Cardinals.

The final score was the Tigers' largest lead of the second half.

Calipari is in his second season with Memphis, while Pitino is in his first with Louisville.

Their last meeting was at the 1996 Final Four when Calipari was at Massachusetts and Pitino was with Kentucky. Kentucky won that game and went on to

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Bobcats

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ing a win over Piarist. In the Piarist game, Daniels had 14 points and 12 rebounds in just eight minutes of play. Yes, just eight minutes of play.

On Tuesday night, Betsy Layne returned to action and scored a healthy 107-91 win over the Cougars. Daniels' numbers for the night? Impressive, to say the very least.

Against Elkhorn City, the senior man in the middle netted a career-high 49 points and tied a career-high with 20 rebounds. Daniels' previous career-high total in rebounds came against Prestonsburg back on January 2. In the Elkhorn City game, Daniels was 20-25 from the field and 7-10 on free throws.

Elkhorn City held a 23-22 lead over Betsy Layne at the end of the first quarter but fell behind bad in the second period. Daniels and a host of teammates

led a spirited run in the second period to put the Bobcats ahead 60-44 at the break. Betsy Layne outscored Elkhorn City 22-21 in the third stanza en route to the win.

Several Betsy Layne players got into the act of scoring Tuesday night. Brandon Hall had 13 points and Brent Hamilton 12. Brent Newsome finished the game with 10 while five other Bobcats notched tallies. Marcus Allen finished with eight, Wes Senters six and Chris Cochran five. Wes Meade and Josh Allen rounded out the Bobcat scoring with two points each.

Brandon Ratliff led the way for Elkhorn City with a team-best 29 points. T.R. Adkins finished with 27.

The win improved Betsy Layne's record to 9-10. Elkhorn City fell to 5-12.

Bears

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Pikeville was 1-1 again last week, following the 81-72 Georgetown loss with an 87-71 win over Knoxville. Honorable mention All-American Cedric Taylor returned to the lineup for last week's games after missing two weeks of play with a sprained shoulder. In his absence, including the game in which he was injured, the Bears were 1-3.

Pikeville, 14-6 on the season, will play two conference games on the road this weekend. The Bears, 3-4 at the mid-way point of the Mid-South Conference race, were at Cumberland

(Tenn.) University last night and Lambuth (Tenn.) University tomorrow. Results from last night's game were unavailable.

Around the MSC, Georgetown became the third team to hold the No. 1 spot this week. Lee (Tenn.) University was at the top of the poll initially before being replaced by Biola after the holidays. The Tigers, 24-0, are the nation's final remaining undefeated team.

Cumberland (Ky.) College remained eighth this week, while Lambuth got four votes to finish outside the Top 25.

Reed

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is just another game. It is, and you can take your pick, (a) the Big Enchilada, (b) Every Player's Dream, (c) What the Game's All About, or (d) football's answer to the Kentucky-Louisville basketball game.

2. Although the dress code for Super Bowl parties is generally casual, it's not cool to paint your face and body in your team's colors, cover your otherwise nude self with a billboard sign that says "John 3:16," or wear a sweatsuit that hasn't been washed since the Colts were in Baltimore.

3. When you hear talk about "keys," don't think that your fellow party-goers are talking about the metal things that unlock houses and cars.

In football, keys are the players, matchups, decisions, etc. that will determine the game's outcome. As in, "The main key for New England is to hope its players haven't spent too much time on Bourbon Street."

4. If you really want to make an impression, fill a lull in the action by shouting, "I wonder why one of those pro teams doesn't hire Hal Mumme and Claude Basset."

5. Act indifferent about the TV commercials, which each cost roughly the Gross National Product of a small nation, or the halftime show, which this year is guaranteed to break all records for patriotic themes. A real football fan cares only about the game. So while Brittany Spears is flashing her belly button on TV, you should be engaged in a deep discussion about New England's pass-rush ratio.

6. If the game turns out to be dull and one-sided, as often is the case, you can keep the conversation going by blaming the media for over-hyping the game. The media is everyone's favorite whipping boy, being held responsible for everything from Al Gore's beard to Mike Tyson's animalistic behavior to the decline of civilization. Sadly, even I can't defend a business that has given the world Geraldo Rivera.

7. You will notice players pointing to heaven and dancing after they make the most routine

of plays. You also will notice players engaged in "trash-talking," which usually involves derogatory comments about an opponent's family. It is recommended that you don't try to imitate these actions the next time you have an argument with your spouse.

8. If you hear somebody mention the "zebras," don't think a trip to the zoo is being discussed. In football, the game officials are known as "zebras" because of their black-and-white striped shirts. The thing you should know most about them is that they hate your team and want to make you personally suffer by making stupid calls designed to help the other team win.

9. Proper Super Bowl party etiquette dictates that you don't drool into the dip, belch after every beer, or pinch the host/hostess while their spouse is out of the room. Also frowned upon are wiping your greasy fingers on the drapes, spicing your breath with onions and beef jerky, and cheering with your mouth full of that pesky fruitcake left over from Christmas, 1989.

10. Women should refrain from making comments about the players' posteriors and their tight pants, and men shouldn't ogle the dancing girls any longer than it takes to read the swimsuit issue of Sports Illustrated. If an irate woman happens to dump the contents of the punch bowl on her spouse, the appropriate comment is, "How long do you think it'll take Tim Couch to get the Browns into the Super Bowl?"

If forced to make a bet by the local bookmaker, pick the Rams by 19 because that's the number Johnny Unitas, my all-time favorite quarterback, wore for the Colts during his storied career. It's also the number of snacks that may be consumed at a Super Bowl party before the host indignantly cuts you off by bellowing, "Geez, fella, you came in as a 175-pound defensive back and you're going to leave as a 330-pound tackle."

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All 'A'

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a complete effort, a true team effort en route to a 69-42 win. Jackson County led Betsy Layne 44-6 at the break.

"Everyone that played for us, played well," said Jackson County head coach Greg Parrett. The Lady Generals rolled early on, leading the Ladycats 24-2 at the end of the first quarter.

Betsy Layne sophomore Whitney Lykens led the Ladycats in scoring with 19 points. Lykens' 19 was the high for the game.

Natasha Stratton had eight points while Kim Clark and Kesha Newman chipped in three apiece in the opening round loss.

Forward Brittany Carr paced Jackson County with 16 points. Carr was one of two players to score over 16 points for the Lady Generals. Center Sara Elliott, a 6-

Raiders

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from the field scoring only 10 second quarter points.

The teams went to the locker rooms tied at 33 at the half.

After the break the games momentum quickly turned in the Raiders favor as coach Henry Webb switched his defense and put the pressure on the Rebels. South Floyd forced 12 AC turnovers in the third quarter alone to race out in front 56-46 led by Michael Hall with 13 third quarter points. The Rebels big guns in the first half Newsome and Sazabo managed only three total points in the third quarter due to the Raider pressure. The big third quarter by the Raiders seemed to unravel the Rebels and they never recovered.

South Floyd added to their lead in the final quarter as Michael Hall poured in 12 more points in the period to finish as the games leading scorer with 34 points. The Raiders also had good play off the bench from Josh Johnson — who could be the 15th Region's best sixth man — and Joe Skeans, who ran the ballclub well for the Raiders. Tyler Hall also netted 12 points on the night for South Floyd.

Athletes of the Week



THE BOBCATS

Jeremy Daniels, Betsy Layne, 49 points, 20 rebounds vs. Elkhorn City



LADY REBELS

Tiffany Turner, Allen Central, 21 points, vs. South Floyd



SPORTS FAN OF THE WEEK



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NEW AT THE TIMES...

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

RACING

EMP to sponsor Vickers in Busch Series

THOMASVILLE, N.C. — From two-time NASCAR Winston Cup champion Terry Labonte's backyard, Brian Vickers and BLV Motorsports will compete in the 2002 NASCAR Busch Series for Raybestos Rookie of the Year.

Vickers, 18, will contest a limited schedule of about 24 races with primary sponsorship from Engineered Machined Products (EMP) and associate support from the U.S. Army through the National Automotive Center (NAC).

Brian Vickers and BLV

Motorsports will enter the No. 40 Engineered Machined Products Dodge Intrepid in a minimum of 24 events in their quest for Busch Series Rookie of the Year. Vickers' first start of 2002 will come at North Carolina Speedway on Feb. 23.

"This is a great opportunity for me and the team," said Vickers, who will graduate from Trinity High School in Thomasville with honors in May. "Thanks to the support from EMP, NAC and the U.S. Army, we will be prepared for the challenges of a new program and driver competing in the

NASCAR Busch Series.

"Given some time to gain experience, we hope to have the

Products, our employees and all of our business partners are pleased to extend our relation-

Machined Products. "Our philosophy at EMP is 'Powering the Future,' and we are doing just that by providing technology and support to Brian and this young exciting team."

"This is a great opportunity for partnering with industry," noted Brad McNett of the U.S. Army's National Automotive Center. "Other than a military environment, I can't think of a harsher condition an engine undergoes than in a racing environment."

"With the help of EMP, we will be able to analyze thermal conditions and cooling solutions

that we can then apply to Army ground vehicles."

Patrick Donahue has been named crew chief for the No. 40 Team EMP Dodges. Previously, Donahue worked for Evernham Motorsports and driver Casey Atwood. Before joining Evernham, Donahue served as Jeff Gordon's Busch Series crew chief at Hendrick Motorsports.

Vickers competed in four Busch Series races in 2001 to prepare for an expanded schedule in NASCAR this year. In 2000-2001, Vickers competed in

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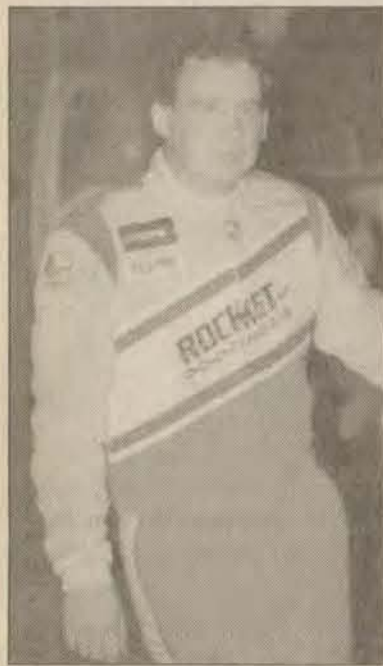
opportunity to showcase our potential."

"Engineered Machined

ship with Brian Vickers and BLV Motorsports," said Brian Larche, President of Engineered

Two additional dates added to Renegade DirtCar schedule

by BRETT EMRICK



Steve Francis, Ashland

Two additional race events have been added to the 2002 Renegade DirtCar Racing Series schedule with Eriez Speedway in Erie, Pa. and Stateline Speedway in Jamestown, N.Y. agreeing to host events. Owner/promoter Francis Seamens will present a 50 lap \$5,000 to win main event at the slightly-banked three-eighths mile Eriez Speedway Sunday, June 2. Seamens will then host a \$10,000 to win 100 lap afternoon feature affair at Stateline Speedway Saturday, October 19 at the slightly-banked one-third mile track with a raindate of October 20.

The Renegade DirtCar Racing Series last appeared at Stateline Speedway during the 2000 racing season with Mike Balzano capturing the victory July 8. The series was scheduled to race at Eriez Speedway the following night but heavy thunderstorms forced cancellation of that event. The 1999 season was the last time for the RDRS to hold an event at Eriez Speedway with local hotshoe John Lobb taking the upset triumph on July 25.

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Half Mountain Speedway, Royalton

Half Mountain preparing for second season

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

ROYALTON — Half Mountain Speedway opened last season after several years of development. The result was a huge crowd of race fans flocking to the track to the Magoffin County racetrack take some of the auto action. The track is owned by Floyd County resident Jim Branham. The 2002 Half Mountain race schedule has yet to be finalized but promises to offer some very exciting dirt track racing for fans of various classes including the hard-charging late models. Area drivers as well as racers from other states made the trek to Royalton to try their luck on one of the biggest dirt tracks in Kentucky, a four-

tenths of a mile oval.

Half Mountain Speedway (HMS) is definitely worth the drive. In last season's initial campaign drivers tested themselves and their machines on a track which offers challenges to drivers as well as some exhilarating fast-paced action for fans of all ages.

Steve Howard, track manager at Half Mountain Speedway, has announced several changes for the coming season. After several discussions, it was decided that the 4-Cylinder and Road Hog divisions would not run in the 2002 seasons. Plans are also being made to make up the fogged-out features from last year. HMS officials confirm as of now, any driver of a car in the fogged-out features that moves a

class and no longer runs that car will be refunded their money.

HMS officially brought its 2001 season to a close on October 2 of last year. In the past, speedway officials have expressed a desire to bring some of the big dirt track race series to Royalton.

Directions to the track are as follows:

From Lexington—Take I-64 East until you reach the Bert T. Combs Mountain Parkway. Follow the parkway until you reach the Salyersville - Rt. 7 Exit. (Exit 75) then head south on Rt. 7 for approximately nine miles. Half Mountain Speedway is

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Lower rows eliminated, walkways and entrance expanded at LMS

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

CONCORD, N.C. — As part of an ongoing effort to enhance safety and improve the motorsports experience fans enjoy while attending events at Lowe's Motor Speedway, a major grandstand renovation project is underway that includes eliminating the first three rows of seats in the Chrysler, General Motors and Ford Grandstands along the frontstretch of the 1.5-mile superspeedway.

"We are continually updating and looking at things we can improve to benefit fans," said H.A. "Humpy" Wheeler, president and general manager of Lowe's Motor Speedway. "Eliminating those lower seats will increase the distance from the fence to the first row of spectators by approximately eight feet."

In addition to increasing the distance from the race track to the front row, the change will ease congestion on the walkway along the track's 1,952-foot

frontstretch. A railing is also being installed in front of what will now be the first row of seats.

The \$1.5 million project also includes the next phase of a concourse widening that will expand the walkway behind the General Motors Grandstand and replace the Gate 4 entrance. The concourse will be widened by approximately 30-feet while the new Gate 4 will feature larger entry gates and walkways.

"An extremely large number of people pass through this area after races and we needed more area to accommodate the crowds," Wheeler noted. "We have expanded the concourse in other areas during recent years, and this section will complete the project. It will greatly aid spectator ingress and egress."

The entire project is scheduled to be completed prior to The Winston, NASCAR's annual Winston Cup all-star event, which kicks off the track's racing

season on Saturday night, May 18.

Tickets to all 2002 events at Lowe's Motor Speedway, including the May 26 Coca-Cola 600 and Oct. 13 UAW-GM Quality 500 NASCAR Winston Cup races, can be obtained by calling 1-800-455-FANS or online at www.lowesmotorspeedway.com.

Record payoff awaits 2002 Daytona 500 Champion

In the first Daytona 500 back in 1959, Lee Petty collected \$19,050 in prize money for taking the checkered flag. Second-place finisher Johnny

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Recap...

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Before No. 10 Kentucky played fifth-ranked Florida, Wildcats coach Tubby Smith said no job was safe, and benched three starters to make his point.

Keith Bogans may have won his starting position back.

Bogans scored 14 of his 20 points in the second half and Tayshaun Prince added 19 points and 10 rebounds as Kentucky sent the Gators to their third straight loss, 70-68

Tuesday night.

Prince broke a 63-all tie with a free throw, and his assist led to Bogans' 3-point-er for a four-point lead with 1:28 to go.

The Wildcats (14-5 overall, 4-3 Southeastern Conference) had to bounce back from Saturday's 64-61 loss to Alabama, had to overcome a raucous crowd in a sweltering arena and had to battle back from an early



deficit. That was Smith's intent when he benched Bogans, Gerald Fitch and Jules Camara.

"I really couldn't be prouder of the guys," Smith said. "I really thought they hung in there and overcame some things, some issues to start the game."

After Bogans' shot, Orien Greene hit a 3-pointer to make it a one-point game.

But Prince responded again, as his floating jumper from

the left baseline put the Wildcats up 69-66.

Florida (15-4, 4-3) blew repeated chances to close or tie in the closing seconds. Udonis Haslem came up empty on two free throws with 30 seconds remaining and Brett Nelson missed a tying jumper in the final seconds.

"I give (Brett) credit for stepping up and trying to make the play," Florida coach Billy Donovan said. "I thought we had a good shot to win the game."

Nelson led Florida with 15 points, Haslem added 14 and Greene had 13.

The Gators, which won a school-record 14 straight games earlier this season, are on their longest losing skid since 1997-98.

"I don't understand why the losses keep happening," said Haslem, who had only two points on one shot in the first half. "We could have, and should have done so much better."

Kentucky built an eight-point lead early in the second half behind Prince, but Florida immediately rallied to tie. Matt Bonner's three-point play capped off an 8-0 run and knotted the score at 47 with 11:55 remaining.

Nelson made his first four 3-point tries as the Gators built a 22-15 lead with 10:22 remaining in the half. It was the second straight game Nelson was used in a reserve role since breaking an unspecified team rule.

Florida's misfiring offense allowed Kentucky to creep within a point going into the break. Prince's buzzer-beating 3-pointer cut the deficit to 31-30, and gave him 10 points for the half.

"Florida had a two-game losing streak, and we wanted to do our best to keep it that way," said Prince, who shot 7-for-15 with three 3-pointers.

UK women prepare for nationally ranked Georgia

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Memorial



TUBBY MOMENTS

May 12, 1997 — UK's director of athletics, C.M. Newton, introduced Orlando "Tubby" Smith as head coach.

Nov. 20, 1997 — It was the dawning of an era when new coaches Tubby Smith and Morehead State's Kyle Maey tipped off the season in Rupp Arena. Smith won his first game at UK, 88-49, over the former UK All-American and his Morehead State Eagles.

March 22, 1998 — In one of the most anticipated matchups of the NCAA Tournament, UK roared back from a 17-point deficit with 9:38 remaining to defeat Duke, 86-84. The victory buried the nightmare of UK-Duke '92 and advanced the Wildcats to their third straight Final Four.

March 30, 1998 — The "Comeback Cats" rallied from a 10-point halftime deficit to defeat Utah, 78-69, winning UK's second national title in three years, its seventh overall.

Coliseum will be action packed on Sunday at 2 p.m. when the Kentucky women's basketball team plays host to nationally ranked Georgia and participates in the annual Take A Kid To The Game program.

The nationwide grassroots program is designed to encourage adults to take kids to a NCAA women's basketball athletic event and experience game-day at an affordable price. TAKG, which promotes the women's game to the youth of America, allows kids under the age of 15 to be admitted free when accompanied by an adult. UK employees with valid faculty/staff identification will be also be admitted free. All other adults are \$5.

In addition to free admission, all kids can take place in interactive activities on the upper concourse in Memorial Coliseum starting at 1 p.m. Football players Jared Lorenzen and Shane Boyd and basketball player Jason Parker, will be available to sign autographs along with other UK athletes from seven varsity teams. Twenty children will also be chosen to participate in a closed-circuit television show with former UK basketball great Kenny "Sky" Walker.

The Wildcats (8-12, 1-7 Southeastern Conference) look to get back on track after falling in a heartbreaker last Sunday to Alabama, 61-58. Senior LaTonya McDole came out of a six-game scoring slump to lead UK with 15 points while freshman Sara Potts nailed a career-tying four three-pointers for 14 points.

"I think our players have gained valuable experience in the past few weeks that has helped them realize what we need to do to win in this conference," UK Coach Bernadette Mattox said. "Georgia is a tough team and coming off a loss, so they will be ready to play on Sunday. We've used this off week to work on the little things and improve our free throw shooting."

All-America and All-SEC candidate, SeSe Helm, continues to

lead the Cats in scoring and rebounding this season. The 6-4 center averages 16.6 points and 7.1 rebounds per game.

Junior guard Rita Adams ranks 11th nationally and is first in the SEC in steals, averaging 3.65 steals per game. Adams, only 5-8, shows her versatility by also leading the Cats in blocks for the second straight season.

Georgia, ranked No. 19 in the Associated Press Poll and No. 18 in the USA Today/ESPN Coaches Poll, comes to Lexington after falling to No. 18 Florida on Sunday, 73-64. The Lady Bulldogs are 14-5 overall and 3-4 in the SEC.

Freshman center Kara Braxton paces two Lady Bulldogs in double-digits, averaging 16.8 points per game. Sophomore forward Christi Thomas follows with 11.7 ppg.

Coach Andy Landers, in his 23rd season at Georgia, will be facing one of his former players and assistant coaches on Sunday in Bernadette Mattox. She transferred to Georgia after playing under Landers at Roane State in Tennessee. Landers took over the Georgia program in 1978. Mattox played two seasons for Landers (1980-81) and was an assistant coach for the Lady Bulldogs from 1982-90. She was UGA's first female All-American and Academic All-American.

The Cats hope to snap a four-game losing streak to Georgia, dating back to 1999. The Lady Bulldogs own a 21-8 advantage in the all-time series, including a 7-5 lead when playing in Lexington. Three years ago in Lexington, UK upset the eighth-ranked Lady Bulldogs, 80-76, marking Mattox's first win over a ranked opponent and over former coach and boss Andy Landers. Georgia went on to finish 27-7 and reach the Final Four.

Children under the age of 15 are admitted free. UK football players Jared Lorenzen and Shane Boyd and basketball player Jason Parker will be on hand to sign autographs prior to the game.

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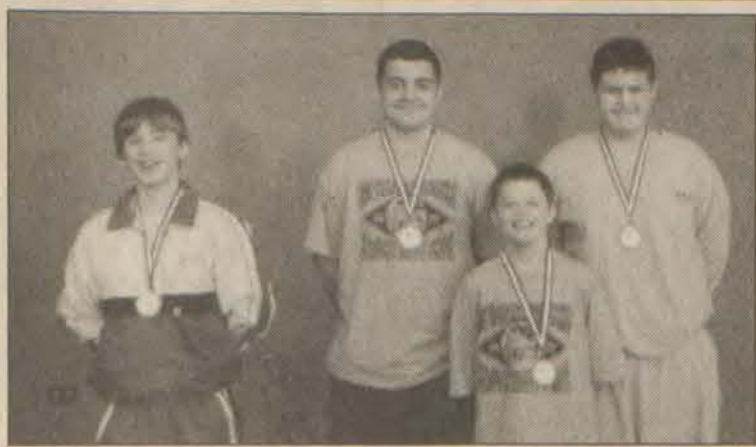


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Grapplers from Adams Middle School competed at the recent state tournament. Grapplers bringing home medals from the state tourney included (pictured in no particular order) Shane 'The Train' Spencer, Damon Short, Shawn Ousley and Chris Bostic.

MSC baseball coaches poll released

Bears rated sixth in conference heading in

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CORBIN — The Mid-South Conference baseball coaches have released their preseason poll for the 2002 season. League coaches have selected Cumberland University as their preseason favorite for the conference championship.

In what is expected to be a close race, Lambuth University was projected as the second-place finisher followed by Union College in third. The three teams were the top finishers in last year's regular season. The remainder of the field, according to their order of finish in the coaches poll are Campbellsville (4), Lindsey Wilson (5), Pikeville (6), Georgetown (7) and Cumberland College (8).

Play begins in early-February with conference play set to start the first week in March. Weekly results will be available on the MSC website, beginning February 18. The site is updated each Monday.

MSC BASEBALL COACHES POLL

1. Cumberland (Tenn.).....48
2. Lambuth.....44
3. Union.....37
4. Campbellsville.....25

5. Lindsey Wilson23
6. Pikeville.....21
7. Georgetown14
8. Cumberland (Ky.)12

MSC preseason softball poll released

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CORBIN — The Mid-South Conference softball coaches have released their preseason poll for the 2002 season. League coaches have selected Cumberland University as their preseason favorite for the conference championship.

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Rehbein on players' minds

by HOWARD ULMAN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — Tom Brady studied more than a play-book last summer. His quarterback coach suggested he learn about leadership and how others played that position.

So, as Dick Rehbein recommended, Brady read books about Gen. George Patton and retired NFL quarterbacks Phil Simms and Ken Anderson. Now Brady is in the Super Bowl.

Rehbein would have loved that.

He was 45 when he died of heart failure Aug. 6 during the New England Patriots' training camp. He left behind his wife Pam, daughters Betsy and Sarabeth and three admiring quarterbacks.

"He had me doing book reports this summer," Brady said Tuesday, five days before the Patriots face the St. Louis Rams.

"Coach Rehbein was a tremendous influence on my life, on all the quarterbacks' lives on what it takes to be successful."

Brady and Drew Bledsoe have been so successful that the week began with uncertainty about which one would start Sunday.

Brady is 13-3 since replacing the injured Bledsoe as a starter. But Brady sprained his left ankle late in the first half of last Sunday's 24-17 victory over Pittsburgh, and Bledsoe came in to throw a touchdown pass and help the Patriots win.

Coach Bill Belichick planned to wait until after Wednesday's practice before announcing Sunday's starter, although Brady walked without a limp Tuesday.

Rehbein was starting his 23rd season as an NFL assistant, but only his second with the Patriots. He spent the previous eight as an offensive assistant with the New York Giants and went to New

England when Belichick became head coach.

He made such an impression so quickly that his wife and daughters were named honorary captains and took part in the coin toss before the Patriots' playoff win in Pittsburgh.

Some better known figures filled that role for the Steelers — former players Franco Harris, Lynn Swann, John Stallworth, L.C. Greenwood and Donnie Shell. All were on Super Bowl-winning teams.

"Coach Rehbein made such a great contribution this year, and the players genuinely feel his presence," Patriots owner Robert Kraft said after the victory. "We lobbied hard to get his daughters to be able to go out and be part of this, and I think they really were our good-luck charm."

Third-string quarterback Damon Huard, whose meeting with Rehbein last March helped

persuade him to sign with the Patriots, was touched by the ceremony.

"It was real emotional," he said. "I'm so glad they could be there. I know he was looking down upon us and, to think that when we were 1-3 he's sitting up there and saying, 'You know guys, just keep fighting, you're going to be in the Super Bowl,' and, you know what, he's looking down on us. It's pretty neat."

Rehbein was a center at Ripon College in Wisconsin before his first pro coaching job as a special teams coach at Green Bay from 1979 to 1983. He was an assistant with Los Angeles of the USFL in the spring of 1984 and later that year moved to the Minnesota Vikings, where he served through 1991.

Bledsoe already was an outstanding quarterback before Rehbein joined the Patriots, and

in 2000 he threw a career-low 13 interceptions.

But Rehbein helped with more than just the mechanics of throwing a pass. He helped with the emotional burden of a high-profile position that gets an undue amount of praise or blame.

"Because of that, the quarterbacks are under more stress than a lot of other positions," Bledsoe said. "So a quarterbacks coach has to be your buddy, has to be your guy you can vent to, has to be all of those things as well as being a coach."

"He was a guy you could go to if you didn't think something was right. You could go to and express it to him and work through it. And, professionally, he was an outstanding coach. His attention to detail was great."

Rehbein helped give the Patriots perhaps the most depth at quarterback in the NFL with Brady, Bledsoe and Huard.

"When he was gone, it kind of rallied us quarterbacks together," said Brady, the AFC's third-rated passer in just his second season.

No replacement was named, and Belichick and offensive coordinator Charlie Weis, a close friend, assumed his duties.

"He was just the best," Weis said last August. "No one's close for second."

Rehbein had a history of heart problems. He had an internal pacemaker because of cardiomyopathy, checked himself into Massachusetts General Hospital when he felt discomfort and died five days before New England's exhibition opener, a 14-0 win over the New York Giants.

His team lost its first two games, but won its last eight to reach the Super Bowl.

"Looking how this has played out, you kind of get a sense that maybe this guy is watching over us a little bit," Bledsoe said.

Record

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Beauchamp earned \$7,650. The purse for the race totaled \$67,760.

How things have changed through the years.

This year's 44th annual Daytona 500 on February 17 will award the winner of the "Great American Race" a minimum \$1,327,030 with the race's entire purse exceeding \$12 million, an increase of more than a \$1 million from last year.

The runner-up finisher in the Daytona 500 will receive a minimum \$928,100 while the driver that finishes in the 43rd position will collect a minimum \$114,236. Not bad for one day's work.

"The Daytona 500 is the

crown jewel of motorsports," Speedway President John Graham said. "Every driver in the NASCAR garage wants to hoist the Harley J. Earl trophy in Victory Lane at the circuit's premier track. There should be no doubt that the winner of this race should be rewarded handsomely."

The Daytona 500 is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 17 at 12:30 p.m. It will be broadcast live on NBC Sports and MRN Radio.

Fans can purchase tickets for Speedweeks 2002 events and the 44th annual Daytona 500 online or by calling the Speedway ticket office at 386/253-7223.

Busch

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the USAR Hooters ProCup Series and recorded four wins. His prior motorsports experience came in Late Model and NASCAR Weekly Racing Series competition, Allison Legacy Series and the World Karting Association.

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located on the right side of the road just south of Royalton.

From Huntington, W.Va.—Follow US 23 South from Ashland until you reach the 460 - Paintsville Exit. Take 460 W, heading to Salyersville. At the caution light at the end of 460, take a right until you approach the second Salyersville exit (around four miles). Then take Ky. Rt. 7 South from Salyersville for approximately nine miles. HalfMountain Speedway is located on the right side of the road just south of Royalton.

From Pikeville—Take US 23 North from Pikeville till you reach the Ky.114 Exit at Prestonsburg. Follow Ky. 114 W till you reach the KY 7 exit (second Salyersville exit - Exit 75). Head south on Ky. 7 for approx-

imately nine miles. HalfMountain Speedway is located on the right side of the road just south of Royalton.

From Hazard—Take Ky. 80 North till you reach the US 23 intersection and then head north on US 23 towards Prestonsburg. After approximately three miles, take the Ky. 114 Exit West towards Salyersville. Follow Ky. 114 W until you reach the Ky. 7 exit (second Salyersville exit - Exit 75). Head south on Ky. 7 for approximately nine miles. HalfMountain Speedway sits on the right side of the road just south of Royalton.

For more information on HalfMountain Speedway, visit the track's website at www.halfmountainspeedway.com. The site offers the latest HMS news.

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for a bowl.
The school had admitted more than three dozen violations that occurred from 1998 to 2000, many of them committed by Bassett.
"In fact, this was one of the more serious cases heard by the committee (on infractions) in recent years in terms of the scope and breadth of the violations," the NCAA said in its report.
The NCAA said more than \$7,000 was spent by Kentucky, primarily through Bassett, for improper recruiting or gifts of money to high-school coaches and prospects.
All the violations were committed during the tenure of former coach Hal Mumme, who resigned under pressure last February. Mumme was charged with failure to monitor the program, but was not hit with any individual sanctions.
Bassett was found in violation

of ethical conduct bylaws and received a show-cause order, which means any NCAA institution that wishes to hire Bassett during that period would have to demonstrate to the committee why it should not be penalized if it hired Bassett.
Mumme resigned amid the turbulence of an internal investigation by Kentucky into allegations of wrongdoing in the football program.
The probe began in November 2000 and intensified the following month when a Louisville newspaper published copies of \$1,400 in money orders sent from Bassett to the coach of a Memphis, Tenn., high school where the Wildcats were courting recruits.
Mumme reached a \$1 million settlement with Kentucky to end his contract and still lives in Lexington.
He didn't coach during the 2001 season but has said he wants

to do so again.
The committee said Mumme failed to adequately oversee the program because he did not closely monitor Bassett's activities even after being told on three occasions about possible rules violations.
The NCAA report said Mumme disputed the findings, claiming he should not have been charged with monitoring responsibilities. The NCAA committee on infractions rejected that contention, saying head coaches can be responsible for failure to monitor their assistants.
Violations outlined in the report include:
■ the money orders, sent to Memphis (Tenn.) Melrose High School coach Tim Thompson;
■ academic fraud for completing or assisting in course work for student-athletes during study halls Bassett monitored;
■ providing free hotel rooms, meals and apparel to recruits and coaches on numerous visits.
When Kentucky submitted the results of its own investigation to the NCAA in March, it self-imposed a number of penalties it

hoped the organization would follow in issuing its sanctions. Those included:
■ a reduction in the number of initial scholarships from the normal limit of 25 to 16 in 2002-03, 18 in 2003-04 and 22 in 2004-05;
■ a reduction in the 56 permissible recruiting visits to 36 in 2001-02 and 40 in 2002-03;
■ a reduction in the number of coaches permitted to recruit off-campus in a given week, from seven to six for the next two seasons.
Bassett, now a high school at Robstown (Texas) High School, told a Lexington radio station Wednesday the eight-year show cause order likely ended his hopes of ever coaching at the collegiate level.
In a statement issued through his attorney, Bassett said he planned to appeal the show cause order and several of the individual allegations against him.
"Though Coach Bassett readily admits to wrongdoing, he denies many of the charges against him outright," the release said. "The coach feels that he deserves to be punished for only those actions which violated NCAA regulations."

Eagles 'Dock' Blackcats

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

The Johnson Central Golden Eagles visited Prestonsburg Tuesday night looking for a victory and came away successful. The Golden Eagles jumped the Blackcats early and eventually went on to score a 78-61 win due in a huge part to a stellar performance from a senior sharpshooter.
Johnson Central senior Dock Johnson hit seven three-pointers and added two field goals and five free tosses for 30 points to pave the way for a win for the Golden Eagles. Johnson also added four rebounds, four assists and one steal to go along with the 30 markers.
Visiting Johnson Central held a 36-39 advantage being the holder after a 17-5 lead at the end of the first quarter. The golden Eagles led 53-38 at the end of three quarters before scoring the 16-point win.
Chad Carroll scored 12 points and grabbed 10 rebounds for one of Johnson Central's two double-double performances. Justin Woods had Johnson Central's other double-

double with 11 points and 12 boards. Josh Keaton had eight points for Johnson Central while junior point guard Chris Hurt finished with seven points and shared team-high assist honors (4) with Johnson.
Brad Bevins and Justin Allen each had 13 points to lead Prestonsburg in scoring. Freshman Trevor Compton turned in one of his best performances of the season with 11 points, two steals and one assist opposed to just one turnover. Chris Kidd totaled eight points for Prestonsburg. Nick Jamerson and Josh Murdock scored three apiece for the Blackcats while Jeremy Clark added four points on a field goal and two free throws. Kris Bentley had two points as did T.C. Hatfield. Senior Craig Fleenor rounded out the Prestonsburg scoring with one point. Marc Shepherd, Nick Music and Tony Hatfield rounded out the scoring for Johnson Central with two points apiece.
The win evened Coach Les Trimble's Johnson Central team to 8-8 on the season. Prestonsburg fell to 6-12.

Poll

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Conference has released its pre-season softball coaches' poll for 2002. The poll reveals that the coaches expect the most competitive championship race ever in the Mid-South Conference.

Coaches picked Georgetown College, last season's tournament champion, as the team to beat. Last year's regular season champion, Cumberland (Tenn.) trails Georgetown by just two points in the poll.

NCAA

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take the NCAA championship.
Calipari moved to the NBA in 1996 to coach the New Jersey Nets. Pitino, who had previous NBA experience with the New York Knicks, became coach of the Boston Celtics in 1997.
Memphis hit on only 19 of 35 free throws while shooting 41 percent from the field. Louisville hit five of 10 from the line and 42 percent from the field.
Louisville hit three of 16 3-point attempts, while Memphis hit five of 13.
Memphis led 38-34 at halftime after building leads of 11 points three times.
The Tigers were up 29-18 at 6:28 of the first half after two free throws by Wise.
But the Cardinals went on a 14-3 run to tie the score at 32 on a layup by Games with 3:10 left in the half.

The remainder of the teams, also bunched closely, in the poll, are No. 3 Cumberland (Ky.), No. 4 Lambuth, No. 5 Lindsey Wilson, No. 6 Campbellsville, No. 7 Union and No. 8 Pikeville.
Softball play begins this month with inter league play among MSC teams beginning the first week of March. The regular season finish determines seeds for the MSC Softball Tournament in Hopkinsville's Tie-Breaker Park, May 1-3. Weekly results are available on the MSC website each Monday.

MSC SOFTBALL COACHES POLL

1. Georgetown	44
2. Cumberland (Tenn.)	42
3. Cumberland (Ky.)	35
4. Lambuth	29
5. Lindsey Wilson	27
6. Campbellsville	22
7. Union	11
8. Pikeville	9

NAIA WOMEN

ALC women slip past visiting Knoxville

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES - The Alice Lloyd College women's basketball team pulled its record to near-even Tuesday night with a 90-85 win over visiting Knoxville College. The Lady Eagles advanced their record to 12-13 on the season while Knoxville fell to 3-16.
Leah Whitley scored over one-third of Alice Lloyd's points, 36, to lead the Lady Eagles to victory. Whitley was 13-of-23 on field goal attempts and five-of-nine from beyond the arc on threes. She also went perfect on free-throw tries, hitting all five of her attempts while pulling down five rebounds, dishing out two assists and recording both a steal and a block in 38 minutes of work.
ALC held a 42-40 lead at halftime before edging its opponent 48-45 in the second half of play.
Necha Combs recorded a double-double with 23 points and 10 assists to go along

with five rebounds to add to a solid Alice Lloyd effort. Coach Denise Campbell got solid play from her bench as the former Cindy Halbert-coached Ashley Rosen came off the bench for 10 points. Rosen, Belfry High alumnus, also grabbed six rebounds to lead her team in that category. Another Cindy Halbert-coached player, Shannon Sizemore, Allen Central, came off the bench to toss in six points. Starters Delores Jenkins and Andrea Kelley finished with eight and four points, respectively. Kelley Turner finished with three points for the ALC women and Jamie Surber played but did not score, grabbing one rebound.
Samia Dixon hit 13 field goals and finished with 27 points to lead Knoxville. She also led KC in rebounding with eight boards as the visiting squad outrebounded the host Lady Eagles 28-24. Erica Harthorne and Jennifer Miller finished with 15 and 14 points, respectively. Tawonna Anthony netted 11 and Sharyce Banks 10, giving

Knoxville four players scoring 10 or more points on the night.
Alice Lloyd's free-throw shooting went a long way Tuesday night as the Lady Eagles shot 75-percent from the charity line.



Kari Ross (23), Piarist

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Boys' All 'A' tips off with Tigers in the mix

Talent-loaded teams make overall field a winner

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

RICHMOND — With two of

the state's top high school boys' senior basketball players, several elite teams and the state's youngest phenom taking to the floor, this week's Touchstone Energy All 'A' Classic promises to be an exciting affair. The field includes the Paintsville Tigers. Coach Bill Mike Runyon has now led the Tigers to five All

'A' Classics, the most of any boys' team. The Allen Central girls' basketball team have made it to the state All 'A' tourney five times as well.

The 16-team tournament that tipped off Thursday showcases the state's top Class A teams. The semifinals are slated for Saturday and the championship game Sunday at 3.

"It should be a great tournament for the fans to come out and watch," Glasgow coach Bart Flener said. "There's some really good players and a bunch of solid teams. I think it's wide-open and should be a lot of fun."

A rundown of teams starts with Glasgow, the defending All 'A' State Champions. The Scotties are led by Mr. Basketball frontrunner Brandon Stockton, a University of Kentucky signee who is averaging 26.5 points a game. Stockton looks primed to bring some more hardware back to Glasgow, but standing in his way are 15 other very capable boys' basketball teams looking to dethrone the defending champions with their Mr. Basketball lead candidate.

The 5-foot-11 Stockton was named MVP of the event last year and was a first-team All-State selection as he led the state in scoring. Glasgow beat Allen Central in the second round of last year's tournament. The Runnin' Rebels advanced to the second round of last year's tournament after downing a good Bishop Brossart team in the opening round.

Flener said his star went through a bit of a slump early this season, but has averaged close to 30 points a game since Christmas.

"He's been rolling pretty good," Flener said. "It's that time and we wanted to get it back into his hands. The other kids realize what he does for us. It's good to have the best player on the floor. You win a lot of games like that."

The Scotties open the event against Whitesville Trinity, and if they, win would meet the Paducah St. Mary-St. Henry winner in the second round.

St. Henry is one of the top teams in the Ninth Region, while St. Mary is led by All-State guard Ryan Cochran. The University of Florida golf signee averages 22.8 points a game and had 54 against Louisville Seneca in the King of the Bluegrass last month.

Cochran, a 6-5 lefthander, is the son of PGA Touring pro Russ Cochran and is ranked as the No. 3 senior in the state by several recruiting gurus.

Also in the bottom-bracket is former state champ Paintsville. The 15th Region power opened up against Somerset and then would face the Spencer County-Beth Haven winner.

Senior Chas Harmon led Paintsville into last night's opening game aided by teammates Jeremy Slone. Brandon Gullett and Nathan Haney, among others.

Results from last night's late game between the Tigers and Briar Jumpers, the final contest of the opening session, were unavailable, and will appear in Sunday's edition.

Spencer County is making its first trip to the All 'A' Classic, while Beth Haven is led by high-scoring 6-2 David Quero, an exchange student from Spain.

The top portion of the bracket is highlighted by Rose Hill Christian. The small school in Ashland has been the most-talked about team this season across the state.

Rose Hill, which opened against former champion University Heights, won its first 17 games before losing to Spring Valley (W. Va.). The Royals are still undefeated this season against in-state competition.

Rose Hill is led by 6-4 seventh-grader O.J. Mayo, who averages 22 points and 10 rebounds a game. Mayo has already been in Sports Illustrated, USA Today and several of state newspapers. The Royals also have 6-5 forward Marques Dawson, who is one of the top juniors in the state. A lot of the attention at

this year's state tourney will more than likely focus on Mayo and other young stars similar to him. None are quite like him.

The Rose Hill-University Heights winner will face the winner between Louisville Christian Academy and Frankfort. The latter is one of the top teams in the 11th

Region and has senior standout Chris Current.

Also in the top-bracket, Campbellsville will meet Whitesburg and past champion Harlan will square off against Paris

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by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR



Did I hear a 'moo'?

Being born female means that you come into the world with the deck already stacked against you. I know that sounds negative, but face it, it's true. Women get paid less for working harder while, for the most part, men take the credit for their efforts.

If a man demands "that it be done right," he commands respect; if a woman makes the same demands, she's a "picky witch."

It ain't fair. But, it's the way it is. Being born female also means that you will, eventually, end up in the hands of an obstetrician/gynecologist at some point in your life. This person will ask you to remove your clothing and lie down on the most uncomfortable piece of medical equipment ever designed. Then, while he has you there, he will begin to drill you on your most personal and private daily habits and relationships. All the while, he will act as though you are having a polite conversation in the produce aisle while you worry about whether or not you remembered to shave your legs.

I once had a friend who went to see her gynecologist for her annual pap smear. I could barely breath from being doubled over in laughter as she related to me that once she removed her clothing she lay down and immediately began the mental check, "Legs shaved, yes, toenails painted, yes, but oh! wait, my feet! Do my feet stink? I didn't wear stockings today, I know my feet stink!". The fear that her feet might possibly be smelly was great enough that she got up, stuck them in the examining room's tiny sink and washed them as best she could. The funniest part was when she related the look on the doctor's face as he entered the room and his eyes followed the wet footprints from the sink, along the floor, and back to the examining table.

We women will do most anything to present ourselves to the world as the "delicate and sweet-smelling blossoms" that we "should" be. You know, we don't "sweat," we "glisten" - that sort of thing.

This past Thursday I had the great fortune to pay a visit to the Highlands Regional Breast Center.

For a mammography. Although I realize that this is a necessary evil in the lives of all women and I realize how very fortunate I am to have been born in a time of such advanced medical technology, I, nonetheless, feel very uncomfortable when I have to remove my blouse, and my bra, and don a little paper slip of a thing that gaps wide open in the front.

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Think Gardeners have nothing to do in the winter?

By Ray Tackett

FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT FOR AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

2002 early spring garden calendar

VEGETABLES

■ Plan your garden on paper now. Utilize "crop rotation" to avoid disease carry-over. Don't plant onions where you had onions, chives, garlic, leeks or shallots last year. Don't plant spinach where beets or

Swiss chard grew. Avoid broccoli planting in old sites of cabbage, cauliflower, Brussels Sprouts or turnips. Don't plant peas where beans grew. Avoid planting carrots if there were parsnips or parsley in that ground. Don't plant potatoes where you had tomatoes, peppers or eggplant. And try not to plant cucumbers, pumpkins, squash or melons on the same ground repeatedly.

■ Take soil samples from your vegetable garden before spring.

■ Order tomato, pepper and tomato seed now for starting indoors in March.

■ Start onion seeds indoors in mid-to-

late January

■ Start Brussel sprouts, broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, kohlrabi, lettuce, and Chinese cabbage seed indoors in mid-to-late February. Day temperatures should be 60-65 degrees F., and night temperatures 5 degrees cooler.

■ Seed-starting mixes of "artificial soil" are "sterile", since they are made up of peat moss, perlite, and vermiculite. Don't use soil or you'll have "damping off" fungus disease. Keep fluorescent lamps 5 to 10 inches above the foliage, 12 to 18 hours per day. Apply a liquid 20-20-20 fertilizer after

the second true leaves appear.

OUTDOOR FLOWERS

■ Start seed indoors in January for annual flowers such as ornamental cabbage and ornamental kale, Gerbera daisy, statice, ornamental basil, and geraniums. Lightly cover seeds. Germination is best at 65-70 degrees F.

■ Start seed indoors in February, but don't cover the seed for annual flowers such as snapdragon, Browalia,

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Prior to the Sunday service at Lighthouse Temple several members of the congregation joined hands in a circle of prayer.

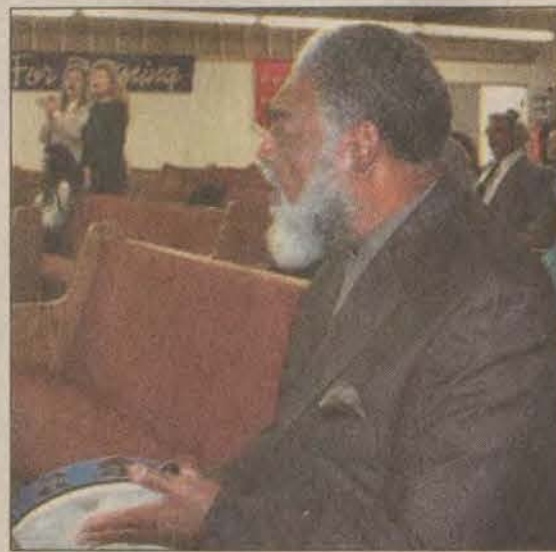


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Alfred Rhea praised God accompanied by his tambourine.

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.

Let me write this next paragraph now, for I will grow more unpleasant, farther down in the column.

THE PLEASANT

A number of pleasant things have happened to me this week, and one of the most pleasant was a chance meeting on the street here with the Rev. Isaac Stratton, of Banner, on Monday, which was his 88th birthday. It did a poor sinner good to hear this man tell how "the Lord took hold of me and has never let me go." And to know how real that experience has been for him all these years while he walked muddy country roads to the sick and the dying, to homes where death had come, answering every demand on his strength of body and spirit.

"He has given me some pretty tough jobs, but I've been happy with them, every one. He has never let me go and He has never let me down." So Faith spoke as we stood on a Prestonsburg sidewalk last Monday.

The years have been kind to this preacher. He ages little. He simply says, "God has been good to me." His voice is a little weaker, a few more crow's-feet are about the eyes, but his face is almost unlined.

And the few lines there—not one of them was written by a frown.

THE RIDICULOUS

Now the Gripe Department speaks. I do not propose to go, in detail, into this postal bill which has passed the House and is to go to the Senate, except to say that it means a five-cent stamp for mailing a letter and one cent extra postage on every newspaper mailed. We will not harangue the reader with the woes of the weekly newspaper, with postal costs, materials and everything else in orbit. Permit us, instead, to point out just how ridiculous lawmakers, the Post Office Department, etcetera, can get.

At this very time when the Post Master General and President Kennedy are busy convincing the Congress that the poor P.O.D. must balance the budget and show a profit—even if every other department of the national government shows a deficit; at this hour, when newspapers and other publications, large and small, are being afflicted with extra postal charges and the ordinary citizen is taking another beating, this same Post Office Department permits

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Making a 'joyful noise'

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

"You are my God, You are my King, You are my Master, my everything. You are my Lord, that's why I sing to You. Hallelujah, hallelujah. O, ancient of days..." The refrain rang out loud and crystal clear Sunday afternoon in the heart of Wheelwright. I was a fortunate stranger amid an assembled group of worshippers that had come together to sing their praises to God and His Son at

the Lighthouse Temple, located along the city's Main Street. Dr. Phyllis Puffer, a sociologist from Prestonsburg Community College, accompanied me, as well as my daughter, Elizabeth.

Expecting to encounter a more segregated group of individuals, I was encouraged to find, instead, a very "mixed" crowd of both blacks and whites. According to Mrs. Hazel Armour, the church's oldest member, "our church has always been integrated."

"Why, we can't have no prejudice,"

this gentlewoman proclaimed, "why, in my family alone, we have German, Iranian, Japanese, and my own great-grandmother was a white woman. Lord, no, we can't have no prejudice."

Although Armour attended a church in Pike County for several years, she is now "back in the fold" and attending services at the church that has served her family for generations. "My children all attended Sunday School right here, why this church has been here forever," she said.

According to Pastor Roy Cosby, who has been with the church, serving as pastor, for the past ten years, Lighthouse Temple was predominately black "until about ten or eleven years ago." Today, however, the colors have merged and Lighthouse Temple is made up of those who "just want to live in unity," as Linda Tackett, one of Lighthouse's Sunday School teachers, remarked.

Tackett, blonde and fair-skinned, further commented that "we see no color here, we come together to worship, to praise God and to learn the word - to learn to lean on the word." Tackett testifies of a troubled past in which she dealt with abuse, alcoholism and drug addiction. "But I learned to lean on the

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From left to right, Jowanda Hill, Terry Marrs, Hattie Dutton, and Annette Jackson led the congregation in song on Sunday afternoon. Pastor Roy Cosby can be seen in the background.



photo by Kathy J. Prater
Matthew Caudill, Timothy Tackett, Andrea Tackett, Jerel Jackson, T'kiah Jackson, Coretta Trammell, and Breonna Jackson reacted to the lyrics of "If You're Happy and You Know It," during Sunday School at their church.

Things to Ponder: Ennui in search of initiative

by MABLE ROWE
LINEBERGER, PH.D.

While watching a group of youths the other day, this question occurred to me, "Are their attitudes examples of "cool" or ennui? I guess I must confess that I would not be able to fully define "cool", but some folks use it interchangeably with other "meaningful" words, such as "bad, groovy, sinful," while others might use it to identify that which is just plain desirable by other members of the crowd and they don't have at the moment, but one that can

not be lived without. Now, let me try to define ennui. It means listlessness and dissatisfaction resulting from lack of interest; boredom. Perhaps the most surprising thing is that the root of the word means "in hate." Another meaning associated with ennui is "melancholy" or to be sad, miserable, down in the dumps, and generally unhappy. The group of teens appeared bored, unmotivated, and unexcited about their lives. The ennui exhibited was not just a sense of detachment—off somewhere aimlessly in another world—

but an unending mountain of purposedness. A random sampling of self-reports was taken from a group of young adolescents from white, working, and middle-class families, a group that one would think had everything going for them. They reported feeling bored for 27 percent of the time. The high rate of boredom was about the same for honor students and those involved in delinquent activities. The explanations for this boredom are such things as—"algebra sucks," "I'm always bored on Sunday," "there's nothing to

do," and "the Odyssey is boring." High rates of boredom go arm-in-arm with the ever-escalating search for risky, novel, exciting activities. I happen to think that high boredom rates are directly related to being bored with the family and extending all the way to alienation, including isolation, hostility, and emotional distancing from the family. When the adolescents push to move away emotionally from the family of origin: (1) the expected, basic, fundamental bonds of family are dissolved; and (2) any safety

net for protection of the young from their possible risky choices before other mature "supports" or personality development are in place. The lack of any meaningful challenge, believing "every thing is boring," leads to young people who may do their homework, comply with their parents, hang out with their friends, and get through the day, but they have no fire, passion, or plan for the future that thrills them. "Whatever," they say in a dull, flat voice. "Don't know what I want to do now or in the future." Even when there are some

plans, they do not seem to originate from within the teenager. Often it seems that the adolescent "says," he is going to be so-and-so, because that is what his best friend thought of. Reed W. Larsen in his article "Toward a psychology of Positive Youth Development" says the characteristics outlined above are not necessarily signs of psychopathology, but rather are signs of a deficiency in positive development. How to get those adolescents' fire lit? How to have

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recordings, all kinds of recordings, to be mailed as "educational material."

What's so ridiculous about that? Don't be ridiculous!

Can you imagine an Elvis Presley record being educational material? Rock-and-roll, the blues, the howlings, and mowlings, — all are lumped, along with classics, as "educational material," and carted off, hither and yon — storm and sleet, the mail must go through, not withstanding — to those poor dealers who need to sell those records to an uneducated public, at the usual profit.

Amos, I've registred.

THE ZANY

The temperature outside got into the 70's and the fishing fever inside some of us who don't know any better went still higher Tuesday. Who can explain what fascination the sport holds for some people? Bernard Venable, an Englishman, puts it this way:

"When you start to fish it is simple enough. The sense of wonder that never entirely dies in all but the duller of men, is seized and transfixed. The sense of wonder that holds a small boy in a dream on the bank of a small pond, staring into the water, guessing at the mystery of it, seizes the grown man with an intensity that is stronger for long keeping.

"There he is, rod in hand, a boy again, staring at the water that is utter mystery, in all intense delight of fascination. He knows almost nothing of the glinting, shadowed, weed-fretted life that lies below the water's surface.

"The casting of a line, the watching of a float is something of deep significance, a probe into the mystery. If that still bright float top should dip, actually dip, dip from the pull of something unseen below—well, that has the nature of a miracle.

"And if that should be followed by the pulsing pull, the vibrance of unseen life at the other end of the line, it is perhaps the most wonderful and strangely stirring experience that life has given."

F O R E I G N I D I O

Welcome guest

By Pam Shingler
COLUMNIST

Since before Christmas, I've had a most welcome guest.

He's a little feller, age and precise parentage unknown. Goes by the name of Shadow — probably because he likes to follow his master-of-the-hour as closely as possible.

My cousin, Malta Williams, on Middle Fork in Johnson County, inherited Shadow from her brother, Fred Webb, who died a few years ago. Fred got him from another cousin of ours in Ohio,

who, as I recall, got him from a shelter — thus, the indeterminate age. We figure he's at least 10, although he often exhibits the energy of a young cuss, particularly when he insists you play fetch with him.

His breed is, likewise, indeterminate. He has the kinky, wiry hair of a terrier, hair that picks up burs and weeds and even sticks.

Given free rein, it would cover his eyes and, indeed, his whole face. He's low to the ground, but muscular and agile. Whoever his parents were, they gave him an outgoing, generous, unquestionably loving personality.

He loves nothing better than to groom my little white dog, Daisy, whom he's known since she was a tiny pup. He will wash her face and ears as long as she will allow.

How I came to have him is not as joyful as having him. A few days before Christmas, we received word that another cousin, Malt and Fred's younger sister, Mable (known to family as Peewee) had suffered a heart attack, and a rather severe one at that. On Christmas Eve, she had quadruple bypass surgery.

Widowed little more than a year ago, she is very close to her stepsons, but they and their spouses all have to work, leaving no one to look after her as she recuperates.

When Malt asked me if I would tend to Shadow, I did not hesitate. She went to Ohio on the day of Peewee's surgery with no idea of how long she'd be gone, and Shadow has had to adapt to a distinctly different way of life.

Whereas with Malt he sticks close to home, venturing away from the familiar acreage very seldom, with me, he zips back and forth from Floyd County to Letcher County and, with Daisy, accompanies me on shopping trips, including a quick journey to Ashland a few weeks ago. Thank goodness, he's a good traveler — better than Daisy, in fact.

Sometimes in the evenings, I take him and Daisy in to the office with me. He's become a tremendous hit with other late workers. Since he's never seen a stranger, they respond to his warmth and exuberance — in stark contrast to Daisy who is scared of everything new and takes a while to warm up to people.

On the day after Christmas, his voice was broadcast throughout central Appalachia and across the globe, via the Internet. I took Shadow and Daisy both into the WMMT studio as I did my Wednesday afternoon show, Appalachian Coffeehouse. As I was reading a passage by an Appalachian author, Shadow was moved to start barking. I closed the book quickly and put on some music until I could contain his energy.

An Internet listener in Maryland sent a message by a friend of his who works here. "It was the coolest show," he said. "She even had a dog on there."

Peewee's recovery is coming along slowly. Malt plans to bring her home to Middle Fork when the doctor says it is safe to do so.

Until that time, I'm enjoying my very welcome guest.

Garden

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Spiderflower (Cleome), Lobelia, and Bells-of-Ireland.

Design your perennial flower gardens on paper. Choose a color scheme. Do you want analogous colors (closely-related), monochromatic (all one color), polychromatic (mixture of colors) or complementary colors ("opposite colors" on the color wheel). Examples would be blue and orange, red and green, or violet and yellow. Choose a location that receives at least 5 hours of direct sunlight per day for most perennials. For heavier shaded areas, choose perennials such as Aconitum (Garden Monkshood), Alchemilla (Lady's Mantle), Amsonia (Blue Stars), Astilbe, Bergenia (Heartleaf Bergenia), Convallaria (Lily-of-the-Valley), Hypericum (Aaron's Beard), Lobelia, Myosotis (Forget Me Not), Primula (Primrose), Pulmonaria (Bethlehem Sage), or Viola (Sweet Viola).

Apply winter mulches round lilies and other perennial flowers after the ground begins to freeze. A 2 1/2 inch layer of bark or woodchip mulch will help prevent "heaving" caused by freezing and thawing through the winter.

TREES AND SHRUBS

Don't prune landscape trees and shrubs in January or early February, since that would make them more susceptible to winter injury, and you would be cutting off flower buds of spring bloomers.

Wait until early March to fertilize trees and shrubs.

Pick off and destroy all bagworm egg cases from evergreens now to prevent spring egg hatch. Each female bag contains 1,000 eggs.

Avoid the use of deicing salts near plants, especially sensitive ones like white pine, hemlock, maple, and black walnut. Use sand instead of salt for traction on ice.

Use a broom to keep heavy snow off arborvitae and other evergreens to prevent breakage.

Pull mulch back from around tree trunks, and stomp down snow around your trees to discourage burrowing and to prevent gnawing damage from field mice and voles.

Take soil samples from around the dripline of trees and shrubs in February. Soil testing is a free service provided in Kentucky Extension offices to local residents. Any necessary lime or sulfur for pH modifications could be applied now.

Bring in branches of forsythia, dogwood, or fruit tree branches with short spurs on them for forcing into bloom. Use a preservative made from 2 cups lemon-lime soda, 2 cups water, and 1/2 teaspoon chlorine bleach.

Take 4-6 inch tip cuttings of shrub and groundcover junipers, dip base in rooting hormone, and stick in moist sand

for rooting, now through April.

FRUITS

Apply a single spray of Ferbam, Bordeaux, or chlorothalonil to peach, plum, apricot and nectarine trees before buds swell to prevent peach leaf curl and plum pockets fungus disease in the spring.

Prune apples and pears in late February or early March, but wait until after bloom to prune peaches and nectarines.

Prune out all dead branch tips and cankers on apple and pear trees which had fireblight last season. Destroy all affected wood.

All tree fruits and small fruits (except strawberries) need fertilized in February, based on soil test results. Go lightly, however, on fertilizer applications around pear and apple trees which had fireblight last year.

Currants and gooseberries are pruned in late February or early March. Mature bushes should be cut back to leave just 10 small to medium sized canes.

Wait until March to prune grapes.

In late February to early March, prune raspberries. For black and purple types, cut all side branches back to 12 inches. Leave just 6 canes per hill. Spring red raspberries are thinned to 5 vigorous canes per foot of row. "Fall only" bearing raspberries are mowed to the ground. Blackberries are thinned out to reduce the total can number by 1/4 to 1/3. Leave the thickest stems.

LAWNS

If a soil test shows that your lawn needs lime, that may be applied now, but do not apply limes unless your soil pH is low (acid).

Lawn seeding can be done from mid-February to mid-March. Overseed to match the existing variety. Use tall fescue for new lawns. Good varieties include Apache II, Coyote, Crossfire II, Falcon II, Jaguar, and Rebel, Jr.

Apply a starter fertilizer to newly-selected lawns, but don't fertilize established lawns at this time.

Early crabgrass and foxtail pre-emergence control herbicide can be applied in late February or in March. On newly-seeded lawns, use Siduron or Tupersan only.

In order to help control snow mold and enhance overall turf health, keep tree leaves raked off the lawn all winter. If grass regrows due to warm weather in late February, and early spring mowing will be helpful.

As moles become active at the surface after mating in February, set mole traps in active runways from 4-6 p.m. for best results. Don't use poison peanuts, since moles are insect eaters and nuts are not on their menu.

Joy

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she said, "when I felt there was no way out, I sought the word, and I became a willing prisoner to it. It is the word that will save you."

Lighthouse Temple is basically a non-denominational assemblage with Pentecostal roots. "I'd say we're Pentecostal," Tackett said, "because we do believe in healings and in the speaking of tongues, but mostly, we are a group who comes together to praise and worship and serve God. We have our differences from time to time, as does any family, and we are a family, but we don't dwell on differences, we focus on God and what's truly important."

Pastor Cosby preached a message of relying "always" on God, paying heed to not allowing "religion to get in the way of your serving God," and reminding his congregation that "we are one in the spirit" and "God will never ask you to do something that he has not empowered you to do."

Pastor Cosby, lauded by his congregation as "the greatest preacher in the whole, wide world," answered that "love" is what makes Lighthouse Temple unique when questioned in regard to what makes his church different from others. "We all truly love one another," he said, "we are a family, a real family. We treat each other like family and we love each other like family. We don't just say it, we do it."

Sunday's service was punctuated by sincere pleas to "Bless him, Lord," and triumphant cries of "Amen," and "Hallelujah." The entire congregation, and at least one of their visitors, were all moved to join their voices in unison to the

harmony of the church's band and choir. The band, "Joyful Noise," is made up of two of the congregation's married couples, Cathy and Arnold Thornsbury and Terry and Sherrie Marrs. They were joined in the making of joyful music by Lighthouse's "Praise Team," made up of Jowanda Hill, Hattie Dutton, and Annette Jackson, as well as the Lighthouse Temple choir.

Voices rang out "loudly and proudly" as hands clapped, toes tapped, hips swayed and guitars were strummed, pianos were pounded and tambourines were set to jangling. The strength of the walls of the Lighthouse Temple were put to the test as amplifiers were turned up, the "spirit descended," and the congregation answered the call to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord."

Following the service, all in attendance were invited to partake of a Sunday dinner fit for royalty. Fried chicken, oven roasted chicken, succulent roast beef, tender pork roast, turkey and dressing, mixed greens, corn bread, vegetables and desserts were laid out buffet style for the enjoyment of the Lighthouse congregation and their delighted guests. All of the entrees were more than delicious but Maxine Cosby's baked macaroni and cheese casserole was definitely a favorite with the congregation's "guests" of the day.

Visiting the Lighthouse Temple was a study in not only black history and "black" gospel, but it was also a study in what has made our country so strong - the blending of cultures and races into one unified, "American," whole.

Arrival of newborn marks family's fifth generation

Brendan Micheal Van Auken was born on January 1, 2002, and his arrival marks the fifth generation of his family. His parents are Jeff and Jennifer Van Auken, of Huntington, Indiana. Shown representing five generations are: Brendan, in the lap of his great-great-grandmother Effie Howard of Garrett, Kentucky, and behind from left to right is his grandmother Bonnie Farmer of North Manchester, Indiana, his mother Jennifer Van Auken, and his great-grandmother Alberta Bolding of Lancaster, Ir. ana.



School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any of the listed activities, call 886-9812.

Allen Central High School

Feb. 4 - Regular SBDM meeting at 6 p.m., in school library.

Allen Central Middle School and Youth Service Center

School Committee meetings schedule:

*Curriculum Committee - Every third Wednesday of each month at 3:00 p.m.

*Budget Committee - Fourth Wednesday of each month at 4:00 p.m.

*Attendance/Discipline Committee - First Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m.

*Extra-Curricular Committee - First Tuesday of each month at 3:00 p.m.

*Public Relations Committee - First Monday of each month at 3:30 p.m.

*Consolidated Planning Committee - Fourth Wednesday of each month at 3:00 p.m.

School is currently collecting Food City receipts. Students may turn them in to their home-room teachers.

Hours are 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. Call 358-0134 for more information.

Allen Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center

Service Center Hours: Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Telephone: 874-0621

Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.

G.E.D. classes offered-FREE-each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m. and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda Bailey

Clark Elementary

Dairy Queen "buy one, get one free" cards still on sale through the Family Resource Center.

After School child care hours are 3:00 - 5:30 p.m., school days.

FCHD nurse in the center on Thursdays. Please call the center at 886-0815, to schedule an appointment. Appointments are currently being scheduled for Hep B immunizations and 6th grade physicals for the 2002 fall school term.

MCCC services are available at the center. Call for more information, or to schedule an appointment.

The Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. Center is located in the Clark Elem. school building. Hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Office phone is 886-0815.

James A. Duff Elementary School

Feb. 4 - Family Resource Center Advisory Council meeting, 4:00 p.m., in the center. Meeting is open to the public.

May Valley Family Resource Center

Each Wednesday - Health Dept. Nurse. Services offered: WIC, blood pressure checks, immunizations, TB skin tests, and Head Start, Kindergarten, 6th grade, and well-child physicals. Must call center at 285-0321 for appointment.

McDowell Family Resource Center.

Floyd County Health Department nurse, Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday. Services provided include:

immunizations, T.B. skin tests, school physicals (Head Start, kindergarten, and sixth grade), WIC appointments, prenatal and postpartum care and others. If you are in need of an appointment, call 377-2678 to schedule.

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

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

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

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

Piarist School

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

The Piarist School, Highway 80, Box 870, Martin, KY 41649. Call 285-3950 for further information.

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

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

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

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

South Floyd Youth Services Center

Adult education classes available.

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. 135.

The David School

Adult Education Class Schedule - Fall 2001:

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

*Monday and Wednesday: Morehead Big Sandy Campus, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405.

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

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

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

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

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

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

W.D. Osborne Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center

Center now accepting new applications for cleaning supplies.

Little Eagle Basketball now in progress.

"Clothing Closet" available to all students.

Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen.

CORRECTION

Editor's Note:

In the Wednesday, January 30, edition of "Lifestyles," a student identified as Brittany Coyer was shown gazing at a stuffed owl in PCC's biology lab. The student in the picture was actually Nikka Shell, a fourth grade student in Debra Holland's classroom. We apologize for the error.



Family Medicine

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Fiber, exercise and more water may help chronic constipation

men do in our country, although this isn't true in all countries and cultures. Non-whites in the United States report constipation about 1.3 times more frequently than do Caucasians. Interestingly, in studies done in Africa and India, the rates for non-whites and whites are essentially the same.

Constipation is actually a symptom, rather than a disease, and as such, it can have many causes. Most individuals who have had trouble with constipation have no easily identifiable abnormality of the colon or other parts of the digestive system. Rarely, individuals with chronic constipation do have an anatomic abnormality such as a narrowing of the rectal opening or weakness of the pelvic muscles that contributes to their problem. Medicines taken for common conditions such as high blood pressure, bladder control, depression, seizures and pain can cause constipation, but at the most these could only be contributing causes since you have had trouble "all your life."

Diet, and particularly the lack of fiber in the diet are often identified as causes of constipation. Certainly this can be true. Fiber from bran, apples and cabbage decreases the GI transit time. That is, the time it takes dinner to become waste. It is also important to consume adequate amounts of liquids to keep all that fiber soft instead of hard. In another indication of the value of fiber, research has confirmed that there is a difference in stool volumes between those who follow a vegetarian diet when compared to those who mostly eat a "meat and potatoes" one. However, a British study added some confusion to this picture. It found that there was no difference between the stool volumes of constipated and non-constipated individuals. (I'm glad I missed out on doing that study!)

Another commonly cited link to constipation is physical inactivity. Though "self-report" studies are consistent in showing a connection between activity level and bowel func-

tion, research using more rigorous methodology has not supported this assertion.

So, it is difficult to determine what is causing your constipation. Hormone imbalance, medicines, depression, diet, bowel movement habits and other factors can be involved. I'd suggest that you try the obvious simple things you've probably already done — a high-fiber diet, plenty of water, at least 30 minutes of exercise every day, and going to the bathroom when the urge to defecate first occurs instead of holding it until a "more convenient" time.

If these simple steps fail, then it is time to go see your doctor.

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

Question: I have had trouble with constipation all of my life. I strain to pass hard stools, and I often have a feeling that I need to use the bathroom. Taking a fiber laxative every day helps, but it doesn't make me regular. Is there any cure for chronic constipation?

Answer: Constipation is a common complaint, and the studies of it reveal widely varying occurrence rates — ranging from 3 to 30 percent of the United States population. It is hard to tell why these studies come up with such different estimates. It may be because of the way questions on particular surveys were worded, the

manner of survey administration, or because of real variations within the different study populations. Taking an average of these studies, it seems a reasonable estimate would be that within the total U.S. citizenry, about 12.5 percent of adults under age 65 are suffering from this problem and 23 percent for those 65 or older.

For my purposes, I'll use the definition of chronic constipation as having two or fewer bowel movements per week, often straining to pass stool, having hard dry bowel movements, and frequently having the sensation of incomplete evacuation. Women report constipation about twice as often as

Birthdays



Wesley is three!

Wesley Dalton Slone, the son of Virgil Jr. and Robin Slone, of Hi Hat, recently celebrated his third birthday on December 9, 2001, with a "Hot Wheels" theme birthday party held at the Stumbo Park Convention Center. He is the grandson of Virgil and Joyce Slone, Jerry and Denise Robinette, and Charles T. and Rosetta Collins. He is the great-grandson of Nancy Leedy. Wesley enjoyed his special day with his family, a host of special friends, and lots of cake and birthday fun.

Ponder

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them develop the many elements of dispositions and skills they need to take charge of their lives? What are the dispositions and skills and how do they interact?

This is where "initiative" arrives, meaning imagination, resourcefulness, freshness, ingenuity, and inventiveness! Reed believes that the quality of initiative is the core element for positive youth development. According to Reed, "initiative consists of the ability to be motivated from within to direct attention and effort toward a challenging goal." He also believes "that initiative is a core requirement for other components of positive development, such as creativity, leadership, altruism, and civic engagement."

The research Reed did showed that classroom (school) experience resulted in low motivation and medium concentration. This could mean no inner commitment. The experience with friends (hanging out) resulted in high motivation and low concentration. So there is no challenge or complexity there. School and friends does not seem to be the whole answer in the development of initiative. Well, for crying out loud, what does foster the development of initiative? The answer is structured, voluntary,

and participatory activities. Let's look at some other definitions at this point. Voluntary would mean personally chosen, not required by school, parents, peers, or community culture. For our area, this would be the youngster who really wants to do well with music lessons, rather than play sports. Structured would mean adult leaders who allow the youths of the group to set goals, plan, and evaluate activities, while keeping the group's attention directed toward healthy interactions and worthwhile, real world goals. This reminds me of the typical Boy Scout badges and activities that the boys in our family did; i.e., each worked on their own individual choice of activities to obtain a badge and progress up to the next level. Participatory means actual movement and doing as opposed to watching other people who are moving and doing. It is such a shame that such a few number of kids can participate on varsity sports team or be a cheerleader in our environment, since they are such "valued" pursuits.

Do we have enough youth groups and activities that are attractive and effective? Do they offer enough complexity and challenge to engage youth deeply?

Overweight - A Public Health Problem

It's no secret that being overweight affects more North Americans than ever. But how much do you really know about this public health problem? Test your knowledge against the facts. The numbers may surprise you, and if you're among the ranks of the overweight, the numbers may even motivate you to make some changes.

In 1991, 45 percent of Americans were defined as overweight. By 2000, how many were considered overweight? (a) 48 percent (b) 52.3 percent (c) 56.4 percent

The answer is (c): 56.4% of Americans are considered overweight, according to a survey conducted by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

What are some of the ill effects of overweight? Obesity is associated with diabetes, high blood pressure, heart disease, and cancer.

Does losing weight require giving up high-calorie or high-fat foods? Most experts recommend that to lose weight and keep it off, you should follow a plan of healthy eating, exercise, and lifestyle habits that can last a lifetime. It's unrealistic to assume you'll never eat a piece of chocolate or a slice of cake. A sensible diet may include small amounts of sweets on occasion.

Does exercise increase appetite? Some people are concerned that exercise can work up an appetite and that the calories used while exercising will be replaced by eating extra food. However, experience shows that most people who exercise moderately eat about the same amount of food as they would if they didn't exercise.

How much can exercise reduce the risk of heart disease? One study found that women who walk briskly (3 miles per hour) for 3 hours per week reduce their risk of heart disease by 30 percent. Those who walk for 5 hours or more per week reduce their risk by more than 40 percent.

For a free brochure about this subject, send a business-sized, self-addressed stamped envelope to TIPS from TOPS, Obesity and Weight Loss, TOPS Club, Inc., P.O. Box 070360, Milwaukee WI 53207-0360 or call 1-800-932-8677.

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And, actually, I don't know what good this little paper covering does anyway because once the radiologist enters the room you are instructed to remove first this arm and then that arm and there you are anyhow, "Bessie the Cow, hangin' free."

The embarrassment, the sheer mortification, the "why the heck didn't I do those arm lifts" that runs through your mind. Being (ever so slightly) past the age of 40, I found myself mentally cursing the law of gravity and wondering why it couldn't have been necessary for me to undergo such torture when I was, say, 20, and quite a bit "perkier."

To add insult to injury, the radiologist this day was young, thin, and although she didn't remove her shirt, I know she had a pair of breasts hiding in there that have yet to be ravaged by time.

I take comfort in knowing that her time, too, will come.

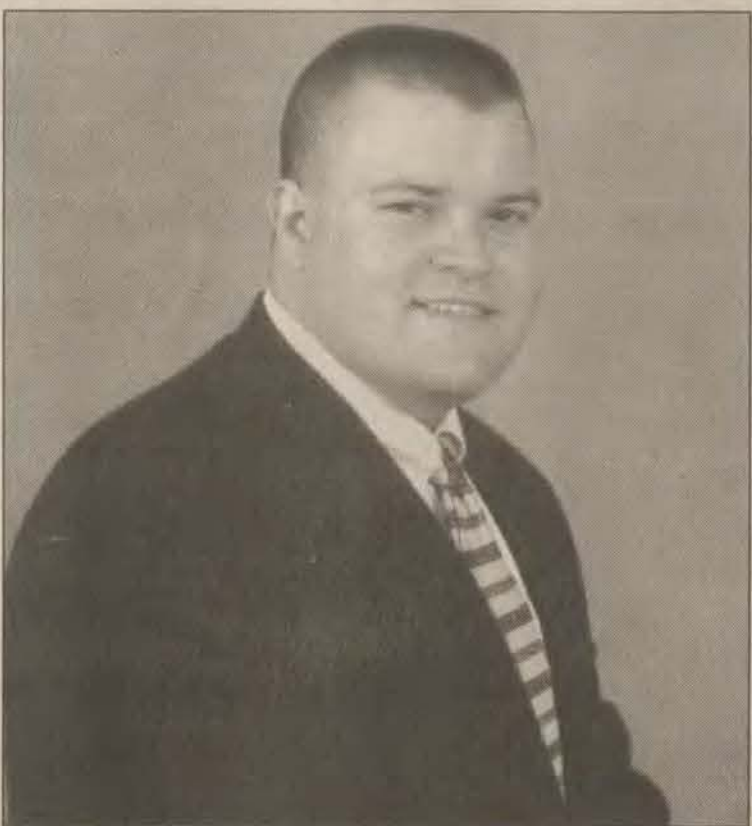
Yes, it's embarrassing to allow the paper garment to fall, but what is even more embarrassing is to allow your breasts to be handled, and I do mean "handled," by another...woman.

As this young and lithe radiologist picked 'em up, placed 'em here and then there, and then squashed and mashed and squeezed the dickens out of 'em, I reminded myself of how fortunate I was to live in a time when such technology existed.

It's a bit uncomfortable and a whole lot embarrassing, but hey, it sure beats dying.

And on that note, I just received my follow-up letter. The Breast Center has found me to be cancer-free.

Thank God for advanced medical technology.



Bell named Music Teacher of the Year

Charles Michael Bell, the Director of Bands at Prestonsburg High School has been awarded the 2001 District 9 High School Music Teacher of the Year Award. District 9 is a subdivision of the Kentucky Music Educators Association, which includes 11 counties and 22 high schools in Southeastern Kentucky.

Bell began his career in music in 1987 at Knott County Central High School under the direction of Robert Saylor. He earned a Bachelor of Music Education degree from Morehead State University in 1996. While at Morehead, Bell was a member of the 1992 and 1995 Morehead State University National Championship Percussion

Ensembles as well as a member of the 1994 and 1995 Bluecoats Drum and Bugle Corps of Canton, Ohio. In 1996, Bell was named Director of Bands at Prestonsburg High School where he has led the PHS Bands to receiving numerous awards under his direction. In 2000, Bell was inducted into the prestigious "Who's Who Among American High School Teachers." He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Allen, where he serves as Adult Choir and Worship Leader.

Bell and his wife, Melissa, reside in Allen, and are currently awaiting a visa appointment that will allow them to complete the adoption process of their young Cambodian son.

Organizations



Kentucky Child Care Association board members. From left to right, back row, Jackie Pittard, Lexington; Sherry Hardin, Elizabethtown; Camille Haggard, Lexington; Sheila Yancy, Louisville; and Bonnie Field, Hopkinsville. Left to right, front row, Lynn Morris, KCCA President, Hopkinsville; Thelma Kiser, New Port; Linda Kay Salisbury, Martin; Bonnie Sullivan, Campbellsville; and Linda Kay Allison, Lexington.

Linda Salisbury named to KCCA board

The Kentucky Child Care Association (KCCA) approved the selection of 15 child care center owners and managers to serve on KCCA's board of directors for 2002. Linda Salisbury, owner/director of Linda's Carousel Day Care, Martin, has been chosen as a new board member.

The following members will serve one year terms on the state board (KCAA areas correspond to Kentucky's Congressional districts):

President - Lynn Morris, Let's Go Play Academy, Hopkinsville; Vice President - Bonnie Sullivan, ABC Child Care, Campbellsville; Treasurer - Camille Haggard, Big Blue Bird Early Childhood Center, Lexington; Secretary - Marie Botlo, Snow White Preschool, Louisville.

Area 1 Directors: Bonnie Field, Raggedy Ann and Andy Child Development Center, Hopkinsville; and Serena Thompson, Restoration's Day Care, Paducah.

Area 2 Directors: Penny Pinkston, Kiddie Kollege, Owensboro; and Terri Thompson, The Green County Learning Center, Greensburg.

Area 3 Directors: Dwight Derringer, Southside Christian

Child Care, Louisville; and Sheila Yancey, Lil Angels, Louisville.

Area 4 Directors: Nancy House, Redwood Therapeutic Child Care Center, Fort Mitchell; and Thelma Kiser, ABC Daycare Center, Newport.

Area 5 Director: Linda Salisbury, Linda's Carousel Day Care, Langley.

Area 6 Directors: Linda Kay Allison, Kids Are Special, Lexington; and Jackie Pittard, Milk and Honey Preschool, Lexington.

The board of directors will lead the new association through its first full year of operations as the official Kentucky chapter of the National Child Care Association, America's largest nonprofit association serving private, licensed child care centers.

"We're very excited that these child care center professionals have stepped up and taken on the responsibility of organizing Kentucky's child care community," KCAA Executive Director, John Hawks, said.

Headquartered in Lexington, the Kentucky Child Care Association serves the needs of private, licensed child care centers across the Commonwealth.

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630-Houses

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MOBILE HOME LOT: Must be '85+ model. \$90 month. 874-2802.

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MOBILE HOME SPACE, farm setting, 688 Fitzpatrick Rd. Single \$125. Double \$145. + dep. + lease. 281-538-4405, 606-886-6219 or 606-886-8459.

650-Mobile Homes

2 BR MOBILE HOME: Stove & ref., total electric, 3 miles from P'burg. NO PETS! 886-9007 or 889-9747.*

3 BR 1999 MOBILE HOME: New roof with 2" installation, new porch. All util. included in rent, except electricity, central heat & air. HUD approved. Near P'burg city limits. \$435 month + \$435 dep. 874-2162, after 4:30pm 874-9852.

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NOTICES

812-Free

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LEGAL

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application for a permit to operate a place of entertainment, has been made by Clarence Wade of 127 Porter Lane, Lot 18, Pikeville, KY 41501. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is Sportsman's Bar. The nature of the business will be Beer and Carryout. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080, any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk, no later than February 21, 2002, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated, and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for February 21, 2002, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd floor, in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Floyd County Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of, or in opposition to, the granting of the permit.

HON. KEITH BARTLEY
FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 836-0295

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1149 Newmans Branch Road, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located at Craynor in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 299.14 surface acres and will underlie 55.78 acres of overlying auger, all of which are included in the surface acres, and the total area

within the permit boundary will be 299.14 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 mile southwest from KY 680's junction with KY 979, and located on Hamilton Branch of Mud Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Arnold Howell, R. S. Newsom Heirs, Curt Hall Heirs, Orvissie and Wanda Shepherd, Denzil Ray Hall, Richard P. Hall Heirs, James K. Hall, Dorothy or Everett Blanton, Octavia Hall, Walker Tackett et al., Foster or Della Jones, Robert or Marlene Howell, Avery or Hannah Newsome, Gustavia Howell Heirs, and Lawrence Akers. The operation will underlie land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Arnold Howell, William L. Hall Heirs, Curt Hall Heirs, Octavia Hall, Walker Tackett et al., Foster and Della Jones, Avery and Hannah Newsome, and Gustavia Howell Heirs. The operation will use the mountaintop, area, contour, and auger method of surface mining.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be

filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Franklin D. Childers, mailing address 238 South Mayo Trail, Pikeville, Ky 41501, hereby declares his intention to apply for a retail beer and retail liquor license no later than February 5, 2002. The business to be licensed will be located at 1332 N. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653, doing business as El Azul Grande #4, Inc. President, Franklin D. Childers, of 1109 Edgewood Dr, Charleston, WV 25302. Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Tr. A-2, Frankfort, Ky 40601, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Ned Hall, 0205 County Road 62, Box 172 Laotto, IN 46763, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct four separate earthen fills and subsequent construction of commercial and/or residential structures within the 100 Year Floodplain. The project sites are located along the north side of Route 80 and along the north bank of The Right Fork of Beaver Creek, in the community of Eastern in Floyd County. The latitude is 37d 30m 50s; the longitude is 82d 48m 47s. 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.

AN OPEN LETTER TO NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS OF FLOYD COUNTY:

Recently, I was issued a Notice of Violation for violating Kentucky State Laws regarding the improper handling and disposal of household garbage and illegal open burning. Other people in Floyd County and across the state have been caught and fined for the illegal dumping of garbage and illegal burning.

PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE FOLLOWING FACTS:

1. First, all waste items including household garbage, household appliances, tires, automobiles, and automobile parts, construction and demolition debris, or any other item you consider to be garbage, must be disposed at a state permitted facility.
2. You cannot bury household garbage - even on your own property. Placing garbage in a sinkhole or throwing it over an embankment is not only illegal but it contaminates our environment and may damage drinking water for you or your neighbors or pollute creeks and rivers.
3. You cannot burn household trash such as plastics and metals.
4. All household garbage must be disposed at a permitted landfill, a garbage transfer station, or picked up by a garbage collection service.
5. You need to sign up for regular garbage collection from a county-licensed hauler. Keep your receipts so you can show proof if your garbage somehow ends up in an illegal dump.

If you are not currently subscribing to a collection service or have any other general questions about proper garbage disposal, you should contact the Floyd County Solid Waste Coordinator, Mike Vance, at (606) 886-8060.

Be aware if you are caught illegally disposing of your garbage, you can be fined up to \$5,000 and be required to clean up the dump site. If you witness illegal dumping, call toll free 1-888-NODUMPS and report it to state officials.

Please join me in creating a clean and healthy environment.

Thank you for your help.

Christine Steele

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WHEN.

Give dates and time of sale, and rain date information.

3

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Where the sale will be held, with directions or phone number for directions.

4

WHY.

Reason for sale, especially if it is a "moving" sale, since these tend to attract more customers.



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The Floyd County Times

CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY
COMBINED BALANCE SHEET - ALL FUND TYPES, ACCOUNT GROUPS AND DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNITS
JUNE 30, 2001

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES			ACCOUNT	GROUPS	Totals		Totals
	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	General Fixed Assets	General Long-Term Debt	(Memorandum Only) Primary Government	Component Units	(Memorandum Only) Reporting Entity
ASSETS								
Cash	\$ 119,642	\$ 301,814	\$ 63,096	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 484,552	\$ 487,582	\$ 972,134
Investments	787,843	26,639	1,041,404	-	-	1,855,886	-	1,855,886
Accounts Receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,478	21,478
Notes Receivable	-	80,665	-	-	-	80,665	-	80,665
Due from Other Funds	150,794	50,000	-	-	-	200,794	-	200,794
Land Held for Resale	-	-	360,000	-	-	360,000	-	360,000
Land, Property, and Equipment	-	-	12,035,076	11,199,388	-	23,234,464	348,646	23,583,110
Amount to be Provided for:								
Long-Term Debt	-	-	-	-	647,444	647,444	-	647,444
Total Assets	1,058,279	459,118	13,499,576	11,199,388	647,444	26,863,805	857,706	27,721,511
LIABILITIES								
Accounts Payable	55,907	-	-	-	-	55,907	122,505	178,412
Payroll Taxes and Withholdings	18,858	-	-	-	-	18,858	-	18,858
Due to Other Funds	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000	150,794	200,794
Deferred Revenues	-	80,665	-	-	-	80,665	-	80,665
Pension Obligations	-	-	-	-	49,476	49,476	-	49,476
Notes Payable	-	-	835,550	-	597,968	1,433,518	-	1,433,518
Total Liabilities	124,765	80,665	835,550	-	647,444	1,688,424	273,299	1,961,723
FUND EQUITY								
Investment in General Fixed Assets	-	-	-	11,199,388	-	11,199,388	-	11,199,388
Retained Earnings	-	-	-	-	-	-	582,907	582,907
Contributed Capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,500	1,500
Reserve for Capital Projects	-	-	12,664,026	-	-	12,664,026	-	12,664,026
Reserved Fund Balances	-	378,453	-	-	-	378,453	-	378,453
Unreserved Fund Balances	933,514	-	-	-	-	933,514	-	933,514
Total Fund Equity	933,514	378,453	12,664,026	11,199,388	-	25,175,381	584,407	25,759,788
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 1,058,279	\$ 459,118	\$ 13,499,576	\$ 11,199,388	\$ 647,444	\$ 26,863,805	\$ 857,706	\$ 27,721,511

See the accompanying notes to the financial statements.



December 11, 2001
Independent Auditor's Report

To the Mayor and Members of the City Council
City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky

We have audited the accompanying general-purpose financial statements of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2001, as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the general purpose financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, in a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the general purpose financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall general purpose financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, as of June 30, 2001, and the results of its operations and cash flows of its discretely presented component units for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 11, 2001, on our consideration of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole. The combining financial statements and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is also not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

Stephens & Lawson, PSC

CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

	General Fund			Special Revenue Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable) Variance	Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable) Variance
REVENUE						
Bank Deposit Tax	\$ 47,000	-	\$ (47,000)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fire District Tax	100,000	115,953	15,953	-	611,739	611,739
Hotel and Restaurant Tax	-	-	-	531,307	611,739	80,432
Insurance Tax	500,000	549,508	49,508	-	-	-
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	12,000	12,543	543	-	-	-
Property Taxes	375,000	439,312	64,312	-	-	-
911 Telephone Fee	-	-	-	27,000	34,476	7,476
Occupational and Business License	1,125,000	1,457,372	332,372	-	-	-
Other Licenses and Permits	80,000	84,059	4,059	-	-	-
Franchise Fees	30,000	41,590	11,590	-	-	-
Base Court Revenue	27,000	27,597	597	-	-	-
Intergovernmental	236,190	202,864	(33,326)	216,400	439,747	223,347
Interest Income	5,500	2,503	(2,997)	-	11,099	11,099
Reimbursements	-	379,732	379,732	-	-	-
Rental	7,000	10,179	3,179	-	-	-
Charges for Services	503,000	489,425	(13,575)	-	-	-
Insurance Reimbursement	-	28,215	28,215	-	-	-
Mountain Top Project Reimbursement	1,000,000	856,788	(143,212)	-	-	-
Other Revenue	5,000	38,812	33,812	-	44,081	44,081
Total Revenue	4,052,690	4,736,452	683,762	774,707	1,752,881	978,174
EXPENDITURES						
General Government	2,016,201	2,166,896	(150,695)	-	-	-
Police Department	460,257	644,238	(183,981)	-	-	-
Fire Department	735,567	704,835	30,732	-	-	-
Public Works	838,370	946,488	(108,118)	-	-	-
Dispatch	162,413	212,896	(50,483)	-	-	-
Code Enforcement	75,393	63,448	11,945	-	-	-
Recreation	-	522,882	(522,882)	338,880	449,600	(110,720)
Streets	-	-	-	-	63,506	(63,506)
Capital Outlay	-	-	-	-	6,094	(6,094)
Economic Development	-	-	-	-	72,458	(72,458)
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	27,743	(27,743)
Tourism	100,158	74,420	25,738	100,158	65,198	34,960
Total Expenditures	4,388,359	5,336,103	(947,744)	439,038	684,599	(245,561)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	(335,669)	(599,651)	1,631,506	335,669	1,068,282	1,223,735
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers To Other Funds	-	(497,879)	(497,879)	-	(563,889)	(563,889)
Transfers From Other Funds	-	1,018,989	1,018,989	-	57,000	57,000
Transfers From Primary Government	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proceeds of Loans	-	47,660	47,660	-	-	-
Sale of Assets	-	104,000	104,000	-	-	-
Non-Operating Revenue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	672,770	672,770	-	(506,889)	(506,889)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses	(335,669)	73,119	2,304,276	335,669	561,393	716,846
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	-	640,600	-	-	375,315	-
Prior Period Audit Adjustment	-	219,795	219,795	-	53,484	53,484
Fund Balances End of Year	\$ (335,669)	\$ 933,514	\$ 2,524,071	\$ 335,669	\$ 990,192	\$ 770,330

NOTICE: A copy of the City of Prestonsburg's 2000-2001 Audit is on file at City Hall and can be inspected during normal business hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. Citizens may obtain a copy of the Audit at the cost of .25 per page.