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Section A14

Board reluctant to cut teachers

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

Impassioned discussions prompted by a budget proposal to cut "about 35" Floyd County teachers from the system's payroll afforded an opportunity for board members and administrators alike to voice their opinions on the subject at Monday

evening's regular meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education.

The discussions were prompted by a report from Matt Wireman, director of finance, that was presented at a special called meeting of the board that convened last Tuesday at Adams Middle School.

According to Wireman, the cut in staffing is a result of a proposed state-man-

dated salary increase of 2.7 percent for the upcoming school year, in addition to an annual incurred health insurance cost of \$3,000 for federally-funded board employees. In order to compensate for the increased costs, a proposed cut in staffing has been recommended by the treasurer's office.

Wireman maintained at this week's

meeting that a drop in student enrollment in addition to an increase in property assessments, are contributing factors to the current budget woes. Wireman has projected a decrease in both state and federal funds during the upcoming school year.

"The enrollment loss alone would mean

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briefs

Water money gets state nod

Two announcements this week could see nearly \$1.5 million in state funding headed to Floyd County to help continue water line extensions.

Gov. Paul Patton announced Monday that the county would receive \$53,369.75 to purchase 4-inch water lines to serve portions of the county currently without water service.

The next day, following a tag-team lobbying effort by state Rep. Greg Stumbo and state Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, Patton also agreed to apply \$1,441,419 in coal severance tax receipts to fund water line extensions planned by the Southern Water and Sewer District. That recommendation will be part of Patton's budget, which must be approved by the General Assembly.

Floyd County is nearing the halfway point of Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson's five-year, \$25 million effort to extend water service



photo by Sheldon Compton

A jazz band composed of county students entertained fellow students during a lunch break at Prestonsburg High School Tuesday afternoon. The lunch performance was part of a day-long agenda for the 4-H and Talented and Gifted Teamwork Challenge. 4-H coordinator Chuck Stamper said the assembly, which takes place four times during the course of the year at various schools across the county, is an effort to promote leadership skills. Approximately 140 students from eight county schools were in attendance for Tuesday's assembly.

Basketball controversy halts tourney

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

Three Wesley Christian School grade school students suited up and entered play in the C team division of the Floyd County Conference Tournament Monday evening. But the chance for the boys to compete was lost, then saved by a court-ordered injunction Monday afternoon, only to be put in jeopardy again when the plug was pulled on the tournament.

The injunction came on the heels of a civil suit filed on behalf of the three students — James Lafferty, Mason Haywood and Bobby Hughes — against the Floyd County Board of Education.

The complaint, filed on behalf of the student-athletes and the school, makes reference to a letter sent to the school by school board Athletic Director Debbie Daniels on Feb. 8, stating that the

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Prosecutors strike deal with mentally-handicapped defendant

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

On Monday, Circuit Judge John D. Caudill gave Michala Walters of Prestonsburg the opportunity to turn her life in a new direction in exchange for acknowledgment of her mistakes.

Walters was arrested April 27 and charged with first-degree arson after allegedly attempting to start a fire in the waste baskets of two bathrooms in two buildings at Prestonsburg Community College, where she was a student.

Walters pleaded guilty to two class A misdemeanors and was sentenced to 30 days, 90 probation and two years of supervised probation in which she will enter and complete any treatment center deemed necessary by probation and parole or serve the remaining sentence in jail.

Walters stated that she didn't want to be in jail and she was



photo by Loretta Blackburn

Michala Walters hid in the background after pleading guilty to two Class A misdemeanors on Monday.

ready to let someone help her.

A temporary placement for Walters will be the Golden years Personal Care Home which is just over the Floyd County line. The goal was the Mary Hurst facility, a treatment center in Louisville that keeps the patient in a controlled environment and

offers counseling and teaches job skills. However, a long waiting list prevented this at the time.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor said he felt the plea was a good one and it would give Walters the oppor-

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Prestonsburg High School student Bonnie A. Cleary, second from left, received a certificate from Principal Ron Hampton as part of the announcement that she had named a finalist for a National Merit Scholarship award. The two are flanked by guidance counselors Tina Crum, at left, and Karen Derossett.

Cleary a finalist for National Merit Scholar

Times Staff Report

A Prestonsburg High School student has been honored with a very rare distinction.

Bonnie A. Cleary, 17, daughter of Patrick and Cynthia Cleary of Prestonsburg, has been named a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Cleary had been named one of

16,200 semifinalists for the honor in September. That field has now been trimmed to 15,000 finalists, one of whom is Cleary.

In April, May and July, that field will be cut once again to 8,000 National Merit scholars, who will receive scholarship offers.

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Pet store worker charged with swiping viper

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

Penelope's Pet Shop employee Beth Belcher, of Lancer, was arrested on Monday, Feb. 4, for allegedly snatching a ball python from the store.

According to Penelope Roberts, store owner, she came into the store on Sunday to find a snake, a tank used to house snakes, and \$20 from the cash register missing.

Roberts said that Belcher had been working for her since October and had been given a key to the

shop so that she could come in to feed the animals and clean up before the shop opened.

Roberts said that she didn't want to believe that Belcher was responsible for the missing items but couldn't deny the possibility after an anonymous phone call she received on Sunday. The anonymous caller informed Roberts that Belcher had allegedly taken a couple driving a brown Ford Bronco into the pet store Saturday night for some late night shopping.

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The ball python shown above resembles one taken from Penelope's Pet Shop on Feb. 2.

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■ **ST. PAUL, Minn.** — Take that, Osama bin Laden.

A bill introduced Monday in the Minnesota House would put bin Laden's image on a state lottery scratch-off ticket. Players would discover any winnings by scratching off "and thus obliterating," as the bill notes, bin Laden's face.

Sixty percent of the proceeds — the maximum allowed under the state Constitution — would go to anti-terrorism efforts.

The sponsor of the bill, Rep. Rich Stanek, is a Minneapolis police officer who also is pushing for a broad new state security plan. It has a price tag of \$25 million to pay for training and

equipment, although a state budget deficit has made funding scarce.

Stanek said he's gotten nothing but positive reactions to the bill.

"Can you imagine the guys sitting in the American Legion, how they'll respond?" asked Stanek. "They might go out and buy 100 tickets."

If the bin Laden idea falls through, Stanek said he still wants a themed lottery ticket. Like what? "Three cruise missiles is a winner. I don't care."

■ **PAINESVILLE, Ohio** — A man who called a police officer a pig has served his sentence

with a sow.

A lunchtime crowd — including his daughter — jeered and joked with Steven Thompson on Friday as he stood on a city sidewalk next to a 350-pound pig in a pen for two hours, with a sign reading, "This is not a police officer."

Painesville Municipal Judge Michael Cicconetti ordered the sentence instead of jail time following Thompson's guilty plea to disorderly conduct.

Thompson, 44, had used the word "pig" while shouting obscenities in a Jan. 28 confrontation with a city police officer.

"I made a mistake, and now

I'm sorry and I'm paying for it," Thompson said in a speech next to the pen.

His teen-age daughter and friends from her high school shouted, "Way to go, Mr. Thompson!"

A farmer from nearby Perry loaned the city the sow, an award-winning Duroc purebred. Painesville is about 30 miles east of Cleveland.

■ **YORK, Pa.** — When court clerks asked York County Prison inmate Greg Gould Jr. to list his occupation for a marriage license, he replied "criminal."

It was part of a ceremony Jan. 25 held in the basement of the county courthouse.

"That was a joke. Did they write it down that way?" asked Gould, 30, who was escorted by sheriff's deputies.

"Well, he is a criminal," said York County Sheriff Bill Hose.

Gould married 27-year-old Valentina Marie Natasha Roberts, the mother of his two children. No family or friends were allowed in the courtroom where the wedding took place.

Gould was convicted Jan. 10 of multiple robbery counts in a 1999 gas station holdup. His new wife is on probation until 2003; she pleaded guilty to supplying Gould and a co-defendant with handguns used in the robbery.

Valentina Gould said "it isn't tough" being married to someone in prison, and she's standing by her husband.

"I love him; the commitment's there," she said.

■ **CORAZON, N.M.** — The U.S. Census Bureau has missed a lonely heart in northeastern New Mexico.

The bureau reported in February that there were only four communities in the nation with the word "heart" in their names.

Corazon wasn't on the list. Corazon — Spanish for "heart" — is in San Miguel County, about 40 miles south-east of Las Vegas.

But there isn't much left of the community — mostly rubble and old wooden rafters.

A book called "The Place

Names of New Mexico" says Corazon had a post office from 1903 to 1909.

"People in Las Vegas have heard about the ruins out there, but they don't talk a lot about it," said Gus Pacheco, an area resident. "And there are fewer and fewer old-timers around here. We have a funeral almost every month."

For the record, the four "heart" places listed by the bureau were Heart Butte, Mont.; Sacred Heart, Minn.; South Heart, N.D.; and Heartwell, Neb.

■ **ERIE, Pa.** — Fences may make good neighbors, but a city councilman says front porches make better neighborhoods.

Jim Casey wants Erie to study whether the city should require all new homes to be built with front porches.

"The public today, they're all withdrawing into their homes because of television, computers and all these other sophisticated mechanisms we have," Casey said. "We need to get out and meet our neighbors. If porches can help us get back to that good quality of living, then good."

Homes with porches look nicer and encourage neighbors to interact, Casey said.

Erie's City Council is expected to consider the idea Wednesday.

One Erie builder called Casey's idea "off-the-wall."

"We have enough regulations as it is," said Charles Buckeye of Buckeye Builders.

Porches should be a homeowner's choice, he said, adding that each owner's lifestyle is different. He's got a porch, he said, but when he finds the time to sit down, it's usually in the backyard.

■ **LUDINGTON, Mich.** — It's not your ordinary lawn ornament.

Since 1947, Henry Marek has kept a World War I-era cannon in his front yard.

Marek obtained the cannon in 1942 for \$25 as scrap from the Work Projects Administration. Over the years

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Dropped deer leaves mess for father, son

by **LORETTA BLACKBURN**
STAFF WRITER

Two men from Stanville are in a court saga resulting from events that occurred last year on what would not be considered your typical father-and-son hunting trip.

Lonnie R. Allen, 44, of Stanville was arrested on Oct. 25 on charges of third-degree unlawful transaction with a minor and third-degree criminal trespassing. He is accused of hunting on private property without permission and assisting a minor with the improper disposal of a deer.

Prior to the court proceedings, Allen said that he had given his son and his juvenile friend his opinion by telling the boys to throw a deer away after it had unknowingly rolled out of the back of their truck onto U.S. 23 near Betsy Layne High School.

Allen's son, Joshua R. Allen, 18, also of Stanville, was arrested and charged with two counts of illegal pursuit of a deer, third-

degree criminal trespassing, third-degree unlawful transaction with a minor and entry on land without consent. He is accused of helping his juvenile friend illegally take the deer from private property and dispose of it improperly.

According to Joshua R. Allen, he and his father, Lonnie R. Allen, were hunting with his younger brother and a friend, 17, on Oct. 21, in familiar territory at Stanville when a four-point buck crossed their path and his juvenile friend took the opportunity to get himself a deer. The two put the prized buck in the back of the pickup and drove off to a friend's house to show it off. Upon their arrival, however, they were surprised to find the deer gone.

The two teens traced their way back and found the deer in the highway at the bottom of the Betsy Layne High School hill, mangled from passing cars. Not knowing what to do, the two then loaded the carcass into the truck and went back to Allen's house to get Lonnie's advice.

Lonnie R. Allen said he told the boys that it didn't appear to be edible to him so he would throw it away.

According to Joshua Allen the boys then disposed of the deer on Mare Creek.

According to arresting officer David Watkins of Kentucky State Police, the group was hunting on private land without permission during youth weekend. Watkins said he had talked with Lonnie Allen about his presence on private land earlier and had told Allen to go on when he had insisted that he had permission.

Watkins said he then went to his property and watched Joshua Allen and the juvenile hunt for two hours without wearing the proper orange colors and verified that the group was hunting without permission.

Watkins then proceeded to the 17-year-old's parents' house to let them know what had taken place. He said the parents knew something was up when their son wasn't proud of the deer. The boy's mother said that if her son had done something illegal then she

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Legislative Briefs

■ **FRANKFORT** — Sheriffs who spend thousands to get a deputy trained and outfitted, only to lose the officer to another agency, could require employment contracts under a bill a Senate committee approved Tuesday.

A police force or agency that hired the deputy during the contract period would have to reimburse the sheriff for training and equipment costs.

Jefferson County Sheriff John Aubrey told the State and Local Government Committee that losing deputies is expensive. "Normally I've got \$20,000 invested in an individual by the day he's sworn in at Richmond," Aubrey said, referring to the police training agency at Eastern Kentucky University.

A critic of the bill, Sen. Ernesto Scorsone, D-Lexington, said the effect of the bill would be to deny sheriff's employees a chance to better themselves. Aubrey said sheriffs only want to "slow down the revolving door" to protect an investment.

Sen. Ed Miller, a retired Kentucky State Police captain, said reimbursement could not be enforced against a police agency in a bordering state. "I guess we could sue them in federal court," Miller, D-Cynthiana, said. "It'd be an ungodly mess." (The legislation is Senate Bill 100.)

■ **FRANKFORT** — The primary election date would be changed to occur before Memorial Day under a House-passed bill that was approved by the Senate State and Local Government Committee on Tuesday.

The primary election currently falls on the Tuesday following the fourth Monday in May. That usually is the day after Memorial Day, as it is this year. The bill by Rep. Adrian Arnold, D-Mount Sterling, would make future primaries occur a week earlier.

(The bill is House Bill 31.)

■ **FRANKFORT** — Civilian police agency employees could not be required to live in the city or county for which they work under a bill the Senate State and Local Government Committee approved Tuesday.

That was a watered-down version of the bill, which originally would have applied to uniformed officers. The sponsor, Republican Sen. Julie Rose, amended it at the request of the Kentucky State Police, which traditionally has required troopers to live in the counties in which they are assigned.

The idea is to ensure troopers can respond quickly to emergencies, Col. John Lile, a deputy commissioner, said in an interview.

Some troopers have been allowed to live in adjoining counties as circumstances required, Lile

said. "What we have a problem with is if he lives three counties over," Lile said.

(The bill is SB 141.)

■ **FRANKFORT** — Jefferson County could experiment with special voting machines for the blind under a bill a Senate committee approved Tuesday.

Under current law, blind or visually impaired voters have to be given assistance. Sheriff John Aubrey, who is a member of the Jefferson County Board of Elections, said it is believed that many "don't come to vote because they can't vote in secrecy."

The county wants to purchase up to four special machines. A blind voter would hear ballot instructions over headphones and register votes on a touch pad. Selections would be mechanically repeated for confirmation before the ballot was locked in.

Jefferson County Clerk Bobbie Holsclaw said the plan was to locate machines at her office, the Board of Elections and Kentucky School for the Blind. A fourth machine would be held in reserve. Voters would apply to use the machines, much like they apply for absentee ballots, Holsclaw said in an interview.

(The bill is SB 128.)

■ **FRANKFORT** — A union leader whose job site was the scene of a massacre in 1989 testified Tuesday for a bill to require state employees to be trained to detect and deal with potential violence in the work place.

Richard Street said he wanted "something to be done, rather than ringing a bell," to memorialize victims of Joseph Wesbecker's shooting rampage at Standard Gravure Corp. in Louisville.

Wesbecker, a disabled and mentally troubled pressman, killed eight co-workers and wounded 12 others. He also killed himself.

Street is president of the plant's local of the Graphic Communications International Union. He succeeded Jim Jenkins, whose daughter, state Rep. Joni Jenkins, is sponsoring the legislation to require state employees to complete 3 1/2 hours of training.

The bill was approved by the House State Government Committee after an amendment that removed its most controversial part — a provision to enable an employer to obtain an emergency protective order to keep someone out of a work place.

Joni Jenkins, D-Shively, said she would draw up a separate bill on the issue.

(The training legislation is House Bill 545.)

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New proposed power plant has plenty of opponents

The Associated Press

CENTRAL CITY — An energy giant's plans to build a 1,500-megawatt, coal-fired power plant in Muhlenberg County is drawing attention outside the western Kentucky county's boundaries.

If approved, St. Louis-based Peabody Energy's plant would consume 6 million tons of coal a year — more than the county has produced since 1989.

Peabody, as well as environmental regulators and environmentalists, all agree the plant could become the model for a new generation of larger, cleaner-burning, coal-fired power plants.

"If there is going to be a new wave of coal-fired power plant construction in this country, we want the precedent established early that companies need to cross their t's and dot their i's," said David McIntosh, staff attorney with the Natural Resources Defense Council, a New York-based environmental group.

Already, environmentalists and some federal officials have begun to raise a laundry list of

concerns about Peabody's plan, including that its plant may spread haze across Mammoth Cave National Park.

Locally, there's virtually no opposition.

"Coal is the heart of Muhlenberg County," said Drakesboro Mayor Richard Neathamer. "People are thinking power plant, and a coal mine along with it. ... People see this as hope. Jobs are important."

Energy companies have proposed 29 new plants for Kentucky since October 1999 — five in the past month alone.

The Peabody plant, which would be called the Thoroughbred, is the largest proposal; its twin 750-megawatt generating units would produce enough electricity to power 1.5 million homes. Called a merchant plant, it would sell electricity on the open market, either to out-of-state power providers or Kentucky utilities.

Local leaders anticipate 450 permanent jobs — 350 involved in mining. Building the plant would employ 2,500 workers during a four-year construction. The permanent jobs would pay

an average of \$65,000 a year in wages and benefits, said Vic Svec, vice president of external affairs for Peabody Energy.

In addition to the Natural Resources Defense Council, critics of the proposal include officials at nearby Mammoth Cave; the Washington D.C.-based National Parks Conservation Association and

Valley Watch Inc. of Evansville, Ind.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency also has raised concerns.

At issue is a Clean Air Act mandate that new power plants use the "best available control technology" for reducing emis-

(See PLANT, page five)

GOP leaders block Democrat from offering amendment

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Senate Republican leaders Monday blocked a Democrat from trying to put limits on a bill that would allow government bodies to withhold records or meet in secrecy by citing security issues.

Sen. Tim Shaughnessy, D-Louisville, wanted a delay in the

Senate's adjournment, giving him time to draw up and file an amendment to put a one-year time limit on the bill.

Senate President David Williams, R-Burkesville, adjourned the Senate, anyway. The bill's chief sponsor is Sen. Dick Roeding, a Republican from Lakeside Park.

Shaughnessy said afterward that Republicans were "scared of discussion." The amendment he conceived would require the General Assembly to vote every year to renew the added restrictions to the Open Records Act and Open Meetings Act.

Under Roeding's bill, a city council or other local government could discuss security issues in secret. Access to government records could be denied for the same reason.

Kentucky law currently allows records to be withheld or meetings closed for a few, specific reasons, such as discussion of litigation, personnel actions or collective bargaining talks.

Roeding said he had not seen an amendment, and Shaughnessy had not consulted him. "He owed me the courtesy of asking me, the sponsor, if he could do that," Roeding said.

Roeding said the bill is scheduled for a Senate vote Tuesday, which senators had known since last week. Roeding said he filed his own amendment that had been requested by the Kentucky Press Association.

(The legislation is Senate Bill 136)



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Track heads meet with legislators to discuss

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Some top horse racing officials met with legislators, including House Majority Leader Greg Stumbo, on Friday to discuss slot machines at horse tracks.

Stumbo met in his Capitol office with Bob Elliston, president of Turfway Park; Alex Waldrop, president of Churchill Downs; and Frank Jemley III, Churchill's vice president of public affairs, the Lexington Herald-Leader reported. Gene McLean, a lobbyist for the har-

ness tracks, also attended, as did several other House members.

Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg, said he expects the industry to present him with a draft bill early next week. Its focus is to be "video gaming devices at racetracks," but not casinos, he said.

The issue of slots at the tracks has been simmering for several months.

Proponents say tracks need slot machines to compete with riverboats on the Ohio and "racinos" in West Virginia. They also say proceeds from

expanded gambling could benefit the horse industry and a financially strapped state treasury. Opponents say expanded gambling could take money away from other entertainment venues and restaurants and contribute to social ills.

Stumbo said the horse industry's proposal next week will not address casinos, which were included in a bill Stumbo had drafted. "That's a moot point unless there is support in the legislature for it," he said.

He said the track officials who talked to him "were not necessarily opposed on the issue of casinos, but they believe it's not politically possible."

He also said the industry leaders share his contention that a constitutional amendment is not necessary to allow slots.

House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, and Senate President David Williams have said an amendment, which Kentucky voters would have to decide on at the polls, is necessary. Williams, R-Burkesville, said he has heard more talk about expanded gambling this week in light of

Slow session interrupted by debate over gun legislation

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Even when things are slow in the General Assembly, anything having to do with guns is sure to generate some debate.

The topic Monday was a resolution, which carries no legal weight, encouraging Congress to adopt another resolution on whether the Second Amendment to the Constitution applies to an individual right to bear arms.

Rep. Tom Kerr, D-Taylor Mill, said the resolutions could be helpful in future court rulings to show the sense of elected representatives.

"It is none our business to meddle in telling a judicial body, whether it's the Kentucky Supreme Court or the United States Supreme Court that we want them to overturn 200 years of constitutional law on the Second Amendment," said Rep. Kathy Stein, D-Lexington.

The resolution in Congress expresses the sentiment that the right of individuals to keep and bear arms supersedes the power of any government.

"What exactly are you afraid of?" asked Rep. Jim Wayne, D-Louisville.

As usually happens on gun issues, the vote reflected a far different perspective than the debate. The resolution passed by a vote of 89-7.

In other action Monday, the House:

—Passed legislation to add safety vehicles with yellow flashing lights to the list of emergency vehicles motorists are supposed to slow down or change lanes to accommodate. The vote was 71-25.

—Require anyone convicted of boating under the influence of alcohol to attend safe boating courses. The same bill changes the circumstances under which a boating accident must be reported to authorities. The current

standard is if there is \$100 worth of damage. The new standard would be \$500.

All of the measures passed by the House now go to the Senate for its consideration.

(The gun resolution is House Resolution 43. The traffic legislation is House Bill 341. The boating legislation is House Bill 453.)

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— Oscar Wilde

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Our View

State winning war against tire dumps

Kentucky's effort to clean up tire dumps during the past four years is paying off.

It started in 1998 when the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet convinced the General Assembly to establish the Waste Tire Trust Fund. The account operates from \$1 fees charged to customers on every motor vehicle replacement tire sold.

The fund raised \$3.4 million last year. That money was spent to help clean up unsightly, unsafe and unhealthy tire dumps across the state. Getting rid of large dumps near Logan and Ohio counties has eliminated 750,000 tires.

The fund also made it possible for the Tire Amnesty Program to visit each Kentucky county during the past two years, offering citizens a one-time opportunity to dispose of waste tires at no cost. In all, 66,000 were picked up.

The combined results have been amazing: More than 9 million waste tires have been eliminated.

Enterprising approaches have taken what could have been a liability and turned it into something useful.

Owensboro Municipal Utilities has formed a partnership with the Division of Waste Management to burn tires as fuel to create electricity. In another example, whereas Kentucky was paying \$25 a ton to have waste tires hauled out of Kentucky, now the state is using some of its 4 million waste tires for new landfill liners or tire-derived fuel for other states, including Illinois and Indiana.

Waste tires also have been used as bedding in playgrounds, gravel in septic tanks and asphalt replacement on athletic running tracks.

Keeping on top of the problem brings more than just economic benefits. Health officials often have warned that tire dumps are breeding grounds for mosquitoes, which have the potential to carry potent diseases.

There's still work to be done. Considering 10 percent of waste tires still end up in illegal tire piles, open dumps and landfills, vigilance in staying on top of this problem is recommended.

— The Daily News, Bowling Green



Guest Column

Kentucky's only runoff experience had unintended consequences

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — If there is an object lesson for politicians in the law of unintended consequences, it may be the 1935 governor's race in Kentucky.

In those tense political times, Gov. Ruby Laffoon wanted his successor to be Tom Rhea, a member of the then-powerful Kentucky Highway Commission. Lt. Gov. Happy Chandler had other ideas.

Chandler took the opportunity of a Laffoon departure from the state to call a special session of the General Assembly and create a party primary system for selecting gubernatorial candidates, rather than by party nominating convention. What was created was a two-tier primary wherein a runoff election would be held if no candidate won a majority of the first vote.

Rhea won that Democratic primary, but his margin was not enough to avoid a runoff. Chandler won the runoff and was the nominee. One of the first things Chandler did as governor was support the elimination of the runoff provision in primaries.

When the legislature reinstated a runoff a decade ago, the intention was quite clear — keep Wallace Wilkinson from becoming governor again. Wilkinson had bedeviled legislators

during his term from 1987-91 and if they couldn't beat him at a ballot box, they'd try something else.

The current runoff provision requires a candidate to win 40 percent of a vote in a primary to win the nomination. If no one does, the top two finishers go to a runoff.

The runoff provision was in place in the 1995 and 1999 governor's races, but has not been used. Paul Patton cleared the 40 percent threshold in 1995 and was unchallenged among fellow Democrats in 1999. Republicans generally eschew primaries.

With a large field of candidates possible in 2003, the likelihood of a primary runoff looms and legislators this year are considering whether to abolish it again.

Opinions among prospective candidates differ.

Attorney General Ben Chandler, the grandson of the former governor who benefited from a runoff, is ambivalent.

"I do think generally, it's a waste of taxpayer money. But personally, I don't care," Chandler said.

Chandler said he would probably benefit from free publicity about his historical connection if he made it into a Democratic Party runoff.

"I don't know whether it would help me or hurt me, personally," Chandler said.

Lt. Gov. Steve Henry said a runoff does make for better public policy by ensuring a candidate is the strongest nominee. "Personally, I think it cuts a lot of different ways," Henry said.

County clerks, who administer elections, are among those most ardently in favor of eliminating runoffs. A runoff would amount to the state having to conduct an entirely separate election just to settle a party dispute at a cost that some estimates place as high as \$3

million. In addition, if the state's public financing system for gubernatorial elections remains intact, the two campaigns would each get checks for about \$300,000 to conduct their runoffs.

Henry said cost is not a legitimate consideration.

"A good governor can literally save you hundreds of millions of dollars and the extra investment in that extra election is insignificant," Henry said.

House Speaker Jody Richards said he voted for the runoff a decade ago, but is now inclined to repeal it.

There is no tradition of a runoff in Kentucky and voters would likely stay away in droves, Richards said. Without much voter participation, a runoff would not really prove much.

"The expense is something to consider too. And I'm not sure it's worth the expense," Richards said.

Former Gov. Brereton Jones, who advocated the runoff when he was in office, said he still favors the procedure because it ensures the strongest candidate from a party.

Republicans, who control the Senate and therefore the fate of any legislation, declined to comment on whether the runoff should remain in place.

According to the Council of State Governments, only 11 states still have runoff provisions. Kentucky is even more unusual because its runoff only applies to gubernatorial elections.

The legislation got off to a quick start last week, winning approval from the House Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee with no dissenting votes.

(The legislation is House Bill 22.)

Mark R. Chellgren is the Frankfort correspondent for The Associated Press.

Letters

Supports Blackburn

There was a letter to the editor of The Floyd County Times recently in which the employees of the sheriff's department stated that Gary Rose was trying to dig up something that he could use against Sheriff John K. Blackburn. Mr. Blackburn would probably not

recognize me if he met me on the street, but I want the people of Floyd County to know that I have never seen in my 61 years of life a more honest man in politics than he is. He has done more in his short time in office to rid this county of drug traffic than any before him.

In fact, he has done exactly what he promised before he was elected. I don't know what Mr. Rose has in mind, but I myself am very tired of all the mud-slinging politicians making a bunch of empty promises and point their fingers at a man that is doing a very good job at what the voters of Floyd County hired him to do. So I urge Mr. Rose to

run a clean campaign and make sure his closet is very clean before accusing someone else of having a skeleton or two in theirs.

There's a couple of sayings that I have heard all of my life and tried to live by. Number one is, "If it ain't broke, don't try to fix it." The other is, "When you've got the best, don't mess around with it."

It would pay us all to remember that on Election Day. Please register and vote.

Robert A. Ousley
Prestonsburg

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Couple's books aim at helping military families

by MISSY BAXTER
THE COURIER-JOURNAL

LOUISVILLE — Former Army officer Kirk Hilbrecht and his wife, Sharron, know how difficult it can be for children in military families to deal with frequent moves and other aspects of military life.

"With the number of times that most military families relo-

cate and the hectic lifestyle, it's not very easy for kids," Sharron Hilbrecht said.

So the Hilbrechts, who live in Louisville, teamed up to write and illustrate a series of children's books that teach young readers what family life in the military is like. The couple's latest book, "My Daddy Is a Guardsman," is already available to many military families.

Last month, thousands of copies of "My Daddy Is a Guardsman" were distributed by the Air National Guard across the nation.

"The Air National Guard ordered 12,000 books so they could give them to members of the Guard who have children," Sharron Hilbrecht said. "The books were mailed out with packets to units that are being

deployed to help with the war."

Brig. Gen. Edward Tonini, chief of staff of the Kentucky Air National Guard, said that in addition to the "My Daddy" book, the Guard has bought 3,000 of "My Mommy Is a Guardsman." Both titles are being distributed across the country as part of Your Guardians of Freedom, an effort that provides information to military families and encourages community support for military personnel.

"We saw the Hilbrechts' first book while working on Your Guardians of Freedom, so we had them customize it for the Air National Guard," Tonini said. "We wanted something to send to children ages 4 to 10 so that they can have a sense of participation in what is going on if their parent has been activated."

Tonini said plans are under way to customize the book for children with parents in the Air Force and the Air Force Reserve.

Recent changes in the world have also resulted in increased sales of the Hilbrechts' first book, "My Daddy Is a Soldier," which has sold about 10,000 copies at retail — not in bulk to the military — since being published in 1997.

(See COUPLE, page ten)

Government warns senders of e-mail chain letters that activity is illegal

by DAVID HO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — More than 2,000 people involved in an Internet chain letter that promises "\$46,000 or more in the next 90 days" are receiving government warnings that the scheme is illegal, the Federal Trade Commission said Tuesday.

"This is the kind of activity that somebody's grandmother could be engaging in without fully appreciating that it's illegal," said Eileen Harrington, a director with the FTC's division of marketing practices. "The vast majority of participants will lose money."

The warnings say the FTC has already sued people for being involved with the chain e-mail. Recipients of the warning are told that, to avoid a similar fate, they should stop promoting the chain and return any money they have received.

The scheme promises extravagant amounts of money in exchange for consumers sending \$5 in cash to each of four or five people on a list. Recruits add their own names to the top of the list before sending it on.

The chain e-mails even suggest that skeptical recipients contact Harrington's office at the FTC to confirm that the scheme is legal.

FTC Chairman Timothy J. Muris said the warnings are part of a larger campaign against junk e-mail that he announced in October.

"We're going after deceptive spam and the people who send it," Muris said. "We want it off the Net."

In September 2000, the FTC sent a first round of warning letters to 1,000 people involved with the chain e-mails. The agency received responses from many people who confessed, apologized or said they did not know the letters were illegal.

But a follow-up probe, including a sting operation in which investigators posed as chain letter participants, found others who kept sending the chain e-mails despite the warning.

The FTC said it sued and settled charges against seven of the worst offenders who sent out mass mailings. The seven people could face fines or imprisonment if they are ever again involved in deceptive marketing schemes, Harrington said.

The identities of those involved with the chain e-mail were culled from a government database that each day collects about 15,000 unsolicited junk e-mails passed along by consumers. The FTC said it has collected more than 8 million spam messages since 1998.

E-mail scams often involve business opportunities that turn out to be illegal pyramid schemes; work-at-home jobs, such as envelope stuffing and craft assembly; and bogus weight-loss products that promise to melt away fat cells.

Harrington said more lawsuits against deceptive spammers will be coming soon, including possible actions against those who break promises to remove consumers from junk e-mail lists.

Addressing e-mail con artists, Harrington added, "Be warned that if you are using e-mail to perpetrate a deception, the Federal Trade Commission is watching and we may come after you."

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sions that contribute to smog and cause acid rain.

But some of the strongest environmental concerns involve Mammoth Cave, whose officials already have succeeded in getting the company to add such controls as scrubbers and precipitators to remove sulfur and tiny pieces of soot and other fine pollution particles.

Park officials argue that the state has not adequately studied all of the plant's potential adverse affects, including declining visibility, said Mark DePoy, chief of science and resource management at the park.

Under the law, national parks are designated as Class I airsheds and thus are supposed to have the cleanest air in the country.

When National Park Service

experts ran the plant's proposed emissions through a computer model, they found they would impair visibility within the 52,800-acre park by at least 5 percent for 23 days a year, and 10 percent on two days a year. But the company projected a 5 percent impairment of visibili-

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GARY ROSE, CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF OF FLOYD COUNTY, ANSWERS QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS OF FLOYD COUNTY CITIZENS

The Wednesday, February 6th, edition of the *Floyd County Times* reported the Floyd County Grand Jury had, on Monday of that week, returned a total of thirteen (13) indictments, and none were against drug dealers.

The number one concern of the citizens of Floyd County, as related to Gary Rose, is the illegal drug problem, and this concern is supported by seven (7) suspected drug related deaths in our county during the month of January alone.

Lexington Herald-Leader reporter, Lee Mueller, recently questioned Sheriff John K. Blackburn about his failure, as Sheriff, to indict and prosecute drug dealers in Floyd County. Sheriff Blackburn was quoted as telling Mr. Mueller that "He had twelve (12) cases ready to present to the Grand Jury." The Grand Jury has now come and gone, and no drug cases were presented by our sheriff. We are now left wondering why the Sheriff of a county that had just experienced seven (7) suspected drug deaths would withhold prosecution of twelve (12) drug dealers.

The prosecutors and judges, at both the District and Circuit Court levels, can not do their jobs as it relates to the drug problems in Floyd County until law enforcement (the Sheriff) brings drug cases to their courts.

Gary Rose wants to make a commitment to the Citizens of Floyd County, and that commitment being that he will personally appear before each and every session of the Floyd County Grand Jury during his four (4) year term in office. The purpose of his appearance will be to indict and prosecute drug dealers, as well as other criminals, and to report his progress in combating the illegal drug problem in our county to the Grand Jury.

The Sheriff, by statute, is the chief law enforcement officer in the county and he should be held accountable for the crime problems within our county. When Gary is elected Sheriff, he will voluntarily meet with the Grand Jury, church groups, Citizens Against Drugs, and any other interested body, to discuss the crime problems and what his Department is doing to combat these problems.

Vote for Gary Rose for Sheriff. He will accept and meet his responsibility. He will prosecute drug dealers!

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The Family of Mousie Jane Jarrell Boyd

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The family of Alex Prater wishes to express our appreciation and thanks to all those who assisted in any way during the loss of our loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayed, visited, or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to McDowell ARH Home Health Agency, Dr. Roger Jurich and his staff, and Highlands Regional, for their loving care. A special thanks to Elder Reuben Lycans, Elder Chester Adkins and Elder Wallace Calhoun. Thanks to the Floyd County Sheriff's Department and Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kindness and professional service.

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Then there came a time in his life
 When we needed to take care of him
 How sad we became
 As we watched his life growing dim

We cried as we watched him suffer
 With a grimace on his face
 But as he took his last breath, we realized Lord
 How precious is your Grace

For his battle is over now
 And his victory is won
 How he must have shouted Lord
 When you said Enter in, my Good & Faithful son

Written by Tracey Hedrick 02/01/02
 In Memory of James "Dee" Caudill

Obituaries**Carl Bishop Wright**

Carl Bishop Wright, 82, of Clearwater, Florida, a native of Pikeville, died Saturday, February 2, 2002, at his residence, where he was cared for by members of his family, assisted by Hospice.

He was, at one time, a Linotype operator for the Floyd County Times.

He moved to Clearwater, and from there to Toledo, Ohio, where he graduated with honors from the University of Toledo, and worked as a chemist for Libby Owens Ford Glass Co., retiring in 1984, and returning to Clearwater, after 23 years of service.

He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church, and the 'Gophers,' a church group. He was an honorary alumnus of Berea College in Kentucky.

His survivors include one son, Russell B. Wright of Dunedin, Florida; one daughter, Patricia Yancey of Alachua, Florida; two grandchildren, Jamie Chaloux of Clearwater, Florida, and Brandon O'Hara of Jupiter, Florida; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice, Berea College, or to the Christian Appalachian Project.

Curlew Hills Funeral Home, Palm Harbor, Florida, was in charge of arrangements.

Elmo Benton Allen

Elmo Benton Allen, 70, of Prestonsburg, Ky., died Friday, February 8, 2002, following an illness.

Born on April 15, 1931, at Hinton, W.Va., he was the son of the late Oliver and Aretta Buckland Allen. He was a retired Kentucky State Police Trooper, and now a Bailiff for Floyd County Circuit Court, a member of Bonanza Freewill Baptist Church, a Kentucky Colonel, and a member of the National Rifle Association.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Spradlin Allen.

Other survivors include two sons, Elmo B. (Cheryl) Allen Jr. and Steven Lee (Teresa) Allen, both of Hinton, W.Va.; two daughters, Nanna (Tim) Fannin of Riceville, Ky., Sue (Greg) Melkowski of Bristol, Tennessee; three brothers, Harry J. Allen, and Oliver Allen, both of Hinton, W. Va., and David Allen of St. Albans, W.Va.; two sisters, Mary Harvey and Shirley Mills, both of Hinton, W.Va.; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, February 10, 2002, at noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky., with Rev. Bill Campbell officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Ronnie Hall

Ronnie Hall, 40, of Warsaw, Indiana, died Saturday, February 9, 2002, at 1:55 p.m., at Kosciusko Community Hospital, Warsaw, Indiana.

Born on September 8, 1961, in Floyd County, Ky., he was the son of Verlie (Evans) Hall, and the late Henry P. Hall. He was a quality control employee at Supreme Corporation. He had been a resident of Kosciusko County, Indiana, since the age of 16 (1978).

He is survived by his wife, Dianna Hall of Warsaw, Indiana.

Other survivors include his mother, Verlie Hall of Mentone, Indiana; three children, Chad P. Hall, Jessica M. Hall and Cheyenne N. Hall, all of Warsaw, In.; four brothers, James "Red" Hall of Mentone, Indiana, Junior "Bo" Hall, Teddy W. Hall and Kenneth Hall, all of Warsaw, Ind.; three sisters, JoAnn Adkins of Etna Green, In., Pearl Maish of Warsaw, In., and Kathleen Newsome of McDowell, Ky.; three stepchildren, Jill M. Kerby, Sherry L. Hamman, and Michael V. Krise, all of Warsaw, Indiana; and three step-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Services will be conducted Wednesday, February 13, 2002, at 10:00 a.m., at Titus Funeral Home, Warsaw, In., with Pastor Dan Berry officiating.

Burial will be in the Palestine Cemetery, Palestine, In.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Ronnie Hall Memorial Fund, 2412 N. 800 W., Warsaw, Indiana 46580. (Paid obituary)

Robin L. Newhouse

Robin L. Newhouse, 51, of Claypool, In., passed away Wednesday, February 6, 2002, in Parkview Hospital, Ft. Wayne.

She was born July 9, 1950, in Floyd County, Ky., the daughter of the late Basil and Eva Jean Shepherd Horn.

Formerly of Prestonsburg, Ky., she was a legal secretary for Roberts Law Firm, Pikeville, Ky., and a member of Faith Fellowship, Sidney. She was a singer-soloist for many churches, and a Sunday school teacher and a youth leader in several churches.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Don (Pam) Horn of Claypool; a brother, Tim Horn of Claypool; three nieces, Jennifer S. Rose and Shandi L. Horn, both of Claypool, and Tiffany Horn of Fort Wayne; a nephew, Jeremy Horn of Piercetown; and a grand-niece, Sarah K. Rose of Claypool.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, February 9, 2002, at McHatton-Sadler Funeral Chapel, Warsaw, with the Rev. Mike Manuel officiating.

Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw. (Paid obituary)

Isom Tuttle

Isom Tuttle, 61, of Garrett, Ky., died Tuesday, February 12, 2002, following an extended illness.

Born on March 22, 1940, at Knott County, Ky., he was the son of the late Jay Tuttle and Delzy Chaffins Tuttle. He was a retired coal miner and a member of the Salem United Baptist Church in Rome City, Indiana.

He is survived by his wife, Juanita Collins Tuttle.

Other survivors include three sons, Micheal Tuttle of Ashley, Ind., Jeffery Tuttle and Jamie Tuttle, both of Garrett, Ky.; two daughters, Shirley Faye Moore of Garrett, Ky., and Angela Rena Ousley of Prestonsburg, Ky.; four brothers, Billy Ray Tuttle and Harvey Tuttle, both of Hudson, Ind., Marvin Tuttle of Stroh, Ind., and Rodney Tuttle of Garrett, Ky.; five sisters, Edna Mae Tuttle of LaGrange, Ind., Nadine Powers of Howell, Ind., Barbara Ann Slove of Rome City, Ind., Cindy McNickle of Stroh, Ind., and Ruby Jean Newsome of Grethel, Ky.; and six grandchildren, four step-grandchildren, and one step-great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by one sister, Irene Moore.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, February 15, 2002, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky., with Bethel and Sterlin Bolen, Willie Collins and Billy Ray Tuttle officiating.

Burial will be in the Tuttle Family Cemetery, Chaffins Br., Garrett, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Homer Nelson Jr.

Homer Nelson Jr., 59, of Richardson Br., Prestonsburg, died Sunday, February 10th, 2002, following a brief illness.

Born on May 8th, 1942, at Blue River, Floyd County, he was the son of Homer Nelson Sr., and Pearl Jane (Hackworth) Nelson.

He is survived by his wife, Elmina Hackworth Nelson.

Other survivors include one son, Mike Nelson of Prestonsburg, Ky.; one daughter, Tammy Amurgey of Garrett, Ky.; three brothers, Walter Nelson, Johnny Wayne Nelson, and Ronnie Dean Nelson, all of Prestonsburg, Ky.; three sisters, Eva Adams of North Manchester, Ind., Geneva Whitaker, and Vickie Poe, both Prestonsburg, Ky.; and one grandchild.

Funeral services will be conducted, Wednesday, February 13, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky., with Manford Fannin and Denver Meade officiating.

Burial will be in the Nelson Family Cemetery, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

**Anna O. Elliott Stephens**

Anna O. Elliott Stephens passed away from this life at 5:50 p.m. on Friday, February 8, 2002 at the Jane Phillips memorial Hospital in Bartlesville, Ok.

Born on March 18, 1909 at Beaver, KY, she was the daughter of the late George and Ida May Elliott, also of Ky.

On November 27, 1932 she married Orville R. Stephens of Maytown, Ky. During her long career she and her husband owned and operated several businesses, including movie theatres, grocery stores and other business enterprises. She retired as a Postmaster of the U.S. Post Office.

In addition, she and her husband were members of Masonic organizations, including the White Shrine. For many years, she was one of the trustees and treasurer of the Elliott Chapel, a Methodist mission built by her grandfather in 1902 at Beaver, Ky. Mrs. Stephens was a member of Gardenside Baptist Church, where she was active in the Fidelis Sunday school class and the Young at Heart group. She was highly regarded by all that knew her, including recent friends she made during her brief stay at Tallgrass Estates in Bartlesville.

Survivors include a son, J.R. Stephens, and wife, Jerry I. Stephens, of Bartlesville, Ok.; a granddaughter, Frances A. Stephens, of Houston, Tx.; and two sisters, Mrs. Zettie Snyder and Mrs. Matilda Kendrick both of Lexington, Ky.

She was preceded in death by her husband, as well as three brothers and five sisters.

Services will be 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 13, at the Gardenside Baptist Church with Dr. Ron Fellemede officiating.

Burial will follow in Davidson Memorial Gardens, Ivel, KY, at 2:30 p.m.

Visitation is at W.R. Milward Mortuary-Southland. (Paid obituary)

Hazel (Dotson) Arnett

Hazel (Dotson) Arnett, 81, of Frenchburg, Ky., formerly of Prestonsburg, Ky., passed away Thursday, February 7, 2002, at the Mary Childs Hospital in Mt. Sterling, Ky., after an illness of two years.

She was born January 27, 1921, at Lawton, Ok., a daughter of the late Albert and Anna Lee (Wells) Dotson. She worked as a waitress and for the U.S. Shoe Factory and American Standard, in Prestonsburg, Ky., and was a member of the Rebekah Lodge in Prestonsburg, Ky.

She was married to Charley Arnett who preceeds her in death.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Charlotte Williams of Means, Ky., Mrs. Bonnie Daly of Evansville, Ind.; two brothers, Mr. Orville Dotson, Mr. Lewis Dotson, both of Prestonsburg, Ky.; and two sisters, Mrs. Mable Honeycutt and Mrs. Susie Burchett, both of Prestonsburg, Ky., five granddaughters and four great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the American Diabetes Foundation.

Memorial services were conducted Sunday, February 10, 2002, at 2 p.m., at the Burke Funeral Home, Prestonsburg, Ky. (Paid obituary)

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Judge sentences Jacobs to life

by **SHELDON COMPTON**
STAFF WRITER

After several years of seeing the case move in and out of various counties, including Knott, Warren and finally Floyd County, Circuit Judge John David Caudill sentenced 55-year-old Clawvern Jacobs to life in prison Monday for the murder of Alice Lloyd College student Judy Ann Howard, a judgment which came after a reversal of a formerly ordered death sentence for Jacobs.

Jacobs was sentenced Monday for the murder, kidnapping and attempted rape of Howard in September of 1986.

Reports at the time said that Jacobs abducted Howard from the college's campus and took her to a remote location where he pelted her to death with stones after trying to rape her.

Caudill, who was officially assigned as special judge to the case in June of 1994 after Knott County Judge John Robert Morgan stepped down from the case, said after Monday's court proceedings the decision to sentence Jacobs to life in prison was the strongest option available in light of a Kentucky Supreme Court reversal on Morgan's death sentence conviction in January of 1994.

The state supreme court overturned Morgan's death sentence conviction and said Jacobs needed to be evaluated to see if he was competent to stand trial.

Caudill explained the state supreme court's decision to overturn Morgan's verdict in 1994 was supported by fact that according to state law, a charge of kidnapping cannot be viewed as an enhancement for a charge of murder, thereby eliminating the option to seek a death penalty.

Caudill had previously followed the sentence fixed by the jury and sentenced Jacobs to death for Howard's murder during proceedings in Warren County, but was faced with addressing the issue again when during a status conference the state supreme court's order on Oct. 25, 2001 remanding the action for resen-

(See **JACOB**, page eight)



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Michelle Goble, environmental educator for the Floyd County Conservation District, assisted Rocky Adams, of McDowell, with his selection of garden seed that the office gave away Tuesday morning. The Conservation District had 8,200 trees to give away, along with a wide assortment of flower, garden and herb seeds.

Budget

a cut of about 15 teachers," Wireman said, "but that coupled with the allocation increase means we add about 21 to that, making a total of about 35 teachers that will be lost."

Board member Carol Stumbo, district 4, was opposed to the cut in teacher staffing saying that "we are giving up 36 teachers in order to raise \$1 million — have we looked at other areas for cuts?"

Phil Paige, director of personnel, supported Wireman's budget plan, saying that other avenues had been looked at and that "Matt's budget numbers are

correct, and they are real."

Wireman, along with Supt. Paul Fanning, explained to board members that the current budget figures represented "an early budget proposal," according to Wireman. Both Wireman and Fanning offered hopes that additional funding would come in the district from the state level, and that at that time, revised budget allocations could be made.

"If we get money in, we will re-staff and re-allocate," said Wireman.

Jeff Stumbo, district 3, also opposing the proposed cut in

staffing, invited state manager, Zella Wells, to comment. "Salaries constitute a major portion of a school budget," said Wells. "No one wants to cut teachers, but we have got to prepare for a worst-case scenario. If we find out from the state that we are going to have more money, we can come back and reallocate."

Each board member, including board chairman, Johnnie Ross, voiced opposition to the removal of instructional teachers from the district's classrooms. Ross suggested "thinking out of the box," in a quest for solutions to the budgetary dilemma and Carol Stumbo posed a question in regard to "technology" escrow money. The sale of district-owned properties was also brought up as a possible solution.

"We need to look at all areas before we decide to cut teachers," said Jeff Stumbo.

The final consensus of the board was to take no action on the proposed budget at this time and to bring it up for reconsideration at a later date.

Lawsuit

three students appeared to be ineligible to play.

Daniels explained that since the three students had been academically retained it became policy that they meet three requirements in order to be able to play in a school-sponsored tournament.

Daniels wrote in her letter that the students were required to have been evaluated by a teacher, have passed a standardized achievement test or recognizably progressed in the district's assessment program. Daniels said each student had to meet at least two of the three requirements in order to compete in the tournament and that the school would need to supply the board with statements and documentation to support that the requirements had been met by 4 p.m. that same day.

In the complaint, the school claims that after receiving Daniels' letter, two representatives from Wesley Christian met with school board Supt. Dr. Paul Fanning, at which time school representatives were told the three players did not meet the criteria for participating in tournament play.

The suit claims the Wesley Christian representatives explained to Fanning that Lafferty, Haywood and Hughes had been evaluated and had also passed the required standardized achievement test, but claim the school board maintained its position even in light of the new information.

"The (Floyd County Board of Education) is arbitrarily and capriciously denying (Lafferty, Haywood and Hughes) access and entry into the Floyd County Tournament," the suit said, "and acting in direct contradiction of their own criteria or rules."

The suit asks that the school board be prevented from keeping the players out of the tournament, requested judgment against the school to adequately compensate the players and the school, and asked for payment of attorney's fees, as well as any other relief entitled by law.

To support these requests, Johnny Ray Harris, attorney for the Wesley Christian School, also filed a motion for a temporary injunction which would ensure that the students could play in the tournament.

The motion was accepted by Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill and filed Feb. 11. It was to remain in effect until a hearing could be scheduled in the case.

According to Wesley Christian School, all three students played in the tournament, which began later that same evening as was allowed by the court-ordered injunction. But after a school board meeting Monday night, the tournament ground to halt until court pro-

ceedings can determine an outcome to the dispute.

During a regular meeting of the school board Monday night, Fanning suspended the rest of the tournament for both elementary and middle schools.

"I suspended the rest of the tournament and the middle school," said Fanning Tuesday. "The tournament is not cancelled, only suspended until these issues are determined as to what is to be set forth in the hearing and whatever decision that comes from the proceedings."

School board attorney Mike Schmitt informed the board and attending visitors during the meeting that the board now intends to file a countersuit against Wesley Christian School concerning the alleged violations.

"The injunction came down yesterday and so they went ahead and played last night, but after we got information last

night we just went ahead and suspended the tournament," said Fanning. "We are going to file a response to whatever action is proper in the court."

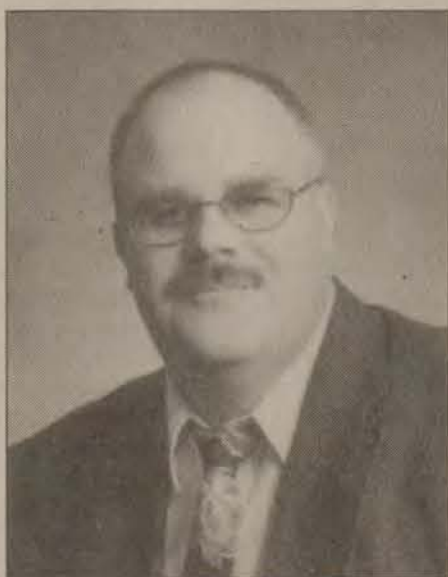
School board chairman Rev. Johnnie Ross also confirmed the board's vote to suspend the tournament on Tuesday, but added the board's decision was not about sports and not about the students involved. Ross contended the decision to suspend the tournament and plans to file a counter-claim were about academic standards.

"I want to make sure that people understand that this is not about the children and that the board's actions were not made to hurt children," said Ross. "We have set an academic standard to play in any Floyd County tournament and it's about adhering to the academic standards. Whether you're from our schools or another, the same standard is going to apply, period."

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THE FAMILY OF MATILDA V. JOHNSON

Board OKs pact with county to aid with fieldhouse

Thompson defends appropriation

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson appeared before the Floyd County Board of Education Monday evening to expound on the subject of allowing the Floyd County Fiscal Court to assist the board in the construction of a new fieldhouse for Prestonsburg High School athletes, prior to a motion from the board to approve such assistance.

Thompson said the fiscal court is eager to assist in operations involving not only this project, but others as well. He further reported that the fiscal court has a history of such assistive actions in each of the county's individual school districts.

Thompson said that he felt it necessary to appear before the board in order to "clear up some issues" in regard to the equitable proportionment of fiscal court monies to each of the county's school districts.

Thompson, apparently reacting to criticism from county

residents, said that the fiscal court had granted monetary assistance to each of the county's school districts throughout recent years. Citing Betsy Layne High School as one example, Thompson said that he, along with the help of then-Sen. Benny Ray Bailey and Rep. Greg Stumbo, managed to procure \$100,000 for a construction project at for the Betsy Layne High School athletic facility project.

Another \$42,500 was made available to John M. Stumbo Elementary for an athletic field, dugout and concession stand area. Additionally, said Thompson, another \$20,000 has been allocated to expand this athletic field with the extension of a walking track that will contain, also, a practice field.

Thompson reported that total funds allocated to the Betsy Layne school district (District 3) amounts to "over \$300,000."

In District 4, Thompson reported that "over \$53,000" was spent toward the construction of a new bridge for the South Floyd High School football field. Additionally, "over

\$80,000 worth of work on topsoil removal" has been performed by county work crews on this same construction site.

"Of course, the recent floods washed a lot off, but the work was still done," he said.

Approximately \$15,500 worth of construction work was also performed in this area to rectify damage done by a "creek that had washed out," in addition to a flood control project that has provided McDowell Elementary School relief from flooding that had more or less plagued the school for a prolonged period of time prior to the work done by county crews.

"I believe the flood waters stayed out of the school this last time," Thompson remarked. To this comment, Superintendent Paul Fanning replied, "Yes, it did."

Thompson reported that Frasure's Creek, which runs through the District 4 area, was "angled out and widened" so that water could flow along without flooding, contributing to the relief afforded to

McDowell Elementary.

"The cost in this school district, including South Floyd's greenhouse and aquaponics program, is about \$412,000," Thompson said.

"In the Allen Central District," Thompson continued, "again with the help of Bailey and Stumbo and coal severance tax funds" a football fieldhouse project and women's softball field project have been implemented. "We also drained and re-routed a large pond behind the football field, and we are currently reviewing the purchase of some property adjacent to the football field."

Thompson also said that discussions are underway to attempt to incorporate the Allen Central High School swimming pool into the Martin Community Center project.

Additionally, Thompson informed board members that county work crews had constructed a new entry approach to the Duff Elementary School.

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Jacob

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tencing explained the points to be made concerning the fact that kidnapping could not be used as an aggravating circumstance in the murder.

Prior to that status hearing, counsel for Jacobs and the commonwealth reached an agreement where Jacobs agreed to allow the court to impose a life sentence in exchange that the sentence ran concurrent with the life sentence previously imposed on him for kidnapping.

During court proceedings Monday, Jacobs waived his right to a jury trial in Warren County

and agreed to have sentencing administered in Floyd County, as well as indicating that he was satisfied with his court appointed attorney, Renae Tuck.

Likewise, Jacobs indicated to the court Monday that he had no intention of introducing mitigating or supportive evidence in the matter, which could have, given the appropriate evidence, served to lessen the charge of murder to a charge of manslaughter.

Jacobs was ordered Monday to be returned to the custody of the Corrections Cabinet to serve out the remainder of his term.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson addressed the members of the Floyd County Board of Education on Monday evening to provide information in regard to county assistance to the school system.

House narrowly passes Stumbo's trash bill

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The House on Tuesday passed solid-waste legislation that supporters said would finally clean up Kentucky.

Before it becomes law, with its levy on fast-food cups and drink containers to raise money for dump and litter cleanup, it must pass the Senate, which is an even more uncertain proposition.

The House vote was 49-47. It came only after a parliamentary stumble that threatened to defeat the proposal. There was an initial vote of 47-47 that would have defeated the proposal. One lawmaker complained his vote had not been counted on the electronic system, and the balloting was held again.

All legislators proclaimed their desire to further the aims of the bill of picking up litter, cleaning up illegal dumps and properly closing old municipal landfills. The differences of opinion came on how to pay for it, or whether the state should get involved at all.

The proposal, sponsored by Rep. Greg Stumbo, D-Prestonsburg, places a one-half-cent levy on cups from fast-food restaurants, takeout cups from other retail establishments and virtually all beverage containers under 24 ounces. It would also impose a \$1 per ton additional fee on garbage taken to licensed landfills.

"There's no free ride," Stumbo said. "You can't just say, 'I'm for cleaning up Kentucky, but I don't know how I'm going to do it.'"

Alternative proposals for finding the money were turned back.

Republicans gathered behind a proposal to shift \$30

million from a contingency account in the Road Fund, which Rep. Ken Upchurch, R-Monticello, called a "slush fund."

The money, though, would be based on the premise that a contingency fund would even be created in the Road Fund in the coming budget period, which has not even been drafted by the legislature yet. Other legislators also pointed out that the Kentucky Constitution requires that Road Fund money be spent on transportation issues.

Rep. Carolyn Belcher, D-Preston, proposed a \$6 per ton fee on garbage taken to landfills, also called a tipping fee. Belcher said her proposal would have the additional benefit of charging more for the mountains of out-of-state garbage that crowds Kentucky landfills and perhaps cutting back on some of the foreign trash.

Rep. John Bowling, D-Danville, was the most vociferous opponent. Bowling, who operates a fast-food franchise, said it unfairly targeted that industry for raising the money. He said city and county governments have the responsibility for keeping communities clean.

House members did agree that in order to qualify for state funds, communities would have to match with 25 percent of the award, though in-kind contributions, such as inmate labor for litter pickup, would count toward the match.

Stumbo has estimated the taxes would raise about \$30 million annually. The Natural Resources Cabinet would get about two-thirds to clean up dumps and old landfills. The remainder would go to counties to help with litter cleanup and environmental programs. Any money over the \$30 mil-

lion total would be split among state parks, wildlife management programs and environmental efforts.

Rep. Steve Nunn of Glasgow, who voted with all of his Republican colleagues against the proposal, said his opposition was because the state has so many other needs that are going unmet. "It's about priorities," Nunn said.

Gov. Paul Patton said the passage was a proud day for the House.

"By passing this bill, we have demonstrated pride in our commonwealth and our commitment to keeping it clean," Patton said in a written statement.

Stumbo failed last year to pass similar legislation.

Rep. Robin Webb, D-Grayson, said voting against the earlier proposal haunted her afterward. Webb said she wanted to lead by example and leave the state cleaner regardless of any political cost.

The political equation is far different in the state Senate, where Republicans hold a 20-18 numerical advantage and many issues seem calculated in terms of the fall elections.

The Senate killed a solid-waste bill last year.

(The legislation is House Bill 174.)

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Community Calendar

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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.

Meeting rescheduled

The Floyd County Retired Teachers meeting has been postponed to Feb. 14, 2002. The meeting will be held at May Lodge beginning at 10 a.m. with the same program planned.

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 - 9p.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.

Reunion - Wheelwright Class of '58

Reunion scheduled for Sept. 28, 2002 at the Prestonsburg Holiday Inn. For information, please call: Brenda Bryant Vance (740) 642-2648; Jenny Gail Lafferty Turner, (931) 394-2189; and JoAnn Little Martin, (606) 285-9387. All classmates who were a part of our class from 7th grade through Senior Year and/or those classmates who may have relocated prior to graduation are invited to attend.

4-H Family Photography Workshop

Workshops will be held on Monday, Feb. 11, and Monday, Feb. 18, from 6-8 p.m., at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service Educational Building, located at 921 South Lake Drive. All Floyd County 4-H'ers may attend - if under 18, please bring an adult with you. If have own camera, please bring. Call 886-2668, or e-mail to: cstamper@uky.edu by February 8 to register. Workshop provided in conjunction with Porter Studios.

Democratic Woman's Club

The Floyd County Democratic Woman's Club will meet on Feb. 11, 2002, at 6 p.m., at the May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. The public is invited to attend.

Child Passenger Safety Week

Feb. 10-15 is National Child Passenger Safety Week. In recognition of this week, FREE car seat check-ups will be given by trained technicians at Music-Carter Auto Dealership, South Lake Drive, from 3 until 6 p.m. Event sponsored by Drive Smart Kentucky, Safe Kids, Kentucky Injury Prevention Center, and the Floyd County Health

Department. For more information, call the FCHD at 886-2788.

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

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■ 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.

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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.

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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.

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2002 Girl Scout Cookie Campaign

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

Attention Veterans!


The Kentucky Dept. of Veterans Affairs has moved their veterans field representative office from the Prestonsburg Courthouse to the Kentucky National Guard Armory on Rt. 321 North, just outside of Prestonsburg.

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Ethics panel chides Churchill for campaign donations

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The Legislative Ethics Commission says Churchill Downs exercised poor judgment by sending \$15,500 in campaign contributions to legislators days before the 2002 General Assembly began.

Although the track didn't violate any ethics rules, the commission said the timing of the contributions, just days before the session where expanded gambling at race tracks would be a highly charged issue, left the wrong impression for most Kentuckians.

"Although we have found no impropriety, the appearance of impropriety was such that some citizens will no doubt have less confidence in the integrity of government than if this misstep had never occurred even though no actual wrongdoing took place," the commission said in its order Tuesday.

According to the commission, Churchill's political action committee sent \$1,000 checks to six members of the Senate and \$500 checks to 19 House members. The checks were sent by Federal Express on Jan. 4, four days before the

session began on Jan. 8.

Twelve of the legislators said they had received contributions from the Churchill PAC previously; the others had not.

Churchill told the commission it sent the contributions so late because it did not have the money until the first of the year. Records show the PAC had only \$875 on hand as of Dec. 31. Churchill said it rushed to make the contributions because the ethics commission has previ-

ously discouraged making political contributions during legislative sessions.

Eleven legislators told the commission they have returned the money.

"Nearly all of the legislators interviewed expressed concern about the timing of the contributions and the unfortunate appearance it might have created that the PAC was 'buying influence' for the coming session," the commission said.

The commission said the PAC may have actually hurt its interests with the contributions and their timing.

The ethics commission was created about a decade ago in the wake of the Operation Boprot undercover sting that sent more than a dozen legislators and lobbyists to prison. While it initially took a very strong stand, legislative backlash substantially weakened the legislative ethics law.

Odds

It has become a Mason County landmark.

But a Defense Department worker happened to notice the cannon last week, knocked on Marek's door and told him that the cannon is government property. That means it could be seized and destroyed.

That's when Marek brought out his heavy gun — U.S. Rep. Pete Hoekstra, who has ridiculed the government's sudden interest in the weaponry.

"This cannon has been in the community for more than 50 years without a problem," Hoekstra said Monday in a news release. "And the only problems surrounding this cannon now are

being caused by the government."

Hoekstra said the cannon's breech was welded shut and its barrel was cut, making it unusable as a weapon. His office contacted the Defense Department and expects a quick resolution to the matter.

"At a time when the Defense Department is fighting a war against terrorism, it seems strange they would want to fight Mr. Marek over an 80-plus-year-old cannon that was long-ago disabled," he said.

■ ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Maryland's former first lady — not the current one — soon will sit for an oil portrait that may hang permanently in the governor's residence.

Frances Glendening and Gov. Parris Glendening divorced in November. But the hanging of their official state portraits will go ahead as planned, said officials with the Government House Foundation. The foundation raises money to pay for the portraits and other improvements to the residence.

The portraits traditionally are not hung until after a governor is out of office. It is not known whether Glendening's bride, Jennifer Crawford, 35, a former deputy chief of staff, will request a portrait of her own.

Mike Morrill, the governor's spokesman, said, "They just got married. It's not the appropriate time to ask."

The foundation so far is not

raising money for a portrait for Crawford, said board chairman William Myers.

The former first lady is known for her work promoting the arts in Maryland. She also initiated a Maryland State Archives research project that became an exhibit highlighting the state's other first ladies.

The governor, 59, and Frances Glendening, 50, were married nearly 25 years. He married Crawford, the state's 56th first lady, last month.

Frances Glendening said she looks forward to sitting for the portrait and plans to wear "something bright."

■ ITHACA, N.Y. — Wanted: ornery felines.

Researchers have begun recruiting 20 of the most foul-mannered cats in upstate New York for an experiment to see whether drugs will calm their nerves and stop fights.

Behavior specialists at the Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine want to test the theory that the scrappy cats are really suffering from social anxiety.

"We're looking for 20 real bullies — the ones that start the fights — to see whether cat-to-cat aggression can be reduced with anti-anxiety medication," said Tracy Kroll, a veterinary resident and researcher in Cornell's Animal Behavior Clinic.

The researchers will be using clomipramine, which is used in humans under the brand name Anafranil to treat panic and anxiety disorders. In dogs, under the brand name Clomicalm, it treats "separation anxiety," when canines find the absence of their owners to be unbearable.

"Some of the over-anxiety may be territorial or it may start when you bring a new cat into the house," Kroll said. "Then there's the so-called redirected aggression, when your indoor cat can't reach a cat outside the window, so it fights with a sibling or other feline friend inside."

Couple

"After Sept. 11, 'My Daddy Is a Soldier' sold out on Amazon.com, so the publisher is doing a third printing," Sharron Hilbrecht said. "We're just hoping that these books will help families, especially those who are serving our country during this difficult time."

The Hilbrechts say it's a rewarding challenge to balance their new career as authors with other aspects of their busy lives. Kirk Hilbrecht, who left the Army in 1997 after eight years, is director of interactive media at Doe-Anderson Advertising and Public Relations. Sharron Hilbrecht works part time for Catholic Charities. They have three children — Kyle, 5; Claire, 2; and Emily, 3 months.

"We didn't have any kids when we wrote the first book, but we had a lot of friends in the service with children," Sharron Hilbrecht said. "Kirk actually came up with the idea of 'My Daddy Is a Soldier' in church one Sunday."

To illustrate the books, the Hilbrechts work as a team, with Kirk drawing the illustrations and Sharron finishing them with colored pencils.

"There are several Web sites where Army wives have posted comments about the book, saying how much it helped their kids," Sharron Hilbrecht added. "For us, that is the most rewarding part of this. We're not in this for the money. Our profit is knowing our book helps kids."

Although "My Daddy Is a Guardsman" is not available for retail sale yet, the 30-page "My Daddy Is a Soldier" can be bought for \$6.95 at Amazon.com.

Calender

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.

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State news briefs

Auto parts plant to open in Russell County

FRANKFORT — Hitachi Cable is expanding into Russell County with a new auto parts plant, the state Cabinet for Economic Development said Monday.

The plant, to be built near Lake Cumberland, will make parts for brakes and steering.

"This operation will be an excellent addition to the Russell County economy," Gov. Paul Patton said.

The 50,000-square foot plant will be built off Kentucky 127, about two miles from the Cumberland Parkway.

It will bring about 100 jobs to the county in its first year, according to the cabinet.

Drug cops under investigation

LOUISVILLE — Two narcotics officers are being investigated after allegations that they overbilled the department.

Mark Watson and Kristie Richardson, detectives with the Metro Narcotics squad, have been suspended with pay, according to Jefferson County police.

"Our records indicate that there was an amount of overtime billed for bogus work," Jefferson County Police Chief

William Carcara told WLKY-TV. "Their overtime rate was probably in the amount of \$40 an hour. So that would be a profitable gain for them."

The officers have been suspended until an internal investigation is finished.

Teen flees accident in police cruiser

GRAYSON — A 17-year-old stole a police cruiser after it was left at the scene of an accident that the boy was involved in, police said.

A Carter County sheriff's deputy walked away from his cruiser on Saturday night while working the crash, Grayson police officer Travis

Steel said. Shortly after, the boy drove off in it, Steel said.

State troopers and Grayson police chased the stolen cruiser west on U.S. 60 toward Grayson, reaching speeds of 120 mph, Steel said.

The short pursuit ended when the stolen cruiser hit a gravel road off U.S. 60 and wrecked, Steel said.

The juvenile was charged with 19 criminal and traffic offenses, including theft, driving under the influence and wanton endangerment, Steel said.

Madison residents seek to slow development

RICHMOND — Residents are concerned about development off Interstate 75 in northern Madison County, and they've used a petition to slow it down.

Plans for the 75-acre development would include distribution centers, a 24-hour truck stop, motels and restaurants, developer Joe Sergeant said.

More than 50 acres of the spot already are zoned commercial, but a request to rezone about 25 more acres was voted down by the fiscal court last month.

Residents collected more than 200 signatures before the meeting to rally support.

"I'm not anti-development, but I'm against it in my backyard," said Mark Smith, a resident of Woodland County Estates, a nearby subdivision built in 1998.

The fiscal court's decision left developers facing tight deadlines. Sergeant and other partners haven't determined what step they will take next, but they were supposed to begin construction on a building in June.

Lawsuit asks judge to help mentally retarded

LOUISVILLE — A federal lawsuit asks a judge to force the state to provide services for nearly 2,000 mentally retarded adults who are waiting for them.

The lawsuit was filed Thursday in U.S. District Court in Frankfort by the state Division of Protection and Advocacy. The Cabinet for Health Services is the main defendant.

The suit asks a judge to order state officials to begin providing services to mentally retarded people within 90 days, rather than keeping them on waiting lists for months or years.

Two years ago, the state added \$50 million to try to reduce what was then a waiting list of about 1,300 people. It will spend an additional \$27 million in state and federal money over the next two years to try to serve 500 more mentally retarded people — many being cared for by aging relatives.

There are now 1,969 people on the waiting list, which continues to grow even as the state seeks to reduce it. A 1998 study found there are more than 7,000 mentally retarded Kentuckians being cared for by people older than 60.

Officials with the Cabinet for Health Services denied being in violation of federal law and said they are working to reduce the waiting list.

"There are a lot of efforts going on to work this out," said spokesman Gil Lawson.

Maureen Fitzgerald, director of the Division of Protection and Advocacy, which represents the disabled, said her agency realizes the state is under budget pressures but must act on behalf of the many mentally disabled adults on the waiting list.

State lawmakers, already struggling with a tight budget and a looming \$230 million shortfall in Medicaid, which would pay for the services, were dismayed by the lawsuit.

"It's a double-edged sword," said Rep. Steve Nunn, R-Glasgow, a sponsor of a law passed two years ago that provided more services for mentally retarded adults. "If they press for improved services, they may get them, but other areas may get wiped out because of it. Something's got to give."

Rep. Jimmie Lee, D-Elizabethtown, co-sponsor of Nunn's measure, said the state is struggling to address the issue.

"There has been a good-faith effort to move people off the waiting list," said Lee, chairman of the House budget subcommittee for human services.

The lawsuit was filed on behalf of four mentally retarded people and their caregivers but seeks to become a class action on behalf of all those on the waiting list.

The suit claims that under federal law, the state must provide help to mentally retarded adults allowing them to live in

community settings with assistance. Services might include supervised living, or assistance with bathing, dressing, eating, taking medications and keeping medical appointments.

Fitzgerald said federal law is clear on what the state must do. Similar cases have been won or settled on behalf of plaintiffs in about a dozen other states, including Florida, Massachusetts and West Virginia.

The lawsuit alleges the cabinet is in violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act and federal law and court rulings that say Medicaid services must be provided within a reasonable period to those eligible.

Agreement lets high school technical students earn college credits

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — This isn't your father's shop class.

With burgeoning enrollments and demand for students, Kentucky's technical education efforts are evolving into an easier road from school to experience to work.

Gov. Paul Patton and other administration officials announced Monday a program in which students in the 53 Kentucky Tech centers for secondary education can earn credits at Kentucky Community and Technical College System institutions.

There are about 24,000 students enrolled in Kentucky Tech programs.

There are about 63,000 students enrolled in the 28 com-

munity and technical colleges across the state.

"These are not the vocational schools of the 1950s when the activities often centered around making a bird house in shop class," Patton said during a news conference. "These are state-of-the-art technical schools and colleges where young men and women train on computers and highly advanced equipment that is used by today's cutting-edge industries and health care facilities."

The program allows simultaneous enrollment in all the major programs in the systems — information technology, business technology, health care and construction, automotive and manufacturing technologies.

House panel OKs bill to let firefighters bargain collectively

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A bill to allow full-time firefighters anywhere in the state to organize for collective bargaining was approved by a House committee Tuesday.

Proponents of the bill said public safety would be enhanced. Critics said the state would be imposing a mandate on local governments.

Under the bill, full-time firefighters could organize for bargaining on salaries, benefits and workplace conditions, among others, but could not strike.

The bill also defines a full-time firefighter — one working at least 2,080 hours per year and making at least \$8,000. It specifically excludes volunteer firefighters.

When firefighters have a strong negotiating voice, "the result is improved delivery of public safety services," Rep. Fred Nesler, the bill's lead sponsor, told the Labor and Industry Committee.

Nesler, a Democrat from Mayfield, said firefighters "put their lives on the line every day" and should have the same bargaining rights as workers in the private sector.

Seven Kentucky cities bargain with their firefighters, but many more have turned down

requests for bargaining, said Michael Kurtsinger, representing the Kentucky Professional Firefighters.

Rep. Joni Jenkins, D-Shively, said firefighters in her community have bargained collectively since 1964. Negotiations often focus on equipment and workplace conditions, Jenkins said.

The Kentucky League of Cities opposes the bill. Joe Ewalt, one of its representatives, said some of its member cities bargain collectively with police and firefighters but others don't. The committee should "respect the tradition of local control," Ewalt said.

Rep. Stan Lee, R-Lexington, voted against the bill and predicted it would strap local governments. Lee complained that supporters of the bill did not try to estimate the bill's cost.

Nesler said he hoped collective bargaining would lead to better salaries and benefits for firefighters, which in theory would retain firefighters and keep morale high.

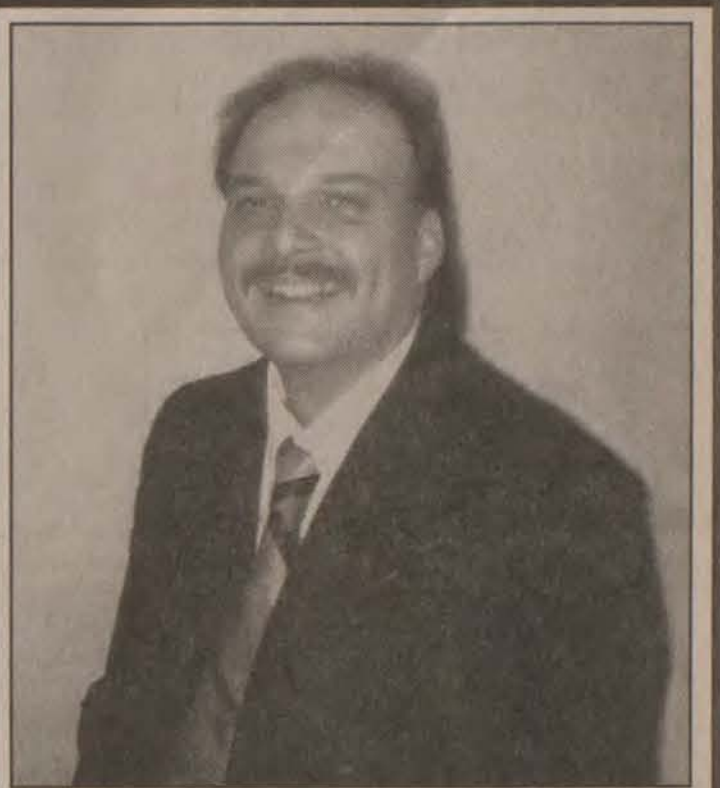
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tunity to get treatment from various sources and receive the proper help.
According to Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner, Walters was originally charged with first-degree arson, which carried a jail sentence of anywhere from 20 years to life. Turner said that while trying to resolve the case, they had tried to consider the serious emotional problems that were obvious to officials since Walters was arrested in April.
Turner said that the case never really got to the point at which competency was forced

but that his office resolved to enter a plea agreement in the interest of the community as well as the defendant.
"Our first objective was to protect the public from any future danger, but we also have to consider the well-being of this defendant," said Turner. "It appears that she needs some sort of treatment."
Turner said the bottom line was that it didn't seem fair for anyone involved to pursue first-degree arson charges when considering the limited damage done and the emotional problems of the defendant.

Clearly

Because of incomplete records, it is not known exactly how many PHS students have been named finalists in the past, although Karen Derossett, one of the school's two guidance counselors, said Monday that she knew of only "two or three" over the past decade.
Cleary's first choice after graduation is to attend Hampshire College in Amherst, Mass., where she plans to major in creative writing in pursuit of a career as a writer.
She has already made progress toward that career

goal, having won the Jim Claypool County Conservation Essay contest in seventh-grade, the English book award as a freshman and the geometry book award as a sophomore. She has also had a poem published in the Anthology of Poetry by Young Americans.
In addition to those honors, she has also been a member of the drama club, prom committee, newspaper staff and year-book committee.

Snake

Roberts obtained a warrant on Monday and Belcher was arrested that evening around 9 p.m. by Lt. William Petry of the Prestonsburg City Police. She was charged with theft by unlawful taking.

According to Petry, Belcher had a key to the shop and had access at any time. He said that she went peacefully and appeared to be aware of why he was there.
"She seemed to know what it was all about," said Petry.
According to Roberts, she had to trust someone to open the shop and prepare for opening. Belcher had performed volunteer work before being hired in October and had worked there a month before Roberts gave her a key.
Roberts said that it was hard for her to press charges against Belcher because she had considered her to be a friend.
"She was someone I trusted and I had given her the key to my kingdom," said Roberts.

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"Total Allen Central High School district - \$351,000," he said.
"As for Prestonsburg, we've hauled about \$5,000 worth of dirt, and I've put in a request for an additional \$50,000 for the Allen Central High School and Betsy Layne High School football fields," Thompson said.
"Anything we can do to help keep costs down (for the school system), we're happy to do," he said.
As Thompson ended his report, members of the board were eager to inform him that they were "very grateful" and "appreciative" of the county's assistance.
Board member Carol Stumbo, district 4, informed Thompson that although, as a board member, she is "very grateful" for the county's work, "as a taxpayer, I see a need for water and sewer lines" to be incorporated into the district. "I do not oppose what the schools receive, but I see other needs, as well," she said. "We need clean

water and a clean environment for our children."
"That is my primary goal," Thompson assured her.
Dr. Chandra Varia, district 2 representative, contributed her observations that "every classroom should have a teacher and every kid should have a book — before school starts — and every school should have clean water."
Glenna Stone, district 5 representative, remarked to Thompson that she felt that the members of her district had been unhappy with the delay in the Allen Central High School projects, "but now that things are underway, I think everything will be okay."
In regard to the Prestonsburg High School Athletic Field

Fieldhouse Project, the agreement entered into between the Floyd County Board of Education and the Floyd County Fiscal Court calls for the fiscal court "to provide and donate ... \$249,000 in labor, materials and funds for the construction" of the Prestonsburg High School Fieldhouse.
Chris Chrisman, of Lexington, has been designated as "the architect of record for all phases of the project," and Reed Engineering, of Prestonsburg, has been designated as "the entity responsible to the fiscal court for oversight of the project."
Monday evening's meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education was held at Prestonsburg High School.

Safety seat checkup returns to Floyd, Pike

PIKEVILLE — As part of "Buckle Up Month" activities, two free Child Safety Seat Checkups will be held this Friday, February 15, one in Pike County and one in Floyd County.
Technicians certified by AAA will be on hand at the Pikeville Fire Department at the junction of Bypass and Chloe Roads in Pikeville from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Friday, according to Robby Thompson, Drive Smart Coordinator for Highway District 12.
On Friday afternoon the team will move its operation to Music-Carter car lot in Prestonsburg where safety inspections will continue from 3 to 6 p.m.
Thompson said that approved child safety seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis for a modest charge.
"We will have a very limited number of child safety seats at the state contract price," he explained. "The purpose of the checkup is not to distribute safety seats, but to assure motorists who already have a seat that it is installed properly and not on a recall list."
Participating with Highway District 12 technicians are the Pike and Floyd County Health Departments, the Pikeville Fire Department, and representatives of Drive Smart Kentucky in Frankfort. The people who conduct the checkups have successfully completed specialized training in the installation and correct use of all approved child restraint seats.

Trustee wants Martha Wilkinson to repay \$1.2 million

LEXINGTON — Former Gov. Wallace Wilkinson wrote checks totaling \$1.2 million to his wife from his private accounts in the 10 years before he filed bankruptcy, according to a trustee, who is asking a judge to order Wilkinson's wife to repay the money.
Elizabeth Thompson, attorney for trustee Charles J. Lisle, said it is not known what the money was used for. The total includes \$971,913 during the five years before Feb. 5, 2001, when his bankruptcy began, and \$75,500 in the final year.
Thompson said the total of all the checks was \$1,265,135.
Martha Wilkinson's attorney, James Odell, could not be reached for comment.
Lisle is the trustee charged with selling Wilkinson's assets. Wilkinson's wife, Martha Wilkinson, is not in bankruptcy.
Investigators say \$2.8 billion flowed through Wilkinson's private checking accounts between 1992 and February 2001.
Loans from friends and lenders funded his Wallace's Bookstores textbook business and other ventures. Those loans contributed to the \$418.4 million in debts that Wilkinson declared after entering bankruptcy reorganization a year ago. Wallace's Bookstores went into bankruptcy after his personal filing as did another of his ventures, e-campus.com.
Lisle is also asking U.S. Bankruptcy Judge William S. Howard for permission to sell both of the homes, both of the farms, a condominium, a boat slip and other property Martha Wilkinson co-owns with her husband of four decades.
Lisle contends that Martha Wilkinson didn't earn the money to purchase the assets and doesn't have a right to any of the proceeds. She could, however,

receive up to 50 percent of the proceeds if the court rules that she is legally co-owner of the properties.
Lisle proposes in his filing that she would have the right to buy any of the properties at the highest price offered by any other buyer.
The issue is expected to be decided during the trial of a bankruptcy lawsuit, known as an adversary proceeding, that Martha Wilkinson has filed to clarify her rights to Wallace Wilkinson's assets. The date of the trial has not been set.
Lisle's attorneys argue in a

lengthy filing in that lawsuit that Kentucky law does not recognize the ownership rights of a husband or wife to the property of the other who is in bankruptcy. They also argue that Martha Wilkinson made no financial contribution to the purchase of the properties.
In a separate filing, Wallace Wilkinson is asking the court to order that the jointly owned properties cannot be sold until the death of either Wallace or Martha Wilkinson. Then, the properties would go either to Martha Wilkinson as the survivor or to Wallace Wilkinson's creditors.

Deer

wanted him to pay the consequences and that he shouldn't be the only one punished.
The next day, Trooper Watkins contacted Mark Wallace of the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife and informed him of the events of the previous night.
Watkins then served the warrants for the charges Wallace filed against the men.
Watkins said that the juvenile told him everything about that night.
"He was a top-notch kid," said Watkins. "He was honest and respectful the whole time."
Watkins stressed that it was youth week and commented on the importance of an adult showing kids the proper way to hunt and the safety measures that should be taken. He said that Joshua Allen had neglected to do that by not wearing orange while in the field, by hunting on private property without permission, and by not disposing of the animal properly when it was perceived to be unusable.
"Adults are responsible for showing these kids the legal and

safe way to hunt," said Watkins.
Joshua Allen expressed concern over a criminal record because of his decision to pursue law enforcement as a career. He stated that he had learned a valuable lesson and thought that wildlife was a valuable resource and should be protected.
"I learned that you are responsible for who is with you when they are underage," said Allen.
It appeared that Judge Hall was going to overlook Joshua Allen's part in the event, but he was forced to send the case to trial when Lonnie Allen refused to pay the \$1,000 fine.
"It's a grave injustice," said Lonnie Allen after court.
Joshua Allen was appointed a public defender. However, it appears that Lonnie Allen will have to seek his own counsel.

LINZIE HUNT ENDORSES JOHN K. BLACKBURN
I want to take this opportunity to respectfully ask my friends and relatives to vote for and support John K. Blackburn for RE-ELECTION as SHERIFF of FLOYD COUNTY. I have worked as deputy and chief deputy of Floyd County under four sheriffs and I have to say none have been more strongly in favor of law and order than John K. Blackburn. We have worked tirelessly on our drug problem. We realize this is a problem, not only for Floyd County, but the whole state as well. We have made progress, but we have lots more to do to make Floyd County as safe as possible from drug pushers. This is what we intend to do for the next four years.
John K. Blackburn loves Floyd County and has always lived and worked here. I know John K. as a compassionate and decent man. He has always attended funerals and wakes showing his respect for friends and relatives during their time of bereavement. This is the same man that so many of you know and have come to love and respect. John K. is a good man and deserves to be re-elected as our sheriff. I, Linzie Hunt, urge you to vote and re-elect your friend and mine, John K. Blackburn.

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Floyd County

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

This report card provides information about how well our district is doing, where it is succeeding, and where there is room for improvement. While it cannot tell everything about our performance, the report card is a good starting point for discussions with our teachers, administrators, school council members, and school board members. Unless noted, all data is from the 2000-2001 school year; contact information and narratives reflect the most recent school year's activity. For a more detailed examination of our district, please ask to see our Expanded Report Card, which contains a wealth of data and reports detailing district performance and procedures. Each district and school is required by law to provide this information upon request.

About Our District

The Floyd County School District is located in East Kentucky and has a rich tradition in Appalachian education. Our mission is to develop students who have the ability to succeed at their highest level of learning by providing a safe, challenging environment delivered by a quality staff in partnership with the community. An annual review of the school district by the Office of Educational Accountability during the 2001-2002 school year generated an observation that the district's Consolidated Plan was one of the best and most ambitious in the state. Setting high expectations for the students and all others associated with the school district along with a plan for accomplishment are important components in the success of any school district.

The Floyd County School District is comprised of three P-8 schools, four P1-grade 5 schools, two P1-grade 6 schools, one grade 7-8 school, four high schools, an alternative school, and the Floyd County Area Technical School. The district curriculum has been aligned to the Kentucky Program of Studies and the core content for the Kentucky Core Content Test. The District staff includes 568 certified and 645 classified employees. There are 16 Family Resource/Youth Centers that provide additional support to students and families. The staff is dedicated to an ongoing effort for school improvement.

How Our District Ensures Educational Equity

Our district strives to offer all students, regardless of race, gender, religion, ethnicity, disability, or socio-economic status, an opportunity to succeed through equitable funding and instructional practices. The effort to ensure educational equity for all students is monitored through analysis of disaggregated data, ESS (extended school services), gifted and talented services, special education services, and student participation in extra curricular activities. The district is strengthening efforts to ensure equity by continuing to address the recommendations of the equity audit performed during the 2000-2001 school year.

District Enrollment (end of year membership 2000-2001) 6931

How Our Students Perform

Kentucky uses the Commonwealth Accountability Testing System (CATS) to hold schools accountable for student progress. CATS has three parts: the Kentucky Core Content Tests, the national Comprehensive Test of Basic Skills (CTBS/5), and other measures of the school's performance, including attendance, retention and dropout rates. Together these three elements make up our schools' CATS Performance Scores for every two-year period.

Kentucky Core Content Tests

These tests measure the ability of our students to use knowledge in each subject. Kentucky's tests rate student performance using four categories: Novice, Apprentice, Proficient, and Distinguished. These categories translate into a scale of 0-140, with 100 being considered proficient. The state goal for all schools is 100 by the year 2014. This chart compares our district's performance, including academic indices and the percent of our students scoring novice, apprentice, proficient and distinguished (PD), with all the other districts in Kentucky.

KCCT Tests	Novice		Apprentice		Proficient/Distinguished		Academic Index	
	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	State
Reading (4 th)	22%	16%	29%	26%	49%	58%	73	80.7
Science (4 th)	16%	12%	48%	47%	36%	41%	72	77
Writing (4 th)	29%	24%	55%	52%	16%	24%	53.6	58.7
Mathematics (5 th)	47%	35%	27%	31%	26%	34%	55.1	64
Social Studies (5 th)	40%	32%	24%	27%	36%	41%	62.7	68.5
Arts & Humanities (5 th)	55%	45%	36%	44%	10%	12%	38.7	44.6
PLVS (5 th)	27%	22%	30%	32%	44%	46%	67.2	72.1

The goal is that by 2014 nearly all students will score proficient or distinguished

KCCT Tests	Novice		Apprentice		Proficient/Distinguished		Academic Index	
	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	State
Reading (7 th)	20%	13%	34%	33%	46%	54%	74.2	80.5
Science (7 th)	44%	31%	36%	39%	20%	30%	53.5	64.5
Writing (7 th)	40%	46%	47%	42%	13%	12%	46.8	43.5
Mathematics (8 th)	48%	32%	36%	40%	16%	28%	49.8	62.4
Social Studies (8 th)	40%	24%	41%	43%	19%	33%	53.4	67.3
Arts & Humanities (8 th)	47%	27%	34%	35%	19%	38%	45.5	64.2
PLVS (8 th)	40%	23%	39%	40%	22%	37%	50.9	67.8

The goal is that by 2014 nearly all students will score proficient or distinguished.

KCCT Tests	Novice		Apprentice		Proficient/Distinguished		Academic Index	
	District	State	District	State	District	State	District	State
Reading (10 th)	25%	18%	61%	53%	14%	29%	56.7	68.9
PLVS (10 th)	26%	20%	35%	31%	38%	49%	63.9	73.6
Mathematics (11 th)	55%	38%	32%	33%	13%	29%	44.5	60.7
Science (11 th)	40%	29%	45%	43%	15%	29%	50.7	62.1
Social Studies (11 th)	32%	23%	54%	51%	15%	27%	52.7	64.8
Arts & Humanities (11 th)	45%	35%	39%	39%	16%	26%	46.7	56.8
Writing (12 th)	32%	23%	53%	53%	15%	23%	51	59

The goal is that by 2014 nearly all students will score proficient or distinguished.

National Norm Referenced Test

The national norm referenced test used in Kentucky, the CTBS/5, measures the basic skills of our students while allowing us to compare their performance with national benchmarks established in 1996. These scores are reported in percentiles. A percentile shows the percentage of students who fell below a particular score on the test. For example, a percentile of 60 would show that the average student in our school scored equal to or better than 60 percent of all students who took the test. Data in this table is consistent with the accountability data publicly released on October 2, 2001.

National Norm Referenced Test (CTBS/5)	District	State	Nation
End of Primary (EOP) Reading	50 th ile	58 th ile	50 th ile
EOP Language Arts	50 th ile	55 th ile	50 th ile
EOP Mathematics	54 th ile	58 th ile	50 th ile

National Norm Referenced Test (CTBS/5)	District	State	Nation
6 th Grade Reading	46 th ile	54 th ile	50 th ile
6 th Grade Language Arts	43 th ile	51 th ile	50 th ile
6 th Grade Mathematics	40 th ile	51 th ile	50 th ile

National Norm Referenced Test (CTBS/5)	District	State	Nation
9 th Grade Reading	41 th ile	53 th ile	50 th ile
9 th Grade Language Arts	35 th ile	49 th ile	50 th ile
9 th Grade Mathematics	32 th ile	49 th ile	50 th ile

Other Measures

Other measures of district performance are the degree to which our district succeeds in getting students to come to school, our dropout rate, and the degree to which our graduates successfully move on to higher education or jobs. Another measure is the retention rate, which reflects the percent of students who were not academically ready to go on to the next grade and had to repeat the content of a grade for another year. These data reflect our performance during the 1999-2000 school year.

	Attendance			Transition to Adult Life					
	Rate	Rate	Rate	College	Military	Work	Voc/Tech Training	Work & Part-Time School	Not Successful
District	91.5%	6%	3.6%	56.9%	2.1%	21.7%	7.9%	4%	7.4%
State	94.2%	4%	3.4%	53.2%	2.7%	28.7%	4.6%	6.2%	4.7%

State Contest Results: Academic/Speech, Band, Chorus, and Orchestra

KAAC Governor's Cup Competition

Betsy Layne HS ranked the following in state awards:

1st place high school student in language arts and 3rd place high school quick recall. Forty-one students in middle and high school advanced through district and regional to state finals. 1 student named all-state band; 2 students named to all-state chorus; 3 students named to children's all-state chorus. 1 student earned first place in KY Junior Historical Society, KY Science Olympiad; 2 first place winners, 1 second, 5 third place winners at Morehead State University. 1 5th place winner in state forensics. 1 HS band qualified for all-state band assessment. 15 Floyd County Students were named as Governor's Scholars

Teacher Qualifications

This chart shows the level of content preparation, continuing education, and classroom experience of our teachers. These numbers do not include our administrators, guidance counselors, or library media specialists. The top row presents information on the certification of our teachers, while the second row presents additional information on the extent of their formal preparation to teach specific content. A teacher may be fully certified and yet not possess a formal major or minor in the subject they are teaching. The third row reflects the continuing efforts of our teachers to increase their mastery of the content areas they teach. The bottom two rows present further information about the extent of preparation and years of teacher experience.

	Dist.	State
% of Classes Taught by Teachers Certified for Subject and Grade Level	100%	NA
% of Classes Taught by Teachers with a Major, Minor, or the Equivalent in the Subject Being Taught	87%	NA
% of Classes Taught by Teachers Who Participated in Content-Focused Professional Development	100%	NA
% of Teachers with a Masters Degree or Greater or the Equivalent	71%	77%
Average Years of Teaching Experience	11	12

Our Learning Environment

School Safety

The information on school safety is intended to illustrate the policies and procedures we have in place to make our schools as safe as possible for our students and staff.

	Yes	No
Visitors are Required to Sign in	X	
All Parents received the District Discipline Code	X	
% of Classrooms with Telephone Access to Outside Lines		100%

Procedures in Place in Our District for Drug and Weapons Detection

Floyd County School District believes school safety can take many forms. Some of the steps taken include, but are not limited to, intervening with students in a positive and proactive approach to discipline, establishing substance abuse and violence prevention programs and providing district personnel with emergency management procedures. The school district provides the following: key and lock security with visitors going through the main school entrance, video cameras in schools and on buses to monitor student behavior, canine detection services for search and seizure of drugs or weapons and school-oriented emergency management plans. The district has research based substance abuse and violence prevention programs in K-12 grades e.g. Second Step, Project Northland, Here's Looking at You, D.A.R.E., Champion for a Drug-Free Kentucky, KIP survey, CHAMPS/positive behavioral support, Conflict Resolution and Peer Mediation Programs.

Violation	Number of Reported Incidents	Number of Students Suspended or Expelled for This	Number of Students Transferred to Alternative Placement for This
Aggravated Assault (with intent to cause injury)	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violations	62	58	2
Weapons Violations	7	7	0

Student Resources

	Spending per Student	Student Teacher Ratio	Student/Computer Ratio	% of Classrooms with at Least One KETS Workstation With Internet Access
District	6209	17:1	2.7:1	100
State	6601	18:1	5:1	99

How We Use Technology to Teach

All Floyd County Schools have the capacity to integrate technology into instructional practice to enhance teaching and learning. Teachers use a variety of instructional technologies to enhance classroom instruction. In addition to computers, students and teachers use Internet for research and interactive learning. Power Point for presentations, television, educational videos and laser discs for viewing commercially prepared material, and students use Microsoft Suite to publish written materials.

New this year, all seventh and eighth grade students are enrolled in on-line learning with Achieva.com through GEAR UP funds. The students are completing 30 hours study skills development course. Students in grades 7-12 have opportunity to access career and ACT software. Calculators, graphing calculators, and TI-Interactive are commonly used in schools for skill and concept development. KTLN, KET and KVHS are being used to provide students opportunity to study foreign languages. Email is commonly used to expedite communication.

Software such as EdVision Curriculum Design and Skills Connection is available to all schools.

District-wide training in Microsoft Office Suite was available to all teachers during 1999-2000.

Parental Involvement

	# of Students Whose Parent/Guardian Had at Least One Teacher Conference	# of Parents/Guardians Voting in School Council (SBDM) Elections	# of Parents/Guardians Serving on the School Council (SBDM) or Its Committees	# of Volunteer Hours
Our District	4894	672	132	44599

Extracurricular Activities

Floyd County Schools offer students a wide variety of extra curricular activities. These activities include TAG, academic teams (Jenny Wiley Academic Conference and Governor's Cup), forensics teams, FRIDE/Conservation District activities, Beta Club, National Honor Society, 4-H clubs, FBLA, FCA, newspaper/newsletter staff, Young Author's Program, Christmas Through the Eyes of a Child Program, girls/boys basketball, District Fine Arts Program, volleyball, football, baseball, track, softball, cheerleading, dance teams, golf, tennis, Magic Me, Respect Me, as well as many school-specific clubs. All students are encouraged to become part of extracurricular activities as an integral part of their education.

Awards and Recognition

During the 2000-2001 school year, a Floyd County principal became part of the prestigious Highly Skilled Educator Program. An elementary teacher was named Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year. The district, within a four county collaborative, was awarded a GEAR UP (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs) grant. Floyd County Schools Transportation Department received the "Most Improved Training Department" award at the Tenth Annual Driver Training Instructor Conference. Prestonsburg High School Dance team named National Champs.

What We Are Doing To Improve

The Floyd County School System is dedicated to long-term improvement at all levels. The district, as well as each school, is in the process of implementing recommendations set forth by scholastic and management audits performed by Kentucky Department of Education. The Consolidated Plan was revised to target scholastic/management audit findings and recommendations. Since the improvement process begins with leadership, principals and instructional staff members are participating in Kentucky Leadership Academy and Region 8 Principals Academy. In order to assist schools, both the district and Region 8 Service Center have provided SBDM council members specific training sessions such as policy development.

Professional development designed to target curriculum, assessment, and instruction has been refined to target specific areas such as open response questions and scoring rubrics. A team of resource teachers serves the schools by embedding professional development into classroom instruction. Teacher leaders are providing additional leadership toward improvement. The district leadership team works in collaboration with the Highly Skilled Educators to provide direction necessary for district improvement.

How to Get More Information

Call, e-mail, fax or write to our superintendent at the number and address on the top of this District Report Card. You may contact your School Board members at the numbers below. Visit our central office and ask for the Expanded District Report Card that contains a variety of information including Kentucky Core Content Test data and CTBS/5 national norm referenced test data disaggregated by gender, ethnicity, disability and other criteria. This disaggregated data is available to you at no cost. The remainder of the Expanded District Report Card may be free or provided at cost of copying.

Member's Name	Phone	Member's Name	Phone
The Rev. Johnnie E. Ross	(606) 886-9820		
Glenna Stone	(606) 358-4295		
Carol Stumbo	(606) 377-6329		
Jeff Stumbo	(606) 478-5527		
Dr. Chandra Varia	(606) 285-9221		

Our district does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability in employment or provision of services.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

A culinary poem:



Suggestions for a perfect Valentine's Day dinner

While you may not be expecting diamonds, roses or Chanel No. 5 on Valentine's Day, there's no reason you can't cook-up a little culinary romance this February 14. According to the chef instructors for The Art Institutes Culinary Arts programs, with a little thought, creative ambiance and a few make-ahead preparations, a romantic Valentine's Day dinner can be yours.

For Chef Frank Lima, an instructor with the New York Restaurant School of The Art Institutes, food is poetry and poetry is food. Chef Lima is not only a former White House assistant chef during the Kennedy Administration, but a first runner-up for Poet Laureate of Queens, New York. As Chef Lima explains it, "Poetry and cooking are so similar — they're both about feeling and aesthetics." The two are so intertwined, in fact, that Chef Lima named his cream of roasted red pepper soup *Crema Kukhla Moo* ("my doll" in Greek).

In addition to soup, which Chef Lima garnishes with crumbled feta cheese and fresh dill, he also likes ceviche with Champagne salsa — lobster, shrimp and sea scallops marinated in fresh lime juice — and garnished with cilantro and capers. Both the soup and ceviche can be made a day ahead and refrigerated.

As a main course, it's salmon *Vera Cruz*, a roasted salmon filet with jalapeno and mole chocolate sauce. Dessert is the poetic high point of this Valentine's Day menu: Strawberries *romanoff* with orange dust.

For Chef Francis Jacquinet, a chef instructor with The Art Institute of Houston, ambiance and menu are equally important to achieve a perfect romantic meal. He suggests serving dinner "by the fireplace, or candle lit. Adorn the table with a single or bou

(See VALENTINE, page fifteen)

Happy Valentine's Day
Markuitta
 From: Forever Yours

Brian and Crystal Spencer
*This message comes filled with love,
 To show you both how much we care.*
Happy Valentine's Day 2002.
 Love, Dad, Sue & Austin

Kirclin Dewayne Collins
 Age 6, of Honaker
 Happy Valentine's to my mommy, Roberta, my mama, Treva and Pap, Ossie.
 Love you
 And to all my friends in my kindergarten class at Betsy Layne Elementary.

Happy Valentine's Day
Liesha Faye Meade
You will always be my little Valentine
 Love, Mamaw Faye

Happy Valentine's Day To My Special Boys:
MICHAEL, NATHANUEL and LOGAN
*Just a wee baby in my arms, I hold you close to me,
 A love so pure and innocent, forever it will be.
 To see you grow and prosper, it fills my heart and soul,
 My mother's love for you, my child, is with you wherever you might go.
 To me, you will always be that wee baby I held so tight,
 The feel of your small soft hands in mine, fits just right.
 A mother's love has no end, it grows and grows each day,
 It's love that's unconditional, and helps you on your way.
 So keep in mind each time you stumble, that I will be there to catch you,
 In good times and hard times, no matter what you do,
 I will always love you!*
 —Emeralda Auxier

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Happy Valentines Day

French couple exchange vows and may now be world's oldest newlyweds

by **JEAN-MARC AUBERT**
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

MONTPELLIER, France — Francois Fernandez, 96, fell in love with 95-year-old Madeleine Francineau five years ago when he asked for a kiss after helping her use a garlic press.

The two exchanged wedding vows Friday and are hoping to be confirmed as the world's oldest newlyweds.

In London, the Guinness Book of Records said it was studying the claim.

A simple civil ceremony was conducted at the Romarins rest home in southern France, with many of the 95 residents in attendance.

All waited anxiously for Francineau to say "yes," fearing

she might miss the question due to hearing problems.

Wearing a blue dress and a turquoise hat, Francineau not only said "yes" but also leaned toward the groom, who wore a gray suit and silky white shirt, and whispered "I love you."

It was love at first sight, said home's director, Michel Aimonetti.

"Summer 1997, Madeleine went over to Francois because she couldn't work a garlic-presser she had ordered," Aimonetti said. "She wanted to thank him for his help, and Francois said a kiss would suffice."

Despite being married, the couple decided to stick to their old habits. They will keep their own rooms, but will live on the same floor so they can be closer to each other, Aimonetti said.

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 I love you two very much.
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 Melissa Music

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY



National survey gets at the heart of the matter on romance and relationships

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expectations of bad behavior? Here's what the survey found:

Take Heart

When it comes to romance more than half of the women surveyed, 53 percent, think men would rather spend a night out with the boys than a romantic evening with their sweethearts. Yet, nearly three in four men (73 percent) said they'd prefer a romantic evening at home. Interestingly, it looks as if romance does not die with marriage, as married men were 14 percent more likely than unmarried men to prefer an intimate night of romance.

Ogle Eyes

Men and women both know when it comes to romance, time spent together is as much about quality as it is quantity. So how do men behave when they are with their significant other? More than two out of every three men surveyed insisted they never ogle at other women in front of their girlfriends or wives, yet nearly the same number of women (62 percent) said men have "checked out the competition" in front of them.

Truth or Dare

Lying to the one you love is a sure way to put out the romantic flame. This may be troubling news to men, since most women have serious doubts about how truthful men are when responding to common questions. Nearly 8 in 10 women reported that they believe men lie about where they have been, while only 21 percent of men admit to telling tales. Women also believe men lie about: their age (48 percent), weight (64 percent), waist size (55 percent) and whether they color their hair (68 percent). Men see themselves as more honest and less vain than women perceive them to be as 70 percent of men claimed to lie about none of the above, while only 5 percent of women gave them as much credit!

Chick Flicks

When it comes to taking their wives to a "chick flick," the married man doesn't go the extra mile. Single men (30 percent) would rather make the sacrifice to sit through another one of those not-so-tough guy movies to please their woman as opposed to only

19 percent of married men. But women seem to know what movies make men's hearts race. Nearly 30 percent of women named "The Godfather" as men's favorite classic movie — the exact same percentage of men who named it their favorite.

Oops, I forgot

Thankfully it is what you get not when you get it, because the majority of women surveyed by VO Gold (94 percent) believe that men do last-minute shopping for anniversary and birthday gifts. Admittedly not perfect in the gift-giving category, men claim making the last-minute rush for anniversary (57 percent) and birthday (64 percent) gifts.

Guy's Guy

Men (36 percent) and women (37 percent) alike describe themselves/men as a "guy's guy."

While few women would argue that today's men have brought back the Age of Chivalry, men would argue women aren't giving them enough credit for their good behavior. While it's the traditional "his" word against "hers," one thing is clear — men

at least think they are behaving well, and that's got to be worth something!

For more information about "It's What Men Do," visit www.vowhisky.com.

Charles and Ruth Layne

Charles and Ruth Layne (formerly Ruth Wallingford) of Phoenix celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Oct. 3 with a dinner at a son's house.

The Laynes were married Sept. 3, 1948, in Phoenix. Charles moved to Arizona in 1944 and Ruth in 1948.

The couple have eight children: Danny of Houston; Joe of Colville, Wash.; David, Daryl, and Debbie, all of Phoenix; Diane of Colorado Springs; Dale of Jerome, Idaho; and the late Deva Sue. They also have 19 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Charles Layne was a press operator for Reynolds Metal. He retired in 1978. Ruth Layne is a homemaker.

The couple met at the Nazarene Church at 20th and Mohave streets in Phoenix.

Charles Blocky Layne was born in Kentucky, October 3, 1914. He worked in the Wayland coal mines and was enrolled in the army from 1944 to 1945.

Thank You
Charles Layne

Valentine

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quet of red roses. Take your phone off the hook, and play your companion's favorite music."

Chef Jacquinet starts with a spring green salad with red wine vinaigrette. Follow that with a retro favorite — Swiss cheese fondue. Shallots, garlic, white wine and cherry brandy can be purchased ahead of time, along with a French baguette and a lovely, sparkling chilled wine. To finish, dip a few long-stemmed strawberries in melted chocolate.

Married but still Valentines, chef instructors Peter and Pamela Babcock of The Art Institute of Ft. Lauderdale, take a duet approach to their ideal Valentine's Day dinner. Having successfully combined marriage and culinary careers for 10 years, the chefs complement each other perfectly when designing a romantic meal.

"We both like a lot of color, texture and flavor so for this menu, we've combined some of our favorites," says Chef Pamela Babcock. They begin with a cream of carrot soup, followed by baby greens with poached pears and stilton crostini. For the main course, broiled salmon steak with

chardonnay sauce. Finally, for dessert the chefs recommend banana pineapple strudel. For a perfect accompaniment, the chefs recommend a Veuve Clicquot.

According to Chef Peter Babcock, the key to enjoying a romantic Valentine's Day is to create a simple, delicious dinner that lets you spend as much time as possible with your loved one. "No matter how wonderful the food, you don't want to spend the evening waving from the kitchen. You want to be where your heart is — that's where the romance comes in," he says.

Many of these recipes can be found on The Art Institutes' Web site at www.artinstitutes.edu.

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Two teams, two similar situations

by BILLY REED
TIMES COLUMNIST

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Only five days before Louisville invaded Indiana University's Assembly Hall last Saturday, the crowd was so hostile and insulting to



Luke Recker, the former IU star now at Iowa, that the front page of Saturday's Bloomington Herald-Times had a story fretting about

whether sportsmanship is declining at Hoosier home games.

It was Recker's first appearance in his former home arena since he bolted Bob Knight's program after the 1998-'99 season, and apparently the crowd was even more vulgar than the one in Lexington's Rupp Arena that booed and jeered U of L coach Rick Pitino when the ex-Kentucky coach appeared there on Dec. 29.

Both cases were unfortunate, especially considering the personal tragedies that have ravaged both Recker and Pitino. With Recker, it was a wreck that almost cost him his life and left his girl friend, a former IU cheerleader, paralyzed. With Pitino, it was the death of Billy Minardi, his brother-in-law and best friend, in the World Trade Center holocaust.

On Saturday, however, the IU-U of L crowd was terrific throughout the Hoosiers' entertaining 77-62 victory. The most obscene chant aimed at Pitino was "Bos-ton Cel-tics, Bos-ton Cel-tics!" The crowd devoted a lot more of its energy to rooting for the home team.

(See REED, page seven)

Sideline Shots

State tourney tickets on sale; Region winners still up in the air

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Tickets for both the Boys' & Girls' Sweet 16 State Basketball Tournaments remain on sale and may be purchased by calling the KHSAA office at

859/299-5472 or by ordering online at www.khsaa.org.

On Friday, the draw for this year's state tournaments was held. The luck of the draw, for the most part, was not good for 15th Region teams. The 14th Region is a different story.

The 15th Region boys winner will play Scott County, or the 12th Region winner, which it'll probably be the Cards. Or, maybe Shelby County might sneak in.

The 15th Region girls winner will play the 14th Region girls winner, which, much like the 14th Region boys, will probably be a team from Perry County, namely Perry County

(See SHOTS, page seven)

Little League

H.A.P. LL meeting rescheduled

The H.A.P. Little League will hold an organizational meeting, Sunday at the Betsy Layne Dome. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6 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.

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A DEEP DOWN FIRE...

Combs makes Louisville Fire Arena2 team

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LOUISVILLE — A former Betsy Layne High School football standout will continue his playing career this spring after taking some time away from the game, following an All-American playing career at Morehead State University.

Brandon "Bubba" Combs, a BLHS alum, tried out for the Louisville Fire Arena2 League team Saturday and was quickly notified that he had made the team. He is currently an assistant coach at Nelson County High School.

Combs played offensive line while at Morehead State University, but will go both ways, as is usually the case in the

Arena League, for the Fire. Combs earned All-American honors during his college career. In addition, Combs is very easily the most acclaimed football player to ever come out of Betsy Layne High School.

The Betsy Layne product was coached

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Lonesome Pine Raceway



photos courtesy of Lonesome Pine Raceway

Lonesome Pine Raceway, once again under the NASCAR banner, is scheduled to begin its 2002 race season on Saturday, April 20, under the ownership of J. W. "Willard" Kinzer.

KINZER puts track back under NASCAR banner

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR



COEBURN, Va. — The Coeburn, Va.-based Lonesome Pine Raceway announced recently that it has rejoined NASCAR and will be one of the 82 tracks across the country that is part of NASCAR Weekly Racing Series.

LPR is one of only two tracks that received new weekly sanctions from the most popular organization in stock car racing. The other sanction was awarded to North Carolina's Hickory Motor Speedway.

The move to become a NASCAR track was one that was taken by the new ownership and management of the .375-mile asphalt track. The new owner is a Floyd County resident. He is J.W. "Willard" Kinzer. A Floyd County businessman, Kinzer, owns a drilling company in Allen. He purchased the Virginia track in late-August.

With deep roots in dirt track racing, the entire Kinzer family turns its focus to a new race of sorts, with ownership being the top priority.

(See KINZER, page eight)

Little finishes fourth, qualifies for state

Sheldon Clark captures team championship in easy fashion

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEY'S CREEK — The 39th KHSAA State Wrestling Championships are slated for Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 14-16, at the Capital Plaza Convention Center (formerly Farnham Dudgeon Civic Center) in Frankfort. Doors open for Thursday's first round action at

(See LITTLE, page eight)



photo courtesy of varsity.com

The Pikeville High School girls' varsity cheerleaders captured a national championship, finishing first in the Small Varsity division. Results appear inside today's edition.

Lady Blackcats prevail over Lady Raiders

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

The Prestonsburg Lady Blackcats are starting to gear up for the 58th district tournament and on Friday night ten players dented the scoring column for coach Harold Tackett

en route to a 72-42 win over the South Floyd Lady Raiders. Prestonsburg sprinted out early behind the hot hand of Megan Hyden, who connected on four long range bombs in the first half, and fellow senior Ramanda Music scored eight first quarter points to help the

Lady Blackcats to a 20-9 lead after one quarter. South Floyd was led in scoring by Megan Ousley with 12 points and Tabitha Berger added seven for the Lady Raiders.

South Floyd held its homecoming between games on Friday, and Tabitha Berger was

crowned queen in front of a large crowd on hand for the festivities.

Prestonsburg extended its comfortable lead in the second quarter as South Floyd went cold from the field. The Lady Blackcats were in command 40-23 at the half.

Prestonsburg would go to its bench in the second half as everyone on the Ladycat roster would see action in the contest.

The future of Prestonsburg girls hoops looked bright as youngsters Megan Slone and

(See PREVAIL, page four)

Prestonsburg girls drill visiting Phelps

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

On Monday night, the Prestonsburg Fieldhouse was the site of yet more 15th Region girls' basketball, as the host Lady Blackcats took on the Phelps Lady Hornets.

It was the second meeting on the hardwood this season for the two teams and Prestonsburg had won the earlier meeting in a

lopsided contest. Prestonsburg coach Harold Tackett had the luxury of playing everyone on the Lady Blackcat roster as his team once again came out of the contest with another lopsided victory by the final score of 68-39.

The Phelps Lady Hornets have struggled to a 3-17 record this season and are usually out-

(See PHELPS, page four)

photo by Jamie Howell

Senior Tabitha Berger was crowned Homecoming Queen Friday night during festivities held at South Floyd High School's Raider Arena. Berger is a member of the SFHS girls' basketball team.



Eastern Kentucky's Sizemore player of the week

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BRENTWOOD, Tenn. — Charlotte Sizemore of Eastern Kentucky earned player of the week honors for the Ohio Valley Conference on Monday.

The senior forward helped the

(See SIZEMORE, page seven)

Briefs

FOOTBALL

ASHBURN, Va.—Marvin Lewis won't be a head coach, but he'll be getting head coach money. A month after he set a new — and very high — standard for head coach's pay with the hiring of Steve Spurrier, Washington Redskins owner Dan Snyder made Lewis the best paid assistant in the NFL. Lewis signed a three-year deal worth about \$850,000 per year — more than \$1 million per year with incentives — to be the defensive coordinator. OWINGS MILLS, Md.—Still smarting from the surprise departure of Marvin Lewis, the Baltimore Ravens made Mike Nolan their new defensive coordinator. Nolan, a former defensive coordinator with three NFL teams, served as the Ravens' receivers coach last season.

BASKETBALL

DENVER—Denver Nuggets forward Antonio McDyess, who has not yet played this season because of a knee injury, might return to the lineup Tuesday night. McDyess said it will be a game-time decision as to whether he plays in the Nuggets' home game against Boston. CHARLOTTE, N.C.—The Charlotte City Council easily approved a financing package for a new \$230 million downtown arena that could alter the Charlotte Hornets' plans to pack up and head to New Orleans. By an 8-3 margin, the council voted for a financing plan that features a \$100 million pledge from two banks and a large energy company. FRESNO, Calif.—Utah Jazz guard DeShawn Stevenson was sentenced to two years probation for having sex with a minor. Stevenson was not present for the hearing, but his lawyer, Roger Litman, pleaded no contest on his behalf to charges that Stevenson, 20, had sex with a 14-year-old girl.

BOXING

FORT WORTH, Texas—Texas Motor Speedway officials decided against bidding for Mike Tyson's heavyweight title fight against Lennox Lewis. TMS general manager Eddie Gossage confirmed last week that the track had been in discussions with Tyson adviser Shelly Finkel and Gary Shaw of Main Events, which promotes Lewis. He said he faxed a letter to both his decision. HONOLULU—Police are investigating a claim that Mike Tyson assaulted a woman while in Hawaii attending the Pro Bowl. A 38-year-old woman, whose identity was not released, reported she was struck Saturday as she was forced aside by Tyson when she "ran up to talk to him" at Aloha Stadium, Honolulu police spokeswoman Jean Motoyama said.

TENNIS

COPENHAGEN, Denmark—Germany's Axel Pretzsch rallied to beat American Michael Chang 6-7 (5), 6-1, 6-3 in the first round of the Copenhagen Open. In other first round matches, Czech Michal Tabara defeated Romania's Adrian Panu; and Vladimir Volkov of Belarus beat Spain's Alex Calatrava. Michael Llodra of France retired because of injury in the second set of his match against Belgian Christophe Rochus. ANTWERP, Belgium—Lilia Osterloh of the United States lost to Daja Bedanova in the first round of the \$585,000 Diamond Games tournament. Osterloh, seeded 16th, was eliminated 6-7 (4), 6-4, 7-6 (5). In other first-round matches, sixth-seeded Magdalena Maleeva coasted to a victory over Marina Sucha, Patty Schnyder beat Elke Clijsters, and Daniela Hantuchova defeated Cristina Torrens Velero. DOHA, Qatar—Anastasia Myskina of Russia eliminated fifth-seeded Angeles Montolio of Spain 6-2, 4-6, 6-1 in the first round of the Qatar Open. In other singles action, Maja Matevzic of Slovenia beat seventh-seed Tatiana Panova of Russia, and Petra Mandula of Hungary got past Tatiana Poutchek of Belarus. Third-seeded Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario plays her first match Tuesday, against Alicia Molik of Australia. MARSEILLE, France—Spain's Tommy Robredo beat Paul-Henri Mathieu of France 6-4, 6-4 in the first round of the \$476,000 Open 13 ATP tennis tournament.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

EUGENE, Ore.—Oregon coach Mike Bellotti welcomes an investigation into claims that the Ducks used unethical recruiting practices to attract high school football players. Washington coach Rick Neuheisel said last week after national signing day that "a couple of schools in the (Pacific-10) Conference didn't even start recruiting until they saw our list."

SOCCER

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.—U.S. national team defender Sara Whalen broke a rib and punctured a lung in a collision with Shannon MacMillan during the WUSA All-Star game on Sunday. FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.—Santa Clara defender Danielle Slaton was selected by the Carolina Courage on the first pick of the draft by the Women's United Soccer Association. Seven of the first eight picks are in the U.S. women's team player pool. Florida forward Abby Wambach was selected second by Washington, and North Carolina midfielder Jena Kluegel, who has 15 international appearances, was selected third by Boston.

HOCKEY

NEW YORK—New Jersey Devils defenseman Colin White was fined \$1,000 by the NHL for a cross-checking incident involving Buffalo forward Vaclav Varada in Sunday's game.

AUTO RACING

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla.—NASCAR will allow the Fords to reduce their spoilers — the wing-like metal device at the rear of the trunklid — to 6 inches beginning Tuesday. The move is being taken because the Tauruses haven't been competitive at Daytona International Speedway.

Basketball

Table with NBA standings, Eastern Conference, Western Conference, Pacific Division, Sunday's Game, Monday's games, Tuesday's games, Tonight's games, AP high school polls, Boys, and Women's sections.

Table with H.S. State Tournaments, College scores, and Auto racing sections.

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Stewart drove his Pontiac to victory Sunday in the Budweiser Shootout, a nonpoints race at Daytona International Speedway. Two hours after its completion, NASCAR reduced the spoilers on the Fords to make the Tauruses more competitive. The rules change overshadowed Stewart's second straight victory in the made-for-TV event and spawned a flurry of complaints from the other three car makes. "The Dodge camp is now basically behind the eight ball across the board," said Tony Glover, team manager for Chip Ganassi Racing. "It's disheartening and it's disappointing when you start into a situation as an underdog."

NASCAR cut a quarter-inch off the Ford's rear spoilers following their poor showing in the shootout. The spoilers will be reduced to 6 inches, a full half-inch smaller than they were when NASCAR first introduced its new aerodynamic package late last fall. NASCAR took the first quarter-inch away last month after the Fords tested poorly under the new rules. The Fords can begin using the smaller spoilers on Tuesday, and NASCAR will monitor their progress in the 125-mile qualifying races on Thursday. Should the decision shift the disadvantage to any of the other three car makes, NASCAR president Mike Helton said more changes could be made before next Sunday's season-opening Daytona 500.

"We're making these changes based on results on the track," Helton said. "This action is coming from what we've seen in Daytona so far." The Fords have been slow since the first practice here Friday. Only two Fords cracked the Top 20 in the first round of qualifying on Saturday, and Dale Jarrett's Robert Yates-owned Taurus was the top finisher in Sunday's shootout. Jarrett's sixth-place finish was almost four seconds behind Stewart, who held off a last-lap charge by the Chevrolet of Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Jeff Gordon to win the race.

"Winning that race last year with that black No. 3 in my mirror was the highlight of my career," Stewart said. "But this was just like last year. He may have 'Junior' behind his name, but he drives like Senior." The thrill from the win was shortlived, though, as Stewart and his crew chief reacted to the Fords getting help. "I'm the only one who can lose by this because

I won under the old rules," Stewart said. "I don't want them to do anything to the cars." And Greg Zipadelli, his crew chief, thought the Fords didn't deserve the break. "They should have been left alone from the start and forced to do their homework a little better before they got here," Zipadelli said. "We've worked extremely hard," he said. "We didn't sit back or sandbag."

Then he mentioned the four Chevrolets of Hendrick Motorsports, including that of Gordon. "Rick Hendrick can get his towel out and cry about it all he wants to, but the bottom line is that physics is hurting us," Yates said. "Thank goodness NASCAR is making some adjustments for that."

"There are a lot of good Ford teams and a lot of other teams that are good, but you can't erase too much of a handicap." The Chevrolets, which most people believe have at least a slight advantage, are using a 61/4-inch rear spoiler, while both the Dodges and Pontiacs are at 6 1/2 inches. Ford teams have complained since the end of last season that they are at an aerodynamic disadvantage under the new rules for Daytona and Talladega, NASCAR's two biggest and fastest ovals.

The new package was introduced late last fall after driver complaints about dangerous racing at the two tracks in 2001. Those events had three- and four-wide racing and passing throughout the pack on just about every lap. That resulted in a 19-car pileup near the end of the Daytona 500 that resulted in Stewart flipping on the backstretch. The elder Earnhardt was killed on the final lap of the race.

New SPEED Channel To televise Kentucky Speedway, NASCAR Hills Bros. ALL PRO, and Goody's Dash Series races. FT. MITCHELL — Kentucky Speedway's June 14 NASCAR Hills Bros. All Pro Series "Kentucky 150" and June 15 NASCAR Goody's Dash Series "700 WLW 100" will be televised on tape delay as part of the new SPEED Channel "NASCAR TV" lineup in 2002. SPEED Channel debuts on Monday, Feb. 11, as a re-launch of the current Speedvision. SPEED Channel, which is currently available in 45 million homes in the United States, will be the first and only 24-hour cable network devoted exclusively to motorsports.

"SPEED Channel's new NASCAR Touring Series package will give us a great opportunity to showcase our sponsors and our facility to race fans around the country," Kentucky Speedway Executive Vice President and General Manager Mark F. Cassia said. "NASCAR TV" will air every Monday at 8:00 p.m. beginning Feb. 25. Two-hour shows will feature both race footage and feature stories from the eight NASCAR Touring Series. "NASCAR TV" will

re-air each week on Tuesday and Wednesday. Kentucky's "700 WLW 100" will air Monday, June 14, and "The Kentucky 150" will air Monday, July 1. "Our fans of every region of the country have asked for this type of programming, and we are very confident that it will boost awareness of each series, their sponsors and benefit all of the NASCAR Touring teams, tracks and drivers," said Paul Brooks, NASCAR vice president of broadcasting. "It's terrific exposure for everyone involved and a great television product for the 75 million NASCAR fans across America."

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Auto racing

Fords get help from NASCAR after Stewart wins Shootout

by JENNA FRYER ASSOCIATED PRESS DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) Stewart and the Ford drivers were the only ones celebrating after the first race of the NASCAR season.

Table with Team, Seed, Record columns for auto racing.



photo by Jamie Howell

Heather White (40) defended Friday night as South Floyd's Brandy Anderson looked to dribble around.

Students awarded journalism, sports journalism scholarships

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS — The Freedom Forum, in cooperation with the NCAA Foundation, has awarded eight \$3,000 scholarships for 2002-03 to undergrad-

uate students at NCAA member institutions majoring in journalism or sports journalism.

The program is specifically designed to foster freedoms of speech and press, while also promoting quality sports jour-

nalism education at the collegiate level. The eight one-year, nonrenewable scholarships are awarded to juniors who will be full-time seniors in the 2002-03

(See **AWARD**, page four)

■ UK FOOTBALL

Carr hired as running backs coach

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Gerald Carr, who has coaching experience in the National Football League, Arena League, and in college, has been hired as UK's assistant coach for running backs, Coach Guy Morriss has announced.

"Gerald is a veteran Division I coach with an NFL background, which is an attractive combination for our players and potential recruits," Morriss said. "He is a high-energy, positive coach. He had glowing recommendations and it is obvious from our conversations with him that he is extremely knowledgeable as an offensive coach."

"Gerald also comes with an excellent reputation as a recruiter. I believe he will be a good fit on our staff. He fits the model of what we are looking for good people first, and a good coach second."

Carr comes to UK from Indiana University, where he was quarterbacks coach and passing game coordinator for the Hoosiers during the 2001 season. Under Carr's tutelage, Antwaan Randle El earned first-team All-America honors and was selected the Big Ten Most Valuable Player while setting several NCAA records.

Carr began his full-time coaching career in 1983. He has

been an offensive coach for all but one year of his career, with stints at Davidson (1983-85), Akron (1986-88), Washington State (1989-90), Arizona (1991), North Carolina (1992-94), Wake Forest (1999), and Indiana.

Carr gained his first bowl-game experience with North Carolina, helping guide the Tar Heels to the Peach, Gator, and Sun bowls during his three seasons with the team. He also helped lead Wake Forest to a victory in the 1999 Aloha Bowl.

Carr entered the professional coaching ranks with the Philadelphia Eagles from 1995-98. The Eagles advanced to the NFL playoffs following the 1995 and 1996 regular seasons. Carr was the offensive coordinator, quarterbacks, and wide receivers coach for the Arena League's Carolina Cobras in 2000.

The addition of Carr gives UK five coaches who have played and/or coached pro football. Morriss, Carr, Harold Jackson, Mark Nelson, and Brent Pease have a combined 70 years of pro experience, including 45 playing seasons and 25 years in coaching.

"I'm excited about the opportunity at Kentucky," Carr said. "Coach Morriss has the program on the right track. When I visited the school, saw the facilities, and spoke with the people, it is obvi-

ous that there is a commitment to win. I'm glad to be a part of it."

Carr is a graduate of Southern Illinois, where he was a football letterman from 1978-80.

Staff realigned

With the hiring of running backs coach Gerald Carr, Coach Guy Morriss also has announced the realignment of the coaching staff.

Wesley McGriff, formerly the running backs coach, moves to defense and will coach defensive backs. Prior to UK, McGriff had been a defensive backs coach for all but one year of his terms at Eastern Kentucky, Kentucky State, and Savannah State.

Mark Nelson will continue in his role as special teams coordinator but will move from tight ends to defensive ends. He has been a defensive coach for the majority of his career and was the defensive line coach for Toronto in 1996 when the Argonauts claimed the Canadian

Football League Grey Cup championship.

Chris Lancaster, who coached the defensive ends in 2001, returns to his long-time role on offense and will coach the offensive line. Lancaster had coached the O-Line through the majority of his previous stops at McNeese State, Sam Houston State, Baylor, and Clemson.

Graduate assistant John Schlarman will coach the tight ends and assist Lancaster with the offensive line. Schlarman had worked with Morriss in coaching the offensive line the last two seasons.

"I think all of these position changes are logical moves for us," said Morriss, who will give up his day-to-day responsibility of coaching the offensive line.

"We had an opening in defensive backs and Coach McGriff is an excellent secondary coach. Mark Nelson coached Toronto's defensive line when they won the Grey Cup. Coach Lancaster has been

an offensive line coach for most of his career."

In addition to his role as defensive coordinator and linebackers coach, John Goodner adds the duties of recruiting coordinator.

"This is an ideal situation for us," Morriss said. "John asked for the opportunity. He understands our numbers and needs in recruiting. We'll continue to recruit as a staff and I believe that John is the logical choice to coordinate that effort."

The realigned UK coaching staff and responsibilities now include:

- Guy Morriss: head coach
- Tom Adams: defensive tackles
- Gerald Carr: running backs
- John Goodner: defensive coordinator, linebackers, recruiting coordinator
- Larry Hofer: safeties

■ Harold Jackson: wide receivers

■ Chris Lancaster: offensive line

■ Wesley McGriff: defensive backs

■ Mark Nelson: special teams coordinator, defensive ends

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■ Off-season Strength and Conditioning: Daily

■ Spring Break: March 9-17

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■ Spring Game: April 20 at Commonwealth Stadium, time TBA

■ HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

South Floyd girls bounce back with win

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Despite recent players leaving the team, Melinda Osborne's South Floyd Lady Raiders played much like a seasoned team Monday night in a win over 15th Region power Shelby Valley.

No, Shelby Valley doesn't have the services of East Tennessee State University signee Summer Jones, now at Pikeville College, but nevertheless, the Lady Wildcats are talented. And, at this point in the season, a win, is well, a win.

65-64. Close enough for ya? Freshman center Tabitha Trammel, playing in the place of senior Kandice Mitchell, put South Floyd ahead in Monday night's game at the end of the contest and Ashley Johnson helped seal the win with a steal as

the Lady Raiders beating Shelby Valley 65-64 in a battle of teams with high hopes heading into their respective district tournaments in Floyd and Pike counties.

Trammel finished the contest with 11 points. Sophomore guard Brandy Anderson led the way for a victorious South Floyd with 15 points in a quality output that included five three-pointers.

Sophomore guard Megan Ousley, one of the quickest players in the 15th Region, added 14 points and seven assists to help the Lady Raiders improve to 9-12. Sheree Hopkins added 10 points.

Senior guard Bridget Smith tossed in a game-high 25 points for Shelby Valley. Bethany Hall and Kerrin Spier each finished with 11 points, while Jessica Justice tacked on eight in the setback.

Lady Cards beat Whitesburg in OT

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BLACKLOG — The Sheldon Clark Lady Cardinals aren't afraid to wage war in a close battle on the hardwood. Monday night backs that statement up as Coach Robin Harmon's squad, last year's 15th Region runners-up, and former region champs, just wouldn't be denied the win in a matchup which could come about again in March.

Tied at 74 with 13 seconds remaining in regulation, Sheldon Clark had a chance to win the game but instead missed a pair of free throws to put the game into overtime against the visiting Whitesburg Lady Yellowjackets. Whitesburg (16-6) could not pull the game out in the extra period, falling 82-79 as Sheldon Clark hit six of nine free throw attempts to secure the win.

Sheldon Clark held a 34-31 lead over Whitesburg at the half, but was outscored 29-14 in the third period.

Junior center Kelli Moore, one of the state's top players, had a big night for Sheldon Clark, hitting for a game-high 28 points while adding 18 rebounds, also a game-high effort for the contest which pitted the 15th Region vs. the 14th Region.

Aiding both her team, and her teammate Heather Horn added 27 points and 11 rebounds in the triumph. Nikki Copeland finished with 14 points and Jennifer Wellman added seven.

EARNHARDT TRIBUTE

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American automobile racer and seven-time National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing (NASCAR) championship driver Dale Earnhardt was born in 1951, in Kannapolis, North Carolina. He first raced NASCAR vehicles in 1975. Earnhardt's first Winston Cup win came in his 16th Winston Cup race, when he claimed the Southeastern 500 at Bristol, Tennessee, in 1979. He captured NASCAR championships in 1980, 1986, 1987, 1990, 1991, 1993 and 1994. Richard Petty is the only other driver to win seven Winston Cup championships.

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Daytona Beach's crowd season begins

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — The smell of high-octane gas and the buzz of cars whizzing around a racetrack are in the air. The traffic is thickening on International Speedway Boulevard, this city's main thoroughfare.

All signs are here that Daytona Beach's annual season

of special events is about to begin. From February to early April, hundreds of thousands of visitors attending Speed Weeks, Bike Week, Spring Break and Black College Reunion invade this beachside town of 65,000.

Some officials and residents are wondering if the rapid succession of special events is taxing the city too much. A recent report put the cost to the city at

\$2 million annually to provide police, fire, emergency, garbage collection, overtime pay for city workers and pay for part-time special events workers.

"I would call it a crisis," said City Commissioner Mike Shallow, who calls the \$2 million a subsidy. "If no remedial action is taken, then the city will be without a budget reserve in a matter of three years."

City commissioners are looking for ways to cover the costs of the events. Starting with Bike Week in March, each vendor selling goods will have to pay a \$300 administration fee, and officials plan to raise the permit fee each vendor pays from \$250 to \$300. Other measures are being considered.

"I'm of the mind that special events must pay their own way," said Shallow, who supports further controls on special events.

Award

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academic year.

The recipients and their undergraduate institutions are: Anne Elizabeth Aydinian, University of Chicago; Emily Megan Badger, Northwestern University; Ryan Dean Brinks, University of Wisconsin, River Falls; Eric Dean Duffee, Drake University; Jeffrey Allen Rice, Pennsylvania State University; Jonathan Paul Saperstein, University of Washington; Christopher Michael Snow, Syracuse University; and Grant Hayden Swallows, Tennessee Technological University.

"These scholarships are investments in the future," said Charles L. Overby, chairman and chief executive officer of The Freedom Forum. "The NCAA Foundation is working to build the next generation, and we're pleased to help in that effort."

Since 1992, The Freedom Forum has awarded 79 \$3,000 scholarships, totaling more than \$237,000, to students at NCAA institutions through a partnership with the NCAA Foundation.

"We are pleased with the continued support of The Freedom Forum, which has provided 79 scholarship awards for academically superior students since the inception of the program," said Marion Peavey,

executive director of the NCAA Foundation. "These scholarships are in recognition of high academic achievement, while also enabling these students to receive well-deserved financial assistance toward their educational and career goals."

The Freedom Forum, with offices in Arlington, Virginia, and at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, is a non-partisan, international foundation dedicated to free press, free speech and free spirit for all people. The foundation focuses on three priorities: the Newseum, the interactive museum of news in Arlington, Virginia; First Amendment issues; and diversity in journalism.

Applications for the scholarships are judged by a selection committee chosen by The Freedom Forum and the NCAA Foundation. In addition to completing the application form, students must supply a college transcript, three examples of sports journalism work and a letter of recommendation. The deadline for applications is December of each year.

The NCAA Foundation was created in 1988 to generate funds in support of programs that enable student-athletes to participate fully in the college community, to achieve successful academic and athletics experiences, and to prepare to be effective citizens and productive contributors to society.

For more information about The Freedom Forum-NCAA Foundation Sports Journalism Scholarship, contact the NCAA Foundation at 317/917-6477.

Mayor Bud Asher bristles at any suggestions that the special events should be curbed. The four special events, along with the Pepsi 400 in July and Biketoberfest in October, generate \$1.3 billion in economic output in metro Daytona Beach, he said.

"I don't think there's a city

in America that wouldn't give their right arm to be able to have ... Super Bowl-size events in the area each year like we do," Asher said.

Each special event has its own distinct personality.

Several hundred thousand race fans come to Daytona Beach from early-to-mid-

February for Speed Weeks, a series of motor car races that culminates with the Daytona 500, the country's best-known NASCAR race. The racing fans are older and more affluent than other special-events visitors, and residents view them with

(See CROWD, page five)

RULES UPDATE

Debate over aerodynamic rules gains momentum

By JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — The Ford camp is defending itself against charges of whining to NASCAR, sabotaging its own efforts and outright laziness.

Ahhh, let the Daytona games begin.

With a rules change that favors the Fords going into effect Tuesday at Daytona International Speedway, the other three makes are up in arms and taking it out on their Ford rivals.

"They've been sandbagging here all week," said Jimmy Spencer, a longtime Ford driver who moved to a Dodge team this year.

Spencer was 44th in the first round of time trials and said he was still slower than the Fords on Monday, a day before they were allowed to shave a quarter-inch off their rear spoilers.

"They were hauling the mail down the straightaway, I thought they already had changed on the spoiler because they were going so fast," Spencer said. "I don't mind going to a prize fight, but I want to have a fighting chance."

NASCAR permitted the Fords to reduce its spoilers — the winglike metal device at the rear of the trunk lid — to 6 inches because the Tauruses haven't

been competitive at Daytona.

The Fords have been slow in practice, had just two cars in the top 20 after the first round of time trials and brought up the rear in the Budweiser Shootout. Dale Jarrett was the highest Ford finisher, coming in sixth, but he was almost 4 seconds behind race winner Tony Stewart in a Pontiac.

So NASCAR approved the quarter-inch coming off the top, bringing the spoiler height down a full half-inch smaller than they were when the new aerodynamic package was introduced late last fall. NASCAR took the first quarter-inch away last month after the Fords tested poorly here under the new rules.

The Chevrolets, which most people believe have at least a slight advantage, are using a 61/4-inch rear spoiler, while both the Dodges and Pontiacs are at 61/2 inches.

"Do your homework," said Greg Zipadelli, Stewart's crew chief. "We're driving a 7-year-old Pontiac, our body is so old I applied for antique plates, and we found a way to make it work."

The accusations offended the Ford teams, who quickly reached for the time sheets to show that the Pontiacs and Chevrolets have consistently picked up speed since the aero package was first tested in January, while the Fords have

made almost no improvement.

"It's quite obvious to me who the sandbaggers are, and they're over there in the Chevrolets. They're the only ones getting faster each time out," said Frankie Stoddard, crew chief for Jeff Burton's Ford. "And the Pontiacs are fast, too."

Stoddard was extremely upset over the claims of a poor winter work ethic.

"That's just people who are immature and haven't been in the sport long enough to understand what's going on," he said.

NASCAR officials never bought into the Ford sandbagging theory, saying the results of Sunday's nonpoints race was enough of an indicator for them. Behind Jarrett, the other eight Ford entries finished between 10th and 21st in the 22-car field.

"These guys are racers," NASCAR president Mike Helton said. "When they get onto a race track, it's to win a race."

The issue might not be settled any time soon, either. Helton said he'd be keeping a close eye on Thursday's twin 125-mile qualifying races to see how the competition is shaping up, and too many discrepancies could lead to even more adjustments before Sunday's event.

"There's still some tweaking that can be done," Helton said. "Nothing is out of the question."

Cincinnati Bengals appoint tight ends coach

CINCINNATI — The Cincinnati Bengals have promoted John Garrett to tight ends coach.

Garrett will succeed Frank Verducci, who resigned after three seasons on the job. Verducci will join another NFL coaching staff in a move to be announced later, the Bengals said Monday.

Garrett, 36, was on the Bengals' staff last season as an offensive assistant. The former Bengals wide receiver was Arizona's quarterbacks coach in 1999-2000 and was a Bengals assistant coach from 1995 to 1998. Garrett now faces the challenge of working with an inexperienced group of tight ends coupled with a shaky Cincy quarterback situation.

Phelps

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numbered as they dressed only nine players for the game, but the Lady Hornets did not throw in the towel as they battled Prestonsburg early and actually held the lead at 13-12 late in the first quarter. Nikki Smith led the Phelps attack with 17 points and 10 rebounds on the evening but Prestonsburg would prove to be too much after the first quarter.

The Lady Blackcats would pick up the intensity on the defensive end in the second quarter en route to a 29-12 advantage in the frame.

The Lady Blackcats were led on the evening by senior Ramanda Music who scored a game high 24 points. Music was followed closely by Megan Hyden who was 4-of-7 from three-point land, with 18 points

on the night.

Prestonsburg held a commanding lead of 43-25 at the half and most of the Lady Blackcat starters sat out the second half. Prestonsburg freshman Molly Burchett dished out seven assists and scored nine points for the impressive winners.

The duo of Jennifer Curnutte and Stephanie Webb also gave Tackett some valuable minutes in off the Ladycat bench.

Prestonsburg would continue to extend the lead in the third period and after three, it led 59-29.

Most of the Lady Blackcats' younger players saw action in the final stanza and they continued to hold the big lead over the final eight minutes as Phelps would get no closer than 28 down in the final quarter. With

the win, Prestonsburg improves to 15-9 on the year while Phelps drops to 3-17.

SCORING

Prestonsburg—Ramanda Music 24 points, Megan Hyden 18 points, Molly Burchett 9 points, Jennifer Curnutte 5 points, Heather White 3 points, Abby Shaffer 3 points, Chanel Music 2 points, Beth Joseph 2 points, Vicki Bowling 1 point, Taryn Harris 1 point.

Phelps—Nikki Smith 17 points, Sherri Plymale 5 points, Sasha Fields 5 points, Tiffany Abbott 4 points, Hope Blankenship 3 points, Lindsey Schwartz 3 points, Ashley Riffe 2 points.

Team Free Throws
Prestonsburg: 10-of-18

Prevail

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Jennifer Curnutte looked good for the Ladycats off the bench. Slone would pitch in seven points on the evening. Curnutte added two.

Ramanda Music lit up the Lady Raiders for 13 points in the third quarter and outscored South Floyd 13-10 in the quarter by herself.

The Lady Raiders have a good ballclub and the support is there for the team, but the girls' high school basketball from Hi Hat is going through a rough point in the season as most teams do at one time or another.

Prestonsburg led 62-33 after three quarters of play and South Floyd could manage only one field goal in the final eight minutes as P'burg would roll to the 72-42 win and claim the No. 1 seed for the upcoming 58th District Tournament.

SCORING

Prestonsburg (72) — Music 25, Hyden 16, Burchett 7, Slone 7, Shaffer 4, Webb 4, White 3, Music 2, Curnutte 2, Harris 2.

South Floyd (42) — Ousley 13, Berger 7, Trammel 7, Mitchell 6, Anderson 5, C. Hall 2, Blocker 2.

14TH REGION

June Buchanan School holds Senior Night

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES — June Buchanan School senior cheerleaders and basketball players were honored when the school held Senior Night activities on Feb. 2. The night began with the JBS Lady Crusaders taking on and defeating Buckhorn. The night then ended with the Crusaders scoring a win over Riverside.

In between games, athletes in grades 8-11 celebrated their parents by giving each a rose and taking to the stands with them to show their appreciation. The following seniors were recognized, along with their parents, for their hard work and dedication throughout their years at JBS.

Kristy Jacobs, daughter of Randall and Sharlene Jacobs, Pippa Passes, has been a member of the Crusaders cheerleading squad for three years and now serves as captain of the

unit.

Josh Cook, son of Mark and Ronda Cook, Topmost, has been a member of the boys' varsity basketball team for five years. In his time with the Crusaders, Cook has been named the number one player in the 14th Region, JBS all-time leading scorer, and currently holds Crusader career records for assists and most games played. He is also a member of the JBS tennis team.

Josh Begley, son of Winnie Begley, Hazard, has been a member of the boys' varsity basketball team for two years. He is also a member of the JBS golf team.

Adam Jones, son of Doyle and Mary Sue Thomas, Pippa Passes, has been a member of the boys' varsity basketball team for five years, as well as the baseball and golf teams. Thomas currently serves as president of his senior class and the National Honor Society.

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Let's go to the videotape: 'Fire' on NBC's set is fake

by HOWARD FENDRICH
ASSOCIATED PRESS

This Olympic flame is a fake. Peer past daytime host Hannah Storm or prime-time host Bob Costas during NBC's coverage of the Salt Lake City Games, and there's no way to miss the fireplace on the well-manicured set.

Turns out, though, that the fire lending the network's studio segments such a warm and cozy feel as it flickers so perfectly is not really there.

It's a video of a fire (replete with wafting smoke) that NBC tried its best to make look real.

In its quest to package the perfect viewing experience for the millions of Americans watching the Olympics each day over these 2 1/2 weeks, the network spruced things up a bit.

The Associated Press asked how the contraption works.

"Our fireplace is truly one of the great mysteries of television," NBC Sports VP Kevin Sullivan said with a laugh Monday, but he wouldn't com-

ment further.

Perhaps someone just figured it would be good if Costas could say, as he did Saturday night, "Here's our special correspondent, Jim McKay, for the first of several fireside chats," without anyone having to go through the trouble of collecting kindling.

If nothing else, the use of video means Costas and Storm don't need to worry about closing the flue at the end of their shifts. And there's no danger of a script being burned.

(Actually, the luxuriousness

of NBC's main set sparks sympathy for Jim Lampley, whose CNBC Olympic studio doesn't appear to have enough leg room, much less fancy fixtures, faux or otherwise.)

It's not, of course, the first time the wonders of TV have been used to trick viewers.

During its coverage of the Sydney Olympics two years ago, NBC wanted to minimize confusion that might have been generated by the 15-hour time difference between Australia and the U.S. East Coast.

The potential for confusion was increased by the nature of the telecasts: Clips of taped competition were interspersed with live studio segments from 7 p.m. to midnight Eastern time (which was 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Sydney).

So each night, the studio

backdrop designed to look like Sydney harbor changed — through the course of the show, the sky went from early evening clarity to late-night darkness. In other words, lighting tricks were used to make what already was a fake backdrop even faker, giving viewers the impression the time of day in Australia was about the same as in the United

States.

And just so no one thinks

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TIMES STAFF REPORT

Anderson dominates in win over Campbellsville

CAMPBELLVILLE — Simply put, it was the game of Toni Anderson's life.

The 6-0 junior guard had a career-high 42 points to lead Pikeville College past Campbellsville University 102-99 on Saturday.

The win improved the Bears to 16-9 on the season and 4-7 in the Mid-South Conference. Campbellsville slipped to 17-11, 7-4 in league play.

Anderson, a native of Zanesville, Ohio, hit 15-of-26 from the field, including a spectacular 7-of-12 from three-point range. He was perfect on his five trips to the free throw line.

"I got hot, and my team-

mates were encouraging me to shoot," Anderson said. "They kept throwing me the ball, wanting me to be the one to take the shots. When they have that much confidence in me, it helps me a lot."

"We did some good things to keep getting Toni the ball in places where he could score," said Coach Randy McCoy. "We ran plays that were to his advantage and kept getting him in positions where he could either create his own shot or be open for the three."

For his efforts, the Mid-South Conference named him player of the week. "He was definitely deserving of that honor after Saturday," said McCoy. "He took that game over, and it proved that if we

can build on this, we can still make a run when the postseason begins.

Pikeville had lost 7-of-10 before Saturday's victory.

Anderson showed signs of things to come when he had four of Pikeville's first nine, including two free throws with 17:59 on the clock to tie the score.

Campbellsville put the Bears in a huge hole, as back-to-back three-pointers by Donta Wade and Casey Simpson put the Tigers on top 33-19 with 10:56 left in the half.

But the Bears began to rally with baskets inside by Alan Powe and Joey Mirus. It was 36-23 with 8:41 left when Anderson took over. He hit seven unanswered points, and after teammates Greg Davis and Sam Hurren hit threes, he made 10 of his team's next 15 points.

When Michael Thomas scored with 2:06 left — off an assist by Anderson, no less — Pikeville had turned a 14-point deficit into an 11-point lead (53-42). The score was 53-46 at the half.

Anderson, who had 23 at the half, relied on his teammates as the second half began. Without the hot man taking a shot, Pikeville took a 69-61 lead with 13:29 left. After Campbellsville cut the lead to 72-65, Anderson scored on his first two shots, a three and a layin, for a 77-65 lead with 11:30 left.

But the Tigers began to rally. They scored the next 11 points and 21 of the next 24 to take an 86-80 lead with 6:41 left.

The score was 90-83 with 4:40 left when the Bears, behind Anderson, turned it around. He scored 14 of Pikeville's next 17 on four three-pointers and two free throws, with the charity tosses putting Pikeville on top 100-97 with only 21 seconds left.

Campbellsville scored on a layin by Carlos Wheeler with eight seconds left, but Cedric Taylor hit two free throws with six seconds remaining to seal the win.

Taylor and Powe followed Anderson's heroics with 13 points each. Hurren flipped in 12 as well.

photo courtesy of Joe Clark



A new AWF championship belt will go to the newly-crowned champ in March when the Appalachian Wrestling Federation takes to the National Guard Armory in Ashland.

AWF to crown champion in Ashland

TIMES STAFF REPORT

When the AWF rolls into Ashland on Saturday, March 23 it is going to go down in history. Not only is it the AWF debut in Ashland, but that night the very first AWF champion will be crowned. The new AWF champ will be crowned with a sparkling new championship belt.

"Its going to be exciting," said AWF promoter Joe Clark. "we had a champion before, but it was short lived—the promotion folded a few days later and the guy that was champion then is no longer with the AWF. Now that the new AWF has taken off, we felt it was time to crown the

first ever official AWF champion and what better place to do it than Ashland," said Clark.

Talent already scheduled for the event includes AWF stars B.J. the D.J., Big Daddy Cool Venus, plus you will see the AWF debut of Shawn Adams, Purple Haze and Kid Apollo. Other stars include Colt Steele, 'Mean' Mark Wolfe, and the list promises to continue to grow as the date approaches.

One can only speculate who will walk away with the AWF title, but it promises to be a night of great wrestling action. The somewhat inaugural card will be held at the Ashland National Guard Armory.

Crowd

the least annoyance, according to a recent study prepared for the Daytona Beach Halifax Chamberce.

In March, Bike Week attracts 500,000 motorcycle aficionados who cruise up and down Main Street for 10 days. Traveling vendors who set up during Bike Week take an estimated \$209 million out of the economy, according to the Chamber report.

The event has survived motorcycle gangs and violent incidents, and now attracts a rather affluent crowd. Bike Week and its sister event, Biketoberfest in October, in fact, generate the most economic output of all Daytona Beach's special events, according to the Chamber report.

Spring Break and Black College Reunion attract beer-

chugging students whose primary goals are cruising and partying. The events, which produce only a fraction of the economic output of the other special events, are most vilified by residents.

In the late 1980s, after Fort Lauderdale cracked down on spring break partying, Daytona Beach became the nation's de facto spring break capital, attracting MTV and rowdy crowds. After several balcony accidents and violent incidents, the city revoked MTV's welcome and the spring break buzz moved west to Panama City Beach and Cancun, Mexico. However, attendance for spring break, which lasts most of March, has been rising during the past three years, with as many as 200,000 expected this year.

Black College Reunion has

morphed into a weekendlong beach party where the city's beachside road, A1A, is at a virtual standstill as students cruise, flirt and take pictures. In recent years, the event has been marred by violence, traffic problems, racial tensions and charges of discrimination against the city and Daytona Beach's most prominent hotel, the Adam's Mark.

Some residents dread the traffic blockades, the trash left on streets and the crowds of the special events.

Others say they enjoy the diversity of people and the national attention.

"You get different backgrounds, different people, people from all over the country," said Stephen King Sr., a long-time Daytona Beach resident. "It makes our city bigger and better."

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SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

A study in the September 1998 issue of NASSP Bulletin compared academic performance, behavior and commitment of basketball and volleyball athletes and non-athletes in a rural Canadian high school. The article compares mid-term and final grades, visits to an administrator for disciplinary referrals and merit points for improper behavior and estimates the mean weekly time commitment for athletes in each sport. Findings showed support that athletes match or exceed non-athletes in academic and behavior performance.

In the March 1997 issue of School Counselor, 123 students involved in interscholastic soccer are analyzed. Results indicate that activity participation does not harm and may enhance academic performance. Male athletes showed in-season improvements in academic performance.

In a comprehensive, statewide study of the academic performance of high school student-athletes in North Carolina over a three-year period, the North Carolina High School Athletic Association found significant differences between athletes and non-athletes. Five criteria were used, including grade-point average, attendance rate, discipline referrals, dropout rate and graduation rate, for the 1994-95 academic year.

Athletes vs. Non-athletes

- Grade-point average: 2.86 vs. 1.96
- Average number of absences per 180-day school year: 6.52 days vs. 12.57 days
- Discipline referrals: 30.51-percent vs. 40.29-percent
- Dropout rate: 0.7-percent vs. 8.98-percent
- Graduation rate: 99.56-percent vs. 94.66-percent

Findings from the National Center for Education Statistics,

Extracurricular Participation and Student Engagement, June 1995, revealed that during the first semester of their senior year, participants reported better attendance than their non-participating classmates. Half of them had no unexcused absences from school and half had never skipped a class, compared with one-third and two-fifths of non-participants, respectively. Students who participated were three times as likely to perform in the top quartile on a composite math and reading assessment compared with non-participants. Participants also were more likely than non-participants to aspire to higher education; two-thirds of participants expected to complete at least a bachelor's degree while about half of non-participants expected to do so.

A 1992 study by the Colorado High School Activities Association and the Colorado Department of Education revealed that Colorado high school students who participate in some form of interscholastic activity have "significantly higher" grade-point averages and better attendance. Of the students surveyed, the average participant's GPA was 2.96 (on a 4.0 scale), compared to 2.35 for the non-participant. In one school, participants had an average reading test score of 76.30, compared to 58.91 for non-participants. In another school, participants scored 16.17 on the math standardized test, compared to 13.31 for non-participants. A participant missed school an average of 3.59 days a year, while a non-participant missed 5.92 days. The survey showed that the larger the school, the more pronounced the differences in participant and non-participant test scores and attendance results.

High school students who

compete in activity programs in New Mexico had a 2.80 grade-point average, compared to 2.00 for non-participants, according to a 1992 survey by the New Mexico Activities Association. The survey also indicated that more than 60 percent of the state's principals found that GPAs of at-risk students improved by being active in interscholastic activities.

1990-91 study in the Randolph (North Carolina) County school system showed a strong correlation between participation in athletics and positives such as improved grades and increased attendance rates. Athletes in grades 9 through 12 in the school system's four high schools recorded an 86 average, compared to 79 for the general population. Athletes averaged four absences, while the general population averaged seven. Eleven percent of the athletes had discipline referrals, compared to 25 percent of the general population. None of the athletes dropped out, while 3.7 percent of the general population were dropouts.

In a 1988 survey, John Chevrette and Kenneth Patranello concluded from an investigation in San Antonio, Texas, that educational outcomes related to scholastic performance are enhanced for those secondary students who participate in activity programs. A study of a high school population of 3,536 students found that secondary pupils who participated in more than one activity during a semester tended to experience higher academic performance levels than other participants and non-participants.

Students participating in a number of activities not only achieve better academically but also express greater satisfaction with the total high school experience than students who do not participate, according to a 1985 survey conducted for the NFHS by Indiana University. The grade-point average for "high activity" students was 3.05 on a 4.0 scale, compared to a GPA of 2.54 for "low activity" students. Researchers defined high activity as involvement in four or more activities, while low activity students were involved in one activity or none.

■ U OF L

Pettas named Louisville offensive coordinator

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — John Pettas, a former assistant coach at Washington and Arizona State, was named Louisville's offensive coordinator on Monday.

Pettas, 51, replaces Scott Linehan, who was hired by the Minnesota Vikings last week after serving as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach for the Cardinals from 1999-2001.

Pettas spent last season as Washington's receivers coach. He spent the previous five seasons at Arizona State, where he saw time as the running backs and quarterbacks coach before becoming the Sun Devils' offensive coordinator in 2000.

The well-traveled Pettas has also had coaching stints at Colorado (1975-78), Nevada (1978-88), New Mexico (1988-90), Kent State (1990-92) and the San Francisco 49ers (1992-93).

Louisville averaged 30.5 points and 382 yards per game last season. Quarterback Dave Ragone was named the Conference USA Offensive Player of the Year for the second straight year after leading the league in pass efficiency and total

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■ ALC WOMEN

Lady Eagles fall to Covenant

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIPPA PASSES — Covenant College's Abby Reed netted 26 points and three other Lady Scots scored 14 or more points to lead the visiting squad to an 83-67 win over the host Alice Lloyd College Lady Eagles on Saturday afternoon. Reed also pulled down a game-high nine rebounds, two more than the highest total for any Alice Lloyd player.

Covenant (19-7) led ALC by 11 (42-31) at the half. Despite playing better in the second half, the Lady Eagles could manage to play to within just five of the Lady Scots as Covenant outscored Coach Denise Campbell's Lady Eagles 41-36 in the second half to post the win.

A great amount of Covenant's success in Saturday's contest can be attributed to the three-point shot. The Lady Scots hit six of 12 attempts in the first half and six of 11 more attempts in the second half. For the game, Alice Lloyd hit on nine of 15 tries.

Clair Lowe and Lara Staroneck both had 15 points apiece while teammate Summer Brown added 14 points in off the Lady Scots' bench. Staroneck added eight rebounds for Covenant and Lowe chipped in three steals.

Leah Whitley led the way for Alice Lloyd with games-highs

of 18 points and three assists. Kelley Turner netted 15 points and Necha Combs flipped in 14 along with a game-high seven rebounds. Combs, a recent AAC (Appalachian Athletic Conference) player of the week, shared game-high assist honors with Whitley by also dishing out three passes that resulted in scores.

Andrea Kelley netted seven, and Delores Jenkins five for ALC. Shannon Sizemore and Ashley Rosen round out the Alice Lloyd scoring with four points apiece. Sizemore, a freshman, also had a steal and an assist for good measure.

The Lady Eagles struggled from the charity stripe Saturday, hitting just 50-percent of their shots, going seven-of-14.

Bill would preclude state semis, final on same day

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Rocky Adkins believes in playing 'em one game at a time.

The state representative and onetime Morehead State basketball standout has filed legislation

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NBC is alone when it comes to virtual enhancement in the name of aesthetics, here's one other example from the world of TV sports:

In August 2000, a handful of bird enthusiasts watching the PGA Championship on CBS noticed some of the chirps they were hearing belonged to birds normally not found in Louisville at that time of year. The answer: CBS was using recorded bird sounds for ambiance.

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The 14 Region boys' winner will get the opportunity to play the 12th Region winner. Top teams in the 12th Region include the Wayne County

Cardinals and the Somerset Briar Jumpers. All "A" Classic runners-up two years running.

Up in Hi Hat, South Floyd head coach Henry Webb doesn't care who he plays in the state tourney, just as long as his team makes it to dance the dance.

Teams from the 15th Region are looking to make it past the second round, something a squad from Pike, Floyd, Johnson, Martin or Magoffin hasn't done since Bill Mike Runyon's teams of the mid-late 90s. A run similar to the one Coach John Martin's Allen

Central team made back in the early-90s would be impressive.

South Floyd, as most of you remember, fell in the first round last season, and Johnny Ray Turner's Johnson Central team made it to the second round of the event the year before. But, we still have district and region tourneys before we start talking serious state tourney hoops. As I've mentioned before, it is a dream of every young boy or girl who bounces a basketball in this state to make it to the hardwood of a state tournament.

This year, both the 15th Region boys' and girls' tournaments are

wide-open. Although the 14th Region also features some very close teams, it isn't as wide-open. Come to think of it, the entire state picture is kinda different this season - for some reason.

Tickets for the Boys' State Tournament are \$96 a set in the lower arena (one ticket to each of the 8 sessions) or \$48 a set in the upper arena. Single-session tickets, available in the upper arena only, are also available at \$6 each. There are no single-session lower arena tickets on sale at this time. There is a \$5 handling charge per order.

The Boys' State Basketball

Tournament is scheduled for March 13-16 at Rupp Arena in Lexington.

Tickets for the Girls' State Tournament are \$96 a set for sideline seats (one ticket to each of the 8 sessions) or \$48 a set for end zone seats. Single-session tickets, available in the end zone only, are also available at \$6 each. There are no single-session sideline tickets on sale at this time. There is a \$5 handling charge per order. The Girls' State Basketball Tournament is scheduled for March 20-23 at Western Kentucky University's Diddle Arena in Bowling Green.

Pikeville cheerleaders repeat as champs

TIMES STAFF REPORT

For the second year in a row, the Pikeville High School boys' varsity cheerleaders are national champs. The Pikeville High girls finished ahead of second-place Boyd County to win the Small Varsity division.

The PHS freshmen team finished third in its division, behind first-place Germantown High and Winter Park.

Greenup County won the Large Varsity crown.

The Pikeville High cheerleaders were scheduled to return to Pikeville some time on Tuesday.

2002 UCA National High School Cheerleading Championships

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Freshman

1. Germantown HS
2. Winter Park HS
3. Pikeville HS
4. Hewitt-Trussville Middle School
5. Victoria Memorial HS
6. Fairview HS
7. Brooks HS
8. Warren County HS
9. Del Rio HS
10. Doctor Phillips HS
11. Central HS West
12. Coughlin HS

Junior Varsity

1. Houston HS
2. Bartlett HS
3. Germantown HS
4. Oviedo HS
5. Winter Park HS
6. Sparkman HS
7. Paul Laurence Dunbar HS
8. Union Intermediate HS
9. Bolton HS
10. Connetquot HS
11. Collierville HS
12. Haverford HS
13. Perry County HS
14. Linganore HS

15. Franklin Regional HS
16. Churchill HS
17. Weslaco HS

Small Varsity: Pikeville takes home the trophy.

1. Pikeville HS
2. Boyd County HS
3. Kamehameha Schools
4. Briarcrest Christian School
5. Canyon HS
6. Harding Academy
7. Hamilton SE HS
8. Perry County Central HS
9. Victoria Memorial HS
10. St Joseph Academy
11. Bob Jones HS
12. Ben Davis HS
13. Lenape Valley HS
14. Hazel Green HS

Medium Varsity

1. Boaz HS
2. Winter Park HS
3. North Laurel HS
4. Union HS
5. Westview HS
6. Collierville HS
7. Cordova HS
8. Bolton HS
9. Davis HS
10. Delaware Valley Regional HS
11. Southaven HS
12. Eaglecrest HS
13. Santa Margarita HS

Large Varsity

1. Greenup County HS
2. Paul Laurence Dunbar HS
3. Germantown HS
4. Houston HS
5. New Rochelle HS
6. Ouachita Parish HS
7. Ramona HS
8. Bates Creek HS
9. Mira Mesa HS
10. Hunterdon Central HS
11. Hilltop HS
12. Swartz Creek HS; Cal-Allen HS (tie)
13. Lake Zurich HS
14. Haverford HS

Small Coed Varsity

1. Sparkman HS
2. Mandarin HS
3. Archbishop Shaw HS
4. Montgomery Central HS
5. Jackson Christian HS
6. Smithson Valley HS

7. Weslaco HS
8. Macon County HS
9. Edcouch Elsa HS
10. Samuel Clemens HS
11. Loranger HS

Large Coed Varsity

1. Craigmont HS
2. Christian Brothers HS
3. Kirby HS
4. Lewisville HS
5. Wellington HS
6. Plymouth Salem HS
7. Jackson Memorial HS
8. Century HS
9. San Pasqual HS
10. Humble HS
11. Crystal River HS

Partner Stunt Competition: Jesse & Tarah from Lewisville High School win the coed division. Paul Lawrence Dunbar High School's Bethany, Emily, Liz, Casey are the all-girl national champs.

Co-ed

1. Lewisville HS - Jesse & Tarah
2. Plymouth Salem HS - Tony & Jenna
3. Bullitt Central HS - Jon & Brittany
4. Bullitt Central HS - Michael & Tiffany
5. Jack C. Hayes HS - Matt & Courtney
6. Jackson Memorial HS - Adam & Alicia
7. San Pasqual HS - Alex & Amber
8. Plymouth Salem HS - Aaron & Katie
9. Jackson Memorial HS - Kevin & Danielle
10. Spanaway Lake HS - Chris & Diana

Girl "4"

1. Paul Lawrence Dunbar HS - Bethany, Emily, Liz, Casey
2. Westview HS - Crista, Brandy, Brittany, Breonia
3. Bates Creek HS - Ali, Emily, Leah, Izzy
4. Ryle HS - Kristen, Kristy, Lauren, Shuana
5. Westview HS - Jada, Courtney, Jessica, Ashley
6. Greenup County HS - Crystal, Erica, Lindsey, Megan
7. Mount Pisgah Middle School - Sarah, Jessica, Laura, Jenna
8. Mira Mesa HS - Phuong, Aislinn, Sarah, Cathy; Westview HS - Megan, Tara, Rhonda, Ashley (tie)
9. El Camino Real HS - Lynsey, Laura, Kimberly, Angurette
10. Choctaw HS - Lacy, Lindsey, Bonnie, Brooke

Reed

as it should, instead of being distracted by the opposition.

"It was a great atmosphere for a college basketball game," Pitino said.

"This is a great series for us. We have a long way to go to reach their level, but hopefully we'll get better in a hurry."

Indeed, the game was so enjoyable that the series should become permanent. It pitted a couple of legendary programs located only a bus ride from each other. It provided a welcome respite from the grind of conference play. And it inspired a level of emotion that was different from what you might expect from a non-conference game in February.

So here was IU star Jared Jeffries playing 32 minutes despite a deep thigh bruise and a twisted ankle. And here was Hoosier defensive ace Dane

Fife trash-talking with U of L's Ellis Myles and Reece Gaines. And here were the hopelessly out-manned Cards, showing the Hoosiers the sort of suffocating press that they rarely see in the Big Ten.

All told, it was a win situation for both sides. The Hoosiers got a nice victory on national television and a game tape that should help when they meet a quick, pressing team in the NCAA tournament. And the Cards were hardly embarrassed on the road, before a hostile crowd, against the potential Big Ten champion.

In the last couple of years, both programs have gone through traumatic changes involving Hall-of-Fame coaches. When Mike Davis was named to replace

Bob Knight at IU, the Knight loyalists were slow to embrace him, creating extra pressure that seemed to push Davis to the brink of an emotional breakdown.

At U of L, the high-publicized squabble between Athletics Director Tom Jurich and veteran coach Denny Crum over Crum's retirement left the Card camp divided until Jurich shocked almost everyone by hiring Pitino, one of few coaches electrifying enough to win over many of the Crum diehards.

Now a new spirit of optimism seems to prevail in both camps.

Assembly Hall no longer is a house haunted by the memory of

Knight. It's Mike's place now. Even the former Hoosier coach's most ardent admirers seem finally to have accepted the fact, however grudgingly, that it's time to close the book on the stormy Knight era and move on. Today topic No. 1 on the Bloomington campus is whether Jeffries will turn pro after the season, or come back to play his junior year with the talented recruits that Davis is bringing in.

Like Davis, Pitino constantly has assured fans and junior star Gaines that "help is on the way." He says he wants Gaines' senior season to be as happy and successful as, well, Jarrad Odle's senior year at IU.

The 6-foot-8 Odle, an erstwhile bench-warmer, has emerged as the unlikely hero of this IU team. When rivals try to double-team the 6-10 Jeffries, as U of L did at times Saturday, Odle gives the Hoosiers a viable second option inside. His work around the boards has helped open the perimeter so Fife, Tom Coverdale, and Kyle Hornsby can get good looks on their three-point attempts.

Against the Cards, Odle had the game of his dreams, making 10 of 11 shots from the field on the way to a 25-point, 11-rebound effort. He gave Myles, Joseph N'Sima and the Cards' other inside players a lesson in how to catch the ball in traffic and find a way to make a bucket under pressure. The Cards, now 13-9, would surely have a couple more wins if the inside players had done a better job of taking it to the hoop and sealing the deal instead of dribbling it off their knees, getting it blocked, or fumbling it away. But even when they get the ball in the basket, they miss the free throw when they're fouled. No telling how many old-fashioned three-point plays the Cards have blown this season.

"Odle's the recipient when teams double up on Jeffries," Pitino said.

"It's more than that," countered Davis. "He's a warrior. He gives up his body for the team. He's playing great basketball right now."

If Jeffries stays, the Cards won't catch up to the Hoosiers next season.

But in the season after that, both programs figure to regain

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their accustomed spots among the college game's elite. Although both were spurned last year by Bloomington High School product Sean May, who's headed for North Carolina, Pitino and Davis are among the game's best recruiters.

As for the rest of this season, the Hoosiers are challenging for the Big Ten title and should win at least a couple of games in NCAA play. The Cards, meanwhile, seem destined for the NIT unless they can win the Conference USA tournament in Cincinnati or pull some major upsets down the stretch. For this team, which Pitino calls "the most limited group I've ever had in coaching," the NIT would be cause for celebration, not disappointment.

Both coaches have dealt admirably with difficult circumstances and put the fun back in their respective programs. While Crum enjoys his retirement and Knight pursues his last hurrah at Texas Tech, Pitino and Davis are rebuilding their programs to the point where their fans can stop living in the dim, faded past, and, instead, enjoy what Pitino calls "the precious present."

IU and U of L both will return to the Final Four. It will be interesting to see which gets there first.

Sizemore

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Lady Colonels beat three teams to move atop the league standings. She had a season-high 23 points and a career-high 12 rebounds against Eastern Illinois and shot 46 percent from the floor.

Sizemore is an alumna of Hazard High School where she helped lead the Lady Bulldogs to state prominence.

Rebecca Rimington of Murray State took freshman of the week honors. She had a career-high 21 points in a victory over Tennessee State followed by 22 points in an upset of Austin Peay.

Final

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that questions the biggest event in Kentucky high school athletics - the boys' and girls' state high school basketball tournaments, both better known as "the Sweet 16."

Specifically, Adkins' bill would require the Kentucky High School Athletic Association to hold the semifinal round and the state championship game on different days - a departure from the single-day test of endurance that has been a tournament staple for decades.

Adkins, a Democrat from Sandy Hook, never got to play in the Sweet 16 when he was starting for Elliott County. But "I've watched it ever since I've been a kid," Adkins said in an interview. "I never really understood why this issue hasn't been looked at."

The tournaments takes place over four days, Wednesday through Saturday. Eight games of the opening round are played over the first two days. Quarterfinals take place on Friday, with four teams advancing to semifinals the next morning. The winners return for the title game Saturday night.

A team in the lower bracket can end up playing three games in 24 hours, Adkins said. But kids need time to recuperate from semifinals, and delaying the championship would "give them the break they need to come back rested and play the biggest game of their lives," he said.

Adkins said he did not know how much support his bill would have. He said he mainly wanted to "bring about some discussion."

That much, at least, has been done. The bill caught KHSAA officials, including Commissioner Louis Stout, by surprise. "You always have concerns about teams playing twice a day, but they do it all year round," Stout said.

Kathy Johnston, president of the KHSAA Board of Control, said extending the tournament for a day would add to the cost for teams that had to stay.

"I'd be interested in knowing

what the concern was. Because they didn't feel like kids were getting a fair shot in the finals?" Johnston, athletic director at Bourbon County High School, said in a telephone interview.

"There's always a little bit of rumbling, a little bit of concern about that second game (Saturday) morning and that team being prepared to play that night," Johnston said. "But teams that get to that point are very well conditioned. ... They're able to handle that. When you get to that level, the cream rises to the top."

Stout said the Board of Control, the association's governing body, should decide the Sweet 16's format. Adkins said: "I don't disagree with that at all. But I think this ought to be seriously looked at for the athletes' sake."

Betsy Layne girls notch win No. 17

The Betsy Layne Ladycats are getting closer and closer to a 20-win season. On Monday night, the Ladycats got win No. 17 of the season, as they downed the Breathitt County Ladycats 57-47 in a game which saw the Ladycats pull away in the fourth quarter.

Whitney Lykens pumped in 22 points to lead the way for Betsy Layne. Tabitha Mitchell finished with 11 points and teammates Devon Reynolds and Natasha Stratton both finished with nine markers apiece. Breathitt County (13-9) placed two players in double figures on the night, led by Lindsey Howard's 12 points.

The Ladycats could possibly reach 20 wins for the season. Betsy Layne, last year's 58th District favorites, lost out in the first round of the district tourney last season, and head into this year's district as the No. 2 seed.



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"NASCAR has a lot to offer us," said Kinzer. "We're going to continue to make improvements. We've got a lot of big hopes for it."

Big hopes hinge on several factors for Kinzer and his Lonesome Pine investment. In the end, he wants it to be at the top of the circuit.

"We may not be able to make Lonesome Pine the best track in the eastern United States this year, but I think we'll eventually do that," Kinzer added. "We've got real high hopes for this place. The NASCAR sanction carries prestige and it will offer a lot to us." Improvements are already in the works for LPR.

"I had heard about Lonesome Pine Raceway all my life, but had never seen it until several months ago," said Kinzer. "It is a really nice facility with a lot of potential."

"We're going to continue to make improvements. We've got good people employed to run the track, and we are going to back them every way we can."

The NASCAR Weekly Racing Series is presented by Dodge.

"Lonesome Pine is a first-rate facility, and we are very glad to welcome them back into the NASCAR family in 2002," stated Chris Boals, director of the NASCAR Weekly Racing Series and NASCAR Touring. "The management team of Larry and Gloria Barbare have been wonderful assets to the NASCAR Weekly Racing Series presented by Dodge and they have a tremendous amount of

experience with other facilities. This year we expect to see some great racing at Lonesome Pine, and the type of fun, family events that will make the raceway a cornerstone of sports and entertainment in the area."

NASCAR had sanctioned Lonesome Pine during previous years, and this sanctioning agreement marks Lonesome Pine's return to the program following a brief hiatus.

Founded in 1972, Lonesome Pine features late model stock cars, limited sportsman, grand stocks (formerly pure stocks), modified 4s and mini 4s as its regular weekly racing divisions. As the track's feature division, late model teams will now be eligible for the regional and national championships of the NASCAR Weekly Racing Series presented by Dodge, which includes a \$1.7 million point fund distributed among the top-five finishers in each of the series' designated regions throughout the country. In addition to the national and regional championship awards, the top-five finishers in the Lonesome Pine late model division point standings will share a total of \$2,000 in bonus money from NASCAR.

In the NASCAR Weekly Racing Series presented by Dodge, regional championships are determined using the Competition Performance Index (CPI), a mathematical formula that uses each drivers' statistics to establish a championship ranking in each region. Each of the regional champions is then compared against each other to deter-

mine the national champion.

Lonesome Pine has also designated its limited sportsman division to participate in the ShorTrack Division of the NASCAR Weekly Racing Series presented by Dodge. In this program, drivers in the designated support division are measured using the same CPI formula, and each regional champion receives \$2,500 along with a \$10,000 bonus to the ShorTrack Division national champion. The 2002 limited sportsman track champion at Lonesome Pine will also receive a \$1,000 bonus as part of the ShorTrack Division of the NASCAR Weekly Racing Series presented by Dodge.

LPR will feature five divisions in 2002 with opening night scheduled for April 20. Drivers will be racing for both points and plenty of money in the upcoming season.

The return of the NASCAR banner is welcomed by many. The track had been sanctioned by NASCAR until three years ago when the previous owners decided to take the track in a drastically different direction.

Over the years, the NASCAR Weekly Racing Series presented by Dodge has helped many NASCAR stars of today establish their careers.

Little



10 a.m. General admission to the event is \$5 per session, or an all-session ticket (one admission to all five sessions) will be available for \$18. Children under the age of seven will be admitted free.

When the State Tournament begins Thursday, Prestonsburg High School will have representation in the form of Randy Little.

Very new to the sport, Little has been wrestling around three weeks. He finished fourth in the 215-pound class Saturday at Pike County Central High School. Although a newcomer to the amateur mat sport, Little, is positive about the upcoming state competition.

"I feel great," said Little, "this is the first year I've ever wrestled and I feel very good, I'm excited."

For Prestonsburg High School wrestling coach Jerry Butcher it means another trip to the State Tournament.

"We're excited about going back to the State Tournament," said Butcher. "We're happy for Randy and our entire program."

Prestonsburg had a total of seven grapplers in regional competition. Freshman Steven Thompson just missed a berth in the state tourney, finishing fifth in the 152-pound class. Other Blackcats in competition Saturday included Jeremy Jarrell, Jared Branham, Shawn Whitt, Tony White and Chris Meade.

Prestonsburg was minus its strongest state contender, Nick Chaffin. Earlier in the week, Chaffin had an unexpected accident and suffered an injury in a routine practice session. Chaffin was ranked second in the state in the 119-division all year long and finished this season undefeated against state competition. He will return next season for his senior campaign.

Sheldon Clark easily won the overall team title Saturday with a score of 284.5. Wayne County was second (186.5), Johnson Central third (155), and host Pike County Central (126) and Perry County Central (119) fourth and fifth, respectively, to round out the top five teams.

Combs

in high school by current Prestonsburg High School head coach John DeRossett. He was coached in college by current MSU head coach Matt Ballard.

Out of high school, Combs had tryouts with pro teams but went unsigned. He then moved on to Nelson County High School where he began his teaching career and still teaches.

This past season, Combs served as an assistant coach on the Nelson County High football team. Nelson's biggest rival? Cross-town foe Bardstown, the team which beat DeRossett's Blackcats in last year's Class 2A Finals.

This will be Combs' first pro football playing experience.

The Fire team includes several players with Kentucky roots and is still signing players for the upcoming season.

Jeff Brohm is the head coach of the Louisville Fire.

A Louisville native, Brohm played at Trinity High School, the University of Louisville, six plus seasons in the National Football League and in the NFL. He won a state championship at Trinity in 1988 before starting three years for the Cardinals. He played for the 49ers, Chargers, Broncos, Buccaneers, and Browns in the NFL.

The hiring of Brohm continues his family's gridiron tradition in Louisville. Along with his stellar career, Brohm's brother, Greg, earned four letters at U of L from 1989-92. Their father, Oscar, also earned a pair of letters for the Cardinals from 1968-69. Youngest brother Brian completes the quartet after guiding Trinity High School to the Kentucky state title a month ago.

"I am very excited to be able to get Jeff Brohm to lead this team," Redman said. "This is an exciting brand of football and Jeff should be able to adapt to this league in a hurry with his offensive mind."

Brohm looks forward to moving on to the next step in his football career. "This is a great honor to be able to start my coaching career in Louisville. It will be great to play football games in Freedom Hall."

"I think we have an exciting, up and coming coach that should be great in Arena Football." Louisville Fire General Manager Dave Arnold

added, "I have known Jeff since we went to high school together and he will be a welcome addition to the great organization we are putting together."

"We are very fortunate to be able to hire a coach with Jeff's experience and knowledge of the game," Fire operator/owner Will Wolford states. "The fact he is a hometown product just adds that much more excitement to the entire organization."

The Louisville Fire will open the 2002 season in April in Freedom Hall. Season tickets start at \$64 and are now on sale by calling 502/368-0009.

Former Louisville Male head coach Bob Redman is the assistant general manager. Dave Arnold is the general manager.

Also a Louisville native, Redman has coached Louisville high school football for 31 years including the last 10 at Male High School. He has won three state titles and put five players into the National Football League. He was a center for the University of Louisville from 1967-1971 and served one year as a Graduate Assistant under Coach Lee Corso for the Cardinals. His son Chris is in his second season as a quarterback with the Baltimore Ravens.

"I am very honored to be a part of this worthy endeavor," Redman said. "This is a great brand of football that will be around for many years to come"

"I are very pleased to be able to add someone with Bob's football experience to our staff," Arnold added, "I will be able to concentrate on the marketing and business end, knowing that I have someone like Bob helping with the football operations."

Redman's first order of business will be to hire a head coach. The search is already under way and should be completed within 7 days.

The Head Coach will work with Redman in finding the best available players in the area. Fire majority owner Will Wolford states, "Coach Redman gives us an avenue into many great players that are from the Louisville area, I hope to win as many titles as Male does."

The Louisville Fire will begin play in April 2002 in Freedom Hall.

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Going for the gold

by CLYDE PACK

Well, the first gold medal awarded to a U.S. athlete in the 2002 Winter Olympics went to Kelly Clark: a girl. Now, why am I not surprised?

When I was in grade school in the mid-1940s, girls were nearly always the best athletes. I mean, there were certain things back then that were taken for granted. For example, just as all the boys knew that you didn't walk barefooted on a T-rail in the summertime, they also knew better than to arm wrestle with a certain freckle-faced girl. She could take you down with either arm and throw a baseball further than the strongest boy in the room. As I recall, she also won most of the Friday-afternoon spelling bees.

The fastest runner in the room was also a girl. She nearly always represented our grade at the county fair. Most of the time we didn't even bother to have a run off. The teacher just wrote down her name and turned it in to Mr. Webb, who'd always come to the school and get a list of participants for the athletic events.

I had my first male teacher (Mr. Foster Frazier) in the fifth grade and it was a girl who was the only student in the room taller than he was. She was also the class bully...and was the one who possessed the most colorful vocabulary. She could, as they say, "cuss like a sailor," and often used words and phrases that some of us had never heard before. If there was a fight at recess, nine times out of 10, she started it. Ten times out of 10, she finished it, too.

Still another girl was the marble champion. It wasn't like we really had a real championship or anything, but whenever she played, she usually broke everybody. In all fairness, though, I think it was because she always had a steely jaw. She also had rusty knuckles and crusty knees, and I can still hear her shrill voice in the far recesses of my schoolyard memories, yelling, "No lays, no spins, no drops!"

Another thing I remember about her besides her marble playing was that she had legs like a giraffe. I don't mean they were long, or anything. I mean they were spotted. When she'd stand in front of the stove on cold mornings, her legs would get these big blue spots, like a giraffe has big brown ones. I'm sure this had absolutely nothing to do with marbles or any other of her athletic abilities, it's just something I remember about her.

Finally, it was a girl, too, that was the best crowd catcher. Almost every day at recess she'd catch the biggest one in the creek and chase the younger boys with it.

"Get away from me with that thing," they'd scream as they'd run right between the batter and the pitcher in an attempt to get away from her. Apparently, the fear of being beamed with a water-soaked baseball paled in comparison to what they feared would've been lost had they been caught.

Nope, I'm not surprised that a girl won the first gold medal. Neither would I be surprised if, when it's all said and done, the girls win more gold than the boys.

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Creating a Valentine 'Speciality'

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

We all love it when we find little "hidden treasures" that brighten our seemingly "ordinary" days. I found such a treasure just last week - hidden away in the heart of a friend. I had met Delora Kraus, of Auxier, this past September at Berea College. She and I had both traveled to Berea to begin work with the Brushy Fork Institute's leadership development program as participants on the Floyd County team.

Following our return to Floyd County, I had noticed that Delora would bring along delicious desserts to our team meetings. Tasty nut breads, double chocolate tortes, the creamiest cheese-cakes...what a delightful perk to a committee meeting!

As we got to know each other a little better, I learned that Delora had been born and raised in Auxier, the daughter of Clara Harris, of Prestonsburg, and the late Bascom Harris. She married David Kraus, lived in Ohio for a number of years and has spent the last 18 years or so as a resident of Connecticut. She and David recently returned to Floyd County, and Delora's native Auxier, to try their hand at restoring the farm that Delora lived on as a young girl.

I also learned that Delora, while in Connecticut, had joined with a friend in a special business venture. The two founded "A Special Tea," a catering business. The partners catered afternoon "teas," wedding receptions, anniversary celebrations, baby showers and other special events. Delora says that she enjoys preparing foods that are "not everyday fare." "Catering teas provided me the opportunity to be creative, to prepare dishes and desserts that were special," she said. "I really enjoyed the work, and I still love to prepare special desserts and dishes."

Delora has agreed to share her talents with us from time to time, although she says that "there will forever be a little mystery about some of my 'special' creations." "Special foods become your creation. That extra time you spend shows either in the presentation or the flavor, and hopefully, in both," she says.

In honor of Valentine's Day, I have managed to persuade Delora to share one of her "special" menu items with us. As the year unfolds and the holidays progress from season to season, it is my hope that Delora will continue to bring some "specialty" along from time to time to share with us.

To help create a special Valentine's Day, 2002, Delora writes:

There is no other day that says "LOVE" more than Valentine's Day. That is the message from all advertising avenues, and our hearts believe it. Every day should show we care, whether in the food we lovingly prepare, the notes we tuck inside our children's lunches or the romantic sentiments we slip under a loved one's plate or in a pocket to be discovered later in the day. Love is all around us every day - not just on

February 14. The important thing is to savor the time spent together, make eye contact and share your zest for life! Fresh flowers (any in the colors of this particular holiday - pinks, reds, whites - my personal favorite is the white tulip) are a must as an accompaniment for this holiday meal. Just remember that if you choose a taller flower arrangement, make sure to keep it out of the line of vision - you and your "soul mate" want to be able to gaze into one another's eyes as you enjoy a leisurely romantic meal together. Remember to eat slowly and enjoy your conversation.

In keeping with the romantic spirit of Valentine's Day, I've put together a menu that bursts with flavor, is easily prepared and leaves you plenty of time to get yourself readied for the one you love. Although this recipe is designed to create a romantic dinner for two, it can easily be doubled. After dinner, take your dessert (and the flowers) to the living room and relax.

Chicken Breasts with Mozzarella

4 chicken cutlets (pound to flatten)

- 1 beaten egg
- Italian breadcrumbs
- 4 slices mozzarella cheese (thin)
- Cup melted butter

(See COOKIES, page three)



photo by Kathy J. Prater
These lovely creations were handmade by Delora Kraus in honor of Valentine's Day. Delora says that creating "special" foods is something she gains great pleasure in doing.

Small World

Bright spot...

It had been a long time since I'd visited a high school class, but I heard that Tom Hardwick would be a special guest of Dennie Beth Layne's American History class at Betsy Layne High School a few days ago. I asked if I might be able to sit in.

Tom and his wife, Chady, moved "back home" when they retired but both had taught school in Michigan for a number of years, and I had an idea his presentation to the class would be great. I was-

n't disappointed.

The visit was such a pleasant experience and I was truly impressed by Mrs. Layne's class. The group consists of about thirty high school juniors and I never saw a more pleasant and courteous group. It was obvious they had great respect for their teacher, and the regard they shared was mutual. They were just so congenial and comfortable with each other.

I arrived a few minutes early and, as I waited, I looked around the room to see several small posters on the wall. They included such slogans as: "Keep your face

to the sun and you cannot see the shadow," and "The future belongs to those who believe in their dreams."

I didn't know any of the students but, had I known who their parents or grandparents were, I would have felt I knew most of them. I did have a brief exchange with one of the young men who sat near me and learned he was Brett Preston from Ivel. He told me he was one of the best in the class. The twinkle in his eye betrayed his sense of humor; but I believed him anyway, for I saw each one there as "one of the

best."

I asked Brett if he had decided where he'd go to college and he told me he planned to go into the Air Force and become a pilot—and I'm thinking he'll make it.

When the class had ended, I would need to walk down a long hallway to get back to the entrance. Classes were changing and Mrs. Layne said that, if I cared to wait just a bit, the traffic would be cleared. But I made my way through the wall to wall students and observed how polite they were as they moved along.

I'm sure the school has some

problem students. They're the ones who usually make the paper, but I didn't see any on my visit. I haven't met the principal, Margaret Vaughn, but I know some of the teachers; and I know that, together, they're doing something right.

I will remember that visit and, when I hear any negative thing about how schools are doing, I'll know it doesn't involve the young people I saw that day. And if any student should read this account, I would remind him or her again of the slogan in Mrs. Layne's classroom: "The future belongs to those who believe in their dreams."



AILEEN HALL
Contributing
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School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ Feb. 20 - Parent Support Group - to meet at Clark Elementary School - 9 a.m.

■ Feb. 23 - Peer Mediation Training.

■ Feb. 25 - PTO meeting - 6:30 p.m. - school library.

■ AMS is looking to offer a beginner's computer class for AMS parents and community members. If interested, please call 886-9812 to register.

■ **Recycle and Earn Money for AMS** - AMS has implemented an inkjet cartridge recycling program. To help, save your empty inkjet cartridges and bring them to AMS, or give them to an AMS student or faculty member. (Businesses may call for pick-up.) For further information, call the school at 886-2671 and ask for Lana Wicker, or e-mail to lwicker@floyd.k12.ky.us

Participation in this program will help raise funds for our school.

■ Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

■ Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any of the listed activities, call 886-9812.

Allen Central Middle School and Youth Service Center

■ School 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

■ Feb. 15 - "Manners" presentation, 5th grade - 12:00 p.m.

■ Feb. 20 - "Time Out for Parents," support group meeting - 9:00 a.m.

■ Feb. 22 - "Manners" presentation, 5th grade - 12:00 p.m.

■ Feb. 27 - FCHD Dental Health presentations, K-3.

■ 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.

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.

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

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

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

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

■ Mar. 18 - Sexual Harassment Awareness classroom presentations.

■ Feb. 25 - Nutrition classroom presentations.

■ Feb. 25, Mar. 6, Mar. 13 - CPR classes.

■ Mar. 25, April 8 - Careers classroom presentations.

■ Child Abuse Awareness booth set up in school foyer for distribution of information to students, staff, employees and community.

■ Adult education classes available.

■ Walking track open to public.

■ The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.

The David School

■ Adult Education Class Schedule - Fall 2001:

*Monday and Wednesday: McDowell Family Resource Center, 8:00 - 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

■ Feb. 15 - Central Kentucky Bloodmobile.

■ Feb. 15 - "Tell me More" program for K-4th grades.

■ Feb. 20 - "Time out for Parents" - 9:00 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

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Our Yesterdays

(Items taken from *The Floyd County Times*, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago (Feb 12 and Feb 14, 1992)

Governor Brereton Jones tossed out a few surprises during his budget address last Thursday, and one even caught veteran legislator Greg Stumbo off guard. Stumbo said he had scanned the Governor's budget speech prior to Jones' address to the General Assembly, Thursday evening, adding that he was "pleasantly" surprised when Jones specifically mentioned a proposed 18-hole golf course for Jenny Wiley State park as a project targeted for funding...Upset over what they perceive is a dead end in a state investigation of the Floyd County School System, members of the Floyd County Education Association said, Tuesday, they will seek legislative assistance in addressing what one FCEA member called "an intolerable situation." In a press conference, Tuesday evening, at Adams Middle School, FCEA member Bud Reynolds said his organization had met recently with Dr. Penney Sanders, head of the state's Office of Education Accountability, and members had come away from that meeting displeased with what they heard...The Prestonsburg City Council apparently is closer to resolving a salary dispute between city employees that has been at issue for most of the last two years. In a business-as-usual meeting, Monday night, Mayor Ann Latta and the city council presented a proposal that could possibly settle the on-going salary dispute with the city's firefighters, who contend that their rate of pay and actual pay should be more equal to that of the city police...The May primary non-partisan ballot for Floyd County District Judge is made up of three familiar Floyd County attorneys: Danny P. Caudill, Dan Rowland, and James R. Allen. The district judge presides over all criminal misdemeanor charges, preliminary felony hearings, small claims court, juvenile matters, civil cases, domestic violence and mental health disabilities claim...Third time's a charm? Penelope (Penny) Pajel has represented McDowell Elementary School for the last three years in the Floyd County Spelling Bee competition, and again, as last year, is the Floyd County champion...Preliminary findings of a financial audit of the Floyd County School System, released Tuesday, recommend the district change its ways concerning construction and banking procedures. Auditor Calvin Cranfill of

the firm Helton Linton, Cranfill and Hall told the board, Tuesday, that the audit wouldn't be finished for two weeks, until information concerning a 1984 debt to the federal government could be obtained...The Martin City Council met, Wednesday evening, and adopted an ordinance involving city employees' health care costs. The issue was addressed following questions and complaints from city employees who apparently have been hard-pressed to meet the rising costs of individual, self-supplied health insurance coverage...Coach Rick Pitino will bring his senior Wildcats to Paintsville on Thursday, March 5, to hold a benefit dinner and auction for Our Lady of the Mountain School. John Pelphrey, Richie Farmer, Deron Feldhaus and Sean Woods will join the coach and guests for a prime rib dinner at 7 p.m., in the atrium of The Carriage House, in Paintsville...Commonwealth Attorney Jerry Patton has subpoenaed a state education investigator to appear before a Floyd County Grand Jury, next week, to provide information about a bingo probe and an investigation into the Floyd County School System. Office of Education Accountability investigator, Phil Austin, was served with the subpoena before the start of Tuesday's board of education meeting to appear before the grand jury, Wednesday, February 19, at 1 p.m. Austin and Steve Yater, another OEA investigator, were in Floyd County, Tuesday, to continue gathering information concerning an investigation into management and administrative procedures in the school district...There died: Chester Slone, 53, of Hi Hat, Tuesday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Homer Ray Rowland, 45, of Orlando, Florida, Monday, February 3; Paul Bryon Hayslett, 62, of Sitka, Tuesday, at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington; Rhoda Ellen Hicks, 67, of Garrett, Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Glen Richard Ward, 56, of Xenia, Ohio, formerly of Prestonsburg, at Greene Memorial Hospital; Lois Rice Richardson, 76, of Little Paint, Saturday, at her residence; Grover Morris Gillum, 68, of Melvin, Sunday, at his residence; Andrew Charles Robinson, two-month-old infant son of Gregory and Lisa Moore Robinson of Laguna Niguel, California, Monday, from Sudden Infant Death Syndrome; Belvie Maynard Farmer, 62, of Rockford, Illinois, Thursday, at Rockford Memorial Hospital; Gladys P. White, 97, of Lexington, Thursday, at

Lexington Country Place; Donald David Stepp, 37, of Newport, North Carolina, Friday, at Carteret General Hospital in Morehead City, North Carolina; Theo Blanton, 77, of Dwale, Wednesday, at Health Care Center at Campton; Willie Halstead Damron, 70, of Flatwoods, formerly of Collins, Thursday, at her home; Elwood Conley, 52, of Hueysville, Sunday, at The Parkview Manor Nursing Home in Pikeville; Virgil Shepherd, 63, of Warsaw, Indiana, Thursday, at IU Medical Center; Elder Millard Blanton, 83, of Langley, Saturday, at Mountain Manor Nursing Home; Haskell Hughes, 71, of Ashland, Saturday, at his home; John B. "Slim" Ratcliff, 79, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mary Alice Prater Shepherd, 89, of Hueysville, Wednesday, at Markey Cancer Center of the University of Kentucky Medical Center; Roxie Mae Pitts, 90, of Blue River, Monday, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Granville Howell, 84, of McDowell, Wednesday, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

Twenty Years Ago (February 17, 1982)

Five Knott Countians, including two principals and three former employees of the school system, have filed civil action against the Knott County Board of Education, seeking reinstatement, restitution of wages and benefits, and damages totaling \$20,000 each...Ricky Moore, 21, was hit during a flurry of shooting, early Tuesday morning, at a Mud Creek mine site...State Representative Greg Stumbo sought to amend in the House, last week, the Senate redistricting bill which splits Prestonsburg in the apportionment for the 29th and 25th senatorial districts. Stumbo failed by a vote of 35-21...There died: Mollie W. Arnold, 69, of Drift, last Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; James Rose, 56, of Herrick, Michigan, Monday, February 8; Joseph D. Fitzpatrick, 70, formerly of Floyd County, Feb. 3; Patricia Bentley, 20, of Auxier, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Malta W. Baldrige, 83, of East Point, Tuesday, at her home; Evelyn S. Elkins, 75, of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Harry M. Porter, 35, of Floyd County, last Wednesday, of a gunshot wound; Anna Wells, 84, of Daniels Creek, last

Wednesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Ella Cox Martin, 92, of Wayland, last Friday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Gary Roger Fultz, 36, of Wayland, Monday, at his home; Meezy B. Chaplin, 63, of Florida, Friday, February 5; Jay Branham, 81, of Lackey, last Saturday, at his home; and Paul D. Stanley, 20, of Melvin, Monday, at U.K. Medical Center.

Thirty Years Ago (February 17, 1972)

Two offices on the second floor of the Hall Insurance building here were burglarized, Friday night, but what officers found in one of the offices overshadowed the breaks themselves. What they termed obscene and profane posters were found decorating the walls of one room of the Child Welfare Department offices...Possible clearing and snagging projects for Right and Left Beaver Creeks, the right fork of Middle Creek and Mud Creek, were considered by the fiscal court at its February 3 meeting...Nineteen condemnation cases for rights-of-way in construction of new US 23, between Prestonsburg and Pikeville, are on the docket of the civil term of circuit court, which will convene March 8...A Daviess County jury, last Wednesday, convicted the slayer of young Edwin Cochran Dorsey, former Prestonsburg resident, and sentenced him to two life terms, one without parole...Jonathan Boyd, 32, of Dana, was fatally crushed between two coal scoops, inside the No. 3 mine of the Meade Coal Company at Honaker, last Friday...The strike at the American Standard plant near Paintsville is in its third week...There died: Mrs. Virgie Hall, 68, of Craynor, at her home last Wednesday; Mrs. Daisy S. Spears, 86, of Endicott, February 8, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Dickie Farrell Safisbury, 20, of Grass Lake, Michigan, formerly of this county, last Thursday, in a Munith, Mich. hospital; Disabled veteran, James Meade, 33, of Betsy Layne, native of Honaker; Malcolm Hobart Collins, 72, of East Point, last Wednesday, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Rev. Homer Hale, 60, formerly of this county in Warsaw, Indiana, Jan. 9; William Moore, 60, of Drift, Saturday, at a Martin hospital; Henry Clay Smith, 74, of Endicott,

(See **YESTERDAY**, page three)

Birthdays



It's a Boy!

Tristan Victor Cole Randolph was born to Rebecca Randolph, of Prestonsburg, on December 31, 2001, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. He weighed 7 lbs., 4 oz., and measured 20 inches in length. Tristan is the grandson of Larry and Kathy Osborne, of Beaver. He is the great-grandson of Mildred Osborne, also of Beaver, and the late Victor Osborne. Tristan has one sister, Caitlin, and one brother, Justin.



It's a girl!

Jerry and Jerrell Swain, of Teaberry, are happy to announce the birth of their new baby girl, Judy Kaitlyn. The infant was born on December 11, 2001, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. She weighed 6 lbs., 3 oz., and measured 19 and one-half inches in length. She is the granddaughter of Troy Hamilton, of Teaberry, and the late Judy Hamilton, and Polly Johnson, of Craynor.



Jonna is 10!

Jonna Craft celebrated her 10th birthday on January 22, 2002, with a "Birthday Bash" birthday party held at Reno's Texas Roadhouse in Prestonsburg. Jonna enjoyed an evening of great food and tons of birthday cake with lots of family members and friends in attendance. Jonna is the daughter of Kenni and Mike Gambill, of Prestonsburg. She is the granddaughter of Lois and Bob Johnson, and Kenneth and Rita Bradford, all of Prestonsburg.

Cookies

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Cup dry white wine
Butter for spreading
Salt and pepper to taste.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spread one side of each flattened chicken cutlet with butter. Sprinkle with salt and pepper to taste. Place 1 slice of cheese on each and roll up length-wise and fasten with toothpicks. Dust with flour, dip in egg and roll in breadcrumbs. Arrange in a buttered baking dish and drizzle the melted butter at least twice during the 20-minute baking period. At the end of the 20 minutes, add the wine (if you are using a glass baking dish, spoon the wine gently so the glass will not break) and bake another 10 minutes. Serve immediately.

Fusilli with 'Rose' sauce

1 lb. fusilli pasta (ziti works just as well)
1 Tablespoon fresh parsley
1 teaspoon minced garlic
1 cup heavy cream
2 Tablespoons olive oil
1 cup canned or fresh crushed tomatoes (unless tomatoes are field-grown and in season, I prefer canned)
1 Tablespoon tomato paste
Parmesan cheese (to taste)

Cook pasta until almost tender (about 8 to 10 minutes). In heavy saucepan, sauté garlic in olive oil until golden. Add crushed tomatoes, tomato paste, and cook,

stirring occasionally, for 10 to 15 minutes. Slowly add the cream, and whisk to incorporate. Cook over low heat for 5 minutes. Do not allow cream to boil. Add parsley and pasta - mix well. Serve immediately with a good grated Parmesan cheese.

A nice vegetable such as steamed broccoli (steaming retains flavor and color), or perhaps a fresh, crisp salad, will round out this special meal. In honor of the holiday, try using a cookie cutter to fashion some bright red hearts from a fresh bell pepper or maybe even try fashioning some heart-shaped, homemade croutons, all it takes is some day-old bread and a little seasoning to create your own croutons in your very own oven. Use the croutons in the salad or consider adding a light soup to the meal as an appetizer.

Bread isn't always a necessity, and with this meal, I would opt to not serve any. After dinner, I would make a fresh pot of coffee or tea and have prepared a wonderful little dessert such as my special Valentine cookies, or a heart-shaped slice of pound cake served with pink sauce. (Using your favorite heart-shaped cookie cutter, cut shapes from slices of either homemade or store-bought pound cake; top with 1 cup pureed strawberries mixed with 1 cup sour cream and 1 cup heavy cream, whipped; add 1 Tablespoon 10 X sugar and 1 teaspoon vanilla.)

You've created a romantic meal for that special someone that satisfies without over-eating.

Engagements



Iricks-Sword to wed

Marietta Iricks Kidd, of Island Creek, is pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of her daughter, Crystal, to Shaun Sword, the son of Donnie and Debbie Sword, of Joes Creek. Crystal is the daughter of the late Tommy Dale Phillips. The couple will marry in a wedding ceremony that will take place on Saturday, March 2, 2002, at 4:30 in the afternoon, at the Island Creek Old Regular Baptist Church, located on the Left Fork of Island Creek. A reception will be held immediately following. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed and all family members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Yesterdays

Sunday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; James Elbert Green, 67, of Pikeville, formerly of this county, Sunday, at a Pikeville hospital; H.M. (Harmie) Mellon, formerly of Prestonsburg, at his home in Jeffersonville, Ind., February 11; Mrs. Pearl Murphy, 68, of Wayland, Sunday, at the McDowell Hospital; Andy Fitch, 76, of Lancer, victim of an apparent heart attack, here, Monday.

Forty Years Ago (February 15, 1962)

The junior college bill, which would provide for a two-year community college here and in three other areas, was approved in the state House of Representatives, Wednesday, by a vote of 86 to 3...Work on Prestonsburg's half-million-dollar low-rent public housing project will be started this spring, it became virtually certain this week...Arthur C. Carter, former mayor of Prestonsburg, was fatally injured, Wednesday afternoon, when his auto left the lake road, between Hager Gap and Dewey Dam, and plunged approximately 250 feet down the mountainside...Floyd County lost 2,435 children of school age in the 1950-60 decade, and this represented a loss of 15.6 percent of the population between the ages of six and 17 years...There died: Okie Campbell, 28, of Mousie, Jan. 30, at Hazelwood Sanitarium, Louisville; Mrs. Lelia F. Hancock, 71, of Printer, Tuesday, at her home; Hiram Hicks, 84, of Garrett, Sunday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin.

Fifty Years Ago (February 14, 1972)

What was described by company officials as an "illegal strike" idled parts of this week and last, the operation of the Inland Steel Company's mines at Wheelwright, its huge coal preparation plant at Price, and also numerous small truck mines which depend on the Price plant for preparation of their product...Wince Trimble, of Paintsville, revenue agent, and Floyd County deputy Sheriff Sanford Reffitt found and destroyed two moonshine stills operated twin-fashion in the

Floyd County Extension Agent for Ag and Natural Resources

Co-op Extension News
by Ray Tackett

Deicing agents and their effect on landscape plants. (January 2001 article for Kentucky Gardening magazine.) If December is any indication, this is going to be a rough winter. Along with the snow and ice come slick streets and sidewalks. Physical removal of this precipitation by shovels, snow plows, or snow blowers usually does little damage to the landscape as long as snow and ice are not piled directly on landscape plants. The use of deicing chemicals, however, can have a severe impact on plants growing near roads and sidewalks where such agents are often used. What are some of these deicing chemicals, how do they affect plants, and how can we best remedy these situations? These are questions I will be answering in this column.

The chemicals. The most common chemical used for deicing roads and sidewalks is rock salt or sodium chloride. Rock salt is relatively inexpensive and readily available. The second most commonly used chemical is calcium chloride. Calcium chloride produces an exothermic (heat generating) reaction as it dissolves, so it is often added to rock salt to increase its effectiveness once temperatures fall into the low 20's. When used alone, calcium chloride can be effective at ice removal down to -20F. Calcium magnesium acetate (CMA) is made from mixing dolomitic limestone and acetic acid (the principal component of vinegar). It is about as effective as rock salt with regard to temperature but is one of the safest chemical deicers with regard to effects on plants, soils, concrete, and metal surfaces. Two other chemicals are sometimes used, potassium chloride and urea. Both are also used as fertilizers but that does not necessarily mean they will be harmless to plants when applied nearby as deicing chemicals.

The effects on plants. Deicing chemicals can adversely affect plants in two ways, either through direct contact with foliage, or buildup in soil. Direct contact results when the chemical itself accumulates on the plant due to drift during application, or more commonly, when snow or ice containing the chemical is shoveled or blown onto nearby plants. All of these compounds are salts so direct contact with the foliage may result in burning due to a rapid dehydration effect. This is obviously most noticeable on evergreens since they will have foliage when deicing chemicals are normally applied. However, buds and twigs of both evergreen and deciduous plants may also be affected. Regrowth on damaged twigs may take the form of witches brooms or cense clusters of twigs originating from a single point. Build up of these chemicals in the soil may have even more detrimental effects. Repeated application over time (either during a particular winter season or over many seasons) may damage plants by making their roots unable to take up water. Symptoms will include wilting even when the soil is moist, leaf burn or needle tip burn, stunting or lack of vigor, and/or deficiency symptoms for one or more plant nutrients. The structure of clay soils can even be changed to the point that they are unable to support plant life.

Remedies. Limit exposure of plants to salt spray or salt containing slush by covering them with burlap or a similar fabric when these chemicals are in use. Flushing the soil with large amounts of water after the last freeze will help to leach away excess salts and may alleviate potential dam-

Quicksand section of Knott County, a short distance across the mountain from the head of Salt Lick... "Any increase in tobacco growing over the present acreage for Floyd County looks discouraging," said the Production Marketing Administration, here, this week...Each leaving behind cryptic messages, two 16-year-old Floyd County youths ended their lives in widely separate sections of the county, late Sunday...More than 300 Boy Scouts and parents gathered here, Monday night, at Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, for one of the largest Courts of Honor scouts in this county have ever held...There died: E. G. Curnutte, 62, Tuesday, at his home at Auxier; Rosa Slone Waddell, 79, February 6, at her home at Eastern; Mrs. Alice Lynch Slone, 68, Feb. 5, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Johnny Robinson, 72, of Martin, Feb. 13, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Will Johnson, 56, Feb. 12, at his home at Bevinsville.

Sixty Years Ago (February 19, 1942)

Incomplete returns from Floyd's first wartime draft, since the outbreak of present hostilities showed that apparently 2,900 men between the ages of 20 and 45 years registered in this county, Monday...Full operation of the NYA master machine shop here on a 24-hour schedule will be begun next week, Richard Quillen, project superintendent said Wednesday...Two Floyd County Times newsboys Billy Turner and Frank Prater, were injured when struck by an automobile Thursday, last week on the Mayo Trail...General merchandise store of Magistrate Glenn Burchett on Cow Creek was destroyed by fire, Monday night, at an estimated loss of \$6,000...Mrs. H. C. Francis, Prestonsburg, is in receipt of information from the State Department, Washington, reassuring her of the safety of her daughter, Miss Lydia Mae Francis, secretary to the American consul-general at Japanese-occupied Shanghai, China...There died: "Aunt Viney" Sizemore Collinsworth, 77, Saturday, at the home of a son here; James Hammond, 73, Tuesday, at home on Bull Creek; Raymond Hagans, 21, Saturday, at home at Maytown.

age to the roots. If you have a choice regarding which chemical deicer to use, calcium magnesium acetate or calcium chloride are generally considered the safest to use around plants. As with all chemicals used in the landscape, be sure to read and follow label instructions. Try to avoid the use of rock salt since this compound is generally most damaging to plants and soils as well as concrete and metal surfaces. It is also best to think of these chemicals as snow and ice removal aids and not rely on them solely to do the job. Use these chemicals to help melt and break up the accumulated ice and snow, then manually remove the remaining material. One can also use abrasive materials such as sand, sawdust, or kitty litter, as a replacement for deicing chemicals to improve traction on icy surfaces. The dark color of these materials will also absorb more solar radiation and promote melting with exposure to sunlight. Also, mixing these abrasives with chemical deicers may provide the desired effect with less amounts of chemicals. Fertilizers are effective at melting ice but may cause damage to concrete or metal surfaces. Overuse of fertilizers may also damage plants or cause extremely rapid growth in spring that may jeopardize plant health.

Finally, exposure to deicing salts may be unavoidable if the property is adjacent to a street or road subject to frequent salting and plowing. In these cases, it may be possible to select specific plant material that is more resistant to salt accumulation in the soil and salt exposure to the foliage. The following trees and shrubs are relatively resistant: White Ash, Honeylocust, Black Locust, Eastern Redcedar, Colorado Spruce, Australian Pine, Winged or Burning Bush Euonymus, Pfitzer Juniper, Mock Orange, Fragrant and Staghorn Sumac, and Rugosa Rose. The following species are very sensitive to salt and should not be planted where exposure to salt is likely to occur: Arborvitae, Beech, Holly, Dogwood, Hemlock, Scotch Pine and White Pine.

Year-round practices of proper pruning, watering, and fertilization, that promote plant health, will also make plants more tolerant to salt exposure. However, for the overall health of the landscape, the goal should be to reduce or eliminate the use of deicing chemicals.

Dr. Richard Durham is an extension specialist for consumer horticulture in the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture. His email address is rdurham@uky.edu.

School

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- "Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks.
- "Clothing Closet" available to all students.
- Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen.

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Chamber Notes

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS:

- March 4 - Board Meeting, 11 a.m. Jenny Wiley Lodge.
- March 4 - Membership Meeting, 12 noon, Jenny Wiley Lodge. Kristen Bradley will be showing "Kentucky Tourism ... Growing for the Future" video provided by the Kentucky Tourism Development Cabinet and the KY Assoc. of CVB's.
- March 4 - "Business After Hours" at Williams Printing, 222 University Dr., Prestonsburg, 5 to 7 p.m.
- March 21 - SEKTDA Tourism Package Workshop, 10-

3, at Jenny Wiley.
■ March 26 - Country Music Highway Corridor Team Meeting, Paintsville Ramada Inn, 1 p.m.
Note: Make sure that you

have sent in your AWARDS NOMINATION BALLOT to register to win the \$50 value, advertising in the Commerce Connection Newsletter of your choice.

Floyd County officials complete training, achieve certification

Several Floyd County officials have completed necessary training and have been recognized as Certified County Officials by the Kentucky Association of Counties' County Officials Leadership Institute.

The County Officials Leadership Institute provides training for county officials under HB 810 (KRS 64.5275). This statute encourages county officials to attend training workshops to assist them in providing better service and representation to their respective counties, while providing incentive money for doing so. Elected officials are required to earn 40 training hours each year to be eligible for this program.

In order to earn the distinction of Certified County Official, an elected official must earn a minimum of 96 training credit hours. For Master's Level Certification, the minimum is 136 training credit hours. These training credits consist of actual in-class training time.

Leadership Institute Director Laura Wagers said, "Each of these elected officials is to be commended for this achievement, because it illustrates their desire to excel in their elected posts and ensures their ability to play important roles in the success of their local governments and communities. These elected officials have earned these awards for the time and effort they have spent in training workshops outside the course of the normal workday and in addition to their routine duties. The commitment of these officials to their responsibilities as officeholders is to be applauded."

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2 BR HOUSE: All electric. Next to Dizzy Tire Co. For more information 358-2000.*

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640-Land & Lots

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650-Mobile Homes

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660-Miscellaneous

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NOTICES

812-Free

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815-Lost & Found

FOUND: Large black dog, 6 months-1yr. 606-886-3917.

850-Personals

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LEGAL

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-5425

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Clark Elkhorn Coal Company, 2000 Ashland Drive, Ashland, KY 41101, has applied for permit for an underground coal mining and reclamation operation located 1.0 miles east of Betsy Layne in Floyd and Pike County. The proposed operation will disturb 21.28 surface acres and will underlie 314.48 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 335.76 acres. The proposed operation is approximately 0.64 miles north-west from CR-1509's junction with CR-1510, and located

along Pike-Floyd Hollow.

The proposed amendment is located on the Broadbottom and Harold USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by the East Kentucky Energy Corporation. The operation will underlie land owned by East Kentucky Energy Corporation; Oakie & Eunice Lawsoni Jeffery Bentley; James & Aileen Maynard; Jimmy & Karen Crum; William T. & Diana L. Patton; James Gunnels; Williams Maynard; Bobby & Joyce Slone; Mike & Sandy Brooks; Robert Hughes; Tom & Martha Keathley; Jane S. Clark; Leonard J. Sturgill; Rhodes W. & Virgie Lynch; Adis & Emma Lou Clark; Ella Jean Compton; Toba M. Owens; Charles R. Owens; Maudie Flack; Billy & Betsy Steward; Jimmy & Joyce Smith; Gary & Renee Keathley; Gary & Dottie Duncan; Jane I. Syck; John G. Ratliff; Gary & Linda Bevins; James W. Allen; Wanda Compton; Stanley Stratton; Mary Belle Lewis; Neely Jane Lewis; S.S.S. & P., Inc.; Lois Cline; KY Department of Transportation; Paul & Linda Gearhart; Glendle M. Adkins; Lisa Lynn Howell; Velva Stratton; George Hall, Jr.; Thomas Duane & Debra Daniels; Ronnie & Doris Leedy; Castle & Alice Collins; Stacy Lawson; Stella Akers; Billy Ray Ousley; Goldie E. Hamilton; Hassel & Juanita Collins; Alex & Beverly Carroll; Sylvia Hall; Hershell, Sam, Louise & Bob Spradlin; Jackie & Mary Adkins; and Floyd County Board of Education. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1397. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, US 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

INVITATION FOR BIDS

The City of Paintsville is accepting proposals and bids on the cleanup of Paint Creek. This project is funded by a grant from PRIDE and will be subject to the review of this organization and the Kentucky Division of Water. The scope of work will be limited to the removal and disposal of tires, appliances, and other assorted items that have found their way into the waterway. There will be no dredging or channeling involved. Work will be limited to the actual waterway and does not involve any cleanup of existing dumps or trash removal of adjoining bank or private property. The first phase of this project will begin at the stream head at the Paintsville Lake spillway and continue downstream the entire length of the waterway to the point where it intersects with the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River, approximately 8 miles. Bids and proposals should be submitted in a form that would indicate the cost per hour of any and all anticipated labor or equipment that will be used.

Realize that this cleanup project will possibly be accomplished in multiple phases and that the lowest and best bid will be considered for the entirety. All contractors must submit proof of general liability insurance and workers compensation insurance before bid will be awarded. The City of Paintsville reserves the right to reject all bids and to accept the lowest and best bid as it concerns this project. All bidders are subject to review by PRIDE and must comply with all state and federal regulations. Paint Creek is designated as a Cold Water Aquatic Trout Stream by the KDOW. Bids proposals will be accepted at Paintsville City Hall, Attn, Mayor Robin Cooper, P.O. Box 1588, Paintsville, KY 41240, until 4:00 p.m., February 28, 2002. The City of Paintsville is an equal opportunity employer

Robin Cooper, Mayor

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The David Fire Dept. is accepting sealed bids for the following: The erection of a 40x80x14 metal building. It will have four 12x12 roll-up doors with manual and electric operated openers, and one walk door. Four-inch insulation in walls and ceiling, gutters and down-spouts. Contact: Russell Shepherd 69 Open Door Church Road David, Ky. 41616 886-6601

NOTICE OF BOND SALE

The Floyd County (Kentucky) School District Finance Corporation, will until 11:00 A.M., E.S.T., on February 21, 2002, receive in the office of Dr. Robert F. Tarvin, Executive Director of the Kentucky School Facilities Construction Commission, 229 W. Main Street Suite 102, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, competitive bids for its \$3,150,000 School Building Revenue Bonds, Series of 2002, dated March 1, 2002, maturing March 1, 2003 through 2022. Bids must be on Official Bid Form contained in the Preliminary Official Statement deemed near final under SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(1) available from Ross, Sinclair & Associates, Inc., Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, or electronically by visiting www.rsamuni.com. Sale on tax-exempt basis, subject to approving legal opinion of Henry M. Reed III, Bond Counsel. The bonds are "bank eligible" and Term Bonds are permitted

FLOYD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCE CORPORATION by s/ Dr. Paul W. Fanning Secretary

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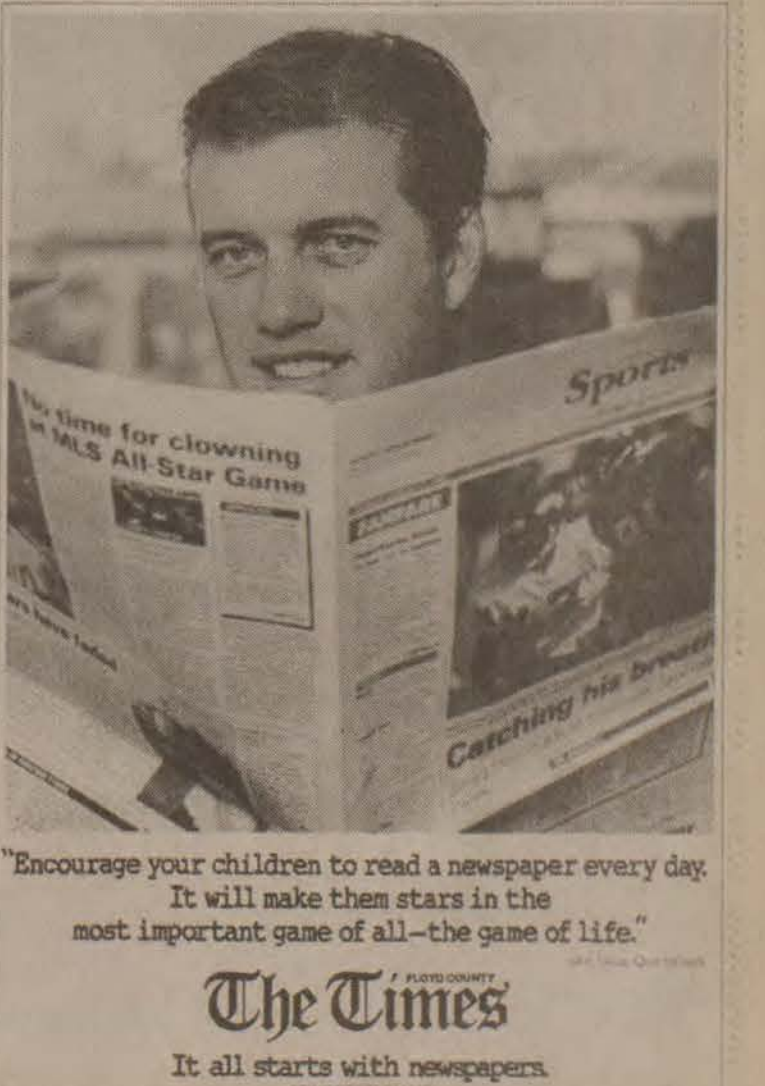
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The Floyd County Times is seeking a General Assignment Reporter for its newsroom. The ideal applicant will have strong writing skills, an ability to handle several tasks at once and a "go-getter" attitude. Previous reporting experience is preferred, although not required. Computer skills are a plus. The position is part-time.
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Reader's Choice

BEST IN FLOYD COUNTY

- Area Attraction _____
- Church _____
- Civic Club/Organization _____
- College _____
- Community Festival Event _____
- Dining Atmosphere _____
- Elderly Care Facility _____
- Elementary School _____
- Entertainment _____
- High School _____
- Hospital/Medical Facility _____
- Local Band _____
- Middle School _____
- Place to camp out _____
- Place to lose weight _____
- Place to meet friends _____
- Place to spend Saturday night _____
- Place to take out of town guests _____
- Place to work _____

BEST FOOD

- Barbecue _____
- Biscuits _____
- Brand of Soft Drink _____
- Burgers _____
- Catering _____
- Chicken _____
- Chili _____
- Chinese Food _____
- Decorated Cake _____
- Desserts _____
- Donuts _____
- Fish and Seafood _____
- French Fries _____
- Fresh Meat for Grilling _____
- Home Cookin' _____
- Hot Dogs _____
- Ice Cream _____
- Kid's Meal _____
- Mexican Food _____
- Onion Rings _____
- Pizza _____
- Roast Beef Sandwich _____
- Salad Bar _____
- Sandwiches _____
- Shakes/Malts _____
- Steaks _____

BEST PEOPLE

- Accountant _____
- Attorney _____
- Bank Teller _____
- Employed at _____

- Barber _____
- Employed at _____
- Boss _____
- Employed at _____
- Building Contractor _____
- Bus Driver _____
- Car Salesperson _____
- Employed at _____
- Chiropractor _____
- City Employee _____
- Club President _____
- Coach _____
- Employed at _____
- Dental Hygiene _____
- Employed at _____
- Dentist _____
- Electrician _____
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- Funeral Home Attendant _____
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- Hairstylist _____
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- Heating/Air Service Room _____
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- Jeweler _____
- Law Enforcement Officer _____
- Loan Officer _____
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- Insurance Agency _____
- Janitorial Service _____
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- Mine Supply _____
- Mining Company _____
- Mobile Home _____
- Motel/Hotel _____
- Motocycles/ATV _____
- Music Store _____
- Newspaper _____
- Office Supplies _____
- Oil Changes _____
- Pawn Shop _____
- Pharmacy _____
- Plumbing _____
- Real Estate Agency _____
- Rental Items _____
- Restaurant _____
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- Sewing/Alterations _____
- Tanning Salon _____
- Tire Store _____
- Tools & Supplies _____
- Truck Dealership _____
- Upholstery _____
- Videos _____

BEST PLACE TO PURCHASE

- Athletic Shoes _____
- Auto-Body Repairs _____
- Bath Towels _____
- Bed Linens _____
- Cabinets _____
- Carpet _____
- Dairy Items _____
- Dress Shoes _____
- Film Developing _____
- Frozen Foods _____
- Health & Beauty Aids _____
- Home Health Care Needs _____
- Home Mortgage Loan _____
- Kids Clothing _____
- Men's Clothing _____
- Perm _____
- Pet Supplies _____
- Produce _____
- School Supplies _____
- Seafood items _____
- Shoe Repair _____
- Snack Food _____
- Stereo _____
- TV-VCR Repair _____
- Used Automobiles _____
- Vinyl _____
- Women's Clothing _____

BEST BUSINESS

- Antiques/Collectibles _____
- Appliances _____
- Artwork/Framing _____
- Athletic Supply _____
- Auto Parts _____
- Bait/Tackle _____
- Beauty Salon _____
- Bookkeeping/Tax _____
- Building Supplies _____

Ballot Rules:

1. Only ballots from the Floyd County Times will be counted. No copies accepted.
2. Businesses nominated have to be in the Floyd County area and individuals nominated have to live and work in Floyd County.

3. Entries may be mailed to The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 (Please allow 7 days for mail delivery) or drop off at our office at 263 South Central Avenue.
4. All entries must be at The Floyd County Times by Friday, March 15, 2002 (mailed or delivered)
5. Limited to 5 copies per person available for sale at front desk, up to normal press run copies. No extra forms will be printed.

YOUR VOTE COUNTS!!!

Schools, Churches, Clubs...anyone...do all you can do, see that your favorite people and places win! It's part of the fun! Remember, vote as many times as you wish using an original ballot. No copies of this ballot will be accepted. **Winners to be in the Friday, March 29th edition of the Floyd County Times.**