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#### **Armed man** robs home in Auxier

An armed robbery Friday evening took place in an unusual location an Auxier man's home.

A man armed with a 12gauge shotgun forced his way into a George's Branch residence occupled by Jerrry Shepherd around 8 p.m. Friday, Once inside, the man demanded that residents give him anything of value.

The unidentified man then fled the scene, taking a fireproof safe containing money and jewelry with

No arrests have been made at this time.

Kentucky State Police Det. David Maynard is investigating the robbery He was assisted at the scene by Troopers Rob Wood and Joey King.

#### Clarification

The Randy Hamilton who received three years in jail for flagrant non-support is not the same person as the Randy Hamilton who is the son of

Eddie and Hazel Hamilton of Harold.

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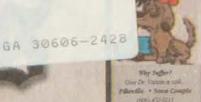
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# Stumbo fighting school closing in budget

by RALPH B. DAVIS MANAGING EDITOR

FRANKFORT — Buried deep in Part IX, Section 19, Paragraph C on page 220 of House Bill 507, the state budget, is one sentence which, if passed, would settle one emotional local debate.

sentence. Operations: School #840, a historical community school in district #175, shall not be closed or substantially changed," appears of little significance, until two things are known.

District #75 is the Floyd County School District, and school #840 is Prestonsburg Elementary.

House Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo is the man behind the insertion of that language in the budget bill, and its passage would bring an end to fears among Prestonsburg residents that their local elementary school could be closed and their children bused to Clark or Allen elemen-

For his part, Stumbo offers a crystal clear explanation for why he chose to have the language prohibiting the closing of Prestonsburg Elementary placed in the budget.

"I've never supported decisions to close elementary schools," Stumbo

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Greg Stumbo



photo by Loretta Blackburn

A panel composed of directors of instruction and high school principals addressed the Floyd County Board of Education about collaborative efforts to utilize funds more effectively.

# Collaboration key to meeting needs, panel says

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

A discussion about collaborating to get what the classrooms need in a Floyd County Board of Education meeting on Monday focused on motivation as the solution to prob-

of instruction Joyce Watson and Debbie Daniels, and the principals of Floyd County high schools, about collaborative efforts being explored by the schools. The discussion focused on how the high schools can utilize common

Board members communicated resources to save money and how with a panel consisting of directors educational system could improve instruction techniques to help students who fall behind.

Dr. Chandria Varia, board member, expressed concern about the fact that some students are not

(See BOARD, page six)

### Black lung bill review continues

by BRUCE SCHREINER ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT - A Senate committee reviewing black-lung legislation Tuesday pored over potential costs to coal operators if the General Assembly makes it easier

for sick miners to win claims.

Labor activists staging their own ease meeting focused on the human side in making their case for easing rules for awarding black-lung bene-

The widow of a West Virginia coal miner who died last year recounted her husband's hardships while battling the respiratory dis-

"My husband suffered for 20 years just to breathe," Kathryn South told the labor activists at a Capitol meeting.

Her husband, Walter "Mike" South, became a prominent advo-

(See BLACK LUNG, page six)

### Council hears complaints about cable, gas bills

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

The Prestonsburg City Council met Monday evening to address a number of issues in regard to city amenities, as well as to announce at least one recent appointment.

Councilman Hansel Cooley informed those in attendance at the meeting, that he, along with councilmen Roy Compton and Bill R. Collins, had been contacted by several city residents who were distressed over recent rate increases on their cable television bills.

According to Cooley, he has been told by Charter Communications, the cable service company serving the Prestonsburg area, that Prestonsburg residents can

"expect an update in their cable service, across the line" in exchange for the rate increase. Cooley also explained

that "the city does have a franchise" with the cable service, but that "Charter sets the rates. We are here to protect the people as much as possible, but we don't have complete control." The city's franchise was

set in place prior to FCC (Federal Communications Commission) deregulation of such services, limiting any control the city may have had previously.

Cooley did say that the council would meet with a representative from Charter Communications on March 25 to discuss the situation, "I

(See COUNCIL, page six)

### Frazier, Ross agree to end public spat

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

Rev. Johnnie E. Ross, chairman of the Floyd County Board of Education, and Gary Frazier agreed to speak after the board meeting on Monday to discuss allegations that Frazier made concerning Ross's integrity.

Frazier made the first of many accusations toward the board with the statement that they were blatantly attempting to stifle public comment by putting it at the end of the agenda. He then referred to a

statement made by Ross at the last board meeting that implicated his wife, Gwen Hale Frazier, of spreading erroneous information about the closing of Prestonsburg Elementary, and proceeded to allege that Ross and lied and he had e-mail to prove it.

Frazier alleged that Ross had stated that he did not know about the PTA meeting at Prestonsburg Elementary until he was leaving for Frankfort on Feb. 21, yet he had sent an e-mail dated Feb.

(See SPAT, page six)

# Dead pines posing risk in recreational areas

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS

What had been a campground shaded in whispering pines is now barren after an army of rice-sized bugs swept through last year.

Because of the danger of falling dead trees, the U.S Army Corps of Engineers had to cut down about 400 towering pines on one campground trees at a recreational area below Dewey Dam, turning a popular picnic spot into a barren hillside.

Across the region, the tiny bugs with the voracious appetites have left the state's oldest pine forests teetering on decaying trunks and the views from some of the most beautiful parks drastically changed.

"We have completed an assessment that shows pine beetle damage in 13 of our 49 state parks," said

Department of Parks. "We've estimated that to clean up the problem, as we see it now, will cost about \$1.4

That means cutting trees away from recreation areas, campgrounds, roads, trails and power lines. The hardest hit parks include Cumberland Falls, Dale Hollow, General Burnside and Kingdom



Times file photo

at Dewey Lake after the infestation Chain saw crews, finishing the Dead stands of pine like this one have become a familiar Mike Crain, director of project of southern pine beetles. sight across Eastern Kentucky with the invasion of the (See BEETLES, page seven) The bugs killed about 130 more administration for the Kentucky pine beetle.



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# Odds and Ends

LAS VEGAS — The cities of Wendover, Utah, and West Wendover, Nev., are inching closer to becoming one Nevada city.

A bill allowing the two states to redraw their boundaries has been approved by a House judiciary panel - making its first step forward in Congress since it was introduced in June

Before an 8-0 vote last week sending it to the full House Judiciary Committee, the committee added an amendment requiring a referendum in both cities in November.

Proponents want to expand Nevada's border around Wendover, Utah, merging the town with its Nevada neighbor, though the bill does not make a boundary adjustment. It merely gives congressional consent for the two states to draft an agreement, as required by the U.S. Constitution.

The amendment also gives both states until November 2004 to draft and approve a final agree-

The two Wendovers are divided not only by a state line, but also by laws and ordinances.

In Nevada, business is booming. In Utah, houses are boarded

"On the Utah side, they don't have much," said Rep. James Hansen, R-Utah. "On the other side it's kind of like Paris, France. It's kind of nice."

■ WESTVILLE, Ind. — After keys went missing at the state's largest prison last month, security was tightened and locks were changed at a cost of \$53,000 to prevent escape.

All the while, the keys apparently were safe — at a warden's home

That's where a prison warden's wife found them while cleaning house, said Pam Pattison, a state Department of Correction spokes-

than car or house keys and distinct in appearance — were believed to have been in James Smith's coat pocket when he left the Westville Correctional Facility on Feb. 15 to go home.

Smith, who was the prison's interim superintendent at the time, lived in one of several houses for prison supervisors located on the prison grounds 35 miles west of South Bend.

The keys, which were supposed to be kept in Smith's office, were reported missing when he returned to work and couldn't find

Prison officials ordered a partial lockdown, temporarily restricting movement of the 2,559 inmates at the medium-security prison. The lockdown ended eight days later after all sensitive areas of the prison were equipped with new locks.

"There's a possibility there will be disciplinary action," Pattison said.

■ LEBANON, Pa. — Fifthgrader James Capello knew something was wrong when his lifelong friend's face turned red during lunch in the cafeteria.

Zac Zeeger had a piece of cheese from a pizza sub stuck in his throat and was choking.

"I was unable to breathe," Zeeger said. "I was trying to get it out, and it got stuck."

First, Capello yelled for help.

Then, he snapped into action. "He hit me on the back a couple times," Zeeger said. "Then he pushed on my stomach a couple times. Then he slammed his fist on my back, and the cheese came

The two boys have been friends since first grade.

Principal Barbara Heckard praised Capello for staying calm during the incident last month.

"He took the responsibility to The keys - slightly larger make sure an adult knew what was happening, and he stayed with Zac," Heckard said. "He did what he knew."

Capello's grandfather had told him he might need to use the technique someday.

"I told him, 'If ever it happens around here, you're gonna have to do this to your grandpa," said Earl Mohn.

■ BRUSSELS, Belgium — Just days after berating Prince Laurent for driving at almost twice the legal limit, Prime Minister Guy Verhofstadt faced his own speeding crisis.

On Tuesday, it was reported that his official car was caught going 111 mph in a 75 mph zone.

Verhofstadt had sent an angry letter last Friday to the son of King Albert II calling on him to change his ways on the nation's roads. The premier said members of the royal family should act as role models.

The letter came after revelations that the prince had been caught driving 86 mph in a 43 mph zone and did not have to pay

The newspaper Het Belang van Limburg, however, reported Tuesday the premier's car also was caught speeding and escaped without a fine.

In both cases, the cars were going enough above the posted speed limit to normally merit the immediate suspension of the driver's license.

#### Hillbilly with a crutch on latest Coca-Cola bottle

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE - In a promotion for the Hillbilly Days Festival in Pikeville, Coca-Cola has released another commemorative bottle.

This one depicts a hillbilly, with a black beard and pointed hat, holding a crutch.

Joe Adams, sales manager for Coca-Cola in Pikeville, said 240,000 bottles are being made, and will be available in Pikeville-area stores beginning on Tuesday

Pikeville's Hillbilly Days, a three-day festival that begins on April 18, draws about 100,000 visitors, many of whom dress like the character on the bottles.

Coca-Cola will give a portion of the proceeds from the commemorative bottles to the local Shriners club, which sponsors the festival. All proceeds from the festival will go to the Shriners Hospital for Children in Lexington and the Shriners Burns Hospital in Cincinnati.

Both incidents date back to late 2000, but are only receiving media attention now because road security has moved up the political agenda in recent months after a series of high-profile accidents.

> ■ EDINBURGH, Scotland — More than 300 years since members of the Campbell clan slaughtered 38 of their rival

MacDonalds at Glencoe in the Scottish Highlands - on the pretext that the MacDonalds had failed to swear allegiance to the English crown — passions still run high.

On Monday, the MacDonalds took up the metaphorical cudgels again after hearing that the man appointed to run the new visitor center on the site of the massacre

carries the dread name of their historic foes.

The National Trust for Scotland said Roddy Campbell is the best choice to head the center, which opens to the public in May. "His name did not come into it," said spokesman Simon Walton.

But Hector MacDonald, a spe-

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— William Inge

#### Guest View

### WKU playing by the rules and winning

wo thrilling victories have given the Western Kentucky University Hilltoppers another Sun Belt Conference Championship and automatic bid to the NCAA tournament. With a mix of talent that includes Chris Marcus, a 7-foot-1 center and future NBA draft pick, and freshman sensation Patrick Sparks, 18th-ranked Western has won 18 in a row and bounded to a 28-3 campaign. And it's not over yet. ...

The same day Western clinched its second straight Sun Belt Conference championship, University of Kentucky Athletics Director Larry Ivy resigned amid a committee's review of his department. The committee expressed concern about everything from a \$75,000 consulting contract for C.M. Newton, Ivy's predecessor, for which there was no consulting being performed, to a culture of separation that exists between the athletics department and the rest of the university.

As much as a coach tries to keep such distractions off the court, it seems that the continuum of problems has resulted in a less-than-Kentucky-like performance this season.

Lee Todd, the university's new president, seems determined to end practices like trading tickets for automobiles and accepting gifts. Thats a good sign the program, which, along with its tradition of winning, unfortunately has been in trouble with the NCAA six times in the past 50 years. Needless to say, Todd has a tough job.

Contrast that with The Hill. All weve heard about is the wins this season. No NCAA investigations, no improper behavior by boosters or the athletics department. Not that the just-completed regular season has been all smooth.

But Western's Hilltoppers have had some challenges along the way. There have been injuries to key players and situations that have demanded disciplinary responses. For the most part, they have been handled swiftly and prudently. A relatively new athletics director and president seem committed to running a clean program while winning.

With that commitment and the discipline demanded by head coaches Dennis Felton on the court and Jack Harbaugh on the gridiron, Western continues to show that it's possible to run a program that abides by NCAA rules and yet wins.

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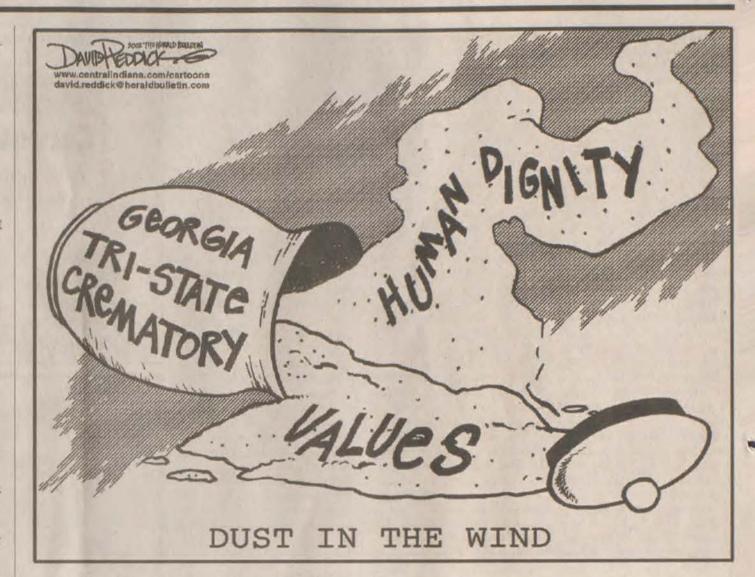
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# Do more than expected

by DEEDRA GEARHEART

"The truth will set you free," my high school English teacher Jane Bailey often quoted. Grant me freedom now!

The truth is that we have wonderful, bright, creative children in the Floyd County School System who are being cheated to their right for a proper and equal education. Our children's education is a one-time-only deal. They don't get second chances and our school system is failing them. We are behind the rest of the state academically and, if our county athletic department had its way, athletically as well.

You can go to the Kentucky Department of Education's website, www.kde.state.ky.us, and click on "School District Report Cards" and see a frightening thing. You can see where our children stand in relation to our neighboring districts and the state. There is a great deal of information there regarding assessments, retention rates, spending per student, teacher qualifications, etc. Don't do it on a cold, rainy

night in the dark, for it is truly terrifying. The truth is that parents, teachers, some administrators, the community and our children are fed up and outraged with our school system and our board of education. "Children First" seems to be a motto that is as hollow as a Halloween jack o'lantern. The truth is, I don't see "Children First." Putting children first doesn't seem to be the priority unless it has to do with how much money one is worth. Those who try to put children first are often met with the big dollar sign issue as to why something can't and won't be done. Classrooms are too large to insure effective learning, particularly in the primary. A former board member once told me, "What do you want? We have lowered the class size in the high schools." My response was, "Duh, Einstein! If they haven't got what they need before high school, heaven help them when they get to college, where classes are 200 or 300 stu-

The truth is we meet the required teacher-student ratios for classroom size. The truth is I don't care! Hey, let's go out on a limb here and go beyond the call of duty. Let's lower that ratio and give our kids a

better chance. Allocation numbers are usually obscure in their reasoning. As a sitebased council member, I have asked central office where these numbers were derived, only to get the answer, "That's the numbers we've always used," or, "It's none of our business. It's the numbers I wanted to use."

We hear of cuts in the teaching staff, our most important tool in the education of our children, on a yearly basis. I don't think I have heard of cuts in central office personnel. Heaven knows there is wasteful spending there. Perhaps a more efficient, more caring, more personal chief administrator would be more affordable, one that understands that children are the only thing! If the head is in the right direction, the body will follow. Don't dismiss the central office personnel who actually have a function that they do, but let's clean the closet of outdated positions and perhaps personnel we paid way too much. Remember, "Children First." Perhaps with the closet reorganized with actual functional, efficient, effective and well-fitting personnel, there will be more funding for the instructors that are needed. Many school staff members try to fly under the radar in order to do what is best for children because policy is often interpreted not in the spirit of the motion, but by the ego of an individual.

The truth is that board of education meetings are often not very effective and occasionally quite embarrassing. My kids have made the comment that those grownups bicker more then they do! Sometimes it is like watching children in the back of the car saying, "He's looking at me." "No, she's looking at me!" I'm sure the elected members of the board have the best intentions, but don't always see the trees (our children) for the forest! I feel that they are not always given accurate information or the truth when they are asked to do something. When questions are asked that required pertinent information, those questions are tabled or ignored. Often, there is such rhetoric that I am surprised that anything ever gets accomplished. Thomas Carlyle once said, "Can there be a more horrible object in existence than an eloquent man not speaking the

The truth is that for years the people of Floyd County felt deceived by our system. Aristotle was once asked what do those who tell lies gain by them, to which he replied, 'When they speak the truth, they are not believed." Just as the "Boy who Cried Wolf' discovered, do not expect the community to come running to rally behind you if the truth, by some fluke, were spoken. State control has only taken the focus away from our children and put it entirely on the money. We are skeptical of the true reasoning behind many of the decisions and events of our school system. We have been lied to. We have had information withheld from us. We have seen the behind-the-door deals.

The truth is that I wish I lived in the city

limits of Prestonsburg because I would sign the petition for an independent school district. At a recent board meeting, I was proud of Prestonsburg's mayor. He said what many feel but are afraid to say for fear it will somehow be used against our children by the powers that be. Whether I agree with him or not is not the issue. He has the right to express his views. Radical views and ideas have led to some of the greatest innovations of our time. Go for it, Prestonsburg! I honestly do not see how you could do

Whether Mayor Fannin's attempts are politically motivated or not, I don't know. Over the years, I have seen that he is a man of action and his word. He has done a great deal for the progress of the city of Prestonsburg and the area. He has done more for the kids of Prestonsburg and its feeder schools in a year than I have seen the system do since my children have been in it. I don't believe it is a back-door attempt to raise taxes. The truth is, if his attempts to implement an independent school district are politically motivated, I don't care because in the long run it may be what is best for our children. Our tax dollars are not working efficiently, effectively or responsibly in the school system as it is now, are they?

The truth is that if your hands are tied behind your back, it is hard to eat. Our teachers must try to feed the minds of our children often with their hands behind their backs. Teachers, for the most part, try to do their jobs but are hindered by lack of textbooks and materials. They are hindered by too many children in a classroom or discipline problems that administrators are afraid to handle for fear of possible litigation that could come. So the teachers must do the best they can. If you talk to most teachers in this school system, they are frustrated (the ones that care about our children, anyway). Principals are frustrated, also. Teachers and principals are in the trenches fighting the good fight only to get their hands smacked. Many use their own money to purchase needed materials or even paper and toilet paper because there just isn't any other way to get it. They do not have the support from the central office needed to handle discipline problems or lack of materials. I have been on site-based councils at two differ

ent schools. It is often a sink-or-swim process and the central administrators are not there to throw you a rope. Schools have to borrow from Peter to pay Paul in order to give their children what they need and do for their children what they can without much support from above.

The truth is that I am frightened that our children will not be prepared for college or the world. Remedial classes at Prestonsburg. Community College have increased significantly over the last 10 years. Many are filled

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#### Odds

cialist in Highland history, called the appointment a farce. "Perhaps this government-led quango thinks it can build bridges with the Glencoe community," he said in an interview with The Daily Telegraph newspaper.

"Don't get me wrong, I have nothing against the Campbells, but I would not stay a night in the company of one," he said.

The massacre came after the Campbells had accepted shelter from the MacDonalds, historians say. Altogether, 38 men, women and children were shot, bayoneted or burned to death at Glencoe on Feb. 13, 1692. Soldiers looted and burned MacDonald hamlets and drove off the livestock. About 160 MacDonalds escaped, but unknown numbers perished of hunger and exposure.

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Rhode Island is well north of the Mason-Dixon line.

But that didn't stop Gov. Lincoln Almond's office from issuing a proclamation declaring April "Confederate History and Heritage Month."

Thomas G. Kogut, a spokesman for the governor, told The Providence Journal that it was "processed in error" at the request last month from a southerner named Calvin Johnson, who then posted it on his website.

Johnson's website - called 'Proud Son of a Confederate Soldier" - featured Rhode Island's proclamation, as well as links to the song "Dixie," and information about those who

fought in the so-called "War of Southern Independence."

The proclamation's language was supplied by Johnson. It declared April the month in which "the Confederate States of America began and ended its four-year struggle for states' rights, individual freedom and local control" just like America's "Revolutionary forefathers."

Johnson pulled the proclamation from his website when the governor's office realized what it had done and asked him to remove it.

PORTLAND, Ore. — Wine maker Michael Paul Higgins is whining about his license plate.

Oregon's Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division has rejected his request to have WINE, VINO or IN VINO as a vanity plate, a move Higgins says violates his constitutional right to free speech.

"Why shouldn't people be able to put anything on a vanity plate that they can put on a bumper sticker?" he asks.

The state Supreme Court will hear oral arguments in his case Thursday.

Experts say a victory by Higgins would eliminate virtually any restrictions on vanity plates, forcing Oregon officials to choose between allowing nasty words and scrapping a program that raises about \$1.5 million a year for litter patrol.

Higgins' request for the plates was first denied in 1996 and an appeal lost the next year.

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In 2000, a divided Oregon Court of Appeals sided with the DMV, saying vanity plates were not the speech of the motorist who requested them, but of the government, which owns the

Higgins, 65, said the reasoning is ludicrous.

"If someone walks down the street and swears up a blue streak, it doesn't make us think that the state approves it because it's a public street," he said last week.

SAN FRANCISCO — Thirty years ago, Jeffrey Orth, a U.S. Air Force veteran, protested the Vietnam War, marching and chanting slogans.

Today, he's a rabid flag-waver, known to San Francisco commuters as the Flag Man.

"Back then, it was totally uncool to wave the flag, but that's all changed now," said Orth. 'Since Sept. 11, it's everyone's flag again.'

Virtually every morning the real estate agent walks the fourmile round trip on the Golden Gate Bridge, carrying an American flag. Orth, 52, began the morning walk on Nov. 2, shortly after seeing a television report that the famous span might become the next targets of terror-

Orth sprang into action, grabbed a flag and drove the 10 minutes from his San Francisco home to the bridge. He walked across and back again, and has done so nearly every morning

On the few days when Orth couldn't make it, a local radio station enlisted volunteers to fill in

As a bonus to his patriotism, Orth's routine has gotten him in better shape.

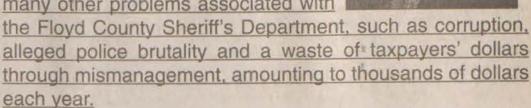
"It used to take an hour and 20 minutes," he said of the trip that now takes him 52 minutes. "But before this I did nothing in the way of exercise. Now I've lost 12 pounds and hardly break a

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#### TO ALL CITIZENS OF **FLOYD COUNTY**

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I want to promise you that I will organize and develop a Sheriff's Department free of corruption, free of police brutality and free of mismanagement. As Sheriff, I will implement rules and regulations, as well as, policies and procedures that together, with proper supervision and training, will eliminate these problems.

Federal and state investigations of the Floyd County Sheriff's Department have become commonplace, and may even be going on at this time. I want you to know that when I am elected Sheriff, the F.B.I., State Police or State Attorney General's Office will not have to come into our county and embarrass us with criminal investigations. If there is a problem within my Department, I will personally investigate it and will take the appropriate action under the law to remove that problem.

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I am married to Ricky Darrell Hancock, who is employed in the Transportation Department in our County School System. We are the proud parents of two wonderful children, Brittany, a 7th grader at Allen Central Middle School, and Kayla Dawn, a 5th grader at May Valley Elementary. My parents are Fair Bentley Jr., and Cendia Marie Hall.

But for this position of PVA, I honestly must speak of my beloved stepfather, the late Lovel Hall. He was a father to me in every way that was good. Even though I graduated in 1987 as Valedictorian of my class at Allen Central

High School, I was not financially able to pursue a college education beyond the first year. Soon I was married, and in time, was a working mom, striving daily with my husband to find a better life for ourselves and our infant daughters.

Even though I was not privileged with wealth, I was blessed with a loving stepfather, Lovel Hall. He put me to work in the PVA Office in 1990, and it was there I learned the satisfaction of serving people. I also learned by experience, the right way to be a PVA, work hard, treat every citizen with respect, stay humble, and be honest. Lovel Hall was my hero and model. I worked my way up, serving as Deputy PVA for over 10 years. In



1999 & 2000, I completed the educational programs administered by the Revenue Cabinet and was certified as "Senior Kentucky Assessor," which qualifies me for PVA, as required by the law. It was my hope to one day seek this position after my stepdad's retirement, but his sudden death came three days before his official retirement. Weeks later, I was appointed PVA by the Governor. Since September 22, 2000, I have served honestly and faithfully, and now ask for your vote.

I am not embarrassed to speak plainly about what this position means to me and my family. I am a working mom, and in years past, it has given me the opportunity to give my children a better life. More importantly, it has allowed

me to earn a living in a way that has brought fulfillment and purpose. Like my stepdad Lovel, taught me, there is no greater honor than being chosen to serve and help people, and no more joy than doing it with honesty and effectiveness.

I humbly ask for the opportunity to continue on, in the work I began over 12 years ago, to serve as your PVA. Words cannot express what it means to me, my family, and especially my children.

I promise you will never regret it.

### CONNIE HANCOCK

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think communication is the go in on existing lines." problem," he said, "increases with no explanation why. I think that's the problem."

An update on the March 25 meeting will follow as further information becomes available.

Bob Carpenter, a resident of Lancer, addressed the council in regard to a concern over high natural gas rates in the area. According to Carpenter, several residents of the Lancer community have not been allowed hook-up to city utility gas lines and as a result have been subject to pay higher rates than other city residents.

"I can stand it," he said. "I can pay it, but I don't like to. But some of the older people, they can't pay it."

According to Mayor Jerry Fannin, the residents that Carpenter spoke of are hooked up to Columbia Gas lines and the city utilities commission has, in the past, approached Columbia in an attempt to negotiate the purchase of those

"Columbia was not interested in selling their lines," Fannin informed Carpenter. "Also, I believe, according to KRS, pub-

David Neeley, city attorney, verified that statement.

Councilman Bill R. Collins expressed concern over the situation, saying that "older people can't just pay and keep on paying, they're on fixed incomes."

Neeley agreed, upon request by the mayor, to look further into the situation.

In other business, Darlynn Barber, a field representative from Sen. Jim Bunning's office, addressed the council to inform them of grant monies that could be available to the city that would allow for the purchase of educational safety tools and equipment that could be used, for example, to educate children on the warning signals and dangers of natural disasters such as tornadoes and earthquakes. The funds availability would fall under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

"Last year," said Barber, "about \$100 million was available. This year, that should triple.

Mayor Fannin informed Barber that the city had applied for grant funding under this service in 2001 and that their lic service commissions can't request had been rejected.

"They told us last year that we have got more than we need already," he said.

Councilman Collins added that if the city were to attempt to purchase any of this type of equipment, "it would have to be with grant money."

"I guess we can re-apply," he

Barber encouraged the council to do so.

Ralph Little, manager of the city's Archer Park, was present at the meeting to hear discussion in regard to the traffic signal that now exists at the Archer Park-West Prestonsburg entrance.

Councilman explained that several residents of the city had complained in regard to the traffic signal's

"They wonder why they have to stop there," Cooley said. "There's nothing coming, but they have to stop. The light is not really needed. There are other places that need it worse." No decision in regard to this

matter was made by council. Prestonsburg Police Chief Darrell Conley was present to

address the problem of parking along certain streets. One area

discussed was on South Central Avenue, to the rear of the AEP Coal & Electric building. Conley informed the council that the street commonly became congested due to parking behind the building. "They have a large parking lot in the front of their building," he said. 'They need to use it.'

restrict the area to a yellow curb no-parking zone from the corner of Graham Street and down South Central Avenue, ending at the Ray Howard Furniture

Additionally, from the upper corner of Graham Street turning left onto Highland Avenue approximately 250 feet was also designated a no-parking zone by motion of the council. that area, along with regular daily parking on the street, has created a driving hazard, contributing to some vehicular damage.

A third area of the city also passed motion to become designated as a no-parking area. That area is at the mouth of Trimble Branch and the corner of Friend 20 concerning the meeting. Street and North Highland According Avenue. Monday's motion, an area extending 30 feet back from that corner, from the residence of Sharon Sammons, will become a no-parking zone.

Also on Monday evening's agenda was the business of city commission appointments and re-appointments which was rescheduled for the next council did make announcement of the appointment of Pat Bradley, of Whitesburg, as the new executive director of the Mountain Arts Center, despite a "no" vote from Councilman Cooley. abstained his vote.

An announcement was also Mountain Arts Center. The city received \$20,000 for the property.

### Gambling bill to get panel hearing today

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT - A House committee will vote Wednesday on the bill to let horse tracks operate slot machines, a move Council passed a motion to that the proposal's primary sponsor said is largely proce-

> Rep. Jim Callahan, D-Wilder, said he will ask the Licensing and Occupations Committee to approve the bill so it can get one of the three required "readings" in the House before a vote can be

Callahan said the bill would be sent back to the committee, According to Conley and Tom where he will propose a new Harris, manager city works version of the bill on Monday. department, the stone wall in In order to emerge from the committee a second time, a separate vote would have to be

The tactic is somewhat unex-

pected. Callahan had promised fellow legislators he would not force a vote on the proposal at any stage until he was convinced there was enough support to pass it in the House and Senate. Callahan declined to say Tuesday if he had mustered such widespread support.

Race tracks, which would get the sole franchise to operate slot machines under their proposal, are known to be make revisions to several parts of the original bill, including plans to make the operation of a new gambling control board more subject to sunshine laws on meetings and

But like the original proposal, which supporters kept close to the vest until it was introduced on Feb. 26, details of the proposal have been kept secret.

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Frazier accused the board of not keeping proper documentation of the staff's time and stated there is no record of money paid to Donald Pelphrey for property. He questioned the board about how they received title of the Elementary Prestonsburg School, alleging that they did not and could not retain the property if they closed the school.

'My belief is that it would go meeting. However, the council back to Prestonsburg," said

The topic then switched to state management of the school board as Frazier argued that when he inquired as to why the state took over the district. Carol Councilman Bill R. Collins Stumbo said that the board had not managed its money well in past years. He expressed respect made pertaining to the sale of a for Stumbo for the fact that he piece of city-owned property to thought she still believed in what Jim Booth, Microtel. The land she did, and - though he is situated along the riverbank respected Zella Wells - the located in the vicinity of the board doesn't need a representative of the state sitting there.

Speaking to Stumbo, Frazier said that, like her, he knows how

the system works because he had taken the same classes in his 20year history in the field.

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He stated that like America in Vietnam, the state should declare victory and go home.

Frazier said that his lawyer, Phil Damron, former board attorney, has a terminal illness, but like Lazarus, he feels strongly enough about the matter to be involved in it as long as there is life in him.

"All this board has to do is say we want to run this school system and we can," said Stumbo

"Well, let's do it," said

He expressed to the board that it was not his desire to personalize this, but to support Prestonsburg Elementary. However, it became personal when is wife's integrity and honesty were questioned in public.

Frazier voiced that he would like to remove the issue from the personal arena and agreed to speak with Ross after the meet-

#### Black Lung

cate of reforming the federal black-lung program. He sometimes toted his oxygen tank with him as he sought support.

Kathryn South said that on the day her husband died, four other miners also died from the disease.

"I was robbed for my remaining years of the comfort and companionship of a spouse and a friend that can never be replaced," she said.

She urged Kentucky legislators to make it easier for miners to win claims for black-lung dis-

"Don't make the people wait until they are almost dead to get the benefits," she said, adding that some die never receiving benefits.

Hours later, the review was more analytical as the Senate Development, Economic Tourism and Labor Committee studied the issue.

The panel heard a range of cost estimates that coal operators would shoulder if the bill to relax black-lung rules becomes

The bill, proposed by Gov Paul Patton, has already passed the House. It would offer money to retrain miners with low levels of black lung. The purpose is to get sick workers out of the mines before their breathing impairment becomes debilitating.

The bill would create a "rebuttable presumption" that a lung impairment in a miner with at least 15 years on the job was caused by exposure to coal dust. The coal industry vehemently opposes the provision.

The bill also would change the evaluation process for determining whether a miner has black lung.

If doctors for the miner and coal operator disagreed about the presence of black lung, a consensus would be sought by having the miners' chest X-rays read by additional specialists. Under the current evaluation system, miners' chest X-rays are analyzed by disinterested doctors at the University of

Louisville and University of Kentucky.

The tougher black-lung rules were enacted in 1996 as part of an overhaul of the workers' compensation system. Since then, about one claim in 90 has been approved. The governor says the changes went too far.

If the relaxed black-lung rules become law, the coal industry would face added onetime costs ranging from \$16.6 million to \$31.3 million, according to estimates given the Senate committee. The one-time costs would come from the reopening of claims made since late 1996, this time using the new, relaxed in determining standards awards.

The additional ongoing annual costs would range from \$3 million to \$5.7 million, according to the estimates.

Workers Coal Pneumoconiosis Fund, which pays black-lung claims, had a \$16.9 million balance as of

Monday, the committee was told. The coal industry supplies the fund through assessments on insurance premiums and each ton of coal produced. The governor's bill would raise the per-ton assessment by a few pennies, a

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Patton aide said. Afterwards, committee Chairwoman Katie Stine, R-Fort Thomas, said she planned to give both sides of the issue a chance to testify. A vote on the bill would probably come at a

Stine said she had been working with the different sides to try to find compromises. She said she had not yet succeeded.

later committee hearing, she

Sen. Dick Adams, D-Madisonville, said he thought everyone on the committee had made up their minds, and that it was time to vote. He referred to the hearings as "paralysis by analysis.'

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learning and was adamant about reasons why.

"Every child has the same capability to learn if given the same opportunity," said Varia.

Varia said that she had just returned from Louisville and they had told her this and she wanted to know why all the students in Floyd County were not

Vice Chairman Jeff Stumbo questioned the dropout rate at county high schools, commenting that of the 40 who dropped out of high school last year, 27 of them were from Betsy

Henry Webb, principal of South Floyd High School, stated that he believes there are different variables involved with each student and the solution to this problem as well as many others is motivation.

"I feel like motivation is really holding our students

back," said Webb.

Referring to the panel, he said that they are looking at consolidating motivational and goal-setting programs that would target students in the late elementary grades up to middle

school grades. Allen Central High principal Lorena Sparks added that students need motivation to be in school and this could be done by getting them connected to someone at school who could serve as a role model, which would encourage the student to

"The reason the children aren't coming is the reason to why they are failing," said Rev. Johnnie Ross, the board's chairman. "Not the classroom."

Watson stated that the panel has a master scheduler coming from Louisville to show them how to use what they have to get the most out of their resources.

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#### Stumbo

said from his Frankfort office Tuesday night. "I publicly opposed the board when they closed Prater Creek and I publicly opposed the board when they closed Harold, but we were not in a position to do anything at that time. Now we are.'

Stumbo said reports that closing Prestonsburg would save the district \$300,000 do not make sense to him. He said some of that savings would be offset by parents who would remove their children from Floyd County

schools to place them in private schools or other districts. And, he said, such a move would also create hardship not only for the parents of the roughly 500 children would be displaced by the closing of Prestonsburg, but also by the students at Allen Elementary, which is one of two schools which would absorb students from the Prestonsburg area.

"I've heard from a lot of parents who are voicing concern about this, both Prestonsburg and Allen," Stumbo

In addition from preventing Prestonsburg from being closed, the provision would also prohibit it from being substantially changed. Stumbo said he added that phrase to prevent the school board from making any significant changes to how the school operates. For instance, he said the requirement would prevent the board from moving grades to another school.

This is not the first time Stumbo has used the state budget

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to effect his wishes for the Floyd County School District. In 1998, he inserted language in that year's budget which barred the district from beginning any new construction projects until athletic complexes at Prestonsburg and South Floyd high schools were complete. That requirement was again added to the 2000-2001

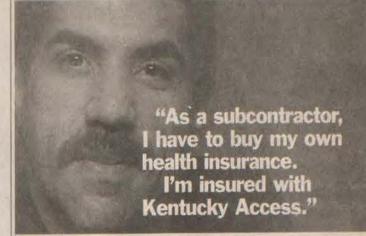
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As in those instances, Stumbo's directive to the school board would end with the budget, which runs in two-year cycles. But he said he would seek to have the requirement added again should the need present itself in

The budget is scheduled for a vote by the House of Representatives today. From there, it would also have to approved by the Senate and signed by the governor before becoming law.

Stumbo said he fully expects the requirement to still be in the budget once the bill is finalized.

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### Jail crews return to cemetery work

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

The Floyd County jail is helping clean up public cemeteries by getting inmates involved in community service.

According to Floyd County Jailer Roger Webb, the jail has spent thousands of hours cleaning dozens of cemeteries and is now back in business to help and assist in maintaining public

Webb said that they were held up last year on a question as to whether the maintenance of cemeteries was legal for prison labor. However, this was cleared by a letter to County Attorney Keith Bartley from the Department of Corrections stating that there is not a problem if the cemetery is open to the general public for burial without cost.

The inmates who clean the cemeteries through community service are allowed to work outside the jail according to the level of the felony which is assigned to them by the Department of Corrections. Those at levels one and two can do community service outside of a facility in the presence of a deputy jailer or a designated supervisor. The inmate receives a \$1.25 a day from the state for his or her labor.

"It gets them used to having the responsibility of getting up and going out to work every day," said Webb. "An honest

day's work, for a honest day's large

Webb said that a lot of elderly citizens are not physically or financially able to maintain the public cemeteries on their lands and that is where the state

inmates can benefit the public at

He said that he wanted to public to know that they were back to cleaning cemeteries and if anyone needed assistance in the care of a cemetery to call the Floyd County Detention Center at 886-



Floyd County Jailer Roger Webb and work release supervisor Teddy Ray Tackett supervise the cleanup efforts of inmates who are servicing the community by focusing on public cemeteries.

#### Beetles

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work the bugs started, have been cutting trees that pose the greatest risk of falling on people. So far, state and federal officials said, no one has been seriously injured in Kentucky by a falling

"We've been involved in tree removal since midsummer of 2001, particularly removing trees at high risk to life and safety," Crain said. "We'll continue

Mason Miller, engineering and recreation staff officer for U.S. Forest Service in Winchester, said the dead trees pose a serious safety hazard until they're removed, whether they're around campgrounds,

recreational areas or roads. Miller said the US Fo Service will have to remove pine beetle.'

dead pines from 358 miles of road and 285 miles of trail in the Daniel Boone National Forest. He said that'll be at a cost of about \$564,000.

"It's really important that we get these trees down," he said. "After these trees die, they deteriorate really rapidly.'

In the Daniel Boone National Forest, where 85 to 90 percent of the pine trees are dead, the Forest Service has teamed up with state and local government and electric utilities to tackle with the problem.

"It's really expensive to remove these trees," Miller said. "We do hazard tree analysis every year, but we've been particularly hard hit in the last few years because of the southern

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Chronic myelogenous leukemia, also called CML or chronic granulocytic leukemia, is a disease in which too many

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abnormal bone marrow. The form of CML Mrs. Ousley has progresses slowly and with effective treatment, her chances of living a long healthy life dramatically increases. However, Ousley's physician, Dr. Hassan Ghazal of Hazard, warns that effective treatment may also require a bone marrow transplant.

Ousley's survival may depend

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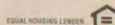
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# Study suggests link between sleep problems, ADHD

BY LINDSEY TANNER
AP MEDICAL WRITER

CHICAGO — New research suggests children who snore face nearly double the risk of being inattentive and hyperactive, providing fresh evidence of an intriguing link between sleep problems and attention deficit disorders.

While the study doesn't answer whether one condition causes the other, the researchers believe snoring and other sleep problems may be the culprit in some cases because children often express sleepiness by being inattentive and "hyper."

If it turns out to be true, this theory could help explain the paradox over why stimulants such as Ritalin can effectively treat children with conditions like attention deficit/hyperactivity disorder who already seem over-stimulated, said Dr. Ronald Chervin, a University of Michigan neurologist and sleep researcher, and the study's lead

author.

"If there is indeed a causeand-effect link, sleep problems in children could represent a major public health issue," Chervin said. "It's conceivable that by better identifying and treating children's snoring and other nighttime breathing problems, we could help address some of the most common and challenging childhood behavioral issues."

ADHD is the most common neurobehavioral disorder in childhood, affecting between 4 percent and 12 percent of school-age children — or as many as 3.8 million youngsters. Data cited by Chervin suggest

that between 7 percent and 12 percent of children snore frequently, with apnea — brief breathing lapses during sleep that can cause snoring — present in up to 3 percent of school-age children.

Numerous other studies have found a link between sleep problems and ADHD, but many sleep specialists and psychiatrists are divided over which condition might cause the other.

"There's absolutely a connection," said Dr. Stephen Sheldon, a sleep specialist at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago. "There is a proportion of youngsters that have sleep pathology causing their daytime symptoms that appear virtually identical to ADHD."

Dr. Timothy Wilens, a child psychiatrist at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, is more skeptical.

"I would say the verdict is still out," said Wilens.

ADHD is thought to have a genetic cause and runs in families, Wilens said. The sleep disturbances his research has found in ADHD children, including restlessness and difficulty falling asleep, are likely the result of behavioral prob-

lems, not vice versa, he said. Chervin's study involving 866 children aged 2 through 13 is published in the March issue of Pediatrics. It is based on surveys of parents about their children's behavior and sleep patterns.

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Parents rated their children's behavior based on a list of psychiatric criteria for ADHD, which includes impulsiveness, inability to pay attention and

excessive activity. Parents

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Healthbeat:

# 'Virtual patients' to speed drug development

by LAURAN NEERGAARD
AP MEDICAL WRITER

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"This is an incredible tool for drug discovery," says Richard Kahn, chief medical officer of the American Diabetes Association. "It is absolutely astounding what this technology can do,"

Dismayed that "the pipeline is about empty" of promising new diabetes drugs, the nonprofit group just began an unprecedented collaboration with Entelos, hoping to sign up pharmaceutical companies in the hunt for therapies using the California company's new diabetes simulator.

Many scientists fear biosimulators are over-hyped, particularly their role in very complex disorders like diabetes and heart disease where much of the basic biology is still a mystery.

"I don't think we're anywhere near being able to predict from a few pathways in the human cell ... things that take place in the whole body," says Dr. Jan Breslow, a Rockefeller University specialist on the pathophysiology of heart disease.

But simulators can be updated easily, says Jeremy Levin, whose New Jersey-based Physiome Sciences boasts a heart model that goes into irregular beats and customizable simulators.

Indeed, some drug giants are spending millions for access to simulators in hopes they'll improve a bad statistic: A third of potential drugs that pass the years of research needed to begin final-stage testing in people still ultimately fail.

Scientists' brains simply can't hold all the discoveries about how healthy and diseased cells work, much less envision all the chain reactions sparked by tweaking even one link in the process. But a supercomputer

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Marty has three sons Marty Keith Jr., Rodney Oliver, and Matthew Emitt, all of Betsy Layne. He has two granddaughters Brayden and Emily of Betsy Layne. He is the son of the late Emitt Hamilton Jr., and the late Lorene Mullins Hamilton.

Jr. was the son of the late Emitt Hamilton and Maudie Hamilton of Mud Creek. Jr. had two sisters and one brother, Verbal Meek of Betsy Layne (retired school-teacher), Bernice Prater now works at the Factory Outlet, Virgil Hamilton (better known as Bud) of Florida.

Lorene was the daughter of the late Burnis Mullins and Billie Roberts Mullins of Mud Creek. She has two brothers, the late Dewey Lee Mullins and James Pete Mullins of Mud Creek.

Marty's Great Uncle, **Dewey Roberts**, was Magistrate in District 4 for many years, and his Great Uncle, **Lee Roberts**, was Magistrate in District 1 (Pike County). Lee was also a State Representative in 1993 in Ligon's District.

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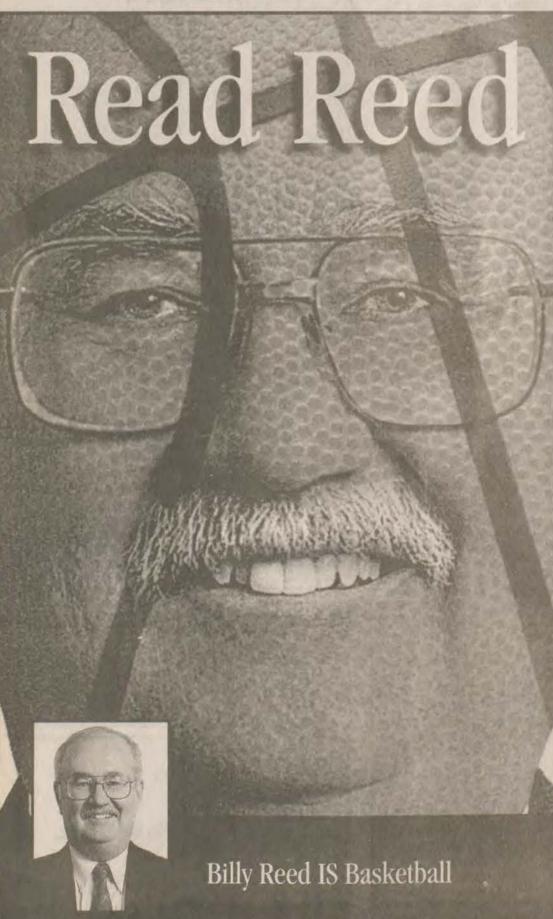
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#### Housing assistance in Wayland area

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.

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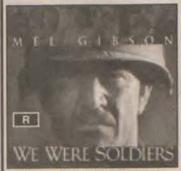
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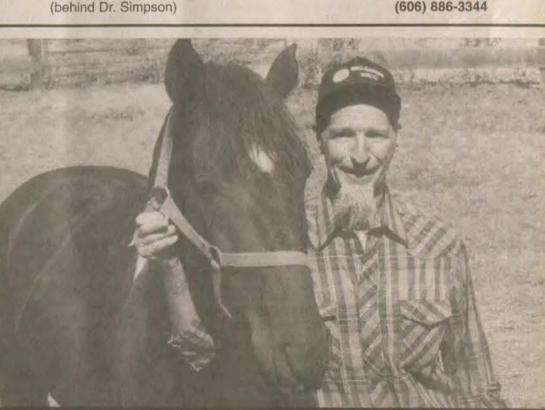
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# Obituaries

#### Coletta Dawn Harris

Coletta Dawn Harris, 37, of Cow Creek, Prestonsburg, Ky., died Saturday, March 9, 2002.

Born on March 26, 1964, at Pontiac, Michigan, she was the daughter of Taylor Douglas and Florene Conn Harris of Cow Creek, Prestonsburg, Ky. She was an OB technician, and was a member of the Cow Creek Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Trevor Langdon Harris and Steven Douglas Weil, both of Cow Creek, Prestonsburg, Ky.; one brother, Gary Douglas Harris of Prestonsburg, Ky.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, March 12, 2002, at 11 a.m., at the Cow Creek Freewill Baptist Church, Cow Creek, Prestonsburg, with Clifford Austin and Nathan Lafferty officiating.

Burial was in the Mosley Cow Creek, Prestonsburg, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky.

Pallbearers are: Tony Harris, Paul Dean Crider, Jamie Harris, Mack Johnson, Larry Collins, Martin Minix, Mark Hunt, James Keith Harris, and David William Harris.

Visitation was at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

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#### Gladys E. Hogan

Gladys E. Hogan, age 81, of Troy, Michigan, formerly of Central City, Ky., died Monday, March 11, 2002.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Elmond C. Hogan. Survivors include her chil-

dren, Daniel (ZoeAnn) Hogan, W. Douglas (Gail) Hogan, Michael (Virginia) Hogan, Joe (Ann) Hogan, and Jane (Salvatore) Agrusa; two sisters, Peggy (Richard) Richardson and Daniel (Faye) Crum; 15 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchil-

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Cynthia R. Hogan.

Visitation will be Wednesday, 3-9 p.m., at Price Funeral Home. 3725 South Rochester Road, (between Big Beaver and Wattles Roads), Troy. In state Thursday, 11:30 a.m. until funeral service, 12 noon, at First Baptist Church of Troy, 2601 John R. Road, (between Big Beaver and Maple Roads), Troy.

Interment will be in the Christian Memorial Cemetery, Rochester Hills, under the direction of Price Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the Missionary Fund, First Baptist Church of Troy, 2601 John R. Road, Troy, Michigan

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#### Dorcas Tussey Fannin

Dorcas Tussey Fannin, of Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek in Floyd County, passed away March 10, 2002, at § the age of 75.

She was born March 1, 1927, the daughter of the late Fred and Julia Haywood Tussey of Spurlock Fork, of Middle Creek, in Floyd County.

She was also preceded in death by her husband, Ernest Fannin Sr., in 1978, after 31 years of marriage. She was a born again Christian of the Baptist faith. Before her retirement in 1991, following 25 years of service, she worked for the Floyd County Board of Education as a Cook at Clark Elementary School.

She is survived by her three children, Betty Fannin Layne of Syracuse, Indiana; Ernest Fannin Jr., of Spurlock, and Deborah Fannin of Oviedo, Florida; one brother, Donald Tussey of Middle Creek; two sisters, Angie Justice of Spurlock; and Lena Mae Hall of Town Branch, Prestonsburg; four grandchildren, Melissa Layne Drongowski of Nashville, Tennessee: James Michael Layne of Syracuse, Indiana; Christopher Fannin of Spurlock; and Pamela Fannin of Georgetown, South Carolina; three great-grandchildren, Christopher Blake Fannin, Alexander Drongowski, and Emilia Layne.

She was preceded in death by four brothers, Bill Tussey of South Williamson, West Virginia: Calvin Tussey of Caney Creek, Curtis Tussey of Lexington, Ky. and Rev. L.P. Tussey of West Prestonsburg.

Funeral services will be held at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, Prestonsburg, Ky., Wednesday, March 13, 2002, at 11 a.m., with Rev. Dan Heintzelman and Randolph Crisp officiating.

Burial will be at the Lakeview Cemetery near Paintsville Lake in Johnson County. (Paid obituary)

Audrey B. Little

Monday, March 11, 2002, fol-

Born on May 2, 1923, at

Rush, Ky., she was the daughter

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daughters, Peggy A. Bates and

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ers, Vernon E. Bailey of North

Carolina, Chester Bailey of

Ironton, Ohio, and Paul H.

Bailey of Bypro, Ky.; one sister,

Juanita Hall of Prestonsburg,

Ky.; and three grandchildren,

Judy Lynn Miley, Jason Edward

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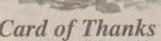
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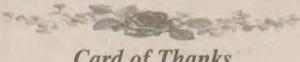
The family of Walter C. Gunnell would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help in the loss of our loved one; those who sent food and flowers, or just spoke kind words. We are especially grateful to Clergymen Mark Tackett and Richard Ginn for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional care.

THE FAMILY OF WALTER C. GUNNELL



Card of Thanks
The family of Phyllis Fraley Esham wishes to express our appreciation and thanks to all those who sent flowers, food, and comforting words, in the loss of our mother. We are especially grateful to the second floor nurses and staff, the third floor support care staff, and Dr. Caruso, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center. A special thanks to pastor Mathew Adams for his kind words, to Ron Vanover for the beautiful singing, Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional

THE FAMILY OF PHYLLIS FRALEY ESHAM



#### Card of Thanks

The family of Verna Edith Layne wishes to thank all of those friends, neighbors, and family, who helped in any way upon the passing of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent food, flowers, prayers, or words of comfort. We are especially grateful to Clergyman Belmont Johnson for his comforting words, the Boldman Freewill Baptist Church, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF VERNA EDITH LAYNE

#### Anna B. Taylor

Anna B. Taylor, age 64, of Norwalk, Ohio, died Friday, March 8, 2002, at home, following a lengthy illness.

She was born March 27, 1937, in Harold, Kentucky, daughter of the late Ransome and Carmie (Castle) Blevins. She grew up in Harold, Ky., and had lived in the New London and Norwalk areas from 1960 until 1974, when she moved to Merritt Island, Florida. She moved back to Norwalk in 2000. She attended the Baptist Church. Mrs. Taylor had been a volunteer at a nursing home in Florida for more than 10 years. She was a homemaker.

She is survived by five daughters and sons-in-law, Zina Castle-Roberts and Don Roberts of Norwalk; Glenda and Ted Mason of Monroeville; Gletha and Clyde Sitz of Leeds, Alabama; Lorna Waldrup of Milan; and Sonya and John Verschoor of Cocoa, Florida; a son, Bradley Case of Norwalk; six brothers, Daniel Blevins of Clyde; Glen Blevins of Grundy, Virginia; Clyde Blevins of Harold, Kentucky; Terry Jacksonville, Blevins of Florida; Larry Blevins of Pennsylvania; and Chris Blevins of Georgia; two sisters, Nina Howell of Harold, Kentucky, and Lou Elkins of Crescent City, Florida; 16 grandchildren, and 13 greatgrandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Earl Case; her second husband, Jack Taylor; a son, Earl Eugene Case in 1994; a grandson, Joseph Sitz; a brother, James Blevins; and a son-in-law, Donald

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, March 12, at 1 p.m., with Rev. Pat Eulett, of the Springmill Church of God, Mansfield, officiating.

Burial followed at Grove Street Cemetery, New London, under the direction of Eastman Funeral Home, New London.

Memorials, if desired, may be given to the American Heart Association, Northeast Ohio Affiliate, 1689 E. 115th St., Cleveland, Ohio 44106-2988.

(Paid obituary)

#### Joann Tuttle McKinney Joann Tuttle McKinney, 58.

of Melvin, Ky., died Monday, March 11, 2002, following an extended illness.

Born on January 1, 1944, at Bevinsville, Ky., she was the daughter of the late Tom and Debbie Johnson Tuttle. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Shannon

She is survived by her husband, James McKinney.

Other survivors include two daughters, Shonna Phillips, and Sherry Compton, both of Melvin, Ky.; two brothers, Virgil Hall of Minnie, Ky., and James Tuttle of Mt. Sterling, Ky.; two sisters, Helen Johnson of Prestonsburg, Ky., and Goldie Bullock of Indianapolis, Indiana; and four grandchildren, Shanna McKinney, Jessica Bartley, Tyler Compton, and Matthew Compton.

She was preceded in death by one son, Wallace Turner; one brother, Nick Tuttle; and one sister, Violet Stumbo.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, March 14, 2002, at 1 p.m., at the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church, Melvin, Ky., with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Turner Cemetery, Garrett, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier

Funeral Home, Martin, Ky. Visitation is at the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church.

(Paid obituary)

#### Beulah Prater

Beulah Prater, age 78, of Martin, Ky., wife of Ray Virgil Prater, passed away Friday, March 8, 2002, at her resi-

She was born March 1, 1924, in Wayland, Ky., the daughter of the late Millard Beverly and Cora Moore Beverly. Mrs. Prater was a homemaker and a member of the Maytown First Baptist Church, Langley, Ky.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by three daughters, Mary June Webb of Allen, Ky., Sandra Lynn Flanery of Martin, Ky., and Theresae Lea Price of Lexington, Ky.; two brothers, Rev. Forrest Beverly of Dayton, Oh., and J.C. Beverly of Fairborn, Oh.; two sisters, Beatrice Porter of Allen, Ky., and Hazel Daughtery of Cincinnati, Oh.; six grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and one deceased grandchild, Matthew Webb.

Funeral services for Beulah Prater were conducted Sunday, March 10, 2002, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky., with the clergyman, Robert Varney, officiat-

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

Visitation was at the funeral

Pallbearers: Michael Flannery, Allen James, Jeremy Webb, Patrick Price, Lonnie L. Daugherty, and Beecher Hale.

Honorary: Jason Webb and Thomas Mathew Webb.

(Paid obituary)

#### Sherman L. Foster

Sherman L. Foster, age 81, of Drift, Ky., husband of the late Nellie Marie Ward Foster, passed away Sunday, March 10, 2002, at the Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington, Ky., following an extended illness.

He was born February 29, 1920, in Martin, Ky., the son of the late Arthur Foster and Emma Shannon Foster. Mr. Foster was a retired coal miner.

Survivors include three brothers, Emmit Foster of Cleveland, Oh., Thomas Jefferson Foster of Akron, Oh., William "Billy" Foster of Gautier, Ms., and one sister, Nannie Foster Halbert of St. Mary's Ohio.

Funeral services for Sherman L. Foster will be conducted Wednesday, March 13, 2002, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, Ky., with the clergyman, Ted Shannon, officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral

(Paid obituary)

#### Robert Meade Jr.

Robert Meade Jr., 58, of Ivel, Ky., died Monday, March 11, 2002, following an extended illness.

Born on January 2, 1944, at Printer, Ky., he was the son of the late Robert Meade Sr., and Bertha Alice Hamilton Meade. He was a retired factory worker, and a member of the Church of Christ, at Printer.

He is survived by his wife, Fredia McKinney Meade.

Other survivors include two sons, Howard Vance Meade of Richmond, Ky., and Kenneth Ray Meade of Martin, Ky.; two brothers, James Madison Meade and Phillip Isaac Meade, both of Printer, Ky.; eight sisters, Josephine Yates of Printer, Ky., Delsie Adams of Viper, Ky., Wanda Riley of Harold, Ky., Irene Conn of Martin, Ку., Shirley McKinney, and Ethel Meade, both of Printer, Ky., Gladys McKinney of Prestonsburg, Ky., and Pauline Conn of Morgan County, Ky.; and five grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Westley Meade, George Meade, and Henry Meade; and one sister, Viola Meade.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, March 13, 2002, at 12 noon, at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, Ky., with Jack Hall officiating.

Burial will be in the Jeff Hunter Cemetery, Printer, Ky., under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral (Paid obit

#### Sleep

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weren't asked if their children had been diagnosed with ADHD, which Chervin acknowledged limits being able to generalize the results.

Overall, 16 percent were frequent snorers and 13 percent scored high on the ADHD scale.

Among frequent snorers, 22 percent had high ADHD scores, compared with only 12 percent among infrequent snorers.

Since snoring is often caused by apnea, which in turn is frequently caused by large tonsils, removing the tonsils might in some cases improve behavior, Chervin said.

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The family of Samuel Clarence Stephens would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, relatives, and neighbors who helped in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to all those who sent food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We are especially grateful to Clergyman Lori Vannucci for his comforting words, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF SAMUEL CLARENCE STEPHENS

### Card of Thanks

The family of Annie Hall Stumbo would like to thank all of the neighbors, friends, and families who helped in the passing of our loved one. Thanks to Dr. Rivera, Dr. Hall, the nursing staff, Home Health, and anyone who helped in any way. Thanks to the Old Beaver Church, and the First Baptist Church for the dinners they prepared for us. Thanks to those who sent flowers, food, cards or said prayers or kind words. Thanks to the Old Regular Baptist preachers, and to Harry Hargis, Ted Shannon and Deaner Moore for their comforting words; to the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control; and to Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their wonderful and professional service.

The family of Annie Mae Hall Stumbo

### Drug store chains group creates discount drug card program for low-income seniors

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - A new program created by U.S. drug store chains soon may provide low-income seniors without drug insurance an opportunity to purchase discounted prescription medications.

The Pharmacy Care One Card by the National Association of Chain Drug Stores will give seniors with the card access to multiple discount programs offered by various manufacturers that agree to participate. The card will be free to seniors.

"There is keen recognition that pooling existing card programs under one umbrella makes good sense," said Charlie Schellhorn, president and chief executive of Argus Health Systems, which is in negotiations to be a program administra-

Various manufacturers have introduced their own cards, including Eli Lilly and Co. and Pfizer Inc., which charge a fee. The goal of the association is to let seniors have one free card to access all manufacturers' discount programs, including companies that don't offer cards.

If all those manufacturers agree to participate, the new One Card would reduce consumer confusion and inconvenience as more cards enter the market, said Craig Fuller, association president and chief executive.

"I hope it's the case that the manufacturer sees us as having significantly lowered the threshold for participation," Fuller said. "By that I mean they don't have to go out on their own and launch their whole new program. They have a vehicle now.'

administrator of the One Card program by charging transaction fees to drug manufacturers to process claims. Free enrollment for low-income seniors is expected to begin in April. For more information, seniors can call (703) 837-4244 starting

President Bush is touting his own revised plan to encourage seniors to buy the discount cards from private companies by giving some cards what amounts to a government seal of approval. After paying a one-time enrollment fee - not more than \$25 - seniors could get discounts of

attack. Aventis had created an

anti-IL5 drug that worked in ani-

mals. Now enter Bill and Allen,

eosinophils in Allen's airways

but he didn't breathe any easier.

Bill's asthma attack, slightly dif-

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Aventis' animal discoveries, went haywire, casting further

doubt. Shortly after the comput-

er experiment, competing scien-

tists reported anti-IL5 failed in a

Entelos' new simulator for dia-

betes, a much more complex dis-

ease, will work. But the diabetes

association's Kahn says for the

first time scientists can predict if I change X in the liver, what happens to Y in muscle," before

No one yet knows how well

The drug almost eliminated

the virtual patients.

human test, too.

tests in people.

cines, White House officials

The drug store chain association sued after Bush announced an initial plan last year, contending it did not clearly outline who must subsidize the lower prices. It also questioned whether federal officials had the power to promote the cards without congressional approval.

A federal judge prevented the program from starting because of the likelihood that the government did not have that authority. But in November, he allowed the government to submit a new pro-

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nents don't expect biosimulators to ever replace human testing of drugs, required by the Food and Drug Administration. Computers can't predict what they aren't asked. Physiome, for example, once predicted the blood pressure drug Posicor wouldn't cause a certain irregular heartbeat - but the drug later was yanked off the market for deadly interactions with other medi-

"There is no virtual human," Levin cautions. But with more simulators being developed, the next step is integrating them so if a drug for one organ hurts another, there might be a hint. "It's a wonderful moment for this

Lauran Neergaard covers health and medicine for The Associated Press in Washington.

#### Drug

asthma attack.

Then Entelos tested a prominent theory that hindering production of a protein called interleukin-5 would in turn lower airway-blocking cells called eosinophils during an asthma

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RUSSELL SHEPHERD Paid for by Bernice Hamilton Prater, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

Please allow me to introduce myself as a candidate for Floyd County Court Clerk.

My name is Stuart Basil Isaac, I am the 37year-old son of Wilma Hall Johnson of Melvin and Basil Isaac, formerly of Jacks Creek. I currently reside at Banner and have been there for 17 years. I am a 1982 Graduate of Wheelwright High School. I attended

Prestonsburg Community College and the University of Kentucky.

I am the great-grandson of the late Preacher Hiarm Hall of Melvin, and the late Turman Isaac of Jacks Creek. I am the grandson of Goldia Hall and the late Harold Hall of Melvin, and the late Oscar and Opal Isaac of Bevinsville.

My wife is Denise Williams Isaac of Prater Creek. She is a 1983 Graduate of Betsy Layne High School. She is the daughter of Billy and Lora Williams of Banner. Her grandparents are the late Lee and Mae Cecil of Harold, and the late James and Bertha Williams of Dana.

We have two wonderful children. Brandon Isaac is 12 years old and attends Betsy Layne Elementary, and Brittany Isaac is 5 years old.

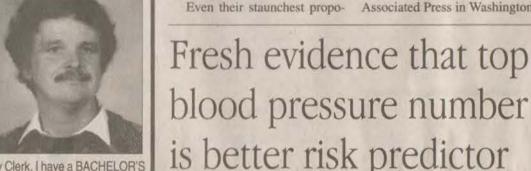
I am currently employed by Discount Auto Brokers, Inc., in Prestonsburg. We opened in October 1999, as Car Connection, and recently changed our name. During this time I have had the pleasure of serving the Great People of Floyd County. If elected, I will continue to do so, the most fair and honest way I know pos-

My roots run deep in Floyd County. I am from the people, and I am for the people! Every vote will be greatly appreciated.

Vote for and Elect

**Stuart Basil Isaac Democrat** 

Floyd County Court Clerk Paid for by candidate, Ky. Rt. 1426, Banner, Ky. 41603



blood pressure number is better risk predictor by LINDSEY TANNER AP MEDICAL WRITER

Francisco.

CHICAGO - A study of 4.714 French men bolsters evi-

dence that the top number in blood pressure readings is better than the lower number at predicting heart disease risk even in middle-age patients.

For years doctors thought it was more important to try to lower the bottom, or diastolic, number to reduce the health risks of high blood pressure, including heart disease, stroke and kidney failure.

While many doctors still focus on diastolic readings, recent research has suggested that the top, or systolic, measure, is more important, especially in the elderly. The new study extends those findings to men aged 52 on average.

The results are published in Monday's archives of Internal Medicine.

The systolic reading represents pressure when the heart beats; the diastolic shows pressure in between beats when the heart relaxes. Optimal blood pressure is 120 over 80 or lower.

High blood pressure - 140 over 90 or higher - affects more than 50 million U.S. adults.

In the French study, men with systolic readings of 160 or higher faced more than double the risk of dying from cardiovascular disease during an average follow-up of 14 years, compared with men whose systolic numbers were under 140. Those with systolic numbers between 140 and 160 faced a lower but still increased risk.

There was no increased cardiovascular risk for men with elevated diastolic numbers.

'Diastolic blood pressure, which remains the main criterion used by most physicians in determining drug efficacy, appears to be of little value in determining cardiovascular disease risk," wrote the authors, led by Dr. Athanase Benetos at the Center for Preventive and Clinical Investigations in Paris. An Archives editorial said

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the study is important "because the prevailing thinking is that systolic blood pressure is primarily important in the elderly." The study shows that it's also important in middle-age men, said the editorial author, Dr. Prakash Deedwania of the University of California, San

Many recent studies have shown that patients whose diastolic pressure is controlled with drugs often still have elevated systolic pressure, Deedwania said. This may reflect some doctors' willingness to accept higher-than-recommended blood pressure measurements, and a reluctance by some to prescribe two or more blood pressure medications - which may be needed for adequate control, he

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From a 1907 speech in Brighton, England

#### Many Thanks from the Family of Dr. James Campbell

Thank you to friends, family, colleagues and patients for the many prayers, cards, food and calls of concern and support shown through this tragic event. No doubt, Dr. James Arnold Campbell was a loved man. He carried his "torch" high with visions of helping the people of Eastern Kentucky, that he so loved, to establish the highest means of health care. We would like to share part of a poem by Helen Rice with you. "And in my name live on and do all things the same, feed not your loneliness on empty days, but feel each waking hour in useful

As we move forward, ever thoughtful of his presence, we as a community can move forward carrying a torch for the dreams of a man who envisioned only the best for our community.

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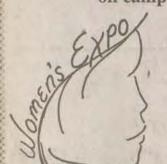
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# Anti-smoking groups call for movie ratings to factor in tobacco

by ALEXA HAUSSLER ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO, Calif. -Citing a new study that examines the ties between Hollywood and cigarette makers, health advocates are calling for the film industry to incorporate tobacco as a factor in determining movie rat-

The study, published Tuesday in the health journal Tobacco Control, said cigarette companies aggressively pursued product placement in films in the 1980s and "undertook an extensive campaign to hook Hollywood on tobacco by providing free cigarettes to actors."

"What it confirms is what we have suspected for quite some time that when stars light up in films ... that can have a powerful influence on people," said study co-author Curtis Mekemson, a health and environmental consultant who specializes in tobacco content in movies.

1,500 previously secret, internal tobacco industry documents made public through the 1998 tobacco settlement.

Under the agreement, the four largest manufacturers - Philip Morris, R.J. Reynolds, Brown & Williamson and Lorillard pledged to make payments for 25 years to reimburse public costs of treating sick smokers.

Before that, under public and government pressure, the film industry adopted a voluntary ban on direct tobacco placement payments in 1989.

Still, tobacco use was featured in nearly 85 percent of the top 25 highest-grossing movies released each year from 1988 through 1997, according to a study released in 2001 by Dartmouth Medical School.

The current film ratings system is administered by the Motion Picture Association of America. The system is designed to offer warning for parents about the

The study reviewed more than content of films, according to the MPAA's Web site. A Los Angelesbased ratings board takes into account theme, violence, nudity, language, sensuality, drug abuse and other elements when assigning a rating, the Web site states.

"We need to institutionalize change, and the best way to do that is through the ratings system," said Kori Titus, a spokeswoman for the Sacramento-area chapter of the American Lung Association.

The two-year study largely was paid for with a grant to the American Lung Association from the California Department of Health Services, Mekemson cowrote the study with University of California, San Francisco, professor Stanton Glantz.

#### Happy Birthday

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Waddles of Prestonsburg, Kentucky

James turned 63, and Phyllis turned 59. They had dinner and cake with family and friends, at the home of James and Emogene Cooley, on Saturday, March 10,



#### Guest

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with students from Floyd County. Many graduates of our system, including those who graduated at the top of their classes, tell me that they were not prepared. They feel disadvantaged and often humiliated by the lack of education in areas other students have been exposed to. We are not talking nuclear physics here. They are referring to basic knowledge information that we as parents assume our kids are learning

because we were taught it. Just as our parents wanted us to have it better, we want our children to be better educated and we are not getting that from our The truth is I'm not sure the

best way to fix the Floyd County School System. I do know that there are only a handful of board members and a whole bunch of us! We, as parents, citizens and a community, need to scream from every mountaintop and holler, "We aren't taking it anymore!" We need to come together as one body, one organization. Every time something isn't right, we need to fight. It doesn't matter if the issue involves your particular school. It will most certainly affect a child. Each child, no matter where in the county they reside, should be our concern. They are our future. They are all we have to keep our hopes, dreams, culture and spirits alive and they need an excellent education to fulfill their lives.

The truth is that this is the truth as I see it. This is the truth as I feel it. This is the truth as I know it. Robert Burns wrote, "The best-laid schemes o' mice and men ... leave us naught but grief and pain for promised joy." The truth is that this is how I feel about the Floyd County Board of Education. Pass the cheese!

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# Floyd County Art Show first-place winners



2002 Floyd County Art Festival first-place winners, Allen Central High School. Front row, left, Erica Sexton and, right, Carallta O'Quinn, art Instructor. Back row, left, Z.W. Chaffins, and Chris



2002 Floyd County Art Festival first-place winners, Prestonsburg High School. From left, Robert Risner, Ellen Trimble, instructor, Lindsay Johnson and Lowell Brock.

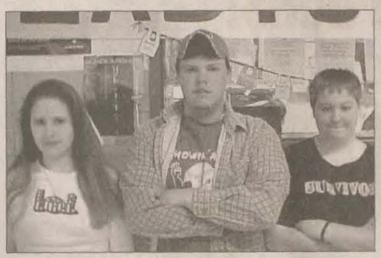


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2002 Floyd County Art Festival first-place winners, Betsy Layne High School. From left, Kristy Townes, Casey Tackett and Michelle Salisbury. Art instructor Shannon Shepherd not pictured.



2002 Floyd County Art Festival first-place school winners, South Floyd High School. From left, Leslie Mullins, Nova Newsome and Cynthia Isaac. Art instructor Billie Jo Stegall not

#### Blood

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on finding a marrow donor. With two siblings - Jimmy

McKinney and Tommy McKinney, also of McDowell, the possibility of finding a match was greatly increased.

But unfortunately, no one in the McKinney family has a matching marrow type.

Nearly seventy percent of leukemia patients can't find suitably matched marrow donors within their families.

Those patients must seek unrelated marrow donors, people who volunteer to donate marrow if ever matched with a patient in

The chance that patient will find a compatible, unrelated donor varies widely, depending on the patient's tissue type.

Because tissue types are inherited, a patient's best chance of finding a match is within his own community.

Her co-workers at Otter Creek, many of them already regular blood donors, are encouraging the community to get involved.

Dawn Wheeler, donor resources consultant of the Central Kentucky Blood Center, said these volunteer donors are essential to Ousley's recovery.

Wheeler said each time someone donates blood they can also become a National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP) volunteer by simply answering a few

questions and allowing their tissue type to be "registered"

"The chances of recovery greatly increase for Mary and others like her, when someone joins the NMDP," said Wheeler.

NMPD volunteers must be between 18 and 60 years old.

'Most medications and conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure do not prevent people from donating blood or bone marrow, " she said.

"From start to finish, the whole blood donation process takes about an hour, not too much time when we are giving someone the gift of life," Wheeler said.

While those wishing to donate blood at the drive can do so as a "good effort" on Ousley's behalf and are not required to register as a bone marrow donor, blood donations made during the drive will cover the cost of bone marrow registration, Wheeler

The drive will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the old Wheelwright High School on Saturday, March 16.

Blood donors must be 17 years old or older and weigh 100 pounds or more and be in good general health. Donors must have a valid picture ID available at the time of their donation. For more information, call Dawn Wheeler at (606) 432-4979 or (888) 775-2522, ext. 703.

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# Community Calendar

# Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: Due to rising costs and space limitations we will no longer be accepting tems for our Community Calendar that contain a revenue-producing nature. If your

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

organization is holding a may not be taken over the telefundraising event, please contact our classified or advertising items are subject to editing departments to announce your according to space limitations.

#### 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 February 5, through April 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 4

p.m.

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

#### Sharon Edwards to speak at Jenny Wiley AARP

Sharon Edwards, R.N., director of "Pathways" at Highlands Regional Medical Center, will be the guest speaker at the meeting of Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP, to be held, Friday, March 15, at the First Presbyterian Church, Prestonsburg.

This is the first meeting of the year, and members and guests are encouraged to attend. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

#### Prestonsburg Housing Authority

The regular meeting of the Prestonsburg Housing Authority Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, March 13, at 6 p.m., at the Green Acres Office in Prestonsburg.

#### Breast Cancer Support Group

The Can Survive Breast Cancer Support Group will meet at Highlands Regional Medical Center at 6 PM on Thursday, March 14 in Meeting Room A. Guest speaker Wendy Vogel, an oncology nurse, will discuss " Better Bone Health".

#### Auxier Lifetime Learning Center

New classes forming: Quilt class - begins March 25, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m.; Creative Cooking Your Way to Wellness, begins May 6, 6 to 7:30 p.m., Floyd County Extension Service; FREE GED classes, each Thursday from 1-4 p.m.; FREE GED tutoring, available 2 evenings per week; Kids Summer Sewing Camps, June 24-29 and July 15-19, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Call 886-0709 to enroll.

#### McDowell High Class of '92

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

#### Big Sandy Chapter DAV

Meets each 1st and 3rd Friday at the Auxier Fire Dept. at 6 p.m. All veterans interested in joining may call Ballard Shepherd, commander, at 886-7887; Bill Baldridge, Adjutant, at 886-2834; Fred Hannah, Chaplain, at 297-4273; or Billy Lewis, vice-Commander, at 789-7067.

#### SNOOP pet photo contest

Saturday, April 13, at 1 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church. Free admission - \$3 photo entry fee. Send your favorite pet photo to SNOOP, P.O. Box 321, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or take to any participating Veterinarian's office. All proceeds benefit SNOOP (Spay and Neuter Organization of Prestonsburg). Winners need not be present to win.

#### Over 40?

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

#### Co-op News

The Building Committee of the Floyd County Extension Service will meet on Tuesday, March 12, at 11:30 a.m.

The Floyd County Extension Service District Board, County Extension Council and Budget Contact meeting will be on Friday, March 22, at 5 p.m.

Both meetings will be held at the Coop-Extension Service office on South Lake Drive. The public is invited.

#### Class of '92 reunion

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

### Floyd County Consevation district meet

The Floyd County Conservation District will hold their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday March 19th at 10 a.m. at the District Office located on Mayo Branch of Brandykeg. The public is welcome to attend. For more infor-

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#### Commentary

#### UNC ends long tourney appearance streak

by BILLY REED TIMES COLUMNIST

An NCAA basketball tournament without North Carolina is like the Academy Awards without Nicole Kidman, the Democratic

national convention without Teddy Kennedy, and a "Seinfeld" episode without Kramer. It just feels vaguely

weird, that's all. The way you feel when you know you've left home without something, but can't figure out what it is.

No player in this year's tournament field was alive the last time

Tar Heels didn't get asked to the "Big Dance," and Mike Kryzewski, coach of defending champion Duke. was two years away from his first head coaching job at Army. The year was 1974. The Tar Heels, second in the Atlantic Coast Conference, accepted an NIT bid when they were bypassed for one of the NCAA's 34 berths.

How long ago was 1974? Well, that was the year that the Watergate scandal forced President Richard Nixon to flee the White House and turn the keys over to Gerald Ford.

Elvis Presley was still very much alive and Elvis Costello turned 19.

Cannonade won the 100th Kentucky Derby for trainer Woody Stephens, Muhammad Ali regained the heavyweight boxing champion from George Foreman in the "Rumble in the Jungle," and O.J. Simpson was the NFL's cutting-edge rusher with the Buffalo Bills.

This season, the second under ex-Carolina player Matt Doherty, the Heels staggered home with 20 losses and the worst record in their history. This is like a Cadillac getting run over by a garbage truck. Of all the familiar names missing from the 65-team field that was announced Sunday, the absence of Carolina is far more noteworthy than the absence of Louisville, Virginia, Georgetown, Syracuse, Purdue, Arkansas, UNLV, and other tournament staples.

(See REED, page three)

#### Little League

#### **HAP** signups continue today

Final signups, tryouts scheduled for Sunday

Harold-Allen-Prater Little League will hold another signup today at Betsy Layne Elementary, John M. Stumbo Elementary and Allen Elementary, 2:30-4-30 p.m. at each location.

Final signups and tryouts are scheduled for Sunday, March 17 at 1 p.m. at Allen Park.



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#### Wednesday

March 13, 2002

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# Raiders fall short in regional semis

South Floyd loses 23-point lead in second half

by JAMIE HOWELL SPORTS WRITER

BUCKLEYS CREEK - The South Floyd Raiders could taste another trip to the region championship on Friday, and midway through the third quarter the Raiders looked well on their way as they led the Paintsville Tigers by 23 points

with 5:44 remaining in the third period. The Paintsville Tigers have such great tradition in basketball that even a lead such as that would not be safe on this night.

South Floyd had faced off with Paintsville twice this season and came out on the losing in both times, but the folks from Hi Hat could finally feel that sweet revenge com-

ing on. The Raiders controlled the game throughout the first half as Michael Hall would come out on fire in the early going and the inside play of Charles Ray gave the Tigers fits in the first half. Paintsville would struggle in the early going as the usual outside shooting abandoned the

(See RAIDERS, page three)



South Floyd's Joe Skeans (12) put up a shot during Friday night's game against Paintsville.



photo by Steve

Brianne Daniels (14) took her turn on the net after Johnson Central's second regional championship game win in as many vears. Daniels, a lunior, scored seven points to help her team to the

■ BOYS' CHAMPIONSHIP

### Shelby **Valley** drops **Paintsville**

Wildcats beaded to Rupp Arena

> by JAMIE HOWELL SPORTS WRITER

BUCKLEYS CREEK - Shelby Valley had to live with losing in the first round of last years region tourney as the favorite to win the title, but on Saturday night at Pike Central the Wildcats got sweet redemption by winning the fifteenth region title to advance to the sweet sixteen in Lexington Kentucky. Shelby Valley advanced through the tournament with ease, scoring double digit wins over all three of it's opponents (Prestonsburg, Johnson Central, Paintsville).

Wildcat coach Rodney Rowe had to feel good about his teams chance of advancing to the state tournament as three starters from last years team returned. Shelby Valley faced a tough challenge in the Paintsville Tigers who were coming off the biggest comeback win in recent tournament history over Henry Webb's South Floyd Raiders, and coach Bill Mike Runyon has made the trip to

(See VALLEY, page three)

#### Johnson Central girls claim second **ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM** straight regional championship Whitney Lykens, Betsy Layne Devon Reynolds, Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEYS CREEK - It was a battle of the top team in the 57th District taking on the top team in the 58th District. And in the end, the 57th District squad would fin-

Johnson Central High School has a sixth 15th Region girls' basketball championship. The newest title is the fourth for current head coach Phillip Wireman. The championship win came Monday night when the Johnson Central Lady Eagles, after taking a 28-20 lead into the half, came out in the second half and got on counterpart Betsy Layne, early on, to score a 70-51 victory.

Betsy Layne, the winningest girls' basketball team in the entire 15th Region with 24 wins on the season coming into the contest, struggled to hold close to Johnson Central early, starting with the

opening tip. Johnson Central went up 3-0 following a trey from junior starting guard Ashley Wireman. Later on, she added another three to make it 10-1. The Lady Eagles then led 11-1, before Betsy Layne scored nine points in the final three minutes. Johnson Central led 18-10 at the end of the first quarter and played even with Betsy Layne in the second period to make it a 28-

(See REGIONAL, page three)

- Jessica Lovell, Belfry
- Michelle Music, Johnson Central
- Ramanda Music, Prestonsburgs Jessica Justice, Shelby Valley
- Calloray Howard, Magoffin County
- Ashley Wireman, Johnson Central
- Natasha Stratton, Betsy Layne
- Anna Bevins, Belfry Melissa Murphy, Johnson Central
- Julie Yates, Elkhorn City Rhonda Adams, JC - Tournament MVP

Spirit Pep Traveling Squad Trophy -Magoffin County

For the second straight year, Magoffin County is the winner of the 15th Region pep trophy. Present to accept the award for Magoffin County was Sam Miller. Lady Hornets Coach Nehi West was also on

20 advantage in favor of the 57th

#### ■ COLLEGE FOOTBALL

# **Herd football team** opens spring drills

Leslie, Stepp in practice sessions along with Gibson

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Marshall Thundering Herd football squad opened spring practice on Monday morning at 6:30 a.m. at Marshall Stadium.

The Herd, coming off an 11-2 campaign in 2001 and a thrilling double overtime come-frombehind victory over East Carolina in the GMAC Bowl, returns nine starters on offense and six on defense for the 2002

In addition to the return of virtually the entire offense, which set a Mid-American Conference record last year by

(See HERD, page three)

mention all-state Note: A complete list of the all-state teams appears inside today's edition on page seven.

> by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON - It was a banner year for several area boys' basketball

players. Alas, in the

end only one team

regions could make it out of its respective region and on

out of the 14th. 15th and 16th

to the the Boys' State Basketball Tournament. Whitesburg out of

the 14th. Rodney Rowe's Shelby Valley Wildcats out of the 15th, and

Ashland Blazer,

the 16th.

what some call an

upset winner, out of

While only three



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area high school boys' squads advance to "The Dance", several individual players

were honored Monday when the Kentucky Associated Press all-state

(See AREA, page three)

photo by Steve LeMaster Porter Elementary student Jordan Bishop, 6, Auxier, looked on anxiously as his mother, Jennifer Bishop, signed him up for Floyd County Youth Soccer Saturday.

BASKETBALL FLEMINGTON, N.J.-Prosecutors filed more charges against Jayson Williams in the shooting death of a limousine driver at his mansion, alleging the former NBA star wiped his own fingerprints off the shotgun and told guests to tell police it was suicide.

Williams, 34, has already been charged with manslaughter in the Feb. 14 shooting of Costas Christofi. Prosecutors have said the former New Jersey Net was handling the shotgun recklessly

The new charges are hindering apprehension, evidence tampering, witness tampering and conspiracy to obstruct the law, which carry a combined penalty of more than 12 years in prison. Manslaughter carries up to 10 years in prison.

Williams surrendered at the courthouse and posted \$20,000 bail.

CHICAGO - Bill Cartwright is one part of the dynasty the Chicago Bulls aren't going to let go.

Cartwright and the Bulls announced they've agreed on a three-year option that will make him the team's coach through the 2004-05 season. The deal is worth a reported \$4.5 million.

#### BASEBALL

FORT MYERS, Fla. - Grady Little, bench coach in Boston from 1997 to 1999 and at Cleveland since then, was hired as the Red Sox's third manager in a week and fourth in seven months.

He's the 43rd manager of the club. Little managed 26 games for the Indians the past two seasons, going 16-10, while Manuel had health problems.

#### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

NEW YORK - Duke moved back into the No. 1 spot in the AP college basketball poll, a record fourth straight year the Blue Devils were on top of the final rankings of the season

Duke (29-3), which won the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament Sunday with a 91-61 victory over North Carolina State, had been tied with UCLA for the most con-

#### Briefs

secutive years as the final No. 1. The

This is the sixth final No. 1 ranking for Duke, leaving it one behind UCLA and Kentucky for the most ever

unanimous choice for nine of those weeks, never dropping below third. Blue Devils received 58 first-place votes from the national media panel to easily outdistance runner-up Kansas (29-3), which had been No. 1 the last three weeks.

WNIT to the eve of the NCAA tournament, it was Connecticut all the way.

The unbeaten Huskies completed a season-long run at No. 1 in the AP women's basketball poll, the third straight year they have finished on top.

Only Texas has had a longer run of con-secutive No. 1 finishes in the poll, which started in the 1976-77 season. The Longhorns topped the final poll four straight years, from 1984 through 1987.

It was the sixth time a team went all season at No. 1 and the second time for the Huskies (33-0). They first did it in 1999-2000, a season they capped with their sec-

#### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Orange Bowl parades, citing annual financial losses of up to \$200,000.

The parade's organizing committee voted 120-1 to no longer stage the \$1 million event, which has been a New Year's

SEOUL, South Korea - Two Frenchmade, portable land-to-air missiles will be deployed outside South Korean stadiums during World Cup games to prevent possible terrorist attacks

Military jets will patrol the skies over the stadiums during the tournament, air force spokesman 1st Lt. Kim Ki-ho said. The air force will make sure jet noise does not affect matches, he said.

#### Basketball

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Indiana	31	32	.492	5
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Toronto	30	35	.462	7
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#### WESTERN CONFERENCE

#### Midwest Division

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Utah	34	29	.540	11	
Houston	23	39	.371	21 1/2	
Denver	19	41	.317	24 1/2	
Memphis	17	46	.270	28	
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Sacramento	45	17	.726	-
L.A. Lakers	43	18	.705	1 1/2
Portland	38	25	.603	7 1/2
Seattle	36	28	.563	10
L.A. Clippers	33	31	.516	13
Phoenix	30	33	.476	15 1/2
Golden State	17	44	.279	27 1/2

Sunday's Games Orlando 92, Toronto 79 Houston 95, Utah 92 Boston 98, Washington 91 Sacramento 98, Milwaukee 73 Indiana 89. Detroit 84

Monday's Games Boston 104, Washington 99 Atlanta 121, Golden State 96 Memphis 79, Utah 78 Sacramento 107, Chicago 103 Dallas 119, Seattle 108

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Today's games New Jersey at Boston, 7 p.m. Denver at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m. Phoenix at Orlando, 7:30 p.m. Cleveland at Detroit, 7:30 p.m. Houston at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Sacramento at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.

#### NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament

Last night Alcom State (21-9) vs. Slena (16-18)

EAST REGIONAL

First Round

Thursday, March 14 At Edward Jones Dome

Marquette (26-6) vs. Tulsa (26-6)

Friday, March 15 At The MCI Center Washington Wisconsin (18-12) vs. St. John's (20-11)

At The United Center

Michigan State (19-11)

Saturday, March 16 At Edward Jones Dome

Bruins' run was 1971-73.

The No. 1 ranking is Duke's 14th in 18 polls this season and the Blue Devils were a

NEW YORK - From the preseason

ond national championship.

#### MIAMI - Officials voted to cancel future

tradition for 65 years.

#### SOCCER

#### Kentucky-Valparaiso winner vs. Marquette-Tulsa winner

Maryland-Alcorn State-Siena winner

Connecticut-Hampton winner vs. North Carolina

Maryland-Alcorn State-Siena-Wisconsin-St. John's

vs. Kentucky-Valparaiso-Marquette-Tulsa winner

Georgia-Murray State-Texas Tech-Southern

Carolina State-Michigan State winner

Illinois winner vs. Connecticut-Hampton-North

vs. Wisconsin-St. John's winner

Georgia-Murray State winner vs.

Texas Tech-Southern Illinois winner

State-Michigan State winner

At The United Center

At The Carrier Dome

Friday, March 22

Sunday, March 24

SOUTH REGIONAL

Thursday, March 14

At The BI-LO Center

Duke (29-3) vs. Winthrop (19-11)

Alabama (26-7) vs. Florida Atlantic (19-11)

Oklahoma State (23-8) vs. Kent State (27-5)

Notre Dame (21-10) vs. Charlo

Southern California (22-9)

Friday, March 15

At Mellon Arena

Second Round

Greenville, S.C.

Sacramento, Calif.

Sunday, March 17

Thursday, March 21 At Rupp Arena

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ALARCO Arena

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Friday, March 15

Dallas

Second Round

At ARCO Arena

Sacramento, Calif.

St. Louis

Saturday, March 16

At Edward Jones Dome

Kansas-Holy Cross winner

vs. Stanford-Western Kentucky winner

At The United Center

Saturday, March 23

MIDWEST REGIONAL

Thursday, March 14

At Edward Jones Dome

Kansas (29-3) vs. Holy Cross (18-14)

Oregon (23-8) vs. Montana (16-14)

Stanford (19-9) vs. Western Kentucky (28-3)

Wake Forest (20-12) vs. Pepperdine (22-8)

Illinois (24-8) vs. San Diego State (21-11)

Texas (20-11) vs. Boston College (20-11)

Mississippi State (26-7) vs. McNeese State (21-8)

Florida (22-8) vs. Creighton (22-8)

At American Airlines Center

Saturday, March 16 At The BI-LO Center

Pittsburgh

vs. North Carolina-Wilmington (22-9)

Indiana (20-11) vs. Utah (21-8)

Pittsburgh (27-5) vs. Central Connecticut State (27-4)

vs. Notre Dame-Charlotte winner

winner vs. Indiana-Utah winner

vs. California-Pennsylvania winner

Alabama-Florida Atlantic winner vs. Oklahoma State-Kent State winner

Southern California-North Carolina-Wilmington

Pittsburgh-Central Connecticut State winner

Duke-Winthrop-Notre Dame-Charlotte winner

Alabama-Florida Atlantic-Oklahoma State-Kent

State winner vs. Pittsburgh-Central Connecticut

vs. Southern California-North Carolina-

State-California-Pennsylvania winner

Wilmington-Indiana-Utah winner

California (22-8) vs. Pennsylvania (25-6)

Greenville, S.C.

At ARCO Arena

First Round

Sunday, March 17

At The MCI Center

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L.A. Lakers	43	18	.705	1 1/2
Portland	38	25	.603	7 1/2
Seattle	36	28	.563	10
L.A. Clippers	33	31	516	13
Phoenix	30	33	.476	15 1/2
Golden State	17	44	.279	27 1/2

L.A. Clippers 95, Cleveland 78 L.A. Lakers 117, New York 103 Charlotte 88, Phoenix 82

L.A. Clippers 108, Minnesota 99 San Antonio 93, Denver 78

Tuesday's games Charlotte at L.A. Lakers

Washington at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Kentucky (20-9) vs. Valparaiso (25-7)

Maryland (28-4) vs. Alcom State-Siena winner Connecticut (24-6) vs. Hampton (26-6) North Carolina State (22-10) vs.

Georgia (21-9) vs. Murray State (19-12) Texas Tech (23-8) vs. Southern Illinois (26-7)

### SPORTSROARD

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' final men and women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through March 10, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25thplace vote and previous ranking:

#### Men

Record	Pts	PV	Record Pts Pv		
1. Duke (58) 29-3	1,759	3	1. Connecticut (44) 33-0	1,100	
2. Kansas (10) 29-3	1,667	1	2. Oklahoma 27-3	1,031	
3. Oklahoma (2) 27-4	1,630	4	3. Duke 27-3	1,020	
4. Maryland (1) 26-4	1,572	2	4. Vanderbilt 27-6	935	
5. Cincinnati 30-3	1,529	5	5. Stanford 30-2	931	
6. Gonzaga 29-3	1,356	6	6. Tennessee 25-4	907	3)
7. Arizona 22-9	1,196	15	7. Baylor 26-5	826	
8. Alabama 26-7	1,192	8	8. Louisiana Tech 25-4	769	
9. Pittsburgh 27-5	1,191	7	9. Purdue 23-5	734	-
10. Connecticut 24-6	1,048	19	10. Iowa St. 23-8	658	1
11. Oregon 23-8	1,033	9	11. Kansas St. 24-7	640	- 1
12. Marquette 26-6	887	13	12. Colorado 21-9	589	1
13. Illinois 24-8	848	10	13. South Carolina 22-6	535	1
14. Ohio St. 23-7	830	21	14. Texas 20-9	524	1
15. Florida 22-8	735	11	15. Old Dominion 25-5	438	1
16. Kentucky 20-9	629	12	16. North Carolina 24-8	418	1
17. Mississippi St. 26-7	587	-	17. Texas Tech 18-11	314	1
18. Southern Cal 22-9	531	22	18. Minnesota 21-7	293	1
19. W. Kentucky 28-3	510	18	19. Cincinnati 26-4	263	2
20. Oklahoma St. 23-8	423	14	20. Colorado St. 24-6	239	1
21. Miami 24-7	349	20	21. Boston College 23-7	232	2
22. Xavier 25-5	308	24	22. LSU 17-11	192	2
23. Georgia 21-9	296	17	23. Fla. International 26-5	141	2
24. Stanford 19-9	268	16	24. Florida 18-10	112	2
25. Hawaii 27-5	130	-	tie. Penn St. 21-11	112	2

Others receiving votes: Indiana 128, N.C. State 108, California 92, Kent St. 74, Texas Tech 49, Pepperdine 44, Wake Forest 24, Texas 12, UCLA 12, Michigan St. 7, Cent. Connecticut St. 5, Penn 5, Wisconsin 4, Notre Dame 3, Butler 1, Creighton 1, S. Illinois 1, Tulsa 1

Oregon-Montana winner vs. Wake

At American Airlines Center

Texas-Boston College winner

winner vs. Illinois-San Diego

At The Kohl Center

Madison, Wis.

Friday, March 22

Boston College winner

Sunday, March 24

WEST REGIONAL

Thursday, March 14

Albuquerque, N.M.

Friday, March 15

At Mellon Arena

Dallas

Semifinal winners

First Round

At The Pit

Championship

Illinois-San Diego State winner vs. Florida-

Mississippi State-McNeese State winner vs.

Kansas-Holy Cross-Stanford-Western Kentucky

State-Florida-Creighton winner
Oregon-Montana-Wake Forest-Pepperdine winner

vs. Mississippi State-McNeese State-Texas-

Arizona (22-9) vs. UC Santa Barbara (20-10) Gonzaga (29-3) vs. Wyoming (21-8)

Cincinnati (30-3) vs. Boston University (22-9)

Oklahoma (27-4) vs. Illinois-Chicago (20-13)

Ohio State (23-7) vs. Davidson (21-9)

UCLA (19-11) vs. Mississippi (20-10)

At American Airlines Center

Xavier (25-5) vs. Hawaii (27-5)

Arizona-UC Santa Barbara winner vs.

incinnati-Boston University winner vs.

At American Airlines Center

Oklahoma-Illinois-Chicago winner vs.

Cincinnati-Boston University-UCLA-Mississippi winner vs. Ohio State-Davidson-Miami-Missouri

Oklahoma-Illinois-Chicago-Xavier-Hawali winner vs. Anzona-UC Santa Barbara-Gonzaga-Wyoming

Ohio State-Davidson winner vs. Miami-Missouri

Second Round

At The Pit

Saturday, March 16

Albuquerque, N.M.

Sunday, March 17

UCLA-Mississippi winner

Xavier-Hawaii winner At The Compaq Center

Thursday, March 21

San Jose, Calif

Championship

Atlanta

Saturday, March 23

THE FINAL FOUR

At The Georgia Dome

National Semifinals

Saturday, March 30

National Championship

Semifinal winners, 9:18 p.m.

Monday, April 1

Kansas City

Oakland

Anaheim

Detroit

Minnesota

Cleveland

Tampa Bay

Boston

Chicago

New York

East champion vs. Midwest champion

South champion vs. West champion NOTE: First game scheduled for 6:07 p.m. with

the second game to start 40 minutes after the first

Baseball

Spring Training

AMERICAN LEAGUE

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Semifinals

At Mellon Arena

Dallas

Gonzaga-Wyoming winner

Miami (24-7) vs. Missouri (21-11)

Forest-Pepperdine winner

Sunday, March 17

At The United Center

#### Women

V	Record Pts Pv		
3	1. Connecticut (44) 33-0	1,100	1
1	2. Oklahoma 27-3	1,031	4
4	3. Duke 27-3	1,020	3
2	4. Vanderbilt 27-6	935	5
5	5. Stanford 30-2	931	2
6	6. Tennessee 25-4	907	6
5	7. Baylor 26-5	826	7
8	8. Louisiana Tech 25-4	769	8
7	9. Purdue 23-5	734	9
9	10. Iowa St. 23-8	658	11
9	11. Kansas St. 24-7	640	13
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11	14. Texas 20-9	524	12
1	15. Old Dominion 25-5	438	15
2	16. North Carolina 24-8	418	16
-	17, Texas Tech 18-11	314	17
2	18. Minnesota 21-7	293	19
8	19. Cincinnati 26-4	263	21
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	St. Louis	9	3	.750
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	Colorado	6	5	,545
	Montreal	6	6	.500
	Philadelphia	6	6	.500
	Pittsburgh	6	6	.500
	San Francisco	6	5	.500
	Cincinnati	6	8	.429
	Milwaukee	6	8	.429
	San Diego	5	7	.417
g	Florida	4	6	.400
7	Los Angeles	4	6	.400
1	Chicago	5	8	.385
	New York	5	8	.385
	Atlanta	4	8	.333

Sunday's games Toronto 7, Cincinnati 4 Atlanta (ss) 7, Florida 4 Texas 9, Philadelphia 5 Detroit 6, Boston (ss) 3 Baltimore 6, Montreal 1 Houston 5, Los Angeles 2 Kansas City 3, Cleveland 2 St. Louis 5, N.Y. Mets (ss) 1 N.Y. Mets (ss) 12, Atlanta (ss) 3 Tampa Bay 10, Pittsburgh 0 N.Y. Yankees (ss) 4, Minnesota 4, tie, 10 innings Boston (ss) 2, N.Y. Yankees (ss) 1 Chicago Cubs 6, Anaheim (ss) 5 Milwaukee 11. Seattle (ss) 8

Baltimore 4, Montreal 1 Houston 14. Detroit 4 Kansas City 3, Florida 2 Cleveland 3, Toronto 2 St. Louis 6, Atlanta 2 Cincinnati 3, Tampa Bay 1 Pittsburgh 4, Minnesota 2 Anaheim 13, Arizona (ss) 6

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Arkansas 44, Notre Dame 39, Indiana 35, UNLV 23, Georgia 17, Villanova 16, TCU 13, BYU 11, Wisconsin 9, UC Santa Barbara 8, Creighton 5, Drake 5, Mississippi St. 4, New Mexico 4, Virginia Tech 4, Syracuse 2, Kent St. 1, Pepperdine 1, Temple 1.

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

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St. Louis	9	3	.750
Houston	8	3	.727
Anzona	8	5	.615
Colorado	6	5	,545
Montreal	6	6	.500
Philadelphia	6	6	.500
Pittsburgh	6	6	.500
San Francisco	6	6	.500
Cincinnati	6	8	.429
Milwaukee	8	8	.429
San Diego	5	7	.417
Florida	4	6	.400
Los Angeles	4	6	.400
Chicago	5	8	.385
New York	5	8	.385
Atlanta	4	8	.333
NOTE: Solit-sound of	ames count	in the sta	ndinas

games against non-major league teams do not.

Seattle (ss) 7, Colorado 4 San Francisco 5, San Diego 4 Oakland (ss) 4, Anaheim (ss) 2 Oakland (ss) 7, Chicago White Sox 6

Monday's games Texas 8, Boston 8, tie, 10 innings N.Y. Mets 5, Los Angeles 0 Milwaukee 3, Oakland 2, 11 innings

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Houston	8	3	.727
Anzona	8	5	.615
Colorado	6	5	.545
Montreal	6	6	.500
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NOTE: Split-squad g		in the sta	ndings

San Francisco 9, Chicago Cubs 5 San Diego 7, Colorado (ss) 4 Seattle 7, Chicago White Sox 5 Philadelphia 9, N.Y. Yankees 2

Mar. 13, 1:00 p.m.

Colorado (ss) vs. Arizona (ss) at Tucson, Ariz. Tuesday's games
Pittsburgh vs. Texas at Port Charlotte, Fla. Pittsburgh vs. Texas at Port Charlotte, Fla. Atlanta vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla. N.Y. Yankees vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla. Boston vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla. Cleveland vs. Houston at Kissimmee, Fla. Montreal vs. Los Angeles at Vero Beach, Fla. Florida vs. Baltimore at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.. Tampa Bay vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla. Cincinnati vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla. Anaheim vs. Oakland at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m. Chicago Cubs vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz. Chicago White Sox vs. Colorado at Tucson, Ariz. Seattle vs. Arizona at Tucson, Ariz.

Today's games Boston vs. Montreal at Jupiter, Fla., 1:05 p.m. Detroit vs. Cincinnati at Sarasota, Fla., 1:05 p.m.

Texas (ss) vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., Toronto vs. Tampa Bay at St. Petersburg, Fla.,

Atlanta (ss) vs. Florida (ss) at Viera, Fla., 1:05 Los Angeles vs. Baltimore at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.,

Pittsburgh vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., N.Y. Yankees (ss) vs. Cleveland at Winter Haven,

St. Louis vs. N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., Texas (ss) vs. N.Y. Yankees (ss) at Tampa, Fla.

San Diego vs. Oakland at Phoenix, Milwaukee vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz.,

San Diego vs. Anaheim (ss) at Tempe, Ariz., Anaheim (ss) vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (ss) vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz. Chicago White Sox (ss) vs. Arizona (ss) at Tucson, Ariz., 3:05 p.m. Florida (ss) vs. Houston at Kissimmee, Fla.,

Kansas City vs. Atlanta (ss) at Kissimmee, Fla., Arizona (ss) vs. Colorado at Tucson, Ariz.,

#### Harness racing

Results from Northfield Park (March 6) Horse: Ronson Class: NW300PS LC Trainer: Gerald Russell

Horse: Two Tails Flnish: 5th Class: 15000CLNW6 Trainer, Dale Whipple Driver: Greg Grismore

Driver: Elliott Deaton

Horse: Armbro Sweepstake Finish: 3rd Class: 3000CLCD Trainer: Steve Morningsta Driver: Elliott Deator Owner: Harla Renae Conn (Martin)

Northfield Park Qualifier results (March 8) Horse: J D Shadow Finish; 5th Trainer; C B. Loney Driver: Aaron J. Young

Lebanon Raceway results (March 6) Horse: Alice Aldous Class: NW525L5FM Trainer: Steve Martz Driver: Steve Martz Horse: Outlaw Cadet

Trainer: Clint Binkley Driver: Joshua Sutton Horse: O'Malley Finish: 9th Class: 2500CLFM Trainer: Jeff Brewer

Driver: Jeff Brewer

Horse: Here We Go

Class: 2000CLHG

Finish: 3rd Class: 2000CLFM Trainer: Jeff Brewer Driver: James Dailey Horse: G A's Jay Net Finish: 6th Class: W1-2XPMLFM

Trainer: Jeff Brewer

Driver: James Dalley Horse: Rockytop Strokin Finish: 8th Class:W1-2XPMLHG Trainer: Steve Martz Driver: Steve Martz

Horse: Blindedbythelight Class: W1-2XPMLHG Trainer: Jeff Brewer Driver: Roy Wilson Horse: Hansel Hylight Finish: 2nd Class: NW1750LHG

Trainer: Jeff Brewe Driver: Roy Wilson Horse: April Pay Finish; 7th Class: 2000CLHG

Trainer: Ronald D. Barker

Driver: Kayne Kauffman Horse: Tralee Bay Finish: 8th Class: 2000CLHG Trainer: Jeff Brewei Driver: Sam Noble III

Lebanon Raceway results (March 7) Horse: Maranns Super Girl (Trotter) Class: NW1000L5CD

Driver: Steve Martz Horse: Towline Earlybird Class: 5000CLCD Trainer: Steve Martz Driver: Steve Martz

Trainer: Steve Martz

Horse: Tugfire Class; NW3000L4CD Trainer: Steve Martz Driver: Steve Martz

Horse: Call Me Leonard Finish: 4th Class: 2500CLHG Trainer: Jeff Brewei Driver: Sam Noble III

Horse; Jerrah Bell Image Finish: 4th Class: NW250PSHG Trainer: Nickolas Claro Driver, Joshua Sutton

Horse: Cowboy Herb Finish: 5th Class: NW250PSHG Trainer: Jeff Brewer Driver: Sam Noble III

Horse: L S Purse Snatcher Class: 4000CL Trainer: Jeff Brewe Driver, Sam Noble III

Horse: Motoringwithrobie

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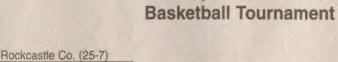
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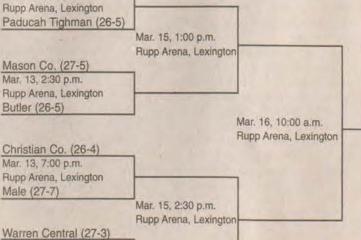
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### 2002 Boys Sweet Sixteen





Mar. 15, 7:00 p.m.

Rupp Arena, Lexington

Shelby Valley (25-6) Mar. 14, 1:00 p.m. Rupp Arena, Lexington Oldham Co. (28-2)

Mar. 13, 8:30 p.m.

Ryle (24-9)

Rupp arena, Lexington

Lexington Catholic (29-2) Mar. 14, 2:30 p.m. Rupp Arena, Lexington Ashland Blazer (25-5)

Owensboro (22-10) Mar. 14, 7:00 p.m. Rupp Arena, Lexington North Hardin (29-4)

Whitesburg (29-5) Mar. 14, 8:30 p.m. Rupp Arena, Lexington Wayne Co. (30-2)

Mar. 16, 8:00 p.m. Rupp Arena, Lexington

State Champions

Mar. 16, 11:30 a.m. Rupp Arena, Lexington

Mar. 15, 8:30 p.m. Rupp Arena, Lexington

### Male looking to erase disappointing loss with state tournament title

by STEVE BAILEY ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - Male coach Bryce Hibbard remembers vividly the looks of shock and disappointment on the faces of his players after last season's state title game loss to Lafayette.

The Bulldogs dominated the game early, leading by 13 at halftime and eight at the end of the dropped out of their quest for a fifth state championship.

Lafayette scored 10 points to open the final period and never

Valley

looked back, stunning the nationally ranked Bulldogs 54-

A pressure-filled season of hard work and close calls later. Male is back in the Sweet Sixteen and looking to silence the demons that accompanied last year's unexpected failure.

"There's no doubt these guys are hungry," Hibbard said. "They still have a horrible taste third quarter. Then the bottom in their mouths, and really pushed themselves all season to make sure they'd get another chance to finish what they started last year."

point shot to try and get back in

run out in the final minutes as

the shots refused to fall and

Shelby Valley poured it on late

to come away with the 88-70

win and a trip to Rupp Arena to

face Oldham County in the

Boys' State Tournament

as 25 (70-45) late before set-

22 points en route to leading

Johnson Central to its sixth 15th

Region girls' basketball cham-

pionship. Melissa Murphy and

Tiffany Howard netted 10

points apiece and Wireman

added nine for the Lady Eagles.

Daniels and Michelle Music

both finished with seven points.

Alice Daniel, also a reserve,

scored her only three points of

the game on a three-pointer.

Dana Rice rounded out the scor-

ing for Johnson Central with

led the way for Betsy Layne

with 13 points. Natasha Stratton

scored 11 points and Clark

chipped in with nine. Mitchell

and Devon Reynolds both had

five points apiece in the victory.

Tabetha Witt and Tiffany Meade

rounded out the Ladycat scoring

game shooting 53-percent from

the field and 45-percent from

beyond the arc, hitting five-of-

11 three-point tries. Betsy

Layne shot 34-percent from the

field and 28.6-percent from

behind the three-point line.

Johnson Central finished the

with four points apiece.

Sophomore Whitney Lykens

two points.

Adams scored a game-high

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Paintsville's magic seemed to

the game.

Betsy Layne cut the Johnson tling for the 19-point victory.

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the sweet sixteen on several followed closely by Stuart occasions. The tip was con-Rutledge with 18 points. Shelby trolled by Shelby Valley and Valley placed four players in after a quick Kris Prater basket, double figures on the night ( Kris Prater 20, Seth Kiser 19, the teams struggled in the early going as the pressure of a Josh Goad 16, Kelsey Friend regional title seemed to be on 11). Seth Kiser's 19 points both teams. Shelby Valley helped the Wildcats cause as the freshman burned the Tigers would take a slim 14-11 lead after one quarter of play led by going six-of-nine from the field. Josh Goad (Tournament MVP) The third quarter saw both who scored 16 points on the teams put up 19 points in the night. Goad would spell trouble period and Shelby Valley would for the Tigers all night as the take a 58-51 lead into the final quarter. Shelby Valley began to Wildcat big man controlled the middle and forced Paintsville build on their lead in the open-

into bad shot selection. Shelby ing minutes of quarter quarter number four, and the Tigers Valley was also aided by good started to fire blanks as the norshooting from the field connecting at over 50-percent for the mally effective Chas Harmon game on 28-of-45 from the field. and Nathan Haney combined to The second quarter was a shoot only four-of-15 from back-and-forth battle as the two beyond the arc on the night. teams exchanged baskets until The Wildcats had built a 14the final minute of the quarter point lead with under four minwhen Shelby Valley went on a 5utes left in the game and 0 spurt capped by Kelsey Paintsville resorted to the three-

all-important momentum at the Shane Simpkins helped keep Paintsville close in the third quarter as the Tiger guard scored 19 points on five-of-seven on

Friends three at the buzzer to

give the Wildcats a seven-point

halftime lead at 39-32 and the

three-point shots in the game. Simpkins led the Tiger effort Thursday at 1 p.m.

Regional

five points, 22-17.

District champs at the half.

Central lead to just six points in

the second period when Kim

Clark, after the Ladycats started

the quarter with possession of

the basketball, scored two. Clark

then hit a three-point shot with

5:00 remaining on a second

quarter clock to cut the lead to

off the bench, netted two points

in the final period to make it an

15th Region Tournament Most

Valuable Player, got thing going

in the third quarter when she hit

for two points. Tabitha Mitchell

answered the opening third

quarter score with two points of

her own, making it a 30-22

game still in favor of the Lady

Eagles. The eight-point margin

would be as close as the

Ladycats would get in the third

period. Each team netted 16

points apiece in the third period,

but the fourth frame was the

backbreaker for the Ladycats.

All hopes of a trip to Bowling

Green and a berth in the state

tourney for Betsy Layne were

dashed in the final period when

Johnson Central led by as many

eight-point lead at the break.

Tiffany Howard, coming in

Rhonda Adams, eventual

Region champions, will begin that journey against Second Region champion Christian County (26-4) today, the opening day of the 2002 Boys Sweet Sixteen at Rupp Arena.

Other opening-round games today include 13th Region champion Rockcastle County (25-7) vs. First Region champion Paducah Tilghman (26-5); 10th Region champion Mason County (27-5) vs. Sixth Region champion Butler (26-5); and Fourth Region champion Warren Central (27-3) vs. Ninth Region champion Ryle (24-9).

Thursday's first-round games include 15th Region champion Shelby Valley (25-6) vs. Eighth Region champion Oldham

The Bulldogs (27-7), Seventh County (28-2); 11th Region champion Lexington Catholic (29-2) vs. 16th Region champion Ashland Blazer (25-5); Third Region champion Owensboro (22-10) vs. Fifth Region champion North Hardin (29-4); and Region champion Whitesburg (29-5) vs. 12th Region champion Wayne County (30-2).

> The quarterfinals will take place Friday with the semifinals and finals played on Saturday.

Rockcastle County, Ryle and Shelby Valley all will be making their first appearances in the Sweet Sixteen, the culmination of the state's unbridled passion for high school basketball.

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Area

boys' high school basketball teams as selected by state sports writers and sportscasters were announced.

The 16th Region has a duo of representatives on the Second Team in the form of seventhgrade sensation O.J. Mayo and Ashland Blazer standout Mark Surglaski. However, no 14th or 15th Region player was named to a team, but several, 10 to be exact (four-14th, six-15th) were named honorable mention.

Heading the honorable mention list is a trio of Floyd County players. The state's leading scorer, Shawn Newsome, was named, along with Betsy Layne's Jeremy Daniels and South Floyd's McDonald's All-American nominee Rusty Tackett. Paintsville senior Chas Harmon joins the

Floyd Countians, as does Feds Creek's Matt Belcher and Millard's Jarrod Adkins, the player who was beaten gangstyle and severely injured in an attack prior to his team's opening round game of the 59th District Tournament some two weeks

Out of the 14th Region, June Buchanan School's Josh Cook was included along with the Whitesburg duo of Brandon Brock and Bryan Howard. The Whitesburg pair, which will take part in this week's Boys' State Basketball Tournament, were joined by fellow 14th Region player Micah Oden of Jenkins. Ashland's Arliss Beach, a University of Kentucky signee, was also included on the list of honorable mention players.

#### Raiders

Tigers, and the play of South Floyd's Ray had Paintsville con-

South Floyd would use the run and gun style to build a 17point halftime lead, and the Raiders looked to be on cruise control the rest of the way, but that would not be the case.

Paintsville found itself trailing 43-26 at the half, and things looked bad for Bill Mike Runyon's squad. Paintsville would fall behind by 23 after a Michael Hall three pointer, but that would be the end of the Raiders good fortune.

The Tigers went to a fullcourt trapping defense and the Raiders began to unravel, committing 28 turnovers in the game. Paintsville would also use its size advantage to win the battle of the boards 46-33.

The pressure defense, and the rebounding advantage helped Paintsville quickly cut the Raider lead from 23 down to seven over a five minute span in the third quarter. South Floyd would also struggle from the free throw line in the second half shooting only 50-percent from

the stripe. As the South Floyd lead dwindled, one could sense the Raider faithful starting to get concerned. After holding a 23point advantage in the third quarter, South Floyd led by only four at 58-54 at the end of the quarter, and the momentum had switched to the Paintsville side entering the final eight minutes.

Paintsville continued it's onslaught in the opening minute of quarter number four, by taking a lead at 63-61 with only 5:43 left in the game. The teams then began to exchange baskets throughout the final five minutes, and the game was a one point Paintsville lead with :15 remaining.

Webb called a timeout to set up his teams' final shot. The Raiders would get a layup with 3.5 seconds left to take a one point lead at 78-77. The Tigers called a timeout of their own and Adam Rice hit the shot with :01 left to pull off the win, 79-78. and Paintsville had fought back to earn a trip to the regional championship on Saturday against Shelby Valley.

South Floyd ended its season one step shy of the region championship, and said goodbye to Joe Skeans and Rusty Tackett (two starters that will be tough to replace).

Harmon led the Tigers with 21 points. Stuart Rutledge added 16 and Brandon Gullett finished with 14. Hall led the Raiders with 26 points. Tackett tacked on 11 in the loss.

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South Floyd Coach Henry

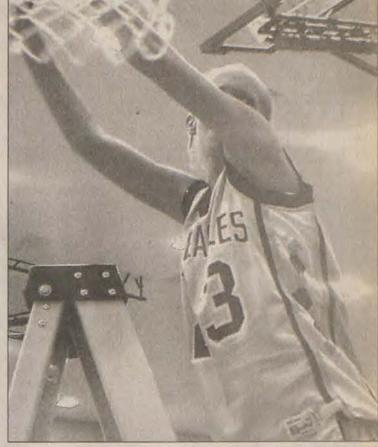


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Alice Daniel

#### Herd

averaging 505.0 yards of total offense per game, the Herd returns a total of 50 players who earned letters last fall.

Two of the letterwinners returning are Prestonsburg graduate Nathan Leslie and Sheldon Clark alum Joey Stepp, both sophomores who will line up for their senior campaigns in the fall. Leslie is a defensive tackle, while Stepp lines up on the offensive side of the football at

Joining Leslie and Stepp in the drills is Pikeville High School graduate Chase Gibson. Gibson, who attended and graduated from Betsy Layne Elementary, is listed as a tight

"Even though we have a lot of guys back on offense, there are still things we hope to improve on this spring," Herd coach Bob Pruett said. "We need to develop some depth in the offensive line, we have to solidify the backup quarterback spot and some of our young wide receivers need to step up to give us more depth there.

Defensively, the Herd has to replace five starters lost to graduation, but has 23 returning letterwinners to work into those vacancies.

"We have got to be able to handle the run better defensively," Pruett said. "We played a lot of young kids last year on defense, and those guys have to step up to be men now. It is their time.

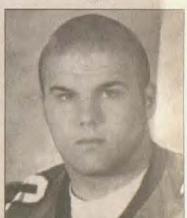
Practice during spring drills is scheduled to be held early in the morning except for a couple of days. The team is scheduled to practice today and again on Friday. Other practice dates this month are March 19, 20, 22, 23, 25, 27 and 28 prior to spring break. Drills will continue after spring break on April 9, 10 and

The annual Green-White

spring game is scheduled for Saturday, April 13, at 7 p.m. at Marshall University Stadium. Practice on March 23 is slated to be held at South Charleston High School in Charleston,



Leslie



Stepp



#### Reed

But don't worry. The tournament will get along just fine without North Carolina, thank you. After last week's conference tournaments, in which half the No. 1 NCAA seeds (Kansas and Maryland) lost, anything can happen in the "Big Dance." There will be no such thing as a silly bracket in your office pool, unless, of course, you pick Florida Atlantic or Winthrop to go all the way.

Let's see which four teams in each region should survive this week's action to move on to next week's "Sweet Sixteen" regional tournaments in Rupp Arena (South), San Jose (West), Syracuse (East) and Madison, Wi. (Midwest):

SOUTH - Looks like a cakewalk for top-ranked Duke. In the games in Rupp Arena, it should be Duke against Indiana and Pitt against Alabama. If that's the case, UK fans probably would pull for Indiana - Bobby doesn't work there anymore - against Duke (and let's not even mention Christian Laettner in

Lexington). Both IU and Alabama will bring a lot of fans. At least, Rupp will be the scene of some quality basketball that's fun to watch, which is more than can be said of UK's sorry season. Don't be surprised to see Kent State upset Eddie Sutton's Oklahoma State team in the first round.

WEST - Billy Packer of CBS rates this the toughest region. Top seed Cincinnati, champion of Conference USA, will survive its first two games, setting up a possible matchup with Big Ten king Ohio State in the regional semis. The other game in San Jose should be between Oklahoma, which upset Kansas in the Big 12 title game, and Gonzaga, which is smarting because its 29-3 record and No. 6 national ranking didn't persuade the tournament committee to give it higher than a sixth seed. Xavier could be the dark-

EAST - In Syracuse, the presence of Bob Knight and his Texas Tech team will overshadow top-seeded Maryland, sentimental choice Connecticut, and dangerous Marquette. Believe it or not, the Red Raiders have a manageable route to the Final Four. If they make it, TV ratings will soar and the NCAA cash registers will be cha-chinging to a fare-thee-well. (To the committee's credit, it didn't put Texas Tech and IU in the same bracket). Unless UK stops its bickering and begins playing with enthusiasm and heart, the Wildcats could get upset by

Valparaiso in the first round. Not counting the three years UK didn't make the tournament because of NCAA problems, the Big Blue hasn't been ousted in the first round since Ohio State

did it in 1987.

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MIDWEST - Madison hasn't played host to a regional tournament since 1969, when Al McGuire's Marquette team whipped UK, 81-74, in a brutal game, then lost to Purdue, 75-73 in overtime, for the berth in the last Final Four held in Freedom Hall. This time the Cheeseheads should see top-ranked Kansas against either Illinois or Florida, along with Mississippi State. surprise winner of the Southeastern Conference tournament, against the boys from Malibu Beach, Pepperdine, who will upset No. 2 seed Oregon in the second round. Warning to the Jayhawks: Beware of Western Kentucky in the second

We'll meet here this time next week to review the firstand second-round games, analyze the regionals, and pick the Final Four. In the meantime, don't let anybody sell you some insurance on Matt Doherty's contract at North Carolina.

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# **Kuchar gets return** trip to the Masters

### Damron fails to make the field

by DOUG FERGUSON ASSOCIATED PRESS

Matt Kuchar found another reason Monday to celebrate his first PGA Tour victory: He's going back to the Masters.

Kuchar, who was No. 210 in the world ranking at the start of the year and No. 147 just two weeks ago, shot up to No. 50 by winning the Honda Classic, just enough to earn another trip to Augusta National.

The Masters extended invitations Monday to players in the top 50 who were not already eligible. Others who qualified were John Daly and Rory Sabbatini.

That gives the Masters an expected field of 89 players.

Kuchar first played the Masters in 1998 as the U.S. Amateur champion and dazzled the galleries with his everlasting smile and strong game. He tied for 21st to earn another invitation, then tied for 14th at the U.S.

His two-stroke victory in the Honda Classic, where he oneputted the last eight greens and closed with a 66, give him a twoyear exemption on the PGA Tour and an unlikely spot in the field for the Masters, which will be played April 11-14.

Daly returns to the Masters after failing to qualifying last year for the first time since his breakthrough victory in the 1991 PGA Championship.

"You get into those tournaments and you think you're going to be in there for the rest of your life," Daly said. "I always said, 'Well, I've got next year, I've got next year.' That year runs out. And it was pretty

Daly started last year out of the top 500 and made an incredible rise to No. 51, narrowly missing an invitation that goes to the top 50 at the end of the 2001 season. His only goal this year was to get into the top 50 by Monday's deadline. He was at

Daly tied for third in 1993, six

strokes behind Bernhard Langer, although he has always felt the course was ideal for him because of his length. Golf's longest hitter the past 10 years, Daly has been playing a slight fade off the tee and is curious to see how his game will fit the vast renovations at Augusta, which include nearly 300 additional yards.

"I heard the golf course is even more perfect for me now, and it will be interesting to play Augusta with a cut," Daly said.

Sabbatini finished at No. 45 and will play the Masters for the second straight year. He missed the cut last year.

The other criteria was top three on the PGA Tour money list after the Honda Classic. Brad Faxon, Chris DiMarco and event last year.

Kevin Sutherland already had qualified. The only other way to get into the Masters is to win The Players Championship next

The Masters changed its criteria three years ago, putting more emphasis on the world ranking and eliminating the previous qualification of winning a PGA Tour event.

Eight players who won PGA Tour events since last year's Masters did not get into the field

Robert Damron, David Gossett, John Cook, Joel Edwards, Cameron Beckman, Matt Gogel, Len Mattiace and Ian Leggatt.

Damron, a Pike County native, won his first PGA Tour

**HONORS** 

### **VanHoose becomes Marshall's fourth Verizon Academic All-American**

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

STAMFORD, Conn. -Marshall University's J.R. VanHoose has been named a Verizon

Academic All-American. The Paintsville native, joins former Marshall standout Mike D'Antoni as the only men's basketball players in school history to earn the honor.

VanHoose, a History major, maintains a 3.44

grade point average and was selected to the Verizon Academic All-America Third Team. The 6-10 center/forward concluded a stellar career last week in Marshall's second-round tournament loss to Kent State. He finishes his career second all-time at

Marshall and fifth all-time in Mid-American Conference history with 1,088 rebounds. He also stands as MU's fifth all-time leading scorer with 1,083 career

points. Over the last four years, VanHoose, recorded more doubledoubles (points and rebounds) than any other player in the nation (55).

Mike D'Antoni earned First-Team CoSIDA/GTE Academic All-America honors in 1972 and 1973. VanHoose joins

D'Antoni, former football standout Chad Pennington (1999 & 1998), and former women's basketball star Kristina Behnfeldt (1998-1999) as the only athletes in Marshall history to be named to CoSIDA/Verizon Academic All-America Teams.

This year marks the 50th anniversary of the Verizon Academic All-America program, which was founded by CoSIDA in 1952 to recognize collegiate student-athletes for their outstanding achievements in the classroom and on the playing field. Over the past 50 years, the Verizon Academic All-America program has grown into one of the most recognized and prestigious collegiate scholar-athlete awards nationwide, honoring student-athletes from all NCAA championship sports.

A complete list of the Verizon Academic All-America Men's Basketball Teams is attached.

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■ NCAA TOURNAMENT

### Hilltoppers draw No. 9 seed, face Stanford in NCAA tournament

by STEVE BAILEY ASSOCIATED PRESS

Western Kentucky still can't seem to get any respect.

The Hilltoppers, the nation's 18th-ranked team with only three losses on the season, drew the No. 9 seed in the Midwest and a date with Stanford in the first round of the NCAA tourna-

It didn't matter that they beat then-No. 4 Kentucky on the Wildcats' home floor.

It didn't matter that they own an 18-game winning streak and claimed the Sun Belt Conference regular-season and tournament championships for the second straight year.

Western Kentucky coach Dennis Felton was diplomatic in assessing his team's disappointing draw.

"I didn't think we'd be any lower than seven," he said. "I really thought we'd kind of settle in at No. 7. It's surprising, but it isn't surprising because I've been trained to accept those kinds of things from the NCAA.

We've been the underdogs for four years and that's where we're comfortable. We're just

happy to be included in the party, and we're anxious to get it Western Kentucky (28-3) will take on the Cardinal (19-9)

Thursday in Saint Louis. The

Hilltoppers earned a bid for the

second straight year and the 18th

time in the program's history.

"They're the team with the real tradition here in the last 10 years," Felton said of the Cardinal, who fell to USC 103-78 in the first round of the Pac-10 tournament, "There hasn't been a program in the country any more successful than Stanford.

"It's going to give us the opportunity and the stage to do something very special if we can find a way to beat them."

Should the Hilltoppers get by Stanford in the first round, they likely would face the Midwest's top seed, Kansas (29-3), in the second round.

"We've been the underdog for a while, but that's just the tournament," said senior center Chris Marcus, who was injured much of the season but had two double-doubles in the Hilltoppers' three Sun Belt tournament games.

"A lot of teams are playing bigger schools that they can't beat. But we can beat some of those big schools and that's what we hope to do."

Last season, Western Kentucky-the No. 14 seed in the South-led third-seeded Florida by as many as 11 early before falling 69-56 in its first-round game at New Orleans.

Prior to last year, the Hilltoppers hadn't earned a spot in the NCAA tournament field since a three-year run from

# Battle of the Bluegrass adds more dates

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

HARRODSBURG - Battle of the Bluegrass Late Model Tour officials have announced more additions to the growing 2002 Tour schedule. On June 22, Bluegrass drivers will tackle Benny Christians' reconfigured Thunder Mountain Speedway in Olive Hill for a second time in the season. On

■ NAIA BASEBALL

# ALC, Union split twinbi

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BARBOURVILLE

Freshman Bradley Stephenson fanned 10 batters en route to a 4-2 win Sunday, helping Union College to salvage a doubleheader split with visiting Alice Lloyd College.

Stephenson allowed just two runs, one earned, on four hits, one walk and three hit batters in goingthe distance. In collecting his career-high 10 strikeouts, Stephenson sit down five of the final six batters he faced via the strikeout.

Union fell behind in the nightof cap 1-0 as Alice Lloyd posted an unearned run in the first. The Bulldogs evened the score in the third when Seul Santiago singled in Kevin Bradley. In the fourth, Union took a 2-1 edge when Joe Michael Rivera scored on Jamie Sowders' groundout. However, Alice Lloyd tied the game in the fifth at 2-all. Yet, Jon Szary came through with a two-run single to

send the Bulldogs up for good. Szary went 2-of-3 with two RBIs to lead Union offensively. Kevin Bradley also batted 2-of-3 with one run scored and three stolen bases.

In the opener, Union led early on, but Alice Lloyd exploded for 18 runs during the final five innings en route to the 19-7 outcome. Down 1-0 in the bottom of the first, the Bulldogs rallied for three runs to take a 3-1 advantage. That lead was short-lived as Alice Lloyd scored five in the second, three in the third and five in the fourth for a 14-3 lead. Union posted three runs in the fifth, but the Eagles answered with five more runs in the sixth. Union scored one final run in the

Seven errors by the Bulldogs led to 12 onearned runs. Offensively, Mike Ernst led the way by going 2-of-3 with two RBIs. Matt Boley went 2-of-4 with two RBIs and two runs

August 10, Battle of the Bluegrass Tour drivers will make their first trip west of I-65 as they tackle Soggy Bottoms Speedway located in Morgantown. August 30-31, Half Mountain Speedway will play host to drivers attempting to tame the four-tenths-mile oval Floyd County resident Jim Branham opened in 2001. It will be a challenge for the drivers to say the least.

The 2002 Battle of the Bluegrass Late Model Tour will pay its member drivers a seasonending points fund worth \$4000 to the points champ.

Quite possibly the best thing that has ever come down the road for the drivers, fans and promoters in the state of Kentucky was launched at Wayne Bowen's Racing Supply in Harrodsburg on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 24. Nearly 60 race teams were on hand along with several other interested parties to hear word of the brand new "Battle of the Bluegrass" Late Model series which will begin in 2002. Race directors, Spencer Wilson and James Essex explained to the parties gathered on the mission statement for the new series. At the conclusion of the meeting 25 teams have already signed up on the first day you could do so to run the events.

Many more are expected to compete in the inaugural series which will pay the series champion a minimum of \$4000. Discussions on rules, formats, memberships, point fund, contingencies, payoff and schedule were all presented in a professional manner to the attentive crowd. For those drivers and car owners who were unable to attend and need more information, email the series at boblatemodeltour@aol.com.

#### Tour dates are as follows:

#### May

■ May 3-Barren County

Speedway, Glasgow May 4-Lake Cumberland

Speedway, Burnside May 11-Richmond

Raceway, Richmond May 18-Thunder Mountain Speedway, Olive Hill

#### June

■ June 14 – Ponderosa

Speedway, Junction City ■ June 15-Bluegrass

Speedway, Bardstown ■ June 22-Thunder Mountain,

Olive Hill

July

July 12-Ponderosa

Speedway, Junction City July 13-Bluegrass Speedway, Bardstown

#### August

■ Aug. 10-Soggy Bottoms Speedway, Morgantown

■ Aug. 30-Half Mountain

Speedway, Royalton Aug. 31-Half Mountain

Speedway, Royalton

Sept, 14-Richmond Raceway, Richmond

Oct. 11-Barren County

Speedway, Glasgow Oct. 12-Lake Cumberland Speedway, Burnside

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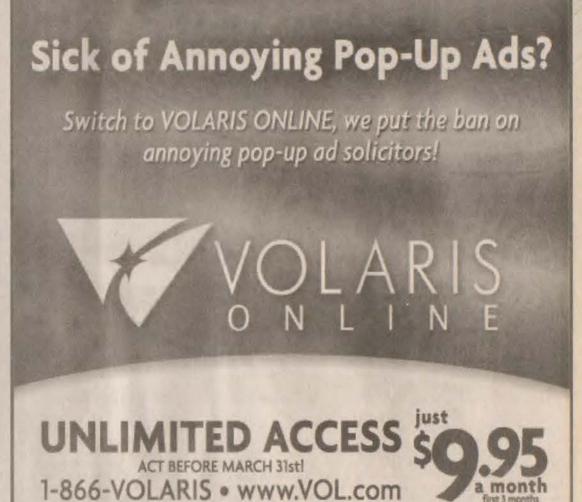
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# -Newton, Ivy gave out tickets for services to UK

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■ UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

LEXINGTON - A construction company owner said former University of Kentucky Athletics Director Larry Ivy gave him two basketball season tion work done to the school's

soccer field. Jerry Woodall, owner of Woodall Construction and a UK sports booster, said he did about \$125,000 worth of work to the field for two lower-arena 2000-2001 season tickets, the Herald-Leader Lexington

reported. The tickets came from the athletics director's stack, and the newspaper said it isn't the first time a UK athletics directors raded tickets for services at the

school Woodall also said that his company charged Ivy a reduced rate for digging the basement of Ivy's \$500,000-plus house off Tates Creek Road in Lexington.

Ivy began building the house after buying the property in

"Larry Ivy is a friend of mine. We play golf together - I mean, I've known him for a long time," Woodall said. "I did

because I wanted to do it." He would not say how much of a discount he gave for his work on the house, and the newspaper could not reach Ivy

Those sorts of ticket deals, the relationships behind them and the rumors that follow have

UK President Lee Todd worried. Ivy stepped down from his position last Tuesday after Todd confronted Ivy with what the president said were "several

things ... relative to Larry." Acting on the recommendations of a group he appointed to investigate UK athletics, Todd on Tuesday also cut the number of tickets under the athletics director's control from more than

"All these rumors I was hearing (were) very difficult to track down, but very open," Todd said. "If you tighten down on tickets, then you kill the rumor mill,

because you kill the possibility. Under the current system, fans wanting choice seats must contribute to the athletics department's Blue-White fund to have the opportunity to buy. But Woodall said his conversation about tickets didn't revolve

around the Blue-White. "They said they had this work that I could do in-kind, and after I did the work, then I could get two seats," Woodall said. "I don't know how much checking around you've done, but two good seats in the lower arena, three or four rows up from the floor - they get \$100-\$200,000."

The tickets don't represent an NCAA problem. The collegiate sports governing organization doesn't have any regulations about athletics officials distributing tickets, NCAA spokeswoman Jane Jankowski said.

Still, Todd has ordered a review of how some people got their seats in recent years, with the possibility of recalling tickets if they were given out in ways that went against the spirit or the letter of school rules.

The newspaper reported that some others got UK basketball tickets for the work they did for the school.

A construction salesman, Tim Condo, said he got his pair of Rupp Arena seats not by doing work, but by assisting others in getting jobs. Former Athletics Director C.M. Newton - who retired in June 2000 - gave him the tickets for his helping UK athletes get summer jobs, Condo said.

Condo's boss, David Harrod of Harrod Concrete and Stone, got new basketball seats for 2000-01: four from the athletics director's allotment, according to UK records.

Harrod, like Woodall, gave thousands to the Blue-White fund last year: at least \$10,000 came from Harrod and at least \$2,000 from Woodall, according to UK documents.

Asked who let him use the seats, Harrod said, "To be honest with you, I don't remember. And to be honest with you, it's really not your business."

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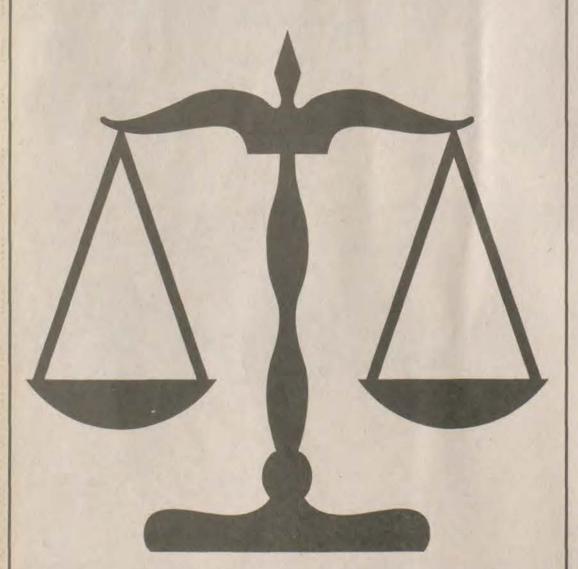
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# Stockton leads AP all-state team for second straight year

by STEVE BAILEY ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - For the second straight year, Glasgow's Brandon Stockton led all votegetters to top the list of Kentucky prep players named to the 2002 Associated Press allstate boys basketball teams.

Stockton is joined on the first team by Preston LeMaster of Bourbon County, Ryan Cochran of St. Mary, Michael Bush of Male and Maurice Hampton of Russellville.

Jeff Hall, who guided tiny Rose Hill to a 27-4 record before the team fell to Ashland Blazer in the 16th Region championship game, was the choice as coach of the year by the state's sports writers and sportscasters.

Glasgow coach Bart Flener said Stockton, a 5-foot-11 lightning-quick guard who was chosen on 14 of the 16 ballots submitted, is the prototypical point guard.

"If someone gave me a pen and paper and asked me to write down every trait I'd want in a point guard, I'd be describing Brandon," Flener said. "He can shoot, he can get the ball to his teammates and he's a wizard with the ball in his hands.

"But I think the thing that stands out the most about him is his composure no matter what the situation. He wants the ball in his hands at crunch time and won't hesitate to take the big shot. He has ice in his veins."

Stockton, who will play at Kentucky next season, averaged 26.2 points, 5.1 rebounds, 4.1 assists and 3.1 steals this season.

"I can't even describe what he meant to this basketball team this season and over his career," Flener said. "He's done it all. I might be biased, but I think he's going to be great at the next level."

Cochran, the son of professional golfer Russ Cochran, has started at St. Mary since his eighth-grade season and was a

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third-team all-state selection last

This season, Cochran ranked seventh in the state in scoring with 27.2 points per game. He also averaged 5.4 rebounds and 4.3 assists playing every posi-

tion on the court but center.

"He did everything for this team, from scoring to rebounding to selling popcorn in the stands," St. Mary coach Steve Middleton said. "He's got endless talent but he's also the ultimate team player.

"It makes it real easy on you as a coach when your best player is also your hardest worker."

As good as Cochran is on the hardwood, he won't be displaying those talents next year. Instead, he'll attend Florida on a golf scholarship.

LeMaster, Bush and Hampton all were honorablemention selections last season.

LeMaster, the son of former Kentucky standout Jim LeMaster, averaged 25.2 points, 5.1 rebounds and 4.5 assists for the Colonels.

Although he has not decided where he'll attend school next year, LeMaster is being courted by most of the Ohio Valley Conference schools as well as Northwestern and Miami of

(See ALL-STATE, page seven)

■ 15TH REGION GIRLS

# Ladycats nip Shelby Valley in overtime

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEYS CREEK - For the Betsy Layne Ladycats one point was enough for a win. But four regulation periods weren't enough to beat the Shelby Valley Lady Wildcats. It took Coach Cassandra Akers' Ladycats an extra period, but they eventually beat Shelby Valley, last year's 15th Region girls' favorite, 56-55 in overtime in the last of two semifinal games to set up a championship game against the Johnson Central Lady Eagles.

Betsy Layne started out playing sluggish, dropping the first period 15-6. The second period wouldn't mirror the first for Betsy Layne as the Ladycats posted a 17-5 win in the second period to go into the halftime break with a 23-20 lead.

Betsy Layne again outscored Shelby Valley in the third period, this time 14-9, but faltered in the fourth quarter of regulation play. Shelby Valley outscored Betsy Layne 23-15 in the fourth and final quarter of regulation to send the game into an extra period tied at 52. Betsy Layne scored four points compared to Shelby Valley's three in the overtime en route to the win.

Sophomore Whitney Lykens led Betsy Layne to the win with a team-high 17 points. Kim Tackett and Amy Keathley each had nine points apiece. Tabitha Mitchell netted eight points while Devon Reynolds and Tiffany Meade finished with seven and six points, respectively. Natasha Stratton came off the bench to score four points.

■ 15TH REGION GIRLS

### Lady Eagles hold off Belfry

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEYS CREEK Junior Rhonda Adams scored early and often for the Johnson Central Lady Eagles Saturday in the semifinals of the 15th Region Girls' Basketball Tournament. Adams tossed in a healthy total of 26 points as the Lady Eagles scored a 73-67 win over fellow perennial 15th Region power Belfry. The two schools, Belfry and Johnson Central, have made a habit of collecting 15th Region hardware over the years and such would be the case in this 1 p.m.

Belfry shot the ball real well in the first quarter and jumped out on top, leading 17-15 at the end of the first period. Johnson Central managed to turn up the defensive pressure in the second quarter, while holding Belfry under single-digits to take the

quarter 18-8, holding a 33-25 advantage at the break.

It was even more Johnson Central in the third period as the Lady Eagles held Belfry incheck, playing even with the Jessica Lovell-led Lady Pirates 21-21. Belfry outscored Johnson Central 21-19 in the fourth quarter to make the game a six-point final in favor of the Lady Eagles.

Aiding the Johnson Central attack along with Adams were teammates Alice Daniel and Ashley Wireman with 10 and nine points, respectively. Brianne Daniels and Samantha Howard each chipped in eight points apiece in the victory for Johnson Central, which with the win was one step closer to its sixth berth in the state tourney.

Anna Bevins netted 18 points to lead Belfry. Five-foot-five guard Emma Smith added 14 points, while Lovell was held to just 10 points.

Jessica Justice paced Shelby Valley with a game-high 25 points. Bridget Smith added eight in the setback for Coach Bobby Spears and Shelby Valley.

■ SEC

# Smith says Fitch benched because of curfew violation -

rooms, and it's as simple as that,"

Smith said. "So we sat him out. I made it bigger than what it was,

probably, because of the other

By STEVE BAILEY ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - Kentucky guard Gerald Fitch did not play during a first-round loss in the Southeastern Conference tournament because of a curfew violation, Coach Tubby Smith said Monday.

Following Kentucky's 70-57 loss to South Carolina on Friday, Smith said it was simply a coach's decision not to play Fitch, the team's most consistent player until disciplinary problems kept him out of three late-season games.

During a teleconference with SEC coaches participating in the NCAA tournament, however, Smith admitted Fitch violated curfew at the team's Atlanta hotel.

Fitch

things that have happened with him."

Fitch and teammate Erik Daniels were suspended for the team's game against Arkansas on Feb. 23 after attempting to use fake IDs to get into a Lexington night club. Both were reinstated but neither played in the Wildcats' next game, an 86-73 loss at Vanderbilt. Fitch also missed the Wildcats'

64-61 victory over Tennessee on Feb. 19, after getting into a scuffle with a teammate on a team flight back from a loss at Georgia.

Fitch returned against Florida and although he did not start bit a

and, although he did not start, hit a 3-pointer with 33 seconds to play as Kentucky rallied to beat the eighth-ranked Gators 70-67. Smith said Fitch will play in

the NCAA tournament against Valparaiso in the 16th-ranked Wildcats' first-round game Thursday in St. Louis.

Freshman guard Adam Chiles, however, will not play in the NCAA tournament.

Smith said Monday that Chiles was suspended for the remainder of the season for an unspecified violation of team rules. Smith said he would evaluate Chiles' status with the team at the end of the sea-



#### All-State

high school basketball in Kentucky is all about," Bourbon County coach Bob Ward said. "He's a hard worker, a gifted basketball player and a great kid off the court. It's been my privilege to coach him."

Bush, a standout football player as well, was the only junior selected to the first team. His competitiveness sets him apart from other players with similar talent, Male coach Bryce Hibbard said.

"Even as a junior, he's taken over this team as its leader," Hibbard said of Bush, who averaged 16 points, six rebounds and three assists. "If we're not playing the way we should be, he's not afraid to be vocal and get in people's faces to make sure we get back on track."

Hampton, a mainstay on Russellville's state tournament Male. teams the past two seasons,

"Preston truly embodies what averaged 27.9 points, 7.1 rebounds and 5.2 assists per game for the Panthers this sea-

"He has a great knowledge of the game in addition to his Godgiven talent," Russellville coach Phil Todd said. "He's a great scorer but plays just as well at both ends of the floor."

The all-state second team is: Chris Gaither of Grayson County; seventh-grader O.J. Mayo of Rose Hill; Quinton Smith of North Hardin; Mark Surgalski of Ashland Blazer; and Donta Smith of Oldham

Third team selections are: Clay List of Lexington Henry Clay; Butch Jointer of East Jessamine; Rajon Rondo of Louisville Eastern; Orlandus Hill of Paducah Tilghman and LaVar Carter of Louisville

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- Chris Gaither, Grayson County
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#### Third Team

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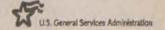
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### **Bentley's Comments...**

#### Twenty-one years later, Rodney Rowe returns to Rupp

by RICK BENTLEY TIMES COLUMNIST

BUCKLEYS CREEK - Ok, so it took him a while. Shoot him.

The last time Rodney Rowe walked off the floor of Rupp Arena was 1981, when his Virgie Eagles had just lost a tough one to eventual statechampion Troy McKinley and the Simon Kenton Pioneers. He was a high-school senior, and had just played in the Sweet 16 for the third time.

Talk about a charmed life; he led it. He was the quick little guard who ran first with Mike May and then with Todd, and what a supporting cast they had.

If you could play basketball at that time and were anywhere near it, you wanted to play for Virgie High.

When his playing career ended at Pikeville College, he entered the coaching profession and had to naturally assume more of Rupp Arena was in his

After all, it had come so easily to him as a player.

And then came the wait.

Last year, finally, was to be his year. Not only were his Shelby Valley Wildcats the odds-on favorite to win their first regional title, the tournament was held in his very own Sports Center.

But the dream most predicted a potential sweep of both the boys and girls tournaments turned into a nightmare when the hosts were ousted on the first two nights of the week.

Some began to wonder if it was in the cards for this group of Wildcats, or if they would go by the boards as another team of talented players who didn't quite have enough.

As seems to be the case with Rodney Rowe, nothing comes easy. So when his team cruised into the 2002 postseason as the top seed and de facto host of the 59th District tournament, again the skies darkened. While his basketball team was finishing off Pikeville in the opening round, some students from his school were putting an end to a potential threat on the football field.

Despite the obvious case to the contrary his team was actually still playing while Millard's Jarrod Adkins was involved in a melee 100 yards away, and Adkins himself said he had no doubt the Wildcat hoopsters were oblivious to his plight ' some people decided Rowe must be responsible. For a couple of days, he had to defend himself and his program as if he was on trial, as if he had been in that fight.

That whole fiasco was hardly put behind him when this week's tournament began. Valley Shelby handled Prestonsburg in the first round on Monday, and then went home to practice. A matchup

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with an underrated Johnson Central club awaited it, and work was to be done.

On Friday, Shelby Valley jelled. Josh Goad was tremendous, handling everything the Golden Eagles threw his team's way. Goad carried the Cats to the finals and a matchup with Paintsville.

Tiger coach Bill Mike Runyon came into last night's contest with a perfect worksheet a seven regional finals, seven championships. But on this night, the sun shined on a different shade of blue and white, and for the first time in the 12-year history of the school that combined Virgie and Dorton, Shelby Valley was going to the Sweet 16.

In the midst of last night's postgame pandemonium, Rowe said winning the 15th Region crown was a little sweeter this time around. "I think I'm a little more mature," he said. "I know a little more of what it means this time."

Rowe has proven himself a champion as a coach, just as he did as a player.

They don't come with more class than Rodney Rowe, and it was a sweet scene to see him, as the clock ticked the final seconds of another season of 15th Region basketball away, hugging his brother Doe Doe. one of his assistant coaches.

"I wouldn't trade my assistant coaches for anything." Rowe said, deflecting the credit coming his way. "These guys work hard every day and they've earned this championship as much as I have."

Rowe will never forget that feeling of letting last year slip away, but he knew things were different this time around. "We peaked too early last year,% he said. "That didn't happen this time around."

His team peaked Friday night, the Friday night of the regional semifinals, and if you're going to peak, there's no greater night. Josh Goad want-

One Shelby Valley fan had it right when she said he could taste it, and last night, he sat down at the feast and partook.

Thanks to three games that saw him score 56 points on 62.1 percent shooting, the 6-2 senior was named tournament

But with all due respect to the stories on this team - Goad, the Akers twins, freshmen sensations Seth Kiser and Kelsey Friend - the man in the spotlight on Saturday night was Rodney Rowe.

On Saturday, he carved his name in the mountain legend alongside those such as Runyon, John Bill Trivette and his old high school coach, Bobby Osborne.

So come Thursday afternoon, Rodney Rowe will walk onto the floor at Rupp

Arena again. There will be no Troy McKinley, no May Brothers. It will be him leading his Shelby Valley Wildcats against the 28-2 Colonels of Oldham County.

If you look, you'll probably see a smile on his face. You see, he's been there before and may be back again, but this time around he knows the future holds no promises.

Rodney Rowe now knows you have to live in the precious

presence. It must be good to be Rodney



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At the other end of the spectrum are Male, Ashland Blazer, Paducah Tilghman and Owensboro, which have an overwhelming 115 tournament appearances between them and likely will not be intimidated by the sheer magnitude and frenzy

of the event.

Male – which has played in a state-record nine title games – is fortunate to have the opportunity to redeem itself at all after scares from Seneca and archrival Ballard in its regional tournament.

The Bulldogs needed a putback with 2.4 seconds to play to beat Seneca 46-44 in the semifinals and had to rally from a fivepoint deficit in the closing minutes of their 70-67 victory over Ballard – the only state school to defeat them all season – in the title game.

"We had a bunch of close games like that all year and won every one of them," Hibbard said. "These kids should know now that they can win tight games down the stretch, and that can only help them in the state tournament."

Hibbard said he hoped his players could relax and have a little more fun during the Sweet Sixteen now that the ultimate goal is again within reach.

"Through the whole season, I think feeling like they had to make it back was a huge burden to

them," he said. "Maybe that will ease up a little now that we're here.

"We've played six games in Rupp the past two years, so we should know exactly what to expect. It's time to just go out

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#### Poison Oak

### First sign of warm weather

by CLYDE PACK

In exactly one week, it'll be official: spring will be here. Hopefully, the calendar and the weather will get all synchronized this year, and warmer temperatures will see fit to return to the mountains on schedule.

Time was, though, when coal camp kids would pay little attention to the date and simply rely 100 percent on how hot or how cold it was. While Mom would insist I wear my shoes to school ("No child of mine will ever set foot on those school grounds without shoes on his feet."), at the first sign of warm weather, five minutes after Mr. Chandler (Garfield Chandler was the principal of the H. S. Howes Community School) would ring the bell to dismiss, there wouldn't be a shod kid in Muddy Branch. Although I'm sure we'd have a little cold snap now and again, once they were off, they pretty much stayed off until summer's end,

Now that  $\Gamma$  ve reached the age of (modern) maturity, my primary care physician (that's how my insurance company refers to my family doctor) insists I pay attention to the care of my feet. Fifty years ago I, nor any other kid I knew, associated the condition of one's feet as a determining factor as to whether or not one was healthy. To our way of thinking, about the only thing that could be unhealthy to a kid was an attack of appendicitis or a case of crippling polio. I never knew anyone who contracted polio, but anytime I'd get a stiff neck from a crick, caused by sleeping crooked, Mom would go into a semipanic, mash around on my neck and shoulders, and vow to "watch it closely for a day

Anyway, except for when I went to school, church, or town, my shoes were discarded about this time of year. Consequently, for at least six months I was nearly always sporting a bandage (an old rag soaked in turpentine, and held in place with an old sock) on one of my feet. Plastic had not yet been invented-at least if it had, it hadn't found its way to Silk Stocking Row-and all bottles were made of glass. When they'd be used as targets for our slingshots, especially those big brown Clorox ones, the areas where we played would generally be littered with tiny (and sometimes not so tiny) shards of glass.

Of course, another way we'd "cut out foot," was when we'd split open a fresh cow patty as we played in or near the old dairy barn. When one of us would have the misfortune to experience such an occurrence, we'd call time out and, while the others laughed, make a quick trip to the creek and let the cool, running water cleanse us of all evidence of

Ironically, in this day and time, when there seems to be much less danger (when was the last time you saw a fresh cow patty?) kids don't seem to enjoy going barefooted anymore. That's probably because their footwear consists of a pair of sneakers made in China, that costs more than Dad made in a month working for Northeast Coal.

Anyway, when Springtime gets here next week, it'll be interesting to see if the calendar and the weather can get together.

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# Something Different: Bean there? Tried this?

by DANA JACOBI

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Travelogues do more than transport us to exciting new places. They also transform our tables by introducing us to new foods, then seducing us into trying them. And they

show how to enjoy familiar ones in new ways.

Before Enchanted April (the film), Under the Tuscan Sun (the book), and Molto Mario (the cooking show), who knew that Tuscans are called mangiofagioli because they eat so many beans? Or that creamy, ivory cannelini are Italian cousins of the

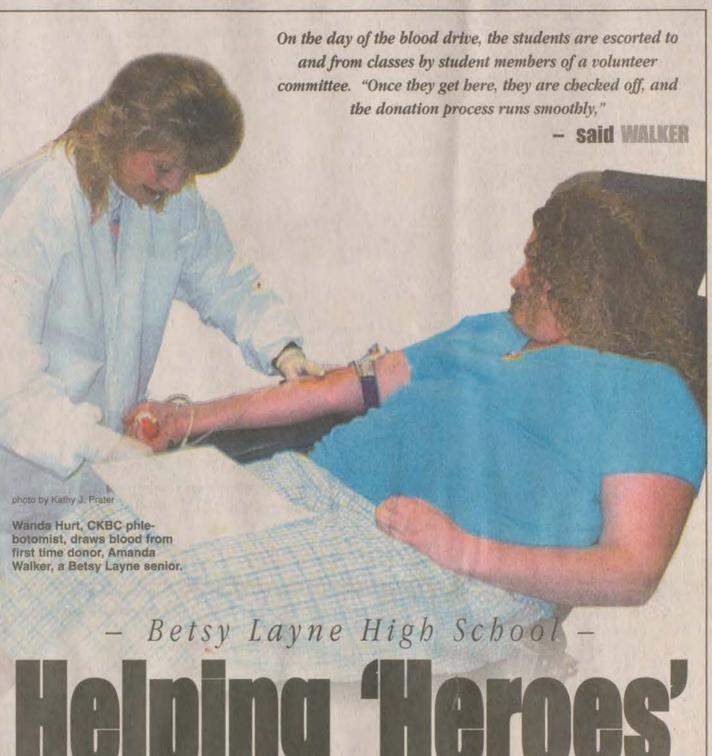
tough-skinned kidney beans in all-American chili? Now supermarkets stock canned cannelini, so anytime the mood strikes, we can make hearty ribbolita, the traditional Tuscan soup, or crostini topped with mashed, rosemary-scented white beans.

Watching Italians gather at table, we also learned to toss

beans with olive oil-packed tuna for a satisfying salad, serve them with shrimp as an elegantly simple, warm dish, or perhaps prepare fagioli all' ucellato (like a small bird), simmering the beans with diced tomato, garlic and sage. Thanks to the media, we have circumnavigated the Meditteranean and discovered Caldo Verde, the earthy, Portuguese meal-in-a-bowl soup featuring beans and kale, and watched Spanish and Turkish cooks add chickpeas to rice pilaf.

We also explored closer to home as we vicariously rolled down the Mississippi to the

(See DIFFERENT, page three)



by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

ccording to the Central Kentucky Blood Center (CKBC), blood donors are heroes because they save lives through the gift of blood. According to Dawn Wheeler, donor resources coordinator, the faculty and staff of Betsy Layne High School are heroes.

"They step in to help us each time we have an emergency or are in a crisis," she said. "Last week, for instance, a scheduled blood drive was canceled and it left us in a tight spot. Betsy Layne stepped in and coordinated a blood drive for us in just two days time. That makes them real heroes in

The school has been helping CKBC with blood drives for some time, and was named the "CKBC High School of the Year," for 2001. This year, the school has once again been honored with the same distinction.

"Betsy Layne High School is our 2002 High School of the Year for a

(See HEROES, page four)



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Sheila Wright, phlebotomist, checks Brittany Bartley's blood pressure and temperature before giving her the okay to donate blood. Bartley is a Betsy Layne senior, and a repeat donor.

# School

#### 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 a.m. to 11 a.m. Instructor - Linda Bailey, of the David School.

■ McDowell Family Resource Center hours are 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. If you are in need of assistance, call the center at 377-2678.

#### Adams Middle School **Youth Services Center**

■ March 18 – PTO meeting, 6:30 p.m.

■ March 19-26 - Test Ready Workshop for Parents, begins 6:30 p.m. This workshop will help parents prepare their children for upcoming state testing.

■ March 26 - Open House, begins 6:00 p.m.

■ March 26 - Career Awareness

Day for 8th grade students. Anyone interested in taking a basic computer course, contact cen-

ter at 886-9812. ■ Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information

available from 4 p.m. to 7 a.m. Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment, for more information about the center or any of the listed activities, call 886-9812. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley. Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen.

#### Allen Central Middle School and Youth Service Center

School Committee meetings

\*Curriculum Committee -Every third Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m.

\*Budget Committee - Fourth

Wednesday of each month at 4 p.m. \*Attendance/Discipline Committee - First Thursday of

each month at 4 p.m. \*Extra-Curricular Committee -

First Tuesday of each month at 3 \*Public Relations Committee -

First Monday of each month at 3:30 p.m. \*Consolidated Planning

Committee - Fourth Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m. School is currently collecting

Food City receipts. Students may turn them in to their homeroom

■ Hours are 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., or later by appointment. Call 358-0134 for more information.

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AILEEN HALL Contributing Writer

### A gentle man

Randolph Crisp is one of the kindest persons anywhere. He lives with his wife, Phyllis, on Buck's Branch in Martin at what was his family's old home place. When he talks about keeping the fences mended and looking after the animals and gardens, you can sense the respect he has for these treasured things that have lasted through the years.

He's also a minister who is frequently seen in hospitals visit-

ing people who need a word of encouragement, and he can be counted on for a little story that's either humorous or uplifting. He knows people from every corner of the county and you get the feeling many of them keep a welcome mat out for him.

I don't know how long he has had a radio program, but he is on the WMDJ station in Martin each Sunday morning, and I believe it's from 6:00 to 9:00. He does a little of everything from giving the weather report, acknowledging birthdays, taking requests for music and sending

get well messages to people who are shut in.

Sometimes he provides old time music that appeals to many people, and other times he plays new and inspiring songs; but you won't hear anything negative in his music or his words.

One Sunday morning recently he told about a couple who had a little daughter they adored. They didn't want to discuss any form of death in her presence as they thought she was too young to be distressed by anything sad.

The child had a goldfish that died and, thinking she hadn't

seen it, the father poured it into a stream so he wouldn't have to explain. When she asked what happened to her fish, he said, "I guess it just swam away."

"Well," she replied, "it won't get very far and it dead."

### Menu board

I saw Bud Ferrell at the post office a few days ago and he told me another D. W. Howard story. It seems D. W. and his younger brother, Kermit, met in some

public place and Kermit announced that he knew what he had for breakfast.

"And what did I have?" asked

"You had eggs," replied Kermit, "and you've dropped some on your tie."

"You're wrong," he was told "I had pancakes. The egg is from yesterday."

#### Quote

Mark Twain said, "The best way to cheer yourself is to try to cheer somebody else up.'

#### Allen Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center

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G.E.D. classes offered-FREE-each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda Bailey

#### Betsy Layne Elementary

■ The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource Center. Service hours are 3 p.m.

Mar. 20 - Family Resource

Center will present the Wulfe Elem, school building. Hours Brothers, "Reflections of the are Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 3 American Spirit," from 9-10 p.m. Office phone is 886-0815.

Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.

#### Clark Elementary

■ March 14 - regular scheduled SBDM Council meeting, 6 p.m., school library. Public welcome to attend.

Dairy Queen "buy one, get one free" cards still on sale through the Family Resource

■ After School child care hours are 3 - 5:30 p.m., school

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

#### 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.

#### Mud Creek Family Resource Center / John M. Stumbo

Elem. ■ Mar. 19 – Wulfe Bros. will

perform "Reflections of the American Spirit" at 1 and 2 p.m.

The Bridges Project will be at the center each Wednesday and Thursday, from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. and each Friday from 12:30 p.m. until 4 p.m.

■ Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Telephone: 587-

#### Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

MCCC services available at the center. Call for additional information.

Center is open weekdays 8

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.

#### Prestonsburg High School Meeting times for standing committees

Curriculum - 2nd Thursday, 3:20 p.m. Paula Holbrook, chair.

■ Technology – 1st Monday, 3:20 p.m. Tommy Poe, chair.

School Climate - 2nd Monday, 3:20 p.m. Butcher, chair.

Assessment & Planning -2nd Monday, 3:20 p.m. Tina

■ Budget – 1st Monday, 3:30 p.m. Carolyn Ford, chair. ■ Staffing & Hiring - 2nd

Tuesday, 3:30 p.m. Bobby Hamilton, chair. \*Professional Development -

2nd Thursday, 3:30 p.m. Suzanne Stumbo, chair. ■ Governance -2nd

Wednesday, 3:30 p.m. Jerry Butcher, chair. All PHS parents welcome to

attend.

South Floyd Youth

Services Center Mar. 18 Sexual Harassment Awareness class-

room presentations, 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 pub-

■ The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.

#### The David School Adult Education Class

Schedule - Fall 2001:

\*Monday and Wednesday: McDowell Family Resource Center, 8 - 11 a.m. Call 377-

\*Monday and Wednesday: Morehead Big Sandy Campus, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Call 886■ Continued from p1

\*Tuesday and Thursday: Betsy Layne High School Family Resource Center, 8:30

11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389. \*Tuesday: Cliffside Housing Project Community Center, 5 - 8

p.m. Call 886-9860. \*Wednesday: Floyd County Detention Center, 4:00 - 6 p.m.

\*Thursday: Auxier Lifetime Learning Center, 1 - 4 p.m. Call 886-0709.

St. James \*Thursday: Episcopal Church, 5 - 7:30 p.m. Call 886-8046.

\*Friday - The David School, 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Call 886-

#### W.D. Osborne Rainbow Junction

Family Resource Center

"Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks.

"Clothing Closet" available to all students.

Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen.

# Our Yesterdays

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

#### Ten Years Ago (Mar. 11 and Mar. 13, 1992)

A Pike County man was found not guilty

by a Floyd County Jury, Tuesday in the

March 1991, shooting death of a Floyd County man. Jurors deliberated just an hour and twenty minutes before returning a not guilty verdict for Ralph Gerald Newsome, 27, of Virgie. Newsome was charged with first degree murder in the March 901991, shooting of Greg Perry of Printer. The twoday trial began one year to the date, after the shooting...With little fanfare and only limited opposition, Prestonsburg's City Council approved annexation measures, Monday, that set the stage for the start of parimutual wagering in Floyd County. Council adopted four ordinances, Monday, that incorporate a section of Route 3 and the proposed site of an intertrack wagering (ITW) facility into the city limits, also authorizing the sale of liquor by the drink at the ITW development...A Prestonsburg police officer has denied the allegations made by his 18-year-old daughter in a civil suit filed February 28. In the suit, Virginia Slone alleged that she was brutally beaten by her father, Anthony Castle, three years ago while Prestonsburg police officers ignored her pleas for help...The Floyd County Board of Education unanimously approved a recommendation from superintendent Ronald Hager, Tuesday, evening to proceed on developing one of four alternate sites proposed as the locaiton of a new Prestonsburg High School. Hager's site recommendation was part of a series of proposals to be made by the superintendent during Tuesday night's regular meeting of the board....Floyd County will play host to at least 92 Kentucky county treasurers and finance officers, this week, when the organization meets for its spring conference at Jenny Wiley State Park. Floyd County Treasurer Deloris Dingus said the local meeting is the first ever, east of Lexington, for the orgaization...Kentucky Education Commissioner Thomas Boysen began ouster proceedings against Floyd County School Superintendent Ron Hager, Thursday, by accusing Hager of willful neglect of duty and misconduct in office. The written charges were presented to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, Thursday morning, when they resumed their March meeting...All but about a dozen of Wheelwright High School's 218 students walked out of their classrooms, Thursday, in a show of support for their principal, who has been charged with sexually abusing a female student. The students left school at 8:55 a.m., Thursday, setting up a picket line outside the school, and vowing not to return to classes until principal Lewis Berkhimer is reinstated to his position...A Floyd County truck driver was injured, Tuesday, in a traffic accident on the Mountain Parkway that left one person dead. James B. Hays, 43, of Betsy Layne, was driving an oil tanker truck east

of Campton in Wolfe County, when it collided head-on with a car driven by Betty Jo Sluss of Inez. Sluss was pronounced dead at the scene...Prestonsburg Housing Authority members voted, Wednesday, to hire a consulting firm to oversee an \$850,000 renovation project at Indian Hills. Sassie, a Paducah management consulting firm, was picked to oversee the project and the company scored a 92 on a Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) evaluation form...There died: Herman Joseph, 48, of Prestonsburg, Friday, at the V.A. Medical Center Hospital Louisville; Tive Daniel, 84, of Paintsville, Saturday, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center; William Charlie Johnson, 71, of Wheelwright, Monday, at Central Baptist Hospital in Lexington; Phillip Delmar "Dude" Hagans, 63, of Langley, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Roger Lee Coleman, 48, of Louisa, Saturday, at the Humana Hospital in Louisa; Ronald David Blair, 47, of Staffordsville, Wednesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Wilmer Stapleton, 66, of Hager Hill, Sunday, at his home; Aney Hicks Bolen Martin, 76, of Wapakoneta Ohio, formerly of Mousie, Thursday, at her home; Melba O. Dyer, 88, of Abingdon, Virginia, formerly of Allen, Monday, at the Johnstown Memorial Hospital in Abington; Lloyd Cox, 70, of Louisville, Saturday, at Louisville; Dave Rowe, 72, of Belleville, Mich., formerly of Pike County, Tuesday, at Byer Hospital in Michigan; Rudy Parsons Jr., 35, of Martin, Wednesday, at his residence.

#### **Twenty Years Ago** (March 17, 1982)

Denver Patrick pleaded guilty to murder, and arson charges in Boyle Circuit Court, and was sentenced to life in prison for the murder of James Neimi and 20 years for arson...Glen Hicks, 21, of Johnson County, was convicted of the murder of two men, Raymond Sharkey and Holbrook...Two short roads and three new bridges represent this county's share of about 564 projects included in an upcoming construction five-year state program...There died: Olga May Latta, 79, Tuesday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Bryan D. Hall, 6, of Banner, last Thursday, at UK Medical Center; Ulysses Wright, 69, of Milford, Indiana, formerly of Emma, last Wednesday, at Goshen General Hospital; Delilah Osborne, 75, of Hunter, Saturday, at her home; Polly Oiler, 65, of Galveston, Monday at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; James Roberts, 64, of Harold, Tuesday, at his home; Alison Rosetta M. Hecker, five-week-old daughter of Connie Miller and Mark Hecker, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at UK Medical Center; Tilda Hamilton, 66, of Teaberry, last Tuesday at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Troy Hicks, 82, of David. Sunday, at Paintsville Hospital; Jenny Stephens, 84, of

Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home.

#### Thirty Years Ago (March 16, 1972)

Flood control dams in the Big Sandy River watershed saved the valley an estimated \$1,466,000 flood damage during late February, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers said this week... "Surface mining is not a problem at Dewey Lake at this time, and the lake is not in bad shape at all," James Lynch, of the Huntington district office, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, said last Friday. More than a year ago, a Kentucky Parks official reported 60 or more surface mining operations in the Creek (Dewey Johns watershed...Before a plumber could arrive and repair a gas leak detected earlier in the day, the home of Mrs. Liddie Miller on Highland Avenue here "blew up" last Thursday afternoon...Miss Susie Meador, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Meador, of Prestonsburg, won the title of Junior Secretary of 1972 in the state conference of PBS, held recently at Cumberland Falls...Born: A daughter, Kristi Lynn, on February 25, to Mr. and Mrs. William Jarvis May, of Prestonsburg; a son, William Ronald, on March 9 to Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Newsome, of Water Gap...There died: George W. Hale, Sr., 77, of Kermit, W. Va., formerly employed by the First National Bank here; Cesco Slone, 76, of Wayland, Sunday, at a Martin hospital; Mrs. Callie Paige, 94, of Dwale, Sunday, at a Martin hospital; Woodrow Meade, 54, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Fred Cottrell Burchett, 60, native of Prestonsburg, Friday, at Kent, O.; Mrs. Martha A. Bentley, 53, of Albion, Ind., formerly of the Hi Hat area, last Tuesday, in a Columbia City, Ind., hospital; Floyd Hampton, 61, of Puncheon, last Wednesday, in a Jenkins hospital; Mrs. Victoria Hall, 68, last Tuesday, at her home at Topmost; Farley Gibson, 49, formerly of West Prestonsburg, February 14, in Ypsilanti, Mich.; C.C. Lum Parker, 66, Friday, at his home at Minnie; Mrs. Mary Alice Hall, 93, of Catlettsburg, formerly of this county, last Tuesday, at King's Daughters' Hospital, Ashland.

#### Forty Years Ago (March 15, 1962)

The Prestonsburg City Council, faced with a big fiscal problem, met with the taxpayers in a town hall meeting, Monday evening, to present a budget of \$107,628, approximately \$40,000 greater than the revenue last year...The Small Business Administration office temporarily set up here, Monday morning, closed at noon Wednesday...Services which otherwise would cost many thousands of dollars were

rendered without charge to 31 children at the pediatric clinic held Tuesday, at the Floyd County Health Department...The district community development contest has been won by Prestonsburg, and the city is one now being considered for state honors...Contractors' bids on the construction here of 40 low-rent pubic housing units will not be opened March 20, as originally scheduled, it was said here this week by Joe Hobson, executive director of the Municipal Housing Commission. The bids will be oepned April 3...Announcement was made this week that the Spurlin Insurance Agency, here, has been purchased by C.R. Hatton...J.B. Clark, disaster chairman of the Floyd County Chapter, American Red Cross, announced that, as of Monday, 73 families have applied for Red Cross assistance because of the recent flood...Born: A daughter, Kathleen, on February 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Rondall Hall Leslie, of Louisville...There died: Jake Walters Jr., 39, of Drift, Sunday, near his home; Mrs. Angeline Bates, 96, of Kite, at her home, last Wednesday; Steve Pieratt, 90, retired Mt. Sterling banker, farmer, and former legislator, last Tuesday, in Mt. Sterling; William T. Hatcher, 76, of Lackey, former Floyd County tax commissioner, last Wednesday at a Huntington, W.Va., hospital; Mrs. Lily May Gibson, 46, formerly of Estll, Friday, in Rochester, Mich.; Alto Bradley, 38, of Auburn, Ind., formerly of Martin, February 26, in an Auburn hos-

#### Fifty Years Ago (March 13, 1952)

County Judge Henry Stumbo said, this week, that a recent conference with Dr. Bruce Underwood, state health commissioner, have convinced him that the only possibility of construction of the proposed, and much argued, Floyd County War Memorial Hospital rests on selection of a site at or near Martin, and he is not certain even agreement on that location will result in the hospital being built...Lexia Potter and Ira Fields, Jr., assumed charge, Tuesday, of the Grapette Bottling Company plant here which they purchased from Orville Howard, Harlan, and H. K. Howard, of Prestonsburg...Approximately 75 persons were busy this week as volunteer workers, soliciting funds from Floyd Countians in an all-out drive to reach the county's \$8,730 Red Cross quota this year, L.B. Breashear, Fund chairman said Tuesday...Among the new shows billed at the Martin Theatre in coming days is "Stage to Blue River," with Whip Wilson and Fuzzy Knight...There died: Russell Smith, 56, Glo miner, following a mining accident last week in which his leg was mangled by a coal-cutting machine; Martha Newsome Tackett, 40, Monday, at her home at Dony; Joe Cole. janitor at Eastern Gas & Fuel Associates

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Lykens-Kidd to wed

Scotty Lykens, of Harold, and Kathy Lykens, of Dana, are

pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming mar-

riage of their daughter, Rebecca, to Matt Kidd. Matt is the son

of Danny Ray and Barbara Kidd, of Dana. The bride-elect is the

granddaughter of Betty Hamilton, of Harold, and the late Joe

Lykens Jr., and Laura Hamilton and the late Willard Johnson. She is a 2000 graduate of Betsy Layne High School and is cur-

rently attending the University of Kentucky. She is also employed by the Toyota Child Development Center,

Georgetown. The prospective groom is the grandson of Dennis and Alpha Kidd, of Dana, and Matthew Kidd, of Harold, and the

late Ima Jean Kidd. He is a 1999 graduate of Betsy Layne High

School and is currently employed by Toyota Manufacturing,

Georgetown. The couple plan to marry in a wedding ceremony that will take place at the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church,

on March 16, 2002, at 1:30 p.m. Immediately following, a recep-

tion will be held in the couple's honor at the Mountain Arts

Center, Prestonsburg. The gracious custom of an open church



Celebrates 92nd birthday

Henry Compton, of Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek, celebrated his 92nd birthday on February 23, 2002. His family was present to celebrate this special day with him, providing the opportunity for a picture to be made depicting four generations of the Compton family. Mr. Compton, center, is shown with his son, Estil, to his left, his grandson, Michael, to his right, and his great-grandson, Brandon Michael Compton, in his lap. Mr. Compton is the father of nine children. He has 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.



#### Celebrates 8th birthday

Derrick Moore, the son of Peggy Moore, of Langley, celebrated his eighth birthday on March 3, 2002. Derrick is the grandson of Jean Johnson, of Langley, and Levi Johnson, Jr., of Weeksbury. He has one brother, Dylan Caudill.

# Cleveland, Duncan, and Rigsby to Headline First Annual Fiddle Fest.

Submitted article

wedding will be observed.

Throw in Mike Cleveland, Don Rigsby, Glen Duncan, Angie Carriere, a host of other fiddlers, cloggers, exhibitors, arts and crafts, food and workshops and what do you get? Prestonsburg's first annual Fiddle Fest. Slated for April 6th, this all day inaugural event at Jenny Wiley Theatre in the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park celebrates the Fiddle's influence on American Music. This festival promises to be a fun-filled day for the entire family.

This event will include local arts and crafts exhibitors, food booths, fiddle workshops, four divisions of fiddle competition, and concludes with an exciting concert. Show producer, Ken Carriere states, "The evening concert will be very exciting and similar to the very successful Fiddling Extravaganzas we produced a few years ago at the Mountain Arts Center." A professional five member group, Traditions, will back up many of the guest singers and cloggers, including Kentucky Opry Jr. Pro. performers, Staci and Josh Carriere. International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) Fiddler of the Year and Rounder recording artist, Mike Cleveland, will also perform at the evening concert as well as Kentucky Opry's Angie Carriere. There will be special workshops and musical presentations throughout the fiddle competition including Don Rigsby and Glen Duncan.

Don Rigsby, recently credited with recording SPBGMA's (fan based bluegrass awards) "Song of the year". Empty Old Mail Box. Glen Duncan has won numerous awards for his writing and recorded with several great



Don Rigsby is one of the artists slated to perform at the first annual Fiddle Fest that will be held April 6, at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

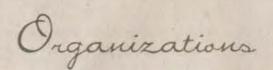
artists including: Garth Brooks, Reba McIntyre, George Strait and many more.

Rigsby and Duncan have just completed their third Longview CD (Longview is a collection of five all-star bluegrass musicians). The fiddle competition has 4 categories including Open, Senior (55 and older), Junior (12-18) and Youth (11 and under). Cash prizes ranging from \$50 to \$500 will be presented for first, second and third place winners. \$5.00 application fee applies per category and you can contact Jenny Wiley Theatre for an entrance application.

The festival will be held outdoors at Jenny Wiley Theatre, and in the event of rain all musical performances will be moved inside the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center located next to the amphitheatre. The evening concert will be held inside the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center located next to the

Doors open at 10:00 AM and evening performances begin at 7:00 PM. Festival passes can be purchased at the Theatre Box Office the day of the festival or early reservations can be made simply by calling the theatre box office. For more information including applications, tickets and booth rental contact Jenny Wiley Theatre at 606-886-9274 or toll free at 1-877-CALL-JWT. For lodging information call 606-886-2711 or toll free at 1-800-325-0142.

This event is presented by Goodtyme Productions, Jenny Wiley Theatre, and Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.



# A message from Big Sandy Chapter DAV

American Veterans, Chapter 18, meets each first and third Friday of each month at the Auxier Fire Department, Auxier. Chapter 18 was chartered on July 8, 1947 and currently has 373 lifetime members. Anyone with an honorable discharge from any branch of the U.S. military service may

Chapter 18 conducts military funeral services for all honorably discharged veterans of the U.S. military services. Services may be conducted at the funeral home, fol-

The Big Sandy Chapter of Disabled lowed by a 21-gun salute, also done at the site of the funeral home, or at the site of burial. The American Flag is presented to the deceased's next of kin.

> All participating DAV members appear in full, class 'A' uniforms.

> Chapter 18 also is available for the posting of the colors at all civic functions and

As many as 3,000 WW II veterans die each day, plus U.S. veterans of other wars. Chapter 18 has suffered the loss of various members, most recently, the Chapter lost

James Dee Caudill, a WW II veteran and Commander of Chapter 18 for nine years.

All DAV life members once belonging to the Paintsville Chapter 136 are welcome to transfer to Chapter 18 with no cost incurred.

All honorably discharged U.S. Armed Forces veterans that are interested in membership may call Ballard Shepherd, Commander, at 886-7887; Bill Baldridge, Adjutant, at 886-2834; Fred Hannah, Chaplain, at 297-4273; Billy G. Lewis, Jr. Vice-Commander, at 789-7067.



Lifetime members of Chapter 18 of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV). Left to right, are: Charles Meadows, John Wallen, Bill Leedy, Bill Lewis, Fred Hannah, Ray Travis, Frank Buskirk, Paul Connors, Raymond Reynolds, Ballard Shepherd, and Chester

#### Yesterdays

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(Koppers), Sunday afternoon.

#### Sixty Years Ago (March 12, 1942)

Prosperity in the Eastern Kentucky coal fields is not around the mythical "corner" but is only a matter of a week or two away, was the opinion expressed here this week by observers of trends in the industry. Full operation of the National Youth Administration's machine shop here began Wednesday, with 96 boys at work in three separate experience units...B. F. and A. B. Combs, Prestonsburg attorneys, Wednesday, purchased from S. R. Auxier, the Auxier Hotel property on First avenue here at a reported price of \$18,000...Although defeated twice during the regular playing season by the Betsy Layne Bob Cats, the Prestonsburg high school Black Cats are the twice-crowned champions of Floyd County by virtue of tournament victories over the selfsame Bob Cats...An automobile battery complete with two-year guarantee, was advertised this week by Ernest Evans' Western Auto Store here at a price of \$5.95...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. John Delong, of Banner, a son, Feb. 11; to Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Conley, of Auxier, a daughter, Vanda Sue...There died: Mrs. Will Rowe, 60, Saturday, at her home at Myrtle; Lewis Merritt, 89, formerly of Prestonsburg, recently in Searcy, Arkansas; Mrs. Mary Adams Stratton, 77, Friday, at her home at Ivel.

#### Different

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If using canned beans,

ignore this step. If using dried

beans, place in small Dutch

casserole. Add 3 cups cold

water. Cover and bring to boil.

Remove from heat and soak 1

beans, tomatoes, celery, onion, bay leaf and broth. Cover and

bring to boil over medium-

high heat. Reduce heat and simmer until vegetables are

quite soft, 60 to 75 minutes for

dried beans, 20 minutes for

canned. Let hot soup sit,

20

Puree half the soup in

blender. Recombine with

remaining soup. Season to

taste with salt and pepper.

Makes 4 servings.

minutes.

In medium pan mix together

black pepper, to taste

hour. Drain well.

uncovered, Remove bay leaf.

Big Easy while ragin' cajuns play zydeco music. We wanted chefs Justin Wilson, Paul Prudhomme and Emeril Abam us with incendiary red beans and rice. Then we headed for the market so we could whip up a "mess o' beans 'n greens" for our own table.

New England's culinary traditions resist being glamorized by a glitzy chef, but this region offers fine bean eating, too. Consider its famous, tangy baked beans, cooked slow as molasses in winter, preferably in the traditional, round-bellied, brown crockery pot.

This seemingly modest soup, a quicker choice, is as flavored as a salty Down Easter's richly-inflected "yee-

**Boston Bean Soup** 

I cup dried pinto beans, or two 15-oz. cans cooked pintos,

drained

2 medium tomatoes, seeded and chopped

1 rib celery, sliced I medium onion, chopped

1 bay leaf

um, fat-free beef broth

Per serving: 200 calories,

less than 1 g. total fat (less than 1 g. saturated fat), 38 g. carbohydrate, 12 g. protein, 13 g. dietary fiber, 287 mg. sodium.

"Something Different" is written for the American Institute for Cancer Research (AICR) by Dana Jacobi, author 1 can (15 oz.) reduced-sodi- of The Joy of Soy, and recipe creator for AICR's Stopping Salt and freshly ground Cancer Before It Starts.

### New Orrivals

#### **Highlands New** Arrivals

Feb. 19, 2002

A son, Danuiel Jacob Caudill,to Christy Ann & Stephen Mark Caudill

Feb. 21, 2002

A son, Christain Benette Justice, to Chastidy Hall

Feb. 21, 2002

A daughter, Sylvia Elaine Mills, to Christie Collins

Feb. 21, 2002

A son, Travior Patrick Howard, to Myra Ann & Jeremy Darrell Howard

Feb. 21, 2002

A daughter, Candice Rayne Bailey,to Amy Michelle & Larrry Dean Bailey, Jr.

Feb. 22, 2002 A daughter, Kelli Maria Thomas,to Nancy & David Thomas

Feb. 22, 2002

A daughter, Kayla Ann Speer,to Mary & John Speer

Feb. 23, 2002

A son, Joshua Blake Conley,to Joseph & Ann Conley

A daughter, Samarra Alissa

Howell, to Jeffrey & Shawna

Feb. 24, 2002

Feb. 24, 2002

Howell

A son, Tyrell Lee Dalton Gasparac,to Melissa Lou Gasparac

Feb. 25, 2002

A daughter, Alexia Chantal Hall, to Renee & Ronald Hall

Feb. 26, 2002

A daughter, Katelyn LeAnn Crider, to Lisa Slone

Feb. 26, 2002

A daughter, Tori Leshea Elswick,to Carlos & Rachel Elswick

Feb. 26, 2002

A son, Andrew John Caudill,to Matthew & Christie Caudill

Feb. 27, 2002

A son, Clifford Ray Jackson, Jr., to Clifford & Shannon Jackson

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U.S. General Services Administration



Images from the Mountain...

### Art exhibit opens at the MAC

In The Art Gallery...At the MAC - Now through March 26 The Mountain Arts Center is

Appalshop in Whitesburg. "IMAGES FROM THE MOUNTAINS" - A Traveling Exhibit of Appalachian Artists - presents the opportunity for Appalachian artists from Southwest Virginia, both established and emerging, to exhibit their work in a variety of locayear, is a juried exhibit of Ware, Assistant Professor of paintings and works on paper, sponsored by Appalshop. The exhibit opened at the Gallery Appalshop November 2001 and will tour Kentucky through 2002.

The exhibit attempts to display a wide variety of high quality work representative of the diversity of styles in the

The Judges for this year's exhibit were coordinators that work with the traveling exhibit. They were: Jodi Blackburn -Artist, Ann Lafferty Marketing Director Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg, Ky., Michael there until March 26th.

Art at Alice Lloyd College in Pippa Passes, Ky., and Bob Hilton, Library Director at Lee's Community College, Jackson, Ky. There are 31 works of art by 22 artists in the exhibit. Merit Awards of \$500 were presented to artists at the reception. These were determined by the guests at the reception by voting ballot to pick his or her favorite artwork. Congratulations to each artist in Images from the Mountains 2002.

The exhibit is now hanging in the Mountain Arts Center's Art Gallery, and it will remain

photo by Tracy Reynold

"Joseph the Amazing Technicolor Rooster, by Melissa Scruggs of Jeff. It's realistic effect is what is so catching to the eye. Look closely at the actual chicken wire within the frame.



number of reasons," Wheeler said, "number one, they are willing to step in and help us whenever we need it; number two, they host at least two, and generally three blood drives a year; and number three, school is not disrupted by the blood drive they have worked out a system where everything runs smoothly throughout the day. They are just a pleasure to work with and we appreciate everything they

According to Ernie Walker, media technician at the school, the students and staff have

worked together to coordinate a system whereby "everyone knows what to do and when to do it." Days in advance of the blood drive, students pre-register to donate and are given a preset appointment time. On the day of the blood drive, the students are escorted to and from classes by student members of a volunteer committee. "Once they get here, they are checked off, and the donation process runs smoothly," Walker said.

The school holds its blood drives in their library, where stations are set up for registration, identification, and vital statistics checks. Once approved at each station, the donor then relaxes in one of the comfortable blood donor chairs where they are well-attended by one of CKBC's resident phlebotomists and once the donation process is complete, they are routed to the final station where they are encouraged to enjoy a snack, a drink and a short rest before continuing with their normal daily routine.

Currently, CKBC has issued a public appeal for blood donations. According to CKBC officials, the supply of blood available to hospital patients has suffered from recent low donor turnout. "This is due in part to last week's icy road conditions and also in part to recent illnesses. Many people have been suf-

■ Continued from p1 fering from colds and flu symptoms. Our numbers are down and we are in an emergency situation. The 85 registered donations from Betsy Layne High School will boost our numbers and be a tremendous help toward saving hundreds of lives in the eastern Kentucky area. And this is something that people need to remember, that blood donated here is used here."

"The Betsy Layne High School, its students, faculty and staff, its principal, Margaret Vaughn, Vicky Ratliff, their guidance counselor, and Ernie Walker all work together to help fill our area's blood supply needs. Betsy Layne High School covers the need and that is the single most reason that they are, once again, our high school of the year," Wheeler said, "we very much appreciate all that they do."

Those that donated on Monday at the high school were given t-shirts and treated to

For more information on how you can donate blood and help boost our area supplies, contact the Prestonsburg donor center at 886-1557. Donor centers are also maintained in Pikeville and Hazard. Call 1-800-775-2522 or visit www.ckbc.org to find out where to give blood at a mobile blood drive in your area.



#### FEATURING:

SHADES OF TYME FRED CRACE AND THE LONESOME HOLLOW BOYS THE WAYWARD TRAVELERS 5 MILES FROM NOWHERE

TICKETS:

\$6.00 Advanced / \$8.00 at the door (All proceeds donated to the American Cancer Society)

AVAILABLE AT:

Johnson County: Big Sandy RECC

Floyd County:

Wilma's Restaurant **Custom Cleaners** 

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## Dividend-paying stocks are back in the limelight

"There's a great case to be was climbing, it was probably to made today for stocks that pay dividends," says John Carey, portfolio manager of Pioneer Equity Income Fund, and head of portfolio management at Pioneer Investment Management Inc. Among other factors, Carey cites the lowest interest rates since the 1960s on shortterm investments, the relative stability of dividend-paying companies, and the vital role that income reinvestment can play in long-term asset accumu-

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scoff at the idea. Why pay out part of a company's profits to shareholders when those dollars could buy equipment, fund new research or otherwise contribute to growth? But with the highflyers grounded, and the market still battling a two-year slump, dividends have returned to investors' most-wanted lists. As a result, the dividend-paying stocks in the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock IndexTM have outperformed the Index's non-dividend payers for two years run-

"Solid performance by dividend-paying companies is nothing new," says Carey. "Dividends have been a big part of the market returns for decades. Over the 20 years ending December 31, 2001, reinstated dividends made up 44 percent of the S&P 500's total return. And if you take a longer period, from December 31, 1958, to December 31, 2001, you'll see that 76 percent of the Index's total return came from

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That historical record is just one reason to look at dividendpaying stocks. Carey points to several others at work in today's market in the Q&A below.

### **Q&A** with **John Carey**

Portfolio Manager, Pioneer Equity Income Fund

Q. You haven't mentioned telephone companies. Aren't they traditional dividend payers?

A. Standard & Poor's now places telephone companies in a separate category called telecommunications services, rather than among the utilities. In this sector we favor the socalled Baby Bells, including SBC (3.4%), Bell South (2.07 percent) and Verizon (2.74 per-

#### Q. What's the appeal of dividend-paying stocks right now?

A. Other things being equal, dividend-paying stocks can be a little more resilient and a little less volatile during difficult market periods. When the market gets unsteady, as it has for the last two years, these stocks may provide some cushion against declines. That's because, when the market is weak or turbulent, investors get defensive. They pay closer attention to fundamentals and gravitate to more conservative choices—real companies paying real money. Investors are also more patient with companies that pay dividends because of the cash income that shows up on their statements or in their mailboxes. They're being paid to wait, so to speak, until prices stabilize. So

they don't sell as readily. Dividend-paying equities are unusually tempting today. because so many stocks are paying a higher current yield than most short-term investments are offering. So people who are worried about shriveling returns on their savings can look at the stock market and find good stocks with cash yields that match or exceed what their money is earning. At the same time they can be adding growth potential-albeit with some risk-where they had no prospects of growth before.

#### Q. Does concentrating on income-producing stocks limit your choices?

A. Yes, but that can be a good thing. From an analytical standpoint, confining ourselves to dividend-paying stocks tends to mean that we are concentrating on higher quality companies in terms of their balance sheets, the stability of their cash flows and the predictability of their earnings. Not that all non-dividend payers are unsound or of poor quality. There are lots of good companies with solid fiancial structures that could pay dividends if they chose to. Overall, though, we find that companies with the discipline of paying out a regular dividend are a little higher grade.

Q. What else do dividends tell you about a company?

A. Companies send important signals about their financial health and earnings prospects by way of their dividend policies. For example, we feel greater confidence in a company's financials and the reliability of its cash flows if it has a history of increasing its dividend. Dividend increases show that management has a positive outlook on the company's future, while reductions often imply the opposite. Managements frequently accompany dividend increases and decreases with announcements that explain why they are taking that action.

#### Q. How do dividends play into your management approach?

A. Our income objective is to deliver a net yield-taking into account fund expenses-that exceeds the yield on the S&P 500 Index, which has no expenses. We test ourselves every quarter by comparing the yield on the Fund's Class A shares to the yield on the Index. We have met our net yield objective ever since the Fund's

inception. We buy only U.S. stocks, primarily large cap, familiar names that investors can feel comfortable with. To be selected, a company has to be paying dividends at rates that we consider reasonable relative to its cash flow and earnings. Dividend policies should also reflect a balanced corporate strategy. We avoid companies that are paying out too much of their earnings, and perhaps penalizing growth by doing so. And we won't buy companies that have to borrow to meet dividend payments. Within those guidelines we try to find the best companies.

We further refine our choices by looking for companies that have raised their dividends at an above-average rate for the last three to five years, compared to others in their industry. Looking for companies that are increasing their dividends is a conservative way to pursue growth, because a rising dividend tends to go hand in hand with earnings

#### Q. So where does that leave you, in terms of sectors and industries?

A. The income objective imposes a certain structure by

leading us to industries in which companies tend to pay higher dividends-utilities, oil and gas and financial services, for example. At the same time our policy all but closes the door on industries like technology and biotech, where very few companies pay dividends, and then only at very modest levels. IBM (2.05 percent of Pioneer Equity Income Fund as of 1/31/02) is an exception, and it's among our top ten holdings. We are also very conscious of the importance of diversification.

#### Q. Can you fill in some details?

A. Utilities used to be an automatic choice for investors seeking dividends. But in the age of deregulation, stock selection is key. Along with the opporunity to grow, deregulation brought with it opportunities for companies to make significant mistakes. We also weigh the regulatory climate in individual states. We were able to steer clear of California, for example, and we avoided energy-trading companies.

As things stand now, electric utilities and gas and water companies have been tarred with a single brush, a circumstane, that usually means opportunity for alert invstors. Prices for attractive and unattractive stocks alike have come down to reasonable levels, so yields are higher on companies that we like. Our choices, including Duke Energy (2.09 percent), American Electric Power (1/29%) and Allegheny Power (1.28 percent), should respond postively when the economy turns around and demand for energy expands.

#### Q. Where else are you finding stocks that meet your requirements?

A. There is attractive value among energy stocks, and we remain bullish on the sector, although it's out of favor just now. Oil and gas prices are in a slump that can be traced to slow business conditions here, and sluiggish demand around the world. We think the four or five-year price outlook is positive, and that demand for energy will increase as world economics move out of recession. Also, any disruption in supply caused by political instability could propel prices higher. As for companies, we have stayed with the larger international names like Phillips (1.53 percent), Chevron Texaco (4.45

percent), Exxon Mobil (3.24 percent) and Conoco (2.04 percent).

Financial services companies represent one of our largest commitments. We took advantage of price declines last year, when loan quality came into question and underwriting revenues dried up. Better economic conditions could heal both those problems for companies like Wells Fargo (1.31 percent), Mellon Financial (1.34 percent) and Washington Mutual (0.45 percent). Over the years, we have also found good yields and opportunity among regional banks.

Chemical stocks currently look attractive; low energy costs work in their favor, and Dow Chemical (0.39 percent), DuPont (0.61 percent) and PPG Industries (0.64 percent), among others, could benefit from a cyclical rebound in industrial demand.

We also hold some old-line manufacturing companies. One of them Paccar Inc. (2.69 percent) which makes Kenilworth and Peterbilt trucks, is a high quality company that has paid an above-average dividend for years. The stock has been out of favor due to the cyclical nature of its business.

In the pharmaceutical arena, we have reduced exposure to Schering Plough (2.25 percent) because of pressure on its earning. However, the company is still raising its dividend, so we are being patient for now. Our drug holdings also include Bristol Myers (1.9 percent), Johnson & Johnson (1.58 percent), and Merck (1.47 percent).

#### Q. What kinds of investors should own dividend-paying stocks?

A. One group that comes to mind are people whose assets are tied up in low-yielding short term instruments. If they can tolerate some market risk in return for upside potential, they should consider this conservative approach to equities. Also, portfolios that are sharply tilted to aggressive growth might benefit by allocating some assets to a lower volatility sec-

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# **Publicity Campaign for Tort Reform Based on Myths**

by STUART R. FRIEDMAN FOR NEWS USA

(NUE) - "And what about that McDonald's case - a woman spills coffee on herself and gets \$3 million?"

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The plaintiff did not receive \$3 million. She actually received less than 19 percent of the total award of \$2.9 million.

Since the mid-1980s, the insurance industry and large corporations have been waging a public relations campaign claiming that the proliferation of lawsuits was responsible for a liability insurance crisis. Insurance premiums skyrocketed while coverage was slashed. Individual states began to enact "tort reform" legislation. Some of

"reforms" restricting the rights of injured victims to sue and limiting the amounts they could recover in certain situations.

The tactic of the "reformers" has been to blame the injured victims and accuse plaintiffs of bringing frivolous claims or of refusing to accept personal responsibility for their own fates.

The negative images blur the fact that lawsuits and the continuing threat of litigation have often caused manufacturers to make safer products. Lawsuits have resulted in the creation of flame-retardant children's sleepwear, cribs with bars that do not trap and strangle infants, and automobiles with gas tanks that do not explode upon impact.

It was anticipated that the new laws would result in a lowering of liability insurance costs and premiums. A study conducted by the New York-based Center for Justice and Democracy for the period of 1985 through 1998 was designed to test this theory. The study concluded that there was no correlation between the tort "reforms" and the lowering of insurance rates and costs.

Thus, the drive for tort reform has been, and continues to be, based on a faulty premise.

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The Bond now in in the amount of \$7,800.00. 100% of the original bond cation for Release. amount of \$7,800.00 Release.

The Bond now in effect for Increment #3 is a Surety Bond in the amount of The U.S. Army \$4,400.00. 100% of Corps of Engineers, the original bond Huntington District, amount of \$4,400.00 by this notice of is included in the hearing or informal additional Availability (NOA), application for Phase conference must be acres. The operation

for the Rolling Acres in the amount of and \$6,000.00. 100% of April 19, 2002. Area the original bond A public hearing on miles northwest of Project is complete amount of \$6,000.00 the application has the junction of KY and available for pub- is included in the been scheduled for 987 and KY 1426, lic review. The project application for Phase 9:00 a.m., April 22, and located just north

southeast of the City The Bond now in Department of Prestonsburg, effect for Increment Surface along the Levisa Fork #5 is a Surety Bond Reclamation and U.S. Route 23, in the amount of County, \$6,900.00. 100% of Prestonsburg of the original bond Kentucky. A Finding the original bond Regional Office, 3140 amount of No Significant amount of \$6,900.00 South Lake Drive, \$10,800.00 is includ-Impact (FONSI) is is included in the suite anticipated for the application for Phase Prestonsburg, Draft FONSI is The Bond now in The hearing will be

included with the effect for Increment canceled if no includes; backfilling DEA for public #6 is a Surety Bond request for a hearing and grading, samin the amount of or informal confer- pling and testing, lim-In compliance with \$9,200.00. 100% of ence is recieved by ing, fertilizing, seed-National the original bond April 19, 2002.

The Bond now in ty (30) days for in the amount of the KRS 350.093, land use plan, and review and comment. \$6,000.00. 100% of notice is hereby given the post mining land Final determination the original bond that Brass Ring use. regarding the need amount of \$6,000.00 Mining Co., Inc., P.O. for additional NEPA is included in the Box 989, Ashland, documentation will be application for Phase KY, 41101,

Reclamation work and II bond release conference, must be performed to date includes: backfilling and grading; soil sampling and testing; fertilizing, seeding, mulching, and the establishment of initial growth of vegetacompleted Spring, 1995.

This is the final

hearing on the appli-

cation has been

scheduled for april 22, 2002, 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, 6, Prestonsburg, 41653. Kentucky The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 19, 2002. Written comments, obligations requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Frankfort, Hollow. Kentucky 40601, by

#### NOTICE OF **BOND RELEASE**

April 19, 2002.

In accordance with KRS 350.093 notice is hereby given that FCDC COAL INC., 750 Town Mountian Road, Pikeville, KY 41501, has applied for Phase 1 bond release on Permit No. 836-9010, which was last issued on August 18, 2000. The application covers an area of approximately 4.37 acres located 2.5 miles south of Banner in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.25 41653. The hearing miles north Water Birch Road's request for a hearing junction with KY or informal confer-Route 1426 and US ence is received by Creek County Road, 23., located 0.0 miles April 19, 2002. east of Prater Creek. north of Levisa Fork. The latitude is 37º 34' The latitude is 37º 36' 28". The longitude is 82º 41' 34"

The bond now in effect for the permit is effect for Increment a Surety Bond of #2 is a Surety Bond \$10,400.00 of which the KRS 350.093, approximately 60% is notice is hereby given included in this appli-

is included in the performed includes Box 989, Ashland, KY application for Phase backfill and grading, 41105, has applied I, II & III Bond soil sampling and for Phase II and III seeding 2001.

objections. The Bond now in Division of Field mately 3.0 miles Environmental effect for Increment Services, #2 Hudson northwest of Harold, #4 is a Surety Bond Hollow, Frankfort, in Floyd County.

> 2002, at #6, 41653.

#### NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

applied for Phase I hearing or informal

on Permit No. 836-5035, which was last issued on Sept. 28, 1998. The permit covers an area of approximately 2.00 surface acres, and underlies an additional 340.08 acres. The operation is located approximately 0.1 mile south of Blue advertisement of the Moon, application. A public County.

The permit area is approximately 0.75 mile west of the junction KY 2030 and the Mud Creek Road, and is 0.1 mile north of Morgan Fork. The current bonds

of (Certificate is Deposit) \$10,800.00. Approximately 80% of the original bond amount of \$10,800.00 is included in this application

for release. Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling or and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in fall 1996. thus far achieved Development include: establish- Cooperative (KEDC) ment of vegetation in approved post mining land use plan. Written comments,

objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601, by April 19, 2002.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for April 22, 2002, at 9:00 am, at the Department Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, from will be cancelled if no

#### NOTICE OF **BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with that V and M Mining Company Reclamation work Paintsville, Inc., P.O. testing, fertilization, bond releases on and Permit No. 836-5100, mulching, completed which was last issued during the summer of on Nov. 22, 1999. The permit covers an Written comments, area of approximately and 1.75 surface acres, request for a public and underlies an 122.00 filed with the Director, is located approxi-Kentucky 40601, by The permit area is

approximately 2.0 the of Prater Creek. for The current bond

Mining (Letter of Credit) is and \$6,900.00. Enforcments Approximately 100% ed in this application Ky, for release.

Reclamation work

thus far performed ing and mulching, and was completed in fall 1991. Results thus far achieved include: establishment of vegetation in accordance with the In accordance with approved post mining

> objections, has requests for a public

filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601, by April 19, 2002 A public hearing on the application has

been scheduled for April 22, 2002, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg; 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 19, 2002.

#### ATTENTION, LOCAL **VENDORS**

The Floyd County School District will be bidding out supplies and materials for the 2002-2003 Year, utilizing the district's Cooperative bidding process. The Kentucky Results Educational will be receiving bids accordance with the on the following items until 3:00 p.m., Thursday, March 21, 2002. To receive requests for proposals or additional information regarding the bidding process, con-

tact: Terry Hoffman, KEDC 904 West Rose Road Ashland, KY 41102

Telephone: 606-928-0205 ext. 215 Fax 606-928-3785 Email: bidding@kedc.coop. k12.ky.us

Or contact: Anita Robinson, Floyd Co. Board 106 North Front Avenue Prestonsburg, KY 41653 Telephone: 606-886-2354 Fax: 606-886-4540

.ky.us BID CATEGORIES: Bids are requested for one or more of the

Email:

arobinson@floyd.k12

following:

Athletic Athletic Reconditioning Audio Visual **Band Supplies Business Forms** Computer Software Custodial **Duplicating Supplies** 

Fire Extinguisher Inspection Service Fire/Safety/Security Items First Aid Furniture Instructional Supplies

Laminating & Binding Supplies Library & Textbooks Lumber & Garden Supplies Miscellaneous/Other Office Supplies Playground Equip. & Supplies

**Printing Services** 

Specialty Items; Art, Math, Science, Special Edu, etc. Technology Repair & Supplies

Tools & Equipment Transportation Uniforms

#### NOTICE

The regular meeting Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission been rescheduled. The March meeting will now be held at p.m. on Tuesday, March 12, at Commission offices Written comments, at 2560 South Lake and Drive.

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 01-CI-00627 FIRST COMMON-WEALTH BANK OF PRESTON SBURG, INC.PLAINTIFF VS. MILAM CARL ROBINSON; HOUSEHOLD

INDUSTRIAL LOAN COMPANY OF KENTUCKY; ALLSTATES COLLECTION AGENCY, INC.; COMMUNITY TRUST BANK, N.A.; FAMILY (c) BANK, FSB; AND

NOTICE OF COMMISSION-ER'S SALE

FLOYD COUNTY,

KENTUCKY

DEFENDANTS

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd taxes will be paid (02/17/1886 Circuit Court, entered from the sale pro- 08/27/1955); and on February 8, 2002, ceeds. in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above the Plaintiff is the pur- 08/27/1964). styled action, in the chaser of the above principal sum of described property for highest bidder, at the day of March, 2002, assessed against the old at the hour of 9:00 real estate. a.m., the following located in Floyd of sale take preceand more particularly matter described as follows: herein.

Beginning at a coal bank where the old Rice line meets the County Highway running 191' 6" along the highway to a stake; thence a right angle 68'9" to a stake; thence a right angle 9'5" to a stake; thence 76'8" to a stake: thence parallel with the creek to the old Rice line; thence with the old Rice Line to the beginning.

Tract I:

Tract II: A certain tract or parcel of land located on Prater Creek, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an iron

stake beside the State Road (Route 1426) thence running in a southerly direction a distance of 22 feet to an iron stake; thence in a southeasterly direction a distance of 126 1/2 feet to the natural draining system of Prater Creek (main water way); thence in an easterly direction following said creek a distance of 84 feet; thence in a northerly direction 16 feet to Hallard Hall's line and Mary Alice Blair's line; thence following Mary Alice Blair's line to the point of second

mentioned stake. Being the same property conveyed to Milam C. Robinson from Mary Alice Blair by deed dated July 1997, and of record at Deed Book 409, Page 203, in the office of the Floyd County Clerk.

The mobile home located on this property shall be sold separately by the Plaintiff

TERMS OF SALE: At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash

ance on credit for thir- #1.)

redemption as may stones United States of

chaser shall be down below. required to assume County, Kentucky, as follows: real property taxes for the year 2001, and all subsequent years (08/30/1866 which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent County, Floyd Kentucky, real estate

(d)

Any

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. Martin Osborne 119 East Court Street Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY COUNTY OF FLOYD FLOYD COUNTY FISCAL COURT THE PETITION OF GWANETTA HAMILTON-WILLIAMS TO RELOCATE ABANDONED

GRAVES Comes now the and Petitioner landowner, Gwanetta Hamilton-Williams, respectfully requests the Court for an order and permit to be allowed to relocate four (4) graves and three (3) gravestones at her own expenses which have been abandoned for more than ten (10) years upon a vacant parcel of land, situated and lying at the intersection of Mare Creek Road and Maynard Branch Road. Stanville (Floyd County) Kentucky, and in support of her Petition

1. Petitioner purchased the property ments planned by the described in that certain Deed Book 457, 172 Page on November 13, 2000, from S.S.S. & P, Inc., Kentucky Corporation. (See

copy of said Deed

states as follows:

(12%) per annum have sunken about the from the date of sale two (2) feet and are graves. until paid, having the slipping down the hillty shall be sold sub- (3) headstones and tended to and uncar-

At present the only Exhibit #3.) America and/or the access to and fronn record owners there- the graves is on foot suant to Mare Creek Road published and adver- 59 seconds.

and pay all Floyd the gravestones are Graves in the Floyd 836-5253 is a certifi- Water

a. John Cord Clark County), Kentucky for Approximately 85% 10/24/1955); b. Kate A. Clark

(01/13/1874 "unknown"); Ben Maynard sel, C.

In the event (04/18/1914

\$31,096.88, together an amount equal to, Clark's name is on far as they can be 1996. with interest, costs or less than, its first the gravestone with located in the more and fees, I shall pro- lien, it shall take a her husband, John suitable Prestonsburg, the Plaintiff, and it herdeath. Since Kate such other and furnew Floyd County ed to pay court costs, January 13, 1874, it deem proper. Justice Center) to the the fees and costs of is probable that she Master is deceased, since public auction on Commissioner and she would have to be Thursday, the 21st any real estate taxes more than 127 years to Therefore, It is not announce- known whether Kate described real estate, ments made on date A. Clark is buried alongside John Cord County, Kentucky, dence over printed Clark or not, but for contained purposes of this peti-

tion, it will be

assumed that she is

buried there. Petitioner requests permission to have a licensed Funeral Director from Floyd County to, in a lawful, careful and respectful manner, to disinter and reinter graves the and gravestones to a accessible, more more suitable, more properly cared for cemetery burial ground, already located only a few hundred yards from where they are now, to the so-called "Maynard Cemetery," located on Creek

Family also Mare Road. Petitioner also asserts that there is no suitable location on her property, which is hillside, to relocate/reinter the graves 5. The "Maynard

Cemetery" property is owned by Josephine Newsome, and the owner has given permission to reinter the above graves and stones to the "Maynard Cemetery," located at Old Beech Tree Dr., and Mare Road. Creek Stanville (Floyd County), Kentucky.

6. At present the Petitioner's subject property is unimproved. The Petitioner desires to improve her property by building a residence of a least a minimum of 1600 (or more) square feet of living space per the deed's restrictions. (See attached Exhibit #1.) The improve-Petitioner on the vacant real estate

would increase the

tax ratable base, and

therefore are in the

best interest of Floyd

County. And since the

proposed relocation

Single Area In accordance with

or 10% of purchase attached hereto as of the graves to the Company, Inc., HC Maintenance, Floyd No bidder may withprice, with the bal- Petitioner's Exhibit "Maynard Family 80, Box 1070, Dema, County Cemetery," a much Kentucky ty (30) days, and 2. There are three better, convenient intends to apply for a Street, required to execute a (3) abandoned grave- and accessible loca- Phase II and III bond Kentucky bond with good surety stones and either tion, it would also be release for Single Bids will be opened thereon for the unpaid three or four (3-or-4) in the best interest of Area on permit num- on the 18th day of will be required to purchase price of said graves located on any descendants, ber 836-5253, which April, at 10:00 a.m. comply with Title VI of property, if any, bear- said property, which heirs, successors, if was last issued o'clock, at the above the Civil Rights Act of ing interest at the rate are in a state of dete- any, who may be February 3, 1994. address. of twelve percent rioration. The graves interested in visiting The application covabandoned ers an area of by special warranty Contract Work Hours

force and effect of a side from where they that the aforesaid mile southeast of der upon payment of ply were interred. At least graves have been Wayland in Floyd the bid price. The President's Executive the David Sewer this project. The proper- two (2) of the three abandoned, unat- County. ject to any easements (1) footstone are ed for for more than approximately 0.50 on or before thirty any amendments or received by and restrictions of close to toppling over. ten (10) years. (See mile northwest from days after notification supplements to those Prestonsburg City's record in the Floyd (See copies of pho- sworn Affidavit of Ky. 7's junction with of the acceptance of Executive Orders. County Clerk's Office tographs of the Wallace J. Scalf, for- Ky. 899, and located the bid. and such right of graves and grave- mer owner of the 0.10 mile north of the attached subject exist in favor of the hereto as Exhibit #2.) attached hereto as Creek. The latitude is reserves the right to as to conditions of April 3, 2002, until

> 8. Petitioner, pur- utes, 22 seconds. KRS The longitude is 82 up the hillside from 424.110 et. seq. has degrees, 47 minutes, tised her Petition to 3. The names on Relocate Abandoned effect for permit No. County Prestonsburg (Floyd \$8,100.00.

days H. Williams, by coun- for release. respectfully hereinabove graves land use, which was and read aloud. Although Kate A. and gravestones, so completed,

amount

May 3, 2002.

Department

Reclamation

Suite

2002.

park"

Beaver

Floyd

lows

park,"

Field,"

Inland

March 29,

claim

inland

veyed.

Company,

book 130 at page 68,

deed

January 31, 1966

and recorded in Deed

book 171, at page

309. Reference to

made for a more par-

May 6, 2002, at 9:00

at

Regional Office, 3140

mal conference is

received by May 3,

REQUEST

FOR BIDS

The Floyd County

Board of Education is

requesting sealed

bids for the proposed

sale of the "old ball-

or

Wheelwright Athletic

Field (Brackett Field)"

property located on

the waters of Left

Kentucky. The prop-

erty is more particu-

larly described as fol-

On the waters of

Left Beaver Creek,

known as the "old ball

"Wheelwright Athletic

OF

Creek in

commonly

County,

the

and

burial- objections,

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 858-0165. Operator Change

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Czar Corporation intends to revise permit number 858-0165 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is the permittee. The new operator will be Mayo Resources, Inc., P.O. Box 190, Lovely,

Kentucky 4 I 231 The operation is located 1.89 mile southeast of Odds in Johnson, Floyd and Martin Counties. The operation is approximately 1.89 mile southeast from KY Route 3's junction with County Road #129, and located 1.89 mile southeast of Daniels Creek. The operation is located on the Offutt and Lancer U S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Mining Surface Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite Kentucky

Prestonsburg, 41653. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow. U.S 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE Pursuant to Permit No. 836-5253

the provisions of KRS 350.093, notice hereby given that Dema Coal

41859, located at 23 Martin ninety (90) days after

approximately 83.15 deed, and delivered Standard Act. 7. Petitioner asserts acres, located 1.60 to the successful bid-

#### INVITATION TO BID

The bond now in Sealed bids for the Times, cate ol deposit for Expansion, Contract not maintain or pro- 6 and 4-inch force Extensions for the ees any facilities that tions. to a period of at least 60 of the original bond Southern Water and are segregated or of Sewer Disrict, will be based on race, color, DOCUMENTS may authorization to pro-WHEREFORE, the \$10,500.00 is includ- received at the offices creed, or national ori- be examined at the ceed. to Petitioner, Gwanetta ed in the application of the Southern Water gin. and Sewer District, Reclamation work 245 KY 680. to requests at her own performed includes: McDowell, Kentucky expenses authoriza- grading, seeding and 41647, until 1:00 bids on this project. d. Eugene Maynard tion of this Court for mulching, and suc- P.M., Local Time, to the proper removal cessful establishment March 27, 2002, and and Sewer District and relocation of the of the post-mining then publicly opened reserves the right to

June, The program of informalities and to work for which bids reject any or all bids. Written comments. are to be submitted and consists of the con- this Project shall be ceed to offer for sale credit against said Cord Clark, there is grounds known as requests for a public struction of approxi- clearly marked on the AGC, 2321 Fortune at the Old Floyd lien for the amount of no date indicating her the "Maynard Family hearing or informal mately 42,656 LF of outside of the enve- Drive, Suite 112A, County Courthouse the bid and no bond death. There is no Cemetery," and that conference must be 4-inch and 43,805 LF lope: "Sealed Bid for Lexington, KY 40509 Door, 3rd Avenue, shall be required of known publication of the Court may grant filed with the Director, of 6-inch water main, Division of Field and five booster Kentucky, (behind the shall only be obligat- A. Clark was born on ther relief as it may Services, #2 Hudson pumping stations, Hollow, Frankfort, including all related Extensions, Southern ave., Kentucky, 40601, by appurtanances as Water and Sewer Louiseville, KY 40299 encouraged to particshown A public hearing on Drawings the application has described in the

been scheduled for Specifications. The Contract Time for pletion of dred eighty (180) con-Enforcement's secutive calender

Prestonsburg days. The Work for this amount of five (5) per-South Lake Drive, Project is located in cent of the Bid shall 6, Floyd Prestonsburg, Kentucky: Drawings, Kentucky 41653. The Specifications and hearing will be can- Contract Documents celled if no request may be examined at:

PDR ENGINEERS, INC., 800 Corporate Drive, Lexington, KY 40503 Phone: (859) 223-

8000

Southern Water and Sewer District, 245 KY Hwy. 680, McDowell, Kentucky 41647 Phone: (606) 377-9296

F.W. Dodge Corporation, No. 2 Players Club Drive, Charleston, WV 25311

F.W. Dodge Corporation and Associated General Contractors, 2321 Fortune Drive, Suite 112, Lexington, KY 40509

Associated Builders

containing Contractors. 2.97 acres, and being 1051 Newtown Pike, the same property Suite F - 1, Lexington, that was conveyed to KY 40511 Steel Copies of Company, a corpora-Drawings in full size, tion (predecessor in the Specifications title to the grantor and Contract herein) by deed from Documents may be Willie Newman and obtained from Lynn wife, by deed dated Blueprint and Supply 1946, Co., 328 Vine Street, recorded in Deed Lexington, Kentucky 40507, Phone (859) and part of the same 255-1021. property conveyed to receipt of a nonthe grantor by quitrefundable amount of from \$250.00 for each Steel complete set of docudated ments

Copies of the geotechnical report are included in the specifications as an appensaid deeds is hereby dix

Prevailing wage ticular description of rates do apply for this the land hereby conproject.

Hearing impaired Sealed bids may be individuals may call 1mailed or hand-deliv- 800-247-2510 ered to Gregory information. Adams, Director of

Schools, draw his Bid within ADVERTISEMENT Allen, the actual date of bid 41601, opening,

Bidders on this work 1964. the Anti-Conveyance will be Kickback Act, and the Bidders must com-

with the

Segregated Facility, and read aloud. Section 109 and E.O. 11246.

Bidders must certify

Minorities and small businesses are encouraged to submit

waive any bidding

The sealed bid for System Water Expansion, Contract the District. The bid may Contractors ipate. Also, if Bidder and be mailed to : Hwy. the allotted for the com- McDowell, Kentucky this 41647. A certified Contract is one hun- check or Bid Bond

> County, accompany the Bid. Southern Water and Sewer District Hubert Halbert, Chairman Date: March 6.

> > 2002

Sewer District in the

DAVID SEWER

EXTENSION PRESTONSBURG CITY'S UTILITIES COMMISSION FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY

BIDS for a portion of payment of the bid Orders No. 11246 System Extension -The permit area is price is to be made and No. 11375, and Contract 1, will be the Utilities Commission, Attention of bidders 2560 South Lake tions provided in the The Floyd County is particularly called Drive, Prestonsburg, property, Right Fork of Beaver Board of Education to the requirements Kentucky 41653, on 37 degrees, 25 min- reject any or all bids. employment to be 2:00 p.m. local time, observed under the and then at said cute a contract, section 3, office publicly opened

FOR BIDS

SYSTEM

Contract 1 will congravity sewer, man- required

following locations:

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commision, 2560 South Lake The Southern Water Drive, Prestonsburg KY 41653

> Versailles Road, Frankfort, KY 40601

F.W. DODGE

F.W. DODGE No. 7 - Water Main AGC, 1717 Alliant Suite 11. Specifications Sewer District, 245 St., Ashland, KY part of this project, 680, 41102

Builders Exchange of Louisville, Inc. Payable to the 2300 Meadow Dr., Southern Water and Louisville, KY 40218

> TRACT MENTS be may obtained Kenvirons, Inc., 452 Road, Versailles Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, upon payment to Kenvirons, Inc., of \$100.00, non-

refundable set.

OWNER The reserves the right to waive any informalities, or to reject any and all bids. Any bid that is obviously unbalanced may be rejected.

Federal law prohibits discrimination on the grounds of race, color, national Separate Sealed origin, religion, age, handicap, and sex in

Each BIDDER must

deposit with his BID,

security amount, form and subject to the condi-Information Bidders. The BID-DER awarded the Contract shall exe-Performance and a 100% Payment Bond, and shall fursist of 3400 feet of nish insurance as by the System they do not and will holes, 42,000 feet of General Conditions. Contract-1 shall be No. 7 - Water Main vide for their employ- main and 2 lift sta- completed and in The CONTRACT calendar days after damages will be \$300.00 per calendar

> to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be Kenvirons, Inc.,452 observed, and minimum wage rates to be paid, under the contract, Title VI, Section Segregated Facility. Section 109 and E.O.11246. Firms, Minority Firms, Small and Female businesses are & anticipates the use of Southern Water and Drawings, 3359 13th subcontractors, as a Firms, Firms, and Small and Female businesses

Attention of bidders

is particularly called

withdraw his bid with-Copies of the CON- in 60 days after the DOCU- actual date of the opening thereof.

is encouraged.

Date: March 13, 2002 Prestonsburg City's **Utilities Commission** 

#### NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350,093 notice is hereby given that Pen Coal Corporation, 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, (606-886-2330), intends to apply for Phase II and III Bond Releases for Increment No 1, and Phase III Bond Releases for Increments No. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 on Permit No. 436-0241, which was last issued on Oct. 17, 1996. The Increments cover surface areas, and underground areas, located 0.5 mile north of Martin in Floyd County, as follows:

Inc.	Surfac	e	Underground
No.	Are		Area
1	19.36 A	C.	
2	7.36	19	
3	26.17	*	
4	43.71	10	4.53 Ac.
5	26.44	0	1,007,101
6	22.43	8	
7	18.28		
8	13.61	0.	
9	8.05	и.	

The operation is approximately 0.5 mile south of the junction of KY 80 and the Lick Branch of Bull Creek Road, and is approximately 0.15 mile east of Jarrell Fork, and KY 80. The operation is located on the Martin, and Harold 7 1/2 minute USGS quadrangle

The original bond amounts (surety) now in effect for the increments are as follows:

Increment	Bond Amount	Bond Amount
No.	(original)	(current)
1	\$ 25,000,00	\$ 25,000.00
2	20,600.00	2,600,00
3	96,300.00	14,500.00
4	172,100.00	23,300.00
5	76,700.00	16,600.00
6	71,800.00	10,800.00
7	79,700.00	9,800.00
8	49,900.00	7,500.00
9	96,000.00	4,300.00

100% of these original bond amounts are to be included in this application for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in fall 1996. Results thus far achieved include: establishment of vegetation in accordance with the approved post mining land use plan, and the post mining land

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, # 2 Hudson Hollow Complex, Frankfort, KY 40601, by April 26, 2002. A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for April 29, 2002, at 9:00 AM, at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no requests for a hearing or informal conference is received by April 26, 2002.

#### INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for the System Water Expansion, Contract No. 8 Water Storage Facilities for the Southern Water and Sewer District, will be received at the offices of the Southern Water and Sewer District, 245 KY 680, McDowell, Kentucky 41647, until 1:00 P.M., Local March 27, 2002, and then publicly opened and read aloud.

The program of work for which bids are to be submitted consists of the consruction of six ground storage water tanks. Each tank shall have a valve pit, access road, site work, water main and related as appurtenances shown and Drawings described in the Specifications.

The Work for this Project is located in County, Floyd Kentucky. and includes:

1 - 1,040,000 gallon ground storage water tank located near the Intersection of KY 122 and KY 80 in Martin, Kentucky.

1 - 100,000 gallon project. ground storage water tank located on KY 2030 Spurlock Creek. 1- 37,000 gallon ground storage water tank located Frasure Creek.

1 - 27,000 gallon ground storage water tank located on Mink Branch.

1 - 39,000 gallon ground storage water tank located on KY 466 in Weeksbury. 1 - 24,000 gallon

ground storage tank expandable to 100,000 gallon located on KY 680 John Hall Branch.

Drawings, Specifications and Contract Documents may be examined at:

PDR ENGINEERS. INC., 800 Corporate Driove, Lexington, KY 40503 Phone:

(859) 223-8000 Southern Water and Sewer District, 245 KY Hwy. 680, McDowell,

Kentucky 41647

Phone: (606) 377-9296

F.W. Dodge Corportion, No. 2 Players Club Drive. Charleston, WV 25311

F.W. Dodge Corporation and Associated General Contractors, 2321 Fortune Drive, Suite 112, Lexington, KY 40509

Associated Builders and Contractors. 1051 Newtown Pike, Suite F-1. Lexington, KY 40511

Copies of the Drawings in full size, Specifications Documents may be obtained from Lynn Blueprint and Supply Co., 328 Vine Street, Lexington, Kentucky 40507, Phone (859) 255-1021. upon receipt of a nonrefundable amount of complete set of documents.

Copies of the geotechnical report are Bid. included in the specifications as an appendix.

Prevailing wage rates do apply for this

Hearing impaired individuals may call 1-800-247-2510 for information.

No Bidder may withdraw his bid within ninety (90) days after for a permit to operthe actual date of bid opening

Bidders on this work will be required to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 41653. The name of the Anti-1964. Kickback Act, and the Contract Work Hours Standard Act.

with the President's Executive Orders No. 11246 and No. 11375, and any amendments or County Attorney shall supplements to those Executive Orders.

Attention of bidders is particularly called ter, or whether the to the requirements applicant will obey as to conditions of the laws of the employment to be Commonwealth observed under the the operation of the contract, Section 3, business, or whether Segregated Facility, the applicant, within Section 109 and E.O. the last two (2) years

they do not and will has been convicted in not maintain or pro- Kentucky of maintain-

vide for their employ- ing a public nuisance ees, any facilities that Pursuant to KRS are segregated or 231.080, any person based on race, color, desiring to oppose creed, or national ori- the permits shall file

Minorities and small no later than April 18, businesses are 2002, in writing, alleencouraged to submit gations that show

bids on this project. The Southern Water application shall not and Sewer District be granted. Said writreserves the right to ten information shall waive any bidding be signed, dated, and informalities and to reflect the current reject any and all address of said perbids.

The sealed bid for information.

this Project shall be clearly marked on the 231.080, a hearing outside of the enve- has been scheduled lope: "Sealed Bid for for April 18, 2002, at System the hour of 2:30 p.m., Expansion, Contract or as soon thereafter No. 8 - Water Storage as same can be Facilities, Southern heard, Water and Sewer Floyd The Bid Contract District." may be mailed to: the Floyd County Southern Water and Sewer District, 245 680, Kentucky. The Floyd Hwy, McDowell, Kentucky C o u n t A certified Judge/Executive 41647. check or Bid Bond, shall hear evidence in payable to the Southern Water and \$200.00 for each Sewer District in the granting of the peramount of five (5) percent of the Bid shall accompany the

Southern Water and Sewer District Hubert Halbert, Chairman Date: March 6, 2002

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to KRS 231.040, application ate a place of entertainment, has been made by Michael S. Osborne, of P.O. Box 87, Prestonsburg, KY the proposed business of entertainment is City Limits. The nature of the business will be Dance Club, Pool Tables, and Wine. Beer Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral characprior to the date of fil-Bidders must certify ing the application

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT with the County Clerk COURT DIVISION NO. I CIVIL ACTION NO.99-CI-01022 cause as to why the BANKERS TRUST COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA

VS: **TERRY JOHNSON** son providing the AND COMMON-WEALTH OF Pursuant to KRS KENTUCKY **COUNTY OF** FLOYD DEFENDANTS

PLAINTIFF

NOTICE OF COM-MISSIONER'S SALE

before the

Judge/Executive, at

Justice Center, 2nd

floor in Prestonsburg,

support of, or in

HON. KEITH

FLOYD COUNTY

BARTLEY

ATTORNEY

County

BY VIRTUE OF an Amended Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court entered on the 19th day of February, 2002, in the Floyd Circuit opposition to, the Court, in the above styled cause, for the principal sum of \$33,794.36, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall pro-right of way to the America and/or the of sale takes prece-

Door, 3rd Avenue, said Boundary, Being chaser Prestonsburg, the same parcel con-required to assume Kentucky, (behind the veyed to new Floyd County Johnson by deed Justice Center) to the recorded 11/15/93 in highest bidder, at public auction on 219. Thursday, the 28th day of March, 2002, at the hour of 9:00 of sale, the successa.m., the following ful bidder, if the other and payable. Any described real estate, than the Plaintiff, together with any and shall either pay cash all improvements and appurtenances thereunto belonging and ance on credit for estate taxes will be the rents, issues and thirty (30) days, and paid from the sale profits thereon, located at 1063 Rt. 466, Melvin, Floyd County, ty thereon for the the Plaintiff is the pur-

of way; thence running across the bottom with said line to a Judgment. planted stone on the hill; thence around ty shall be sold sub- ed to pay court costs, Direction to a planted stone; thence across the bottom a straight down with the road

described as follows:

Beginning on a

at the Old Floyd beginning, so as to of. County Courthouse include all land in Terry Volume 372, Page TERMS OF SALE: At the time (a)

or 10% of purchase price, with the balrequired to execute a bond with good sure-Kentucky, 52650, and unpaid particularly price of said property, described property if any, bearing inter-Earnest Hensley line per annum from the a credit against said and state road right date of sale until lien for the amount of paid, having the force the bid and no bond and effect of

the hill in a South ject to any ease- the fees and costs of ments and restric- the tions of record in the Commissioner and Floyd County Clerk's line to a planted Office and such right assessed against the stone at the road of redemption as may right of way; thence exist in favor of the United States of

(c) The shall be and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky City and Prestonsburg real property taxes for the year 2002, and all subsequent vears which are not yet due and all delinquent County, Floyd

Kentucky, and City of Prestonsburg In the event (d) purchase chaser of the above for an amount equal est at the rate of to, or less than, its planted stone at twelve percent (12%) first lien, it shall take

> The proper- shall only be obligat-Master any real estate taxes real estate.

shall be required of

the Plaintiff, and it

Any ments made on date ceed to offer for sale planted stone at the record owners there- dence over printed

contained matter PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL:

Hon. Brian E. Chapman 525 Vine Street Suite 1020 Cincinnati, OH 45202

WILLIAM S. KENDRICK Master Commissioner P. O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 (606) 886-2812 2002



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#### FLOYD COUNTY SHERIFF'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 2001

#### Receipts

Grants	\$	67,216.34
Serving Court Process	\$	37,160.00
Commission From Taxes	\$	268,269.86
State Advancement	\$	86,200.00
Auto Inspections	\$	18,510.00
Sheriff Fee From Taxes	\$	5,900.00
Deliquent Tax Commission	\$	12,186.19
Circuit Clerk Fees	\$	17,541.00
Interest	\$	20,307.78
Community Policing	\$	106,571.29
Accident Reports	\$	1,851.00
Court Bailiff Fees	\$ \$ \$ \$	132,057.00
Fiscal Court	\$	48,853.77
C.C.D.W.	\$	11,015.00
Misc.	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	255.44
Transporting	\$	11,292.37
KLEFPF	\$	41,210.03
Sheriff 10% from taxes	\$	83,116.99
Start up money		1,200.00
DARE	\$	333.59
Expenses		
Payroll	\$	552,128.69
Payroll Taxes	\$	45,718.56
Office Supplies	\$	15,517.29
Postage	\$ \$ \$	2,332.13
Auto Expenses		119,989.90
Uniforms	\$	17,627.20
Repayment of State Advancement	\$	86,200.00
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DARE Program 2,921.05 Unemployment Ins. 4,187.79 Accounting Fees 3,041.14 7,165.00 CCDW Dues 861.79 50.75 Bonds Advertising Cost 251.00 KLEFPF 41,165.25 Transporting 959.79 1,200.00 Start Up Money Fiscal Court Fees 7,860.00 K-9 Unit 6,650.44 4,469.78 Travel/Training Misc. 491.31

971,047.65

920,788.86

50,258.79

TOTAL RECEIPTS

TOTAL EXPENSES

**EXCESS FEES** 



The Floyd County Times

wants to encourage and acknowledge excellence in the Floyd County Area. The Floyd County Times is conducting its annual ballot of readers so they can let us know whom they consider to be best in the county. Winners receive a certificate suitable for framing and will be featured in a SPECIAL SECTION in March titles...

# 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 work

#### BEST FOOD

Brand of Soft Drink Chicken Chinese Food Decorated Cake Fish and Seafood French Fries Fresh Meat for Grilling Home Cookin' Ice Cream Kid's Meal Mexican Food Onion Rings Roast Beef Sandwich Salad Bar Sandwiches Shakes/Malts

#### BEST PEOPLE

Accountant
Attorney
Bank Teller
Employed at

Barber Employed at \_\_\_\_ Employed at\_\_\_\_ Building Contractor \_\_\_\_ Bus Driver \_\_\_ Car Salesperson \_\_\_\_ Employed at \_\_\_\_\_ Chiropractor \_\_\_\_ City Employee \_ Club President Coach Employed at \_\_\_ Dental Hygiene\_\_\_ Employed at \_\_\_\_ Dentist \_ Electrician Employed at EMT/Paramedic \_\_\_ Firefighter \_ Funeral Home Attendant Employed at

Firefighter
Funeral Home Attendant
Employed at
Furniture Sales Person
Employed at
General Physician
Hairstylist
Employed at
Heating/Air Service Room
Employed at
Insurance Agent
Employed at
Jeweler
Law Enforcement Officer
Loan Officer
Mechanic
Employed at
Nurse
Employed at
Optometrist
Employed at
Employed at

Paper Carrier

Pastor/Priest

Employed at \_\_\_\_\_

Employed at \_\_\_\_\_\_

Real Estate Agent \_\_\_\_\_

Employed at \_\_\_\_\_

School Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Teaches at \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_\_
Employed at \_\_\_\_\_\_
Store Cashier

Employed at \_\_\_\_\_\_
Sunday School Teacher \_\_\_\_
Teaches at \_\_\_\_\_
Surgeon\_

Employed at \_\_\_\_\_\_
Sunday School Teacher \_\_\_\_
Teaches at \_\_\_\_

Surgeon\_\_\_\_\_\_
Employed at \_\_\_\_\_
Waitress/Waiter\_\_\_\_
Employed at \_\_\_\_\_

Veterinarian

Employed at \_\_\_\_

### BEST PLACE TO PURCHASE

Athletic Shoes\_ Auto-Body Repairs Bath Towels,\_\_\_ Bed Linens Cabinets \_\_\_\_\_ Dairy Items Dress Shoes Film Developing Health & Beauty Aids Home Health Care Needs\_\_\_\_\_ Home Mortgage Loan Kids Clothing Men's Clothing Pet Supplies \_\_\_\_\_ Produce School Supplies Seafood items Shoe Repair Snack Food\_ Stereo TV-VCR Repair Used Automobiles Women's Clothing

#### BEST BUSINESS

Car Dealership \_\_\_\_\_\_
Car Wash \_\_\_\_\_
Commercial Printer \_\_\_\_\_
Concrete \_\_\_\_

Construction/Remodeling \_\_\_
Convenience Store \_\_\_
Crafts \_\_\_

Daycare Center\_\_\_\_\_
Deli \_\_\_\_
Dry Cleaners\_\_\_
Electrical Supplies \_\_\_\_

Electronics \_\_\_\_\_
Eyewear \_\_\_\_
Exterminating \_\_\_

Farm/Agriculture \_\_\_\_\_\_
Financial Institutions \_\_\_\_\_\_
Financing

Floor Coverings \_\_\_\_\_ Florist \_\_\_\_ Funeral Home\_\_\_

Garage\_\_\_\_\_\_Gas Station\_\_\_\_\_

Home Decorating \_\_\_\_\_\_
Insurance Agency \_\_\_\_\_
Janitorial Service \_\_\_\_\_\_

Landscaping \_\_\_\_\_

Laundromat \_\_\_\_\_\_

Manufacturing \_\_\_\_\_

Mine Supply \_\_\_\_\_

Mining Company \_\_\_\_\_

Mining Company \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Home \_\_\_\_\_\_

Motel/Hotel \_\_\_\_\_

Oil Changes \_\_\_\_\_\_
Pawn Shop \_\_\_\_\_
Pharmacy \_\_\_\_\_

Tools & Supplies \_\_\_\_\_\_

Truck Dealership \_\_\_\_\_\_
Upholstery \_\_\_\_\_
Videos \_\_\_\_\_

### Ballot Rules:

- Only ballots from the Fleyd County Times will be counted. No cooles accepted.
- Businesses nominated have to be in the Floyd County area and individuals nominated have to live and work in Floyd County.
- 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.
- Limited to 5 copies per person available for sale at front desk, up to normal press run copies. No extra forms will be printed.

15, 2002 (mailed or delivered)

4. All entries must be at The Floyd County Times by Friday, March

#### 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.

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Main Street, Martin, Ky.
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SIZE	8'	10'	12'	14'	16'
2x4 CONST.	\$1.89	\$2.39	\$2.89	\$3.49	\$3.99
2x6 CONST.	\$2.79	\$3.49	\$4.19	\$4.89	\$5.59
2x8 CONST.	*****	\$4.99	\$6.29	\$6.69	\$7.99
2x10 CONST.	*****	\$6.59	\$7.99	\$9.99	\$10.99

Pre-cut Construction Studs ......\$1.63 1x12 Sheathing ......per toot 35¢

1x3 Furring Strips.....Each 89¢

#### PRESSURE TREATED LUMBER

SIZE	8'	10'	12'	14'	16'
2x4 TREATED	\$1.99	\$2.69	\$3.49	******	
2x6 TREATED	\$2.59	\$3.99	\$4.99	******	\$7.49
2x8 TREATED	\$3.99	\$4.99	\$6.49	******	\$8.99
5/4x6 TREATED	\$2.99	\$3.99	\$4.99	******	
6x6 TREATED			\$19.99		\$22.99

#### **PLYWOODS**

1/2" CDX	\$8.77	3/4" T&G	\$15.99
5/8" CDX	\$12.88	7/16" OSB	\$5.49
3/4" CDX	\$14.88	3/4" T&G (	OSB\$10.99

#### NAILS

50-lb 8CC\$11.99	50-lb Drywall Nails	\$29.99
50-lb 16CC\$11.99	50-lb 8 Galv. Nails	\$29.99
50-lb Roofing Tacks\$19.99	50-lb 16 Galv. Nails	\$29.99

#### ELECTRICAL

12-2 Wire with Ground\$17.99	Heat Fan & Light\$67.96
5/8 x 8' Ground Rod\$11.99	Duplex Ground Fault Receptacle\$6.99
2" x 10' Ridgid Conduit\$29.99	100 Amp 20-Circuit Breaker Box & Lid\$39.00
2" x 10' Sch 40 Conduit\$3.99	200 Amp 30-Circuit Breaker Box & Lid\$75.00
2" x 10' Sch 80 Conduit\$6.99	200 Amp 40-Circuit Breaker Box & Lid\$85.00
2" x 3" Plastic Wall Box23¢	200 Amp Trailer Disconnect\$69.00
2" x 3" Metal Wall Box79¢	200 Amp Trailer Hookup\$244.00
4" x 4" Metal Ceiling Box69¢	175 Watt Pole Light\$19.97
Duplex Receptacle47¢	
#688 Bath Fan\$10.99	300 Watt Quartz Light\$6.88
#678 Bath Fan & Light\$27.96	50' 16/3 Extension Cord\$4.99

#### **PLUMBING**

PLUMBING				
1/2" x 10' C-PVC Pipe\$1.99	40-Gallon Electric Water Heater\$127.50			
3/4" x 10' C-PVC Pipe\$2.99	50-Gallon Electric Water Heater\$137.50			
1-1/2" x 10' PVC Pipe\$1.77	40-Gallon Gas Water Heater\$129.50			
2" x 10' PVC Pipe\$1.99	1/2-HP Deep Well Pump\$139.00			
3" x 10' PVC Pipe\$3.99	3/4-H.P. Deep Well Pump\$179.00			
4" x 10' PVC Pipe\$5.99	1/2-H.P. Submersible Pump\$189.00			
4" x 10' White Sewer Pipe\$2.99	3/4-HP Submersible Pump\$249.00			
4" x 10' Corrugated Sewer Pipe\$2.25	1-HP Submersible Pump\$299.00			
4" x 100' Corrugated Sewer Pipe\$22.50 500-Gallon Septic Tank\$139.00	42-Gallon Pressure Tank\$79.00			
750-Gallon Septic Tank\$189.00	Fiberglass Tub & Shower Unit\$188.00			
1000-Gallon Septic Tank\$239.00	Fiberglass Tub & Shower, Colors\$188.00			
Corrugated Distribution Box\$14.50	5' Metal Tub\$99.00			
SB-2 8" Septic Pipe\$23.99	White Commode\$45.00			

#### ROOFING

Fiberglass Shinglesper sq. \$	21.50
90-lb. Roll Roofing\$	12.77
15-Lb. Felt\$	12.77
30-Lb. Felt\$	12.77
5-V Tin	
8' 5-V Tin	\$4.49
10' 5-V Tin	\$5.99
12' 5-V Tin	\$6.99
14' 5-V Tin	\$7.99
5-Gal. Aluminum Roof Coating\$	17.99

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

23,000 BTU Kerosene Heater\$99.50
28"x60" Underpinning Tin\$3.99
5'x150' Concrete Mesh\$39.99
1/2"x20' Re-Bar\$2.99
5-Gallon CWF-UV\$69.99
4-Cubic Foot Wheelbarrow\$29.99
6-Cubic Foot Wheelbarrow\$39.99

# GEORGIA PACIFIC VINYL SIDING

White D-5 DutchlapPer Sq	.\$32.99
Almond D-5 DutchlapPer Sq	\$32.99
Tan D-5 DutchlapPer Sq	.\$32.99
Clay D5 DutchlapPer Sq	\$32.99
5/8" J Channel	\$2.99
Starter Strip	\$2.99
Outside Corner	\$8.99
Inside Corner	\$8.99
White SoffitPer Pie	ce \$6.99
8" Fascia	\$7.99
F-Trim	\$4.49
24"x 50' Trim Coil	.\$45.99
Fan Fold Insulation200' Bdl	\$24.99
9'x100' House Wrap	.\$79.99
18" Octagonal Vinyl Vent	.\$29.94
1/2" Blackboard	\$4.97
1/2" Foam	
#750 Roof Vent	

#### STANLEY-BOSTITCH

Bostitch N	-60 Finis	h Nailer	.\$199.00
Bostitch N	-80 Fram	ing Nailer	.\$249.00

#### DOORS

2/8 & 3/0 6-Panel Metal Clad	\$93.50
2/8 & 3/0 9-Lite Metal Door	\$119.50
Mill Finish Storm Doors	\$55.99
White Crossbuck Storm Doors .	\$69.99
Full View Storm Doors	\$89.99
Black Security Storm Doors	\$139.99
Wood Screen Doors	\$29.97
Lauan Pre-Hung Door Unit	\$49.88
6/0 Probuilt Patio Door	\$329.88
9'x 7' Insulated Garage Door	\$239.88

#### **FENCE WIRE**

48" Poultry Netting	.\$23.97
60" Poultry Netting	.\$26.97
48" Welded Wire	.\$32.97
60" Welded Wire	.\$39.97
6' Heavy Duty Metal Fence Post	\$2.19
15 1/2 Gauge Barbed Wire	.\$19.99

#### WERNER LADDERS

6' Aluminum Step, #356	\$33.99
6' Fiberglass Step, #5906	\$49.99
16' Aluminum Ext., #D716-2	\$49.99
20' AluminumExt., #D1120-2	\$79.99
24' Aluminum Ext.,	\$99.99

#### INSULATION

3-1/2"x 15"88.12'	\$13.88
3-1/2"x 23"	.\$21.88
6"x 15"48.96'	\$11.88
6"x 23"	.\$18.88

45' Carton Self-Stick Floor Tile \$15.88