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Council votes to raise tax rates

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

Members discuss bike trail, industrial sites

PRESTONSBURG — Among discussions of industrial development and tourist attraction via bike trails at a special called Prestonsburg City Council meeting on Wednesday, the council gave a second reading of ordinance 7-2002, the council

gave final approval to an increase in property tax rates.

The real estate tax was levied as 0.2170 per \$100 of assessed value, a half-cent increase from last year, while the tangible personal property and franchises tax was

levied at 0.3080 per \$100 of assessed value, a 1.7 cent increase from the previous year.

The introduction of Resolution 7-2002 proposed that the city intends to make "pre-application" to the Department for

Local Government for assistance under the Recreational Trails Program to assist in funding a bike trail that would connect Stone Crest and Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

The council adopted a motion to reserve money to match the program's lim-

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Preacher's rape charge dismissed

INEZ — A rape charge against a Floyd County preacher has been dismissed in exchange for a guilty plea to a count of custodial interference.

Russell Hayes had been charged with the rape of a 12-year-old girl in Martin Circuit Court before reaching a deal with prosecutors, which also saw him plead no contest to a charge of bribing a police officer.

Contrary to published reports in another newspaper, Hayes did not plead guilty to the rape charge, but instead saw the charge dismissed entirely.

Prosecutors are now recommending that Hayes receive a five-year sentence for the custodial interference charge, but are not recommending whether that time should be behind bars, under home arrest or merely probation.

According to Hayes' attorney, Ned Pillersdorf, he is confident his client will not go to jail.

"My experience in 22 years is that if a prosecutor doesn't ask for jail time, a judge doesn't usually give it," Pillersdorf said.

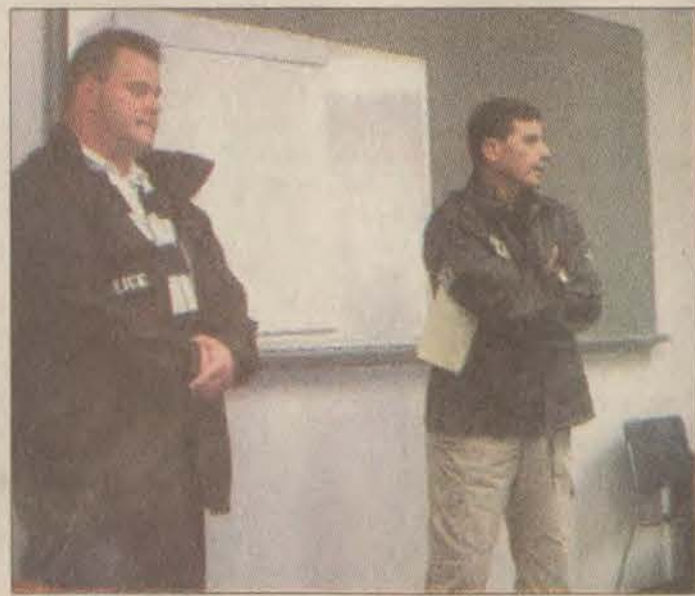


Amy Cole of Pikeville made no comment to reporters and looked towards the ground as Pikeville Police Officer Chris Edmonds transported her through the news media to the Pike County Detention Center.

photos by Lana Fuller

Pikeville Police, DEA make drug arrests

by LANA FULLER
PIKE COUNTY BUREAU



Pikeville Police Department Detective Bruce Anderson and Drug Enforcement Agency Supervisor Mike Pelonero told news reporters that the abuse of OxyContin and other crimes associated with the abuse in the Pikeville and Pike County is not a problem, "It's an epidemic!"

PIKEVILLE — Nine people were arrested for state and federal violations of conspiracy with the intent to distribute and for possession with the intent of trafficking OxyContin in Pikeville early Thursday morning.

Pikeville City Police Department Detectives, United States Marshals, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Department of Justice and the U.S. Attorney's office teamed up to finalize an one-year joint investigation of drug trafficking inside the Pikeville city limits. However, the Pikeville Police possess the authority and jurisdiction to go out into the county and did have to do so for some of the arrests.

Two teams consisting of a PPD detective and a DEA agent armed with state and federal warrants began the roundup at 7 a.m. According to Detective Bruce Anderson and DEA Supervisor Mike Pelonero in a press conference Thursday afternoon, eight additional warrants are pending. PPD was unable to serve them due to persons relocating and even one having moved out of state.

Pelonero said that those arrested Thursday were part of

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MVE officers arrest seven for drugs

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

SALYERSVILLE — Officers with the Kentucky Motor Vehicle Enforcement arrested seven suspects on drug charges after traffic stops occurring on Oct. 5 and 6 on the Mountain Parkway approximately 5 miles west of Salyersville.

According to police reports, Ralph J. Bentley, 36, of Hazel Green, and Ricky D. Trent, 46, of Mt. Sterling, were arrested after a vehicle stop allegedly led to the discovery of a large amount of prescription drugs on them.

Bailey was discovered with more than 42 drugs, including amphetamines, oxycodone, Valium, Lorcet, Soma, and hydrocodone.

Ricky Trent was found to have Lorcet, hydrocodone, and Soma in his possession.

Bentley was also charged with driving under the influence, and Trent was charged with public intoxication.

Upon searching the vehicle, officers also dis-

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Garrett liquor store robbed at gunpoint

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

GARRETT — A Floyd County liquor store was the site of an armed robbery on Wednesday afternoon.

Kentucky State Police received a call from Hideaway Liquors in Garrett reporting an armed robbery.

According to the police report, two white males wearing black ski masks entered the store and demanded money. One of them was armed with a handgun.

The suspects left the scene possibly in a red Chevrolet S-10 with a green left front fender and headed west on Rockfork Road.

The case is still under investigation by the Kentucky State Police.

Festival debuts on the 'net

Times Staff Report

PRESTONSBURG — People who want to view this year's Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival in Prestonsburg will not even have to leave the comfort of their homes.

The celebration will be posted on the world wide web thanks to a web cam that has been set up to record the action.

The web broadcast is a joint effort between the city of Prestonsburg, the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce, the Prestonsburg Tourism Commission and

Eastern Telephone of Pikeville.

The camera refreshes the image every 60 seconds in order to capture all of the events taking place on the festival stage area. A second camera is also going to be used to broadcast Saturday's festival parade procession.

Bambi Phillips, marketing director for SouthEast Telephone, the Pikeville-based telecommunications company that created and maintains the site, said the primary objectives for the site are to provide festival

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Kentucky Department of Education Commissioner Gene Wilhoit spoke with Julie Hahn Schmidt, president of Leadership Kentucky, before the Leadership Kentucky Education Session held at Prestonsburg Elementary on Thursday.

photo by Jarid Deaton

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Odds and Ends

■ LA CROSSE — How many tacos can \$3,200 buy?

That's what some parents of University of Wisconsin-La Crosse students may have been wondering after tuition payments were erroneously listed as charges to Taco Bell on some credit card statements.

"I know some of our students eat at Taco Bell, but I never knew they racked up that big of bill," joked Student Association President Adam Mueller.

The money was routed into

UW-La Crosse's account, but the vendor's software listed the wrong name for the charge on the statements, said Ron Lostetter, vice chancellor for administration and finance.

Lostetter said he did not know how many students had the erroneous bills, but said several students have called to be sure their \$3,200 in room, board and tuition was paid.

■ MURFREESBORO, Tenn. — Some Tennessee journalism students tried out the

"real, current and relevant" lingo advocated by a CNN Headlines News executive to capture a younger audience.

The result? "We sounded like old people to ourselves, trying to sound cool," said Angela Gardenhire, a senior broadcast journalism major at Middle Tennessee State University.

In an internal e-mail, CNN Headline News general manager Rolando Santos told all the "homeys and honeys" to "add a new flavor" to the graphics on the Headline News screen. The

list of phrases he suggested included "fly," meaning sexually attractive.

Bob Pondillo, journalism professor at Middle Tennessee State, saw a perfect assignment in the flap over the e-mail. But after writing headlines using words like "dude" and "capped," students decided the language was loaded.

"We decided that in very real ways this kind of writing is unethical, based on the news conventions that have been followed for almost 170 years," he said.

Santos said his e-mail was designed to point out resources that might help headline writers, not to be used as "a policy or directive from me."

■ JACKSON, Tenn. — In the small town of Guys, it certainly wasn't politics as usual.

In Saturday's alderman election, voters were faced with blank ballots because no candidate filed the paperwork in time. Two at-large alderman seats were filled with write-in candidates.

L.B. "Pete" Rinehart, one of the incumbent aldermen elected, said the July 18 qualifying deadline "passed without me even knowing it."

Rinehart got 50 votes, not a bad showing from the 140 voters who turned out in the town

of about 500 people.

The blank ballots in the small town 85 miles east of Memphis caught comedian Jay Leno's attention for his "Tonight Show" monologue.

"Finally," he cracked, "an election even the people of Florida couldn't screw up."

■ LAS VEGAS — What's a better job than mayor of Las Vegas? How about getting paid to drink martinis?

Mayor Oscar Goodman, who boasts publicly about his drinking, has sealed a \$100,000 contract to endorse Bombay Sapphire gin.

Goodman is inviting Robin Leach, Charo and former Motley Crue frontman Vince Neil to sip martinis with him at a party Friday celebrating the endorsement.

He plans to donate his earnings to charity.

"I hope this gets the message out that Las Vegas is a fun place. We're very unconventional," Goodman said.

Friday's "happy hour" is only the most high profile of five evening drinking sessions Goodman has hosted. The city dubs the alcohol-filled meetings with Las Vegas residents "Martinis with the Mayor."

Bombay will now be the gin of choice at such events, a preference the mayor says will last

"as long as we're having a good time together."

While Goodman said he doesn't want his endorsement to be seen as support for irresponsible drinking, some have cautioned that the events could be sending the wrong message and put drunken drivers on Las Vegas streets.

"Our concern is that these kinds of events turn into drunk-fests, and that puts the rest of us who are on the roadways at risk," said Sandy Heverly, director of a local anti-drunk driving group.

The mayor's endorsement came after a bidding war between Bombay and two other gin brands, said Larry Nuvo of Southern Nevada Wine and Spirits, who helped arrange the endorsement.

What put the blue-bottled gin on top?

"He liked the taste of Bombay. He had previous experience with it," Nuvo said.

■ FAIRFIELD, Ill. — It's hardly the fastest thing on the road, but police say a red riding lawn mower was an effective getaway vehicle for a burglar.

Witnesses told police they saw the suspect driving the mower away from a home where an intruder made off with more than \$1,000 in jewelry Monday.

"We believe he rode the mower to the crime scene as well," said Fairfield police Sgt. Steven Sone.

Fairfield, in southeastern Illinois, is about 30 miles west of the Indiana state line.

■ MOCKSVILLE, N.C. — Look at the street signs and you might think people in Davie County don't like visitors.

There's Staya Way and Getta Way, Keepa Way and Outatha Way. The people who live on the streets say they're friendly.

"When we named the road, we didn't even think it was odd," said Keretha Shore, who lives on Staya Way. "We just thought it was funny."

The Shores' former neighbor, David Plott, suggested the name when the county mandated several years ago that all roads have names so that emergency vehicles could find them. Other neighbors liked it, too.

Briggett Ferrell said she hoped the name might discourage people who sometimes park in her family's back yard and fish in the lake behind their house. Her son, Joey, said the signs don't discourage anyone.

"People always laugh," he said. "People ask if we're joking: 'You're lying to me, right?'"

All four roads are private, so property owners along the roads had naming rights. As long as the names didn't offend anyone and didn't duplicate any existing names, they were OK, said Tim Barba of the Davie County Planning Department.

Rick Franklin, who named Getta Way, said he doesn't want people to think he's antisocial. Just last weekend, he had 160 people over for chicken stew, he said.

"I ain't put up the gate yet,"

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Lieutenant governor, prosecutor differ on prospects for settlement

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Lt. Gov. Steve Henry and federal prosecutors paint a starkly different picture of the magnitude of allegations that he overcharged the government for his services as an orthopedist.

Henry says federal prosecutors are questioning about 45 cases, down from originally 1,200 or so.

Steve Pence, the U.S. attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, disputed that the investigation was focusing on only a small number of cases.

"We're not dealing with a few isolated incidences here," Pence said Wednesday in a telephone interview. "We believe Dr. Henry had a pattern of billing for services he did not provide."

Henry, who taught and practiced at the University of Louisville's hospital, said he wanted a chance to explain

"what occurs in a university hospital in the middle of the night."

"There are a million different things that can happen at a university hospital," Henry said in a separate interview.

His attorney, Jack Smith of Louisville, who has said that he is seeking a settlement, said the total of disputed cases is now 41.

However, Pence said the investigation could not be characterized as involving the number of cases cited by Smith. He would not comment more specifically.

"We anticipate all this will come out during the course of litigation," Pence said.

Henry's billings were investigated by Pence, who announced last month that he would not try to indict Henry on criminal charges. Instead, he would sue to recover overpayments, Pence said.

Pence said Henry and his attorney had requested time to

discuss a settlement, and that talks are scheduled next week.

"Had it not been for that request, we would have already filed a complaint," Pence said in an interview. "We do anticipate we would be filing a complaint sometime around the first of November."

Having the threat of an indictment removed was crucial for Henry, who is planning to run for governor next year. But he claims an audit shows that the University of Louisville actually underbilled for his services by about \$500,000 during the past six years.

He also said Medicare and Medicaid, the government health insurance programs, have higher error rates than private billing services. He and the university's orthopedics department should not be held to a standard that Medicare and Medicaid cannot achieve, Henry said.

"I think the only fair approach to this is that we all say there have been errors made on both sides of the billing system. It's systemic and you try to change the system the best you can," Henry said.

Smith, his attorney, said prosecutors were "very serious" about the 41 cases they had identified, and he was trying to negotiate a settlement.

"If they can present us with evidence of 41 cases, then we'll attempt to settle those cases with some monetary figure," he said.

But Pence said he did not know whether there would be a settlement.

"I don't know whether we'll be able to reach a resolution or not," he said of the planned talks.

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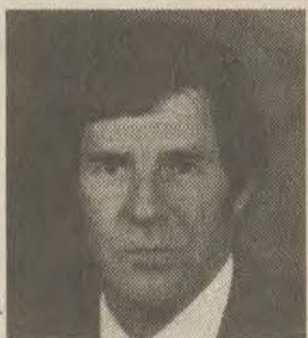
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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Oct. 11, the 284th day of 2002. There are 81 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 11, 1942, the World War II Battle of Cape Esperance began in the Solomons, resulting in an American victory over the Japanese.

On this date:

In 1779, Polish nobleman Casimir Pulaski was killed while fighting for American independence during the Revolutionary War Battle of Savannah, Ga.

In 1811, the first steam-powered ferryboat, the Juliana, was put into operation between New York City and Hoboken, N.J.

In 1890, the Daughters of the American Revolution was founded in Washington D.C.

In 1932, the first American political telecast took place as the Democratic National Committee sponsored a program from a CBS television studio in New York.

In 1958, the lunar probe Pioneer I was launched; it failed to go as far out as planned, fell back to Earth, and burned up in the atmosphere.

In 1962, Pope John XXIII convened the first session of the Roman Catholic Church's 21st Ecumenical Council, also known as "Vatican II."

In 1968, Apollo 7, the first manned Apollo mission, was launched with astronauts Wally Schirra, Donn Fulton Eisele and R. Walter Cunningham aboard.

In 1984, space shuttle Challenger astronaut Kathy Sullivan became the first American woman to walk in space.

In 1991, testifying before the Senate Judiciary Committee, law professor Anita Hill accused Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas of sexually harassing her; Thomas reappeared before the panel to denounce the proceedings as a "high-tech lynching."

In 1991, comedian Redd Foxx died in Los Angeles at age 68.

Ten years ago:

President George H.W. Bush, Democrat Bill Clinton and independent candidate Ross Perot met for the first of three debates, this one held at Washington University in St. Louis.

Five years ago:

President Clinton blamed pop culture for glamorizing illegal drug use as he heralded a new \$195 million anti-drug ad campaign during his weekly radio address. Retired Associated Press chief Wes

Gallagher died in Santa Barbara, Calif., at age 86.

One year ago:

In his first prime-time news conference since taking office, President George W. Bush offered the Taliban a chance to stop America's punishing assaults on Afghanistan by turning over suspected terror mastermind Osama bin Laden. The FBI warned of possible terrorist attacks in the days to come. Trinidad-born writer V.S. Naipaul won the Nobel Prize in literature.

Today's Birthdays:

Actor Ron Leibman is 65. Country singer Gene Watson is 59. Singer-musician Daryl Hall is 53. Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., is 52. Rhythm-and-blues musician Andrew Woolfolk (Earth, Wind and Fire) is 52. Actress-director Catlin Adams is 52. Actor David Morse is 49. Country singer Paulette Carlson is 49. Football player Steve Young is 41. Actress Joan Cusack is 40. Comedy writer and TV host Michael J. Nelson is 38. Actor Sean Patrick Flanery is 37. Actor Luke Perry is 36. Country singer-songwriter Todd Snider is 36. Actress Jane Krakowski is 34. Rapper MC Lyte is 31. Singer NeeNa Lee is 27. Actress Michelle Trachtenberg is 17.

Thought for Today:

"All the historical books which contain no lies are extremely tedious." - Anatole France, French author and critic (1844-1924).

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Thomas Hereford

by KIM LITTLE FRASURE
ADVERTISING MANAGER

A lifelong resident of Prestonsburg, Thomas Hereford is entering the race for mayor of Prestonsburg.

Hereford and his wife of 39 years, Mary Jo, have two children and one granddaughter. Retired from the Department for

Employment Services, Hereford served as regional manager, covering 40 counties for the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

With a bachelor of science degree from Pikeville College, Hereford continued his education at Eastern Kentucky University, where he received an M.A. in guidance and counseling. Hereford was elected to

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Jerry Fannin

by KIM LITTLE FRASURE
ADVERTISING MANAGER

Born and raised in Prestonsburg, Jerry Fannin has served as Prestonsburg's mayor for nine years and is seeking re-election this November.

Fannin attended school from elementary to high school in Prestonsburg, and spent two years at Florida

State University.

Before being seated at the helm of the city, Fannin held the position of foreman in construction, heavy equipment, and has worked with road companies building large subdivisions.

Also, before his elected position as mayor, Fannin served four years on the city council.

He has spent four years

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P r e s t o n s b u r g C i t y C o u n c i l



Kelly Moore

I would like to introduce myself to you. I am Kelly Moore. I have been married to Sue Dawson Moore for 41 years. We have lived in the city of Prestonsburg for the last seven-and-a-half years. I graduated from Prestonsburg High School in 1962. I have been in business in the city for the last 39 years. I feel I have some ideas that may be beneficial for all the citizens. I would like to be a voice for all the citizens of Prestonsburg and I would like to promote the continued growth of this community. I have been active in Zebulon Lodge P.M., York Rite Bodies, Lexington Scottish Rite, past potentate Oleika Shrine and past president Kentucky Shrine Association. I am a member of the Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist Church, where I serve as the chairman of the board of trustees. I served as chairman for the complex committee to construct the new high school football field. I would appreciate you to consider me as a candidate for your city council.



Danny Lowe

My name is Danny Lowe and I am a candidate for Prestonsburg City Council. I have lived within the city limits of Prestonsburg for nearly 18 years. I am very happy with life here. I want to serve the community that has been so good to me and my family. This election is not about the candidates. It is about you, the voters. The term "public servant" seems to have lost some of its meaning. A true public servant is chosen to carry out the will of the people who elected him or her to office. This is what I want to do. I am well-informed on the issues of this race, but I need to hear what you think. I will be representing you. During the next few weeks, as in the past few weeks, I plan to talk with as many of you as I can. Help me build a solid platform! You have eight votes. I only need one of them. Please give me the privilege of representing you on the Prestonsburg City Council.



C.E. "Little Shag" Branham

Jobs! Jobs! Jobs! That is what we have to have in order for our community to build for the future. I spent last year serving as a parent representative of the school-based decision making council (SBDM) at Prestonsburg Elementary and I saw firsthand where our future lies with plenty of wonderfully gifted and talented children. Then I thought to myself, what do we have to offer these kids in terms of what the future would hold? And when no answer came to mind, I realized that if we don't build for the future of our community, then simply enough there is no future. People have always looked upon me to lead in many arenas of struggle. This is one battle I felt I had to join in order for us to put this city on the right track to ensure a future is what those children will have and that they can have it right here! That all begins with actually bringing jobs into our community and not just talking about doing that. That is one battle we have to win.



Roy Compton

Hello, my name is Roy Compton and I am running for re-election to the city council for the city of Prestonsburg. I have considered it an honor to serve the citizens of our city for the last year and 10 months. During my first term, I have always voted for what I truly felt was the best for the city of Prestonsburg and its citizens. I have made public many issues that need to be corrected, such as the foul odor that comes from our sewer system, the need for a city-owned ambulance and many other issues that were brought to me by citizens of our city. Some of these issues were addressed, but some were not. If I am re-elected, you may rest assured that I will continue to ask questions and to bring forth any concerns of our citizens. What I will strive for is a city that is safe for our children, and a clean, beautiful place to live and work. You may contact me at any time by calling (606) 886-2883. Thank you for your continued support.



Robert "Bob" Carpenter Jr.

Prestonsburg is the "Star City of Eastern Kentucky." There is no better place to live, work or raise a family. It is my hope as a council member that I could help to keep Prestonsburg moving in the direction that she becomes not the "Star City," but the "Five-Star City" of this area. Being a part of the faith community, I want to foster a partnership to improve on what is already the best of the best. The strengthening of youth programs, parks, our education system, our economy and our way of life. There is no limit to what can be accomplished when a community comes together and does what nobody can do alone. I wish to be a voice for all people.



Harris Allen Bolling

I am a longtime resident of Prestonsburg and I am very interested and excited to help see the continued prosperity and growth for my town. I want to help keep a successful relationship with state and federal government and bring millions of dollars to our community with the fulfillment of grants. I feel that my service will be to everyone in our town and will be willing to listen and try to help with their problems. I am the great-grandson of Hiram Harris, the first mayor of Prestonsburg; the grandson of the late Myrtle B. Allen; and son of Abigail Allen Grant and the late Tomas J. Bolling. My family has enjoyed the proud heritage of this area since the 1800s. Please vote and support my election to the city council.



Carolyn Ford

I feel Jerry Fannin has been a proven leader as mayor of the city of Prestonsburg and I would like the opportunity to serve with Mayor Fannin to continue the growth of our beautiful town and keep it "a great place to live and work." I feel that maybe I can be an "ear" for my age and gender.



Robert R. Allen II

I have been on the city council for nearly nine years. I serve to continue improving Prestonsburg for our children, including my two boys, and to assure continued growth and prosperity for our community that has been so richly blessed in recent years. I will continue working to make Prestonsburg more attractive for tourism, develop youth programs, and enhance recreational opportunities. Improving the quality of life in our community makes Prestonsburg more visible and attractive to new and relocating businesses. Prestonsburg will continue to move forward as a model city by maintaining strong leadership and direction. I respectfully ask for your vote to continue progress.



Billy Ray Collins

When you're in business, as I am, I just feel you should give and serve your community. I want to help our town grow in any way I can. This is why I serve and wish to continue to serve as a member of city council.

Other Candidates

Two other candidates who did not submit profiles are also seeking spots on the Prestonsburg City Council. They are Danny Hamilton and Phillip Chaffins.



Ralph Davis Jr.

I am running because I am proud of our community and I want to continue to improve our quality of life. I believe we need a system in place to address problems in all of our city's neighborhoods and that we need to take better care of our city employees. I would also like to see our city take a leadership position in improving our cable system, making it more affordable for our senior citizens.



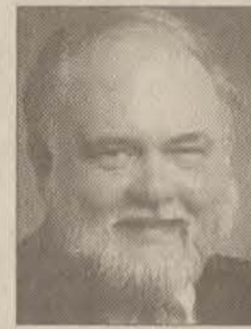
Mike Vance

I believe I have a responsibility to be involved in community service. I want to be a voice for the people of our town and work towards continuing progress. Having served three terms from 1988 to 1994 on the city council, I thoroughly enjoyed it then and wish to serve again.



Jimmy J. Derossett

Prestonsburg is my home — my lifelong home. For many years I have been on the receiving end of all the benefits offered by this town. Here is where I established a home, obtained employment and raised my children in an atmosphere of safety, pride and progress. I came to realize that I needed to give something back to the place I called home. Serving on the city council has proven to be a very good way for me to do that. The reason I want to be a member of this group is simply that Prestonsburg is where my heart is.



Dr. Phillip Simpson

I would like to have the opportunity to serve as a member of the city council to help better our future for the city of Prestonsburg.



Harry Adams

As a lifelong member of Prestonsburg, I hold a special interest in its people. Having served on the council for two years, I was greatly able to work with the people of Prestonsburg and confront their concerns. If re-elected, I will continue to support the growth and development of Prestonsburg. My goal as city councilman is to see the city reach its full potential, making it a great place for out families to live.

American Heart Association
www.americanheart.org



Hi! My name is Cory Vicars, and I would like to introduce a very dear friend of mine to you, C.E. "Little Shag" Branham. "Little Shag" is running for Prestonsburg City Council, because he carries the same desires and fears for our city that many of you have expressed to me over the years. "Little Shag" and his family have been very close to me for many years, and I would like to ask all of my friends to cast their vote for C.E. "Little Shag" Branham, for Prestonsburg City Council. He will make a difference.

A PROVEN LEADER

Mayor Jerry Fannin has been a proven leader for the City of Prestonsburg. He has a lot of work yet to finish, and must be given the opportunity to do this by re-electing him Mayor.

As one newspaper put it, we are Mayor Fannin's former in-laws and are very proud of what he has done for the City of Prestonsburg. Mayor Fannin does not need to list his accomplishments, they are there for the people to see.

We are taking this opportunity to ask our family and friends to join us on November 5, by casting their vote to re-elect Jerry Fannin, Mayor.

If elected to Council, I look forward to working with Mayor Fannin and the other council members to keep Prestonsburg a great place to live and work.

A vote to re-elect Jerry Fannin, Mayor is a vote for the future of our town.

Let's all get out and vote, November 5

Winston "Sonny" Ford & Carolyn Ford

Paid by Winston "Sonny" Ford & Carolyn Ford



Otis Hansel Cooley

Many years ago when I was just a boy, someone was making decisions for my future. It is now my watch and, with God's help, I want to make good decisions to make Prestonsburg the best town in Eastern Kentucky, not only for the present, but for future generations. I am committed to that task.

Endorsement for C.E. "Little Shag" Branham

Hello, We are C.E. "Little Shag" Branham's parents, Shirlee and Shag Branham. Our son has the finest virtues you could look for in a leader, combined with the fiery desire to be a vocal force to forge the future of this community. We feel as though those people who want to see our community succeed and offer a place for the children of this community to grow with, should be the leaders of this community. Our son has those desires.

Our son has voiced his concerns over the lack of a future of this community, and is standing to face that battle. He needs you to stand and face it with him. You can do that, simply by casting your vote for him on November 6th. We, as loving parents, ask that you cast your vote for "Little Shag," and start to lay that cornerstone for the future.

E. Shag and Shirlee Branham



Paid for by E. Shag & Shirlee Branham

Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

"The secret is not having bad manners or good manners or any other particular sort of manners, but having the same manners for all human souls"

—George Bernard Shaw

Amendment 1

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Guest View Editorial roundup

San Jose (Calif.) Mercury News, on the Mideast:
These days, it's easy to think that the world's only problem is Iraq. For the Bush administration, dealing with Saddam Hussein is not just the No. 1 priority. It seems like the only priority. Truth is, there are plenty of other critical problems that threaten international stability and U.S. interests. U.S. neglect doesn't make them go away. It typically makes them worse. ...

In recent weeks Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon has interpreted U.S. detachment as a green light to pursue a harsh military solution to a problem that won't be solved by military means. After two suicide bombings last month, the Israeli army set out to destroy most of what was left of the headquarters of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat. The 10-day siege was halted only after the U.S. objected.

The Bush administration intervened not because the siege was damaging to hopes of easing tensions in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, but because it made it harder to rally international support against Iraq.

Yet the siege made things worse in the Middle East conflict. It gave Arafat, whose popularity among Palestinians had been in steady decline, a much needed boost. It silenced moderate Palestinians who are increasingly dissatisfied with his rule. And it derailed any efforts to reform Palestinian institutions, the stated goal of the Bush administration. ...

A festering Israeli-Palestinian conflict will remain an obstacle to key U.S. foreign policy priorities and a flashpoint for anti-American sentiment in much of the world. By ignoring it, the Bush administration is showing a shortsighted lack of leadership that will come back to haunt it.

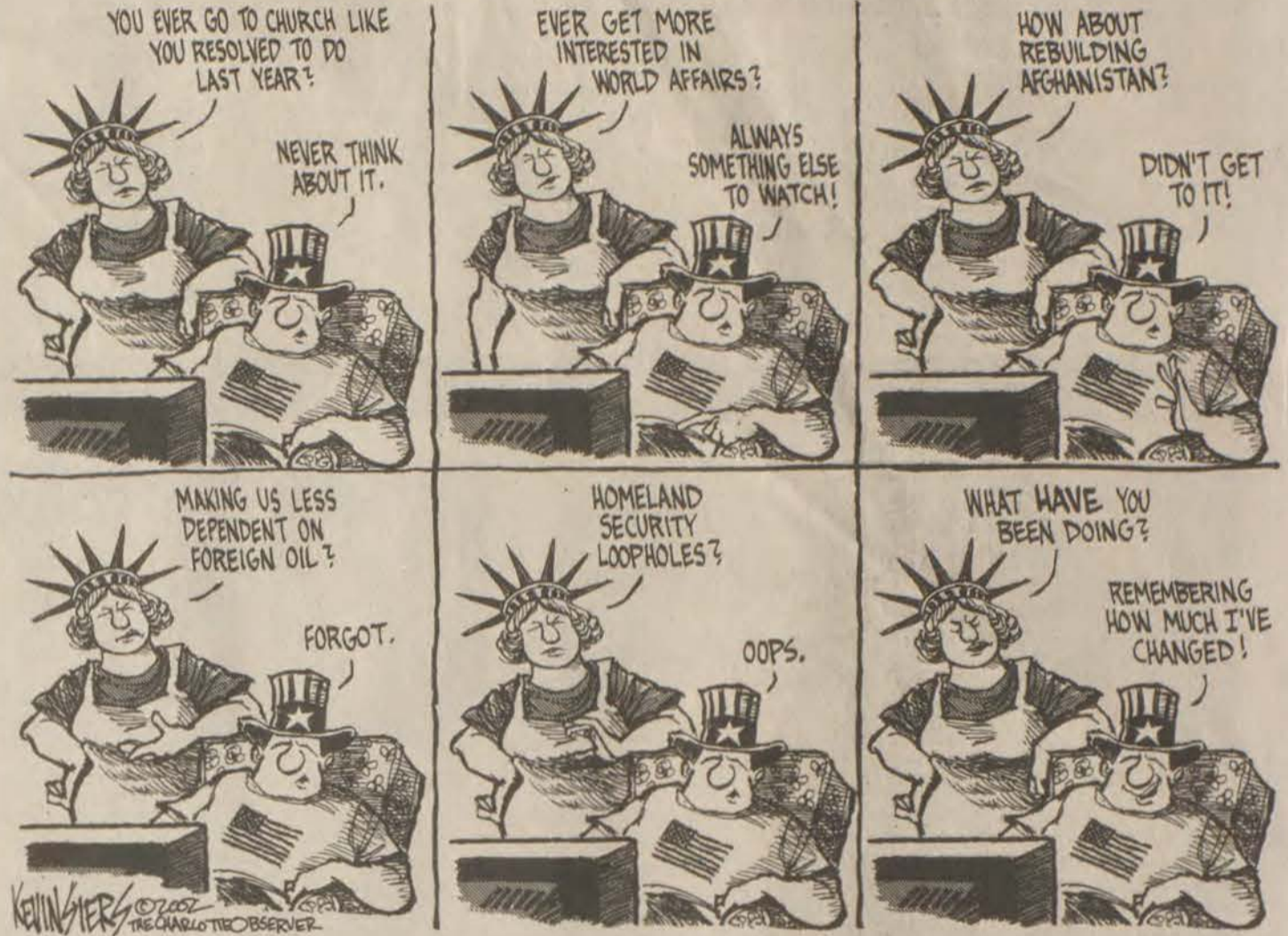
Star Tribune, Minneapolis, on Congress and the budget:
In 12 troubling months, the federal government's fiscal condition has undergone the worst one-year reversal on record. A federal surplus that was heading into the trillions of dollars has given way to budget deficits as far as the eye can see.

President Bush and the 107th Congress probably couldn't have prevented this. Much of the blame lies with a stubborn recession and new spending on homeland security. But they certainly can prevent the crisis from getting worse. A set of budget protocols that have governed taxing and spending since 1990 — and have proved spectacularly successful — expired last Monday. If Congress goes home this fall without renewing them, it will be an appalling political failure and a blow to the nation's prosperity.

It's popular to think that nothing works in Washington, but the 1990 budget rules are terrific evidence to the contrary. They capped annual spending levels and required lawmakers to prove how they would pay for any costly new initiatives. Coupled with a strong economy, they worked. The federal budget deficit started shrinking in 1993 and turned into budget surpluses in 1999. That paved the way for falling interest rates in the private economy and a long, durable economic expansion. ...

Ironically, it's not congressional spendthrifts who are fighting the rules now. Two Senate Democrats — Russell Feingold of Wisconsin and Kent Conrad of North Dakota — joined Republican Pete Domenici of New Mexico in trying to extend them last summer. They were shot down by the White House, which objected to Senate spending priorities, and a group of Senate conservatives who want more tax cuts.

Conrad wants to give the idea a second shot this fall and the White House has signaled that it might go along. Lawmakers owe this one to themselves, to taxpayers and to the future.



In the moment

Could Patton be a hero?

According to my mythology instructor, there are two types of mythological heroes. One of these types she described as one who has a need of his own, something missing from himself, for which he goes searching.

She offered that this need is generally knowledge or learning and for which the hero will leave uncharted territory to find. So the hero leaves familiar territory

and goes out into the dark looking for this thing and when he returns to the familiar, he changes the familiar with what he has learned. Things may or may not be better for him, but they are better. She said that the hero may have to fight evil and overcome it and when he does, he will take a part of what he has defeated into himself.

I started thinking about the situation that Gov. Paul Patton recently found himself in and how his way of dealing with it resembled the process that this hero goes

through. I wondered, "Could Patton be classified as a hero in mythological terms?"

A lot of people would express anger at the mere insinuation that Patton be classified as a hero for breaking one of the Ten Commandments, but bear with me and remember that I am only theorizing.

When Tina Conner first disclosed that she and Patton had engaged in unacceptable behavior, he denied his part. But Patton had a need and so he went in search of this thing that he was missing. He left

(See MOMENT, page seven)



LORETTA BLACKBURN

Letter

Bring back band

The band program at Adams Middle School has been cancelled for the 2002-03 school year. To the best of my knowledge, this decision has been made by the Core Curriculum Committee and the Floyd County Board of Education due to several factors.

One rationale provided for ceasing band instruction was, of course, lack of funding. An additional reason provided was that questions relating to arts and humanities (including music) are being included on standardized tests. Due to these factors, band has been cut from the program and only a "general music" class is being taught.

I was informed by Floyd County Board of Education Superintendent Dr. Paul Fanning that the Core Curriculum Committee, the site-based council and the Floyd County Board of Education make any and all decisions regarding how money will be allocated to educate our children and that the educational instruction must be concentrated on those areas that will be included on standardized testing. I was further advised by Dr. Fanning and Adams Middle School principal Mr. Goodman that the music instructor had to be divided between Adams Middle School and Allen Central High School due to this lack of funding.

Should middle school children who are interested in band suffer because Floyd County is desperately trying to raise test scores? Standardized testing scores are important to our children's academic and subsequent occupational future, but so are the activities that make school enjoyable for the students. If enjoyable educational experiences are not offered, students are at risk of becoming bored, frustrated and not performing at their

optimum level. What about our rights as parents and taxpayers? Every member of Floyd County who pays taxes should have input about this matter, whether you are a parent or not. Whether your child is interested in band or not, please consider, how important is music in your life?

Pike, Johnson, Greenup and Boyd counties all offer band to students in middle school grades. The instructor at Adams Middle School is only being allowed to provide instruction on the topic of music in general, such as music history, theory and classification of music, etc. What is the benefit of a general music class if the content of the class cannot be applied? There are usually not questions regarding basketball, football, baseball and cheerleading on the standardized tests, unless they are used in the hypothetical context of a math word problem! I do not object to sports in the school system, but my child has never been athletically included to be involved in contact aerobic sports due to his small stature and a mild heart murmur which he has had since birth.

My 12-year-old son, Zachary Mitchell, enrolled in the band program as a sixth-grader last year to explore his interest in the alto saxophone. I was skeptical about this being a permanent interest, but he excelled in the program. He was selected for All-County Band after only have seven months instruction on this difficult instrument. Mrs. Valeria Coburn was absolutely superb!

Now the school has cancelled the band program. Why? Some parents have already invested too much money in instruments to return them. Most of these instruments were contracted out as rent-to-own. If the instrument is turned in, previous payments are not refunded. Return of the instrument only stops

future payment obligations. At the end of the school year during the 2002 All-County Band concert, the audience was encouraged to try to get as many students as possible involved in band because of its many benefits! This is documented on videotape. Now, we no longer have a program.

This area is known for its rich heritage of country, gospel and bluegrass musicians. Music has been an important part of most of our lives from the moment of birth. Most of our parents sang lullabies to us to comfort us at some point in time. Many of us are parents who have hung musical mobiles over our newborns' cribs. As a registered nurse and mental health counselor, I have found music to be a powerful relaxation technique for a majority of the patients I have seen in a variety of situations. Now disabled, music has helped me cope with the stress associated with an autoimmune disease — lupus.

The art of music is truly one of the only disciplines that collectively promote children's emotional, physical, cognitive, social and spiritual development. School bands help boost morale and school spirit during sports competitions. It has been a proven fact for years that children enrolled in band programs excel in math. Band involvement also promotes self-esteem, leadership skills, self-discipline, organization and improved reading comprehension. It has also been proven that students involved in band programs have a lower incidence of drug usage and emotional problems.

Learning to play a musical instrument is not only a hobby — an accomplished musician may use this talent as a primary occupation or secondary occupation to fall back on in times of financial need. I feel that the cancellation of the band

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At the Movies:

'Pokemon 4ever'

by MALCOLM RITTER
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logue like this:
"What's that?"
"I don't know."

At least the dialogue is so
clumsily filled with exposition
that you'll have no trouble

creatures that battle each other
under the direction of human
trainers — often for sport,
sometimes for real. The new
show features a Pokemon
called Celebi, cute but power-
ful. Among other things, it can
travel through time.

And that's what it does one
day while trying to escape a
hunter in the woods, taking a
boy named Sam along with it.
They vault 40 years into the
future. There, they meet Ash,
another boy well-known to
Pokemon fans as a trainer, and
his companions.

Now there's another, more
powerful hunter chasing
Celebi. Ash, his cute little
Pokemon Pikachu and their
companions become involved.
Alas, the new hunter uses a
magical device to turn Celebi
to his evil purposes, and Celebi
creates a huge monster. That's
good for the audience — the
monster is really cool to watch
— but it's bad for the creatures
of the forest. Of course, Ash
and friends come to the rescue,
returning Celebi to its old self.

Trouble is, the whole adventure
seems to last a lot longer
than the 76 minutes it really
occupies on the screen.

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"We better go find out."
"Right."

keeping up with the plot.
Pokemon, of course, are

Pokemon is back in movie
theaters, and if you're a big fan
or a little kid, that's probably
good news. For the rest of us,
it's a yawn.

Too bad, because its imme-
diate predecessor — "Pokemon
3 The Movie" — could capture
even the most skeptical
grownup's heart with its lushly
rendered backgrounds and
imaginative creatures. It was
just fun to watch.

Now comes "Pokemon
4ever." The backgrounds are
still lovely and the creatures
still interesting to see. But this
time, they just don't overcome
a stupefyingly slow pace, pre-
dictable plot and clunky dia-

Sparked by award-winning 'O Brother' soundtrack, interest in bluegrass music grows

by JIM PATTERSON
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — As
its annual convention and
awards show approaches, the
bluegrass music industry contin-
ues to enjoy newfound popular-
ity created by the Grammy-win-
ning "O Brother, Where Art
Thou?" soundtrack.

However, the recording con-
tains few true bluegrass tunes.

"To me, the 'O Brother'
soundtrack is not bluegrass,"
said singer Rhonda Vincent, the
International Bluegrass Music
Association's reigning best
entertainer.

"But as long as people love
the music, who cares what it's
called?"

The "O Brother" phenome-
non — the recording remains on
the charts after two years and
more than 6 million sales — will
provide discussion fodder for
the 20,000 bluegrass artists, tal-
ent bookers and record execu-
tives gathering next week (Oct.
14-20) at the Galt House hotel in
Louisville, Ky., for a trade show
and music festival.

The International Bluegrass
Music Association Awards —
including best entertainer,
album, male and female vocal-
ists, and emerging artist — take
place Thursday (Oct. 17) at the
Kentucky Center for the Arts.

Nominees in various cate-
gories include Vincent, Alison
Krauss, Ricky Skaggs, Del
McCoury, Nickel Creek, Patty
Loveless, Dan Tyminski, The
Chapmans and Wildfire.

Dan Hays, the organization's
president, says that although "O
Brother" has been a strong cata-
lyst for bluegrass music, a wide
variety of acts — from traditional
artists such as Skaggs and
McCoury to contemporary ones
such as Nickel Creek and
Krauss — have secured the fan
base.

"In 1997, there were about
800 stations playing bluegrass
for 2 1/2 hours a week," Hays
said. "This year, it's up to six
hours at 900 stations."

Attendance is up at the more
than 500 bluegrass festivals held
across the country each year,
and instrument manufacturers
report backlogged orders for
banjos, mandolins and guitars.

Although "O Brother" has
been labeled as bluegrass,

except for standout song "I Am
a Man of Constant Sorrow," the
album is more a potpourri of
Depression-era roots music.

The brand was extended with
the "Down From the Mountain"
album and tour this year, which

allowed artists such as
Emmylou Harris, Loveless and
Skaggs to share in the success.

Vincent, though only tangen-
tially involved in "O Brother"

(See O'BROTHER page six)

Loretta Lynn fans make the rugged pilgrimage to Butcher Hollow

by ROGER ALFORD
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VAN LEAR — For the die-
hard fans of Loretta Lynn, just
popping in a well-worn video of
"Coal Miner's Daughter" and
taking an imaginary journey
back to Butcher Hollow just
isn't enough.

The true test of allegiance is
taking the rugged pilgrimage
through twisting mountain roads
and steep ravines to the place
where the country music
queen's rags-to-riches story
began, the real "cabin on a hill

in Butcher Holler."

"It's absolutely wonderful,"
fan Carol Pearce of Columbus,
Ohio, said as she took a shrine-
like stroll through the four-room
shack, pausing at the spot where
Lynn once listened to an ancient
radio. "This is like going home."

Pearce leaned in to look at
the family photos over the fire-
place, ran her hand along the
dining room table and chatted
like an old friend with Lynn's
brother, Herman Webb, who
lives in a doublewide nearby.

Webb is the curator of the
Butcher Hollow homestead,

providing guided tours of the lit-
tle house to thousands of people
each year. Bus tours have
become common, but most of

(See LORETTA, page six)

Coal Miner's Daughter

Lyrics to 'Coal Miner's
Daughter' by Loretta Lynn:

Well, I was born a coal
miner's daughter
In a cabin on a hill in Butcher
Holler

We were poor but we had
love

That's the one thing my
Daddy made sure of
He shoveled coal to make a
poor man's dollar

My daddy worked all night in
the Van Lear coal mine

All day long in the field hoe-
ing corn

Mama rocked the baby at
night

Read the Bible by a coal oil
light

And everything would start
all over come break of morn

Daddy loved and raised eight
kids on a coal miner's pay

Mama scrubbed our clothes
on a washboard every day

I've seen her fingers bleed
To complain there was no

need
She'd smile in Mama's
understanding way

In the summertime we didn't
have shoes to wear

But in the wintertime we'd
all get a brand new pair

From a mail-order catalogue,
money made by selling a hog

Daddy always seemed to get
the money somewhere

I'm proud to be a coal
miner's daughter

I remember well, the well
where I drew water

The work we done was hard
At night we'd sleep, cause
we were tired

I never thought I'd ever leave
Butcher Holler

Well a lot of things have
changed, since way back when

And it's so good to be back
home again

Not much left but the floor
Nothing lives here anymore

Just a memory of a coal
miner's daughter

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 Debra Lynn Baker, 36, to Jeffery Curtis Sturgill, 44, both of Prestonsburg.
 Marcella Marie Dials, 23, to Kenneth Scott Kidd, 22, both of Prestonsburg.
 Tiffany Lashea Hall, 15, of Galveston, to Gabriel Don Howell, 23, of Harold.
 Robin Leslie Bartrum, 25, to Lum Carr Jr. 30, both of Martin.
 Crystal Lynn Jones, 25, of Bevinville, to Bradley T. Moore, 26, of McDowell.

Civil Suits Filed

Glema Layne and Nationwide Insurance Company vs. Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company and Eastern Kentucky Pipeline; property damage.
 Elma Michelle Newsome vs. Phillip Newsome; divorce.
 Janice Jervis vs. Perry Jones Jr.; compensation for injuries in automobile accident.
 Sears, Roebuck and Co. vs. Darryl G. Allen; debt collection.
 Michelle R. Voight vs.

Edward E. Voight; petition for health care insurance.
 Janice S. Moore vs. Clinton J. Parsons; petition for health care insurance.
 Rita Dutton vs. Johnny J. Owens; petition for health care insurance.
 Leah S. Bentley vs. Ross Bentley; divorce.
 Sullivan Colleges System vs. SHerry Nichols (Rogers); debt collection.
 Delbert Hubbard vs. Tina Hubbard; divorce.
 Regina Poston vs. Charles Poston; divorce.
 Jennifer Younce vs. Gina L. Niebel; petition for health care insurance.
 Vickie Lynn Jones vs. Randall Jones; divorce.

Small Claims Filings

Carpets Unlimited vs. Tonya Derossett; debt collection.
 McGuire Trailer Park vs. Steve Meadows; debt collection.
 Vance Furniture vs. Steven Rebel Adkins; debt collection.
 Vance Furniture vs. Esta Donaldson; debt collection.
 Vance Furniture vs. Terry Moore; debt collection.
 Ralph Hamilton vs. Richard

Music; debt collection.

Charges Filed

James Steven Stone, 24, Melvin, trafficking marijuana (eight ounces to five pounds), cultivating fewer than five marijuana plants, possession of marijuana, use/possession drug paraphernalia.
 Timothy Eugene Akers, 19, Harold, two counts of first-degree wanton endangerment.
 Ricky Jr. Howell, 20, McDowell, custodial interference.
 Ashley Hall, 19, Prestonsburg, public intoxication, possession of marijuana, use/possession drug paraphernalia.
 Paul Hayes, 33, Martin, harassment non-support.
 Melissa Miller, 29, Lexington, receiving stolen property.
 Shawn S. Sexton, 18, Van Lear, disorderly conduct, alcohol intoxication.
 Dennis Jr. Fields, 19, Langley, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Terry Mullins, 43, Jenkins, alcohol intoxication.
 Hank Johnson, 44, Weeksburg, harassment/no physical contact.
 Willis Jr. Sparks, 25, McDowell, alcohol intoxication.

James G. Gomes, 19, McDowell, alcohol intoxication.
 Robert L. Stumbo, 20, McDowell, alcohol intoxication.
 Ruby Samons, 39, Martin, harassment/no physical contact.
 Stephanie Tackett, 33, Harold, theft by failure to make required disposition.
 Janet Samons, 44, Martin, harassment/no physical contact.
 Kristina Barnett, 27, Martin, terroristic threatening.
 Mark Theise, 43, Betsy Layne, theft by failure to make required disposition.
 Rosanne Edmond, 44, Betsy Layne, third-degree criminal mischief.
 Glema Yates, 27, Martin, harassment communications.
 Stephanie Renay Tackett, 33, Harold, fourth-degree assault.
 Robin Lynn Hale, 32, Martin, theft by deception.
 Lucille Gibson, 31, Hi Hat, fourth-degree assault.
 Rodney Thornsherry, 47, Bypro, terroristic threatening.
 Nathan A. Risner, 24, Martin, possession of marijuana, possession of controlled substance, use/possession of drug paraphernalia.
 Monroe Jarvis, 20, Banner, hunting/fishing without license.
 Carlton G. Mosley, 27, McDowell, menacing, harassment/no physical contact.
 Harrison Lee Street, 40, Cedar Bluff, Va., reckless driving, improper start from parked position, no insurance card, possession of police radio.
 Carter L. Smith, 30, Teaberry, possession of marijuana, use/possession drug paraphernalia.
 Marsha Strunk, 44, Martin, alcohol intoxication.
 Mary J. Risner, 32, Salyersville, theft by unlawful taking.
 Nathan Wright, 44, Martin, fourth-degree assault.
 Brandon Stone, 21, Wheelwright, second-degree wanton endangerment, fleeing/evading.
 Marsha Strump, 44, Martin, hindering prosecution and apprehension.
 Joey D. Luster, 28, Harold, fourth-degree assault.
 Patrick B. Cantrell, 22, Oil Springs, alcohol intoxication.
 Brian Keith Matthews, 32, Debord, receiving stolen property (auto).
 Gina Lisa Slone, 31, Melvin, fleeing/evading police, leaving the scene of an accident, reckless driving, first-degree wanton endangerment.
 Jeff Carroll, 32, Martin, receiving a stolen firearm.
 Bryan Fraley, age unknown, Paintsville, theft by failure to make required disposition, theft by deception.
 Cynthia Keller, 33, Auxier, theft by deception.
 Stephanie R. Hampton, 20, Allen, speeding 21 mph over the limit, use/possession drug paraphernalia.
 Brian Joseph Dietz, 19, Butler, Pa., third-degree criminal trespassing.
 David J. Caudill, 23, Wittensville, theft by unlawful taking.
 Jeffrey S. Carroll, 32, Martin, simple assault, menacing, obstructing a government operation.
 John Irland Thacker, 33, Pikeville, alcohol intoxication.
 Sarah Jordanna Delong, 21, Lexington, third-degree criminal trespassing.
 James I. Reed, 29, Huesville, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Kimberly N. Frasure, 18, Martin, public intoxication.
 Leah Denise Mudge, 38,

McDowell, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.
 Jeffrey Lee Mudge, 34, McDowell, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.
 Ricky Scarberry, 43, Langley, alcohol intoxication.
 Timmy Jr. Yates, 23, Martin, public intoxication.
 Missy L. Prater, 32, Lexington, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, prescription in improper container.
 Dwayne T. Cornette, 32, Prestonsburg, fugitive from another state.
 Patricia Lynn Stanley, 35, Hi Hat, terroristic threatening, menacing.
 Tennika M. Howell, 22, Prestonsburg, receiving stolen property.
 Ryan Wiley, 24, Martin, theft by unlawful taking.
 Joshua Blake Baldrige, 18, Prestonsburg, third-degree criminal mischief, menacing, third-degree criminal trespassing, simple assault.
 Gary Lee Meyers, 48, Wheelwright, violation of EPO.
 Dottie Wright, 36, theft by deception.
 Milford Boyd, 36, Tram, terroristic threatening.
 Johnny Frasure, 43, Martin, third-degree criminal trespassing, fourth-degree assault.
 Crystal Lynn Johnson, 23, Prestonsburg, disregarding a traffic light device, possession of a controlled substance, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to wear seat belt.

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O'Brother

with a few appearances on the "Down From the Mountain" tour, partly traces her recent popularity to it.
 "I have an album that came out a year ago June, and it's almost at 50,000 in sales and still selling well," she said. "That's unreal for a bluegrass artist, and has to be a part of all that."
 Vincent, who combines roots in the old family-act tradition of bluegrass with a savvy marketing approach, exemplifies the 21st-century bluegrass artist.
 She grew up in Missouri as part of a traveling musical family (The Sally Mountain Show), then made her way to Nashville.

She was a backup singer to Grand Ole Opry singer Jim Ed Brown on the way to scoring a recording contract with Giant Records as a country act.
 When record executives advised her to stop performing with her family, she agreed. She even stopped playing fiddle onstage when she was told that she needed to develop a stronger image as a singer.
 None of it worked, and after two albums she returned to bluegrass.
 "Finally, I learned that I need to be who I am," Vincent said. "There's no magic formula. That's what gives me the securi-

ty today to go in and record the music that I love. Then I just go. 'Here it is, and I really hope you like it.'"
 Vincent cultivates a glamorous, sexy image. Her video for "I'm Not Over You" features her as a woman breaking up with her boyfriend. The music is bluegrass, but the setting is a hip, urban apartment in downtown Toronto.
 "Image is important," she said. "That's what I learned from country music. Bluegrass, as a rule, the majority of people don't understand that."

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Loretta

the visitors drive up in the family sedan.
 Whether they come from as close as Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia or as far away as Japan, Germany and Scotland, all share a love for Lynn and her music. Wallpaper in one room is covered with signatures and messages from fans, many of whom thank Lynn for inspiring them to reach higher.
 Often, they share a common heritage or can relate to the hardships that families faced in the Appalachian region.
 "Many of us who are over 60 probably grew up like that," said Jan Krumm, president of the Loretta Lynn and Friends Fan Club. "Not everyone grew up in a two-story house with indoor plumbing. Most of us grew up in the country. We didn't have money. We didn't have TV. We didn't go to the city."
 Still others simply come to pay homage to Lynn, the 67-year-old singer-songwriter whose prolific career includes such hits as "Don't Come Home A' Drinkin' (With Lovin' on Your Mind)," "You Ain't Woman Enough," "Fist City," and "Coal Miner's Daughter," also the title of the autobiography that was made into the hit 1980 movie.
 Lynn lived in the little house until she was 13. That's when she married Mooney Lynn and moved away.
 There have been major changes since then around Butcher Hollow. The Van Lear coal mines where her daddy "shoveled coal to make a poor man's dollar" have played out and shut down. The company stores where miners bought their food and supplies are long gone. And mobile homes have been pulled in to replace many of the aging houses.
 Still, when autumn turns the mountains from green to bright orange and yellow, the queen's royal followers quicken their pace to the homestead, paying \$5 each to walk through the little house, sit on the porch swing, maybe even hum some of Lynn's classic songs.
 Many of the people who schedule day trips into eastern Kentucky to see the fall colors include visits to Lynn's birthplace, which is hugged on all sides by the heavily forested mountains.
 An arrow painted on a rock points the way into Butcher Hollow. Hand-painted signs tacked to trees guide people onto the short lane into the yard.
 A metal gate blocks access when Webb is not on duty.
 "People will come in and take

anything that's outside," Webb said. "If they think it belonged to Loretta, it's gone. They've even taken boards from the house."
 Webb considers such incidents as testaments to his sister's popularity.
 "I'm amazed at the number of people who come here to see this," he said. "I've seen 200 to 300 cars drive up this hollow on certain days."

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Obituaries

Katherine Rice Salisbury

Katherine Rice Salisbury, 80, of Printer, died Wednesday, October 9, 2002, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.
 Born June 19, 1922, at Ivel, she was the daughter of the late Levie and Mary Alice Patton Rice. She was a homemaker and a member of the Salisbury Methodist Church, at Printer.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Vernon "Buck" Salisbury.
 Survivors include two sons, Vernon Salisbury Jr., of Huesville, and Steven Salisbury of Printer; five grandchildren, one great-grandchild, two step-grandchildren, and five step-great-grandchildren.
 In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one son, Larry Grady Salisbury; three brothers, Willis Harold Rice, Harry Rice, and John Rice; and one sister, Jean Rice.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, October 12, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Bobby Lawson officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

Lucille Thomas

Lucille Thomas, 69, of Warsaw, Indiana, formerly of Floyd County, died Tuesday, October 8, 2002, at Hospice Home, Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Born June 13, 1933, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late John S. Burchett and Virgie (Harvel) Burchett.

She is survived by her husband, Galen L. Thomas, whom she married December 30, 1972. She was a homemaker, and had been a resident of Kosciusko County for the past 29 years, coming from Prestonsburg, and was a member of New Hope Freewill Baptist Church, Warsaw, Indiana.

Survivors, other than her husband, include four sons, Kenneth Goble and Jerry Goble, both of Tippecanoe, Indiana, John Goble of Pierceton, Indiana, and Billy Goble of Warsaw, Indiana; one stepson, Roy Thomas, and one stepdaughter, Virginia Hall, both of Etna Green, Indiana; three brothers, Jack Burchett, and Walter Burchett, both of Warsaw, Indiana, and Millard Burchett of Burket, Indiana; one sister, Mrs. Wilbur (Pearl) Livinghood of Cleveland, Ohio; 16 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one brother, two sisters, and one grandson.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, October 11, at 10 a.m., at the Titus Funeral Home in Warsaw, Indiana, with Rev. Chad Burkhardt and Rev. Robert Haywood officiating.

Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, Warsaw, Indiana, under the direction of Titus Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to: Hospice Home, 5910 Homestead Rd., Ft. Wayne, Indiana 46814. (Paid obituary)

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 I cannot promise he will stay,
 Since all from earth return.
 But there are lessons taught down
 there,
 I want this child to learn.
 I've searched the wide world over,
 In my search for teachers true.
 And from the throngs that crowd life's
 lanes,
 I have selected you.
 Now will you give him all your love,
 Nor think the labor vain.
 Nor hate me when I come to call,
 To take him back again?
 I fancied that I heard them say,
 Dear Lord, thy will be done.
 For all the joy thy child shall bring,
 The risk of grief we'll run.
 We'll shelter him with tenderness,
 We'll love him while we may.
 And for the happiness we've known,
 Will ever grateful stay,
 But shall the angels call for him,
 Much sooner than we planned.
 We'll brave the bitter grief that comes,
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Arrests

covered two bags of marijuana inside.

Both men were lodged in the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center on charges of possession of a controlled substance. Bailey was also charged with possession of marijuana.

Kevin Belcher, 29, of Pikeville, and James G. Justice Jr., 25, of Pikeville, were arrested after a traffic stop when officers saw a bag of marijuana in plain view in the passenger seat of the vehicle.

Upon searching the vehicle, officers discovered one ounce of cocaine along with 69 ecstasy tablets hidden in the trunk.

Both men were charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, and possession of a controlled substance. They are being lodged in the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center.

Joseph D. Ross, 29, of Louisville, was arrested after a traffic stop when the officer that was interviewing him discovered 45 OxyContin tablets, a bag of marijuana and paraphernalia on his person.

Ross was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Ross is being lodged in the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center.

Christopher M. Seward, 27, and his brother, Matthew D. Seward, 21, both of Lexington, were arrested after officers noticed a strong smell of marijuana coming from inside a van they had stopped.

When an officer asked Christopher Seward to step

from the van, he allegedly fled into the woods on foot.

Seward was apprehended after a lengthy foot chase, at which time he resisted arrest.

Officers discovered five ounces of cocaine inside the van after a search of the vehicle.

Christopher M. Seward was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, posses-

sion of a controlled substance, DUI, driving on a suspended license, fleeing and evading police, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

Matthew D. Seward was charged with trafficking in a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and disorderly conduct.

Both men are being lodged in the Big Sandy Regional Detention Center.

Vehicle enforcement officers were assisted by the Floyd

County Canine Unit and drug dog "Nitro", along with Kentucky State Police and the Salyersville Police Department.

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Man marks 25 years of dialysis with celebration

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Fresenius Medical Care of Prestonsburg held an unconventional celebration on Wednesday for one of their patients.

Howard Ray Sartin, 47, of Inez, has been on kidney dialysis for 25 years and was recognized for the achievement at a celebration on Wednesday.

Sartin was presented with a medal and a plaque commemorating his quarter of a century on kidney dialysis, along with gifts from the staff.

Sartin began his dialysis treat-

ments in 1977 as one of the pioneer patients in the early days of outpatient dialysis and has been on the treatment for over half of his life.

"These people are like family to me," Sartin said.

Dr. Sujatha S. Reddy, medical director, presented Sartin with the commemorative plaque.

"We are all very proud of him," Reddy said.

Dialysis is a mechanical means of removing waste from the blood when a person's kidneys are unable to perform the function. Patients typically receive treatment three times a week, with each lasting three to four hours.

Tourism commission considers fund requests

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg Tourism Commission held a board meeting on Thursday at the Prestonsburg Convention and Visitors office.

Representatives for the Stone Crest Golf Course were on hand to ask the commission for funding for advertising.

Paul Hughes, chairman of the Stonecrest golf committee, presented a request for \$15,000 in funding for advertising.

"We need money for publicity. We had a couple of events that did not do well because they were not advertised like they should have been," Hughes said. The commission also received a request of \$7,000 for funding for the Jenny Wiley Pioneer Festival.

The commission also discussed plans to transfer revenue from the tourism fund over to the recreation fund for fear of legal action that had been previously talked about during a meeting of the Prestonsburg Finance Committee.

"We are having a friendly difference of opinion with the interpretation of the statutes," said commission member Mark

McClemore.

Approximately \$29,840 is scheduled to be transferred from the tourism fund to the recreation fund to be used for the operation of Archer Park.

The statute that is under debate is a 1990 revision that states that tourist and convention commissions may continue to fund recreational activities or projects not related to tourism or conventions that were funded by the commission prior to July 13, 1990, at a level no greater than that provided by the commission in the 1990 fiscal year.

The commission passed a motion to seek independent counsel to interpret the ordinance and statutes for the transfer of the funds.

Council

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ited funding of 50 percent of proposed project costs.

Robert Allen, council member, said that adding a bike trail to the hill would promote tourism. The trail route, chosen by Dan Fields of Pro Fitness, would go underneath the industrial site at Stone Crest and go around the Jenny Wiley Trail near the Sky Lift and would allow tourists to travel between the golf course and the park.

Mayor Jerry Fannin said that the trail would not have an impact on the Sky Lift, which he operates, due to the fact that tourists would be able to drive up to the trail head and unload their bikes there. The trail head would house restrooms and vending machines, as well as mark the beginning of a two-and-a-half-mile trail.

An update on a proposed industrial site at Cliffside was given by Paul P. Hughes, who submitted that the development of 14 acres near the Big Sandy Area Development District would cost \$2.4 million.

Hughes said that in addition to that available property, the city is negotiating the purchase of eight acres at low cost.

Hughes urged the council to market the site at Stone Crest, suggesting that, when asking for funds to develop new land,

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program at the middle school is a tragedy and a form of discrimination. One of the first guest programs presented at Adams Middle School this year was a rock/pop band! Take band away from our children and then have a guest band come and play for them! If our children do not have continued instruction, they may lose interest and never pick up their instruments again. This decision could also prevent many of these children from receiving college scholarship in music as the three or four years of band instruction provided at the high school level may not provide ample time to be proficient enough to qualify for such scholarships and membership in university band programs.

I have been a resident of Prestonsburg for 11 years and am the daughter of a deceased Naval commander and retired music teacher. Due to being a military junior, I have lived in

many different areas in our wonderful country. Initially, I was not fond of this area. I have found over the years that the residents of Floyd County are the most supportive, caring, family-oriented, God-loving people that I have ever met. I don't know many of you, but I am asking for your support. Our children need their band program back. Since Sept. 11, 2001, we have all had a heightened sense of love and loyalty to our country. Can you imagine attending a middle school sporting event and not hearing "The Star Spangled Banner" sung by a student vocalist, accompanied by a student band? I can't.

If you support my position or feel that you can assist this cause in any way, please email me at DpickardHall@msn.com, or contact my husband, Ted Hall, at 886-9777. Thank you. Diane Pickard-Hall, RN, BA Prestonsburg

Clarification

In reference to the story titled "Officer injured making arrest" that was published in the Wednesday issue of The Floyd County Times, it was reported that Officer Steve Little, PPD, was injured in a domestic violence call and treated at Highlands Regional Medical Center. For clarification purposes, the injury was reported by Little to be a scrape and the treatment he received was a tetanus shot.

Moment

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the familiar platform of denial in his political arena and he went into the uncharted territory inside himself to find this knowledge that he needed.

Patton found that honesty is what he needed and upon finding it he brought it back to the political arena with him and moved away from the norm by applying this thing to his situation.

And were we not better for it as a whole? We didn't have to go through weeks or even months of accusations evoking denials and we learned that men in political positions can tell the truth.

I think that even Patton was better because of it. Kenneth Burke, a symbolic theorist, would say that he purged his guilt through mortification, which means that he took responsibility for his behavior. He overcame the fear of public humiliation and placed the humiliation on himself. Hence, taking a part of what he had defeated into himself.

From a mythological standpoint, I suppose you could say that Patton could be classified as a hero. But remember that I am only theorizing and a theory is an abstract representation of the real world, designed with the intent to better understand that world.

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FOOTBALL PARTY

State seeks dismissal of Conner suit

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The woman who claims she was Gov. Paul Patton's paramour cannot sue the state for retaliation or harassment because she was never a public employee, the state's attorney has argued.

Even if some of Tina Conner's allegations are true, the legal doctrine of sovereign immunity prohibits her suit for damages against Patton in his official capacity or state government generally, according to the response filed in Jefferson County Circuit Court.

Anita Britton, a Lexington lawyer hired by the state to represent the official defendants in the case, said Conner is seeking damages under laws that are designed to protect employees.

"None of the allegations in the complaint allege any specific acts of wrongdoing against the commonwealth," Britton's response said.

Conner, who operates a nursing home in Hickman County, said Patton bestowed the state's favors on her during and for a time after their two-year sexual relationship and then turned regulators loose on her after she broke it off.

Patton has acknowledged he had a sexual relationship with Conner, but maintains he never gave her special treatment or trouble as a result.

Conner has sued Patton individually, in his position as governor and state government generally. She alleges that she was the victim of sexual harassment and retaliation, her business suffered and Patton wasted state resources to pursue their relationship.

Patton's personal attorney responded earlier this week that two of her claims should be dismissed and the case should be moved to Frankfort. The state's response seeks dismissal of the entire suit against Patton in his official capacity and the state. The

state also said the case should be moved to Frankfort.

Conner's nursing home, Birchtree Healthcare in Clinton, was cited for numerous violations in December 2001, two months after Conner said she broke off communication with Patton. Birchtree has since filed for bankruptcy protection and been sued for foreclosure by a local bank. Conner has gone on a publicity campaign to discredit Patton.

Besides the lawsuit, investigations are underway by the Executive Branch Ethics Commission, federal authorities and Attorney General Ben Chandler, who said the investigation made it impossible for him to also defend the state.

Investigators met Wednesday with the Cabinet for Health Services and subpoenas for records have been spread around numerous state agencies. Transportation Cabinet spokesman Mark Pfeiffer confirmed Thursday federal authorities had subpoenaed records.

Conner has alleged she was tipped off when state investigators were coming to her nursing home and got special designation for a construction company she owned on the Transportation Cabinet, even though no contracts were ever awarded.

Patton said Thursday he was pleased the investigation appeared to be moving quickly because it has distracted from other work.

"The people deserve the facts as quickly as possible. The leadership of the state needs to be freed of this controversy as quickly as possible," Patton said.

Once concluded, Patton said he remains confident the investigations will exonerate him of any wrongdoing.

"I'm very positive. I know I did nothing," Patton said.

Associated Press writer Chris Duncan in Louisville contributed to this report.

Hereford

The Prestonsburg City Council in 2000. He is a current member and former president of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the National Rifle Association and former member and officer of the Floyd County Jaycees and Prestonsburg Kiwanis Club.

Currently, Hereford is serving as the treasurer of the First United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg, has served as Sunday school superintendent, chairman of the board and Sunday school teacher.

As for platform priorities, Hereford stated, "The top three personal priorities would be number one, sewer; two, city ambulance; and three, jobs."

Elaborating, Hereford continued, "The sewer I'm sure, will cost quite a bit, but I think we can

acquire the funds needed. I want to provide a new wastewater and storm drain system, eliminating the foul odors, and provide good health and future growth."

"The city-wide ambulance would be associated with the fire department, providing transportation for accident victims and those who are ill and need transport to Highlands [Regional Medical Center]. If transportation was required beyond, like to Lexington for instance, then other ambulance services would be the ones to transport from that point on."

"Jobs, I feel there is all kinds of potential here," Hereford said. "A major focus of the mayor's office is to bring jobs here. We need to go in search of jobs, and not sit back and wait for them to come to us. We have to be aggressive —

not obnoxious, but aggressive."

"We want to look at the coal industry, setting up and reinforcing mines for tourist attractions," he said. "For example, like a train ride through a mine, giving people a chance to see just what it's like. There could be a gift shop, where items made from coal could be sold."

"My expertise of 33 years has been working with employees. There is no doubt in my mind of bringing jobs here in six months to a year," Hereford claimed.

"Like a data entry plant, data processing, something like Sykes, where there are like 400 employed. We have some large empty spaces available just waiting for us to get started," Hereford said.

Hereford continued with his platform, "I will open the mayor's

office one night a week for working citizens to come in to discuss their concerns. I will enhance the quality of life for all city employees, equal treatment for all. I will complete and enhance Stone Crest Golf Course and recreation area. I will fully fund Archer Park as a complete recreation area. I will support positive community projects and activities. I will be a strong supporter of tourism, continue to support the Mountain Arts Center, and Jenny Wiley Theatre. I will work to improve the local TV cable system. And I will hold regular council meetings twice a month that are open to the public and scheduled for their convenience. This will provide the taxpayers of Prestonsburg a public forum for their questions or comments prior to each of these meetings."

Fannin

coaching grade school football, flag football, one year coaching freshman football, and enjoys all youth programs, extracurricular and educational.

Fannin has taught Bible school for several years at Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church.

"I really enjoy being involved and helping our children,"

Fannin said.

Recently, he was able to acquire equipment for an entire television station to be set up and in production at Prestonsburg High School.

"The kids are now able to experience TV broadcasting, and programming in their journalism class," he said.

After becoming mayor of

Prestonsburg, Fannin has implemented many accomplishments during his nine-year reign. Some of those include, the beautification project throughout the town of Prestonsburg, as well as the addition of the city's own greenhouse. Add the new welcome signs, new municipal parking lot, new Senior Citizens Center, and the donating of the property to build housing for Jenny Wiley Theatre, as well as several thousand dollars of funding for the theatre each year.

The remodeling of the old post office for the Tourism Center and the remodeling of the old Senior Citizens center for an adult Day Care Center are inclusions to Fannin's accomplishments as Mayor.

The Mountain Arts Center, built and paid for, which has \$280,000 per year of state funding coming in to help operate, as well as the 1 percent tourism tax devoted for the operation of the MAC.

The re-furbishing of the May House paid in full, the football field and track at Prestonsburg High School, paid, three new mini parks built and paid for, and the remodeling of Archer Park.

Several millions of dollars for blacktop and concrete work throughout town, and the many renovations at Goble Roberts are all projects under Mayor Jerry Fannin.

Fannin, is quick to add he's had the help of many, when asked of the grant money made available to the city of Prestonsburg, which has been more under his nine years as mayor than ever before.

As for projects in the works as of the publishing of this article, Fannin told of three different industrial sites inside city limits being in the works, and one finished and paid for includ-

ing all utilities. He said, "We're looking for people to put on these sites, such as the AEP building, and another building such as the one at Cliffside."

Also, Fannin added, "Three years ago we bid out the complete project of redoing a complete sewer system in town. In October of this year, construction will begin of laying the new lines in town."

Fannin also added that on the south end of town, "We've acquired property to build a new sewer system plant which will serve all the south end and surrounding area. That alone should eliminate the odor, even if lines weren't replaced, but we are replacing the lines as well."

Other projects Fannin has in the works include a YMCA. "We've been meeting with the YMCA in Pikeville, and looking at sites to acquire a building for a YMCA here."

"On the mountaintop, we've just finished paying off Stone Crest Golf Course. That whole project was funded through federal and state monies. No local money was involved in that project," he said. "There are 100-plus house seats with three homes completed, one being built now, all of which will generate several hundreds of thousands of dollars because of these of homes. The City still owns around 20 of these house seats, enabling more money to be generated."

Fannin said, "We've acquired \$500,000 to build a horse trail around the lake, and we've applied for a grant to build an equestrian center, to add to the mountaintop."

Fannin said it is hoped the equestrian center will bring tourists and dollars for things such as horse shows and tractor pulls, as well as serve as a multi-purpose center.

Injured firefighter angry with arsonists

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PRESTONSBURG — Kristofer Evans is angry that someone's Halloween prank put him in a wheelchair.

A firefighter in one of the U.S. Forest Service's elite Hot Shot crews, Evans was trying to extinguish an arson fire in the Appalachian Mountains last Oct. 31 when the flames toppled a tree that fell on him.

Dozens of forest fires, believed to have been set by Halloween pranksters, were burning across the highlands of eastern Kentucky. One minute, Evans, 31, of Quincy, Calif., was cutting a fire line in the rugged Red Bird area of the Daniel Boone National Forest. The next, the 6-foot-6-inch firefighter was on the ground, unable to move.

"My world has shrunk so much since then," Evans said. "There could be a million dollars sitting right over there, and I couldn't get it - just because some individual decided to start a fire for no reason."

Evans returned to Kentucky this week to participate in a conference intended to help change the attitudes of Appalachian Kentucky residents about forest arson.

Forest fires burned about 180,000 acres in Kentucky last year, destroying timber and sending up smoke so thick that it caused traffic accidents and sent a flood of patients to hospitals and doctors offices with breathing problems. Authorities estimate that 90 percent of those fires were started by arsonists.

"We don't get lightning fires here," said Leah MacSwords,

director of the Kentucky Division of Forestry. "Our fires are human-caused, whether accidentally or intentionally, and all too often they're intentional."

Dennis Whitehead, a Forest Service law enforcement supervisor, said he asked each of the seven people arrested on arson charges in Kentucky last year why they set the fires.

"They said we had nothing better to do," Whitehead said. "That's a pretty lame excuse."

State and federal officials call the annual outbreak of wildfires an epidemic, and they're calling on residents of mountain communities to be vigilant and report arsonists.

Marie Walker, spokeswoman for the Forest Service in Kentucky, said Evans is evidence that the fires also pose grave risks to personnel.

"We can give them the proper safety gear. We can do everything we can to keep them safe, but what would really keep our firefighters safe is for the arsonists to stay out of the woods," Walker said.

Evans said he would still be able to walk now if it wasn't for the arsonists.

"We were going through a spot where the fire had burned through a couple of hours before," he said. "The fire had burned into the trunk of a black locust tree and caused it to fall. At that moment, memories stopped for 2 1/2 weeks. I woke up in the hospital."

Since then, Evans said he has had time to ponder why residents of a region as beautiful as central Appalachia would go out each year and intentionally set fires.

"It's so unbelievable, such a different way of thinking," he said. "It's hard for me to get my mind around the concept."

Record

Property Transfers

Jeffery A. Clark and Christina L. Clark to Ernie Jude and Reba Martin, property location not listed;

John B. Clark and Beverly Clark to Ernie Jude and Reba Martin, property location not listed;

John B. Clark and Beverly Clark to Ernie Jude and Reba Martin, property location not listed;

Hargus Martin Jr., and Ada Martin to Donetta Wallace, property located at Hueysville;

Rosalie Leslie Loreto, Geraldine Leslie and Charles R. Leslie to Ned Hall, property located at Goose Creek;

Alice Moore Ousley to Richard Ousley and Betty Ousley, property located on Brush Creek;

Tony Hall Jr., and Alden Nettie Hall to Willie C. Moore, Jacqueline Moore and Ricky Dale Johnson, property location not listed;

HLT Properties, LLC, to William S. Gibson and Jo Ann

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Gibson, property location not listed;

Lemuel Meade to Albon Meade, Cloyd Meade, Dale L. Meade and Rick Meade, property located on Little Mud Creek;

Margie Hall to Nina Newsome, property location not listed;

Robert D. Marshall and Sylvia Lois Marshall to Robert D. Marshall and Sylvia Lois Marshall and Dwight S. Marshall, property located at Allen;

Jimmy D. Adkins and Sarah Adkins to James D. Adkins, property located on Arkansas Creek;

B. Dixon Nunnery and Sonia B. Nunnery and James M. Goble and Sandra B. Goble to Gregory D. Stumbo, property located in Crestwood Subdivision, Prestonsburg;

Trinity Ryan Combs and Dawn Renee Combs to John D. Hitchcock and Charla D. Hitchcock, property located on the Big Sandy River in the town of Auxier;

Deed of Master Commissioner: Sheridan Martin, et al., to Jenny P. Ward, property location not listed.

Odds

he said.

■ **LAKE CITY, Fla.** — A man who wanted to change his name to God chose a new name when a judge turned down his request.

The former Charles Haffey's new name is I Am who I Am.

The former Haffey said after his first choice was rejected in April, he went to the Bible to find a backup. He drew on a passage where Moses asks God who he is and hears: "I am who I am or I will be who I will be."

"That's kind of wordy, so I'm just going for 'I Am Who I Am' as my full legal name," he said. "My first name, of course, would be 'I Am.'"

The 55-year-old said he sought the name change as a way to gain release from feelings of anxiety and rage that have plagued him since he served in Vietnam.

"I was fatally wounded in the mind and the spirit," he said. "I didn't suffer any bodily injury

It's just what I saw, what I did. I killed myself."

Who I Am said he became a Christian and was baptized in April. It was shortly after that when he decided to change everything, beginning with his name.

Last week, he bought a tombstone to be inscribed with his former name. He plans to plant it in the tall grass on his property.

He said it will read, "Charles Walter Haffey, born Sept. 23, 1948, and died Oct. 21, 1968, Republic of Vietnam."

■ **WILMINGTON, N.C.** (AP) — Jim Cone didn't need to pick up dinner last weekend. It came to him.

Cone said he was boating on the Intracoastal Waterway last Saturday when he crossed paths with a large, leaping Spanish mackerel.

The fish went airborne and grazed the head of Cone's

daughter. It smashed through the half-inch-thick plastic windshield before bouncing off Cone's chest and landing on his wife's leg.

"I was screaming because I didn't know what happened," said Patti Cone. "And there was a fish in my lap."

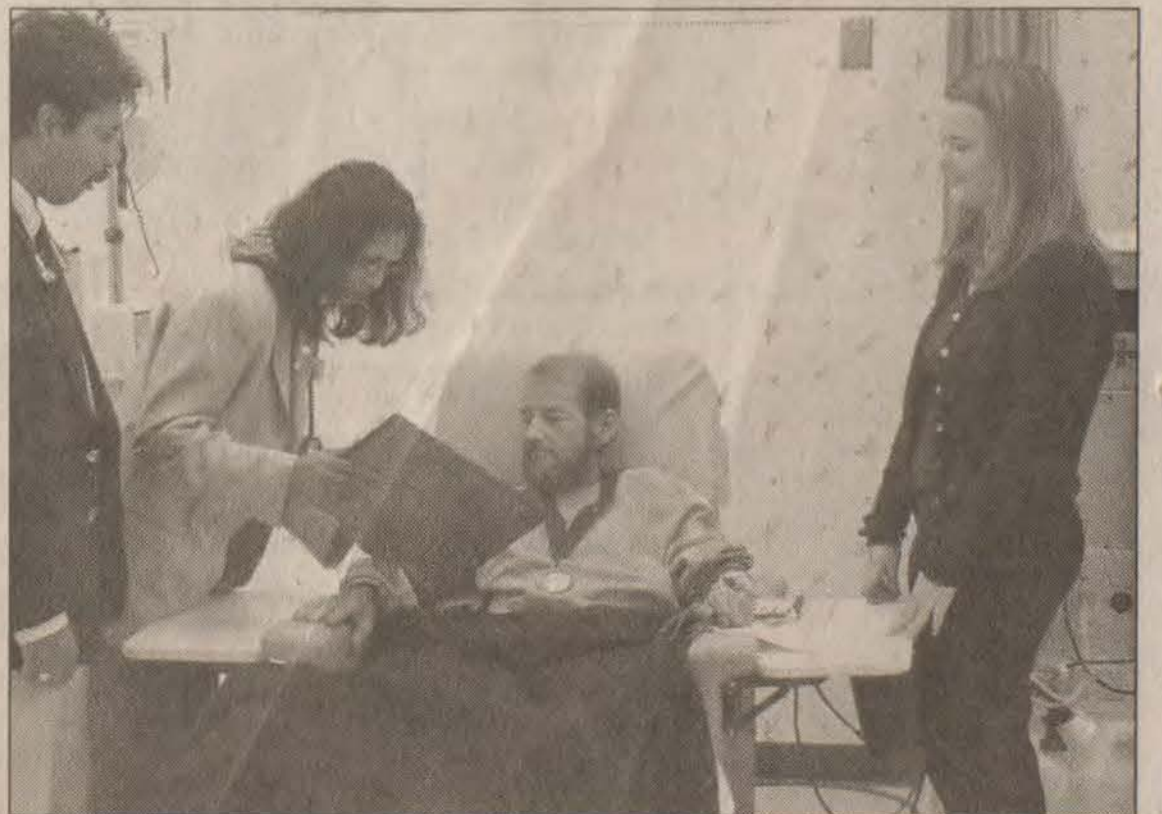
Spanish mackerel don't jump frequently, but they do jump, said Rich Carpenter, district manager for the Southern Region of the N.C. Marine Fisheries Division.

"He could have been chasing something," Carpenter said. "Or something could have been chasing him."

Apart from some small cuts on Cone's chest, the broken windshield and some moments of panic, the boaters were OK.

After catching their breath, the Cones took the fish home and cooked it for dinner.

"It was good and fresh," Cone said. "I guess you could call it a free lunch, except for the windshield."



Dr. Sujatha S. Reddy presented patient Howard Ray Sartin with a plaque commemorating his 25 years on kidney dialysis at a celebration held at Fresenius Medical Care in Prestonsburg on Wednesday.

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Prestonsburg at Belfry: CRUCIAL DISTRICT GAME

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

BELFRY – Who has the better offense? Who has the better defense? Who has the better football team? All of those questions and many, many

more could and most likely will be answered tonight when the Prestonsburg Blackcats travel to Belfry for a crucial road game against the host Pirates. The road game isn't the first away game for the Blackcats this season, but it is definitely without

a doubt the biggest. Both programs began the 2002 season with bowl games. Belfry's was a win over Bates Creek in the Pike County Bowl. Prestonsburg's was a loss to Lawrence County in the Recreation Bowl in Mt. Sterling.

Strength of schedule is something the Blackcats have on their sides tonight as they travel to Belfry. Prestonsburg plays quite possibly the toughest Class 2A varsity football schedule in the state. Tradition. Both teams have it. But,

the last time a Prestonsburg team traveled to Belfry it was able to come away with a win. That was 2000. Last season, Prestonsburg beat Belfry not once, but twice. The Blackcats han-

(See DISTRICT, page three)

GAMES ON TAP

- TONIGHT**
- Ashland Blazer Boyd County
 - Belfry Prestonsburg
 - Betsy Layne Knott County Central
 - Breathitt County Powell County
 - East Ridge Pike County Central
 - Greenup County Rowan County
 - Harlan Pineville
 - Jenkins Bethlehem
 - Lawrence County Magoffin County
 - Lee County, Va. Cawood
 - Morgan County Leslie County
 - Nicholas County Fairview
 - Pikeville Clay County
 - Rockcastle County Perry County Central
 - Russell West Carter
 - South Floyd Hazard
 - Whitesburg Shelby Valley

- SATURDAY**
- Allen Central Phelps



photo by Jamie Howell

Captains for the Adams Middle School B-Team met with one of the officials and opposing captains from Paintsville prior to a Wednesday night game. Adams dropped a close 12-6 game to the visiting Tigers.

YOUTH FOOTBALL

P'burg C beats Paintsville for second time

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG – The Prestonsburg Blackcat C-Team came out on top again with a 14-0 victory Tuesday night at home at Josh Francis Field against the Paintsville Tigers. Prestonsburg's C squad finished the season with an impressive 4-0-1 near-perfect record.

Luke Williams and Andrew Skeans scored touchdowns for Prestonsburg on Tuesday night and Wil Allen scored on a two-point

(See P'BURG, page four)

COUNTY BASKETBALL

JMS tryouts scheduled

The John M. Stumbo boys' basketball team will hold its tryouts for the upcoming season next week. Tryouts will be held Tuesday, Oct. 15 through Thursday, Oct. 17.

The Floyd County C-Team Girls' Basketball Tournament will be held October 28-31. The A-Team Girls' County Tournament will be held November 4-8. Both tournaments will be held at Adams Middle School. Adams is the defending champion in both tournaments.



FALL SOCCER: Midfielders Bradley Hicks and Jarred Murray (in white) of the U12 Flames ran to the ball during a 3-0 loss to the Cumberland Warriors last Saturday.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Adams rides big quarter to win

by JAMIE HOWELL
 SPORTS WRITER

It is very hard to fight back from a big deficit on the hardwood, and the Mountain Christian Academy found that out against Adams in girls basketball action as the Lady Blackcats

built a 24-4 first quarter lead en route to a 43-24 win over the Falcons. Meaghan Slone and Amber Whitaker combined to score 22 first quarter points and MCA struggled from the field in the first quarter as only Kelli Farthing could dent the scoring column with four first quarter points.

MCA mounted a rally in the second quarter by outscoring Adams 9-3 in the quarter, but the Ladycats still led 27-13 at the half. The third quarter was again all Adams as the sister combination of Morghan and

(See ADAMS, page three)

COMMENTARY

A brief moment for Madness

by BILLY REED
 TIMES COLUMNIST

The line of campers outside the University of Kentucky's Memorial Coliseum can only mean that "Midnight Madness," the unofficial opening of basketball season, is upon us. That annual testimonial to Big Blue pride will be held Friday night, only hours before Rick Pitino begins his second season at the University of Louisville with a Saturday noon luncheon following by a public practice.

With apologies to the football programs at UK, U of L, and Eastern Kentucky, which all are having seasons worthy of their fans' full attention, it would be downright un-Kentuckian if we didn't divert our attention to basketball for a moment.

So here are 10 hoops questions that deserve to be addressed before the serious dribbling and dunking begins:

1. What did Jason Parker do to force UK Coach Tubby Smith to kick him off the team?

Whatever it was, it apparently wasn't serious enough to keep Coach Dave Odom from snapping him up for South Carolina. It also apparently had nothing to do with academics

(See REED, page three)



Prestonsburg frosh handle Breathitt County

by JAMIE HOWELL
 SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – The Prestonsburg Blackcats seem to have a very good group of young talent for

several years to come as the freshman team hosted Breathitt County on Tuesday evening and came away with a sound 24-12 win over the Bobcats.

(See FROSH, page three)



photo by Jamie Howell

Kyle Ousley ran for the end zone in a win over Breathitt County in a game played on Tuesday at Josh Francis Field.

BLHS HOMECOMING

Patriots call on Bobcats for homecoming game

by STEVE LeMASTER
 SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE – Coach J.J. Everage and the Knott County Central High football team come to Betsy Layne High tonight for a homecoming game against the host Bobcats. Betsy Layne has yet to win its first game of the season, despite making huge

strides from last season. Betsy Layne suffered an 82-0 shutout loss to district rival Prestonsburg last week.

Knott County Central, after beating Jenkins 44-2 in the season-opener back in August, have lost their last five games of the season. The Patriots have lost to East Carter.

(See BLHS, page four)

photo by Jamie Howell

The Betsy Layne offense worked for yardage earlier this season in a district game against Whitesburg played in Pike County at Shelby Valley High in the Coca-Cola Bowl.



NASCAR drivers ignore injuries for points

by MIKE HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONCORD, N.C. — In 1992, Davey Allison gingerly climbed through the window of his No. 28 Ford, wincing with pain, as he prepared to start a race at Talladega.

The previous Sunday, he had survived a crash at Pocono, somersaulting 11 times after colliding with Darrell Waltrip, and the wreck left him with a broken forearm, a shattered wrist, badly bloodshot eyes and bruises virtually from head to toe.

Allison, in fact, was still healing from separated cartilage, fractured ribs and torn ligaments and muscle in his

right shoulder from a crash earlier in the year.

Now, the second-generation NASCAR star found himself waiting for the Talladega race to start so he could drive a few laps and earn that day's championship points before giving up the seat to relief driver Bobby Hillin Jr.

Allison, who later died in a helicopter crash, endured pain most of the season, going into the last race with a shot at the title before winding up third.

If a NASCAR driver wants to win the Winston Cup championship, he can't afford to miss races. Allison is just one of many examples of drivers racing while injured in the sport's 53-

year history.

Two weeks ago, Dale Earnhardt Jr., whose father drove numerous times with broken bones and other injuries, revealed he drove part of this season with a concussion that left him unable to concentrate fully or communicate

(See NASCAR, page three)

DISTRICT STANDINGS

KHSAA Current District Standings As of Oct. 7

Class A, Semi 2, Region 4, District 8		
Paintsville	5-2	3-0
Pikeville	4-2	3-0
Hazard	4-3	2-1
South Floyd	3-4	2-2
Fleming-Neon	2-4	2-2
Allen Central	2-4	1-3
Phelps	1-5	1-3
Jenkins	0-7	0-3

Class AA, Semi 2, Region 4, District 7		
Breathitt County	6-0	1-0
Madison Southern	6-0	1-0
Estill County	3-3	1-0
Leslie County	4-2	0-1
Morgan County	1-5	0-1
Powell County	1-5	0-1

Class AA, Semi 2, Region 4, District 8		
Belfry	5-1	3-0
Prestonsburg	4-2	2-0
Whitesburg	6-1	2-1
Pike County Central	5-2	2-1
Shelby Valley	3-3	1-1
East Ridge	3-3	0-3
Betsy Layne	0-7	0-4

Class AAA, Semi 2, Region 4, District 7		
Bell County	5-1	1-0
Perry Central	5-1	1-0
Rockcastle County	5-1	1-0
Cawood	2-4	1-1
Knott County Central	1-5	0-2
Knox Central	0-6	0-1

Class AAA, Semi 2, Region 4, District 8		
Boyd County	4-2	4-0
Ashland Blazer	5-2	3-1
Lawrence County	5-1	2-1
Greenup County	4-2	2-1
Sheldon Clark	4-2	2-2
Johnson Central	1-5	1-3
Rowan County	1-5	0-3
Magoffin County	0-6	0-3

H.S. RANKINGS

LOUISVILLE — The top teams in the Kentucky Associated Press high school football polls, with first-place votes, records, total points and previous rankings:

Class AAA				
Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Lex. Catholic	(11)	5-1	128	1
2. Rockcastle Co.		5-1	103	2
3. Warren Central	(2)	5-1	95	3
4. Boyle Co.		4-2	74	2
5. Bullitt East		6-0	59	9
6. Paducah Til.		4-2	47	6
7. Lawrence Co.		5-1	46	10
8. Highlands		4-3	36	7
9. Hopkinsville		4-2	26	8
10. West Jessamine		5-2	25	5

Others receiving votes: Hopkins Co. Central 18, Ashland Blazer 18, East Jessamine 14, Bell Co. 10, Lou. Fairdale 7, Allen Co.-Scottsville 6, Calloway Co. 3, Bowling Green 1.

Class AA				
Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Breathitt Co.	(6)	6-0	122	1
2. Laree Co.	(6)	6-0	120	2
3. Owensboro Cat.	(1)	6-0	106	3
4. Mason Co.		6-1	71	4
5. Webster Co.		6-0	56	10
6. Russell		4-2	47	5
7. Belfry		5-1	42	7
8. Glasgow		5-1	36	9
9. Trigg Co.		6-1	29	10
10. Lloyd Memorial		5-2	24	8

Others receiving votes: Monroe Co. 16, Russell Co. 12, Madison Southern 12, Prestonsburg 8, Whitesburg 6, Fort Campbell 4, Caldwell Co. 4.

Class A				
Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Mayfield (13)		5-0	130	1
2. Danville		4-2	106	2
3. Newport C.C.		5-1	97	3
4. Lou. Holy Cross		6-0	91	4
5. Cumberland		6-0	75	5
6. Beechwood		4-2	49	6
7. Green Co.		5-1	39	7
8. Pikeville		4-2	22	9
9. Ballard Memorial		5-2	20	10
10. Murray		4-2	16	-

Others receiving votes: Metcalfe Co. 13, Middlesboro 11, Raceland 8, Frankfort 7, Fairview 7, Raceland 7, Bellevue 5, Evarts 4, Williamsburg 2, Crittended Co. 2, Lou. Christian Academy 2, Paintsville 1.

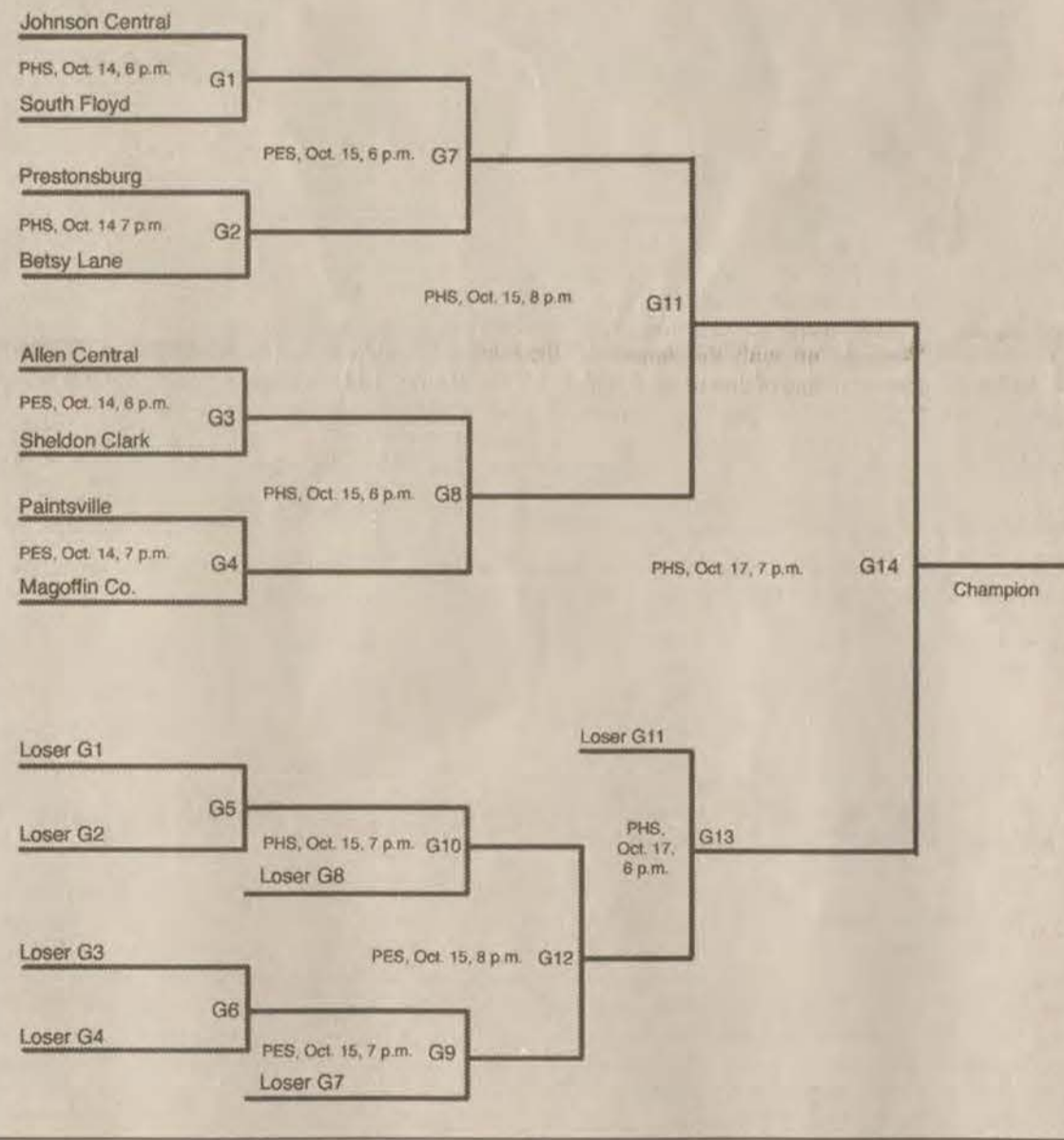
ALLEN CENTRAL VOLLEYBALL 2002



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The Allen Central High volleyball team heads into the District 30 volleyball tournament as a favorite. Allen Central was victorious in Senior Night play against Johnson Central. See Page 4 for details.

District 30 Volleyball Tournament



H.S. VOLLEYBALL

As of October 6, 2002, the Kentucky volleyball coaches state and Region 8 poll results are as follows:

- STATE**
1. Assumption
 2. Mercy
 3. Sacred Heart
 4. Notre Dame
 5. Presentation
 6. Butler
 7. DuPont Manual
 8. Beechwood
 9. Pleasure Ridge Park
 10. Lou. Holy Cross
 11. St. Henry
 12. Highlands
 13. Ryle
 14. South Oldham
 15. Newport Central Catholic

REGION 8

1. Letcher
2. Belfry
3. Allen Central
- 4t. Powell County
- 4t. Hazard
6. Paintsville
7. Breathitt County
8. Shelby Valley
9. East Ridge
10. Whitesburg

District 30 play begins October 14. In District 29, Belfry, East Ridge, and Shelby Valley are ranked by the coaches. In District 32, Letcher, Hazard, and Whitesburg are ranked regionally. In District 30, Allen Central and Paintsville are ranked, and in District 31, Powell County and Breathitt County are favored according to the coaches.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Fields' 16 points leads Adams C-Team past Allen Central

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

Linsey Fields was simply on fire on Monday evening for the Adams Lady Blackcats as the youngster netted 16 of her team's 20 points to help lead the Ladycats past Allen Central 20-17. In a low scoring first quarter, Adams could only manage one goal in the quarter while AC connected on two field goals to lead 4-2 after one quarter of play. A strong second quarter from Brown helped AC outscore Adams 7-6 and take a 11-8 halftime lead.

The third quarter would prove to be the deciding stanza as Fields poured in eight points in the quarter and the Adams defense

(See C-TEAM, page three)

MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Adams defeats Runyon 24-0 in Classic contest

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BELFRY — Adams Middle School continued to roll with a 24-0 victory over Runyon Middle School, one of the feeder schools to Belfry High School.

Quarterback Wes Hall started things for Adams with a 65-yard punt return only to have it called back due to a penalty. However,

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A LOOK AT SPORTS

Blackcats know how big Belfry game is

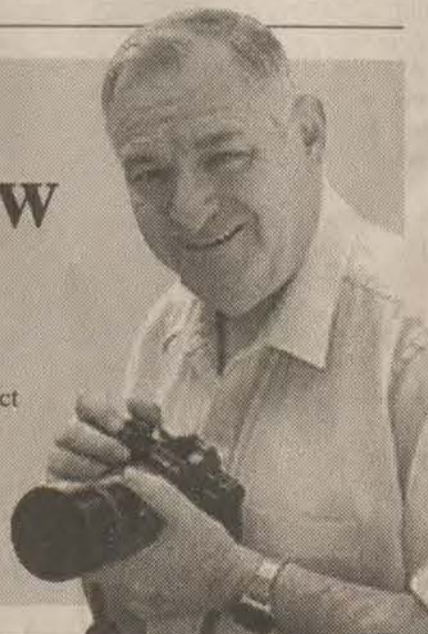
by ED TAYLOR
SPORTS WRITER

When they open the gates at Belfry tonight, you can rest assured there will be crowded stands for one

of the biggest games in District 8, Region 4 football.

Tonight the Prestonsburg Blackcats will invade the

(See SPORTS, page four)



H.S. FOOTBALL

Raiders host Bulldogs tonight

Tigers use off-week to prepare for Hazard

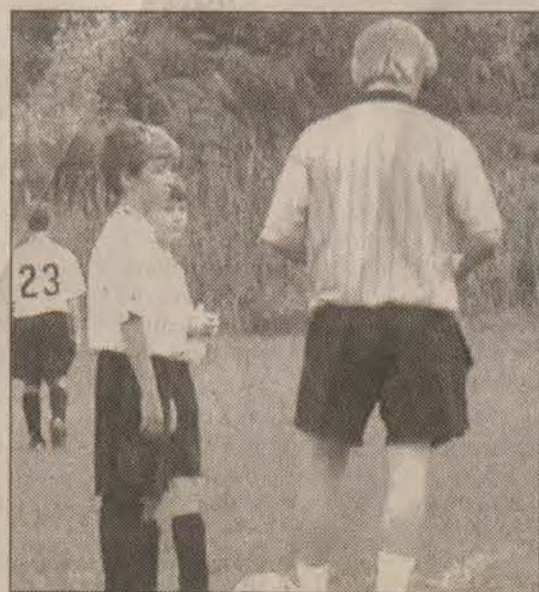
by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — Since the Class A Paintsville High School football program made its move into Region Four, District Eight in the late-90s, Pikeville and Hazard have been perennial foes of the Tigers.

This year is no different. Paintsville and Pikeville are the only two teams with perfect district marks. Hazard has tasted defeat in the district, has last year's district champion Fleming-Neon.

In Hazard a new head coach is leading the way as Joe Beeder took over for Maurice Dixon earlier this year when Dixon accepted a head coaching job at a prep school in Florida.

(See RAIDERS, page three)



Captains for the U12 Flames (in white), Brian Stratton and Bradley Hicks, conferred with the referee, and game captains for the Cumberland Warriors prior to kickoff of their game in Whitesburg over the week-end.

NASCAR

with his crew chief. Earnhardt said he did not report it to doctors because he was worried about an ankle injury, had had concussions before and didn't think this one was serious, and, most importantly, didn't want to be barred from the track. That's what Sterling Marlin was thinking about before it was

determined last week that he would miss the final seven races of 2002 after fracturing a vertebra in his neck in a crash at Kansas City. "If your arm was cracked or something else, we'd go on and race," Marlin said. "But you talk about your spine, and that's a pretty delicate piece." He didn't think about that ini-

tially. Marlin, who was fifth in the closest points race in NASCAR history after the race in Kansas, would have been in his No. 40 Dodge at Talladega on Sunday if the team trainer hadn't been persistent in urging the driver to get X-rays. "When I called him, he was on the farm cutting weeds," car

owner Chip Ganassi said. "Now he says 'If I just didn't answer the phone, I'd still be driving.'" That's the mindset of a driver dealing with a points system that puts a premium on getting into a race car, no matter what. In the wake of Earnhardt's revelation, other drivers talked about driving while affected by concussions. NASCAR reacted by setting a new policy requiring a driver to undergo a CT scan if racetrack doctors suspect a concussion following a crash. If the scan shows a concussion, the driver will not be allowed to compete until obtaining a medical release, NASCAR president Mike Helton said.

Raiders

Tonight, the Hazard Bulldogs travel to Floyd County to take on Coach Donny Daniels' South Floyd Raiders. At stake is an always-important district victory. And next week, Hazard will travel even further north to face Paintsville in what will be another sizable task for the Tigers. This week's practices have been filled with work for the Tigers. Head coach David LeMaster has mixed practices up this week with some highly competitive team races and

events at the end of each day's workout. "We've had a good week of practice," said LeMaster. "Hazard is always ready to play. It doesn't matter if we go up there or they come down here." Paintsville's final three games of the season are essential. The Tigers, after playing Hazard, must play both South Floyd and Pikeville. Heavy district implications continue to hang in the balance even before Paintsville and Hazard kick off to begin their game.

Frosh

The Blackcats took advantage of good special teams play and produced two scores after blocking two Breathitt Co. punts. Prestonsburg moved the football in the first half against the Bobcat defense, but were only able to produce one score. Breathitt Co. notched one first half score as well and the Blackcats led 8-6 at the half. Prestonsburg freshman coach Bobby Hackworth was not happy with the

Blackcats first half performance and let his team know it at the half. Breathitt County came out in the second half and drove the football 55 yards for a quick third quarter score to go ahead 12-8 in the second half. The early third quarter score would be the final score of the night for the Bobcats as Prestonsburg would clamp down on defense. The Blackcats would retake the lead quickly as the final play

of the third quarter was a 44-yard touchdown pass from David Shaffer to Kyle Ousley. The two-point conversion run from Shaffer made the score Prestonsburg 16, Breathitt Co. 12 after three quarters of play. In the final quarter, the Bobcats had taken the ball out to midfield but on fourth and seven a Breathitt Co. punt was blocked by David Shaffer and the Blackcats were in great field position. A six play drive was capped off by a 4 yard touchdown run and the two point conversion was good making the score 24-12 in favor of the Blackcats. Prestonsburg Coach Bobby Hackworth was happy with the win but still sees room for improvement. "We do not tackle well as a team," stated Hackworth.

Adams

Meaghan Slone combined to score 10 of Adams' 12 third quarter points. The Adams defense again held MCA in the third quarter allowing only one field goal in the quarter. Adams held a commanding 39-15 lead after three quarters of play and went on to win 43-24. Scoring

was as follows: Adams - Meaghan Slone 21 points, Amber Whitaker 10 points, Elizabeth Chaffin 4 points, Morghan Slone 4 points, Caitlin Newsome 4 points. MCA - Farthing 12 points, Sammons 6 points, LeMaster 4 points, Warrix 1 point, Hackworth 1 point.

However on this night it did not matter as the Blackcats walked away with the win over the number one ranked team in

Reed

or with Parker's rehabilitation program. Since UK already is on NCAA probation for football violations, is the athletic department covering up the reasons for Parker's dismissal because they might bring the NCAA back to Lexington?

ented Ricky Minard, return from last season's 18-11 team that was the Ohio Valley Conference regular-season runner-up. It was easily the Eagle's best season under Coach Kyle Macy, the former UK All-American.

department officials and boosters toured Florida's practice facility before the UK-Florida football game.

The public has a right to know so it can judge whether Smith's program, despite President Lee Todd's commitment to running a clean athletics department, still might be guilty of "lack of institutional control."

If Morehead keeps moving forward, the Eagles could qualify for the university's first NCAA berth since Wayne Martin was coaching in the early 1980s. But a backslide might lead Macy to begin checking his employment options.

Former UK Athletics Director Larry Ivy said such a facility shouldn't be a priority at this time, but his successor, Mitch Bamhart, apparently disagrees, which is interesting in light of President Todd's determination to not let athletics grow faster than the rest of the university.

2. When transfer Marvin Stone becomes eligible to play for U of L, will the 6-foot-10 center be the same old piece of granite he was at UK or will he have undergone a magical transformation under Pitino?

5. Should Pikeville build a 7,000-seat, \$22.5 million arena and convention center, or use the money to extend water lines to rural areas?

This seems to be a matter of "keeping up with the Joneses" instead of one of dire need. But if Pitino and/or Smith can fund such a project through private donors, it'll become a reality at both universities.

It's old news that Stone has lost weight and gotten in better shape than he ever was during his two-plus years in Smith's program. Now we'll see whether he has improved his attitude and his game.

It would certainly be nice if everybody in Pike County had access to city water, but this seems to be a case where that project should be tabled in favor of one that would do much to generate new income and exposure for the county, besides making the entire region less remote and more a part of the cultural mainstream.

8. Is the honeymoon about to end for Travis Ford at Eastern?

His big gripe against UK - lack of playing time - shouldn't be a problem at U of L, where he'll get all the minutes his play merits. If he's more motivated than he was at UK and has picked up some new offensive moves, he could yet live up to his high school hype.

The new arena apparently would be home to the Pikeville College Bears, but it's quite likely that Eastern, Morehead, Marshall, and maybe even UK or U of L could be talked into playing playing an occasional game in Pikeville.

In the best of all possible worlds, the Colonels' basketball team will take a giant leap forward, helping fill the void that will be created by legendary football coach Roy Kidd's retirement. Last season's 7-20 team was on-the-job training for players such as Ben Rushing and Michael Haney, now sophomores.

3. What kind of senior season will Western Kentucky's 7-1 Chris Marcus have?

In addition, it would give the region a badly needed venue for concerts, lectures, conventions, revivals, and political rallies.

Ford has brought in four newcomers, including three junior-college transfers. A .500 season would be a major improvement, a winning record even better. It would be fun to see Alumni/McBrayer Coliseum rocking again.

After leading the nation in rebounding as a sophomore and helping last season's Hilltoppers to an early-season upset of UK in Rupp Arena, Marcus went down with an injury and missed most of his junior season.

6. Will U of L get a new basketball arena at the Kentucky State Fairgrounds so Freedom Hall can be freed up for more conventions, tractor pulls, and other events?

9. Have UK's players learned their chemistry and history lessons, or will it be another dreary season in which the only thing they have in common with past great Wildcat teams is the name on the front of their jerseys?

Even without him, Western again won the weak Sun Belt Conference championship. When Marcus returned at season's end, however, he looked rusty and played poorly in the Toppers' NCAA tournament first-round loss.

The university appears to be leaning in that direction. On a lot of levels, it makes more sense than building a downtown arena that U of L would share with an NBA team.

Nobody knows, including Smith. It doesn't bode well that Cliff Hawkins, the team's floor leader, will miss several games because of academic ineligibility. Where's the leadership going to come from? Not from senior Keith Bogans, who seems to be wrapped up in his individual problems to put the team first.

His stock dropped so far with the NBA scouts that he had no choice but to return for his senior season and prove that he deserves to be a lottery pick in next year's draft.

7. Should UK and/or U of L get a state-of-the-art practice facility like the one that Billy Donovan has at Florida?

It can only be hoped that UK's newcomers - Antwan Barbour, Kelenna Azubuike, Bernard Cote, and Brandon Stockton - can make up for the loss of Tayshaun Prince and teach the veterans something about playing with pride and unselfishness.

4. Will Morehead stand for More Mo' or No Mo'? Four starters, including the multi-tal-

Both want one. A practice facility for U of L became one of the bargaining chips last spring in the NBA debate. And according to Jerry Tipton of The Lexington Herald-Leader, an exploratory team of UK athletics

District

dled Belfry 40-14 in the regular season last fall. In the post-season Prestonsburg downed the Pirates 34-14.

Region Four, District Eight, there's Prestonsburg and Belfry at the top, then there's all the other teams," said Whitesburg head coach Tony Sergeant, whose team plays the two district powers annually. "Until us (Whitesburg) or a Pike Central or Shelby Valley or another team is able to unseat one of those two, that's the way it'll stay." Kickoff for tonight's game is set for 7:30.

10. When everybody is healthy and eligible, what will UK's best starting lineup be?

The likely starters will be 6-9 senior Marquis Estill at power forward, Bogans at small forward, 6-11 senior Jules Camara at center, and 6-3 junior Gerald Fitch and Hawkins at the guards. The first players off the bench will be Erik Daniels, Chuck Hayes, Barbour, and Azubuike. Once again, the Cats have several players who can play more than one position. Smith needs to do a better job of allocating playing time and establishing a

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C-Team

held AC to three points in the quarter to erase the halftime deficit and take a 16-14 lead after three. Defense was the word over the final quarter as Adams netted four points in the final quarter and

Allen Central tallied only three. Fields scored all 12 of Adams second half points and the Lady Blackcat defense held Allen Central to two second half field goals to preserve the win.

Classic

Runyon hadn't heard the last from Adams.

"I was proud of the way all our kids played," said Adams Middle head coach James DeRossett.

The Blackcats were led by the strong running of Sammy "The Bull" Chaffin and Lincoln Slone, who each had a pair of touchdowns. The Adams defense was led by Seth Moore and Mike Crum at the defensive end positions. Each Blackcat defender had a quarterback sack.

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confines of the Belfry Pirates and both clubs know what rests on this one. Oh, both are going to be play-off bound, but home field advantage through all the regional play-offs would be very, very nice, according to Prestonsburg Coach John DeRossett.

"We need to win this one in trying to win out and getting home field advantage," said the veteran coach of his team's challenge tonight and next week. "It is going to be a big, big game for us, the biggest game of the year. You have to play them."

Belfry will bring a 5-1 record to the game, with Prestonsburg standing at 4-2. Both teams are unbeaten in district play and both teams know they need this one.

Prestonsburg suffered a season-opening loss to Lawrence County 30-14, while Belfry fell to the same ball club 30-6. Does that make Prestonsburg an eight-point better club? Not really.

With rain in the forecast, Coach DeRossett said a wet field should benefit his Blackcats and help in slowing Belfry's running back Jonah Caudill. Caudill ranks in the state stats with his 10 touchdowns this season.

Prestonsburg is not without its weapons also with the running of Mikeal Fannin. "Mikeal is having a good year for us," said Coach DeRossett. "Joey (Willis) is throwing the ball good."

The Blackcats mentor said he felt good about the game and his team's attitude going to Belfry.

"I have a good feeling about all of it," he said. "We started the year without a lot of experience but playing teams like Lawrence County and Boyle County (3A) had given them the experience they need."

The Blackcats start six sophomores, making them a very young team. But the Cats state final run last year had to help them mature a bit last season when they finished 14-1 on the season.

"This is a big key run for the playoffs for us," DeRossett said. "Belfry has got some big kids and it is hard to butt heads with them. They like to run their 52 defense. They are a tough team."

Nick Jamerson is among the state's leading receivers with 15 receptions for 411 yards and four touchdowns.

"He has been the key for us this year," said the Prestonsburg coach. "He has had a real good season for us."

The Cats like to throw the ball and Willis likes Jamerson out in the flats or deep down field. However, they will be going against one of the stronger secondaries in the state. Belfry is second in the state in pass defense, allowing only 46 yards through the first five games for an average of just over 9 yards per game.

"I am very optimistic about the remaining games we have," said DeRossett. "I feel good about our season so far. If we can just beat Belfry and have that home field advantage in the playoffs."

The Blackcats will host another team that ranks high in many of the state's stats in Pike Central. The Blackcats will have Central in for homecoming the following Friday after Belfry.

"Pike Central likes to throw the ball a lot," said DeRossett. "They are a good team and tough to play."

Behind center for Central is one of the state's top throwers in Justin McCurry who has tossed for 14 touchdowns and is averaging 209 yards per game passing, completing 67 of 130 pass attempts. His favorite target is Bobby Mullins who has 31 catches for 633 yards. He has caught seven passes for touchdowns.

Prestonsburg has only been shut down once completely this year and that came against powerhouse Boyle County (55-0). The Cats held Whitesburg (6-1) scoreless in a 30-0 victory and ran over Betsy Layne 82-0 last Friday night. Prestonsburg will close out its

regular season against Shelby Valley and East Ridge. East Ridge is a non-district game. Belfry's had two district games remaining in Whitesburg and Shelby Valley with Ironton, Ohio, sandwiched in between. The Pirates are coming off a 50-0 whitewash of Pike Central last Friday night.

Both Belfry and Prestonsburg no doubt will be playoff teams but

they both are wanting that coveted home field advantage during the playoffs. Both know what they have to do. Both know what is on the line when they move to the line of scrimmage tonight.

I wish Coach DeRossett and the Blackcats the best and I am rooting for them to bring home a big win.

Until Sunday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

100-year celebration set to begin this month

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - The University of Kentucky unveiled its plans Thursday for the yearlong celebration marking the Wildcats' 100th season of men's basketball. Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart and Coach Tubby Smith outlined the events, promotions and reunions planned for the 2002-03 basketball season.

The logo, which features a bold 100 with Kentucky Basketball, 1903-2003 and the phrase, Unparalleled Tradition, will make its debut at Big Blue Madness on Friday, Oct. 11. The logo will be featured throughout the season and will be on the floor at Rupp Arena as well as each chair on the team benches.

"This is an historic season for a program rich in tradition," Barnhart said. "This campaign will celebrate the excellence of the past 99 years of Kentucky basketball through a variety of marketing and promotional efforts. Our athletics department, along with associates from Host Communications, has developed a plan that I think all of our fans will enjoy. And I want to thank our presenting sponsors for helping us make this happen - NAPA, UK Healthcare, CHA Health and Kentucky Select Chevy Dealers."

The logo will make its national television debut during the NASCAR race on Oct. 27 at the Atlanta Motor Speedway. Valvoline, a Lexington-based automotive company, will display the logo on the hood of its Johnny Benson car during the NAPA 500.

In addition, Host Communications is producing Kentucky's officially sanctioned publication to honor the 100 years of Big Blue hoops. The four-color magazine and a 90-minute video recapping the century of basketball will be available at Kroger stores and other retail outlets beginning in November.

The UK Radio Network will rebroadcast the top-10 greatest games beginning Dec. 29 for 10 consecutive Sunday nights, excluding Super Bowl Sunday.

"This is a tremendous milestone for a college basketball program that has symbolized excellence for many, many years," Coach Smith said. "As I tell our players everyday, it's an honor and a privilege to wear this uniform with Kentucky across the chest and throughout this season, we are all going to have an opportunity to meet the very people that helped establish this tradition throughout the past 99 years."

Fan balloting will begin at Big Blue Madness. Fans will have the opportunity to vote for their "Fantasy Five," which will be introduced on Feb. 23 at the Miss. State-Kentucky game during the program's reunion weekend. For that game, all former UK lettermen will be invited to return to Lexington to be recognized.

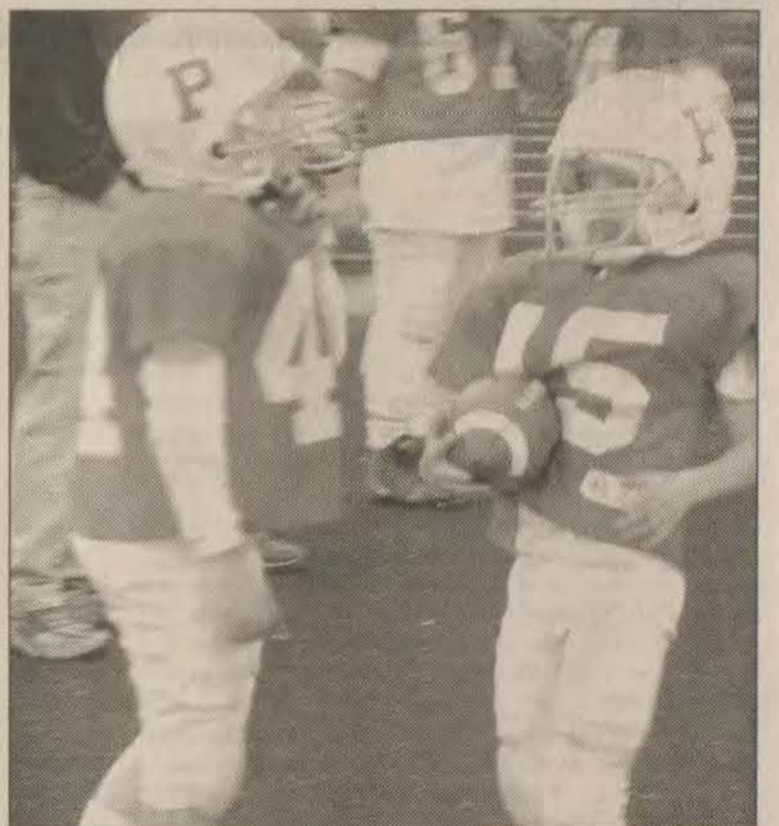


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Prestonsburg Blackcats Luke Williams (15) and Wesley Robinson were key components in a win over Paintsville on

AC scores wins on Senior Night

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN - It was Senior Night on Tuesday for nine different Allen Central High School volleyball players. Amanda Potter, Tiffany Turner,

Jaelyn Martin, Shellie Hayes, Sarah Smith, Jeni Jo Spurlock, Trista McKinney, Erin Majakey and Kristi Howard were the seniors honored.

Allen Central hosted Johnson Central and came out on top in both varsity and junior varsity matches on Monday night. The Allen Central B-Team upped its record on the season to 15-6 with a 15-2, 15-7 win over the JC JV. It took Allen Central's varsity three games, but it eventually scored a win over the visiting Eagles. Allen Central dropped the first game 15-9 before rebounding to win the final two games by identical 15-8 finals.

Allen Central's next home match will take place on Saturday when Boyd County visits. The first game is scheduled for a 2 p.m. start.

Allen Central (17-10) will begin place in next week's District 30 Tournament on Monday when it plays Sheldon Clark. The game is slated for a 6

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Cawood, North Laurel, Breathitt County and Rockcastle County.

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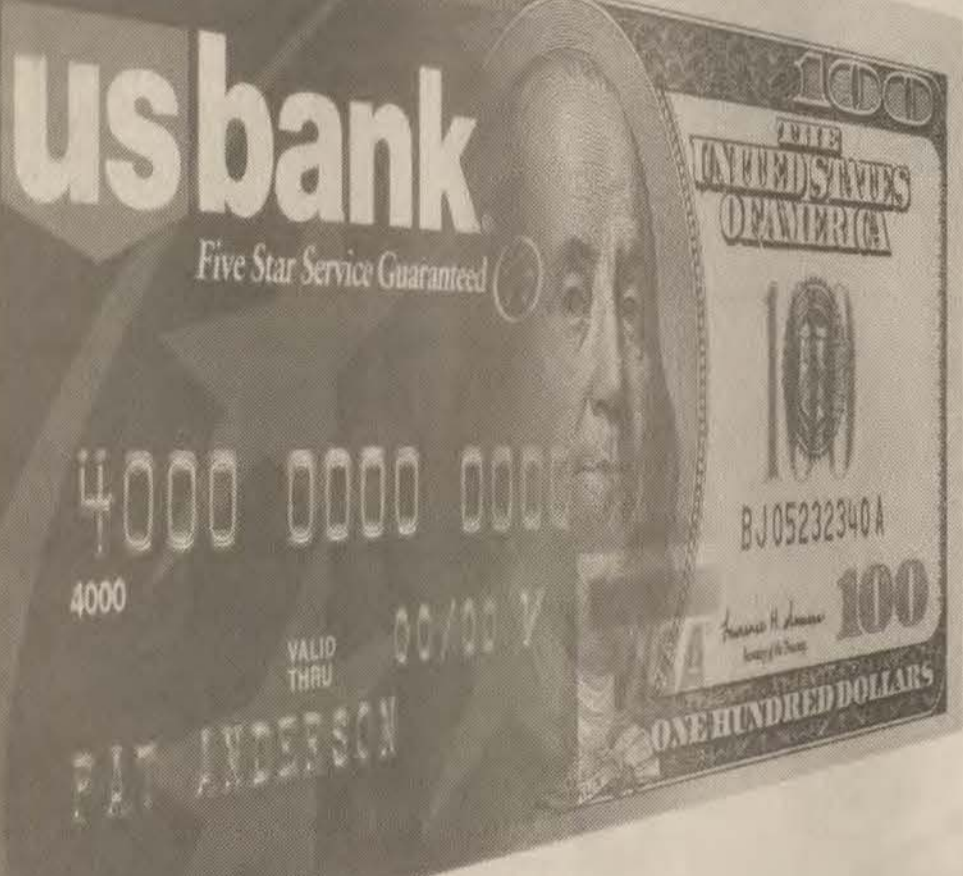
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conversion. There were many other standouts in the game, especially on the defensive end.

For the Prestonsburg C-Team, it was the second win over

Paintsville of the season. The Blackcats downed the Tigers last week in the Little Apple Bowl in Paintsville. That game was played at Memorial Field.



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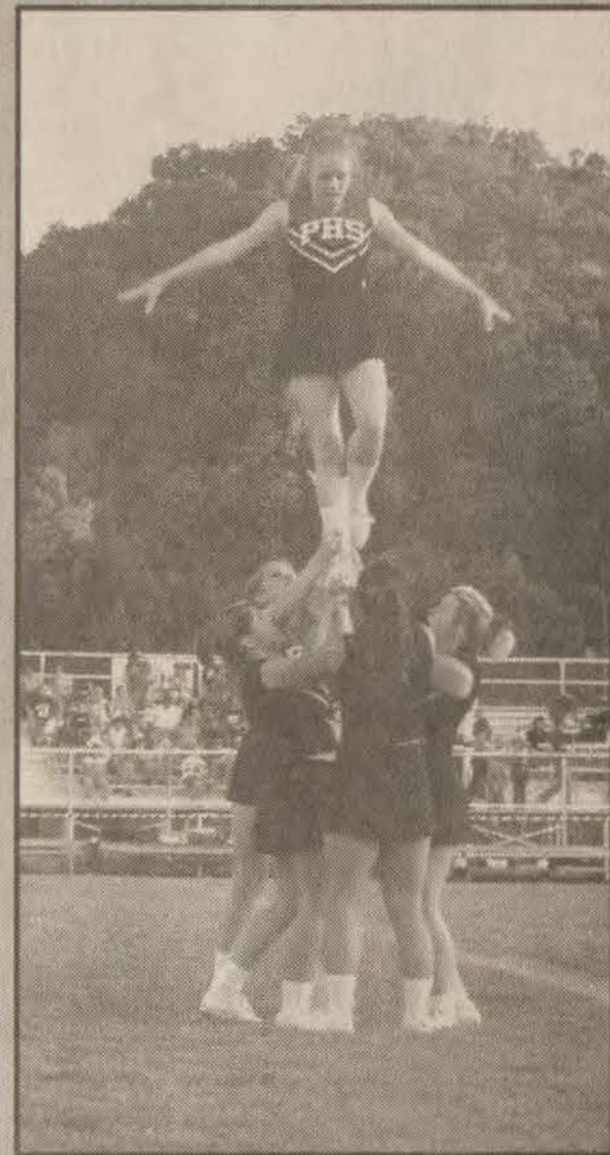
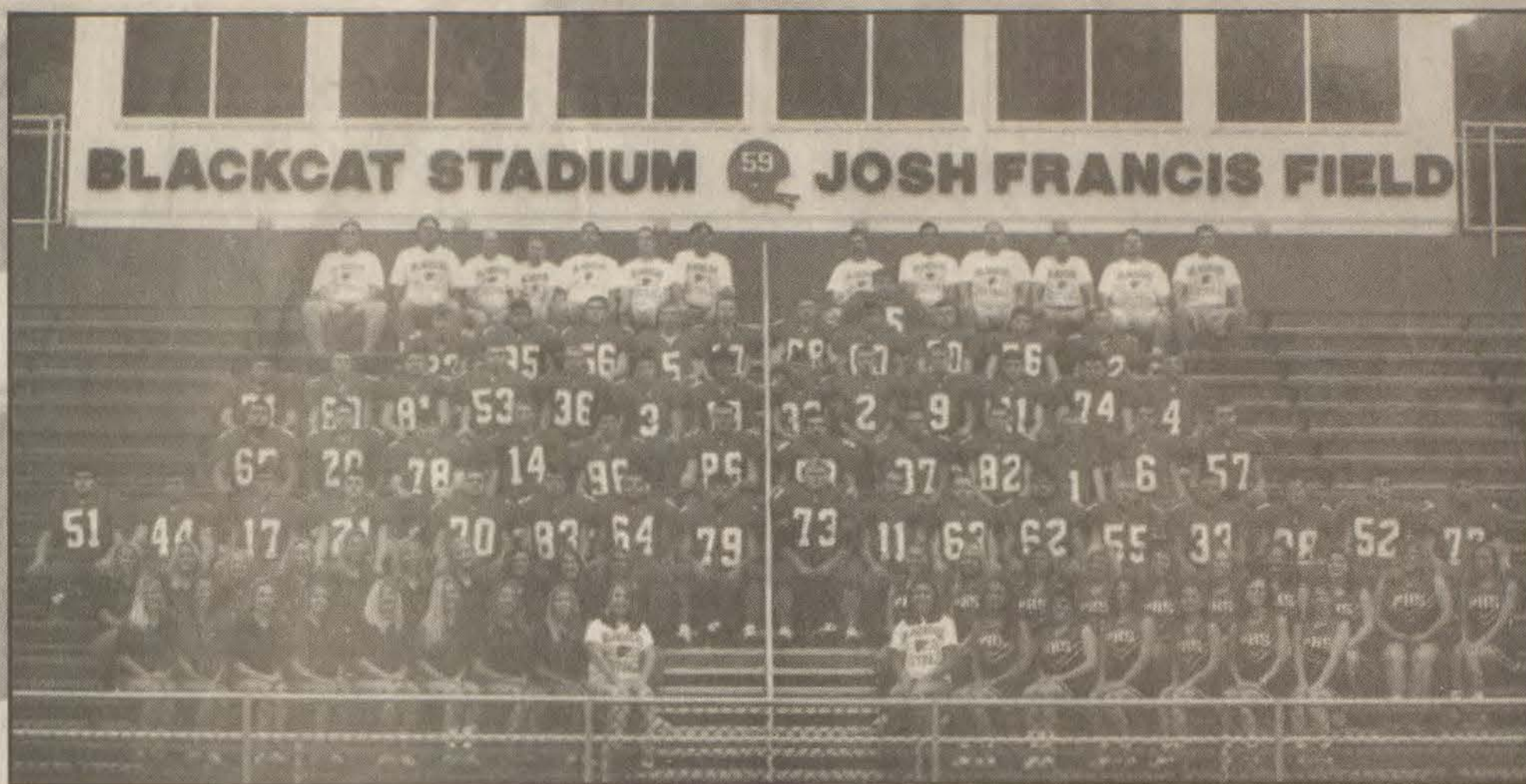
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...JESUS ALWAYS MAINTAINED THAT HIS MISSION WAS TO PREACH TO THE JEWS AND NO ONE ELSE AND WHILE RESTING NEAR THE CITY OF TYRE, HE WAS APPROACHED BY THE WOMAN WHO, MOVED WITH CONCERN FOR HER SICK DAUGHTER, PLEADED FOR JESUS' HEALING. JESUS' ANSWER WAS IN ACCORD WITH HIS LOGIC....

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Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.
Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.; Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Randy Turner, Minister.
Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.
Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Ego, on Rt. 1428, Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.
First Baptist, Garrett, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.
First Baptist, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.
First Baptist, 34 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial), Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Pricer, minister.
Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 2656 West Mt. Parkway, Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jennings West, Minister.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Gretel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Bartham's Creek Rd.), Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.
Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinville, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Barrett, Minister.
Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.
Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
Lancer Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m.; Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter.
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Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.
Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, East, Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.
Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.
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Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Vemon Stone, Minister.
Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg, Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crep, Minister.
Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.
Prater Creek Baptist, Banner, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Felt, Minister.
Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J 102, Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; French B. Harmon, Director; Ella C. Goble, President; 874-9468/478-2978.
Rock Fork Freewill Baptist, Garrett, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Craig, Minister.
Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett, Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Earl Stone, Minister, Jerry Manns, Assistant Minister.
Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville, Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 4th Sunday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.
Semmy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Shaver Powers.
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Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers), Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.
Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist, Cliff Road, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.
Tribble Chapel Freewill Baptist, Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.
United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville, Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.
Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferral, Minister.

CATHOLIC
St. Martha, Water Gap, Mass. Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday, Father Robert Darron, pastor.

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First Christian, 590 North Arnold Avenue, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.
Garrett Community Christian, Route 550, Garrett, Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Hackworth, Minister.
Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sharm Williams, Minister.

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Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.
Church of Christ, South Lake Drive, Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Benny Blankenship, Minister.
Harold Church of Christ, Harold, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.
Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Hueysville Church of Christ, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.
Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lorie Meade, Minister.
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Marlin Church of Christ, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Mitchell, Minister.
Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.
Waukebury Church of Christ, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Mike Hall, Minister.

CHURCH OF GOD
Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin, Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.
First Church of God, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
Garrett Church of God, Garrett, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.
Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.
Little Point First Church of God, 671 Little Point Road, East Point, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Healer Jr., Minister.
The Church of God of Prophecy, Hi Hat, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Don Fraley, Jr., Minister.

EPISCOPAL
St. James Episcopal, Sunday Service, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Study Group 6:00 p.m.; Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:30 p.m. Father Johnnie E. Ross, Rector.

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Our Savior Lutheran, Sipp Bayless Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville, Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLV 1600 amj 12:05 p.m.; Roland Barntop, Minister.

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Auxier United Methodist, Auxier, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Doug Lawson, Minister.
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Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lanaster, Minister.
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HORN CHAPEL METHODIST, Auxier Road, Auxier, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.
MARTIN METHODIST, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
MAYTOWN UNITED METHODIST, Langley, Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.
SALLYBURG UNITED METHODIST, Primar, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.
WAYLAND UNITED METHODIST, Rt. 7, Wayland, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.
WHEELWRIGHT UNITED METHODIST, Wheelwright, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.
DRIFT PENTECOSTAL, Drift, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.
FREE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD, Rt. 1428, East Point, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.
FREE PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF GOD, Weekesbury, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday-Saturday, 7 p.m.; John 'Jay' Patton, Minister.
FREE PENTECOSTAL DELIVERANCE, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campion, Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Oiler, Minister.
FREE PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS, Rt. 122, Upper Burton, Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Seaman, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.
GOODLOE PENTECOSTAL, Rt. 650, David, Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.
PARKWAY FIRST CALVARY PENTECOSTAL, Floyd and Magoffin County Line; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister; 297-6262.
TRINITY CHAPEL PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS, Main St., Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

PRESBYTERIAN
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First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; George C. Lowe, Minister.

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Pastor Altha Johnson welcomes everyone to attend services at the CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY, Sunday School 10 a.m.; Worship Service 11 a.m.; Drift Independent, Drift, Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.
Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale, Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 6 p.m.; Woodrow Crum, Minister.
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Faith Bible, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.
Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Higgins, Minister.
Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville, Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.
Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.
Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.
Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Saturday/Sunday.
Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin, Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.
Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzman, Minister.
Town Branch Church, Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun, morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month; Tom Nelson, Minister.
The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.
Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright, Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.
Zion Deliverance, Wayland, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; Prayer Line: 386-2001; Darlene Arnett, Pastor.

Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428, Sun, Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun, Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun, Evening, 6:30 p.m.; Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.
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Through My Eyes

Great performances and Blessid events

If you happened to miss the 2002 Floyd County Schools Choral Festival this past Tuesday evening, with a special encore performance of "Rock On" by the East Kentucky Performing Arts Group, a group comprised of students



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

from 12 schools and six of our surrounding school districts, let me be the first to tell you that you missed quite a show.

Although I've been to several events that have highlighted the talents of our children, each time I see them performing again, I

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This Town, that World

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

THANKS!

The other day there came to this desk a letter from Mr. A. Guy Hisle, of Paintsville, manager for Southern Bell in this area. The tone of this letter was so kind that I wondered how come. Then it finally dawned on me that this, ladies and gentlemen, is National Newspaper Week.

We, thank Mr. Hisle and all others who are thoughtful enough to leave their hoss-whips at home.



MISSING

Judge Hill lost his fourth hat recently, and it begins to look like only a grand jury investigation will clear up the situation. This latest fedora, left behind for the judge, is a king-size job—all right as a headcovering, but hard on the judicial ears. All will be forgiven if whoever is sporting a hat a size or so too small will return it.



WARNING

If anybody pulls that gag on you about the Governor of

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The 2002 Choral Festival



Students from Floyd County's elementary schools received choral direction from visiting guest conductor, Joy Wallace Burdette, during this week's performance at the Mountain Arts Center.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

MUSIC

a guiding spirit for Floyd County students



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Angie Carriere, of the Kentucky Opry, was a special guest performer at the choral festival. Carriere, who exhibited her talents as a flutist at Tuesday evening's event, is also an accomplished fiddler and violinist. She teaches choral and general music education at Mountain Christian Academy, Martin.

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Hands clapped, drums sounded, and books were "snapped" shut in mid-air as the voices of Floyd County's children rang out in song at the 2002 Floyd County Schools Choral Festival held Tuesday evening at the Mountain Arts Center.

The festival, traditionally held in the spring, has now been scheduled to occur during the fall

school semester. The Floyd County Schools Band Festival will continue to be held during the spring semester.

As always, the county Choral Festival was a magnificently orchestrated showcase of our area youth's vocal talent. This year's program was accented by a tasteful selection of both patriotic and spiritual offerings. Students Jessica Bryant,

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

Students from the All-County Middle School Honor Choir were directed by guest conductor, Jim Shepherd, a Prestonsburg High School graduate.

Postscript

Back to nature

Over the last two or three years, the holler behind my cousin's house has been reclaimed by nature.

Berry briars, wild roses, honeysuckles, grape vines, sumac, and assorted wildflowers (some say weeds) — all wasted no time in planting roots, filing their claims and settling in. We can all be humbled by how quickly nature obliterates evidence that we were here.



Pam Shingler
Contributing Writer

My cousin did not let the holler grow up on purpose. Like many of us, she has had a hard time finding anyone to help her maintain the property that came to her via her brother, from her parents.

Fortunately, a couple of weeks ago, her nephew drove his tractor from one side of Johnson County to the other and, over the course of several days, pulled the bush hog over the flatter acreage, clearing the way from the branch on one side to the incline on the other.

The holler extends for almost a mile, penned in by hills that jut

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2002

Conservation art & writing contest

It's that time of year again: fall harvests, fall festivals, and CONSERVATION CONTEST TIME!!! This year the 2002 Conservation Art & Writing Contest theme is: "Kentucky's Soil — it touches all of us."

Soil is something that many take for granted. Soil is one of many necessities in our lives. Soil gives us food, water, and shelter, along with many aesthetic qualities. This contest is designed for Kentucky students in first through twelfth grade. (In Floyd County, kindergarten students may also participate). The deadline for the contest in Floyd County is Monday, November 18th.

The contest tabloids have already been delivered to all public and private schools in Floyd County. These tabloids explain how Kentucky soil

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Things to Ponder: Me? Bipolar?!

"Bipolar" is a mental disorder that is being diagnosed more frequently than it has ever been before. While this topic has been examined previously, it is worth reviewing. Advancing research, with its recognition that Bipolar can be present at varying levels, has enabled the professional to more clearly identify Bipolar signs and symptoms. It is important that experienced clinicians make the diagnosis of Bipolar Disorder, as they know which questions to ask. It is also very helpful for the individuals seeking

services to be aware of how they think, feel, and behave and are able to describe themselves. Hopefully, this article will increase the possibilities of you stopping to evaluate what is really happening for you and/or a family member and seek professional attention if needed. Early proper attention is likely to prevent a more intense episode of a significant psychological difficulty known as Bipolar Disorder.

Bipolar Disorder is the most recent "name" for "manic-depression."

Whatever the label might be, one way of viewing the disorder is that the "electrical impulses are out of rhythm within the brain," creating extreme reactions at times within the brain and causing individuals to feel and behave as if "out of balance." The imbalance is typically over a range of possibilities, such as 0-to-100. Often the extreme-acting individuals, that are thought of as Bipolar in the past, could be viewed as placing within the "80-to-100" range. However, other individuals placing within the "30-

to-60" range are typically not perceived by family and friends as Bipolar, because their complaints are more often subjective and not acted out. The latter group usually can maintain a job and relationships, with their life not being so disrupted. All ages can show indicators of Bipolar Disorder.

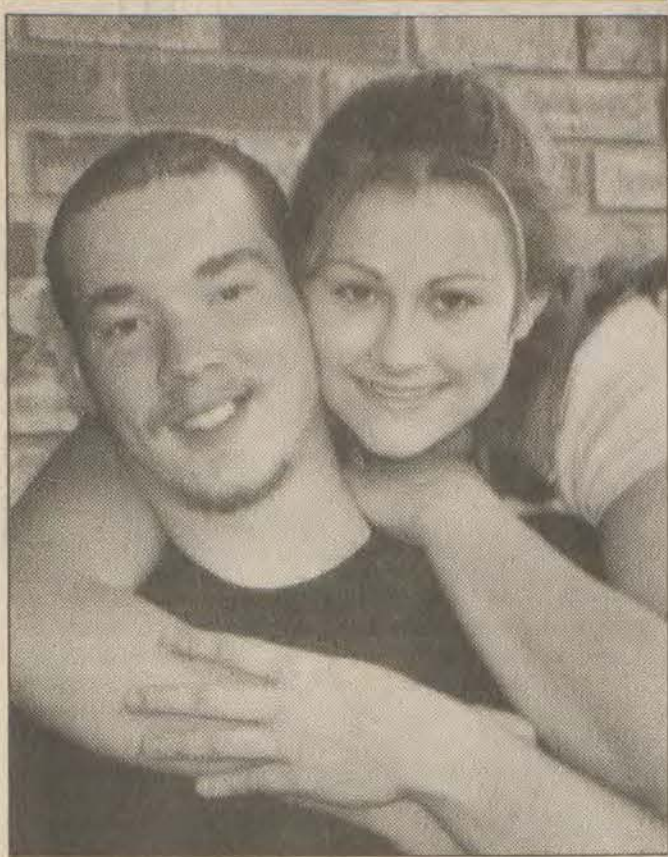
It is widely known that genetics tend to play a role in the majority of Bipolar cases. For example, when individuals

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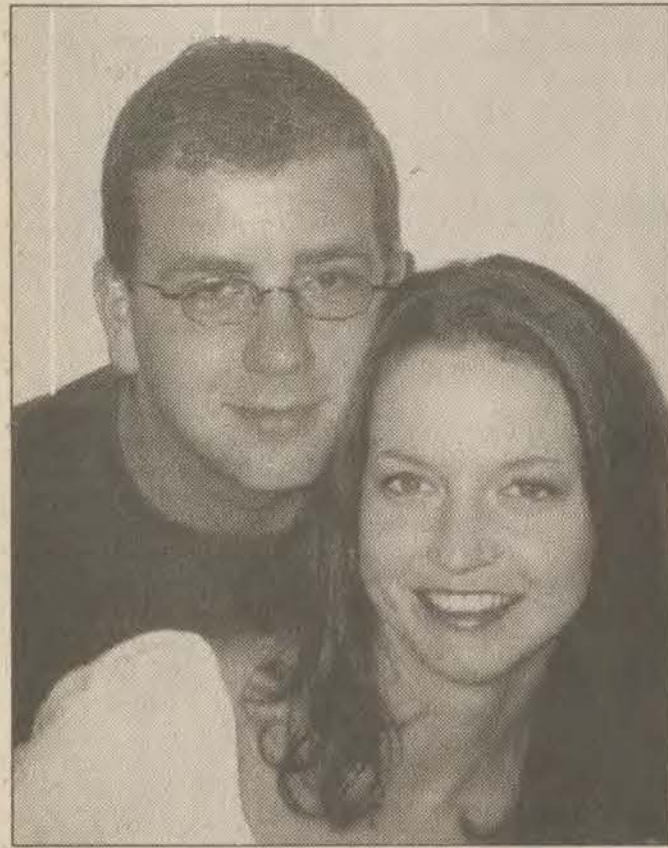
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Weddings



Reynolds-Owens

Miss Amanda Beth Reynolds and Mr. Nicholas Owens are pleased to announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. Amanda, the daughter of Bryan and Lucy Reynolds, of Printer, is a student at Morehead State University. She will graduate in December with a degree in special education. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Dye, also of Printer, and Mayme Reynolds, of Berea, and the late Bev Reynolds. Nicholas, the son of Robert and Mildred Owens, of Lewis County, is assistant manager for Owens Construction and general manager of Abarms Investing and Management. He is also co-owner of the Laundry King Wash-O-Rama, in Morehead. The couple will exchange vows on Saturday, October 19, 2002, at half past four o'clock in the afternoon, at the First Baptist Church, McDowell. The gracious custom of an open church wedding and reception will be observed.



Smith-Little

Micheal L. and Pauline Smith, of Bevinsville, and Ricky and Kathi Little, of Wheelwright, are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their children, Sarah Lynn and Adam Matthew. Sarah is the granddaughter of Elva and Wilma Jean Smith and Mary Sue and Virgil Triplett, of Bevinsville, and Paul W. and Mildred Johnson, of West Carrollton, Ohio. She is the great-granddaughter of Hattie Mosley, of Bevinsville. Adam is the grandson of Harrison Horn and the late Linda Lou Horn, of Banner, and the late Johnny and Ruby Little, of Melvin. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will be performed on Saturday, October 26, 2002, at four o'clock in the afternoon, at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church. A reception will follow at the church. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.

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come for services because of a new onset of depressive symptoms and report a family history of a mood disorder in parents, they are more likely to have Bipolar Disorder. This likelihood is greater than the general population. In addition, children of parents with Bipolar appear to have an earlier age of onset of Bipolar symptoms, in comparison to their parents.

In revising the last edition of the guidelines for diagnosing, the American Psychiatric Association made an effort for the diagnosis of Bipolar Disorder to be as specific as possible. Since lab work or x-rays cannot be done to establish the diagnosis of Bipolar, the individual's self-reports to professionals and observations of behaviors are the most valued methods for making the diagnosis. Bipolar is characterized by symptoms being displayed and/or felt in several categories: (1) mood-consist of three types known as, mostly depressed, mostly manic

or "up", or mixed with severe ups and downs that have been present for a varying length of time; (2) behavioral-typically there will be a low level of impulse control that contributes to poor judgment, due to "snap" decisions, verbal and/or physical rage episodes, excessive habits, such as over-spending with extreme financial problems, everything having to be in its place, and/or drug use like smoking pot or drinking to relax. Energy level is "none at all, varies, or am going all the time." Appetite also tends to be excessive one way or the other-eating all the time or not wanting to eat-with corresponding weight changes. Sleep disturbance is often a significant problem, such as taking an extended time to go to sleep, prone to wake-up several times after being asleep, tendency to wake-up early, or feeling a need for extensive sleep. Often individuals with Bipolar feel "so tired in

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School Happenings

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER
 ■ Oct. 14 - Youth Services Center Advisory Council meeting - 4 p.m.
 ■ Oct. 15 - Parent Support Group meeting, 11 a.m. Refreshments and door prizes. Topic: "Single Parenting."
 ■ Oct. 21 - PTO meeting, 6 p.m. Parents encouraged to attend.
 ■ Oct. 28-Nov. 1 - "Red Ribbon Week." Drug prevention activities.
 ■ Oct. 29 - "Marijuana Prevention" presentations for 7th grade.
 ■ Center distributes school activity calendars and newsletters on the last day of each month to all students. Parents please be advised to be watching for these informational materials as a way of staying informed with your school's happenings.
 ■ Health Records Update: Parents who have health records to bring in to the school may bring them to the Youth Services Center any weekday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.
 ■ Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4 p.m. to 7 a.m. Updated each day after 4:00 p.m.
 ■ Center is open each day from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any listed activities, call 886-9812. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley, Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to students regardless of income. Center telephone: 886-9812.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICES CENTER
 ■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.
 ■ G.E.D. classes offered-FREE-each Friday, beginning

CLARK ELEMENTARY
 ■ Oct. 15 - "Time Out for Parents," 9 a.m.
 ■ Oct. 15-17 - "Nutrition Presentation," FCHD, K-5th.
 ■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment. The center is currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for students who will enter the 6th grade in the upcoming school year, kindergarten entrance exams and TD boosters for sophomores. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These nursing services are available to anyone in the community.
 ■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

Music

Prestonsburg High School; Jessica Bilitier, Betsy Layne High School; Hope Osborne, Prestonsburg High School; Amy Hall, Betsy Layne High School; Jared McKinney, Allen Central High School; Jeremy Troxell, Prestonsburg High School; Jonathan Vanderpool, Allen Central High School; and, Patrick Davis, Prestonsburg High School, joined voices in song as they delivered a beautiful rendition of "The Star-Spangled Banner" to begin the evening of entertainment.
 Debbie Daniels, director of instruction, Floyd County Schools, introduced the participating honor choirs, guest conductors, and school music instructors as she remarked to the attending audience that "students who participate in the arts and those students with course work or experience in music performance scored 51 points higher on the verbal portion of the SAT and 39 points higher on the math portion than students with no course work or experience in the arts."

Following Daniels' remarks, the Floyd County Elementary Honor Choir, under the direction of guest conductor, Joy Wallace Burdette, performed the following selections: "Psalm," "Art Thou Troubled?," "Books," "Gifts of Life" (a traditional Shaker tune), and "Yonder Come Day" (a traditional Georgia Sea Islands spiritual).
 Burdette, a native of Northern Kentucky, is a graduate of Cumberland College and a former music educator for the Floyd County school system. She holds a doctoral degree from the University of Cincinnati's College Conservatory of Music and is an adjunct professor of voice at Northern Kentucky University.
 Directing the Floyd County Middle School Honor Choir, and returning to his native Floyd County, was

8:30 a.m. and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda Bailey
BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY
 ■ The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.
 ■ Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource Center. Service hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.
 ■ Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
 ■ Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.
 ■ GED classes are taught each Monday and Wednesday from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. Classes are FREE. Crissy Compton is the instructor.

MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER / JOHN M. STUMBO ELEM.
 ■ The Bridges Project is in the school Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 ■ Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Telephone: 587-2233.

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER
 ■ MCCC services available at the center. Call for additional information.
 ■ Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
 ■ After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.
 ■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER
 ■ Oct. 15 - "Parent Support" meeting, 9:30-11 a.m., Osborne Elementary Library. Topic: "Raising Drug-Free Kids." Refreshments will be served.
 ■ Walking track open to public (except during special event).

DUFF ELEMENTARY
 ■ School is collecting Food City receipts that will be used toward receiving free computers and other educational items. Please send your receipts to school with your child or drop them off at the Family Resource Center, or the school's front office. Any

help with this valuable school project is very appreciated.

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guest conductor, Jim Shepherd, a Prestonsburg High School graduate. Shepherd, a graduate of Morehead State University, is currently pursuing a master's degree in choral conducting from the University of Louisville.
 The Middle School Honor Choir performed the following selections: "United We Stand" (an American medley), "Gettin' in the Mood," "How Can I Keep From Singing?" (Quaker song), and "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel" (a traditional spiritual).
 The Floyd County High School Honor Choir also performed, directed by guest conductor, Pat Klatka. Klatka, also a native of Floyd County, is also a Prestonsburg High School graduate. After graduating from Morehead State University and obtaining

a master's of education from Wright State University, she continued her post-graduate studies at Wright State, the University of Dayton, Wittenburg University, Antioch University, and the Duxberry Arts Impact School in Columbus, Ohio. She is a member of the Music Educators National Conference, Kentucky Music Educators Association, and the American Choral Directors Association.
 Under her direction, the High School Honor Choir performed the following selections: "With a Voice of Singing," "Liza (Water Come a Me Eye)" (a Jamaican folk song), "Be Still, Jordan," "We Are the Children of Tomorrow," and, "Song of



Congo drums added special significance to the High School Honor Choir's performance of "Liza (Water Come a Me Eye)." From left to right are: Music instructors, Cecilia Prater, Walter Ord, and Sandy Tackett, with Prestonsburg High School student, Michael Warrix.

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Mississippi shooting up his wife, don't lose your balance and gasp as I did. Sing out, "Yeah, I know—she bought a color TV set."

Then there was the one about the fellow who fell from a second-floor window and escaped injury. But if he had fallen from a greater distance it would have been another story.

Heard, the other day, about the fellow who is all mixed up in his sports. He bowls a golf score and on the course shoots what he might bowl if he's on his game.

Wonder why I felt like apologizing when I walked, hatless, into a drugstore recently and asked for a pocket comb? I'm a fine example of what that crazy kid stuff will do to your hair. Too late, alas! I learned that glue's the thing.

WE LIKE IT SO
 As was mentioned in the first paragraph of this column, this is National Newspaper Week. And again we are doing one of the poorest jobs in the country toward letting our readers in on the secret. We are expected by the press associations to sound off a bit, and I think we should—to offset the knocks, if for no other reason—but, somehow we never feel like tackling the job.
 Newspapers as a whole do themselves no credit in the matter of selling the press to the public. The usual line is to plug along, doing the best you can, and let the results speak for themselves.
 We don't toot our own horn, but it's not because we're over-modest, I confess, there's more laziness involved than any other factor.
 But we aren't too slothful to write this: Be as considerate, forbearing and long-suffering as you have been for the last 35 years, and we'll be quite happy with the whole arrangement.

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 and fizzle out, intersected by some that form longer ridges and are pocked with dramatic stone outcroppings.
 Near its head, the branch moves from the left side of the holler to the right. With this movement of water, the holler opens up into a meadow of several acres of flat land. To the left of the field, a path goes around the hill and opens to another smaller piece of flat land, split by a deep branch that flows into the main run, which is fed also by still other springs flowing from the hillside in the rear.
 Until logging was done here almost a decade ago, the water was clean, clear and refreshing. Now it is full of iron and ugly to the sight.
 My cousin remembers when the entire holler was of use, some 60 or more years ago. Corn grew in the more level areas, and cattle and sheep pastured on the cleared hills.
 At the mouth of a sub-holler near the large meadow was an old log house, she remembers. Even I remember the evidence of its existence that lingered years ago before the logging machines smoothed over the ground. Although all the logs were long since gone when I first knew the holler, I remember the large stones placed in a square to hold a floor and a broad, heavy slab of rock step where the door had been.
 I also recall clumps of purple irises that bloomed here every summer where the house's yard would have been.
 All evidence that people lived here and animals grazed here is gone.
 For years I have enjoyed walks up this glorious parcel of land. My uncle used to keep it mowed, and he made an almost daily trek up the holler in what I referred to as Elmer's parade. His loyal dog Roscoe led the way, followed by Uncle Elmer, generally with his hands clasped behind him. Close at the heels of their friend/master/caterer were two black cats, named Midnight and Pretty Girl.
 The last two Sundays I've taken leisurely walks up the holler, now that it's navigable again. I savor the early fall, watch for subtle changes in leaf coloration, and eye the hues of the blue asters, goldenrod and ironweed that survive on the edge of the mowing path.
 I am incredibly blessed to know of this holler and to experience its wonders.
 I'm reminded of how an elderly lady I knew in Georgia felt about water. "Water," she said, "the good Lord didn't make anything better. If he did he kept it fer hisself."
 That's how I feel about this holler.

CORRECTION
 In the Wednesday, October 9 edition of "Lifestyles," Tonya Bentley Williams, media specialist at May Valley Elementary, was incorrectly identified as Monica Compton. We apologize for this error.



Family Medicine

By Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A.



Thyroid disease can't be cured, but reader can live normal life

Q About six years ago, at age 28, I was diagnosed with Hashimoto's disease. I understand this disease causes the body to attack its own thyroid, which results in lack of production of normal hormones. Can early detection stop or reverse the effects of this disease? Is it hereditary?

A Hashimoto's thyroiditis is the number one cause of low thyroid hormone levels, a condition called hypothyroidism. It is very common in women between the ages of 25 and 50. You are correct in stating that the body attacks its own thyroid gland in Hashimoto's thyroiditis. Let me

explain what happens. First the body develops antibodies to the thyroid gland. Then, the immune system reacts to the thyroid tissue as though it were a foreign invader such as a bacteria or virus. No one knows why this happens. Recognizing and developing antibodies to foreign substances is a normal defense mechanism. This same defense mechanism helps the body overcome colds and minor infections. But, because the immune system is attacking its own body, this type of ailment is called an "autoimmune disorder."

Hashimoto's thyroiditis is not curable, but is easily treatable with thyroid hormone replacement. It does appear to

be hereditary, so screening of family members is recommended.

Regulating thyroid hormone is a complex process. The thyroid gland — located in the front of the neck — produces thyroid hormone (thyroxin) that regulates our metabolism. However, it's the pituitary gland in the brain that polices this process by sending thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH) to the thyroid gland. The amount of TSH secreted into the blood determines the amount of thyroxin the thyroid gland produces.

As the thyroid is destroyed by the immune system, the gland produces less hormone. This sends a message back to the brain to send more TSH to the gland. The resultant elevation in TSH level is detectable by a simple blood test. A high TSH level indicates that the thyroid is not responding to the "signals" sent by the pituitary.

This is one of the first signs of hypothyroidism. Other studies that might be done include a thyroid profile and a thy-

roid antibody test.

A TSH level should be part of routine screening in people with a family history of hypothyroidism, during and after pregnancy, and when the very first symptoms of pending menopause appear. Hypothyroidism should also be considered as a possible underlying disease process when symptoms such as unexplained fatigue, coarse, dry hair, hair loss, cold intolerance, depression, memory loss, and abnormal menstrual cycles occur. Some people will have only one symptom, but others will have several, in different combinations. In the earliest stages of hypothyroidism, there may be no recognizable symptoms at all.

Treatment of hypothyroidism is generally straightforward. A thyroid hormone pill taken once a day usually does the trick. Most people respond readily to treatment and live a long, normal life. Hypothyroidism is not currently "curable" and will require treatment for the

rest of your life.

You should never stop your medication unless directed to by your physician. If left untreated, hypothyroidism can progress to severe depression, heart failure or coma.

So here it is in a nutshell: Know your family medical history.

Promptly and properly report your symptoms. If hypothyroidism is diagnosed, learn about the disease. TAKE YOUR MEDICATION as prescribed. Once your condition stabilizes, make sure to have your TSH levels checked at least once a year.

Family Medicine(r) is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to Martha A. Simpson, D.O., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701. Or, e-mail Dr. Simpson at simpsonm@ohio.edu. Past columns are available online at www.fhradio.org/fm.

Music

America."

Serving as accompanists to the three guest conductors were: Teressa Lester, Carolyn Diamond, and Dena Gibson. Lester, a graduate of Eastern Kentucky University, has been employed as a general music teacher in the Floyd County school system for the past 10 years. She currently teaches at May Valley and McDowell Elementary schools. She holds a master's degree in elementary guidance counseling from Morehead State University.

Diamond, a former student of guest conductor Klatka, is a graduate of Pikeville College and is certified as a teacher of piano by the Kentucky Music Educators Association. She operates her own piano studio, the "Diamond School of Music," in Pikeville.

Gibson, also a former student of guest conductor Klatka, also operates a private piano studio and has taught piano for the past 18 years. She is employed by Pikeville High School as accompanist for the junior high, and other selected, choirs.

Following are members of the **All-County Elementary Honor Choir**: Allen Elementary: Janie Sellards, Samantha Williams, Alyshia Collins, Emily Bryant, Megan Shepherd, Hannah Honeycutt, D.J. Sharpe, Kristen Griffith, Jaden Spurlock, Kayla Ellis, Brittany Miller, Matthew Conn, Kristy Rudder, Lakyn Adkins, Rossi Clark, and Deena Jarrell. Betsy Layne Elementary: Misty Roberts, Elizabeth McKinney, Matthew Boyd, Blake Scoggins, Derek Tackett, Kelsie Akers, D.J. Roberts, Courtney Curry, Brandace

Ferrell, Mary Slusher, Megan Coleman, Natasha Hall, and Sola Williams. Clark Elementary: Sheena Bays, Olivia Bentley, Casey Conley, Hillary Stone, and Stephanie Spears. Duff Elementary: Katie Allen, Nicole Clatworthy, Brittany Cooley, Candra Hicks, Sarah Perkins, Brittany Brown, Trinity Combs, Corey Cordial, Dannielle Mullins, and Megan Watts. May Valley Elementary: Jericca Blair, Hannah Farmer, Kristen Moore, Morgan Wright, Keisha Reid, Katie Crisp, Sarah Kinney, Samantha Salisbury, Cheyenne Bailey, Samantha Hackworth, Katrina Little, Nichole Jones, Tyler Tucker, Nevan Stone, Jesse Hayes, and Katie Gibson. McDowell Elementary: Dorsa Hall, Corey Paige, Ariel Salisbury, Brianna Johnson, Seth Jones, Bailey Hamilton, and Makenzie Lawson. Osborne Elementary: Emily Huff, Allison Daniels, and Savanah Bartley. Prestonsburg Elementary: Elizabeth Baldrige, Micaya Canterbury, Brittany Coyer, Courtney Marsillett, Kaitlyn Minix, Hannah Walker, Josh Blackburn, Kim Chaffins, Jonna Craft, Cody McCoy, Brittany Peppi, and Rachel Webb. Stumbo Elementary: Kellie Hutchinson, Amanda Newsome, Leslie Salisbury, Kristina Travis, Jerrica Causey, Jonathan Lewis, Amberly Hall, Andrea Shepherd, Andrea Shepherd, Morgan Tackett, Morgan Tackett, Deonna Williams, and Aaron Beard.

Members of the **All-County Middle School Honor Choir** are: Adams Middle School: Bethany Adams, Jenna Gearheart, Samantha Littleton, Holly Pack, Adam Reffett, Cora

Spradlin, Chris Baker, Clay Jamerson, Ali Meyers, Levi Plummer, Holly Rice, and Lauren Ward. Allen Central Middle School: Breanna Duff, Brittany Hodge, Heather Johnson, Lacey Martin, Tyra McKinney, Jessica Nunley, Kim Patrick, LaMikka Pratt, Amber Stone, Logan Wright, Chris Halbert, Earl Huff, Jessica Martin, Kim Meade, Allison Nunley, Ashley Patrick, Madeline Patton, Lakeasha Shepherd, Kortney Ward, and Andrea Moore. Allen Elementary: Brittany Waugh, Heather Travis, Brennan Case, Denise Boyd, Leslie Bentley, Mikayla May, Vicki Jarrell, Justin Adkins, Kendra Case, Heather Miller, Stephine Calhoun, Jessica Fraley, Allison Hamilton, Richelle Murray, Frankie Stanley, Jackie Joseph, Josh Park, Kristen Boyd, Savannah Boyd, Destiny Morgan, and Courtney Lewis. Betsy Layne Elementary: Cassie Morton, Kara Curry, Jessica Eplin, Nicalena Hall, Rebecca Ratliff, Ashley Tackett, Shawn Wallen, Douglas Hall, Dustin Layne-Lawson, Jordan Tackett, Erin McMillan, Shannon Hamilton, Shaina Parsons, Ariel Hopkins, Jody Miller, and Janie Boyd.

McDowell Elementary: Trista Damron, Kerry Meade, Jada Adkins, Ethan Gayheart. Stumbo Elementary: Danielle Hall, Robert Hall, Derek Newman, Jill Tackett, Cecily Howell, Elizabeth Spradlin, Stephanie McKinney, Bethany Newsome, and Kory Henry.

The All-County High School Honor Choir is comprised of the following students: Allen Central High School: Rachel Howell, Lindsey Anderson, Brittany Howell, Megan Moore, Bobby Baldrige, Cynthia Bryant, Sabrina Howard, Kayla Shepherd, Jennifer Anderson, Jessica Hall, Jonathan Vanderpool, Courtney Grace, Belinda Boyd, Brittany Crisp, and Jared McKinney. Betsy Layne High School: Tiffany Yates, Amy Hall, Ashley Anderson, Rachel Hamilton, Jamie Bray, Daniel Coleman, Tyler Harris, Whitney McKinney, Courtney Thomas, Amber McCoy, Jessica Biliter, Mindy Tackett, Nat Blackburn, and Doug Boyd. Prestonsburg High School: Brittney Johnson, Amanda Keathley, Racheal Blackburn, Megan Patton, Melissa Calhoun, Tiffany Blackburn, Katherin Austin, Kindra Spurlock, Anita Allison,

Hope Osborne, Megan Goble, Sandra Hall, Casey Price, Laura Ford, Caitlin Hale, Patrick Davis, Jeremy Troxell, James Keller, Christian Morris, Sabrina Stone, Brittney Porter, Elizabeth Mosley, Taylor Mosley, Jessica Bryant, Allison Ellis, Kim Gibson, Lakole Ousley, Darcey Hicks, Emily Adams, Angela Hunt, Brenda Lewis, Tabatha Jarvis, Tonya Gibson, Sabrina Stone, Robert Risner, and Sam Hale.

Music teachers for Floyd County Schools are: Chris Lafferty, Allen Elementary; Sandy Tackett, Betsy Layne Elementary; Rebecca Haywood, Clark and Prestonsburg Elementaries; Cecilia Prater, Duff Elementary and Allen Central Middle; Teressa Lester, May Valley and McDowell Elementaries; Walter Ord, Stumbo Elementary; Valeria Coburn, Adams Middle and Allen Central High School; Mike Cooley, Betsy Layne High School; and, Kathi Caudill, Prestonsburg High School.

Following performances by the All-County Honor Choirs, the **East Kentucky Performing Arts Group** entertained the assembled audience with an encore presentation of their 2002 summer show, "Rock On."

The performing arts group was established in the summer of 2001 through the efforts of Billie Jean Osborne in conjunction with an agreement with the Steele-Reese Foundation and the Floyd County Board of Education to aid in the support of the Mountain Arts Center and the Kentucky Opry educational programs. Osborne serves as director of the group with music educators Chris Lafferty and Sandy Tackett serving as instructors.

Student members of the East Kentucky Performing Arts Group represent 11 schools from six school districts. The members are: Adams Middle School: Julie Ford, Ali Hackworth, Destiny Morgan, Lauren Ward, Jenna Gearheart, Clay Jamerson, and Seth Spears. Allen Elementary: Denise Boyd, Brennon Case, Jessica Fraley, Heather Miller, Stephine Calhoun, Kendra Case, Courtney Lewis, and Heather Travis. Allen Central Middle School: Tyra McKinney. Betsy Layne Elementary: Douglas Hall, Shannon Hamilton, Shawn Wallen, Jordan Tackett, and Shaina Parsons. John M. Stumbo Elementary: Kory Henry. Osborne Elementary: Emily Huff, Savannah Bartley, and Allison Daniels. Prestonsburg Elementary: Elizabeth Baldrige. Mountain Christian Academy: Katie Lemaster and Hannah Fitzpatrick. Paintsville Independent Elementary: Darcey Porter and Robert Hazelett. Hearld Whitaker Middle: Chase Lewis and Alison Lovely. Hindman Elementary: Brittany Hamilton. Pikeville Independent Elementary: Chelsea Case.

Ponder

the morning, like I've never slept." (3) cognitive—the mind will seem like it is going too fast to be effective, such as memory getting worse, especially short-term, only concentrate on some things, real distractible so it's really hard to complete tasks correctly, obsessive thoughts with worries about everything and sometimes unable to stop thinking about one thing, and/or racing thoughts so there's difficulty completing a whole thought; and (4) perceptual—the mind seems to be going so fast that individuals did not perceive accurately, such as hallucinations, seeing and/or hearing things that are not there, and paranoid ideation's, thinking that others are "out to get" them.

Bipolar Disorder is one of the mental health diagnoses where psychotherapy and medications are important. Often individuals will seek psychological services on their own or their family physician will refer them. After symptoms are identified and a diagnosis is made, a treatment plan is designed and the Number One priority is for the person to obtain appropriate and adequate medication from a psychiatrist or a family physician, who has experience with these medications. We are so fortunate to have the medications available today for Bipolar Disorder, even though they are not always "perfect" for everyone. There is the possibility for any one medication to have side effects, but typically, responsible individuals with the supervision of their physician and therapist can monitor medications adequately. Sometimes a second drug might need to be tried before the "true drug of choice" is found for some individuals. The medications known as "Mood Stabilizers." Examples include Neurontin, Topomax, Depakote,

Lithium, and Lamictal, which is the latest of the drugs. These same drugs are commonly used by neurologists to prevent seizures, which makes sense, since seizures are also caused by disruptive electrical impulses within the brain. Typically, the therapy sessions will pertain to discussions about the diagnosis, medications, and coping with the habits created by the symptoms in the past and making wanted changes. It is also not unusual for these individuals to have other diagnoses associated with Bipolar, such as addictions to alcohol, sex, gambling, and recreational drugs. Another possible difficulty is involvement with the legal system, because of excessive, illegal behaviors.

Bipolar is a common, major public health problem, with the rate of occurrence estimated to be 1 to 2 percent of the general population. In 1990, Bipolar was the sixth leading cause of disability worldwide and was predicted to stay a world problem for another 100 years. If the condition is not treated, there is increased possibilities of it increasing in severity and/or being a cause of death, such as due to suicide, poor judgment for means of solving problems and making decisions, and generally high risk behaviors—riding dangerous "toys" without precautions. It is not unusual for individuals' significant symptoms and behaviors to "disappear" before they recover fully to where they were prior to a specific Bipolar episode. Another prediction is that Bipolar Disorder is likely to reoccur in more than 90 percent of people, after their first experience.

It is not a "sin" to be Bipolar, but it is unfortunate if individuals do not realize that they need services and obtain them. There

is the possibility that one of your friends, neighbors, or co-workers have been identified as Bipolar and have chosen not to tell you. Being Bipolar does not mean that individuals with the diagnosis cannot be successful and have a high quality of life.

School

Center has a one-stop career station satellite station that is available to the community, as well as students.

Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.

All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall.

The center is located on the South Floyd campus in room 232. For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.

THE DAVID SCHOOL

Adult Education Class Schedule - Fall 2001:

Monday and Wednesday: McDowell Family Resource Center, 8 - 11 a.m. Call 377-2678.

Monday and Wednesday: Morehead Big Sandy Campus, 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405.

Tuesday and Thursday: Betsy Layne High School Family Resource Center, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389.

Tuesday: Cliffside Housing Project Community Center, 5 - 8 p.m. Call 886-9860.

Wednesday: Floyd County Detention Center, 4:00 - 6 p.m.

Thursday: Auxier Lifetime Learning Center, 1 - 4

p.m. Call 886-0709.

Thursday: St. James Episcopal Church, 5 - 7:30 p.m. Call 886-8046.

Friday - The David School, 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Call 886-8374.

W.D. OSBORNE RAINBOW JUNCTION FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Oct. 14 - "Nature" program.

Oct. 15 - "Time Out for Parents" support group meeting.

Oct. 18 - Leo Mudd.

Oct. 22 - "Louie-Louie," AEP.

Oct. 24 - Trip to MAC - "Green Eggs & Ham," Primary.

Oct. 28, 29 - "Manners" program, Quality Kids, K-3rd.

Oct. 30 - Trip to MAC - "Gingerbread Man," 3rd & 4th.

Anyone interested in receiving cleaning supplies for the 2002-2003 school year may visit the center and fill out an application to see if they qualify.

"Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks.

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. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

New Arrivals

Highlands New Arrivals

Sept. 19, 2002

A daughter, Emma MaKaylee Justice, to Melissa and Bobby Justice

Sept. 21, 2002

A son, Logan Blake Roberts, to Elizabeth and Jason Roberts

Sept. 22, 2002

A daughter, Morgan Elipse Cline, to Kimberly Dawn and Darren Roger Cline

Sept. 23, 2002

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A daughter, Kodie Chieyann LeMaster, to Brandie Danyelle Sherman

Sept. 24, 2002

A daughter, Autumn Paige

Shell, to Betty and Robert Shell

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A son, Thomas Alexander Scott Jones, to Melissa Hamilton

Sept. 25, 2002

A son, Jacob Dylan Bartley, to April Witten

Sept. 26, 2002

A son, William Alan Gullett, to Gretchen Renee and Alan Joe Gullett

Sept. 27, 2002

A son, Dustyn Rylee Cunagin, to Regina Cunagin

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A daughter, Emilee Allison Taylor Tackett, to Karen and Stephen Tackett

Sept. 28, 2002

A daughter, McKaylee Renee Davis, to Azzie and Danny Davis

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Kentucky Blueblood Versus Ohio Self-Made Man

By Dr. Robert Perry, Floyd County Historian

The Union and Confederate forces were led by two very different men. Humphrey Marshall was a Kentucky blueblood and a representative of one of its leading families. James A. Garfield was a self-made man born in a log cabin on his father's thirty-acre Ohio farm.

A native of Cuyahoga County, Ohio, Garfield was a self-educated citizen-soldier. Born in poverty on his father's thirty-acre farm, he graduated from Williams College in 1856 and pursued a teaching career, becoming Professor of Latin and Greek at Hiram College in Hiram, Ohio. An ardent abolitionist, he was elected to the Ohio Senate on the Republican ticket in 1859. When the war came, Governor Dennison gave him a colonel's commission and asked him to raise a regiment of volunteers.

In December, 1861, Union General Don Carlos Buell ordered Garfield to transport his regiment, the 42nd Ohio, to the new Union base at Catlettsburg, where he had begun stockpiling military supplies. Reporting to Buell in Louisville, Garfield was placed in charge of the newly-formed 18th Brigade and given the job of driving Marshall's Confederates out of the Big Sandy Valley.

Following his victory at Middle Creek, which was widely reported in the Eastern press, Garfield was promoted to Brigadier General. Establishing his headquarters at Pikeville, he

and his soldiers occupied the valley until early April, 1862. On March 14th, marching through deep snow, he led an expedition to Pound Gap on the Kentucky-Virginia State Line and broke up the Confederate outpost at that location, driving 300 rebel soldiers down the mountain and back into Virginia.

Marshall was the proud representative of one of Kentucky's most distinguished families. His grandfather was Humphrey Marshall, the historian and statesman, and his father was John J. Marshall of Frankfort, a highly-respected lawyer and jurist. After graduating from West Point in 1832, Marshall served with the U. S. Mounted Rangers during the Black Hawk War and then left the service to establish a successful law practice in Louisville. In the Mexican War he served as Colonel of the First Kentucky Cavalry and won distinction by leading a gallant cavalry charge during the Battle of Buena Vista.

Returning to civilian life, Marshall ran for Congress and was elected Representative of the Louisville district in 1849. He served as President Fillmore's Commissioner to China in 1852, and after his return, he was elected to the 34th and 35th Congress on the American ticket. A moderate on the slavery question, Marshall was a good orator and canvassed the state for Democratic Party presidential nominee John C. Breckenridge in 1860. Upon the secession of the southern states, he raised a large number of volunteers for the Confederate Army and was commissioned Brigadier General by President Jefferson Davis on October 30th, 1861. Establishing his headquarters at Wytheville, Virginia, Marshall was given the assignment of protecting the

mountain passes on the Virginia border and gaining control of Eastern Kentucky.

Plan on attending the dedication of the new Middle Creek National Battlefield Park, scheduled for 2 pm Saturday, October 26th, 2002.



Gen. Humphrey Marshall



Col. James A. Garfield



Gen. John C. Breckinridge

Contest

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touches all of us, including activities (with KERA goals) and website links to investigate. The Floyd County Conservation District's Environmental Educator, Michelle Goble, will be available to do free presentations for grades K-12.

Woman's Club sponsors contest for Jenny Wiley Festival Days

The GFWC/KPWC Prestonsburg Woman's Club is offering an award for the Prestonsburg business that does the best job of decorating its property in honor of the upcoming Jenny Wiley Festival.

Displays must be visible from the exterior or through the front windows of the business establishment. The winning establishment will be presented a framed certificate by the club, earning them positive publicity.

Judges will come from the club's conservation/community improvement committee. The Woman's Club hopes to encourage participation in community beautification through the presentation of these awards. The club also eagerly anticipates the "extra-pleasant eyeful" that visitors to Prestonsburg will receive as

they tour the city through the upcoming festival.

This year marks the first that the club will award seasonal/holiday business decoration awards. This past spring, the club awarded Heart-to-Heart Floral & Gifts with their first annual spring decoration award, followed by the summer award being presented to Sam Blakenship's Edward Jones office. Both businesses exhibited displays appropriate to the respective seasons. The next award to be presented, following the fall/Jenny Wiley Festival award, will be presented in December.

For more information, or to make a nomination (businesses can self-nominate), contact Joyce Short Allen at 886-2523, or Pam Weiner Skeen at 889-9639.

AWARDS:

Every student who participates will receive a participation certificate. School winners will be invited to the District's Annual Awards Banquet (held each spring) and will receive a certificate and trophy. First place county winners will receive a \$50 savings bond. Area winners receive a \$100 savings bond and certificate. First place state winner receive a \$500 savings bond and a plaque.

If anyone has any questions, or needs contest tabloids, or would like to schedule a presentation, contact Michelle Goble at 889-9800 or email us at mail to: conserve@eastky.net conserve@eastky.net

The contest is sponsored by The Courier-Journal, Kentucky Farm Bureau and the Kentucky Association of Conservation

Eyes

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become amazed all over. The vocal talent, the instrumental talent, the sheer showmanship that our children possess makes me want to shout it out to the world. "Hey, world! Listen up! Our children are a-mazing!"

We truly owe Billie Jean Osborne a world of gratitude for the dedicated work she did in helping to create a top-notch facility in which our children can perform and in which they can continue to hone their talents through the MAC's educational programs. Likewise, deserving gratitude goes to Mayor Fannin and the city council members, as well as all the private supporters and governmental allies, who did their part in making Miss Billie Jean's dream become a reality.

Aside from the obvious sheer delight of enjoying what they are doing on stage, whether it be singing, dancing, playing a musical instrument, or acting, what is most obvious to me and what brings me the greatest thrill, is seeing the pride that glows from our children's faces as they entertain us with their special talents.

Pride is certainly an element that has been missing for far too long in our beloved hills. For too long, our children have hung their heads in shame, whether

that shame was born of poverty or ignorance or an "outsider's" insensitive comment, too many of us have, at one time or another, felt it. Even today, we still occasionally hear the old "Oh, that's Floyd County for you" comment. Yeah, "we ain't perfect" and probably never will be, but folks, we have an awful lot of which to be proud. I had to go off to college to learn that I came from an ancestry of rich and colorful heritage. You can bet my own kids aren't waiting that long, and I hope yours aren't either.

Pride - whether it be "Blackcat," "Rebel," "Raider," sports-related, academic-related, or arts-related - our kids need it and it's up to us to support them in their quest for it.

As Miss Billie Jean remarked on Tuesday evening, "East Kentucky kids are not going to be cheated anymore."

It's about time...ain't it?

Speaking of the MAC, my kids and I enjoyed a wonderful performance a few weeks back by a group of young men known as "Blessid Union of Souls."

These guys were great - on stage as well as off. Not only did they perform a string of hit singles that would knock even

Dick Clark off his feet, but they also took the time to sit in the arts center lobby and sign autographs and chat at length with the fans who were in attendance.

I talked and met with Eliot (what a "hottie," as my daughter would say) and a really nice blonde fella that I think was Tony (but for some reason the name Mark keeps sticking in my head), anyway, let's just remember Shakespeare's "a rose is a rose" thing and not worry about getting the names exactly correct because the real point I want to make is that these guys - to be so hugely successful and talented - were so NICE.

I was completely awe-struck at their open, friendly attitudes. They posed for photographs, autographed posters, CDs, t-shirts, and even my youngest daughter's bluejeans. They even gave my oldest daughter a ring to keep.

We were the last to leave and the last group they spent a little time with and if, by chance, they would happen to see this column, I would like to thank them very, very much for the time and attention they gave to not only my children, but the others as well.

I was a fan before I met them, but now, guys, "they's in my blood."

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ATTACHMENT 10.2.A NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5238 AMENDMENT #2

1) In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mouse, Ky. 41839, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 0.9 mile northeast of Handshoe in Knott and Floyd Counties. This amendment will add 2.73 acres of surface disturbance and will underlie an additional 1031.0 acres,

making a total area of 1604.06 acres within the amended permit boundary.

2) The proposed amendment is approximately 0.2 mile west from County Road 1280's junction with Ky. Hwy. 2029, and located along Lick Fork.

3) The proposed amendment is located on the Handshoe U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining with associated surface disturbance. The surface area to be disturbed by this amendment is owned by CONSOL of Kentucky Inc. The area will underlie land owned by the Kentucky Department of Transportation, CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., Mitchell Stephens, Leslie Bradley, Floyd Co. Fiscal Court, Johnny Hoover Heirs, First Commonwealth Bank, Lindburg Hale, Tilden Shepherd Heirs, Harris Handshoe Heirs, Phoebe L. Bryan, Clayton Handshoe, Elderee Turner, Rosa Oney, Annis Bailey, Charles Howard, Green Bailey Heirs, Hershall Handshoe, Bessie Conley, Oakley Conley, Sammie Handshoe, Cletis Howard. The operation will affect an area within 100' of public road Ky. Hwy 2029. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.

4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg regional office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653-1410. Written comments objections or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections or requests for a permit conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

5) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg regional office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, and requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

6) A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for November 26, 2002 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite #6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

The Hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by November 25, 2002.

NOTE: THIS IS THE CORRECTED VERSION OF THE APPLICATION THAT RAN 10/4 OF THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.0093 notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc. 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, Ky 41501 has applied for Phase 3 bond release on permit No. 8 3 6 - 5 4 2 7 . Increments 2,3 & 4 which was last issued on 10/17/2001. The application covers an area of approximately 1150.5 acres located located .8 mile South of Blue Moon in Floyd County.

(2) The permit area is approximately .80 miles South from Little Mud Creek junction with Morga

Fork Rd located 10ft South of Morgan Fork Road. The latitude is 37°-29'-33" The longitude is 82°-42'-21".

(3) The bond now in effect for the Permit 836-5427 Inc. 2 is a surety bond in the amount of \$2,600.00. And Increment 3 \$8,500.00 and Increment 4 1 5 , 4 0 0 . 0 0 . Approximately 100% of the original bond amount of \$23900.00 is included in the application for release.

(4) Reclamation work performed includes Final Backfilling, Grading And Seeding.

(5) Written comments, objections, and request for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Div. of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 by November 25, 2002.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-5173, RENEWAL

(1) In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Buck Coal, Inc., 544 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for a RENEWAL of a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 1 1/2 mile north of Craynor, in Floyd County. The operation includes 92.45 acres of surface disturbance area (2.5 acres which overlie underground works) and underlies 845.0 acres of overlying surface area for a total permit area of 934.95 acres.

(2) The operation is located 1/2 mile west from KY Route 979's junction with KY Route 680, and located immediately south of Hamilton Branch.

(3) The operation is on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, David Akers, Morris Newsome, Carmel & Walker Tackett, Homer Hall, Richard Hall, Barbara Hall, Shannon & Jennifer Mulkey and Timothy

Ryan Akers. The mine area underlies land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Ellis Branham, Miles Williams, Ishmael Akers, Milford Howell, Arnold Newsome, Cecil Hamilton, Anna Newsom, Gustavia Howell, Della Jones, Robert Howell, Squire Hamilton, Levi and Mary McKinney, Frank and Ivalee McKinney, Pauline Tackett, J.Lee Hall, Dorothy Blanton, James K. Hall, Morris Newsome and Denzil R. Hall, Denzil R. Hall, William Moore, O.C. Hall, Demas Evans, Freeman Evans, Orville Hall, Barbara Hall, Oscar Akers, Bill Hall, Butler Evans, Ted Evans, Larry Compton, Shannon & Jennifer Mulkey, Homer Hall, Timothy Ryan Akers, Martha Evans, Astor Hall, Virgil Hall, Carmel & Walker Tackett, Emit Howell, Rock Bridge Coal Corp. Inc., Charlie Hopp Heirs, Ottis Hall and Maxie Howell.

(4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, Dept. for Surface Mining, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite #6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, and requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

ORDINANCE NO. 7-2002

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY, RELATING TO A TAX LEVY ON REAL AND TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND FRANCHISES, ALL FOR THE GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSE PURPOSES OF THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, in order to maintain a progressive and stable tax base for the city, finds it necessary to adopt the following Ordinance in order to provide funds for the general operative expense purposes of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KEN-

TUCKY, AS FOLLOWS: Section 1: The County assessment of property situated in the City of Prestonsburg, both real and personal, is hereby adopted. Section 2: For the purposes of providing funds for the general operating expenses of the City of Prestonsburg for the fiscal year from July 1, 2002, to June 30, 2003, and for each year thereafter, until this Ordinance is amended or enacted, the following taxes are levied. A) Upon all real estate within the City of Prestonsburg, not specifically exempted from taxation, situated within the City of Prestonsburg, of 0.2170 per One Hundred Dollar (\$100.00) of assessed value. (B) A tax upon all tangible personal property and franchises not specifically exempted from taxation, a tax of 0.3080 per One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), of assessed value. Section 3: A discount of two percent (2%) of the total amount of the tax bill is hereby allowed upon all tax bills paid prior to November 30th of each year. Section 4: A penalty of six percent (6%) of

the total amount of the tax bills that are not paid on or prior to the thirty-first (31st) day of December of each year shall be imposed and collected. Section 5: The City Clerk is hereby designated and authorized to collect the tax imposed herein. Section 6: This Ordinance is passed pursuant to, in compliance with, and by virtue of the authority of the following constitutional and statutory provisions, to-wit: Kentucky Constitution Sections 157, 170 and 181; Kentucky Revised Statutes 92.160, 92.170, 92.330, 18.280, 132.010, 132.027, 132.385, 136.270, 136.280 and 142.020. Section 7: Any word, phrase, section, or sub-section of this Ordinance declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to the invalid or unconstitutional, shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect. Section 8: All ordinances, or any parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby expressly repealed to the extent of such conflict. Section 9: This Ordinance shall

ORDINANCE NO. 7-2002

become effective upon adoption and publication as required by law. ADOPTED, THIS THE 9th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2002. Jerry Fannin, Mayor Attest: Peggy Bailey, City Clerk

Effective immediately, and with the approval of the Division of Water, Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission is canceling the boil water advisory that was voluntarily issued on October 07, 2002 due to a water line break for its customers in the Middle Creek area. The area affected was from Dowell Corporation to the Magoffin County line. The boil water advisory was issued as a precautionary measure. The water line break have been analyzed by a certified lab. The lab results indicate that the water supply was not compromised and is safe for customers to use. Issued by: -----

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NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS OF PRESTONSBURG CITY'S UTILITIES COMMISSION

October 09, 2002

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Friday, October 11, 2002

Cars - Buy'em, sell'em, fix'em, love'em

Are station wagons a dying breed?

by TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI
KING FEATURES SYNDICATE

Dear Tom and Ray:

I'm hoping you can help us out. With baby No. 4 in the oven, I've suddenly become aware that the family station wagon is a dying breed, and almost no car manufacturers are making bench front seats anymore. What happened? Will we be forced into a mammoth, gas-guzzling SUV or van because of a moment's indiscretion? What is the smallest, greenest and safest option for folks who crave just one more seat than the five that Detroit allows us? Why is it that all cars big enough to seat four little cuties get 7 miles per gallon and have stinky safety records? We live in Hawaii, where gas is atrociously expensive and parking spaces were designed for VW Beetles (the old ones). I would love to have your advice! — Anna



RAY:

Yeah, this is a problem, isn't it, Anna?

TOM:

The "family station wagon" was effectively replaced by the SUV in the 1990s. Men didn't think it was cool to drive their families around in station wagons. But the car makers discovered that if you raised them up a little higher, put big, fat tires on them and slapped 4x4 decals on the back, men would fall all over themselves to drive them.

RAY:

So what's left for those of us who don't want to drive SUVs? Well, there are still a few traditional station wagons out there that can seat seven, with an optional rear-facing third seat for kids. There's the Ford Taurus (aka Mercury Sable), the Volvo V70 and the Mercedes E320 wagon.

(See TALK, page two)

Behind the Wheel '03 Toyota Corolla S

by ASSOCIATED PRESS

For a small, mainstream car, the Toyota Corolla sure has racked up records and accolades.

The world's best-selling car with more than 25 million sold over the

(See COROLLA, page two)

2003 Toyota Corolla S

BASE PRICE:

\$13,570 for base Corolla CE with manual transmission; \$14,370 for CE with automatic transmission; \$14,515 for Corolla S with manual.

AS TESTED:

\$17,520.

TYPE:

Front-engine, front-wheel drive, five-passenger, compact sedan.

ENGINE:

1.8-liter, twin-cam four, inline cylinder.

MILEAGE:

32 mpg (city), 40 mpg (highway).

TOP SPEED:

113 mph.

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Sport Plus package (includes rear spoiler and aluminum wheels) \$825; moonroof \$750; power package (includes keyless remote entry and power windows) \$605; antilock brakes \$300; upgraded AM/FM stereo with CD player \$40.

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TEST DRIVE by Greg Zyla



2002 Nissan Altima 3.5 V-6

This week, we test drive Nissan's hot and exciting 2002 Altima SE 3.5 V-6, a five-passenger car that runs like a true-bred sports car. The 240-horsepower,

DOHC 3.5-liter engine produces 246 foot pounds of torque, muscle car-like performance and high-speed Autobahn capabilities.

Although Nissan also offers a

more subdued four-cylinder Altima, which is a great buy at less than \$20,000, our Altima

(See TEST, page three)

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Corolla

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past 35 years, the Corolla has made regular appearances in J.D. Power and Associates' quality studies.

This year, for example, the Corolla tied for first spot with the Toyota Prius as a compact car with best initial quality as judged by new owners.

Meantime, the Corolla from the 1997 model year ranked among the top three compacts in durability over five years of ownership in Power's Vehicle Dependability Study released late last year.

And Consumer Reports lists Corolla reliability as much better than average.

The new, 2003 Corolla marks the ninth generation of this popular car.

The Corolla now is larger and heavier. Its interior is more refined than before, its styling richer-looking, and its seats positioned a bit higher for easier entry and exit.

In addition, engine improvements add 5 more horsepower to the four-cylinder engine and expand the torque band.

But starting manufacturer's suggested retail price, including destination charge, of \$14,055 for a base 2003 Corolla CE with manual transmission is up some \$1,000 from a 2002 Corolla CE.

Some competitors have lower starting prices. The 2003 Honda Civic sedan starts at \$13,470 for a DX with manual transmission, and the Ford Focus sedan starts at \$13,505 for an LX with manual transmission. Both come with less powerful engines than the base Corolla, however.

There are three 2003 Corolla versions — the CE, S and LE — and all are front-wheel-drive sedans.

The test car was a Corolla S, which came with sport-oriented side rocker panels, aluminum wheels and a rear spoiler. Gauges in the instrument panel had a sporty look, with red-orange letters and numbers set against a bright white background.

But they are mostly for show since the Corolla S has the same 130-horsepower, 1.8-liter, twin-cam, inline four-cylinder in all

Corollas.

Horsepower is up from 125 in the 2002 model. But a change that drivers might notice is the decent get-up-and-go, thanks to a wider torque band. Note, though, that peak torque remains at 125 foot-pounds at 4,200 rpm.

The test Corolla S had a five-speed manual transmission, and I worked the gears to find good pull across a range of speeds.

But even when I let the transmission stay in fifth gear as I climbed a roadway on a gently rolling hill, the Corolla surprised because it didn't lose steam right away.

Both the manual and four-speed automatic transmissions are tweaked a bit in 2003 models, I did notice, however, that the manual had a notchy feel and sound as I shifted.

Fuel economy is rated at 32 miles a gallon in city driving and 40 mpg on the highway in manual transmission models. Automatics are rated at 29 mpg in the city and 38 mpg on the freeway.

The engine has the buzzy sound of a four-cylinder, and it can be heard at startup as well as during acceleration.

There is also some road noise that comes through to the interi-

or. The test Corolla handled itself competently on most pavements, without fuss.

Body motions were held in check — not rigidly but with sufficient control, and I dodged around a sudden roadway obstacle without the car getting unbalanced.

On a windy day, strong wind gusts did affect the Corolla's road temperament, pushing the car one way or the other, making it wander in its lane unless I reacted with the steering.

Inside, my passengers and I jiggled in our seats at times over and badly pitted roads. And on concrete roadway expansion cracks, the Corolla bobbed up and down.

But on smoother pavement, the ride was pleasant.

All the controls inside were within easy reach for me, a 5-foot-4 driver. Even the dead pedal for my left foot was forward enough that I could easily use it during aggressive driving.

What I also appreciated was that the seats are a bit higher than before, so I didn't have to lower myself so much to drop onto the seat cushions. This also made it easier to see around me

(See COROLLA, page three)

Talk

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TOM:

Keep in mind, though, that this third seat is not for kids who get carsick easily, and we can't vouch for their safety in rear-end crashes. Plus, the third seat is definitely designed for tiny people. Once your kids get bigger, they might stage a mutiny. Your husband might find you back there one day, tied up with seat belts and a wad of moist wipes stuffed in your mouth.

RAY:

So the next-larger option is the good ol' minivan. Minivans have advantages over SUVs in that they aren't trucks. So they don't handle terribly, aren't as likely to tip over, get better gas mileage, aren't as dangerous to other vehicles in accidents, are easier to get in and out of and are easier to park. Plus, they can handle your kids for years to come, since all seven seats can hold adults. Our favorite minivan these days is the Honda Odyssey. But Dodge, Chrysler, Ford, Toyota, Mazda and Kia also make good ones.

TOM:

And in the near future, you might have some other good options available to you. As you might imagine, people are starting to get sick of truck-based SUVs, for all the reasons we mentioned above. And manufacturers are responding by building "sport wagons," SUV-style vehicles that are really variations of — you guessed it — the family station wagon. So you should see more station-wagon-like options in the next few years.

RAY:

We know of two six-passenger (three rows of two) wagon-like vehicles that are on the way. There's the Chrysler Pacifica and the Mercedes Vision GST, both due next year.

TOM:

And by the way, because so many people have been asking us about alternatives to SUVs lately, we've set up a new area of our Web site with a list of alternatives — depending on what aspects of an SUV you want (all-wheel drive, looks, ground clearance, passenger capacity, cargo room). You can find it at www.cartalk.cars.com/info/suv/.

Get a pro to fix this window

Dear Tom and Ray:

Last Sunday, I attempted to go to work early, which was my first mistake. My beautiful 1989 Honda Accord was parked in the driveway. The driver's window had been left open about three inches because it's broken, and that's as far up as I can roll it. I put my key in the lock, only to discover that it was already unlocked. I looked in the car and saw a pile of something in the back seat, which was odd, as I'd cleaned the car the night before

and had left nothing inside. I was a bit taken aback to see a tattooed arm in the midst of what appeared to be a pile of laundry. Upon further observation, I was able to make out the sleeping figure of a man, curled up in a most uncomfortable-looking position. I silently backed away from the car, went inside and called 911. The police removed the drunk and his belongings, and I cleaned up the vomit he left as a gift. But now I really want to fix the window. It seems to have fallen off its guides or whatever. I'd like to fix it myself if possible. What do you think? — Beth

RAY:

Well, first of all, Beth, I want to thank you for giving my brother a place to sleep the other night.

TOM:

That wasn't me, Beth. I promise. I don't have a tattoo. And I prefer Lincoln Town Cars.

RAY:

I think you're right that the window — the window through which your intruder gained access — has come off its track.

TOM:

There's a window "regulator" inside the door that transmits the cranking motion of your hand to the up-and-down movement of the window.

RAY:

Can you fix it yourself? I would say no. It involves taking the door apart, which you could probably do. But since you don't know how the regulator is supposed to work, it's going to be very hard for you to know what's wrong or what needs to be replaced once you get in there.

TOM:

The good news is that any gas-station mechanic over the age of 30 has probably seen a hundred of these and can figure out what's wrong pretty quickly. And depending on what needs to be replaced, you're probably looking at a cost between \$50 and \$150.

RAY:

That's a small price to pay to keep the likes of my brother out of your back seat.



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Test

came loaded with all the options and extra-cost SE trim, including the six-cylinder engine, which pulls strongly throughout the rpm range. Zero to 60-mph times were in the high six-second

range, and the top speed of 126 mph is governed due to tire limitations.

Outwardly, Altima is completely redesigned for 2002, expanding in size and price. A

sporty new sedan with big tires and wheels and a look of speed replaces the old, dated motif. Altima is modern, clean and athletic without losing sight of its core buyer, which happens

to be both blue collar and mid-income America working on a somewhat-tighter budget. As mentioned, for less than \$20,000, you can own a less-powerful Altima, or go all the

way up to the \$28,811 it takes to purchase our loaded test car. The Altima 3.5 SE's base price is \$23,149.

Transferring power to the ground is a five-speed manual transmission (which we loved) coupled to a front-drive layout. Although a four-speed automatic is available, we recommend the manual for true sports-sedan fun. The fully independent suspension features a strut front setup and front and rear stabilizer bars. Out back, you'll find a multi-link independent rear suspension and lots of aluminum parts. To finish the setup, Nissan engineers performance-tune the overall suspension.

The ride is firm and true, something we like in any performance car. The Altima SE hugs corners like a sportster, overtakes cars like a '68 Roadrunner and stops on a dime, thanks to the great four-wheel disc brakes, of which the fronts are vented. Huge 17-inch tires mated to beautiful alloy wheels complete the process. All of the above-mentioned features are standard, and we added traction control for \$299 and ABS as part of a package that includes side and curtain air bags for \$749. We'd like to see ABS standard, but for now you've got to buy the extra air-bag deal. Standard fare is the usual two front air bags, but we do like this option

for its overall added safety inside and out.

The interior is well-done, with 9.2 cubic feet more space inside than the previous generation. Although there is some tire and wind noise, once you crank on the Bose AM/FM/CD 6/8 speaker system — an \$899 option — you are in music heaven.

Roominess is very good for both front and rear passengers, and the seating is on the firm side (to our liking). Our SE also features a leather and wood trim package (\$1,549), which adds leather seats, auto-dimming mirror, HomeLink Universal Transceiver, auto HVAC, simulated wood grain (very nice) and some other finishes to the console and power-window switches. This is a comfortable car regardless of drive duration.

Fuel mileage is excellent at 19 mpg city and 26 mpg highway, especially considering its performance-oriented engine. Premium fuel is recommended.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 110.2 inches (7.1 inches longer than last year), 15.6 cubic feet of cargo space and a 20-gallon fuel tank.

We rate the Nissan Altima 3.5 as a best buy in the mid-size category, and wouldn't mind parking one in our own driveway. That's how much we liked it.

Corolla

and get out of the car — a benefit for older drivers.

I just wished the seat fabric hadn't developed so much static electricity!

Note that the 2003 Corolla's wheelbase — the distance from the middle of a wheel on one side to the middle of the other wheel on the same side — is still less than that of the Civic.

And so the Civic has more

front- and rear-seat legroom than the Corolla does.

But the Corolla is longer, overall bumper to bumper, than the Civic sedan, so trunk space is bigger.

Though classified as a compact, the Corolla has a 13.6-cubic-foot trunk, which is bigger than the 12.9-cubic-foot trunk of the Civic sedan. It's bigger than the trunk of the

Focus sedan, too.

Much of the Corolla trunk space is under the rear window and parcel shelf, though, so you must angle unwieldy items to get them through the opening and back into the trunk area.

Three adults feel really squeezed in the back seat, and the middle rider has to contend with a hump in the floor. The middle passenger also doesn't get a head restraint. All other head restraints are height-adjustable and lockable.

Every passenger has a three-point safety belt, but antilock brakes are an option on all Corolla models. So are side airbags.

The test car had a small-car, beep-beep horn, nothing intimidating to ward off big SUVs on the freeway.

I liked having two power outlets in the front seat of the Corolla.

There were lots of small storage spots in front, including a pull-down cubby to the left of the driver that had a limp feel in the test car.

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SHOP TALK

Q: Greg, I recently washed the engine compartment of my 1994 Z-28 Camaro, and since then it has been missing like terrible. It was running fine until I washed it, but now it misses upon acceleration and low-end running. What can I do? Do you have any idea what it is? — Sammy G., e-mail from Minnesota

A: Sammy, you did a no-no on a General Motors car equipped with an LT-1 350 V-8. Little did you know, these cars are equipped with what is called an Optispark unit, which is accessible by removing the water pump housing. This Optispark is responsible for distributing the spark and timing to your LT-1 engine, and if it gets wet, which yours did, you end up with this problem.

Now, here's the bad part. The 1993-94 LT1 Camaro and Firebird cars were equipped with what is called a non-vented Optispark unit, which means once moisture gets in, we doubt it will get out. If you have to replace the unit, which will run about \$200 or so (units can be

delivered to your door via any good Chevy dealership, but shop around, as prices vary), buy the 1995 Vented Optispark unit, which will fit with no problem. It's vented to get rid of any moisture.

A friend who had a 1995 Corvette did this, and his dried up after 100 miles or so of driving. But, even with the vented units, which were used in '94 Impala LT-1 350s and even some Buick 350 V-8s, you can still cause measurable damage from washing where you shouldn't. The 1994 Optispark units were very troublesome, and many a letter has reached my desk over the years from owners who did not wash and still had problems, so don't feel too bad.

When you put that '95 vented unit in, never wash there again, and you should be trouble-free. Good luck.

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