

ROLLIN' NEW!

— Section D

briefs

Pike man killed after striking coal truck

A Pike County man was killed Tuesday after he apparently lost control of the vehicle he was driving and crossed the center of Route 122 at Robinson Creek, striking a coal truck.

According to a police report, Barry Fleming, 40, was pronounced dead at the scene by Pike County Coroner Charles Morris.

Patrick Boggs, driver of the coal truck, was not injured in the accident.

No seat belts were in use at the time of the crash.

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

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by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — The lingering problem of sewer odors in Prestonsburg is about to come to an end, according to Mayor Jerry Fannin.

In a joint statement issued Wednesday, both Fannin and 5th District U.S. Rep. Hal

Rogers announced that \$750,000 in federal funding has now been secured for a sewer system upgrade in the city of Prestonsburg.

"We're really happy to be able to begin work on this problem," Fannin said at a brief press conference held early Wednesday afternoon in Prestonsburg. "It's been a big problem for a long time

and we're eager to get it taken care of."

The need for a sewer upgrade in the city had become one of the main platform points of Fannin's opposition to the mayoral seat for the upcoming November election. Thomas Hereford, a city council member as well as Fannin's opponent, was also present at the conference.

"This problem has bothered us all for a

long time," said city councilman Hansel Cooley. "In my own mother's house, the odor is so bad at times it's really hard to believe."

Cooley said that the crux of the problem appeared to be that only "half-inch" tiles were present in the sewer lines to separate

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RIDE 'EM, COWBOY



A backhoe operator attempts to place a softball back on its tee during one of the challenges at the equipment rodeo held by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways on Thursday.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

Workers compete in 'road-eo' to prepare for upcoming winter

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways held its annual equipment rodeo at Jenny Wiley State Park on Thursday.

The rodeo was held on the road

leading to the swimming pool and the parking lot in the area.

The event consisted of various obstacles for drivers to navigate and tasks for operators of the machinery to perform.

Highway departments from seven counties participated in the event.

Drivers from Floyd, Pike, Knott, Lawrence, Martin, Johnson and Letcher counties exhibited their skills at the event.

One of the challenges that faced the drivers was navigating a snow plow through road cones that had

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High court weighs in on use of grand jury in Bishop case

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Grand juries should not be used to help uncover further evidence after an indictment has been issued in a case, the

Supreme Court said Thursday.

The court said grand jury subpoenas for prospective witnesses in a Floyd County murder trial should be held up until a judge can determine if the prosecutor is using the grand jury to help him prepare for

trial. The unusual case arose after Dwayne Earl Bishop was indicted for the murder of his estranged wife, Carolyn Bishop, on Aug. 31,

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Bogus \$50 used to pay fine

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — When a Grethel man, Sonny Charles Swiney, 33, showed up at the Floyd County Detention Center on Wednesday to pay a fine, he appeared to be surprised when the clerk discovered that the \$50 bill he gave her was counterfeit.

Pamela J. Music said that she called bookkeeping when she saw the brown mark on the bill. The bookkeeper, in turn, called the Floyd County Sheriff's Department.

Music said it is customary for the clerk's office to use a special marker on all bills that are in denominations of \$20 or higher. The marker shows a yellow mark on a

legitimate bill, while a brown one is seen on a bogus one.

Music said the incident was her first encounter with counterfeit money and she had sympathy for Swiney.

"I don't think he knew," said Music.

Lt. Greg Clark, of the sheriff's department,

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Martin man charged with rape, abuse

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Martin man, Brian Keith Gilbert, is being held under a \$100,000 cash bond at the Floyd County Detention Center after being arrested on Monday on charges of rape and sexual abuse.

According to court documents, Gilbert is accused of raping and forcibly fondling a 12-year-old, who is now 14

years old, while she was taking a shower.

A warrant was issued for Gilbert in which he was charged with first-degree rape and first-degree sexual abuse. The warrant was executed on Monday, at which time DNA testing was ordered.

Gilbert was arraigned on Tuesday, at which time a \$100,000 bond was set. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for Oct. 23 at 1:30 p.m.



Pastor Tom Nelson answered questions from a deputy about the items that were missing from his office after a break-in on Thursday.

photo by Jarrid Deaton

Church burglarized Wednesday night

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

TOWN BRANCH — A Floyd County church was the scene of a robbery on Thursday.

The Christian Victory Fellowship Church which is located on Town Branch Road in Prestonsburg, was broken into sometime after the church held services Wednesday night.

Two men who arrived at

the church on Thursday to receive a delivery of clothes which the church gives away, noticed that the lock on the basement door leading to the pastor's office had been broken off.

The men, Clarence Craft and Gary McCoy, called the Floyd County Sheriff's Department and reported the incident.

When a deputy arrived, (See CHURCH, page three)



Prestonsburg High School held its Homecoming parade on Thursday starting at Prestonsburg Elementary and driving down Court Street while throwing candy to the crowd.

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Odds and Ends

■ **EL SEGUNDO, Calif.** — James Bond's latest plaything is small, blond and totally plastic.

The Barbie doll will be featured as a Bond girl in a 007 gift set, along with her friend Ken as the debonair spy. Mattel Inc. is releasing the \$75 set to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the first 007 thriller.

Barbie has taken on many roles, from astronaut to veterinarian, but this doll likes her martinis shaken, not stirred.

"The James Bond 007 Ken doll and Barbie doll gift set pays tribute to the many memorable James Bond films and their famous characters over the past 40 years," Mattel marketing vice president Jamie Cygielman said.

Ken is dressed in 007's trademark tuxedo and carries a briefcase while Barbie is wear-

ing a golden lace gown and red shawl with a cell phone strapped to her thigh.

The 20th James Bond film, "Die Another Day," is scheduled for release Nov. 22. It stars Pierce Brosnan and Halle Berry.

■ **FORT WALTON BEACH, Fla.** — Life imitated art when thousands of young amphibians invaded an animal control agency near where the horror movie "Frogs" was filmed 30 years ago.

Tiny frogs, some still with tadpole tails attached, swarmed over the parking lot Tuesday at the Panhandle Animal Welfare Society here, about 30 miles west of the film location.

PAWS Animal control Officer Andrea Warren said there were so many it was impossible to avoid driving over them.

Another animal control officer, David Aumick, diligently followed the creatures, coaxing one at a time into a dustpan and then nudging it into a basin already filled with hundreds of its cousins.

"I just don't want them to get hit," Aumick said, ignoring teasing from co-workers.

In the film, a mansion is swarmed by frogs seeking revenge on a crotchety millionaire who has poisoned any creature that dared invade his estate.

The frogs kept PAWS employees jumping as they hopped in from an adjacent wetland. "You watch the grass, it's moving," said PAWS executive director Dee Thompson, who said she noticed many hiding under her car.

"I'm not going to be able to leave," she said. "I couldn't back up. I wouldn't have the heart."

■ **PEARBLOSSOM, Calif.** — Some guys would do anything for a Bud.

A 3,000-pound Clydesdale named Budweiser got stuck in an abandoned backyard septic tank Tuesday after a plywood covering and a layer of dirt gave way.

It took firefighters and animal control officers more than three hours to hoist the horse out of the muddy hole, unharmed.

During the ordeal, the horse waited calmly with his head and front legs sticking out of the hole, munching on carrots and getting cool sprays from a garden hose. Firefighters stroked his throat.

"He just decided he was going to lay down and sat down on the hole and his back end went in," horse owner Dorothy Velasco said. "He walks around here free, and he naps all the time, but he just decided to sit in the wrong place."

Los Angeles County Building and Safety Department officials were

called in to check the septic tank, which officials said should have been slurry-sealed and covered with plywood.

■ **VANCOUVER, Wash.** — Rubber snakes, amplified bird distress calls, even a goop called Roost No-More, all failed to shoo a flock of starlings from their nests under a span between Washington and Oregon.

Now workers have brought in artillery - a \$300 propane-powered cannon, which makes noise that spooks the birds away from crops and airports.

It seems the bird population is simultaneously rising and dropping - and dropping, and dropping, and dropping, leaving not just unwanted adornments on cars but safety and maintenance hassles, says Tom Chambers, who has worked on the Interstate 5 bridge over the Columbia River for 14 years.

"It's eating at the paint. It covers the bearings, gears and cables," Chambers said. "They tried these wire spikes, but they get filled with so much crap that the birds would just stand on that."

In fall and winter, especially, starlings swarm to the bridge at night, roosting as closely as four inches apart.

When they rise en masse at dawn to find food, "it's something right out of Alfred Hitchcock - 'The Birds,'" Chambers said. "I don't know why they all know how to turn at the same time."

Crews from the Oregon Department of Transportation began noise-impact tests for the cannon Tuesday. So far, so good.

Terry Messmer, a Utah State University expert on starling control, holds little hope for the cannon, which does not fire projectiles.

"If there is no threat associated with that noise, then it becomes ineffective," Messmer said. "They will be back."

■ **CHICAGO** — A school of fish is going to fish school.

Several fish species at Chicago's Shedd Aquarium are enrolled in an underwater academy where trainers are teaching them to live together in a new \$47 million addition, set to open in April.

Shedd trainers are training the fish to eat on command and gather at a designated area of their pools to make feeding time as orderly as possible.

Among the first students are groups of sharks, a 4-foot, 150-pound Queensland grouper named Bubba, and a 4-foot, 50-pound blue Napoleon wrasse, a species that has blue blood and the ability to change its sex.

"What we're trying is probably the most complex training effort ever attempted with fish," said Bert Vescolani, vice president for the Shedd's aquarium collections.

Rachel Wilborn, a Shedd worker, recently used a mechan-

ical clicker to catch the attention of some of her pupils, three zebra sharks named Freckles, Blondie and Seymour.

"They come right up to the side and ask for food, but to get it, they have to touch this target (a rubber bulb on the end of a pole) with their snouts," Wilborn said.

The three bumped the bulb and got tuna steaks as their reward.

■ **FLAT ROCK, Mich.** — Kristi Painter didn't bowl a perfect game last week, but she still ended the night on a quite a roll.

The 18-year-old college student was bowling her second game of the night when her ball came back with tape over the thumb hole. "I thought my dad was playing a joke on me," Painter told The Monroe Evening News.

Inside was an engagement ring.

"I was unwrapping it and someone hollered, 'Kristi,

look!' It said, 'Kristi, will you marry me?' on the scoreboard. Then, Steve came down and gave me a big hug."

Steve Hill and Painter's father, Eric Painter, had concocted the bowling alley proposal together.

"It was really exciting," said Painter, who plays for the Flat Rock Senior Girls League. "I didn't have a clue."

The newly engaged Kristi still had to finish her game. She started by picking up the 10-pin that stood there waiting during all the excitement.

"After all the stuff that happened, I had to go shoot a 10-pin," she said. "And I made it. They said if you can get engaged and still get the 10-pin, that's pretty good."

The couple is planning a December 2004 wedding.

"My dad says we can have the rehearsal dinner at the bowling alley," Kristi Painter said. "I

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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Oct. 18, the 291st day of 2002. There are 74 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 18, 1767, the boundary between Maryland and Pennsylvania, the Mason-Dixon line, was agreed upon.

On this date:

- In 1685, King Louis XIV of France revoked the Edict of Nantes, which had established legal toleration of France's Protestant population, the Huguenots.
- In 1867, the United States took formal possession of Alaska from Russia.
- In 1892, the first long-distance telephone line between Chicago and New York was formally opened.
- In 1898, the American flag was raised in Puerto Rico shortly before Spain formally relinquished control of the island to the United States.
- In 1931, inventor Thomas Alva Edison died in West Orange, N.J., at age 84.
- In 1944, Soviet troops invaded Czechoslovakia during World War II.
- In 1962, Dr. James D. Watson of the United States and Dr. Francis Crick and Dr. Maurice Wilkins of Britain, were named winners of the Nobel Prize for Medicine and Physiology for their work in determining the double-helix molecular structure of DNA.
- In 1968, the U.S. Olympic Committee suspended Tommie Smith and John Carlos for giving a "black power" salute as a protest during a victory ceremony in Mexico City.
- In 1969, the federal gov-

ernment banned artificial sweeteners known as cyclamates because of evidence they caused cancer in laboratory rats.

■ In 1982, former first lady Bess Truman died at her home in Independence, Mo., at age 97.

Ten years ago:
 The visiting Toronto Blue Jays defeated the Atlanta Braves in game two of the World Series, 5-4, evening the series at one game apiece. (The pre-game ceremony was marred by a U.S. Marine Corps color guard that mistakenly presented the Canadian flag upside-down.)

Five years ago:
 A monument honoring American servicewomen, past and present, was dedicated at Arlington National Cemetery. The Florida Marlins beat the Cleveland Indians 7-4 in game one of the World Series.

One year ago:
 CBS News announced that an employee in Dan Rather's office had tested positive for skin anthrax. Four disciples of Osama bin Laden were sentenced in New York to life without parole for their roles in the deadly 1998 bombings of two U.S. embassies in Africa.

Today's Birthdays:
 Singer Anita O'Day is 83. Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., is 81. Rock-and-roll performer Chuck Berry is 76. Sportscaster Keith Jackson is 74. Actor Peter Boyle is 69. Football coach Mike Ditka is 63. Actor Joe Morton is 55. Playwright Wendy Wasserstein is 52. Actress Pam Dawber is 51. Author Terry McMillan is 51. Tennis player Martina Navratilova is 46. Actor Jean-Claude Van Damme is 42. Jazz musician Wynton Marsalis is 41. Actress Erin Moran is 41. Actor Vincent Spano is 40. Rock musician Tim Cross (Sponge) is 36. Tennis player Michael Stich is 34. Singer Nonchalant is 29. Rock musician Peter Svenson (The Cardigans) is 28. Country musician Jesse Littleton (Marshall Dyllon) is 21. Actor Tyler Posey is eleven.

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Librarian says she was suspended for talking about religion

The Associated Press

PHELPS — A Pike County librarian claims her First Amendment right to free speech was violated when her supervisor suspended her for talking

about God.

Mable Dotson, librarian at the Phelps branch of the Pike County Public Library, claims she was suspended after a co-worker complained about her religious conversations.

Lou Ella Allen, director of libraries in Pike County, said the library's board of directors will decide whether to take further action against Dotson at a meeting on Nov. 5.

Allen declined to comment on Dotson's suspension, except to deny her claims that she was suspended for having religious conversations in the library.

Dotson claims a co-worker had objected to her talking about Jesus at the library. After that, Dotson said she was careful not to talk about religion with that person.

"If she heard me talk about the Lord after that, she was listening to my conversations with other people," Dotson said.

Dotson said she was informed about the complaint earlier this month.

"I have been known to pray for people at the library, and I

have had people who have come to pray for me," Dotson said. "But they initiated the conversations. I have never tried to force my beliefs on anyone."

Dotson said her supervisors told her that if people wanted to speak with her about religion, they should call her at home.

Dotson said the situation arose after she organized a youth ministry at her church called the Hosannah Praisers. The group performs songs, dramas and skits using sign language.

The majority of religious conversations she had with library patrons who had seen the group perform at various churches and wanted to commend her on behalf of the group, Dotson said.

"The devil hates me for this ministry, and he doesn't want it to go forward," Dotson said.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin held a brief press conference on Scott Court Wednesday afternoon to announce the acquisition of \$750,000 in federal funding to be used toward the completion of upgrading the city's wastewater/sewage system. Despite rainy weather, work on the project began on Wednesday. Pictured from left to right are Mayor Fannin, and city council members Jim DeRossett, Hansel Cooley, Robert Allen and Thomas Hereford. Prestonsburg City Utilities Superintendent Seldon Horne was also present at the briefing.

Smell

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the lines between sewer discharge and water drainage.

"This work will take care of that problem," Cooley said. "The work will begin right here and continue all over the city until everything's complete."

Work to separate the combined downtown sewers will begin on Scott Court and East Graham Street, directly behind Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant.

The secured funding, according to the joint statement, has been included in the fiscal year 2003 VA/HUD Appropriations Bill, which funds the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The House Appropriations Committee approved the funding request on Wednesday.

Fannin said the funding will be used to improve treatment facilities which will give the city the ability to provide service to a growing number of homes and businesses, better meeting the area's needs for the future.

Fannin said he has been working closely with Prestonsburg City Utilities as well as both federal and state agencies to secure the funding for improvements to

the city's wastewater/sewer system. "Now that the work has started," Fannin said, "the problem of odors in the city will be alleviated."

Fannin also expressed appreciation to "all those who have worked together and helped get this funding." Among those mentioned, aside from Rogers, were state Rep. Greg Stumbo, Sen. Johnny Ray Turner and Roger Recktenwald.

Rogers' office reports that the funding obtained for the city sewer project is part of the Kentucky PRIDE effort. Rogers has been responsible for securing more than \$130 million in federal funding for PRIDE-related efforts in southern and eastern Kentucky.

Bishop

2000. Bishop was indicted on Oct. 26, 2000.

In April 2001, Floyd County Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner talked with Pamela Kidd, Bishop's girlfriend. According to court records, Turner reported that Kidd told him she knew Bishop did not kill the victim and "implied" that she knew who might have committed the murder.

Bogus

responded to the scene first and commented that the bill had been previously marked. Lt. Gerald Clark, of the Prestonsburg Police Department, also assisted in questioning Swiney and his sister-in-law, Francis Swiney.

Francis Swiney said that it was a frightening experience for her.

"This is a nightmare," said Francis Swiney.

Charles Swiney said that he had cashed two checks in two weeks and the counterfeit bill was picked up either at Community Trust Bank in Pikeville or Food World in

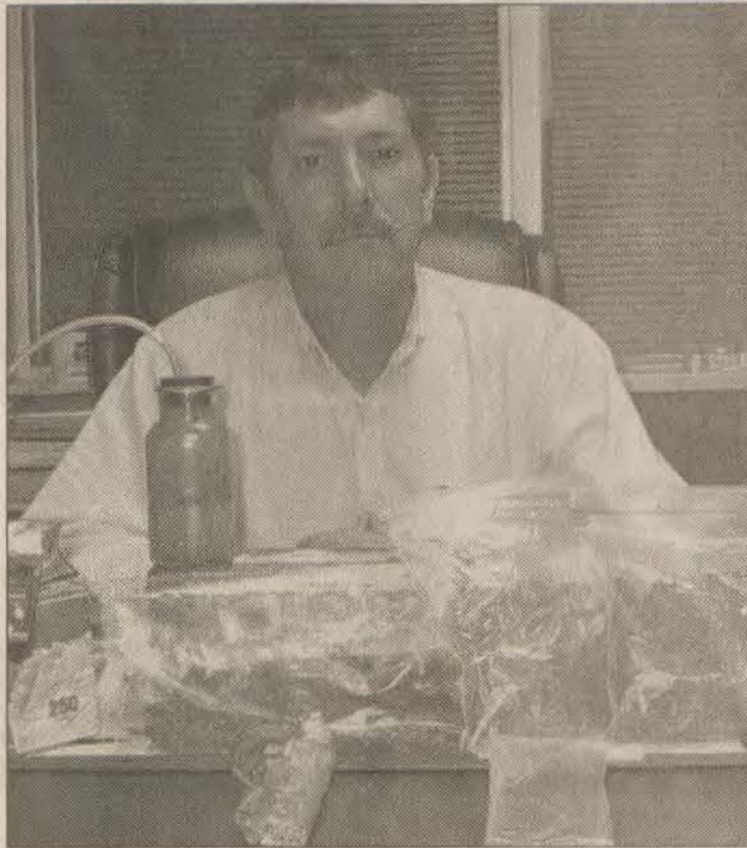


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Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn displayed seven ounces of marijuana and drug paraphernalia taken from the home of Nick Salisbury, 28, of Toler Creek. The investigation was conducted by the drug task force after Blackburn received a tip from the public.

A few days later, subpoenas were issued for Kidd and her daughter that made reference to the indictment number already issued for Bishop.

Justice William Cooper, who wrote the majority opinion, said the circumstances seemed to indicate that the prosecutor was seeking information about the Bishop case. If the grand jury summons was being used as "a guise for trial preparation, the

subpoenas must be quashed," Cooper said.

Cooper said a hearing before the trial judge should determine whether the prosecutor is improperly seeking a grand jury to gather information that might not otherwise be found during ordinary discovery proceedings in a criminal case.

Justice Donald Wintersheimer dissented.

Justice James Keller agreed with the result of the ruling but said a secret proceeding should be held to determine the intentions of the prosecutor because a public hearing might improperly divulge grand jury proceedings.

Stanville. Police are investigating both places.

Swiney, who had to use another bill to pay his fine, seemed disappointed as well as surprised.

"I just hate to lose 50 bucks," said Swiney.

Jenny Wiley AARP to meet Friday

Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP, will meet Friday, October 18, at 6 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, Prestonsburg. All members and friends are encouraged to attend.

A representative of the Auxier Learning Center will be our guest.

Church

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Tom Nelson, pastor of the church, led him inside to see if anything was missing. After going in to his office, Nelson noticed that a guitar and an amplifier had been taken from the room.

"That guitar is a \$3,600 Gibson. We bought it for my son," Nelson said.

The deputy told Gibson that he would check the local pawn shops to see if the stolen items had been sold.

Nelson believes that he will eventually find out who broke in to the church and took the musical equipment.

"Somebody will talk, I'll find out who did it," Nelson said.

Nelson also said that the church is offering a reward for information leading to an arrest of the perpetrators.



photo by Jarrid Deaton

A snow plow driver attempted to navigate a maze of road cones without knocking off tennis balls placed on top of them as one of the challenges at the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways equipment rodeo on Thursday.

Rodeo

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tennis balls balanced on top of them — without knocking the balls off. After making it through that, they then had to back through a series of barrels and come to a stop as close as they could to a barrier.

Operators of a backhoe had the daunting task of picking a softball off of a tee with the basket and dropping it into a box. After completing that, the operators then had to manage to put

the ball back on the tee without dropping it.

According to Danl Hall, chief district engineer for District 12, the event is both fun and beneficial for the participants.

"It's a kickoff for the snow and ice season and it's good for morale by building camaraderie," Hall said.

When the event is held next year, it will mark the 10th anniversary of the rodeo.

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Guest View

Demanding less from our kids

The mass tantrum which led to the cancellation of last week's homecoming football game at Betsy Layne High School is a pretty clear indication that some parents just don't get what school is all about.

First, an undisclosed number of players were ruled ineligible to play in the game because they had fallen short of academic or attendance standards. That sparked some outcry from parents of the affected boys, but the school admirably refused to bow to pressure.

On some level, we suppose it is understandable for parents of the ineligible players to be upset. It is misguided and wrong, but nonetheless understandable.

What happened next, however, is astounding for its sheer disregard for academics.

According to the school, parents of some remaining eligible players began actively encouraging their sons to boycott the game in protest of the school keeping the district's academic and attendance policies. As a result, the team was unable to field enough players to compete.

We imagine that the players and parents who engaged in this protest probably believe they made a stand against what they feel to be an unfair policy. Perhaps they feel the boycott was a lesson in solidarity with their teammates.

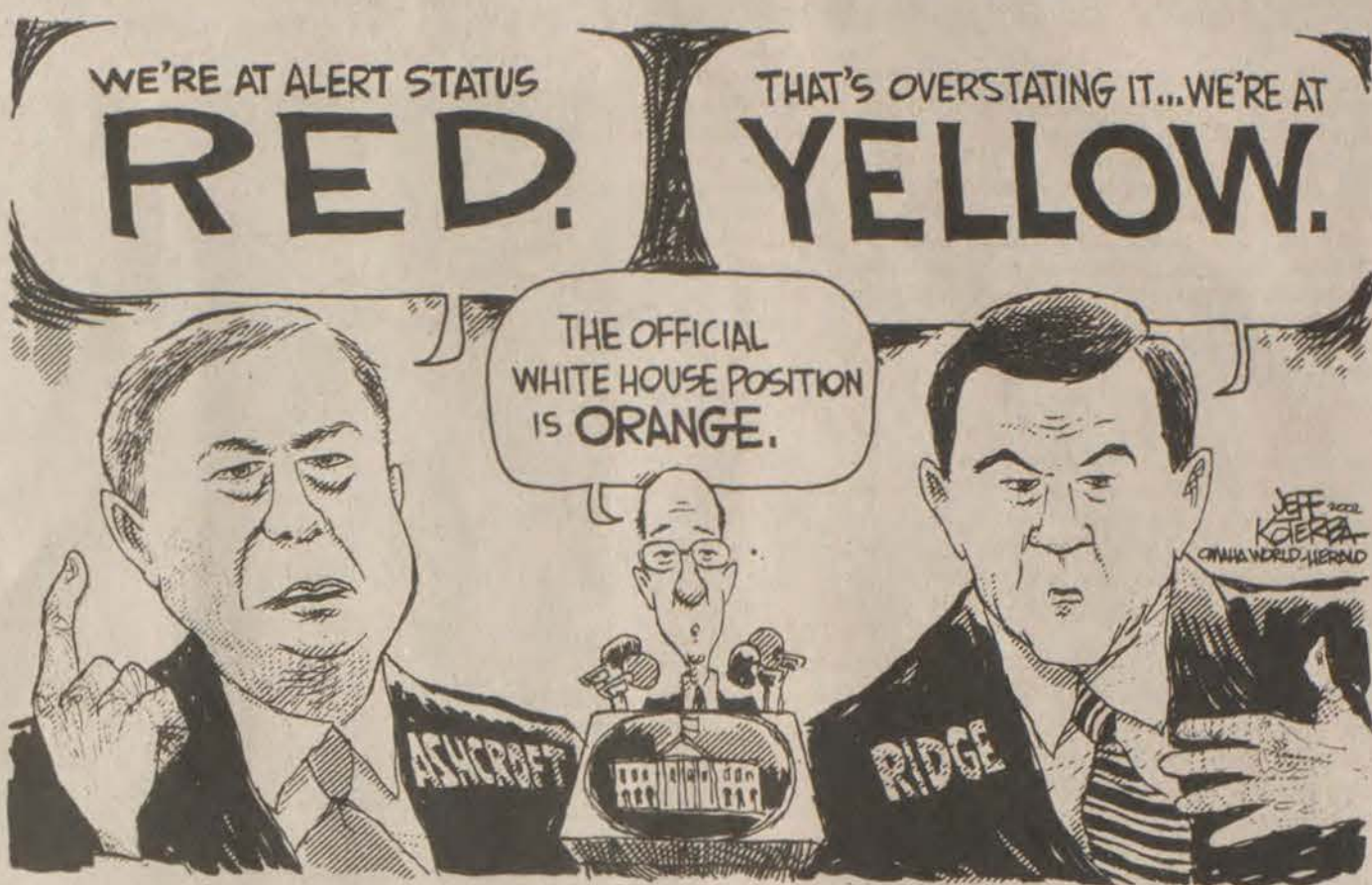
But that would be wrong. In fact, the message that was sent is far worse. It not only tells those students who failed to meet the requirements that attendance and grades are unimportant, but it delivers that same lesson to the athletes who did make the cut, relegating their duties to the school secondary to playing football.

Unfortunately, it seems apparent that a number of parents do not mind imparting that lesson, because they obviously believe it themselves. Otherwise, we would not see them at board meetings arguing that a 2.5 grade-point average (half B's and half C's) is too challenging for athletes to maintain. We wouldn't hear the statement that some students are incapable of being average students used as an argument to allow them to participate in athletics anyway, rather than eliminating that distraction to allow them to concentrate fully on schoolwork.

Editorially, we have issued consistent calls for the Floyd County school system to improve, taking the district to task after each setback and demanding better. Though there is far to go, there appears to be some movement in that regard, and the stricter standards for participating in athletics is a step in that direction.

But the school system itself can do only so much. For our children to be able to compete academically with their counterparts across the state and nation, parents must reinforce the importance of education. Obviously, sending them a message that grades and attendance are secondary to playing time only undermines any attempt at improvement.

— The Floyd County Times



In the moment

Her story is no tall tale

She was standing in the corner when I saw her. She had a frightened look on her face and although she looked around the auditorium, she failed to make eye contact with anyone. I recognized her, just barely, and my heart went out to this lone soul who had isolated herself from the rest of the crowd.

He was there, too. He moved around the room in grandiosity, shaking hands and proclaiming status. He ignored her presence except for an occasional glance to make sure she was still there. A friend came up to say hello and she said hello, but averted her empty eyes that were marked by dark rings. The friend inquired, "How are you?" She said, "Okay," but didn't say anything further. She couldn't say that she was afraid he would see her. She couldn't tell the friend to go away. She just stood rooted to her spot in fear, while her eyes darted in his direction to see if he was watching. The friend made a couple of remarks about the weather and moved on.

He is standing by the bar, already tipsy, waiting for another drink. The friend approaches, inquiring as to how he has been. He says, "Oh, fine. I've never been better. Oh, and how are you?" The friend responds with pleasantries and after a good quarter-hour he inquires about her. The friend asks, "Is something wrong with her?" He answers with questions, "Why? What did she say?" The friend says, "Nothing, she said almost nothing, that is what I find strange." He says, "She is just like that anymore." And the friend says, "What a shame."

It was time to go home and she moved toward the door anxiously watching him while trying to determine his mood. She was careful not to say or do anything disapproving and except for the conversation with one of the few people she knew, there was no reason for controversy. I watched as he approached her with his high step and intoxicated manner. I saw him give her the look, the look that says she is in trouble, and my heart goes out to her.

I know that she doesn't know what to do or say and she definitely don't know

how to walk away. It is what she learned from her mama and papa. The unwritten law says that she is supposed to make her husband happy even if that is impossible. And if she doesn't it is her fault not his, because if she were woman enough there wouldn't be a problem. She doesn't have a chance unless someone can get her to see that there is another law that says she doesn't have to live this way and it is okay to make a decision not to. She is stuck in the cycle.



LORETTA BLACKBURN

I know that there are millions like her, many of whom will die as a direct result of the cycle. But what is even worse than him killing her is the life she lives that is dominated by fear, loneliness, pain and confusion.

Hers is not an unusual story, and even though he would have you believe that it is a tall tale when she tells it, it is very real. She lives next door, up the street, in your apartment complex, or she is a relative of yours. Don't judge her, ignore her or just feel sorry for her. Talk to her. Encourage and educate her, because she is lost. And if "she" happens to be "you," my heart goes out to you and I am telling you that it doesn't have to be that way.

Letter

Democrat no more

I was born a Christian Democrat, in an Eastern Kentucky coal-mining town where Republicans and Catholics were as scarce as the proverbial hen's teeth. I left Weeksbury in August of 1951 and throughout the Korean, Bay of Pigs and Vietnam skirmishes I remained apolitical. If asked, I would say I was a Democrat. My dad always said, "It is the duty of every American citizen to go to the polls on Election Day and vote a straight Democratic ticket." Having no political views of my own, I adopted Dad's.

At the age of 37 (by the grace of God) I had a moment of clarity and I became aware of the rest of the world — kind of like Rip's rude awakening from his 20-year sleep. It was like awakening in a foreign land; these weren't the same people I knew. We were having a sexual revolution, rampant drug abuse, lawlessness, abortion, racism, perversion and an open attack on Christianity, our founding fathers and the Constitution in general.

Our God loving country — having been a lighthouse in a world of iniquity — had become a godless country and all this had come about through my beloved Democratic Party. Had they changed? Or had they been doing this all along? I think not.

Having had a spiritual experience, I had determined to live a life pleasing to God and began to look at things through spiritual eyes. It seemed to me that everything amoral that had and is happening came about through the Democratic Party. If I

continue to take part in any future elections, it will not be as a Democrat.

Glenn Fraley
Prestonsburg

Adopt a grandparent

This year I have witnessed firsthand the loneliness of our elderly in the Prestonsburg Health Care Facility. My daughter and I came up with the idea of an "Adopt a Grandparent for Christmas" program, with the permission of the nursing home. We wanted to do something to show these dear ones that they are loved and not forgotten. Many do not have any family or loved ones to provide them with even the bare necessities.

Please open your heart and make a contribution to this worthy cause. The money will be used to buy toiletries, gowns, pajamas, robes, house shoes, etc.

An African-Caribbean saying says, "Once a man and twice a child." These old people are just like little children.

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Thanks for your support. A receipt will be furnished for tax purposes upon request. If you send a check be sure it is addressed to the "Adopt a Grandparent for Christmas" program. You may send your contribution to Lois Jarrell, P.O. Box 277, Dwale, KY 41621, or Cheryl Lafferty,

Prestonsburg Health Care Center, 147 North Highland Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

We would like to receive your contribution by the end of October.

Sincerely,
Lois Jarrell
Dwale

Debate needed

I've been to the Fancy Farm picnic a number of times to see what the candidates base their platforms on. Seems like United States Sen. "Kettle Head" McConnell's platform is based on how much money he's accumulated, not what he's done or is going to do for Kentucky. And to watch those supporting him intimidate others isn't funny.

Until there is a true debate between Lois Combs Weinberg and Mitch McConnell, it'll remain the same. Mitch McConnell has a zero voting record for public education — things like Title I, Head Start, after-school programs and increasing Pell Grants. He's got to explain his record.

Many are tired of career politicians. We need a voice for working families in Kentucky. With debate, we will be able to determine she who is better qualified. How critical it is to have someone in the United States Senate speak for us.

How depressing that Mitch McConnell has remained in office so long. How disheartening that many don't appreciate Combs' credentials and all she has been involved in.

Danny Pigman

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At the Movies: 'Abandon'

by DAVID GERMAIN
AP MOVIE WRITER

"Abandon" is valuable on two fronts. First, as a quiet, sneaky little film that hypnotically creeps across the screen, with an intelligence and restraint that make it a satisfying change from the typical blunt-instrument-to-the-head approach of most thrillers.

Second, as the film that announces the arrival of Katie Holmes as bankable leading-lady material and Stephen Gaghan — an Academy Award winner for his "Traffic" screenplay — as one of those ambidextrous types who may prove as good at directing as writing.

Holmes, best known for TV's "Dawson's Creek," has had memorable supporting roles in "Wonder Boys" and other big-screen projects. With "Abandon," Holmes demonstrates dimension and complexity that could nudge her toward the front ranks of Hollywood's young actresses.

Gaghan's smart, subtle screenplay provides the first-time director with a framework for a slow build of brooding tension and understated chills. The intricate plot lives up to the whodunit format by adding the puzzle of who done what?

The twist at the end of "Abandon" is no big surprise, though Gaghan tosses in enough red herrings to keep viewers guessing a bit.

The film credits the story as "suggested by" Sean Desmond's novel "Adams Fall," in which the campus protagonist was a male student haunted by the suicide of his freshman roommate.

Gaghan makes his lead character a woman, Katie Burke (Holmes), an ace finance student slowly coming unglued

amid her thesis, job interviews and a growing certainty that her brilliant but fickle boyfriend Embry is shadowing her after running off and leaving her an emotional wreck two years ear-

last words her father uttered, and Katie's a basket case in the making.

Benjamin Bratt co-stars as police detective Wade Handler, a recovering alcoholic investi-

confrontations with the jealous Embry (Charlie Hunnam).

Gaghan deftly wrings suspense from this threesome, compounding the scenario with some unusual suspects — a puppy-dog pal (Gabriel Mann) who goes missing after professing his love for Katie, a mousy yet ominous library aide (Melanie Lynskey), a campus therapist (Tony Goldwyn) with a lustful eye on Katie — who may or may not have anything to do with the mysteries in her life.

As Katie's best buddy, Zoey Deschanel ("The Good Girl," "Almost Famous") again proves a winsome, endearing second banana. Like Holmes, it's time for Deschanel to graduate to some lead roles.

Cop territory is nothing new to former "Law & Order" co-star Bratt, who brings depth and introspection as the somber

(See ABANDON, page eight)



"Abandon," a Paramount release, is rated PG-13 for drug and alcohol content, sexuality, some violence and language. Running time: 99 minutes.

Three star (out of four).

lier.

Toss in traumatic girlhood recollections of abandonment by her father ("I love you. You can't come with me," were the

gating Embry's case. Wounded souls Katie and Wade commiserate to the point that romance sprouts, but an air of menace follows as Katie has a couple of

A new cable network takes on a big subject: Fine Living

by FRAZIER MOORE
AP TELEVISION WRITER

NEW YORK — On Fine Living, there's no Robin Leach in sight.

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"Everybody, regardless of

economic category, is looking to improve the way they live, and a lot of that process is about information, rather than money," says Ken Solomon, Fine Living's president.

Owned by Scripps Networks, Fine Living sticks to the model of sister channels Home & Garden Television, Food Network and Do It Yourself Network: It claims a broad category with potentially wide appeal (don't call Fine Living a "niche" channel), then divides that subject into areas of interest: adventure, personal space, transport, favorite things and every day.

The Los Angeles-based operation airs 16 half-hour series including "The Great Adventure" (offbeat yet plush vacations); "The Genuine Article" (the best buy in products and services); "Radical Sabbatical" (profiling people who make a major life change to pursue their passions); and "Back to Basics" (sharing secrets to making life less stressful and more enjoyable).

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And here are Rob and Emily

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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.; Louie Ferrati, Minister.
CATHOLIC
St. Martha's, Water Gap, Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Derron, pastor.
CHRISTIAN
First Christian, 660 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.; No Service 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.; Sherm Williams, Minister.
CHURCH OF CHRIST
Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.
Church of Christ, South Lake Drive, Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Benny Blankenship, Minister.
Harold Church of Christ, Harold, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.
Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Hueysville Church of Christ, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.
Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday 6:30 p.m.; Lonnie Meade, Minister.
Mare Creek Church of Christ, Stanville, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Martin Church of Christ, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gary Mitchell, Minister.
Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.
Weissburg 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 Canall, Minister.
Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin, Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Cunn, 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.; 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Hester 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 Fraily, 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.
LUTHERAN
Our Savior Lutheran, Sipp Baynes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville, Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLW (600 am) 12:05 p.m.; Pollard Barnhart, Minister.
METHODIST
Auster United Methodist, Auster, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Doug Langan, Minister.
Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.
Christ United Methodist, Allen, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.
Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Newley St.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pescoscollo, Minister.
Elliot's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.
Emma United Methodist, Emma, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Paul Allen, Minister.
First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue, 9 a.m. Contemporary Service, Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMSYS Service, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walt, Pastor.
Horn Chapel Methodist, Auster Road, Auster, 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.
Salisbury United Methodist, Printer, 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, Weebury, 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 Carpton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia O'Leary, Minister.
Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton, Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louise Sartin, 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
Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift, Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Mary Alice Murray, Minister.
First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive, Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; George C. Love, Minister.
SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST
Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway, Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; 9:15 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Gary Shepherd, Minister.
THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society/Preshood/Primary, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Mtg., 11:25 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. Church Meeting House address: Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41646; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; E.P. Grigsby, Bishop.
OTHER
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 Cunn, Minister.
Grace Fellowship, Prestonsburg (next to old flea market), Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m.; Bill Stukenberg, Pastor; 669-0005.
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 Hagans, Minister.
Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frys, 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 Cooby, 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.
Sputcock Bible Baptist, 6227 Sputcock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzelman, 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 358-2001; Darlene Arnet, Pastor.
Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1 quarter mile above Worldwide Equipment Rt. 1428; Sun Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun Evening, 6:30 p.m.; Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.
International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.

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Marriage Licenses

Monique Eva Branham, 19, to Zachary Hamilton Salisbury, 19, both of Drift.

Sarah Lynn Smith, 18, of Bevinville, to Adam Matthew Little, 19, of Wheelwright.

Tami Sue Bradley, 28, to Scott Eugene Tackett, 31, both of Betsy Layne.

Roberta Virginia Howell, 17, of Teaberry, to William Terry Castle, 21, of Tutor Key.

Sabrina Jean Collins, 24, of Prestonsburg, to Bryan Aaron Bates, 25, of Wayland.

Christy Lea Shepherd, 22, of David, to Matthew Brandon Ousley, 21, of Martin.

Laura Beth Lamons, 24, of North Carolina, to Brian David Reed, 26, of Texas.

Karen Denise Scott, 30, to Kenneth Wayne Bailey, 39, both of Hueysville.

Civil Suits Filed

Dennis Yonts vs. Dwight Pennington, deceased; compensation for injuries in automobile accident.

Katherine L. Isaac vs. CMH and Clayton Homes; defective property.

Tyler S. Coe vs. Carleena N. Coe; divorce.

Steve Akers vs. Teresa Akers; divorce.

Conseco Finance Servicing Corp. vs. Wheeler Newsome and Sandra "last name unknown"; debt collection.

Edward L. Kendrick vs. Helen Sue Kendrick; petition for legal separation.

Kimberly Dawn Craft vs. Tony Ray Craft; divorce.

Conseco Finance Servicing Corp. vs. Bill L. Craft, Martha M. Craft and Billy R. Craft; debt collection.

Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways vs. Frances Borgia and Claudith Scott Crider; condemnation.

Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways vs. John D. McGuire, Mary B. McGuire, Emma Baldrige, Alta Steig and Joseph L. Steig; condemnation.

Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways vs. Jimmy E. Goble and Pat Goble; condemnation.

Commonwealth of Kentucky Transportation Cabinet Department of Highways vs. Wendell L. Martin and Sandra S. Martin; condemnation.

Jennifer R. Ferguson vs. Ronald Ferguson; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Carolyn Mitchell vs. Jack D. Mitchell; divorce.

Conseco Finance Servicing Corp. vs. James Griffith and Patsy Griffith; debt collection.

Dora Capello and Juanita Clark vs. Ronald Frasure and Jim C. Hammer Co.; property trespass.

Kathleen Prater vs. Jimmy D. Hall, Tessie Hall and Chanda Lea Hall; property dispute.

Connie Jarrell and Wilford Jarrell vs. DESA International, Lowe's Home Centers, Matitrol Company and Equitable Resource Inc.; product liability.

Charges Filed

Randy Wright, 38, Martin, domestic violence, fourth-degree assault.

Jesse Steven Little 23, Weeksbury, fourth-degree assault, alcohol intoxication.

Rodney D. Thomsberry, 47, Bypro, menacing, terroristic threatening, third-degree criminal mischief.

Patrick Todd Jarrell, 18, Stanville, harassment/no physical contact.

Rhonda Hampton, age unlisted, Pikeville, assault of sports official.

John Stephens, age unlisted, Eastern, harassment/no physical contact.

John Rice VI, 53, Auxier, alcohol intoxication.

Robin Lynn Hale, 32, Martin, terroristic threatening.

Lacy Mills, 35, Ashland, alcohol intoxication.

Donna Derossett, 41, Allen, fourth-degree assault.

James A. Gillan, 18, Blue River, fourth-degree assault.

Earl Dean Adas, 26, Grethel, obstruction of a government operation, first-degree criminal

trespassing.

Todd Clark, 27, Prestonsburg, harassment/no physical contact.

Julie Meguire, 30, Hi Hat, harassment/no physical contact.

James Reynolds, 19, Craynor, first-degree wanton endangerment.

Lorenzo Dudley Nichols III, 46, Staffordsville, flagrant non-support.

James Whitaker, 53, Pikeville, first-degree wanton

endangerment.

Randy Wright, 36, Allen, fourth-degree assault, first-degree wanton endangerment.

Fonutame Marie Young, 46, Tram, second-degree criminal abuse.

Amy Reynolds, 22, Martin, first-degree wanton endangerment.

Brian Keith Gilbert, 29, Martin, first-degree rape, first-degree sex abuse.

Jeffrey Clark Young, 33, Tram, violation of emergency protective order.

Deanna Johnson, 25, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Emanuel J. Sulley, 26, Pine Top, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, possession of open alcohol container.

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Obituaries

Elizabeth Frasure Hall

Elizabeth Frasure Hall, 79, of McDowell, died Tuesday, October 15, 2002, at her residence.

Born June 1, 1923, in Dona, she was the daughter of the late Oliver and Margaret Reynolds Frasure. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ray Hall.

Survivors include one son, Raymond Hall of McDowell; two daughters, Deloris Stumbo and Maxine Kinney, both of McDowell; one brother, Mose Frasure of McDowell; six grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three sons, Eddie Dean Hall, Burchell Hall, and Clinton Hall; four brothers, Earl Frasure, Wade Frasure, Ray Frasure and Ted Frasure.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, October 17, at noon, at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Ted Shannon officiating.

Burial was in the Frasures Creek Cemetery, McDowell, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Jay D. Bond Sr.

Jay D. Bond Sr., 93, of Deland, Florida, died February 23, 2002, at the Halifax Medical Center, Daytona Beach, Florida.

He was born April 24, 1908, in Virgie. He was a retired attorney.

He is survived by his wife, Jennie C. Bond.

Other survivors include two sons, Jay D. Bond Jr. of Daytona Beach, Florida, and Charles F. Bond of Berkeley, California; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Memorial services will be conducted Saturday, October 19, at 2 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel.

The Carter Funeral Home, Prestonsburg, is serving the Bond family.

(Paid obituary)

Mary Florence Rowe Ford

Services for Mary Florence Rowe Ford, born on Bucks Branch in Martin, Floyd County, were held on Saturday, October 12, 2002, in Benton, Marshall Co., at 1 p.m., at the Collier Funeral Home, with the Rev. Roger Joseph, and Rev. Bill Franklin officiating.

Burial was in the Calvert City Cemetery. Mary Florence was 71 years old. She died Wednesday, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center in Prestonsburg, following a sudden illness.

She was the daughter of the late Marvin and Ethel Flanery Rowe of Calvert City. The family moved to Calvert City in 1952. She was the eldest grandchild of the late Aaron Burr and Mary Mayo Flanery of Martin.

Mary Florence was a graduate of Martin High School and Morehead College. She was a retired teacher, having taught for 23 years at Calvert City Elementary School. She was a member of the Kentucky Retired Teachers Association and the Calvert City United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, William "Bill" Ford; a daughter, Marilyn Metzger; two grandsons, Evan O'Neal and Sean O'Neal; and one brother, James Aaron Rowe, all of Calvert City.

Mary Florence and Bill celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 27, 2002.

Local arrangements: Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

(Paid obituary)



Oma Jean Hall

Oma Jean Hall, age 74, of Martin, passed away Tuesday, October 15, 2002, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

She was born January 4, 1928, in Eastern, the daughter of the late Jake Turner and Amanda (Mandy) Preston Turner.

Survivors include two daughters, Deborah Calhoun (Warren Larry) of Lake City, Florida, and Terri McCoy (Gary) of Prestonsburg; two sisters, Bonnie Dingus of Walton Beach, Florida, and Olivia May of Langley; two grandchildren, William Craig Campbell and Cody Garrett McCoy; two great-grandchildren, McCally Craig Campbell and Sean Chase Campbell.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two sons, Ricky L. Hall and Gerald D. Hall.

Funeral services for Oma Jean Hall will be conducted Friday, October 18, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Clergyman Louis Ferrari officiating.

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

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Odds

don't think so."

■ **TAYLOR, Pa.** — Just don't call it a dump.

In an attempt to convince neighbors that it's not all bad, the Alliance Sanitary Landfill threw a party for about 500 people Saturday.

Guests went on tours of the landfill, painted pumpkins, ate hamburgers and got gift bags to take home.

"The purpose was to get our neighbors here and dispel the

myths about the landfill," said spokesman John Hambrose. He said bad smells and rotting garbage are two of the common myths.

"You'll be amazed to see no garbage and no smell," visitor Betty Barth said. "We all thought there would be a bad smell, but there's not."

■ **ASPEN, Colo.** — A woman who makes her living as a psychic here is in a legal battle she said she saw coming.

Nancy Marks is suing to stop another woman from using the name "Aspen Psychic."

"I was told through my visions that evil was trying to enter a very sacred place," Marks said.

A lawsuit filed last year by Marks and her husband, Larry, claims that Archie Eli and Lauren Miller opened a business, also called Aspen Psychic, to "upset, vex and annoy" the couple.

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Charlie Miller, 41, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.

Tonya Sizemore, 25, Salyersville, public intoxication.

Angela L. Johnson, 34, Garrett, fourth-degree assault.

Brandon Thornsbury, 21, Kite, alcohol intoxication, possession of marijuana.

Aubert E. Clevenger, 19, Prestonsburg, menacing, terroristic threatening.

Matthew Mayo, 22, Martin, disorderly conduct, possession of marijuana, possession of a controlled substance, use/possession of drug paraphernalia.

John W. Clevenger, 21, Prestonsburg, menacing, terroristic threatening.

Olivia A. Johnson, 19, Garrett, fourth-degree assault, violation of emergency protective order.

Steven W. Howard, 41, Garrett, alcohol intoxication.

Linda J. Mullins, 39, Grethel, alcohol intoxication, prescription

in improper container, possession of a controlled substance/non-narcotic, possession of a controlled substance.

Keisha N. Owens, 19, Nippa, theft by unlawful taking.

Kelly A. Miller, 19, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking.

John V. Rice, 53, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.

Bobby G. Hall, 35, Prestonsburg, disorderly conduct.

Kevin L. Nolan, 46, Zanesville, Ohio, three counts of 395 federal safety registration, no other state registration, no external identification, 396 federal and state registration inspection, failure to display vehicle identification card.

Victor Bradley Newsome, 32, Ligon, theft by deception.

Charles Jr. Blanton, 18, River, 396 federal and state registration,

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Abandon

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detective.

Hunnam, soon to appear in the title role of "Nicholas Nickleby" adaptation, never gets much chance to be anything beyond pretentious and condescending as Embry. But he manages that well enough.

Gaghan authentically captures the sky-is-falling compulsions all good students endure as the semester's end approaches, spicing it up with the labyrinth of mystery and fantasy Katie finds herself tumbling into. With nocturnal cinematography and cloistered set design, "Abandon" makes the most of the inherently foreboding nature of libraries, dorms and other campus monoliths late at night.

"Abandon," a Paramount release, is rated PG-13 for drug and alcohol content, sexuality, some violence and language. Running time: 99 minutes. Three stars out of four.

On the rebound: Fish return to streams choked by sludge two years ago

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

INEZ — Wildlife experts are finding fish and frogs in the eastern Kentucky streams where all aquatic life was annihilated two years ago by a deluge of smothering coal sludge.

Kevin Frey, a biologist with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, said the return of some fish and other creatures indicates the streams have begun healing themselves.

Minnnows, darters, suckers

and catfish that have been netted in Coldwater and Wolf creeks swam in from other streams, and, in some instances, actually began reproducing this year, Frey said.

"The streams are slowly rebuilding fish communities, and their diversity will come back with time," he said.

An estimated 306 million gallons of sludge broke through the bottom of a 70-acre reservoir on a mountaintop outside Inez on Oct. 11, 2000. The black goo gushed through underground coal mine portals, out into the two creeks, then into the Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River.

Lawns were buried up to 7 feet deep in the molasses-like mixture. In addition to the killed fish, drinking water supplies were fouled along some 60 miles of the Big Sandy River. The gummy remnants of the sludge clings to the creek banks in some places, and the water still turns blackish after rains.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency called the spill one of the worst environmental disasters ever in the Southeast.

Inspectors issued citations to Martin County Coal after the spill, charging a variety of violations, including polluting

streams, releasing hazardous substances into the environment, creating an environmental emergency and engaging in an unsafe practice.

Martin County Coal, a subsidiary of Massey Energy of Richmond, Va., has agreed to pay \$3.25 million in penalties and damages to the Kentucky Cabinet for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, \$225,000 to the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, and \$110,000 to the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration.

In addition, Massey has said it will spend \$46.5 million on the cleanup, which now is largely complete.

At least nine state and federal lawsuits involving more than 430 plaintiffs are pending against Martin County Coal Corp. The first one involving Coldwater residents is expected to go to trial in Martin County Circuit Court on Feb. 3, said Ned Pillersdorf, a Prestonsburg attorney, who is representing 16 people.

Greg Pond, a biologist with the Kentucky Division of Water, said water quality has greatly improved, and riffles that are important in oxygenating the water have begun to form in the stream beds.

"We were actually surprised at the number of species that were in the streams," Pond said. "We sampled several sites in the formally impacted area, and came up with a dozen species."

Pond said he also found dozens of species of aquatic insects in the streams, which means fish have a ready supply of food.

Both Pond and Frey cautioned that the streams are far from pristine. The fish that have returned are of species that are the most tolerant to environmental contamination.

With one dip of a seine on Thursday, Frey and state biologist Todd Willis captured more than two dozen fish from a pool in Coldwater that had been clogged with sludge two years ago.

Frey said a more extensive examination done in August found nine species of fish in Coldwater Creek. That's far fewer than would be found in a healthy stream.

"The diversity is still low, but the species that are in there look like they're starting to reproduce," Frey said. "It's definitely healing."

The state plans to restock all the native fish and other aquatic creatures to the streams. Officials said that restocking will not take place for at least a year, possibly longer.

Frey said damage to the streams was so severe that he doesn't know how long it would take for them to recover naturally, without help from state agencies.

"It's just so great a magnitude," he said.

Network

Continued from p5

Hache, a Venice, Calif., couple who gave up successful careers and their home to hit the road in search of America. Their odyssey, which they tape as 90-second video dispatches for the network, brought them to New York this week for a four-day vacation on Fine Living Island, a 5,400-square-foot "private tropical paradise" temporarily anchored off lower Manhattan in the Hudson River.

This stopover is a promotional stunt to mark Fine Living's debut in New York (as well as parts of Los Angeles and elsewhere) on Time Warner Cable. DirecTV also began carrying the network recently, boosting its potential audience to 13 million homes.

Fine Living signed on last March. Burdened by the dismal advertising market and the ailing economy, that was a dicey moment to start any business venture. Worse: In the somber aftermath of 9-11, the idea of "fine living" might have been dismissed by viewers as frivolous.

Was the network really ill-timed? On the contrary, Solomon insists.

"Now more than ever, people realize that success isn't its own reward," he says. "They're looking for balance and ways to streamline their life. Americans are no longer just giving lip service to the notion that 'today is the first day of the rest of my life.'"

"That's what we're about." Watching the channel will

certainly get you thinking, even dreaming. When you meet the woman who built her oceanside home with a glass floor that looks down on the water, or meet the man who left his dreary career to start a winery, you may find your reaction isn't just, "So THAT's how you do it," but also, "What new thing would I like to do?"

And as Solomon says, "Whether or not you choose to act, you are empowered just knowing that you could."

Fine Living has a uniformly reassuring, feel-good quality about it, a calm style and a visual seamlessness — one program eases into the next. For many viewers, this could be their default channel: what the TV stays tuned to when you aren't watching something else.

But will Americans' heightened need to rethink their priorities lend urgency to Fine Living as an information resource? Will a particular interest — be it travel, vintage cars or a simplified lifestyle — translate into loyal viewing of the series devoted to that topic?

It's a little early to tell. But at least one media analyst declares Fine Living a valuable arrival on the TV landscape.

"Reassessing what's important in your life and making changes — that's hot right now," says Brad Adgate of Horizon Media. "The Fine Living Channel might be helpful doing it."

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Inspections

Betsy Layne Elementary Cafeteria, Betsy Layne, regular inspection. Violations noted: Partially consumed beverage stored with commercial food items, several spray bottles have no labels, bottom of milk cooler has rust, small amount of encrusted food on pizza cutter blade, tops of equipment need more cleaning, leak observing in pipe near sink, outside garbage dumpsters without proper lids or covers. Score: 88. Follow up score: 94.

Wayland Fountain, Wayland, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not located in all units, contact paper on shelf in disrepair, microwave has heavy buildup of food residue on inner surface, establishments with more than 12 seats need to have both male and female restrooms, restroom missing paper towels, light in walk-in not shielded, rags stored under sink. Score: 88.

Roger's Self Service, Eastern, regular inspection. Violations noted: Items not labeled, unable to locate thermometer on hot dog preparation, staff restroom does not have self closing door, mop stored on floor. Score: Food: 96, Retail: 95.

Betsy Layne Senior Citizens, Betsy Layne, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not present in all units, wiping cloth use not restricted, no soap or towels at utility sink. Score: 96.

Cindy's Breakfast and Pizza, Banner, regular inspection. Violations noted: No thermometers in some units, food items stored on floor, no hand towels or drying device in restroom, ceiling in slight disrepair. Score: 94.

South Floyd High School Cafeteria, Hi Hat, regular inspection. Violations noted: No designated property identified damaged food sign posted in storage area, tops of equipment in need of more routine cleaning, cleaner stored improperly, hair restraints not in use. Score: 95.

Betsy Layne Elementary, Betsy Layne, regular inspection. Violations noted: Water fountain stream too low to mouth guard, three lights not working in classroom, floor in classroom in disrepair. Score: 92.

Jim's Bait and Tackle, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Establishment closed for the season, unable to find violations. Score: 100.

Stone Crest Grill, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violation noted: No violations recorded, closed for season. Score: 100.

Highlands Regional Medical Center Cafe, Prestonsburg, regu-

lar inspection. Violations noted: Thermometer missing from holding unit, food items not covered, hair restraint not in use at food preparation area, clean utensils not stored properly, floor around walk-in in disrepair, light out in storage. Score: 93.

McDonalds, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food items stored on floor, staff not using hair restraints, light not shielded. Score: 96.

W. D. Osborne Elementary Cafeteria, Bevinville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Outside of ice machine paint peeling, box of napkins observed stored on floor, outside dumpster not properly covered, floors in disrepair in food preparation area. Score: 96.

Wheelwright Senior Citizens, Wheelwright, regular inspection. Violations noted: Can items in storage without labels, no towels in food preparation area, rest room doors not self closing. Score: 97.

Property Transfers

Henry Michael Vanderpool and Diana Vanderpool to Sam Martin Jr. and Marguerite Martin, property located at Minnie.

Interstate Natural Gas Company to Marvin K. and Michelle Jervis, property located, near mouth of Sugar Loaf Creek;

Jerry Lee Butcher and Edith Butcher to Jerry Lee Butcher and Edith Butcher, property location not listed;

Teresa Paige to Ray Stone and Rebecca Stone, property located on Steele's Creek;

Leon Younce and Ruth Younce to Richard Tackett and Margie Tackett, property located in the Sally Stephens farm Subdivision of Middle Creek;

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Roger Reed Sr., by Priscilla Reed Tussey to Timothy W. Shepherd and Melva Shepherd, property location not listed;

Catherine Meade to Doria M. Robinette, property located on Meade Branch;

Patsy Ann Price and David Price to Candice Halbert, property location not listed;

Leonard Lawson and Bridgette Lawson to Richard Burchett and Tabatha Burchett, property location not listed;

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COMMENTARY

What goes around comes around?

At the risk of being accused of being a shameless cheerleader for my home state, I staunchly believe that one of the main problems with last season's

University of Kentucky basketball team was that it didn't have enough native sons in important roles.

Of the six Kentuckians on last season's roster,



Billy Reed
Columnist

only junior Marquis Estill of Richmond made a significant contribution. J.P. Blevins of Edmonton tried hard to provide senior leadership, but was hampered by injuries and lack of talent. Freshman Josh Carrier of Bowling Green, a sophomore this season, only played at mop-up time.

Even more disheartening, freshman Adam Chiles of

(See REED, page four)

VOLLEYBALL



photo by Steve LeMaster
Allen Central head coach Larry Maynard rallied his team during a timeout in the match against Paintsville.

Down to 3

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE - Eight teams began play in the 30th District Volleyball Tournament at Paintsville High School. Last night, three teams remained with the top two advancing to the Region 8 Tournament next week at Pike County Central High School.

In somewhat of an upset win, host Paintsville was able to top Allen Central, one of the best teams in all of Region 8, in two of three games on Tuesday night. Paintsville, after dropping the opening game 15-11,

(See VOLLEYBALL, page four)

OUTDOORS

NWTF meeting scheduled

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

MARTIN - The next meeting of the Floyd County Chapter of The National Wild Turkey Federation is Thursday, Nov. 7 at Martin City Hall at 7 p.m.

The chapter is beginning to take applications for its annual \$500 scholarship award given to an outstanding graduating senior.

(See MEETING, page three)

Blackcats entertain Hawks

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - The Prestonsburg Blackcats, following their first district loss in two years, get back to district work tonight when they host Pike County Central in yet another district

game. Pike Central is 6-2 on the year. And like Prestonsburg, the Hawks have just one district loss. Pike Central lost to Williamson, W.Va. and the same Belfry team that Prestonsburg had on its heels last week. Belfry beat the Hawks 50-0. The loss to Belfry is Pike Central's

only district setback of the season. Johnny Poynter is the head coach of the Hawks.

Prestonsburg (4-3) won last season's meeting in easy fashion, 54-8 in a regular season contest. Both teams made the post-season

(See HAWKS, page three)



file photo
Prestonsburg resumes district play tonight against Pike County Central.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL



photo by Jamie Justice
South Floyd High quarterback Landon Hall (7) dropped back for a pass during a pre-game session before last week's home game against Hazard.

RAIDERS HOST RIVAL REBELS IN DISTRICT GAME

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT - Two things are at stake for the South Floyd Raiders when they take the field tonight in a game against county rival Allen Central. Number One: It's

Homecoming for the Raiders. Number Two: A win is a district win for South Floyd (4-4). The Raiders still have hopes of making it into the post-season in Coach Donny Daniels' first season back after a two-year absence away from the high school grid

game. The South Floyd head coach likes the way his team is playing at this point in the season with just two games remaining. A win

(See HOST, page four)

HUNTING

Hunting/fishing license update

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT - The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) has taken a step to comply with new Child Support Enforcement Regulations with regard to the sale of hunting

and fishing licenses.

Child Support Enforcement Regulations, promulgated after changes in federal and state law, now mandate that all licenses and permits issued by a state agency must be able to be cross-referenced with a database of individuals delin-

quent in making child support payments.

These regulations further prohibit the KDFWR from issuing sport hunting and fishing licenses to those individuals.

(See UPDATE, page three)



courtesy photo
Betsy Layne Elementary head coach Raquel Lawson (seated) gave instructions during a game played last week at The Dome.

MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Adams rides strong fourth quarter to win

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - The Adams Middle School Lady Blackcats are in the midst of a very successful season on the hardwood, and on Wednesday evening it was Eighth-



photo by Jamie Howell
Meaghan Stone (5) played tough defense for Adams against the Lady Eagles of Johnson County Middle School.

(See ADAMS, page three)

HS BASKETBALL

Raiders finalize panorama field

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT - The 2002 South Floyd High boys' basketball panorama will offer games on three different levels. One elementary and one middle school game will open the day of basketball followed by high school games with all four Floyd County boys teams in action.

The panorama is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 30.

McDowell Elementary will open the panorama at noon when it plays Osborne Elementary. At 2 p.m. the South Floyd Middle Raiders play John M. Stumbo. Prestonsburg begins high school play against Lee County. Betsy Layne plays June Buchanan and Allen Central plays Menifee County. The host South Floyd High Raiders will end the day of games with a nightcap against Haysi, Va.

Regular game rules will be followed. There will be one full-timeout and two 30-second

(See RAIDERS, page three)

MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Adams, JC 8th in championship game

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Coaches in the Big Sandy Valley Conference met Wednesday night and the full schedule is set for Saturday's post-season grid at Josh Francis Field. In addition to five middle games, one high school varsity game will also be played when Lexington Catholic visits Prestonsburg.

The day begins at 8:30 a.m. when Warfield plays Johnson County Seventh. At 10:05 Magoffin County is penciled in to play Allen. Inez will play South Floyd at 11:40.

The junior varsity game between visiting Lexington Catholic and Prestonsburg has a game time of 1 p.m.

A talented Paintsville team plays Allen Central Middle at 3:30. The championship game pits Johnson County Eighth against Adams. The two teams have split the last two post-season championship contest meetings with Johnson County Eighth winning last season and Adams

(See MIDDLE SCHOOL, page four)

S P O R T S B O A R D

MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL

MCA beats S. Floyd Middle

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

MARTIN — Mountain Christian Academy trailed by just one point at the half, before exploding in the second half to

pull away from South Floyd Middle. A timely 12-point third quarter pushed host MCA to the win. The Lady Falcons also outscored South Floyd in the third quarter as well.

Vanessa Skeens scored all

four of South Floyd's first-quarter points. The Lady Raiders led MCA 4-3 at the end of the first period. Both teams dented the scorebooks for five points each in the second half to leave SFM with a 9-8 lead at the break.

A stingy MCA defense held South Floyd to four points in the third quarter and just two in the final stanza.

Kellie Farthing and Valerie

(See MCA, page three)



courtesy photo A pair of Mountain Christian Academy players went up against a South Floyd Middle player.

BETSY LAYNE



courtesy photo

Fifth-grade princess Megan Hamilton, fourth-grade princess Kaleigh Wagener, queen Rachel Honeycutt, sixth-grade princess Dana Conn and seventh-grade princess Dana Conn. BLES Homcoming was held October 1.



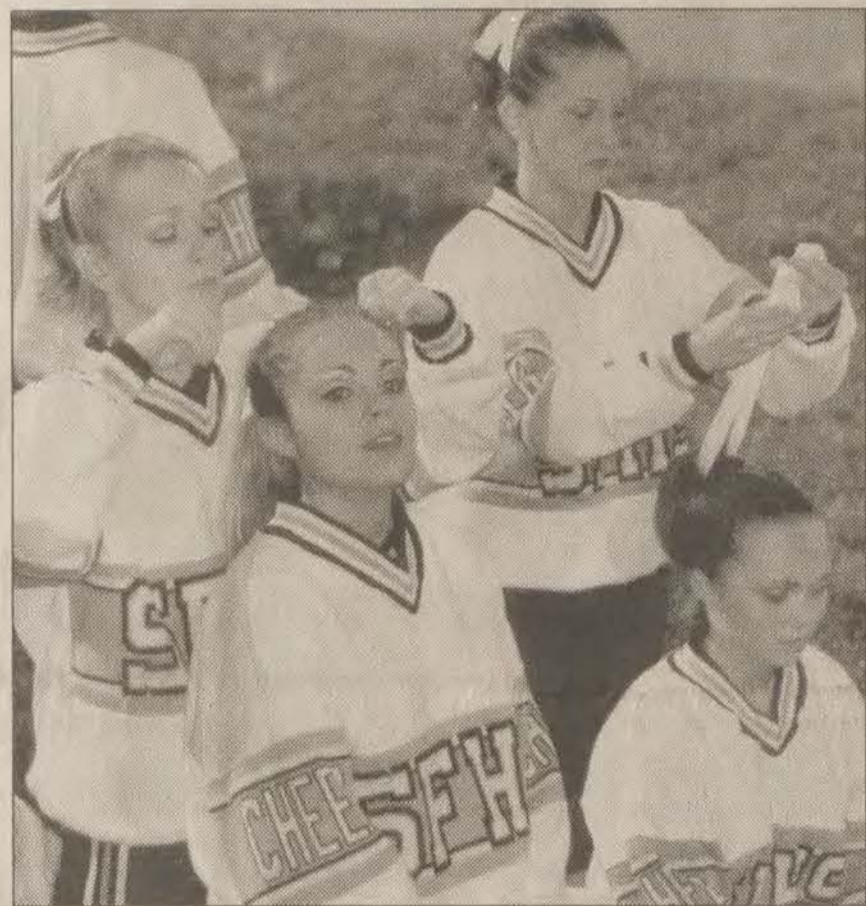
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Betsy Layne Elementary School Homecoming 2002 seventh-grade candidates Melissa Stone, Kaitlin Lawson and Jordan Jarrell.

VOLLEYBALL SCOREBOARD

Table with volleyball scores for 29th, 30th, and 31st districts across various counties.

SFHS CHEERLEADING



photos by Jamie Justice

SOUTH FLOYD HIGH SCHOOL CHEERLEADING: Raider cheerleaders return to the sidelines tonight when South Floyd hosts Allen Central in a Class A District Eight contest. Tonight is also homecoming at Raider Stadium. A photo of the 2002 SFHS Homecoming Court appears on Page 4 of today's sports.

B-TEAM

JCMS puts clamps on Adams B-Team

by JAMIE HOWELL SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Pressure defense was the problem that Johnson County Middle School presented to the Adams Lady Blackcat B-Team on Wednesday evening, and that pressure allowed only 15 Adams points in the game which helped the Lady Eagles cruise to a 30-15 win over the host Lady Blackcats. E. Williams led the winners with 14 points in the contest, while Rikki Hughes' six points led Adams. Johnson County led 7-4 after one quarter, and 11-9 at the half. The Lady Eagles led only 16-11 after three quarters, but a 14-4 fourth quarter run sent the Lady Eagles on to victory. Scoring was as follows: Adams - Rikki Hughes 6 points, Brittany Collins 4 points, Henderson 2 points, Lindsey Fields 2 points, Alexis DeRossett 1 point.

Johnson County - Williams 14 points, Johnson 6 points, Lyons 4 points, Welch 2 points, McCarty 2 points, Burton 2 points.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Oklahoma guard Rashaad Carruth dismissed from team

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NORMAN, Okla. — Oklahoma sophomore guard Rashaad Carruth has been dismissed from the team, head basketball coach Kelvin Sampson said Sunday.

Sampson said Carruth was dismissed for breaking a team rule. Carruth joined the Sooners last summer after transferring from the University of Kentucky, where he averaged 5.5 points in 26 games last year.

"The foundation of our program has always been discipline," Sampson said. "There's no point in setting rules if those rules are not enforced."

The 6-foot-5 inch Carruth was a McDonald's high school All-American at Oak Hill Academy in Virginia before he signed with Kentucky. He has said he left UK because of a disagreement with Wildcat coach Tubby Smith.

Under NCAA rules, Carruth would have sat out one year after transferring and would have three years of eligibility remaining, beginning with the 2003-2004 season.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Mistakes at critical times costing Cats

by CHRIS DUNCAN ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — At the start of the season, most Kentucky fans would've been thrilled with four wins in the Wildcats' first six games.

But the luster of a 4-0 start has

been tarnished by two straight losses, and Coach Guy Morriss is back to answering questions about his team's inability to win close games.

The Wildcats (4-2, 0-2 Southeastern Conference) visit Arkansas (3-2, 1-2) this week following a 16-12 loss to South

Carolina last Saturday. They've led in the second half of their last seven SEC games, and lost six of them.

"The boat's unloading really quick," Morriss said at his weekly news conference on Monday.

(See COSTING, page three)

Adams Middle School Eighth-grade Night



Pam Stone



Brittany Ousley

photo by Jamie Howell

(See ADAMS, page four)

DIRT TRACK NOTEBOOK

Big races this weekend

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The time, work, and preparation is just about complete as Bluegrass Speedway in Bardstown is set to host the 22nd edition of the tradition-rich Dirt Late Model Championship event. The race, which is the third richest paying to win event in America for Dirt Late Models, will go off this weekend on

Saturday and Sunday, October 19 and 20.

The Late Model feature on Sunday afternoon will be 100 laps and pay the winner \$50,000 for their efforts. The Modified division will also be in action during the weekend, with their feature on Sunday paying \$2,000 to win. The total purse for the weekend of activities will be in excess of \$160,000.

The Late Model division has 94 pre-entries leading into the event. Leading the list of those pre-entered is five-time DTWC winner Freddy Smith of Knoxville, Tenn. Other previous winners of the DTWC that are also pre-entered include two-time DTWC champion Billy Moyer of Batesville, Ark., along with fel

(See RACING, page four)

RANKINGS

Little change among Top Ten polls

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LOUISVILLE — There was very little change in any of the high school football top ten polls this week, with undefeated Trinity remaining the top-ranked team in Class-4A competition.

The only major change in the 4A poll was Pleasure Ridge Park, dropping from third to ninth after losing its first game of the season.

The top five teams in the 3A poll also remained unchanged, with top-ranked Lexington Catholic receiving 10 of the 15 first-place votes. Bell County reappeared in this week's poll, checking in at number 10 with a 6-1 record.

Breathitt County widened the gap on No. 2 LaRue County in the 2A poll, holding the top spot by seven points. Breathitt received eight first-place votes to LaRue's five. Third-place Owensboro Catholic also received a first-place vote. The top three teams in the 2A poll have a combined record of 21-0.

Mayfield is still on top of the 1A poll, receiving 12 first-place votes. The only big change in the poll is Middlesboro, returning after a week's absence to claim the No. 7 spot.

Locally - Paintsville and Prestonsburg each received votes in their respective classes, 1A and 2A. Prestonsburg lost 20-12 on the road at Belfry on Friday night. Paintsville had last week off.

Game to go on as planned

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - One week after forfeiting to Knott County Central, the Betsy Layne football program will be back in action tonight. Betsy Layne will play the role host as it takes on Shelby

Valley. The Bobcats (0-8) finish the 2002 season at home one week from today when they host East Ridge.

Shelby Valley (3-4), after beginning the season 3-0, has lost its last four games. Kickoff for tonight's Class 2A District Eight game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m.

Costing

"Being close isn't good enough."

Morriss blamed much of the latest loss on three sacks, three turnovers, seven penalties and other mental mistakes by his team.

"We don't have that margin of error against the competition that we play. We've got some things we've got to get corrected," he said. "Even through the not-so-good things we did, we were still in a position to win the game."

The Wildcats drove inside the South Carolina 10-yard line with under three minutes left, but mistakes emerged again:

■ On first down, Morriss said quarterback Jared Lorenzen missed a wide-open Aaron Boone in the end zone, opting to pass to Glenn Holt in the back of the end zone. Holt made the catch, but came down out of bounds.

■ On second down, Artose Pinner ran up the middle, but was stuffed at the line of scrimmage.

■ On third down, Lorenzen overshot an open Tommy Cook in the end zone.

■ On fourth down, Lorenzen was looking for Boone, but Boone slipped and fell as the ball sailed over his head.

The Wildcats got the ball

back with 33 seconds left, but a desperation pass into the end zone was batted down as time expired.

"Even on the 'Hail Mary,' we didn't get our people in the right spots, where they were supposed to be," Morriss said. "It's just a matter of getting people to do what they're supposed to do."

Morriss said that improvement must start with the offensive line and Lorenzen, who went 22-of-37 for 194 yards.

The Cats didn't have a play from scrimmage longer than 30 yards against the Gamecocks.

"It was a hit and miss deal all night long," Morriss said. "When our quarterback was on, our protection was not good. Or we had good protection, and (Lorenzen) got a little jittery back there."

"We've got a combination of that that makes it appear we are not getting the ball down the field. That's not the case," Morriss said. "If you go back and look at the tape, we've got receivers down the field, wide open. We just can't get the ball to them."

The line was also flagged for three holding penalties against South Carolina. Kentucky's seven penalties was its second-lowest total of the season, but the Wildcats

Adams

grade Night at Adams. Meaghan Slone, Morghan Slone, Pam Slone, Elizabeth Chaffin and Amber Whitaker are eighth-graders at Adams, and the four took part in pre-game ceremonies at the school. Adams played almost even with Johnson Central through three quarters, but a 9-4 run over the final quarter would propel Adams to the victory.

Johnson County Middle would cause problems for Adams early with pressure defense that

led to easy baskets for the Lady Eagles. Briana Ritz led the Eagles early with six first quarter points and Amber Whitaker tossed in six first quarter points for the Lady Blackcats.

JCM held a 10-9 first quarter advantage, and each team would score eight points in the second quarter.

Meaghan Slone added five second quarter points for Adams, and Ritz delivered five for the Lady Eagles.

Johnson Central held a slim

18-17 lead at the half, but a strong third quarter off the bench from Linsey Fields helped Adams erase the one point half-time deficit and take a 28-24 lead after three quarters of play. Johnson County fell behind by six points late in the contest and had to foul in order to try and play catch-up, but Adams would connect on seven-of-14 free-throws down the stretch and hold on for a 37-28 win on Eighth-grade Night at the school.

Scoring was as follows: Adams - Amber Whitaker 10 points, Meaghan Slone 9 points, Linsey Fields 5 points, Elizabeth Chaffin 4 points, Pam Slone 4 points, Morghan Slone 3 points, Brittany Collins 2 points) Johnson Central - Ritz 12 points, Castle 5 points, Callis 3 points, Blair 3 points, Rice 3 points, Frazier 2 points.



photo by Jamie Howell
Amber Whitaker looked for the rebound on Eighth-grade Night at Adams Middle School.

still lead the SEC with 53 penalties for 428 yards.

"It's mental. I don't think being behind or being ahead has anything to do with it. It's a lack of concentration," Morriss said.

"Those are killers," he said. "We've got to do something to make the players understand that. And then, we can line up and be competitive and win a bunch of games."

As for Lorenzen, Morriss said he wouldn't rule out using backup Shane Boyd for a series or two against the Razorbacks. Boyd has played in two games this season, rushing five times for 80 yards and completing his only pass.

"We're hashing that around. We have not finished evaluating Arkansas, so we will try to decide what's the best plan and the best personnel to beat Arkansas," Morriss said. "If that's part of the formula, we'll script it in there."

But Morriss emphasized he hasn't lost confidence in Lorenzen, who is still leads the SEC with 15 touchdown passes and remains second in the league in passing efficiency.

"We've got a good passing game," Morriss said. "We know how to throw the ball, we've just got to get everybody doing their jobs at the same time."

Hawks

last fall. In 2000, Pike Central was able to beat Prestonsburg in a game played at Prestonsburg High. However, it didn't stop the Blackcats from going on to win both a district and region championship.

Prestonsburg head coach John DeRossett expects to see his team go back to work on the field in game action tonight in a contest which still carries heavy playoff implications.

Pike Central under Poynter this season has opened up the field even more than in previous campaigns. Pike Central made the post-season last fall, eventually falling in the first round of the playoffs.

Pike Central is open next week before it finishes out the season on the road at Whitesburg. Prestonsburg has Shelby Valley and East Ridge left on its regular-season slate.

MCA

Richards each had four points in the final quarter for MCA. Katie LeMaster and Robyn Warrix accounted for the other four MCA points with a field-goal apiece. A nine-point third quarter was led by a three-pointer by Kendra Sammons.

Richards paced MCA with eight points. Farthing finished with seven points and Warrix added six. Sammons had four tal-

lies and LeMaster finished with two on a late field-goal.

Skeens led South Floyd in scoring with six points. Kortney Hall added four points. Heather Dean and Katie Crum each had two points apiece. Faith Little chipped in a point on a second-quarter free-throw.

South Floyd Middle and MCA will both play in the Floyd County Tournament in early-November.

Meeting

The award will be presented at the honoree's 2003 graduation exercises. For students 17 years of age or younger who would like to become a member of the Floyd County

Chapter of the NWFJ there are a limited number of free Jakes (Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics, and Sportsmanship) memberships available.

Update

To comply with these laws, the KDFWR must eliminate the ID Form option when purchasing a license. In order to buy a license, hunters and anglers will be required to present their social security number, driver's license number or their disability authorization card number to the license agent.

Those individuals who do not

have a social security number, driver's license number or a disability authorization card number should have the license agent call the KDFWR Licensing Help Desk during normal work hours for further instructions.

This change is a result of a federal mandate for all licensing agencies.

Raiders

timeouts for each team.

The games will consist of two 15-minute halves. There will be a 10-minute warmup between games and a five-minute half-time.

Prestonsburg, Betsy Layne, Allen Central and host South Floyd will be the home team and will wear white.

There will be a hospitality for all teams and coaches. Each team will receive 15 T-shirts.

SOUTH FLOYD BASKETBALL PANORAMA

SATURDAY, NOV. 30

- Noon - McDowell Elementary vs. Osborne Elementary
- 2 p.m. - South Floyd Middle vs. John M. Stumbo
- 4 p.m. - Prestonsburg vs. Lee County
- 5:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne vs. June Buchanan
- 7 p.m. - Allen Central vs. Menifee County
- 8:30 p.m. - South Floyd vs. Haysi, Va.

OLOW Autumn Run slated for Saturday

MARTIN - Our Lady of the Way Hospital will be sponsoring and holding its annual 5K Autumn Run and 1-Mile Fun Walk and the Fastest Kid in Town on Saturday.

Registration will begin at 8:15 a.m. The Fastest Kid in Town will begin at 9 a.m. The

5K Autumn Run will start at 9:30 a.m. and the 1-Mile Fun Run will begin immediately after the start of the 5K run.

Location: Martin Family Health Center, Martin.

For more information, or to pre-register, call Neva Francis at 606/285-5181.

Adams holds on, beats Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - Just four points in the fourth quarter nearly spelled defeat for the Adams Middle School Ladycats in a Tuesday night game played at The Dome. Host Betsy Layne put 12 points on the scoreboard in the final period before time ran out. Adams scored a 29-24 victory. Betsy Layne struggled through the first three quarters, scoring just four points in each of the periods.

AMS doubled Adams up in the first period, outscoring the host Ladycats 8-4. Meaghan Slone led the first quarter surge for Adams with four points. She would eventually score a game-high 12 points. Adams also won the second quarter, 11-4, to go into the half with a 19-8 lead.

Kaitlin Lawson tossed in a three-pointer in the third period and the Betsy Layne defense was able to hold Adams to just six points. Lawson hit on another three-point shot in the final period before adding another two tallies to lead the Betsy Layne rally.

Pam Slone tossed in six points and Elizabeth Chaffin and Brittany Ousley each had four points for Adams. Brittany Collins had two points and Amber Whitaker flipped in a free-throw. Caitlin Newsome attempted a pair of free-throws in the fourth quarter for Adams but came up short.

Kayla Case led Betsy Layne in scoring with 10 points. Lawson, after being held scoreless in the first quarter, scored nine. Sherrice Lee tossed in

three points and Jordan Jarrell chipped in two.

Betsy Layne rolls over Adams in C-Team game

Betsy Layne jumped out to a 23-3 halftime lead and outscored Adams 9-1 in the second half en route to a 32-4 win in a C-Team game between the two schools.

Megan Hamilton scored a game-high 11 points, all in the first quarter to lead Betsy Layne to the win. Madison Jarrell and Morgan Hunt both added eight points for Betsy Layne.

Tasha Wallen finished with three points for Adams. Alexis DeRossett added the other Adams tally on a third quarter charity shot.

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Brittany Adkins (41) looked to throw the ball in play during a recent Betsy Layne Elementary game.

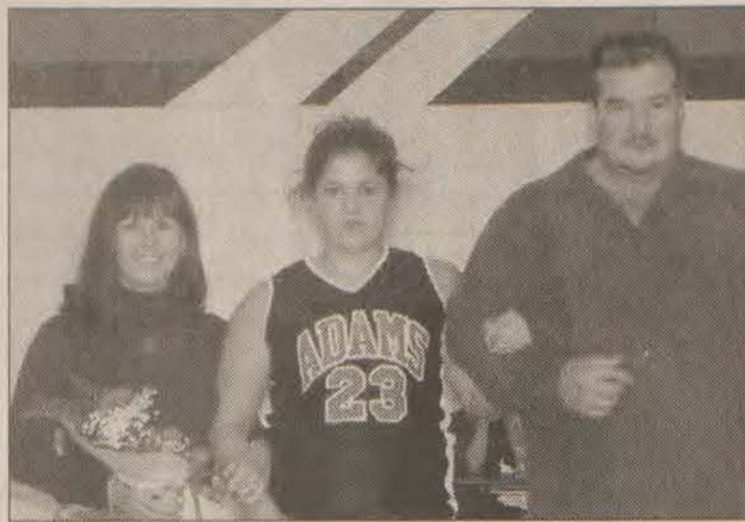
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Morghan and Meaghan Slone

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Elizabeth Chaffin

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Amber Whitaker

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Middle School Reed

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finishing first in 2000.

MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL SATURDAY

Where: Josh Francis Field, Prestonsburg High School
 8:30 a.m. Warfield vs. Allen
 10:05 a.m. Magoffin County vs. Allen
 11:40 a.m. Inez vs. South Floyd
 1 p.m. Prestonsburg JV vs. Lexington Catholic JV
 3:30 p.m. Paintsville vs. Allen Central
 6 p.m. Johnson County Eighth vs. Adams (Championship Game)

Louisville turned out to be more of a problem than a producer, as did walk-on sophomore Cory Sears of Corbin. Matt Heissenbuttel of Lexington, a junior this season, contributed as much as could be expected from a walk-on with limited ability. Besides Estill and Heissenbuttel, this season's roster includes four newcomers from Kentucky, led by Antwain Barbour, a junior college transfer from Elizabethtown who figures to get significant playing time at various positions. Freshman Brandon Stockton of Glasgow should add quickness and penetration at point guard.

Walk-ons Preston LeMaster of Paris and Ravis Moss of Hopkinsville are good enough to be scholarship players at a lot of Division I schools. And LeMaster will have the opportunity to educate his teammates about UK basketball history and why wearing the uniform should be an honor, not a chore.

LeMaster's dad, Jim, was a substitute on the 1965-66 Wildcat team that came to be known as "Rupp's Runts" because no starter was taller than 6-5. That team ended the season ranked No. 1 in the polls, and advanced to the NCAA title game before being upset by Texas Western, 72-65.

As a senior, LeMaster shared a starting guard spot with Steve Clevenger and Phil Argento on the 1967-68 team that was built around sophomores Dan Issel, Mike Casey, and Mike Pratt. Coach Adolph Rupp considered LeMaster to be his best defensive guard.

Like his son, Jim was good enough to start for a lot of Division I programs.

But he came to UK because he felt it was a greater honor to be a role player for the Big Blue than to be a star somewhere else.

I've always believed that native Kentuckians can jump a little higher and move a little quick-

er when they pull on the UK jersey. That's why I was so disappointed that UK Coach Tubby Smith didn't give a scholarship to 6-9 J.R. VanHoose of Paintsville in 1998.

The scouting reports all said that VanHoose was a little slow and not a very good jumper. But he negated that by having a coach's understanding of the game, by doing things to make his teammates better, and by playing hard at all times. At Marshall University, he ended up as one of the school's all-time leading scorers and rebounders!

Oh, yeah.

VanHoose also was an honors student and a good citizen off the floor. Can anybody seriously believe that he wouldn't have played an important leadership role on last season's uninspired, selfish, underachieving team?

To me, VanHoose came from the same mold that produced Richie Farmer of Clay County, John Pelphrey of Paintsville, and Deron Feldhaus of Maysville. Along with Indiana native Sean Woods, they were the senior hard core of UK's

"Unforgettables," the 1992 team that captured the nation's heart with its gritty performance in an historic 104-103 overtime loss to heavily favored Duke.

Had any of those three played anywhere else, they undoubtedly would have gotten more playing time and posted more impressive statistics. But they wouldn't have become as beloved as they were at UK, and they wouldn't have been rewarded with the pride and satisfaction they derived from playing for the Cats.

Heck, at least one native Kentuckian has been an integral part of every legendary Wildcat team since World War II. The "Fabulous Five" that won the 1948 NCAA title included Ralph Beard of Louisville, Wallace "Wah Wah" Jones of Harland, and

Kenny Rollin's of Wickliffe. The team that successfully defended its title in '49 still had Beard and Jones.

The 1951 NCAA champs got outstanding play from Madisonville's Frank Ramsey, and Owensboro's Cliff Hagan and Bobby Watson. On the 1953-54 UK team that gave Rupp a perfect 25-0 season, Hagan and Ramsey were joined in the starting lineup by Billy Evans of Berea and Gayle Rose of Paris.

The starting lineup for the 1958 NCAA champs known as the "Fiddlin' Five" included Vernon Hatton of Lexington, Johnny Cox of Hazard, John Crigler of Hebron, and Adrian "Odie" Smith of Farmington.

The NCAA runner-up team of 1966 had Larry Conley of Ashland and Thad Jaracz of Lexington in the starting lineup, and the 1975 NCAA runner-up team received outstanding play from Jimmy Dan Conner of Lawrenceburg, and Jack Givens and James Lee of Lexington. As seniors in 1978, Givens and Lee were starters for

Coach Joe B. Hall's only NCAA championship team.

The 1984 NCAA semifinalist team was led in scoring by senior Melvin "Dinner Bell Mel" Turpin and had a freshman starter in Winston Bennett of Louisville.

Derek Anderson of Louisville and Anthony Epps of Marion County were among the top six players on Coach Rick Pitino's 1996 NCAA champions, and Scott Padgett of Louisville was the glue that held together Coach Tubby Smith's 1998 national champs.

I understand that our state doesn't produce a lot of McDonald's All-Americans or summer-camp dazzlers. But I still believe that every year we produce players who are good enough to play for UK, but end up elsewhere.

In recent years, the list of those deemed not good enough to play for the Cats includes, besides VanHoose, Larry O'Bannon of Louisville (U of L), Patrick Sparks of Muhlenberg (Western Kentucky), David Graves of

Lexington (Notre Dame), Derek Smith of Fort Thomas (UK football), Dan Langhi of Marshall County (Vanderbilt), and Lamont Barnes of University High (Tennessee).

I'm sure you can think of others.

Ideally, the UK roster would be a smoothly blended combination of out-of-state stars and Kentuckians who actually know who Adolph Rupp was and can name some great players before Jamal Mashburn.

If I were Smith, in fact, I would make the players spend a couple of hours in the UK Basketball Museum and then give them a history test. No player would get to play until he passed the test.

History and tradition are not just yesterday's news. They live in the hearts and minds of every fan who knows why UK basketball is such an integral part of our state's culture. But to stay alive, they need to be nurtured by blood, sweat, and tears.

Last season's team didn't understand that. It didn't play with pride or heart. That's not Kentucky basketball. It can only be hoped that this season's new Kentuckians help rekindle the spirit, and that UK coaches always will give a break to those native sons who would give anything to wear the jersey.

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Betsy Layne needs one team

Due to a team dropping out of the event, the Betsy Layne High School girls' basketball program is looking for another team for its panorama on Saturday, Nov. 30.

"We need one more team to complete the field," said head coach Cassandra Akers. "We will feed each team after their game and provide 20 T-shirts."

For more information, contact Akers by calling 606/478-2233.

Racing

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low Batesville resident Wendell Wallace. Among other drivers entered is 2002 Dream winner and UMP Summernationals champion Scott Bloomquist of Mooresburg, Tenn., who has yet to grab a win in this prestigious event. Also entered is 2002 STARS Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series champion Eddie Carrier Jr. of Leburn in Knott County. Another entry is 2002 UMP Modified national champion Jimmy Owens of Newport, Tenn., as the open wheel ace races with front fenders for the weekend, along with the 2K2 UMP Late Model national champion Terry English of Benton. Among other touring drivers pre-entered in the event include Jackie Boggs of Grayson, Rodney Combs of Ft. Myers, Fla., Dan Schlieper of Sullivan, Wis., David Smith of Inman, SC, Eldora Million runner-up Steve Smith of Powell, Tenn. Several other drivers are also expected for the Bardstown event.

In West Virginia, another big race is slated for this weekend. For many, the Charter Communications RaceFest World Championship at West Virginia Motor Speedway this weekend will be the last shot to make a mark on the 2002 racing season.

Two full-days of racing are scheduled at the speedway beginning on Saturday with preliminary qualifying and heat races for the Renegade late models, AMRA modifieds and stock cars. On Sunday, the main event will award the Charter RaceFest winner \$30,000 after 100 laps.

RaceFest officially concludes the Renegade DirtCar Racing Series season, some 32 races long this year. With so few races left around the country, RaceFest is the perfect opportunity to let it all hang out, such as Brian Birkhofer did last October at the speedway.

The 30-year-old from Muscatine, Iowa won on this weekend at the speedway in 2001. The momentum carried over into 2002, in which Birkhofer won big—and often. Among his wins, he claimed the esteemed World 100 at Eldora Speedway in September.

Chub Frank carries plenty of momentum into the race. Frank, of Bear Lake, Pa., is entering RaceFest coming off of the biggest win of his career last weekend in Woodstock, Ga. Frank will have no additional pressure this weekend in the

point standings after wrapping up his third consecutive series championship on Oct. 6 in Cumberland, Md.

Among the past winners at the speedway hoping to return to victory lane will be UDTRA Pro DirtCar Series champion Rick Eckert and former Renegade champions Steve Francis, Davey Johnson and Donnie Moran.

Moran won two major events at the speedway in the 1980s. He's trying to get back to the form that won him \$1,000,000 in a race at Eldora in June 2001. Francis won major events at the speedway in 1999 and 2001 while Johnson is the track-record holder.

Former Renegade champion Mike Balzano led 40 laps before yielding the lead to Birkhofer and ending up second last year.

Others are entering RaceFest on hot streaks, hoping to continue their recent success at RaceFest.

Gettysburg, Pa., driver Jeremy Miller, who, since taking over a new ride at the end of summer, has fourth-, sixth- and 14th-place finishes in the last three Renegade events. Steve Shaver, Rick Aukland, Todd Andrews and Earl Pearson Jr. each have wins at major events in the past two months.

The process will begin at 3 p.m. on Saturday with Carrera Challenge the Clock time trials. A solid time will be an important first-step. Only one feature winner has qualified outside of the top-10 this season on the Renegade DirtCar Racing Series.

Chuckie May, Brandon Kinzer and Paul Harris are among the area drivers expected to make the trip to compete.

Heat races later on Saturday will determine over half of the field for the main event on Sunday.

The pole position won't be decided until Sunday during the Isky Racing Cams dash. On 13 occasions this season, the pole winner went on to win the main event. Of the six cars that start the dash at every event, one of them has gone on to win the race 27 of 31 times.

Special provisional starting spots for drivers from other series have guaranteed a diverse field of stars for the race. The speedway expects to reach the 100-car plateau.

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Volleyball

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bounced back to win two straight games, 15-10, 15-13. Paintsville went into last night's play still undefeated.

However, the Rebels were not done. Allen Central, powered by the strong play of Tiffany Turner, Shellie Hayes, Sarah Smith and Erin Majakey, among others, stormed back to beat Magoffin County in the second match on Tuesday night. AC won in straight games, 15-4, 15-9.

South Floyd, under head coach Keith Smallwood, also remained alive. The Raiders beat Johnson Central and Betsy Layne in their first two games in the tournament, before falling to Paintsville in the final game on Tuesday night.

Results from last night's contests were unavailable at press time and will appear in Sunday's edition.

Note: A scoreboard of area district volleyball tournament games appears inside today's section on Page 2.

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tonight would assure South Floyd of at least a break-even season with five victories.

"I'm pleased with the way we're playing," said Daniels. "We're getting better very week."

Daniels also likes the fact that his team is at home for the rivalry game, dubbed, "Battle of the Beavers."

"We like the fact that we're home again this week," added Daniels. "It should help us."

South Floyd will also finish its season at home next week against Paintsville.

Allen Central (2-5) had one less day to rest up and prepare this week. The Rebels dropped their Homecoming game to Phelps Saturday night.

"Our kids want this game," said Allen Central head coach Robert Mayton. "It's a big game for us."

Both Allen Central and South Floyd come into tonight's game with all starters and several key players healthy.

South Floyd won last year's meeting between the two schools 30-22 in a game played under extremely wet conditions.



South Floyd High School cheerleaders and family members took part in Parent Night ceremonies last Friday night. Pictured from left to right are SFHS cheerleader Megan Tackett, her mother Mary Lou Tackett, Jamie J. May, her daughter Loren May (SFHS cheerleader), and grandfather Archie Justice, Logan Johnson (SFHS cheerleader), her mother Missy Johnson, and Jessica Lafferty (SFHS cheerleader).



The 2002 South Floyd High School Homecoming Court. Back row from left to right: Holly Newsome, Meka Hall, Tina Tackett, Angel Tackett, Allison Curry, Loren May, Tiffany Tackett, BreAnna Daniels, and Leslie Holbrook. Front row from left to right: Megan Hall, Ashley Reynolds, Ashley Tackett, Lisa Caudill, and Jessica Lafferty.

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Through My Eyes

And the music wafted away...

I have found it greatly encouraging to see the many letters we have received recently from folks who, like me, find it distressing to see funds trickling away at an alarming rate from our schools' arts programs.

I'm having more than a little difficulty understanding why this is happening. The message I, and our county's children, are receiving is that in the "big scheme of things," music, art, dance, and drama, aren't really "that" important and that we can "make do" without them.

In pondering this perplexing dilemma, I can't help but wonder how many people actually go through their day without involving the arts in



Kathy Prater Lifestyles editor

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This Town, that World

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

THE AMERICAN WAY

The only criticism I personally have to make of the President's statement on Cuba, was the way he pronounced the word: "Cuber."

That's a lame effort at levity on a day full of gloom. We are not unthinking enough to miss the gravity of the present situation, nor are we foolish enough to try to chase the ghosts away by whistling past the graveyard. Neither are we given to sounding alarms.

Yet we are convinced that it will hurt nobody to look on things and see them as they are to the extent of his ability to see. The United States stands committed to a course of action. It has decided not to sit abjectly by with a gun pointed down its throat. President Kennedy has taken the final step from which there can be no retreat.

And, as much as every sane human being abhors war and particularly the horrors of nuclear war, who wants to retreat? Despite all our sins of omission and commission, we who call ourselves Americans have a sense of honor, and we hold to the firm belief that our

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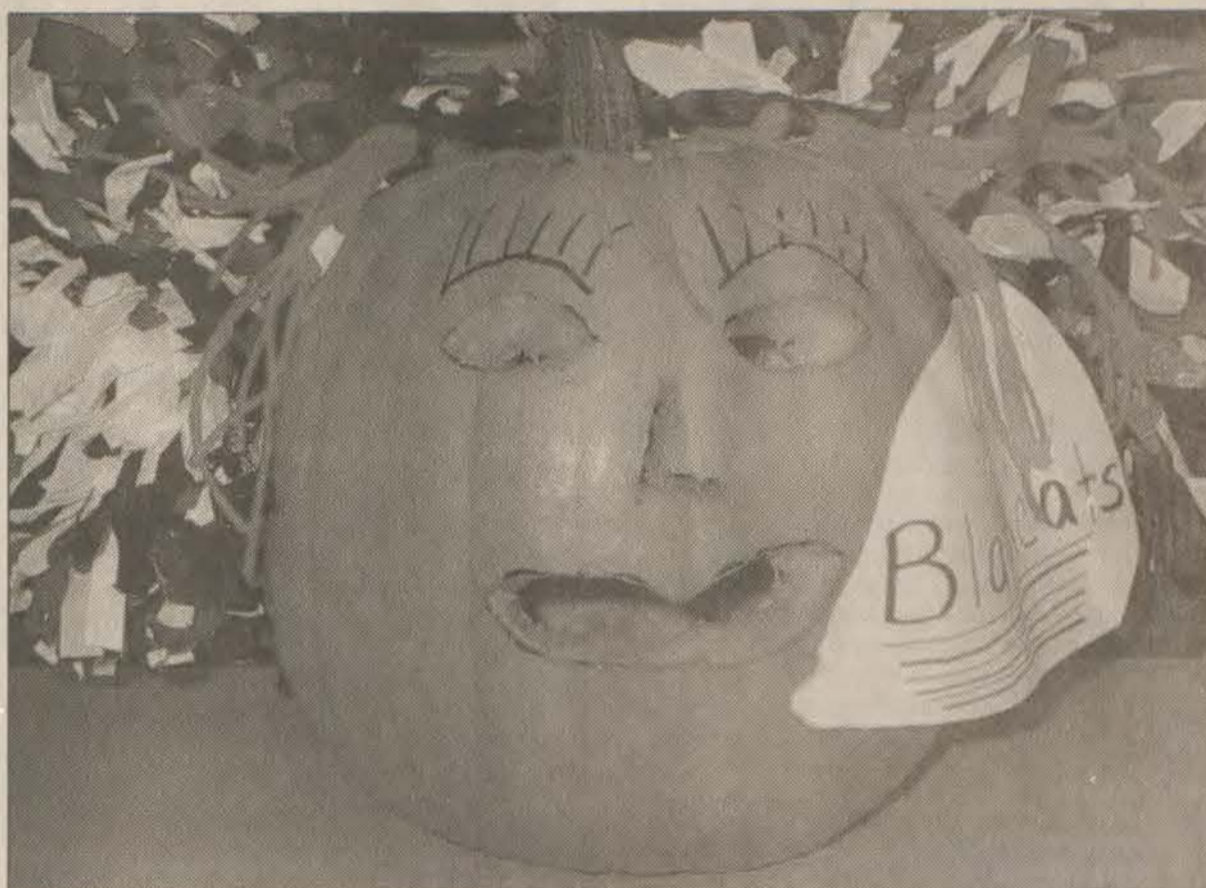


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"We are the Blackcats, the mighty, mighty Blackcats! Can't you just hear this cheerleader's chant?"

Egads, it's the Great Pumpkin!

by Kathy J. Prater FEATURES EDITOR

Walking into the Prestonsburg Elementary School's auditorium, you can almost hear Lucy exclaim, "Good Grief, Charlie Brown, it's the Great Pumpkin!", for on display in the all-dressed-up-for-Halloween assembly hall is a wide array of pumpkins, all decked out themselves and masquerading as trick-or-treaters.

Touring the room, one will meet pumpkins dressed as celebrities such as Elvis Presley and Dolly Parton, as well as those made up in the likenesses of rescue workers, historical figures and cheerleaders.



photo by Kathy J. Prater Melissa Turner's second graders must have been studying about the "old days" and "pioneer ways." Either that, or they just really like Martha Washington.

With the help of parent-volunteer Della Clifton, the school's auditorium has been transformed into an other-worldly Halloween museum. Upon entering, Clifton has put together a "Ghost Family" portrait encased within a gilded frame with added bits of spiderwebbing and creepy crawly insects for special effect.

Inside, along with the student's hand-decorated jack-o-lanterns, are several educational displays on real-life facts about spiders, bats, and how-to-grow a pumpkin, as well as displays that feature Halloween costume ideas along with ideas for throwing the "best-ever" Halloween party.

All in all, the Halloween display is more than just a kid's idea of fun, it's very educational as well - whether the kids realize it or not.

Editor's Note: The pumpkins on display in the school auditorium were donated to the individual classrooms by the school's PRIDE Club, who planted pumpkin seeds last spring and returned to school this fall to find a pumpkin patch that would rival any local farmer's. Phyllis Allison, a kindergarten teacher at the school, serves as the club's coordinator.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

"Dolly Pumpkin," er, "Parton," was one of the more creative endeavors on display this month in the PES auditorium. Dolly was the creative work of Ms. Betty Minix's fourth grade class.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Lisa Hunt's second graders were feeling patriotic when they decided to craft this pumpkin mask of New York City's Statue of Liberty. We think she's pretty awe-inspiring.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Does this face look anything like Prestonsburg Fire Department's Larry Adams? We're sure this pumpkin drew inspiration from the 9/11 activities and recognitions that took place at the school earlier this year.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Glad to see a little women's history making its way into the elementary curriculum. This "great" pumpkin is Susan B. Anthony in disguise, and this suffragette looks about as good as the one on the coin. Liberated Ms. Diana Turner's third graders are responsible for this bit of U.S. history.

Postscript

No gas

The danger of monopoly is all too evident if you drive through Pike County these days.

A week or so ago, I left Whitesburg for home with a gas gauge nearing empty. I wasn't worried because I knew there were several gas stations on US 23 north.

I should have been worried. I pulled over at three gas/convenience stores that turned out to be closed. I'm a little slow, but I finally began to look for other cars before leaving the highway.

As I saw that store after store was closed, I remembered that Coleman Oil and its related companies had recently filed for bankruptcy. Happy Mart and FillZone, which dotted this route, were part of that conglomerate.

The locked stores continued all through Pike County and into Floyd on US 23. I was close to Allen and beyond empty before I could pull over and replenish the fuel.

I later read that dozens of stores, all the way from Owingsville in Bath County to the Tug Fork, are affected. The

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The Troubled Monster

by MARILYN CRAFT ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL, 6TH GRADE

One day 6 year old Wendy and her 9 year old brother, Max, were walking home from school. Max looked over and saw a shaking in the bushes. Wendy looked in the bushes hoping to see a puppy.

What she didn't know was "Slappy" the monster was there. She looked deep in the bushes and there she saw Slappy. She said, "Hello, my name is Wendy."

He replied, "My name is Slappy, how are you?"

Before he could say any more, Max grabbed Wendy and ran for the police station. The whole way there Wendy was yelling, "He's nice, he's nice."

Max told the cops exactly what he saw. Wendy said nothing. When they got home, it was very late, way past their bedtime. The next day they got the mail off the steps. That's when they saw the ad, "Mystical monster loose on the street."

"Richville has never been like this," said Max.

"It's all your fault," said

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Things to Ponder: Yes, I'm Bipolar?!

(This is to follow up on last week's topic of bipolar disorder or 'manic-depression'. In brief summary, this is a mental disorder that is being recognized more, occurs in all ages, tends to be inherited, and is seen from mild-to-severe levels. The typical symptoms can occur in four categories: mood is either mostly depressed, mostly manic, or mixed-up and down; behaviors usually reflect a low level of impulse control, often being 'hot tempered'; cognitive or mental functioning is too fast to be effective, such as thinking all the

time; and perceptions of the world and those about them are unrealistic, such as seeing and hearing things that are not there or feeling someone is 'out to get them.' Bipolar is viewed as an imbalance of 'electrical-like impulses within the brain,' resulting in significant problems that interfere with a person's quality of life. However, after appropriate diagnosis and treatment, medications and psychotherapy, the individual can do well at school or on the job and maintain good relationships. The following is an individual's

personal description of functioning in everyday life with bipolar disorder. Her willingness to share her experience is appreciated.)

"On Being Bipolar"-As an intelligent woman in the medical field, you would have thought that I would have seen this disorder years ago and diagnosed myself. I did not. I was willing to entertain the idea that I might be bipolar, when the diagnosis was given, but was not fully accepting of the idea. Then again, I was in a therapist's

office, which was not for the first time in my life.

The first time I was in a therapist's office was after a hospitalization for a 'neurological' disorder (bipolar is a neurological disorder). I was having numbness in my right arm and the right side of my face. I was distressed because I had this problem for several months. One doctor had ruled out heavy metals poisoning because I was a waste water analyst. Several doctors

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Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

Weddings



Caudill-Swiger

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Caudill, of Hanover, Indiana, formerly of Floyd County, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Jamelin Caudill, of Indianapolis, to Anthony Foster Swiger, also of Indianapolis. Ms. Caudill is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. McClellan Martin, formerly, of Bedford, Kentucky, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Caudill, formerly of Allen. Mr. Swiger is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Terry Swiger, of Caruthersville, Missouri. The bride-to-be holds a Master of Health Administration degree from Indiana University and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Butler University at Indianapolis. She is a graduate of Culver Girls Academy, Culver, Indiana, and is employed with Hendricks Community Hospital, Danville, Indiana. The prospective groom holds a Master of Arts degree from the University of Illinois at Springfield, and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. He is a graduate of Caruthersville High School and is employed with the Indiana Office of Utility Consumer Counselor, Indianapolis. An October 26, 2002 wedding is scheduled at Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral in Indianapolis. Invitations have been sent.



Miller-Parsons

Jennifer Kay Miller, the daughter of Tina Wells, of Auxier, and Jerry Miller, of Middle Creek, was joined in marriage to Tristan Thomas Parsons, the son of Jack and Connie Parsons, of Prestonsburg, on April 20, 2002, in a ceremony that was held at the First Baptist (Irene Cole Memorial) Church, in Prestonsburg. Dr. Floyd Price officiated. The bride, a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and KCTCS, is employed by Our Lady of the Way Hospital. The groom, also a graduate of Prestonsburg High School, as well as Morehead State University, is employed by the Floyd County Board of Education. The couple reside in Prestonsburg.



Cooley-Pollock

Christa Lynn Cooley, the daughter of Harold W. Cooley, of Prestonsburg, and the late Amy Kay Goodwin Cooley, was joined in marriage to Robert David Pollock, the son of Dr. Mary Anne Pollock, of Morehead, and James R. Pollock, of Hudson, Florida, on May 11, 2002, in a ceremony that took place at the Pines, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. Rev. Wayne Sayre officiated. The bride is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and Morehead State University. She is a member of the Delta Gamma Fraternity and is employed by Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. The groom is a graduate of Breckinridge High School and Morehead State University. He is a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity and is employed by WKYT-TV, Lexington. The couple reside in Lexington.

Cline-Spradlin

Mary Francis Cline, the daughter of Earl and Sherry Cline, and Shawn Clay Spradlin, the son of Patsy Spradlin, will be united in marriage on Saturday, October 26, 2002, at 5:30 p.m., at the Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg. A reception will follow immediately afterwards at the Pines Building, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.

School Happenings

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

■ 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 CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

■ Oct. 21 - Cook-out for parents and students, 1:30 p.m.

■ Oct. 29 - OPEN HOUSE, 5-6 p.m.

■ Oct. 31 - Student Spotlight Ceremony, 10 a.m.

■ Each Monday, 8:30-9:25 a.m., "Respect Class," for 7th grade girls.

■ Collect Food City receipts and turn them in to home room teachers.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.

■ G.E.D. classes offered-

FREE-each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m. and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda Bailey

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

■ The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

■ Open enrollment for After School Child Care is available through the Family Resource Center. Service hours are 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

■ Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian Akers and Charlotte Rogers.

CLARK ELEMENTARY

■ Oct. 21-26 - RED RIBBON WEEK.

■ Oct. 24 - Flu Shots - Floyd County Health Dept. - available to entire community. Call for an appointment - 886-0815.

■ Oct. 24 - OPEN HOUSE, 5-7 p.m.

■ Oct. 26 - Fall Carnival, 6-8 p.m.

■ Oct. 26 - "Make a Difference Day," (Stew Day) Donate cans of stew during October. Bring to Family Resource Center office. Stew will be donated to local food pantries to be distributed to needy families in area.

■ 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.

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.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ Oct. 21 - Flu Shots. Given by the Floyd Co. Health Dept. in Family Resource Center. Please call for an appointment, 377-2678. Limited number of appointments available.

■ Oct. 23-29 - Red Ribbon (Drug Prevention) Week. Students are encouraged to wear the following: Oct. 23 - All red day; Oct. 24 - Red hat day; Oct. 25 - Red shirt day; Oct. 28 - Red socks day; Oct. 29 - All red day.

■ School is collecting Food City receipts. Have your students turn receipts in to their homeroom teachers. Community members may also turn receipts in to school office. Help McDowell Elementary receive computers, audio visual equipment, etc. through the "Apples for Students" program.

■ SBDM Council meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month.

■ FRC Advisory Council meets first Thursday of each month in FRC office at 5:30 p.m.

■ GED classes are held in FRC each Monday and Wednesday from 8-11:30 a.m. Classes are FREE. Please bring paper and pencil. Instructor, Teresa Allen, David School.

■ Parents of fifth-graders should call now to have their child scheduled for school physicals and immunizations. A series of three HEP B vaccines are required for entry into sixth grade next fall. Students should begin the series now in order to be ready by next fall. Call 377-2678 for appointment.

■ 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.

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cause, in spite of our individual failings, is just.

So it is that Americans will, come what may, 'quit themselves like men.'

NATURAL REACTION

Tom Dingus was sitting in a Louisa restaurant, Tuesday noon, reading from Argosy, an article about the German 88. As so many others had done, he had spent a good portion of the preceding night, thinking on the seriousness of the world situation and the threat presented by Russia. Just when he was most engrossed in the article, a woman inside the restaurant screamed. Into the building tore a small car which had been hit by a tractor-trailer and rammed through the wall.

As the bricks and glass flew, and pandemonium set in, the Prestonsburg man jumped to his feet. Know what his first thought was? "Those derned Russians!"—that, he says, was it.

TEMPTATION

I do not believe in lying. Not even lying by a fisherman to another liar. But I was tempted, the other day, to call a certain Laffollette, Tennessee, sporting goods dealer to his store by telling him I wanted to buy a big order, then, face to face, inform him I was merely evening the score for those whoppers he told us about how great the fishing was, over at Norris Lake.

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biggest concentration, however, is in Pike County where Coleman Oil has had almost a monopoly on gasoline sales.

A secondary effect is that those few stations that are not a part of the bankrupt company can now jack up their already outrageous prices because the choices are fewer.

The main beneficiaries of a monopoly are the people who own the monopoly, and the main beneficiaries of a bankrupt company are its competitors. The consumer loses all the way around.

I really have to share an e-mail I received recently from a colleague who received it from someone else. The author is lost to time. This is for word lovers.

Mahatma Gandhi, as you know, walked barefoot most of the time, which produced an impressive set of calluses on his feet. He also ate very little, which made him rather frail, and with his odd diet, he suffered from bad breath. This made him...

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told me to go home and it would go away. Obviously, they had it partially right, since it was all in my head. One doctor referred me to a neurologist, who was concerned that I had a brain tumor. So into the hospital I went. After having several tests, they determined that the problem was a neurological one that was aggravating my shoulder muscles by them having been constantly over stimulated and thus, causing the numbness. I went to a therapist's office for biofeedback training. The biofeedback training was to teach me how to relax myself instead of dwelling on the problem (I have some problems with obsessive thinking patterns). Biofeedback has helped me tremendously. However, I was not given medication for anxiety, depression, or mania at that time, as I was later, after being diagnosed with bipolar disorder.

One of the problems with being bipolar is that I have the disorder every day, but I don't have symptoms everyday. I have gone years between 'spells', which is normal for the abnormal disorder. I think that's one of the problems with being bipolar. I can be a 'normal' person for several years, being passionate about life, happy, concerned, and caring. Then, there will be an episode of being hopeless and agitated (mixed bipolar) and unable to follow through on any project, even fixing dinner.

The descent into the depression phase is a low one for me. I will just realize that I am not emotionally where I like being. As I described it to the therapist, I feel stuck and I can't get out and up. I become very frustrated with myself. I can't keep the house clean. I go to work, but don't do my paperwork on time. I love to work in my yard, but am overwhelmed with all that needs done and I can't figure out where to start. All of this undone work really frustrates me, which overcomes me more and I just sit and play 'Free Cell' on the computer for hours. Afterwards, I can be disgusted with myself to even a greater extent. Have you ever been there? I have, for months at a time.

I think that part of the reason for my bipolar disorder not being discovered earlier has to do with the fact that I have been through two divorces and widowed. Because of these situations, I have been on

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Story

Wendy. "Slappy is a good monster, I told you."

"Prove it to me," said Max.

Wendy said, "I will tomorrow."

The next day, Wendy took Max to the exact place they saw Slappy. They found him on a pile of fallen leaves fast asleep. Wendy yelled, "Slappy, wake up!"

Slappy woke up and saw

Max and said, "Who are you?"

"Max is my name," he said.

Max said, "Wendy, I guess he is pretty nice but how do we convince the town that he is so nice? They're scared of him."

Wendy said, "I've got a plan."

All three of them raced to

City Hall to show Mayor Ralph the monster was nice. Slappy introduced himself and later on became good friends with the mayor. The mayor got things straightened out and everything was back to normal. Almost everything, now there is a cool monster living and working in Richville!

The End.

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their lives in some way. I'm thinking, very few.

We all turn on our car radios and tune in to our favorite television shows. Many of us enjoy going to movies and attending live theatre productions. We dance at our weddings, as the saying goes, and we flip through books and magazines as we admire the creative productions of our writers, fashion designers, and photographers.

But yet, there are those among us who can justify that arts programs are not necessary to our children's educations.

Far be it from me to ever insinuate that a solid academic program is not fundamentally important, but, from the information I can gather, music and art are components of a solid academic program. Especially when you see that the testing scores of music students are significantly higher than those of students who do not study music. That's a direct correlation that, in my opinion, needs to be paid attention to.

Although I was a fairly good student during my school days and, for the most part, paid diligent attention to my academic studies, I can't imagine what life would have been like without music and art class. I know that I would not be the person I am

today without this early exposure to the arts. Music, art, drama, dance, creative writing - these disciplines unleash our creative spirits and give us the tools we need to learn how to let our imaginations soar.

If nothing else, they provide our children with a much needed break from the rigors of their academic studies. I can certainly remember how good it felt to take pause from math problems and sentence diagramming to sing with "Miss Kathryn" and paint with "Miss Best," my respective music and art teachers during my days at Prestonsburg Elementary.

In my own home, I live with three children - one is a gung-ho football player, one a band member, and the other a budding actress/performer. And, thankfully, all are good students. This past weekend, we had a sleep-over guest - another football player. Somehow, over dinner, conversation turned to a debate between the boys and the girls over which was most important - sports or the arts.

Of course, everyone had their own opinion and, following much discussion, no one's was swayed. I, being the only adult present, tried hard to interject the conversation with balance - "Now, kids, they're both

important, in different ways."

Try as I might, I actually did little to calm this mini-war between the sexes, or to prevent the eventual slamming of my daughter's door. It is quite apparent that these kids realize that a competition for funding dollars exists between the worlds of sports, arts education, and academia.

Too bad, isn't it, that this situation has trickled down to the point that our very own children are now fighting over it? On our own guest book this morning, students from Prestonsburg High School posted comments that centered around, basically, feeling left out of the loop.

Though it goes without saying that I fully support strong academic programs, and that I also support sports programs and their benefits, I also even more avidly support having the arts represented in our schools. In short, I support offering "something for everyone."

Every child deserves a reason to feel good about themselves - an arena in which to display their own individual talents. If too much money is going into one program at the expense of other, then, folks, this just isn't right.

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Ganglion cysts common condition

don sheath. While the cause is not really known, one theory is that damage to a tendon sheath or joint allows fluid to leak out and form a cyst. What is known is that they are more common in women than men, and are common in gymnasts, who frequently apply stress to the wrist. Strenuous activity to the affected joint can cause it to increase in size. So it does appear that physical stress — as you experience in your job — may sometimes be a causative factor. Also, it may be of interest to you to know that when a joint with a ganglion cyst is rested, it will typically decrease in size.

Most often, ganglion cysts are painless and cause no problems, but they may be unsightly. Occasionally they cause pain when moving the affected area. It is not uncommon for them to disappear on their own, but some have to be drained or surgically removed.

Generally it is easy to diagnosis a ganglion cyst by its classic location on

the dorsum of the wrist. If the cyst is large, your physician may shine a light through it — a procedure called transillumination — to prove that it is a fluid filled growth. Sometimes an MRI is done to

differentiate a ganglion cyst from an arthritic lesion, especially when the lesion appears on the palm of the hand. Some physicians will drain — aspirate in doctor lingo — the cyst to both diagnose and treat it. However, there is a 50 percent recurrence rate when a cyst is aspirated.

Surgery is another treatment for ganglion cysts and is more reliable than aspiration in preventing recurrences. While aspiration can usually be done in a physician's office, complete removal is best performed in an outpatient surgical setting.

By far, the most common treatment is observation. Unless a ganglion cyst is causing a great deal of pain or impairing function, there is no need to remove it. Occasionally, wearing a

wrist brace can help decrease the size of a cyst.

So here it is in a nutshell: Consult with your physician to confirm the diagnosis of any new lump. Follow treatment advice. If it is a ganglion cyst, rest your wrist or hand as much as possible. Avoid activities that strain the wrist or hand. Promptly report any changes, such

as dramatic increase in size, development of pain, or decreased function in the affected area. Don't be surprised if you wake up one day and it is gone.

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Family Medicine

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



Question: I'm a 34 year-old banquet server who is one of many at my hotel banquet department who has developed a wrist ganglion cyst on the right hand. I've been in this business for 5 years. In this particular hotel we press 35-45 lb. service trays and walk up to 1/8 mile one way. No other facility any of us has worked at has such a requirement. It would seem that someone has conducted a study on this industry and shown some sort of

correlation to cyst. Have you heard of anything?

Answer: Ganglion cysts are the most common growth in the wrist and hand. These are commonly found on the top of the wrist (dorsum), but can also be found on the palm side of the hand at the base of a finger or the underside of the wrist, close to the thumb. They are always benign.

A ganglion cyst is a fluid-filled sac that arises from a nearby joint or ten-

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antidepressants three times. Antidepressants have been discovered to cause a depressed bipolar to go into the manic phase quickly, which I did all three times.

I come across as a nice caring woman and I have had three abusive husbands. Were they abusive because of my unstable brain, or theirs, or both? Was I attracted to instability because that is my normal? The questions can become obsessive in my case. In my opinion, as a child, I was the product of a 'double' bipolar marriage, since both of my parents were

probably 'bipolar' too. All I wanted as a child was to grow up and have a stable loving home with my husband. I have a beautiful loving son. I am very successful in my career. I have a beautiful, sometimes messy, home. My yard is very well landscaped, based on all the readings I've done. I can cook a gourmet meal and serve it on a beautifully set table. But, I have not been successful at the one thing I most desired to do successfully—have a reasonable marital relationship.

I do pray, study religious teachings, and love God.

Sometimes, all of us will have problems, because of our choices. That is me! Sometimes we seem to have problems to help us grow. That's me, too! Sometimes we have problems because of the family dynamics of our childhood home. Me, again! One of the many lessons that I have learned, since having this bipolar disorder is to be less judgmental, and more compassionate, toward other people. I know that even with our spiritual beliefs (and none of us is ever 100 percent perfect. If you think you are, guess again, you are human and it's an impossible state). There are days, months, and years when some of us just can't cope. With medication and professional help we can cope better.

The 'normal' me, between cycles, likes to go and do and thus make things happen. The bipolar me knows what needs to be done, but can't do it, and becomes frustrated. I have decided to read about bipolar disorder to learn what I can do to keep this negative from happening or to lessen the impact it has on me. I am studying the nutritional changes I need to make. I am learning the behavioral changes I need to make, with having regular sleep time, taking care of myself, and keeping daily checks for balance in my life. These changes will help me to recognize when I am starting to cycle up or down, so that I can get help quicker. I will always have a therapist to help me recognize and face when cycles are beginning. (Denial is a favorite coping mechanism for me.) I will have regular physical checkups, as well, for thyroid function, blood sugar, and hormonal balance, because these

can affect my mental health as well.

If you have a family member who has 'spells' that last for months of just not being themselves, bipolar disorder may be the reason. They can have spells of being hyperactive, such as being kicked into high gear, up 20 hours a day, and busy every minute, or what is commonly referred to as 'manic.' They can have spells of being depressed, being unable to get out of first gear and taking 120 percent of their daily energy just to get dressed and get their shoes on. Between these spells they are their 'normal' selves. If you notice these patterns, in yourself or someone else, talk to your doctor about the possibility of bipolar disorder being the cause. There is no cure for bipolar disorder. It can be your 'thorn in the flesh.' There are lifestyle changes that you can make that will make life easier for you and those around you without using bipolar disorder as an excuse to be miserable and make those around you miserable.

Dr. Lineberger is a licensed psychologist with a private practice.

Eyes

In my opinion, the Board of Education is taking the heat for decisions that are made by our site-based councils. But, don't get me started on the site-based council theory, because I, for one, think it provides for an unsound way in which to manage our schools. And let me now say, before the letters and comments come rolling in, that I have nothing against any site-based councilmember at any school. I just feel that the management of our schools should be left up to those who have been trained and educated in school administration. Parents and students need a voice, yes, but trained professionals need to be making the important decisions that ultimately guide our children's futures. That's the way the system worked when I was a student and, looking at a lot of the folks I graduated with and the lives they have made for themselves, I think it worked pretty well. Sure, we still had our share of jealousies and tiffs, but I don't think anyone ever really experienced the sense of "slight" that our students today are experiencing. Whatever the crux of the problem, it's one that needs our attention.

D.A.V. holds annual fund drive

The members of the D.A.V. Chapter #128, of Garrett, are pleased to report that the people of Left and Right Beaver were very generous in their donations during the chapter's recent "Poppy Drive."

Members also report that many took an extra moment of time to stop and speak to them during the drive, and these gestures were very much appreciated. The veterans wish to acknowledge that all have the right to freedom of choice and that to choose to fight, and possibly die, for this great country, is an honor that they would gladly repeat.

Pageants



Jr. Miss Red, White and Blue

Kassie Prater, the daughter of Sammy and Letisha Prater, of Allen, was recently named Floyd County's 2002 Jr. Miss Red, White and Blue. Kassie is the granddaughter of Eleanor Fields, of Allen, and the late Elmer Fields, and the late Charlie Prater, formerly of Middle Creek. Kassie, a student at Allen Elementary, was escorted in the pageant by Joshua Darby, the son of Huey and Earlene Darby, of Allen.

New Arrivals

- Oct. 7, 2002**
A son, Landon Keelan Keen, to Kelly Renee and James Darrel Keen
- Oct. 7, 2002**
A daughter, Stephanie Ann Helton, to Georgina Ann and Steven Helton
- Oct. 7, 2002**
A daughter, Jaima Beth Minix, to Mary K. Williams
- Oct. 7, 2002**
A daughter, Katelin Isabella Poe, to Rhonda and Robert Poe
- Oct. 8, 2002**
A son, Nicholas Ryan Lee Hale, to Maranda and Max Hale
- Oct. 8, 2002**
A son, Austin Lee White, to Christal Jean and Alton B. White
- Oct. 8, 2002**
A daughter, MaKayla Brooke Bradley, to Barbara Compton
- Oct. 9, 2002**
A son, Kevin Gabrielle Duncan, to Emily Howell
- Oct. 10, 2002**
A son, Dustin William Robert Lafferty, to Deloris Mal and Billy Lafferty, Jr.
- Oct. 10, 2002**
A son, Logan Randall Gross, to Becky Jo and Michael Ray Gross
- Oct. 11, 2002**
A daughter, Camryn Shea Spurlock, to Angela Dawn Bevins
- Oct. 11, 2002**
A daughter, Kaitlyn Paige Russell, to Tina and Jeffery Russell

Birthdays



A bundle from Heaven

Megan Nicole Williams was born on May 24, 2002, to proud parents, Kevin and Stephanie Miller Williams, of Letcher. The infant was born at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital, in Hazard. Megan Nicole is the granddaughter of Tina Wells, of Auxier, Jerry Miller, of Martin, and Wanda Webb and Floyd Williams, both of Whitesburg. The baby's mother was diagnosed with cancer just 1 month after Megan's birth, a condition which may have gone undetected had it not been for the pregnancy. Following surgery, Stephanie is now cancer-free and enjoying being "Mama" to her "little angel," which she says is "truly a gift from God." The family thanks all who supported and prayed for them during their time of crisis.

School

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.

STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FRYSC

■ Oct. 23 - Star Lab, 7th grade.
■ Oct. 29 - Program on the "Dangers of Inhalants," 12:45 and 1:45 p.m. Sponsored by Our Lady of the Way Hospital.
■ Nov. 14 - School photo retakes and Sports photos.
■ Nov. 15 - "Science on Campus," Prestonsburg Community College, 7th grade.
The Bridges Project is located in the school, Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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■ Tuesday and Thursday: Betsy Layne High School Family Resource Center, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389.
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■ 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.

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

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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 15,400.00. 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.

(6) A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for November 26, 2002 at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcements 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 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,

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(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.

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

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5436

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Dekalb Recovery, Inc., 0205 County Road 62, Box 172, Laotto, IN 46763, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation located 0.15 mile southwest of Eastern in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 5.45 surface acres and will underlie 36.60 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 42.05 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.45 mile southwest of KY Route 550's junction with KY Route 80, and located 0.10 mile northwest of the Right Fork of Beaver Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Ned N. Hall. The operation will underlie land owned by Ned N. Hall. The application has

been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, 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.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to KRS 353.630 and KRS 353.640

An application for Pooling Order to drill and operate Equitable Production Company Well No KL-501484, is being filed with the Kentucky Department of Oil and Gas. The subject property is located in Harold Quadrangle, of Floyd County, State of Kentucky. Said property being more completely described in Deed Book 61, Page 317, of the public records of the County Clerks Office of Floyd County, State of Kentucky.

Any party claiming an interest in the proposed pooled tract, should contact the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals, C/O the Director of the Division of Oil and Gas, and Equitable Production Company (606-433-1240) within twenty (20) days from the date of this publication.

The following list comprises all known or last known owners of the subject property, with addresses, if known, or last known addresses.

The unknown heirs of Robert Newsom

PUBLIC NOTICE BUSINESS-COMMUNITY LEADER FOR LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE (LPC)

The Floyd County Board of Education is accepting nominations for business-community leader (1) to serve on the Floyd County Local Planning Committee (LPC) until completion of the LPC process. Members of the Local Planning Committee (LPC) will be responsible for the development of a Master Educational Facility Plan and District Facility Plan for Floyd County that will assist in determining future school facility construction,

and major renovation priorities.

The Floyd County School Board will select one (1) member from nominations received to serve on the Local Planning Committee (LPC). Please submit nominations, including a letter of agreement to serve on the Local Planning Committee to: L.P.C. Search, Floyd County Board of Education, 103 North Front Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Nomination deadline: October 28, 2002.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-0289 Operator Change

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, intends to revise permit number 836-0289 to add an operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is the permittee. The new operator will be Knott Floyd Land Company, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502.

The operation is located 1.3 mile southwest of Hueysville in Floyd County, and is located 0.6 mile southwest from State Route 7's junction with Salyers Branch Road on Saltlick Creek. The operation is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37° 29' 16" and longitude 82° 51' 46".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be

received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5436

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Dekalb Recovery, Inc., 0205 County Road 62, Box 172, Laotto, IN 46763, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 0.25 mile southwest of Eastern in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 5.28 surface acres and will underlie 36.62 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 41.90 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.60 mile southwest of KY Route 550's junction with KY Route 80, and located 0.10 mile northwest of the

Right Fork of Beaver Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Ned N. Hall. The operation will underlie land owned by Ned N. Hall.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Surface Mining

Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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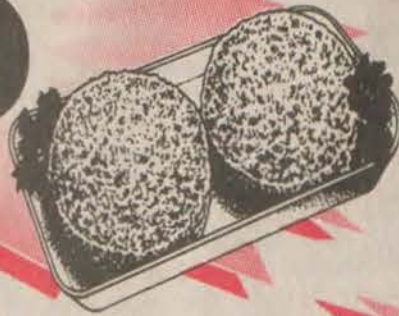
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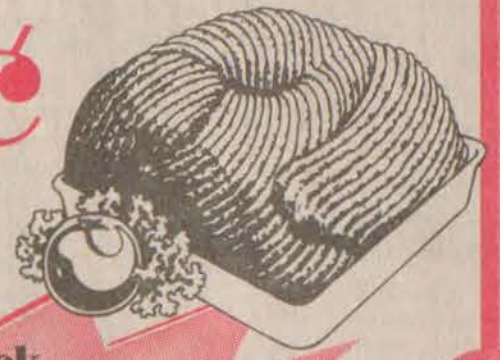
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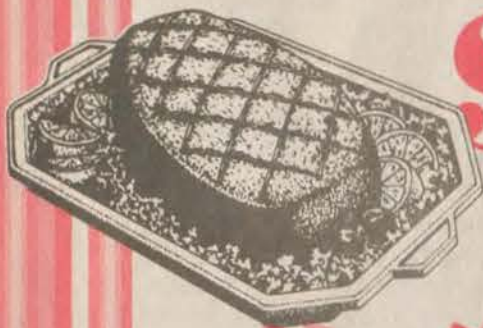
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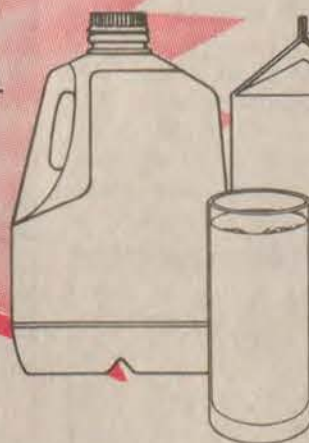
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Dear Tom and Ray:
A friend of mine has a 2000 Corvette with the 345-horsepower 5.7-liter engine. Lately, he has been using an octane booster on top of 91-octane premium fuel. He claims that the computer in the Vette can detect the booster and advance the timing to increase horsepower. I say he's full of hooley. It might work, but it's difficult to believe that the booster is making a large enough difference that he can feel it in the seat of his pants. What do you say? — Keith



TOM:

Well, Keith, if he's feeling something in the seat of his pants during hard acceleration, he might need to throttle back on the Metamucil, not the octane booster.

RAY:

He might actually be able to feel a bit of a difference, but his description of why he does is incorrect. This car has a knock sensor, which tells the computer when there's pre-ignition, or pinging, in the cylinders. Pinging is caused by premature combustion in the cylinders. And it's usually due to the engine running too hot or the octane of the fuel being too low.

TOM:

Pinging is bad for the engine, so when the knock sensor detects pinging, it retards the timing a bit to get rid of it. That reduces engine power by a small amount.

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T E S T D R I V E by Greg Zyla

**2003 TOYOTA
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This week, we test drive Toyota's all-new compact SUV dubbed Corolla Matrix.

This new SUV looks good, has lots of versatility and, best of all, starts at under \$20,000 in all-wheel-drive configuration. With these factors in mind, Matrix is sure to be a big winner in dealer showrooms nationwide.

The Matrix drives similar to a small sports car and is available in 2WD and AWD, the latter offering go-anywhere abilities. Three models are available: Matrix, Matrix XR and Matrix XRS.













Our XR-equipped tester, which based for \$18,445, came with upgraded features like a household 115V AC outlet, two 12-volt auxiliary power outlets, tilt steering wheel, heavy-duty rear defogger and a three-spoke steering wheel. Options included a \$1,160 Sport Package that added 16-inch tires, alloy wheels, tilt-and-



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slide moon roof and a day-night inner mirror. A Sport Plus Package added front fog and driving lamps for an additional \$270. Other options were driver and passenger side air bags (\$250), cruise control (\$250), premium CD/cassette stereo (\$140), carpeted floor mats (\$76) and cargo mat (\$56). Add the \$485 delivery and processing fee, and you come up with the very reasonable retail bottom line of \$21,132.

The standard 123-horsepower Corolla-based twin-cam 1.8-liter four-cylinder engine powers the Matrix fairly well, although more horsepower would never hurt. This engine will also produce 26 mpg city and 31 mpg highway EPA numbers, which is another plus when it comes to selecting a small SUV. We timed our Matrix from 0-60 mph in a little over 11 seconds, a time that could be much improved if you order the 180-horsepower Matrix XRS. Only one transmission is available in AWD format, a competent but horsepower-robbing four-speed automatic. Manuals are available in 2WD versions with a six-speed standard on the XRS.

Our Matrix stood out in a crowd, and several onlookers complimented the vehicle. Inside, the front passenger seats fold forward with the flip of a lever and recline fully. The 60/40 split rear seats fold forward and flat, and with rear seats in the down position, the Matrix can haul 8-foot lumber or golf clubs galore. The Matrix offers near station-wagon cargo space — with 21.8 cubic feet with the rear seats up and 53.2 cubic feet with the seats folded. The gearshift sits far forward,

resulting in more floor space. Gauges are electronic analog and hued in red, and all switches are within easy reach. Visibility is excellent. There are handy 12-volt power outlets, along with many other amenities that will please both passengers and drivers.

Other interior notables include two tracks built into the floor that can accommodate special interior bike racks or a pull-out picnic table. There are eight tie-down anchors, an amazing 16 anchor tie-down points, storage nets and plastic storage trays in the spare-tire well. Finishing off the storage capability is a roof rack.

The ride is very good, seating is comfortable and Matrix hugs the road more like a car than an SUV. The base four-cylinder engine is acceptable on the freeway, although a few more ponies wouldn't hurt. The 2WD 1.8-liter engine produces 130 horsepower due to different exhaust system bends.

All Matrix 2WD and AWD come with air conditioning, air bags, four-wheel independent suspension, four-wheel anti-lock brakes, front discs, daytime running lamps, air bags, solar glass and lots more. Important numbers include a wheelbase of 102.4 inches, 2,965 pound gross weight and a total length of 171.8 inches. The fuel tank holds 11.9 gallons.

In summary, Matrix is a well-built, roomy, fun vehicle that offers go-anywhere convenience and a price that fits most budgets. From a low of \$15,155 for the 2WD base model to the XRS' base of \$19,235, Matrix leaves lots of room for all wallet sizes.

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RAY:

Now, most civilized humans would never notice this subtle difference, or care. But some knuckle-scrappers whose whole lives revolve around "0-60 times" might notice a difference — or at least imagine that they do.

TOM:

By adding an octane booster, your friend is probably preventing pinging during hard acceleration, and therefore is preventing the knock sensor from kicking in and retarding the timing. That means that the engine is operating at full power, even during the period of greatest demand.

RAY:

So tell him that he's half right, Keith, but he should stop driving like a knucklehead. And tell him if I catch him driving like that, I'm going to use my foot and give him something he'll definitely feel in the seat of his pants.

What to do with a Daewoo?

Dear Tom and Ray:

I am the not-so-proud owner of a 1999 Daewoo Leganza. As you probably know, Daewoo has recently undergone a series of name changes: Daewoo, Daewoo, Daewoo? and now, Daewoo. Currently, the car has 40,000 miles on it, runs well and is worth far less than I owe on it. Now that the company has closed up shop in the United States, I can't get parts for it. I took it to my local dealer (just before it went out of business) to see about the latch on my glove compartment. The mechanic agreed that it was

broken, agreed that it was under warranty and then wished me luck in finding the part. He also mentioned something about timing belts going at around 50,000 miles. What should I do with this time bomb? I'm a member of AAA, and the first question they ask when you call the towing service is "Where do you want it towed to?" What will I tell them: "I don't care where you tow it, but there's \$100 in it for you if you lose it before you get there"? Should I treat it like the WorldCom stock in my portfolio (hold on and pray it accrues in value) or trade it before it becomes a Daewoo't Run? I laid in a supply of four oil filters and two air filters to try to keep it maintained for another two years (after that, I won't care how dirty the oil or air is). I was thinking of taking the loss and trading it in for a new Jeep Liberty. My wife isn't so sure that's a good idea. What do you suggest? — Mark

TOM:

Well, I know what I'd do. I'd slap a Hyundai badge on it and try to sneak it into one of its dealerships for repair.

RAY:

You might as well just keep driving it, Mark. I wouldn't trade it in. It's worth almost nothing now. And if you keep it, at least you've got a decent car to drive.

TOM:

Plus, the situation is not entirely hopeless. General Motors has purchased most of Korea's Daewoo Motors Corporation and is forming a joint venture with it. And while GM hasn't provided details, it

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Luxury gets muscle

by ANN M. JOB
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Luxury isn't enough these days.

High-end carmakers are upping the ante for brand prestige and excitement by offering more performance versions of their luxury vehicles.

The latest player is Cadillac, which says it will build high-performance versions of its vehicles and call them V-Series models.

It will be the first time the 100-year-old nameplate will appear on high-performance models developed in-house and bearing a new Cadillac designation.

They will join BMW's M models, Mercedes-Benz AMG models, Jaguar's R Performance derivatives, Audi's S and Acura's Type-S cars in the busy luxury-performance segment.

Cadillacs V-Series cars are a year and a half away and will initially involve only the entry-

level Cadillac CTS. Cadillac still will have a long way to go to catch up with BMW and Mercedes, both of which sell several ultra-performance models that set sales records in 2001.

BMW's M brand sold approximately 23,000 cars last year.

The M comes from BMW's Motorsport division, whose high-performance vehicles are known not only for their more powerful engines like conventional BMW vehicles but their road-handling capabilities and sporty design cues.

Adding to the appeal of these vehicles is, in some cases, their ties to racing. The first M car, the M1 in 1978, was initially planned as a race car, then developed into a road-going model. It was never sold in the United States, but plenty of later M vehicles have been.

Similarly, Mercedes AMG unit was founded in 1967 with a focus on racing. But as sales of AMG models grew over the years, the Mercedes parent company, DaimlerChrysler, saw fit in the 1990s to take majority ownership of AMG, a company that had been founded by former Mercedes workers.

Last year, worldwide shipments of 18,700 AMG vehicles set a record, officials said, adding they expect another record for 2002. More than 40 percent of the AMG vehicles come to the U.S.

Besides providing a racy image to a luxury brand like Mercedes, AMG vehicles help retain interest and loyalty in the brand. On average, AMG owners own four other Mercedes-Benz products, said Dave Schembri, vice president of marketing for Mercedes-Benz USA.

AMG buyers are usually about 10 years younger than the average Mercedes-Benz buyers, according to Mario Spitzer, director of marketing.

"This group is very knowledgeable," Spitzer said. "They

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says the deal includes a plan to have a "third-party administrator" cover warranties for existing Daewoo customers in the United States. So you just have to hold on a little longer, Mark.

RAY:

In the meantime, if you can't find a dealer, here's what I'd recommend: Find a local mechanic who is willing to work on the car. He'll be able to get you simple stuff, like belts and hoses. And if you need anything more unusual, try to find it yourself.

TOM:

Your best bet is to go on the Web and type "Daewoo parts" into www.google.com or your favorite search engine. That'll turn up some potential parts

suppliers, including some Daewoo dealers who still have some parts lying around (although they're dwindling quickly).

RAY:

If you don't find the part you need, then you're just going to have to wait for the GM deal to close and for the new system to get up and running. Ordering Daewoo parts from Korea will take you several semesters, according to our sources.

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The nine AMG models from Mercedes and the M5 sedans, an M3 convertible and an M3 coupe from BMW offer buyers a wide choice this fall.

But these ultra-performance models usually retain their exclusivity, since numbers typically are limited.

The most exclusive AMG model in 2001 and 2002 has been the CLK55 AMG. Fewer than 400 a year have been available, said Robert Allan, product manager for AMG at Mercedes-Benz USA.

He added that AMG doesn't just drop a high-performance engine into a Mercedes body. AMG officials are involved from the start of a vehicle's development within Mercedes so they can plan all the necessary changes to make the AMG version the top performing Mercedes-Benz vehicle in each line, he said.

Changes can include brakes, seats and transmission as well as the engines, which are special because they are hand-assembled under a one-man/one-engine philosophy. To highlight this production process, AMG adds plates on the engines that tell owners of each car the name of the AMG technician who built its engine.

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Even without a direct racing link and a lengthy history, performance versions of luxury cars do well in today's market.

Acura's Type-S performance versions, which started with the Acura CL introduced as a 2001 model, aren't associated directly with racing, though many people engineering Acura products have spent time in Honda's racing program.

Nonetheless, Type-S is going great, spokesman Mike Spencer said.

About 60 percent of Acura CLs sold today are Type-S cars, and Type-S models account for about 40 percent of the Acura TLs sold, he said.

"We wanted to raise the performance image of the brand, and consumers wanted more performance," Spencer said.

Lexus and Infiniti are among the luxury makes that haven't added specially labeled, from-the-factory, performance models.

It's a topic of great discussion in the company right now, Lexus spokeswoman Nancy Hubbell acknowledged. "Current Lexus efforts focus on filling out our lineup with new models, rather than developing performance versions of current cars," she said.

ABSOLUTE AUCTION



Beautiful 163 Acre Montgomery County Farm - Log Cabin - Farm Machinery

SELLING IN TWO TRACTS

Saturday, October 26th - 10:00 A.M.

LOCATION: FROM MAYSVILLE ROAD, TRAVEL 3.8 MILES ON HINKSTON ROAD, TURN LEFT ON CASSIDY LANE. FOLLOW SIGNS.

TRACT I: Situated on 1.11 surveyed acres, this log cabin is in one of the most beautiful settings in Montgomery County. Built in 1980, this cabin offers approximately 3,000 sq. ft. and includes living room with fireplace insert and hardwood floors, kitchen, dining area, full bath, (12x41) screened porch, and (8x25) covered porch. Upper level contains 3 bedrooms and full bath. Full walkout basement has large finished family room, full bath, laundry room, storage and carport. Lot improved with mature shade trees and asphalt parking. Public water, central heat/air.

TRACT II: Purchased in 1966 by the Ginter family, this tract contains approximately 163 acres of rolling pasture in good grass with some walnut and varied timber. Improvements include 5 room, vinyl clad home, hay barn, 4-bent tobacco barn and 5-bent tobacco barn. This is an excellent cattle farm with livestock watered by .6 mile of Hinkston Creek. Several outstanding home sites with scenic views. This is one of the best 'farming farms' offered for sale this year. 2002 BASIC TOBACCO QUOTA IS 5,130 LBS.

FARM MACHINERY: Massey Ferguson 255 tractor, Vicom mower, Woods 208 mower, grader blade, hay spike, boom, Daunger post hole digger, water container, two hay wagons.

TERMS: On Real Estate - 10% down day of sale. Balance with deed on or before November 26th.

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Chrysler Group recalls some 2002 minivans

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — The Chrysler Group is voluntarily recalling approximately 143,500 (117,415 US/22,864 Canada/3,021 Mexico/156 International) 2002 model-year Dodge Grand Caravan and Chrysler Town & Country minivans to inspect a valve on the top of the fuel tank. The recall specifically involves minivans built at the Windsor, Ontario Assembly Plant from September 1, 2001, through March 11, 2002, which represents approximately one-fourth of the 2002 model year production volume.

About half of the vehicles inspected will receive a new fuel tank assembly due to a quality concern involving an improper

weld at a fuel tank supplier's plant.

Minivans produced at the St. Louis, Missouri, plant do not have this condition and are not affected by this action. The Chrysler Group has received no reports of fires or injuries related to this recall.

Customers will begin receiving notification letters by early November. If owners have questions regarding their minivan they may contact the Chrysler Group Customer Call Center at 1-800-853-1403. Customers who smell fuel or notice any leakage should contact their nearest dealer immediately and arrange for an inspection of the vehicle.

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SHOP TALK

Leaky Brakes

Q: Greg, I own a 1984 Ford Crown Victoria LTD, and lately, I have been losing brake fluid out of the front section of the master cylinder. This section controls the rear brakes. The master cylinder at the brake booster is bone dry! I removed both rear wheels and checked the rear wheel cylinder for leaks, and there was no sign of seepage or a leak. I would appreciate any help you can give. — Tony S., New Port Richey, Fla.

A: Tony, first we have to address the fact that regardless of how dry those rear brake cylinders are, you are indeed losing fluid. If you say the master cylinder is bone dry, then it is possible that all of the fluid already leaked out of the rear cylinders before you checked them.

Here's what you should do. Refill the front master cylinder reservoir, drive the car a few miles and then return home and remove those rear wheels again. I'll bet you find a leak either in the rear area or at the master cylinder itself.

Also, if your rear brake pads are worn, the brake pistons will have to push out further, which could result in a lower fluid level in the reservoir. If it is not leaking at the rear when filled, and you still lose fluid, trust me, it's leaking from somewhere and many times it is difficult to detect.

However, in time, you'll find it, as following the brake linings isn't that difficult to do, unlike an electrical problem, where the short could be anywhere in hundreds of feet of hidden wires. Good luck, and if you still can't find the problem, take your car to a certified mechanic or brake shop, and you'll be trouble-free soon.

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