- Section C

briefs Pike man

killed in **ATV** wreck

MCVEIGH - A Pike County man was killed Friday afternoon after crashing his all-terrain vehicle at McVeigh, according to Kentucky State Police.

At approximately 2 p.m. Friday, Mitchell K. Chapman II, 22, of Kimper, was travel-ing along Route 199 in the McVeigh area on his 2002 Yamaha Raptor 660 when he left the roadway. According to police,

Chapman's all-terrain vehicle struck a concrete pillar after leaving Route 199, sending him flying from the vehicle. State police reported that Chapman was not wearing a helmet at the time of the accident, but gave no indication as to the rate of speed at which he was traveling.

Pike County Deputy Coroner Mike Hall pronounced Chapman dead at the scene, after which time he was removed to South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital

Along with KSP Trooper Mitchell Adkins and the Pike County Coroner's office, other agencies responding to the accident included the Upper Pond Creek

Volunteer Fire Department and First Response Ambulance Service

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MEMORIAL

KSP investigating assault claim against officer

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — Police said yesterday they are investigating allegations of assault made against Martin City Police Officer Steve Toy by a woman claiming to be an on-again, off-again girlfriend of the offi-

The woman, Melinda Short, alleges that late Monday evening she and Toy were about to leave American Legion bar in Martin when she told him she was leaving with some friends.

Short claims that she told Toy she was leaving with friends and he became angry. She says after that, an argument between the two eventually ended in him assaulting her, taking her the four miles to his home and then assaulting her again before she escaped out the back door of the home.

Management at a nearby BP gas station along Route 80 said yesterday that a lady came into the station at about 12:30 a.m. and called 911.

According to dispatch logs at the Floyd

(See INVESTIGATION, page five)



Participants in the first Special Olympics to be held in Floyd County saw sunny weather Saturday, while they com-

Prestonsburg High School plays host to area games

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

peted in various events at Prestonsburg High School.

PRESTONSBURG - The Special Olympics area games attracted participants from 11 counties to Prestonsburg High School on Saturday, where sunshine marked the first event held in Floyd County.

People from Breathitt, Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Magoffin, Perry, Pike and Wolfe met early Saturday morning to register for a host of games that began at 9:30 a.m. and ended around 2:30 p.m. The event was new to the staff and students of Prestonsburg High School, who volunteered to assist, but things ran smoothly according to participants and coaches, many of whom liked the new location.

You get frustrated when getting it all together, but after today, it all goes away," said Ed Senig, local coordinator and father of Chris Meadows, who is the only 100-meter wheelchair race participant in the

(See OLYMPICS, page six)



Maggie Sutton, of Knott County, proudly displays her first-place ribbons for the softball throw and the 100-meter walk, while Sue Porter wears those of her brother, John Porter.

Mining firm cited for **Tinker Fork** collapse

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

TINKER FORK - A Pike County coal company has been cited for violations in regard to one of its closed mines that has started to collapse and threaten several homes in the Tinker Fork area of Mud Creek, officials said yesterday.

Belfry Coal Corporation was served a notice of non-compliance and an immediate danger order by the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet on April 14 for violations that have resulted in mud. water and rocks spilling near the homes and into the roads of Tinker Fork residents.

Mark York, the cabinet's deputy secretary, said yesterday the non-compliance order says that Belfry Coal has violated protective and environmental orders, adding that the immediate danger order ensures that immediate attention be given to the problem.

"Basically, it had to do with a couple of large boulders that we were concerned about," York said yesterday. "We wanted the boulders either secured above the homes or removed and one has been removed and the

(See MINE, page five)

Prestonsburg man charged in two-state chase

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

META - A Prestonsburg man has beer arrested on nine charges after leading police on a high-speed chase in two states.

According to court documents, Ronalc Lee Adkins II, 22, intentionally stopped at a road check at U.S. 119 at Meta on April 12 After handing the trooper his license, he allegedly fled from the roadblock, driving recklessly at an excessive speed of over 100 miles an hour.

The criminal complaint, sworn by Tpr Brad Hamilton, states that several Kentucky State Police troopers, Kentucky Vehicle

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South Floyd grad serving country in Baghdad

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McDOWELL - Troy Howell says his grandson wrote home about a week ago and reported there was little to complain about on the job

other than the usual smothering wall of dust, which was forever finding its way into his food and disabling his equipment.

He wrote that other than a few bumps and bruises, everything was

Howell's grandson, Christopher, School a little over two years ago. is in Baghdad, currently serving as a corporal in the 103rd Infantry's Medical Recovery Unit.

Howell, who is from McDowell. entered the military shortly after graduating from South Floyd High

He was ready for the transition after having been through ROTC training at Allen Central High School and in Bishopville, S.C., before that.

(See HOWELL, page three) Christopher Howel





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Odds & Ends

■ CLEARLAKE, Calif. — A dog named Dosha may have as many lives as a cat.

She was hit by a car, shot in the head and kept in a freezer for two hours, but she survived and is now doing well under a veterinarian's care.

Local animal groups and the Humane Society of the United States have begun fund-raising efforts to pay for her care.

Last Tuesday, Dosha was hit by a car. A police officer reported to the scene and no one

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could tell him who owned the crooks.

Officer Bob MacDonald shot the dog, apparently to save her the pain of her injuries. Dosha, presumed dead, was taken to Animal Control, where she was put in a freezer.

'Apparently, it was assumed dead," said Denise Johnson, Animal Control's interim director. "I went to the freezer and found that she was alive and

She had hypothermia and a gunshot wound, but no broken bones from the car accident, Johnson said.

Police are investigating.

■ SAN ANTONIO — The mow must go on, even if there's no mower thanks to some

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Thieves stole the specially modified lawn mower that Brad "Yard Man" Hauter planned to drive across the country on a dual mission; to raise funds for Keep America Beautiful Inc. and to break his own Guinness World Record.

"This is only a bump in the road, but we really need the original mower to break the record," Hauter said.

On Sunday, Hauter and his crew discovered was the tractor-trailer rig carrying the mower had disappeared from their hotel parking lot.

"At first I thought one of the guys took it to church for Easter," crew member Steve Maliszewski said.

Hotel security recorded two men taking the rig about 12:30 a.m. It was found later in the day on a dead-end street, emptied of the tractor and thousands of dollars worth of other lawn equipment, authorities said.

Hauter was planning to drive the mower 5,600 miles from San Francisco to New York. The trip would break the record he set in 1999 by traveling 4,000 miles from Atlanta to Santa Monica, Calif., on a single mower.

A local Wal-Mart store donated a new riding mower so Hauter could complete cleanup activities in the city Monday. Hauter hopes to raise \$200,000 for Keep America Beautiful, which advocates litter prevention, recycling and community improvement projects.

We're going to keep on trucking across America," Maliszewski said. "We've got to keep going."

Hauter set off on his excursion March 19 and hopes to reach New York on June 5.

■ BOCA RATON, Fla. -A man accused of robbing a bank told police the red ink covering his hands didn't come from exploding dye packs, but

from coloring Easter eggs.

Richard Roy, 41, was arrested Saturday, a day before Easter Sunday. He is accused of robbing a Wachovia Bank twice last week.

A teller at the bank put dye packs in the robber's bag April 15 and again Friday.

In the first robbery, a man gave a teller a handwritten note demanding money, then took out a gun and told the teller he would use it if necessary, police said. He got away with \$462.87, according to an arrest

The same robber returned Friday and handed over a note that read, "No dye pack this time. I will shoot you!" He then demanded money and got \$5,420, police said.

During the second robbery, a

gunman as a customer's boyfriend. Another employee got a description of the getaway car and the information led to Roy, police said.

"It's irritating when a bank gets robbed in your city," police Capt. Edgar Morley said Monday. "It's really irritating when it gets robbed again."

Morley did not say if the stolen money was recovered.

Roy was charged with two counts of robbery with a deadly weapon and was jailed without bail. It was unclear if he had an

■ GREEN BAY, Wis. -Green Bay police are on the lookout for a monkey named Jasper, who they say isn't armed but might be dangerous.

Jasper dashed out the back bank employee recognized the door of a tavern where he and

Bosnian Serb positions. Labor

leader Cesar Chavez died in San

James Earl Ray, the ex-con-

vict who'd confessed to assassi-

nating the Reverend Martin

Luther King Jr. in 1968 and then

insisted he'd been framed, died

at a Nashville hospital at age 70.

American cardinals opened

an extraordinary meeting with

top Vatican officials to discuss a

sex abuse scandal rocking the

Roman Catholic Church in the

United States. President Bush's

top White House aide, Karen

Hughes, resigned to go home to

Actress Janet Blair is 82.

Actress-turned-diplomat Shirley

Temple Black is 75. Actor Alan

Oppenheimer is 73. Actor David

Birney is 64. Actor Lee Majors

is 64. Actress Sandra Dee is 61.

Irish nationalist Bernadette

Devlin McAliskey is 56. Actress

Blair Brown is 55. Writer-direc-

tor Paul Brickman is 54. Actress

Joyce DeWitt is 54. Actor James

(See HISTORY, page three)

Luis, Ariz., at age 66.

Five years ago:

One year ago:

Texas with her family.

Today's Birthdays:

his owner are regulars, Lt. Mark Hellmann said Monday.

Hellmann described Jasper as small, dark and hairy, but didn't know what species he is.

The police department's humane officer said Jasper may try to harm people if he's scared and advised anyone who sees him use caution.

GRAND RAPIDS. Mich. - Greg Meyer said he is proud to have won the

Boston Marathon in 1983, but embarrassed that his victory was the last one by an American male. "It's embarrassing that we

weren't able to continue the momentum that was here in the United States in the late 1970s, early '80s," Meyer said. "It was like we dropped off the table as far as being a country known for talented marathon runners after I won Boston."

Meyer, a Grand Rapids native, trained in Boston for two years before his victory, so he is officially recognized as a champion from Massachusetts.

During the early years of the marathon, which began in 1897, either American or Canadian men won the 26.2mile race.

Runners from outside North America prospered in Boston from 1946 to 1974. Then, from the mid-1970s until Meyer's victory, Americans rebounded, led by four-time champion Bill Rodgers, who won the race in 1975, 1978, 1979 and 1980.

"Most kids in this country go out for track and field because they couldn't make it in any other sport," Meyer said. "We don't do enough to get kids excited in running, although I actually think we have the talent in the U.S. to compete on an international

"But unlike Kenya, where kids are in running clubs trying to be the best, running isn't our

Since 1991, Kenyans have won every Boston Marathon men's race except one.

"I don't want to hear that the Kenyans have any sort of an unfair advantage, because they don't," Meyer said. "They just take running more seriously

(See ODDS, page seven)

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, April

The Associated Press

23, the 113th day of 2003. There are 252 days left in the year. Today's Highlight

in History: April 23, 1564, is believed to be the birthdate of English poet dramatist William Shakespeare; he died 52 years later, also on April 23.

On this date:

■ In 1348, King Edward III of England established the Order of the Garter.

In 1789, President-elect Washington and his wife moved into the first executive mansion, the Franklin House, in New

■ In 1791, the 15th president of the United States, James Buchanan, was born in Franklin County, Pa.

■ In 1896, the Vitascope system for projecting movies onto a screen was demonstrated in New York City.

In 1899, Russian-American author Vladimir Nabokov was born in St. Petersburg.

■ In 1940, about 200 people died in a dance hall fire in Natchez, Miss.

■ In 1969, Sirhan Sirhan was sentenced to death for assassinating New York Senator Robert F. Kennedy. (The sentence was later reduced to life imprison-

In 1985, the Coca-Cola Company announced it was changing the secret flavor formula for Coke (negative public reaction forced the company to resume selling the original ver-

In 1992, McDonald's opened its first fast-food restaurant in the Chinese capital of

In 1995, sportscaster Howard Cosell died in New York at age 77.

Ten years ago:

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According to state law, a defendant has 10 days in which to

file an appeal on a small claims

Shelter ordered to replace pit bull

Court officials said yesterday

the animal shelter plans to appeal

Judge Allen's decision, unable to

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - An ongoing small claims case brought against the Floyd County Animal Shelter by Maytown resident Curtis Holbrook ended Monday with a decision that Holbrook touted as "precise" and

During court proceedings in the case Monday morning, District Judge James R. Allen

by SHELDON COMPTON

STAFF WRITER

was arrested Monday for

allegedly holding a man at gun-

point in a local Speedway.

according to court documents

According to court records,

Walter R. Barnett Jr., 55, of

Bucks Branch in Martin, was

served with an arrest warrant by

Floyd County Sheriff's Deputy

response to a criminal com-

plaint filed by fellow-Martin

Barnett was arrested in

In his complaint, Moore

alleges that April 10 Barnett

pointed a .45 automatic pistol at

him at the Speedway just off

Russo is 50. Actress Judy Davis is

48. Actress Jan Hooks is 46.

Actress Valerie Bertinelli is 43.

Actor Craig Sheffer is 43. Actor

George Lopez ("George Lopez")

is 42. Rock musician Gen is 39.

U.S. Olympic gold medal skier

Donna Weinbrecht is 38. Actress

Melina Kanakaredes is 36. Rock

musician Stan Frazier (Sugar

Ray) is 35. Country musician Tim

Womack (Sons of the Desert) is

B.J. Caudill on Monday.

resident Matthew Moore.

History

filed yesterday.

MARTIN - A Martin man

Gas station clerk

held at gunpoint

ordered that Kathy Mullins, the shelter's director, replace Holbrook's adopted pit bull, which Mullins has said has since

The pit bull first made headlines in January when Mullins reported the dog as having been stolen during a break-in at the shelter. Mullins said at the time that the dog had been adopted and was scheduled to be neutered when it was taken, adding then that a \$200 reward was up for

grabs for the safe return of the teering scheme.

The dog was eventually returned in early February, but was not then handed over to the proper people, the original com-

was originally filed in March by Norma Sammons, of Langley, who said at that time the dog had been adopted in January by Tyler Holbrook, Curtis Holbrook's son.

Yesterday Curtis Holbrook said the decision to have the dog

shelter's operations.

"The people of Floyd County who give donations to that shelter need to be looking at an investigation of the place.

Holbrook and others involved with the case have made claims that the shelter staged the dog theft as part of an elaborate profi-

The Howells moved to South Carolina after father Jack Howell retired from the military. Jack, who at times helped train his son, retired after three consecutive three-year stints in Germany.

life," Troy Howell said of his grandson. "His dad was a military man. I can remember Chris in the back yard in South Carolina going through drills with Jack. He worked him hard, but now it's paid off.'

career with basic training in Fort Benning, Ga. Afterward, he spent eight months with a peacekeeping unit in Kosovo, his grandfather said.

No sooner than he finished his basic training in Georgia, Howell was then sent to Fort Stewart, Texas, for desert training. The desert training would land him in Kuwait, anticipating movement toward Iraq's capital city of

"The medical unit he's with are the ones who will go in to rescue prisoners," Troy Howell said. "I'm not sure which rescue missions he's been on, but he told us that was one of his unit's jobs and we're all just real proud

Howell

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"Chris is used to the military

Howell began his military

"He's not had much down time," Troy Howell said. "But he's doing okay over there. He wrote home about a week ago and said things were okay.

Baghdad.

of what he's doing."

been put to sleep.

Route 80 in Martin.

not contact them.

Barnett was arrested and

charged with first-degree wan-

ton endangerment. His arrest

warrant, signed by Floyd

District Judge James R. Allen,

also stipulated that he was stay

500 feet away from Moore or

any of his family members and

guilty on several charges in

Jessamine County, including a

charge of trafficking in a con-

trolled substance within 1,000

yards of a school, fourth-degree

aggravated assault and carrying

a concealed weapon in the late

Floyd County Detention Center

on a partially secured \$10,000

35. Actor Scott Bairstow is 33.

Actress Rachel Skarsten is 18.

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achieve greatness, and some have

greatness thrust upon them." -

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Thought for Today:

Barnett was placed in the

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Barnett has been found

The small claims complaint

replaced greatly excited his son.

"This dog was adopted for my 8-year-old son and then all of this started," Holbrook said. "The whole thing just broke his heart. Now he's just very excited about getting the dog replaced."

Holbrook also believes a closer look should be given to animal

understand the ruling for them to

replace the dog, which they say

was a half-breed pit bull, with a

full stock pit bull.

photo by Kim Frasure

For some residents of Abbott Creek Mountain near the Floyd/ Johnson County line, weekend travels were interrupted by a rock slide that covered the only road leading from the small, mountaintop community. According to residents, at about 6:30 a.m. Friday morning a substantial portion of a nearby rock cliff gave way and collapsed into the the small road beneath. No one was injured as a result of the slide, but the large rocks and mud blocking the road completely halted travel plans for Friday until 6 p.m. Saturday.



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"The dodo flies backward because he doesn't care to see where he's going, but wants to see where he's been."

-Fred Allen

Our View

Say it openly, or just keep quiet

It never fails to amaze us when a taxpayer-paid official stands up in a meeting about taxpayer-funded business to announce that the next statements he makes about an issue of direct importance and relevance to taxpayers are "off the record."

It amazes us, but it doesn't deter us. We've developed a simple solution to that scenario - print whatever was said "off the

That's what we did in Sunday's paper, when reporting that a bureaucrat from the state Department of Education jumped up during a school board meeting last week to say that he was speaking "off the record," and then printed his remarks anyway.

The remarks which followed may or may not have been important in the grand scheme of things, but we felt that acquiescing to his declaration of secrecy would set a bad precedent for how the press responds when presented with an illegal attempt at censorship.

Readers might wonder how we could print "off the record" comments and the answer is quite simple. Nothing said in an open meeting is off the record. That's why they call it an "open" meeting.

Which brings us to another point - the overuse of "off the record" comments.

Sometimes it's appropriate and necessary for a reporter to be told something when his or her pencil is put away. It can lead to a deeper understanding of a story and help a reporter find more relevant "on the record" information.

But note, emphasis should be placed on the word "sometimes," as in "rarely." Not all the time. Not most of the time. Not even once a week,

There are really only two instances when we are interested in hearing someone's comments off the record. One is when the source is hesitant to talk because he or she fears retaliation. This does not include public officials who are afraid of taking heat for something they've done. Being a target of criticism is part of the job description.

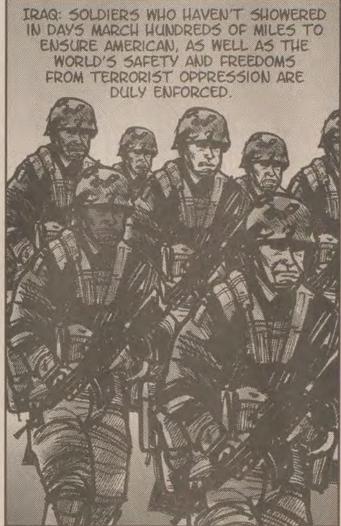
The other instance is when the source can offer information which can show more or less relevance to some aspect of a story. Reporters are human beings, and we're not above falling for a wild goose chase every now and then. Information which can put an end to that is always welcome.

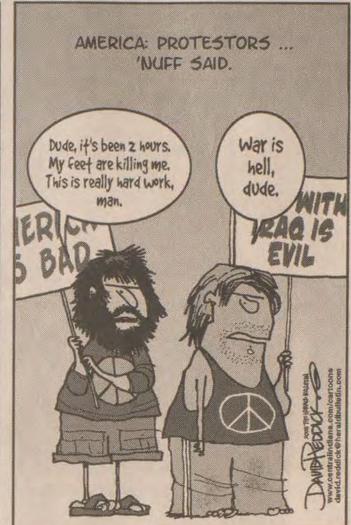
But when it comes to public meetings, nothing is "off the record" while the meeting is in session. When someone tries to muzzle our reporters during a meeting, that only shows that he or she has something to hide and we are not going to allow a public official to speak about public business during a public forum in a

We've told you our simple solution to that. We can offer a simple solution to any official who feels the need to go "off the record" during an open meeting. If you don't want what you're about to say to wind up in the newspaper, there is only one surefire way to ensure it doesn't:

Sit down and shut up.

- The Floyd County Times





School plan approval left unchecked

Not that it matters at this point, but those of you who abandoned resistance to the Local Planning Committee's district facility plan should remember it is your voice that precipitates change.

Some may be quick to label that view as outdated idealism, but the fact remains that the morning U.S. Congressman Hal Rogers left his breakfast table to go to work and announce a drug cleanup plan, you were in his ear, reminding him that something had to be done.

Maybe it's easy to forget that during the very minute House Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo realizes a crowd of his representatives have tilted in his

favor on a local concern, it was your collective voice that brought him before

It's all too easy to lose our identity when faced with "intimidating" officials or board members, managers or supervisors, who appear to have all the answers, but, in most cases, are only there on your behalf. Any public agency, board or organization left unchecked will tumble head-first into problems, grasping for direction with little guidance from the com-

munity. The lack of public attendance for most of the LPC's meetings has been something of a mystery, so much so that even school board mem-

bers have questioned the trend. It was speculated that perhaps some of you felt you weren't being taken seriously at the LPC meetings and must

have simply lost heart. Of course, we can't help but think maybe you just weren't properly informed of the LPC's 10-year-plan to combine all the county's high schools into one, even though we have consistently followed the developments of this

story and reported them to you to the best of our ability.

But regardless of how much we strive to bring you information, or how successful we are in that pursuit, we cannot walk you arm-in-arm to the meetings or to the office of your local representa-

tive. The next step is up to

In the end, change whether that change comes in resisting questionable decisions or by voting in support of an idea you value - must come from your efforts.

Whether or not your ideas and concerns are viewed as "serious" is not the point. No one can take away your selfesteem and determination without your permission.

Just don't offer it next time.

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As a registered Republican and elected official, I would like to take this opportunity to ask all registered Kentucky Republican voters to go to the polls on Election Day on May 20 and support Republican state Rep. Steve Nunn and Bob Heleringer to be our nominees for governor and lieutenant governor. Steven Nunn and Bob Heleringer are supported by our fellow gun owners and have received several endorsements from political groups throughout Kentucky, including Kentucky teachers.

Steve and Bob have put forth a clear vision that includes tax reform to cut taxes and finally abolish the car tax. They have a clear

plan for education reform restoring discipline to our schools, getting parents more involved and more funding for our teachers and schools. In addition, they are the only Republican slate to seriously discuss the need for a comprehensive strategy to combat the drug problem. They have praised the plan put forth by Congressman Hal Rogers and will work with him to see that it is fully implemented in order to get people off drugs and crack down on drug king-

As Republicans, we have a choice for governor and lieutenant governor and a chance to nominate a team with sound judgment and real credibility, one that has the straightforward approach to hit the ground running from day one.

I encourage all Republicans to go to the polls on May 20 and nominate Steven Nunn and Bob

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4 gubernatorial hopefuls willing at least to consider expanded gambling

by CHARLES WOLFE ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT - Four candidates for governor said Monday night they were willing to propose at least a constitutional amendment for expanded gambling to get more state revenue.

Three were Democrats — Ben Chandler, Bruce Lunsford and Jody Richards - along with

Investigation

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County Sheriff's Department, which handles calls for Martin's city police, a call came in at 12:43 a.m. advising them that a woman was running across from BP on Route 80. The report also said that Martin police officers also responded to a request that another agency handle the complaint.

Kentucky State Police Sergeant Les Stapleton verified yesterday that the alleged incident is being investigated.

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"She [Short] has been

advised to file a complaint if she feels it is needed and I am investigating it, but I did not arrest him [Steve Toy]," Stapleton said. "The allegations were simple assault, minor assault."

Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson responded vesterday to reports that the city was considering suspending Toy.

"We are still discussing this and going over all the reports,' Robinson said. "Steve [Toy] is taking three vacation days and we're looking into everything."

Republican Steve Nunn.

A fourth Republican, Ernie Fletcher, said, "I don't see a scenario" for supporting expanded gambling. A fifth, Rebecca Jackson, flatly ruled it out.

The candidates were featured in two live, half-hour round tables Republicans first, then

Democrats - on WHAS-TV in Louisville.

Legislation proposed earlier this year to allow race tracks to offer video lottery terminals -VLTs - never got to a floor vote in the General Assembly. The racing associations pitched it as a way to shore up the state budget.

Lunsford, considered the most enthusiastic proponent of expanded gambling among the Democratic candidates, said he did not favor giving tracks or any other "vested interest" a franchise.

Mine

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other was secured."

York said Belfry Coal is "still working" on the non-complaince order, adding that cleanup and reclamation work is still in the

Details of the violations were not immediately available.

Nor did he support an unfettered expansion, Lunsford said. But if done correctly, "you're able to create pockets of entertainment," he

Nunn, a state representative from Glasgow who is the only Republican to have shown interest in expanded gambling, said alternatives for the next governor are to cut more government programs or raise taxes "just to stay even." He said he would let voters decide.

Richards, the House speaker,

(See GAMBLING, page six)

Chase

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Enforcement officers and Pikeville City Police officers tried to stop Adkins. However, he fled into Virginia and then came back into Kentucky before being stopped with stingers that were thrown across the road by KSP to flatten his tires and bring him to a halt.

Adkins was charged with five counts of first-degree wanton endangerment, second-degree fleeing and evading police, reckless driving and speeding. He was arrested and held in the Letcher County jail.

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

being held on a \$25,000 cash bond after allegedly violating an emergency protective by shooting into the home of the petitioner's moth-

Stephen Wright, 42, is charged with violation of an EPO and firstallegedly shooting into the home of Ronda Bentley, who is stated as the mother of the unnamed peti-

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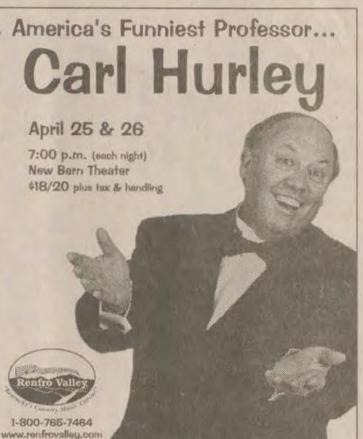


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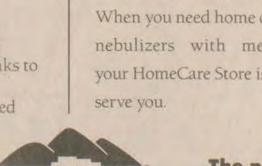
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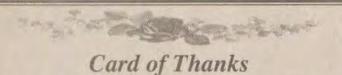
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We, the family of Willie T. and Pauline Foley wish to take this time to send a special thank-you for all those people who helped, or assisted us during the untimely passing of our parents. Maybe you were there and gave us a hug or a handshake, or just a kind word, or sent flowers or food; or maybe you dropped by and spent those last moments that we had with our parents, or visited with us at the funeral home. Whatever your contribution was, we want you to know that it was very deeply appreciated, and meant so much to each of us. We would also like to thank Larry and Mary Lou Burke, and the staff of Burke Funeral Home, for the wonderful, kind and courteous and professional service that we received during the time we spent at their Funeral Home, and the wonderful job they did to make us as comfortable and reassured that all our needs were met during this time. We wish to thank The Floyd County Sheriff's office for their professional service. Also a special thanks to Pastors Bill Campbell, Arnold Turner, Jennings West, and Paul Aikin, for the wonderful messages that they delivered to each of us, and The Fitzpatrick Church Singers, for wonderful melody of songs. And a very special thank-you to Roger Webb and the Floyd County Jail for their help and support. Words cannot express the way this has made us feel, again, for these are the times that you realize what friends and family mean to you. Thank you.

THE FAMILY OF WILLIE (BILL) & PAULINE FOLEY Billie Wireman, Betty DeRossett, Sara Smith and Paul Foley

Gambling

said he would only "favor VLTs at racetracks," with revenue "tied to the budget somewhat," but not without voter assent in the form of an amendment.

Chandler, the attorney general, said he also thinks a constitutional amendment would be needed. "I think it's something we do need to look at," he said.

Fletcher, the 6th District congressman, said he agreed an expansion of gambling would take a constitutional amendment if done at all. "I don't see a scenario where I could support expanded gambling," he said. "We're fooling ourselves if we think that's going to answer our budgetary issues.

Jackson, the former Jefferson County judge-executive, said she opposed even a constitutional amendment. "There is a cost to expanded gambling, and the cost is in human services," she said. "I see the families that are broken because of expanded gambling so the cost is too high."

WHAS-TV said it invited the

top three contestants in each primary, based on the station's polling. Republican Virgil Moore of Leitchfield and Democrat Otis Hensley of Wallins did not make the cut.

Earlier Monday, Fletcher said Gov. Paul Patton should resign "if ... he's done anything illegal" but that investigations of Patton's conduct should first run their course.

"I say let's wait," Fletcher said on a WHAS radio talk show, a warmup for a long day of campaigning in Louisville.

Jackson was the first to call for Patton's resignation - in January, when Patton was running state government without an enacted budget. There were heavy political and moral overtones to Jackson's statement because Patton was dealing with the scandal of an extramarital affair.

Fletcher declined to go that far. Since then, Fletcher noted, a state ethics commission has charged Patton with misusing his office in the course of the affair with Tina Conner, a businesswoman who

"When I caught up with him,

Burke said Hatfield, who he

says had an open container of

alcohol in his possession, swore

at him and tried to push himself

from the vehicle during the arrest,

violently refusing to cooperate by

hitting his head and the door and

tainer in a motor vehicle, evading

police, disorderly conduct, giving

false name and address, and

morning, Hatfield pleaded guilty

to the charges and is now faced

with either entering an substance

abuse center program or going to

jail for 30 days. He was fined

\$100 on the disorderly conduct

charge, \$25 on the possession

charge and given seven days on

each of the remaining charges.

At his arraignment Monday

roof of the police cruiser.

he resisted by trying to get away

from me and fled into a house,'

Burke wrote in his citation.

was Patton's chief political contact in Hickman County.

"If it comes out that he's done anything illegal, then, yes, he needs to step aside," Fletcher said on WHAS' John Ziegler Show. "I say let's wait. ... I don't think Kentucky needs any more national news that brings any more embarrassment to this state. I just think we need to get through here.'

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Patton, who leaves office in December, is contesting the ethics charges. He has acknowledged the affair with Conner but denied any misuse of his office. The attorney general's office and federal prosecutors also are conducting a joint investigation.

Also in the campaign Monday, Chandler had a private meeting with officials of the Norton Healthcare hospital complex in Louisville. "It was just an informational thing. The Norton people wanted to tell him about Norton," said a company spokesman. Brian

Those meeting with Chandler included Chief Executive Officer Stephen Williams, some Norton board members and employees, Rublein said. He did not know whether the company was extending an invitation to other gubernatorial candidates, Rublein said.

Chandler also attended a fundraiser put on by a group of Democratic women, and he campaigned at a Fraternal Order of Police lodge, as did Fletcher, their campaigns said.

Richards was in Richmond for a meeting of the Madison County Democratic Women's Club. Lunsford campaigned Shepherdsville, Bardstown and Elizabethtown.

In Loving Memory

James "Jim" Allen August 30, 1947-1998, April 23

I'm writing this from heaven, here I dwell with God above. Here there's no more tears of sadness, just eternal love. Please do not be unhappy, just because I'm out of sight, Remember I am with you, every morning, noon, and night. The day I had to leave you, when my life on earth was through, God picked me up and hugged me and said, "I welcome you."

God gave me a list of things to do, and foremost on the list was to watch over and care for you. When you lie in bed at night, the days chores put to flight, God and I are closest to you, in the middle of the night.

There are many rocky roads ahead, and many hills to climb; but together we can do it, one day at a time. If you meet someone who is sad and feeling low; just lend a hand to pick him up, as on your way you go. When you're walking down the street and you've got me on your mind; I'm walking in your footsteps, only half a step behind. When it's time for you to go-from that body to be free-remember you're not going-you're coming here to

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Charges filed after suspect flees cop's help

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

ALLEN - A Hi Hat man was arrested early Sunday morning in Allen after fleeing from a police officer who had stopped to help him with car repairs.

Daniel Hatfield, 26, of Hi Hat, was arrested and strapped with several charges after running from a police officer attempting to help him, according to reports.

According to reports from Allen Police Officer James Burke, at 1:27 a.m. Sunday morning, he observed Hatfield working on a vehicle in the parking lot of a local Dollar General Store. When he stopped to help, Burke said Hatfield "took off run-

Obituaries

Hutchinson

Kenneth Edward Hutchinson, Louisville.

He was born April 1, 1917, in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, the son of the late Edward Malin Hutchinson and Bertha Fritz Hutchinson.

senior master sargent. He served in World War II and in the Korean Conflict. He received the following awards and decorations during his military service: WW II Victory Medal, Air Medal, AF Commendation Medal, AF Longevity Service Award ribbon with one silver oak leaf cluster, AF Outstanding Unit Award, Presidential Unit Citation, Good Conduct Medal, (Air Force and Army) with one Silver Loop, American Defense Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with silver service star, Army of Medal with Occupation Germany, National Defense Service Medal with one bronze service star, Korean Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, Republic Korean Presidential Unit Citation, and the Small Arms Expert

Survivors, in addition to his White of Michigan.

Edward Hutchinson were from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday, and from 2 p.m., to 4 p.m., Sunday, at Hall Funeral Home, with burial and final services at the Arlington National Cemetery,

resisting arrest.

Kenneth Edward

age 86, of Wayland, husband of June Ann Hutchinson, passed away Thursday, April 17, 2003, at the Kindred Hospital,

He was a retired Air Force Marksmanship ribbon.

wife include; four sons, Donee White and his wife, Patama of Wayland, Dennis Lee White and his wife, Lori of Kissimmee, Florida, Michael T. White, and David White, both of Wayland, and one brother, Donald Hutchinson of Muncie Pennsylvaia; two step-grandchildren, Katrina and Jason

Kenneth Visitation for Arlington, Virginia. (Paid obituary)

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met during the opening ceremony. Appearing for her first Special Olympic meet, Frankie Puckett, a Paintsville Elementary teacher, said she hoped to attend next year and shared that the highlight of the day occurred when Megan Goble, of Prestonsburg, sang the national anthem. She said what appeared to be a hawk decided it would circle the American flag that was hanging from the 100-foot ladder of the Prestonsburg Fire Department fire engine, while Goble was singing.

Members of the various teams floated around portraying their accomplishments with colorful ribbons hanging from their necks. The winners were too numerous to

While a myriad of parents came to watch their children participate, Morgan Blair, of Whitesburg, who was there to watch his daughter Nikki Blair, 18, shared his feelings about parenting a special child.

"I always get mixed feelings at these events," said Blair. "It makes you feel sad that there are so many kids that come to an event like this, but it makes you feel glad that yours is not the only one.'

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Man who supplied child porn to mayor sentenced

"I wouldn't be here today if I hadn't let Paul Reeves ruin my life," Riggs told U.S. District

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS

ASHLAND - A businessman was sentenced Tuesday to five months in a halfway house for providing sexually explicit videotapes of children to a former Ashland mayor.

John B. Riggs apologized to his friends and family for his involvement in the child porn case that ended the political career of Paul R. Reeves, who

Judge Henry Wilhoit. "He made me do things I wouldn't normally do."

had served in elected offices in

the northeastern Kentucky town

for more than 10 years. Reeves retired just as abruptly from his job as a purchasing agent for A.K. Steel, which had contracts with Riggs' company.

"I wouldn't be here today if I

hadn't let Paul Reeves ruin my life," Riggs told U.S. District Judge Henry Wilhoit. "He made me do things I wouldn't normal-

Under federal guidelines, Riggs could have been sentenced to 16 months in prison.

However, Wilhoit opted for the lesser penalty to which he added five months of home confinement and a \$3,000 fine.

Reeves also was scheduled for sentencing on Tuesday, but his attorney, Larry Roberts of Lexington, was ill and could not attend the hearing. Wilhoit said he would reschedule the hearing

Under a plea agreement, Reeves could get 27 to 33 months in prison and a fine of \$6,000 to \$60,000. He will remain free on bond until his sentencing.

Reeves pleaded guilty to possessing two videotapes that showed children engaged in sexexplicit behavior. However, he said Riggs had ordered the tapes and that he had simply signed for them.

Defense attorney Michael Curtis told Wilhoit that Riggs felt he had to supply pornographic material to keep a contract his machine shop had with AK Steel, a large steel mill in

Ashland. Curtis said Riggs also provided Reeves with envelopes stuffed with money.

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"There's never been anything whatsoever to suggest that my client ever looked at this kind of

filth," Curtis said. Curtis said Riggs Machine and Fabricating lost its contracts with AK Steel after the investigation became public. He said losing that contract cost the company as much as \$180,000 a month, and forced the layoffs of

Curtis said the charges also

half its work force.

(See PORN, page eight)



A scene from the JWT's 2002 Children's Theatre Workshop Production of "Alice in Wonderland."

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Wiley Theatre with demonstrations and instruction from the technical staff and JWT Professional Company.

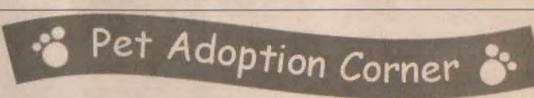
In addition, students enrolled in the Children's Theatre Workshop will visit the rehearsal of Big River, while the students in the Teen Theatre Workshop will visit a rehearsal for the Hooray for Hollywood! Cabaret. All students will receive one free pass to see Big River's opening production.

The Children's Theatre Workshop, sponsored Kentucky West Virginia Gas Company is for any regional students age 6-11 who enjoy theatre and drama. The workshop begins Monday, June 23 and is held from

10:00 - 3:00, Mondays through Friday for three weeks. It concludes Tuesday, July 15 with the final performance for the public on the Jenny Wiley Theatre main-

The Teen Theatre Workshop, which begins on Monday, July 14, is for students ages 12-17 and is sponsored by American Electric Power. This workshop is an intense two-week performance workshop and will be held from 9:30 - 4:00, Mondays through Fridays. The session culminates with a final performance for the public on the Jenny Wiley Theatre mainstage on Tuesday, July 29.

(See AEP, page eight)



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These days there is another Texan in the White House, but the cost of a stamp has risen to 37-cents and Unker, 85, is being recognized as the Postal Service's oldest full-time female employee.

She also was honored as the oldest female postal worker in 1998, and doesn't want to relinquish the title any time soon.

"I have no plans to retire," Unker said this week. "I see a lot of people younger than myself and they look halfdead."

Her job is organizing items that can't be handled by machines, such as magazines, nonprofit materials and newspapers, at the postal service's regional processing and distrib-

Unker works five days a week on the 3:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. shift, as she has done for about 20 years. With a halfhour break for lunch, which she eats standing up, she usually

fare fraud for allegedly process-

ing a fraudulent food stamp case

for her son, which resulted in

According to court docu-

ments, Loretta Lowe, 46, of

Raccoon, was charged on April

21, pursuant to a complaint

sworn by Ship Hockensmith

with the state Attorney General's

over \$6,000 in benefits.

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leaves the facility about mid-"I thank God every morning

when I wake up and every night when I get to bed that I can still do it," said Unker, who has worked for the Postal Service for about 35 years.

Her son, Ralph Anthony Unker, works at the same branch as a supervisor on the overnight shift.

UNION GROVE, Wis.

- For the first time ever at the Wisconsin State Fair, judges can use DNA identification testing to check for cheaters in the swine, beef and sheep com-

The process was underway over the weekend at the Racine County Fairgrounds, where hair and follicle samples were taken from frightened, protesting pigs whose owners were registering

Each swine had at least 30 hairs and attached follicles taken for DNA testing as they were weighed, tagged and registered for the fair, which runs from July 31 to Aug. 10.

State Fair agriculture director Brian Bolan said the DNA testing is partly to prevent the switching of a registered hog for an unregistered one, but it also will have other benefits.

He said each year, some people are unable to show their animals because their tag numbers are incorrectly recorded, or because an ear tag falls out and the animal can't be identified as the one that was registered.

"At the fair, we can take a DNA sample to prove to us that it's the same animal," Bolan said. All champions will be tested, and others will be randomly selected for sampling.

The State Fair is charging a \$4-a-pig fee for the DNA testing, which Bolan said has already been implemented in several Midwestern states.





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County Case

by LORETTA BLACKBURN

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Hockensmith claims Lowe opened a case for her son, Shawn C. Lowe, who received \$6,244 in benefits between May Betsy Layne * 478-2477 2000 and March 2003.

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From hick to hip: Appalachia's lowly ramp growing in popularity

Recipes for ramps

Ramp recipes range from hick to hip. These recipes come from G and N Ramp Farm, Richwood, and www.recipesource.com.

Ramp Soup

- 6 medium potatoes 2 small onions
- 2 tsp salt 1/2 tsp black pepper
- 1 C diced ham
- 1 C chopped ramps, use both bulbs and leaves while they are tender. Dehydrated ramps may be used if fresh ramps are out of season.
 - 2 C milk
 - 3 Tbs flour

Peel and dice potatoes and onions. Cook potatoes, onions, ham, salt, pepper and ramps in three cups of water until the potatoes are tender. Add milk and bring to the boiling point. Add thickening, using flour and a little milk. Add a few drops of butter and serve.

One Hour Calamari in Umido with Ramp Bruchetta

- 3 pounds of clean cala-
- 4 Tbs, plus 4 tsps, extra virgin olive oil
- 10 cloves of garlic, whole and peeled
- 1 Tbs crushed hot chilies
- 1 C dry white wine. 2 cups basic tomato
- 2 bunches of ramps,
- clean and whole 1 bunch marjoram, leaves
- 4 thick slices of country

Preheat grill. Check calamari for any cartilage and cut into 1-inch pieces. Place calamari in a 6-quart saucepan and add 4 Tbs of

(See RAMPS, page nine)

by MARTHA BRYSON HODEL ASSOCIATED PRESS

RICHWOOD, W.Va. - Who could have guessed? Ramps, those pungent harbingers of Appalachian spring, have gone from hick to hip.

Celebrated in the eastern mountains as the first green thing to show its head after a hard winter, ramps are a muchanticipated rite of spring for traditional Appalachians.

Their odor - think fresh garlic magnified to the nth power - does nothing to deter fans, who look forward to frying up the first mess each year as a spring tonic.

In West Virginia and the rest of Appalachia, ramps are generally served with fried potatoes. scrambled eggs, pinto beans and cornbread, or almost anything else anyone can think of, just so as long as it includes bacon or ham drippings.

But ramps are no longer a regional delicacy.

gourmet foods now offer ramps alongside truffles and other rare

"The popularity of ramp festivals ... and the appearance of ramp recipes in various publications like 'Southern Living' have increased the demand," said former Smokies Superintendent Michael

wild foods, and include cooking suggestions like "One-Hour Calamari in Umido with Ramp Bruchetta.'

Tollefson.

Ramps have become so pop-

Web sites dedicated to ular that a year ago the National Park Service banned ramp collecting in the Great Smoky Mountains for fear they would be harvested out of existence.

> "The popularity of ramp festivals ... and the appearance of ramp recipes in various publications like 'Southern Living' have increased the demand," former Smokies said Superintendent Michael Tollefson.

For years, people were allowed to collect up to a peck of ramps a day (equal to about a plastic grocery sack full) for their personal use, a policy Tollefson said "was based on the expectation that ramp collecting would eventually decline on its own as the native mountainborn people who grew up living off the land grew older."

That didn't happen, and botanists say it can take up to 20 years for a ramp patch to recov-

(See HIP, page nine)

State reports second suspected SARS case

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT - A person living in western Kentucky is the second in the state suspected of having severe acute respiratory syndrome, of SARS, state health officials said Friday.

The patient had "recently traveled in one of the affected areas of the world that's been designated" by the federal Centers for Diease Control and Prevention," said Gil Lawson, a spokesman for the Cabinet for Health Services.

Health officials will not release the patient's name, age or sex, because of confidentiality concerns, Lawson said.

The suspected SARS patient

several days but now is recovering at home in good condition and is not considered a threat to others, according to a cabinet statement.

Health officials reported Kentucky's first suspected case of the virus last week. That patient, who lives in central Kentucky, did not require hospitalization or medication.

At first, the latest case did not meet the definition for a suspected SARS However, the person qualified as a SARS patient after the Centers for Disease Control amended its definition of a suspected SARS case on March 29 to include "transit through an airport in an area with reported was hospitalized in isolation for community transmission of SARS," according to a state-

SARS symptoms include dry cough, fever more than 100 degrees, and shortness of breath or difficulty breathing after Feb. 1. Possible patients also must have either traveled to, or been in contact with someone who has traveled to countries where the illness has already been found, including China, Hanoi, Vietnam and Singapore,

Worldwide, at least 172 people have died from SARS and more than 3,000 people have been infected.

"Many people are worried about this disease because it is new and can be serious, Public Health Commissioner Dr. Rice Leach said in a statement. "While that is certainly understandable, it is important to keep in mind that there are still very few cases in the United States when you consider all the world travelers that come through this country."

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Porn

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have damaged Riggs' standing in the community as a respected businessman.

"He has paid the price. He has paid it 100 times over," Curtis said. Wilhoit said several factors

played in Riggs favor in sentencing, including the lack of a criminal history, a strong family life, and his marriage to the same woman for 30 years.

"I'm going to take you at your word, Mr. Riggs, that you weren't into this stuff," Wilhoit

Assistant U.S. Attorney Mark Wohlander said the tapes were part of an undercover investigation that began two years ago when Reeves' credit card number was found on a child-porn Web server in Dallas.

Wohlander said the tapes Reeves received had been confiscated in previous federal pornography investigations.

Reeves was indicted in April on charges of conspiring to receive child pornography, receiving child pornography and possessing child pornography. If he had been convicted on all three counts, he could have been sentenced to 35 years in prison and a fine of up to \$250,000.

Reeves had served as mayor for 1 1/2 years when he abruptly resigned, just days before the indictment against him was returned. He had been a city commissioner for nine years.

FBI agent David R. Goodson said in an affidavit that Reeves was in a locked room of his home watching a child pornography tape when investigators executed a search warrant on May 29, 2002.

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The ramp, however, is far from extinct. Glen Facemire Jr. of Richwood, who describes himself as the world's only ramp farmer, is on the job.

Facemire - who with his wife, Norene, operates the G and N Ramp Farm in Richwood - said he has been working with the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and other groups to re-establish the ramp population in the Great Smoky Mountains.

"Ramps are mighty interesting little critters," Facemire said. "Really, the ramp is the coyote of the vegetable world. He is a survivalist.'

While a transplanted ramp with a strong root structure will grow almost anywhere, ramps grown from seed take up to six years to become a mature, reproducing plant. Seeds scattered around with no care to the right environment - usually a shady, moist hillside, preferably facing north - have a mortality rate of about 90 percent.

"But if you just take care to put a little leaf mulch over it, it grows like you wouldn't believe," Facemire said.

From the last week in March through the second week of April, Facemire will ship fresh ramps by priority mail for \$10.75 a pound, or \$17.25 for

two pounds, shipping included. His products also include dehydrated ramps, pickled ramps, condiments such as ramp mustard and ramp jelly (not recommended for peanut butter sandwiches), ramp gravy mix and ramp potato biscuit mix, plus ramp bulbs and seeds for planting.

Besides catering to displaced Appalachians searching for a taste of home, he has sold ramps to the Kentucky Derby and the Beard House, a Manhattan foundation dedicated to food and cooking that was established by chef Julia Child in the Greenwich Village home of the late food expert James Beard.

Facemire also has sold ramps to the gourmet retailer The Pampered Chef and has had discussions with some Japanese businessmen who are interested in ramps as a business venture.

"I'm not going to be around this world very long; none of us is," Facemire said. "But what would make me feel like I'd accomplished something with my life, is if I can spread the ramps around the world."

The ramp is related to wild leeks, and is native to eastern woodlands from Nova Scotia south to the central Appalachian states. It is sometimes called by the English folk name "ramson"

(as in son-of-Ram) due to its habit of appearing during the sign of Aries in the zodiac. Other sources suggest the folk name was based on the Old English word for wild garlie, "hramsa," and was later shortened to ramps.

Legends about ramps and their distinctive odor abound: kids sent home from school; dentists who run ads warning that appointments will be canceled if the patient consumes ramps beforehand.

A favorite tale around Richwood involves the late Jim Comstock, who published a weekly newspaper of humor and politics called The West Virginia Hillbilly.

One year Comstock hit upon the idea of mixing ramp juice with his printer's ink to publicize the upcoming Richwood Ramp Festival. When time came to mail the newspapers, the Richwood postmaster was not amused. He warned another

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episode would mean an end to the paper's bulk mailing permit.

Facemire won't be attending this year's ramp festival in Richwood, although the town bills itself as the Ramp Capital of the World and enlists dozens of volunteers to harvest and clean at least 2,000 pounds of

He prefers a ramp festival that occurs the same day in Elkins, home to Davis & Elkins College, where he can discuss botany with college professors.

The people who come here to Richwood, they don't talk about much of anything,"



Ramps

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olive oil, garlic cloves, chilies, wine and tomato sauce and bring to a boil. Lower heat to a high simmer and cook one hour.

Meanwhile, place ramps on grill until wilted, about one minute. Remove and allow to cool. Chop cooled ramps into 1/2-inch pieces, place in a mixing bowl with remaining olive oil and marjoram leaves and stir to blend.

When calamari is tender, season with salt and pepper. Place bread on grill and toast. Remove and spoon ramp mixture over the break, divide calamari among four bowls, top with a bruschetta and serve.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

PHOENIX - The Arizona Diamondbacks placed Randy Johnson on the 15-day disabled list with a sprained right knee and hope he'll be able to return to the rotation Sunday. Johnson has been experiencing inflammation and swelling in his right knee since his last start on April 11. - THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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TICKETS

Prices going up for Kentucky football, men's basketball tickets

"We are not a program that ever wants to do that," he said. "We want to continue to support our programs and allow them to be competitive in our conference."

- BARNHART STATED

by MURRAY EVANS ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - Seeking to raise more money to support nonrevenue sports, the University of Kentucky will raise ticket prices next season for home football and men's basketball games.

UK also will require some season-ticket holders for football and men's basketball to begin making donations to a newly created athletics fund. UK officials hope that within two years, an additional \$4 million in annual revenue for the athletics department will be

The changes were part of a plan approved unanimously by the UK Athletic Association board of directors Friday. The goal of the plan was to overhaul the athletics department's budgetary system and raise sufficient funds to make UK competitive in each of the 22 sports in which it fields a team, athletics director Mitch Barnhart said.

Barnhart cited examples of West Virginia and Fresno State, each of which eliminated multiple

(See TICKETS, page two)



Two teams split the firstplace prize in Saturday's HAP Little League golf scramble. Proceeds from the event benefit Harold-Allen-Prater Little League.

HAP has golf scramble

GOLF

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN - HAP (Harold-Allen-Prater) Little League held its annual golf scramble Saturday at Beaver Valley Golf Course in Allen. The weather was perfect and a great time was had by all in attendance. The golf scramble was held to benefit Little League children ages 5-14 who play at Stumbo Park in the HAP league. The scramble was \$50 per person, fourman team, captains choice, best ball format. A pig roast and beverages were included in the cost.

(See HAP, page two)



through with a home run in the first inning against the visiting Blackcats. Hall drove in a couple of runs in Allen Central's win over P'burg.

photo by Steve LeMaster

John Hall

HONORS

CJ lists Hall, Wireman **Second Team All-State**

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

LOUISVILLE - Although more than one month removed from his senior high school basketball season, the honors continue to roll in for



Michael Hall



Neil Allen

Boys' Honorable Mention selections from the 14th Region included Hall's cousin Jeremy Jones (Powell County), Courtney Johnson,

the first three teams.

(Breathitt County), Brett Perkins (Cordia), Kyle Hoskins (Leslie County) Tewayne Willis (Perry County

Central) Jason Smith (Owsley County) and Tyler Halsey (Owsley County). Allen Central senior Neil Allen, Pike County Central senior Barry Sanders and

(See ALL-STATE, page two)

YOUTH SOCCER

U12 Flames top JC Raptors

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The Floyd County U12 Flames took on the Johnson County Raptors Saturday and came away with a 5-1 victory. The Flames squad played an exceptional game with a lot of determination. Bradley Hicks and Adam Kimbler scored one goal each for the Floyd County team. Brad Stanley, who played

(See RAPTORS, page five)

Big Blue Caravan will visit P'burg

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON - Plans for the first "Big Blue Caravan" were announced Monday by University of Kentucky Athletics Director Mitch Barnhart. The final stop on the seven-city trip is Prestonsburg.

In May and June, the caravan, which features Kentucky's head coaches, including Tubby Smith, Rich Brooks and Mickie DeMoss. as well as top administrators, will visit seven cities in the region. The fan friendly event will include visits to local charities, golf outings and barbecue dinners. For more information on the Big

(See BLUE, page two)

REBELS DOUBLE UP PRESTONSBURG

Turner, Hall hit back-to-back blasts

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

GARRETT - Host Allen Central wasted little time getting on top of visiting Prestonsburg Monday evening. The Rebels, after holding the visiting Blackcats

scoreless in the top of the first inning, came to bat in the bottom of the first frame and wasted little time getting on the scoreboard. Allen Central scored three runs in the initial stanza en route to an 8-4 win on a saturated playing field.

Leadoff hitter Alex Patton

struck out to start the Allen Central home half of the first inning, but his teammates following him in the batting order picked things up quite nicely.

Senior Dustin Hammonds got

(See REBELS, page two)



photo by Steve LeMaster

Members of the Prestonsburg High School football volunteered their time during Saturday's Area 3 Special Olympics Track & Field Competition.

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

P'burg players, coaches lend time, helping hands to Special Olympics

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - In a land far, far away from the highdollar and often times ridiculous million-dollar contracts of today's professional athletes, the Area 3 Special Olympics Track & Field Competition was held Saturday at Josh Francis Field

on the campus of Prestonsburg High School. With sportsmanship and hardwork out in some of its best form, athletes from 11 counties came to Prestonsburg

to take part in the Area 3 Games. There to lend time were Prestonsburg High School head football coach John DeRossett, members of his staff, and members of the Blackcat football

DeRossett and some members of his staff spent countless hours helping with the first event of its kind in Floyd County and the city of Prestonsburg.

"We are very grateful to Coach John DeRossett and all of

(See P'BURG, page two)

A LOOK AT SPORTS

Reds outfield a merry-go-round

by ED TAYLOR SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

Ruben Mateo. Jose Gullien. Adam Dunn. Austin Kearns. Reggie Taylor. Willy Mo Pena.

What do all these have in common? They all play in the outfield for the Cincinnati Reds and all are part of the continuing merry-go-round of players who manager Bob Boone is trying to fit in as he looks for answers to the anemic bats the Reds have been swinging through their first 16 games.

The Redlegs continue to get

Rebels

the Rebels going with a single. Hammonds stole a base and scored on a Tyler Turner home run. John Hall followed Turner's blast with a shot of his own. Hall's home run came in the opening inning with no one on

Thomas Nelson walked and eventually scored to get Prestonsburg on the board in the top of the second inning. The Rebels stretched a 3-1 lead into a 5-1 advantage in the bottom portion of the second inning. Patton connected for a home run and Hammonds came across to score after reaching base on a

The most productive inning of the game for Prestonsburg was the third frame when Joey Willis and Nelson each reached base and scored to trim the ■ Continued from p1

Rebel lead to 5-3. Patton, Hammonds and Turner each scored in the bottom of the fourth inning to bolster the lead for the homestand-

Prestonsburg's only other run of the game came in the sixth

Patton went 2-for-4 in the game with an RBI for the Rebels. Turner led Allen Central with three runs batted in. Hall finished with two RBIs.

Patton, Hammonds and Neil Allen each had an RBI each.

Shannon Moore was the winning pitcher for Allen Central going five inning and giving up

Neil Allen was credited with the save for the Rebels. Greg May took the loss for Prestonsburg.

All-State

Seth Kiser, a sophomore from Shelby Valley, were boys tabbed from the 15th Region.

Hall and Johnson Central senior Ashley Wireman have at least a couple of things in common. Wireman was also a Second Team selection. Both players have signed to play at

Pikeville College next season. Sheldon Clark senior Kelli Jo

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Moore, a 6-2 center who has committed to play at Marshall University next winter, was a Third Team selection.

Those named Honorable Mention from the 14th Region

Heather Benton (Leslie County), Polly Sebastian (Perry County Central), Chastity Fox (Whitesburg), Camille Cook (Whitesburg), Tonya Amburgey (Knott County Central) and Brittany Baker (Perry County Central).

Layne's Whitney Lykens and Natasha Stratton were both honorable mention players from the 15th Region.

blown out by big numbers as the pitching staff has all but officially collapsed. Ace (or

Jimmy Haynes (0-4) was placed on the 15 day disabled list when, by admission of the Reds front office, there is nothing wrong with him physically. What it does, it allows the Reds to bring up someone from

thought to be)

Triple A to fill the void of Haynes to see if they can hit the strike zone.

Finding the strike zone has been the problem of the Reds pitching staff and

not knowing the strike zone has been a problem for the big guys who swing the lumber. The games I have watched this year, they are swinging at everything that comes toward the plate, even the ones

over their head, in the dirt and behind them. All of them are a sucker for the hard slider.

While the Reds are definitely struggling, the good news is they are only a half-game behind the Milwaukee Brewers (is that in consolation). The rest of the National Central Division has winning records with the exception of both Milwaukee and Cincinnati.

Kearns and Dunn are tied for the home run in the national league with six round-trippers each. Kearns has slowed his pace a bit but if you remember, he does not play well in cold weather and playing in both

Cincinnati and Chicago this season, it has been cold thus

The Reds will close out a first-ever three game series against Montreal in San Juan, Puerto Rico today before returning home to face a team that is struggling as well, Los Angeles.

BIG MAN

Still no signing a big man for the Kentucky Wildcats as Marquis Estill has made it offi

(See SPORTS, page three)

DIRT TRACK RACING

Thunder Ridge opener on tap for Saturday

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG

Coming off one of the most successful seasons in Thunder Ridge Raceway history, the 2003 edition is ready to take the green flag this Saturday evening as JD Racing Inc. presents the Thunder Ridge Raceway Season Opener, weather permitting.

Due to all the bad weather that the area has experienced over the past month the new clay that was scheduled to be put down on the track will have to be postponed until a later date because the track would need some time to bond with the new surface and with the racing season upon us the decision was made to delay the resurfacing until later in the season Hershal Colwell, event manager for the track said

"It has been bad all winter so we could not do anything with it, now after talking to a few people they told me right now that it would not bond good with the dirt, so we are just going to start working the track with what we got right now and start racing and put the clay on when we get time," said Colwell.

Although the new surface was put on hold other improvements have been made at Thunder Ridge Raceway, an upgraded sound system has been added to the grandstand area. Some new ideas will be imple-

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P'burg

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the volunteers," said Ed Senig of Floyd County Special Olympics. "We couldn't have done it without all of the great volunteers and all of the help."

Many of the athletes in Saturday's Area competition will go on to the State Games in Richmond in late-May.

Blue

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Blue Caravan, contact Amy Terry in the K-Fund office at 859/257-8000.

The dates for the inaugural caravan are as follows:

May 12 - Louisville May 13 - Cincinnati

May 19 - Nashville

May 20 - Somerset

HAP

June 16 - Madisonville June 17 - Bowling Green

June 18 - Prestonsburg

There was also a chance to

win \$10,00 with a hole-in-one.

No golfer was able to claim the

top prize with a hole-in-one, but

Rodney Ousley did get \$100

were three teams tied for first

with 13 under par. After a play-

off, the team of Randy Kidd,

Josh Kidd, Jimmie Jo Rose and

Larry Hale were third-place

winners of \$500. The playoff

went six more times with no

winner when it was decided that

the two teams would split the

top prize money. Tied for first

were B.J. Newsome, Tim Rice,

At the end of the day, there

after hitting closest to the hole.

Tickets

sports programs this week.

"We are not a program that ever wants to do that," he said. "We want to continue to support our programs and allow them to be competitive in our conference. That is a hard road in this conference. It is a difficult conference in which to break through, and you can't do it with one arm tied behind your back. That's what we've asked some of our coaches to do."

Ticket prices for men's basketball games in Rupp Arena will rise \$5, to \$27 for lowerlevel seats and \$22 for upperlevel seats. Season-ticket prices will rise by \$75, to \$405 for the lower level and \$330 for the upper level.

Based on the just-completed season, UK's ticket prices would be the most expensive among Southeastern Conference schools, but cheaper than tickets at other national powers like Duke (\$50), North Carolina (\$35) and Maryland (\$31).

For football games at Commonwealth Stadium except the game against the University of Louisville prices for tickets between the goal lines will rise \$7 to \$29. End-zone seats still will cost \$22. For the game against Louisville, all seats will cost \$40. Season ticket prices will rise \$60 to \$214 for seats between the goal lines and \$18 to \$172 for end-zone seats.

student ticket prices for football or basketball.

Also included in the plan will be a requirement for holders of certain seats in Rupp Arena and Commonwealth Stadium to make a donation to UK's new K-Fund - which replaces the existing Blue-White Fund - in

Bud Newsome and Jerry Gibson

on one team and Clayton

"Chico" Tackett, and Mickey

McKinney, the remaining mem-

bers of this team, Keith Pugh

and Chris Canada, had to leave

all of the golfers that came out to

play, the parents and the coach-

es, and all volunteers for their

help and support. The league

also extends a special thank you

to Food City, Bob Evans and

Company for their donations,

and Paul Hunt Thompson and

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Allen

Beaver Valley Golf Course.

Hatton

HAP league officials thank

because of an emergency.

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order to maintain those season

tickets in those seats.

At Rupp Arena, the entire lower seating area, excluding student seating, will have a minimum \$500 per seat yearly donation attached to the price of each ticket. The highest-priced donor seats will require a donation of \$1,250 per seat. Associate athletics director Greg Byrne said that 56 percent of available lower-arena priority seating is not included in the current donor program. A few seats in the upper arena will require a \$250 donation.

The requirements will be phased in over two years, Byrne said. Those who have not paid in the past will pay 50 percent of the required donation next season, then will pay the full cost during the 2004-05 season.

For football games, donations for sideline seats in the lower bowl and selected upperbowl seats will range from \$75 to \$375. Those donations also will be phased in over a twoyear period starting in 2004, Byrne said.

A point system also has been established to determine a pecking order among donors for post-season tickets and improving current season-ticket locations. The system is based on the number of years a donor has given, the amount and other fac-

"We will give every seathold-There will be no changes in er the opportunity to retain their seats," Byrne said.

Byrne said the increased ticket revenue will bring in \$1. million during the 2003-04 school year. Annual giving should increase from about \$4 million to \$6 million next year and \$8 million the year after that, he said. In 2002, UK ranked 11th among Southeastern Conference schools in annual giving revenues for athletics.

The athletics department will give \$1.05 million to UK president Lee Todd's office, money that Todd said has been earmarked for scholarship use. Other money will go toward hiring assistant coaches in eight sports that don't have the maximum number of coaches allowed by the NCAA and to offset increases in athletics scholarship costs, Barnhart said.

"We want to make UK fans proud, and the best way to do that is to invest," he said. "I'm not saying there won't be heartache in this, but we want to try and keep in place a spot for everyone in our program.



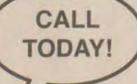
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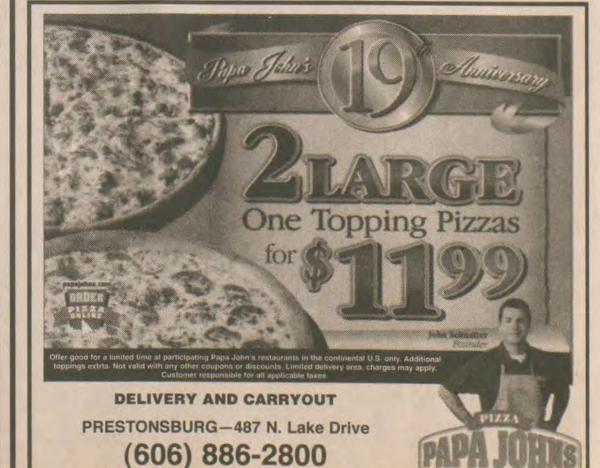


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Second-place team, HAP Little League Golf Scramble.



Rodney Ousley, right, was the closest-to-the-hole in the HAP golf scramble, winning \$100 for his efforts.

SOCCER ROUNDUP

Quakes roll over David School

TIMES STAFF REPORT

U19 QUAKES - On Tuesday April 15, the Prestonsburg U19 soccer team, the Quakes, won an outstanding 9-1 victory over the David School Falcons at their home field in Prestonsburg.

The first half was dominated by the Quakes with seven goals scored; three by forward Eplin Little, two by forward Jesse Davis, 1 by midfielder Morgan Salisbury, and one by midfielder Josh McCarty. David forward Eddie Banks Kuss scored the Falcons' one goal from nearly half field.

In the second half both teams played extremely well. David goalie Michael Tussey had eight saves and allowed two goals, one by forward Nick Hughes and one by Little respectively. Prestonsburg goalie Josh Woods once again produced a flawless second half for the second game in a row with six saves.

U8 ROCKETS

At Kaikumba Field near Hazard, the Rockets were handed their first loss of the season Saturday by the Perry County Pulverizers. In a hard-fought contest, the Rockets lost to a

score of 5-3. Playing both aggressively and "smart" at the Rocket defender positions were Nikki Ellis, Tyler Harmon. Haley Howell, Kayla Nelson. Elizabeth Vaughn, and Gabe Walker. Alex Davis, Alex Holbrook, and Kaleb Rodebaugh all put in valiant time at the goalkeeper position against a stout-footed Pulverizer offense. The Rocket offense was lead by Kaleb Rodebaugh who had his first "hat trick" of the season, scoring all three Rocket goals. Applying constant offen-

tough Pulverizer team by the

sive pressure on the Pulverizer defense was newcomer Savannah Bryant, who along with Mitch Fields, Tyler Harmon, Alex Holbrook, Haley Howell, Gabe Walker, and Alex Davis at the forward and mid-

fielder positions, played an

"ever forward" style of offense

in a courageous effort that fell

just short. The Rockets' next game on Saturday will be at their home field in Prestonsburg.

U10 TRAILBLAZERS

Upset by a loss in their last outing, the all-girl Trailblazers took out their frustrations on an unfortunate Belfry Thunder team on Monday evening, coming home with a victory of 8-0. Kelsey "Big Monster" Hughes started the scoring on a left-footed goal about three minutes into the game. Clara "Eugene" Osborne followed suit a minute later, and Kathleen "Supy Lou" Smith knocked in two more lefty scores. Alexis "A.D." DeRossett's control of the ball made this onslaught possible; however, the barrage was just beginning. Madyson Nunnery moved up to forward to score three goals off the right wing in two minutes time. Nunnery's efforts were aided by the fine

play of her best buddy, Kaitlyne "Meanness" Minix, and Tori "Dry Feet" Hunt. Throughout the offensive display, the midfield was controlled by Meghan Banks, Christine Walz, and Brenna Ousley.

The second half was dominated by the Trailblazers, though Rachel Pescosolido scored the only goal of the second half. Thalia Holland and Kasey Moore helped press the attack, while Allison Conley anchored the defense in the Blazers' only shutout of the year. Moore, Banks and DeRossett combined in goal for

(See SOCCER, page four)



Ridge

racing program run more smoothly from beginning to

On Saturday, four exciting divisions will take to the threeeighths-mile dirt track looking to be the first driver to claim the victory of 2003 in the Limited Late Model, Street Stock, Bomber, and Four-Cylinder

One of the fastest growing divisions in the area is the Limited Late Model division, last year the competition both on and off the track was very close several memorable moments in this division, this season look for the action to be even better as several new teams join the weekend war at Thunder Ridge. This weekend the Limited Late Models will be

chasing a \$1,000 to win feature. The Street Stock division at the reputation of having some of the best races of the night this season should be know different with several familiar faces in the division as well as some new faces trying to dethrone the veterans of the division. This weekend the Street Stock division will be after a \$700 to win feature event.

In 2002 the Bomber division at Thunder Ridge was dominated him have such a easy time in

mented that should make the 2003 as several new teams are working on cars to challenge Mason each and every week. This weekend the Bombers will be after a \$600 to win feature

> The Four-Cylinder division has always been a crowd favorite at Thunder Ridge. The Four-Cylinders have always drew some of the biggest car counts for a regular show and have never disappointed the fans always putting on a show with racing two and three wide all the way around the track. This weekend looks for a large count in the Four-Cylinder ranks as the Four-Cylinders will be chasing a \$500 to win feature event.

The Late Model division will join the show beginning on May 3, but the Late Models are welcomed to come to the track this weekend and test their cars out in preparation for the season opener Inunder Ridge has always had on the first Saturday in May, which will be a \$1,500 to win feature event. Thunder Ridge in past years has helped launch some of the Eastern Kentucky Late Models drivers' careers on a more national level. Randall Chupp was the first ever Thunder Ridge Late Model Track Champion and now is very well known to dirt Late Model race fans all over the nation since his by Tim Mason, but don't expect days at Thunder Ridge Chupp has run at tracks from Florida to

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California. Jackie Boggs won the Thunder Ridge Championship a couple years ago and the year after winning the track championship Boggs went to Florida Speedweeks and left Florida as the Renegade Dirt Car Series points leader and top money winner for the two weeks of racing in Florida. Boggs continued to follow the series the entire year and ended the season in the top three in Renegade Points. Eddie Carrier Jr. won the 2002 Thunder Ridge Track Championship and also was able to capture the STARS Battle of the Bluegrass Inaugural Points Championship and now in 2003 Carrier Jr. has accepted a ride with Grover Motorsports from West Virginia and will compete full time as a dirt racer and will try to defend his STARS Battle of the Bluegrass title while also hitting several other nationally known races.

This year the Late Model division will be stronger than ever at Thunder Ridge with 10 races paying \$3,000 or more during the 2003 season, with four different series making the trip to Thunder Ridge. This weekend will also be a good time for the cars to prepare for the Mid-Atlantic Championship Series (MACS) event. The May 10 MACS race will be a weekend of first for Thunder Ridge and the MAC Series. This will be the first ever trip to Eastern Kentucky for the MAC Series, this be the first time ever at Thunder Ridge, but it will also be the first race of the year for the MAC Series for 2003 so many new drivers that plan on running the entire series will be on hand to begin their season long points battle toward the MACS Championship. The MAC Series and drivers will invade Thunder Ridge on May 10 chasing a \$5,000 to win feature event.

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Sports

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the June NBA draft. In fact, Estill has confirmed that he will play for pay as he tours the state on a barnstorming tour with Keith Bogans and Jules Camara. Wonder if they would let Parker come back? Doubt it.

Chuck Hayes and Eric Daniels are the two prominent one and be good sports!

cial that he will definitely be in big men returning but they will be incapable of playing the low post like an Estill-sized player would. Some kind of SEC rule has hurt the Cats in recruiting a big man who had originally signed with Georgia. It is going to be interesting. Until Wednesday, good sports every-

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BoB begins racing Friday night

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

The green flag is ready to wave for the second season of the STARS Battle of the Bluegrass Dirt Late Model Stock Car Racing Series as it will open its season Friday night with a complete racing program at McCoy Motor Speedway in Glasgow. The track formerly known as Barren County Speedway will host the racers for the fifth time in two years as the high speed 3/8th mile high banked dirt track will \$3000 to win for the 40-lap Late Model feature event. The STARS Battle of the Bluegrass is the premier sanctioning body of Late Model racing in the state of Kentucky and will be running 25 events this season with total purses exceeding \$400,000.

McCoy Motor Speedway is located three miles west of Glasgow on Highway 6880. The

track phone number on race day is 270/678-1100. Pit gates will open at 2 p.m. with spectator gates at 5 p.m.. For more information visit the track's website at www.mccoy motors peedway.com.

The Battle of Bluegrass Late Models will be appearing the next night on Saturday at Bluegrass Speedway Bardstown for yet another \$3000 to win event. Bluegrass Speedway is located at Exit 21 off of the Bluegrass Parkway in Highway 31E. The track phone number at Bardstown is 502/349-1241. Pit gates will open at 3 p.m. with spectator gates opening at 5 p.m..

For more information on the Battle of the Bluegrass Series visit the newly redesigned website at www.battleofthebluegrass.com or call the office at 859/271-4501.

Dallas Calhoun



Floyd County Special Olympics athlete Chris Meadows is pictured at left with Tonya Johnson of Pizza Hut, and right with Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin and city firemen.

Howard surrendered the lead

when he got into the first turn

too deep and had to get on the

binders while his machine

stubbed up in the center of the

turns, allowing Lemaster to

shoot to the outside and take the

lead. One of the only three cau-

tions came out on the sixth lap,

bunching up the field on the re-

start. With several green flag laps, Lemaster managed to

extend his advantage over

Howard over the next five or six

laps. The final caution came on

lap 8, letting Howard get right

back to the rear decklid of the

leader, Lemaster. The two,

Howard and Lemaster, raced

virtually side by side for most of

out, Howard made one more bid

to the inside of Lemaster, but the

race leader would carry the

advantage down the backstretch,

until he got the backend of the

No. 3 loose in the center of turn

allowed Howard to finish first.

by STEVE LeMASTER

SPORTS EDITOR

Wireman was honored by two

separate newspapers over the

weekend. Wireman, who has

signed to play at the next level at

nearby Pikeville College, was

named to the Ashland Daily

Independent All-Area Team.

She was the only player from the

15th Region to be named to the

ASHLAND

Lemaster's miscue

HONORS

ADI honors 3 15th

Region players

When the white flag came

the feature.



201 SPEEDWAY

201 drops checkers on first race:

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SITKA - Following several weekends of rain and bad weather, 201 Speedway in Sitka finally saw the green flag drop on the track's 19th season Over 1000 fans and drivers filled the pits and hillside as area drivers as well as racers from as far away as Ohio came to challenge the quarter-mile red clay oval.

Qualifying had the No. 3 of Falcon's Jim Lemaster laying down the fastest Super Bomber qualifying lap at 15:35 in Claude Spence's Blair's Body Shop sponsored Camaro.

Lemaster had the inside pole position for the start of the first feature of the 2003 season, with fellow Magoffin Countian Michael Paul Howard to the outside, and the two would wage solid battle for the front through the 20-lap feature. Lemaster carried the field through the first set of corners after the start, but off the fourth turn to the second lap, Howard found a lane to the inside of the his fellow driver to take over the top spot on the sec-

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ond lap. The two raced side by Lemaster, Flacon, managed to side over the next couple of cirfinish second ahead of Terry cuits, with Howard holding to Hicks, Beadie Blackburn and the inside rail, and Lemaster Brent McCormick. finding a quick lane in the second racing groove. Each time, Lemaster would set up a good run off the second turn and draw right up to the rear bumper of Howard. On the fourth lap.

A couple of veteran Bomber drivers shared the front row of opening night Bomber feature action with the No. B4 of former track champion Bannie Blair and Melvin resident Jody Puckett on the outside pole. When the field got the green, Blair took the advantage into the

Salyersville's Scott Lemaster found a lane to the inside of Blair and took over the front runner spot off the fourth turn to lead the first lap of the 2003 Bomber season at 201. With only inches separating the front three, Puckett was making a strong bid to the inside of Blair, searching for a way around

first turn, while the No. 3 of

(See RACE, page five)

WILLARD SPEEDWAY

Willard Speedway hosts Easter weekend races

WILLARD - Drivers and fans celebrated the Easter holiday Saturday and enjoyed dirt track racing action at the same time. Willard Speedway track officials believe all 400 eggs were found in the egg hunt. Two lucky boys, C.J. Payne of Ashton, W.Va. and Jacob Curnutte of Lavalette, W.Va., held the winning tickets for the drawing at intermission, taking home the big Easter baskets. The results of the top five finishers in the races are listed below.

Fifteenth Region boys' bas-

ketball players Shane Simpkins

(Paintsville) and Brandon

Wheeler (Johnson Central) are

first-year All-Area selections by

the Ashland Daily Independent.

their 15th Region teams to suc-

cessful seasons.

Simpkins and Wheeler led

Simpkins, a junior, averaged

15.2 points, 6.5 rebounds and

3.5 assists as Paintsville went

24-4 and reached the regional

finals. Wheeler tossed in 20

points per game for Johnson

Central, a regional semifinalist.

With warmer temperatures, Willard Speedway opening times will be later starting Saturday. Gates will open at 3 p.m. and racing will start at 5:30

The Southern Ohio Sprints series will begin racing at Willard on Saturday, May 3.

Modified

1. 1D Bill Dement; 2. 87 Eddie Harmon; 3. 11 Jason Ball; 4. R2 Eric Roseberry; 5. 12 George Canterbury.

Super Street

1. B5 Brian Samons; 2. 42A Jamey Adams; 3. 31 Lee Neil; 4. 15 Byron Pennington; 5. 00 Andy Cruse.

Bomber

Bellamy.

1. 27 Conard Newman; 2. 248 James McDaniel; 3, 11 James Johnson; 4. K9 Edgar Montgomery; 5. 29 Danny

Four-Cylinder

1. 18K D.I. Henson; 2. 8 Keith Anderson; 3. D18 David Smith; 4. M5 Dale Dehart; 5. M16 James Faulkner.

Road Hog 1. R7 Ryan Risner; 2. 42D Darrell Davis; 3. 101 Wayne

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Soccer

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the whitewash.

The Trailblazers will take on the other Floyd County U10 team, the all-male Lightning, Saturday morning.

U8 SUPERSONICS

The Floyd County U8 Supersonics won a 6-0 decision over the Perry Wildcats in a match played Saturday in Prestonsburg. The Supersonics defense played tenacious throughout the match with James Sanders and Cameron Love combining in goal for the shut-out. Strong defensive play was turned in by Allison Sanders, Rachel Hall, Lane Terry and Taylor Crawford. Bryant Studebaker was especially effective as defensive midfielder, repeatedly sending the ball back into the offensive end. The scoring was well distributed with Cameron Love and James Sanders each netting two goals. Allyson DeRossett showed excellent ball handling skills throughout the game and scored a second-half goal. Andrew Padgett also scored following a penalty on the Wildcats. The win lifts the Supersonics' record to 2-2 on the season. The next game is Saturday in Hazard against the Terror at 10:30 a.m.



Report: Drug use still common in baseball

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK - Baseball players are still using musclebuilding drugs and amphetamines despite the sport's new steroid-testing plan, The New York Times reported in Tuesday's editions.

Players have switched from using steroids to drugs like human growth hormone, The Times reported, citing interviews with 40 current or former players, baseball executives and medical officials.

Some players told the newspaper that the union is jeopardizing the health of its members by not allowing mandatory test-

This spring, 16 members of the Chicago White Sox were ready to refuse a drug test so they could be counted as testing positive for steroids. Their idea was to send a message that more extensive monitoring is needed.

Players on an unidentified National League team also considered refusing to take the test, The Times reported.

GRADE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Allen keeps pace in repeat bid

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN - Ashley Moore and Allison Hamilton combined for nine service points in the first match, and Brittney Waugh scored 12 consecutive service points in the second, to help the Allen volleyball team to a 15-5, 15-1 triumph over Allen Central Middle last Thursday.

In a game played last week on Friday, Adams also defeated Allen Central Middle.

The Allen Grade School volleyball team has posted back-toback wins in A-Team action. Allen is the defending Floyd Grade School

ing of certain drugs.

Allen, coached by Martin Newberry, beat Adams in Monday night in varsity action, but dropped the junior varsity

In the first varsity match, a 15-13 win for the Eagles, Allen's Hamilton and Rikki Murray combined for nine services points. Moore was credited with nine attacks and Waugh, one.

Murray and Megan Goble each had an attack in the second game, a 15-9 win for Adams.

Alesia Hall connected for 10 consecutive service points in the third game, a 15-2 Allen triumph. Moore had one attack in

Former San Diego Padres All-Star Tony Gwynn said that more attention needs to be focused on amphetamines. He estimates that 50 percent of position players use "greenies"

"People might think there is a steroid problem in baseball, but it's nowhere near the other problem; the other, it's a rampant problem," Gwynn told the paper. "Guys feel like steroids are cheating and greenies aren't.

"Sooner or later, it's going to get out that there's a greenie problem, and it's a huge one," Gwynn said. "Guys feel like they need an edge. It didn't seem like there was a lot of it earlier in my career, but I know that coming down to the end of my career, it was rampant on my club."

Last year, former players Jose Canseco and Ken Caminiti also made claims of widespread steroid use in baseball.

New York Mets pitcher Tom Glavine, the NL player rep to the union, called Gwynn's comments "irresponsible."

"I have a problem with all these guys that aren't playing anymore now coming out and saying that all these problems exist," Glavine told the paper. "If the problems were there and they were so prevalent, how come nobody said anything when they were playing?

"Is there stuff going on? Sure," Glavine said. "Is it 50 percent? I don't think so."

There is no testing for amphetamines in the labor agreement reached between players and owners last sum-

(See DRUGS, page six)

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Race

Blair. With the opening laps of Saturday night's Bomber feature going caution-free, Scott Lemaster managed to build up a five carlength advantage of the battle between Blair and Puckett. The first of only two cautions involved the top three machines when Scott Lemaster, after extending his advantage had something to break on his No. 3 car, and when Blair and Puckett got to him, both would make contact and suffer flat tires, forcing both Blair and Puckett to the pits for tire changes. Scott Lemaster would be absent for the remainder of the Bomber feature, and secondyear driver John Fairchild of Auxier forced himself in the lead on the eighth lap. Both Blair and Puckett would return to the field and remain on the lead lap. On the restart, Lucasville, Ohio's George Meade took a look to the outside of Fairchild, but the No. XX of the Auxier resident would simply get away from the challenge of the Buckeye driver. Meade would face the challenge of last year's Road Hog champion, West Liberty's Scott Pennington, driving Larry Blanton and Charles Blair's No.

the lead by hitting the third racing groove off the corners, getting a solid run down the straightaways. By the 10th lap, Blair had fought his way back through the field and slipped up in front of Pennington to take the third spot, and looked to have enough power to run down the leader after clearing the No. 8 of Meade, the race's secondplace car. On the 11th lap, much the same as in the Super Bomber feature, one could throw a blanket on the front three cars, with Fairchild, Blair and Meade running inches apart. The final caution came with only three laps to go, involving the No. T1 of Pennington, resulting in the Morgan County driver watching the final laps from the pits.

On the restart, the trio up front went three wide into the first turn. Blair was able to overtake Meade with two laps to go. Blair got side by side with the leader entering turns one and two and carried the same battle into the second set of turns, trading paint and sheet metal as they went. When the payoff flag fell on the first Bomber feature of 2003, former champion Bannie Blair would carry the checkers in the Auto Glass of America, Sandy Valley Fasteners sponsored 1976 Camaro. Bo Howard of Harold brought home a runner-up finish, ahead of Meade, and Ted Blevins, the 1992 Super Bomber champion, who made a return to the Johnson County dirt track after a 10-year absence. Fairchild led laps nine through 12 and looped the other No. XX, finishing fifth. Blair dedicated the Bomber feature win to Gina Howard.

Royalton's Ryan Risner took the lead in the Road Hog feature on the second lap and had an easy time capturing the checkers in the No. R7, Red Fusion, Don's Superlube sponsored machine, ahead of Michael Marcum (04) and Rick Baker

The final feature of the night, the Four-Cylinder feature, parked the No. US 23 of Leroy Akers with the win over Charles Thomas, Mark Jude, four-time champion Jack Clevenger, and Jacob Ross.

Racing continues this Saturday with the Late Models and Open Wheel Modifieds returning to the red clay of 201, along with Super Bombers, Bombers, Road Hogs and Four-Cylinders. For information on 201 Speedway, call the track at 606/265-3201.

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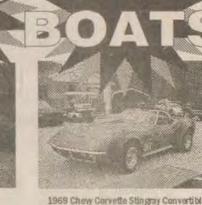


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Pikeville top seed in Region XI tourney

ROME, Ga. - Pikeville College is seeded first in this week's sixteam NAIA Region XI tournament consisting of five clubs ranked in the nation's Top 25.

T1. Fairchild managed to hold

The Lady Bears, 12-1 and ranked seventh nationally, will get a first-round bye in the tournament and play the winner of a match between a pair of TranSouth Conference teams. No. 23 Union (Tenn.) University, the four seed,

Raptors

will play fifth-seeded Lee (Tenn.) University, the nation's 24th ranked team.

First-round matches will be played Friday morning at 9 a.m. Pikeville will begin play in the semifinals on Friday at 1 p.m., with the finals set for Saturday

"This is a tough tournament, but it's what we've been preparing for all season," said Rodrigo Puebla, head coach of the women's tennis team. "Our girls are healthy and played very well last week in the conference tournament, and we hope to continue that this week. In a region this tough, we'll need to."

Pikeville is all but assured of a spot in the 23rd Annual NAIA Women's Tennis National Championship, slated to begin May 12 in Peachtree City, Ga. However, a win in the regional tournament is still important because the top eight seeds in the 24-team field get first-round byes, and their national rating has them on the cusp of that.

"We would like to get a bye in the first round," Puebla said, "because it makes advancing in the tournament a little easier.'

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helped goalie Nick Conn keep the Raptors from scoring. Christian Smith, Osborne and Adam Kimbler.

Defense was played by Brad Shepherd, Samantha Osborne, Jackson Branston Jarrell, Cody

goalie the first half, came out

onto the field in the second half,

scoring three goals. The team's

defense was very aggressive and

McCoy, Bryan Stratton and

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Elizabeth Davis saw time at forward and midfield, and kept constant pressure on the Raptor defense. The U12 Flames team is

coached by Gary Jarrell and Doug Hicks. The Johnson County Raptors squad is coached by Don and Melinda

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Many Floyd County youth soccer teams took to the road and played games over the weekend.

Ky. All-Stars named

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GEORGETOWN - The Kentucky All-Stars, both boys and girls, were decided at Georgetown College over the

The girls' Kentucky All-Stars: Megen Gearhart of West Carter (Miss Basketball), Marquise Hanser of Notre Dame

Crude 61-20

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Lexington Horsemen notched

their first-ever win in Rupp

Arena on Saturday night as they

drilled the Oklahoma Crude 61-

20 in front of 7,176 fans.

Quarterback Dusty Bonner

threw six touchdown passes to

five different receivers as the

Horsemen (2-1, 1-0) jumped out

to an early lead and never

LEXINGTON

INDOOR FOOTBALL

Horsemen dominate

Academy, Angela Mullins of Catholic, and Lauren Parrish of Hopkins Central, Chelsea Mercy. Lexington Chowning of Catholic, Charlotte Marshall of Shelby County. Toni Slaughter of Shelby County, DeNasha Monday of Louisville Ballard, Tracy Harbut of Bryan Station, Kara Hamilton of Lafayette, Sarah Todd of Assumption, Sarah Schell of Lexington

The girls' head coach is Mark Evans, the head mentor at Mercy. His assistants on the All-Stars will be Keith Baisch (an assistant at Mercy), Jim Wright (assistant coach at Christian Academy of Louisville), and Damon Cobble (head coach at Louisville Central).

The boys' Kentucky All-Stars: Ross Neltner of Highlands (Mr. Basketball), Andrew Preston of Clark County, Chris McCoy of Trinity, Louisville Justin Doellman of Ryle, Guy Ngardi of Louisville Western, Marques Dawson of Rose Hill, Kevin Bridgewater of Adair County, Jerome Givens of Woodford County, Sean Booker of Louisville Ballard, Brian Smith of Lexington Catholic, Mike Brock of Simon Kenton, and Trey Cape of Louisville Butler.

The boys' head coach will be Steve Sparks, head coach at Muhlenberg North.

All of his assistants on the Allstars are also his assistants at Muhlenberg North - Sam Sparks, John Lovell, and Eddie Wilcox.

The Kentucky All-Stars play the Indiana All-Stars at Owensboro on June 14 and in Indianapolis on June 21.

havoc on the line for much of the game, finishing with 8 tackles (7 solo) and two sacks. Nate

looked back. Wide receiver Dougie Allen continued to shine on special teams, returning a first-quarter kickoff 50 yards for a touchdown - his third kick return for a score in the last two games. Allen also scored on an 8-yard reception from Bonner in the game's opening drive.

Defensively, the Horsemen turned in their best effort yet, of total offense. Defensive lineman Marvin Major wreaked

Green, Nigel Smith, Champ Kelly, and Ray McLaurin shut down the Oklahoma passing attack, breaking up 19 passes between them and holding the Crude to only 84 yards through the air. Green, Kelly and McLaurin each recorded an interception as well. The Horsemen got yet anoth-

er solid effort on the ground from RB Martez Johnson, who carried the ball 10 times for 48 yards and a touchdown. Receiver Carlos Johnson led all receivers in the game with 8 catches for 69 yards, Magoffin County native

Grayson Smith now has 11.5 tackles on the season and two sacks for Lexington.

The Horsemen's next game event holding the Crude to 141 yards is at 7:05 p.m. on Saturday the against Tennessee RiverHawks in Knoxville.

GOLF

OLM teams up with StoneCrest for annual golf

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Our Lady of the Mountains School will hold its 7th Annual Golf Classic on Monday, May 12 at StoneCrest Golf Course in Prestonsburg.

The event is a four-ball, team scramble tournament. Check in time is 9 a.m. with a shotgun start at 10 a.m.

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Drugs

The policy calls for all players to be tested for steroids once during the 2003 season, and for 240 players to be tested at random again. If more than 5 percent test positive, a second step will go into effect in 2004, in which players could be subject to penalties for testing positive.

In 2003, however, players who test positive for steroids would not be penalized - or even identified.

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It is a weak drug policy when compared with the NFL, NCAA and International Olympic Committee, all of which test for more than just steroids and have more stringent penalties.

U.S. GOVERNMENT FORECLOSURE SALE

THURSDAY, APRIL 24, 2003 AT 11:00 A.M. AT THE SITE OF THE BELOW DESCRIBED PROPERTY HOUSE AND LOT LOCATED AT 1674 TOWN BRANCH - PRESTONSBURG IN FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY



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February, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court in the above sion area is approxistyled action, in the mately 1.5 miles principal sum of Northeast from \$66,909.42, together Kentucky 194 juncwith interest, costs tion with Brushy Fork and fees, I shall pro-Road and located 1.5 ceed to offer for sale miles Northeast of at the Old Floyd Thomas, Kentucky. County Courthouse The proposed Door, 3rd Avenue, amendment is locat-Prestonsburg, ed on the Thomas Kentucky, (behind the U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute new Floyd County quadrangle Justice Center) to the The amendment prohighest bidder, at public auction on Thursday, the 24th

poses contour and highwall mining. The surface area owned by Martin County Coal Corporation Pocahontas Development Corporation, Thomas L. Taylor, and Donna Sue Taylor. The mineral rights are owned by Pocahontas Development Corporation and Thomas L Taylor.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Mining Surface Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 2705 South Drive, Prestonsburg Kentucky 41653 1455. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits. No. Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort,

Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of this date.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

At the time DIVISION NO. I of sale, the success-C.A. NO. 02-CIful bidder, if the other 00524 than the Plaintiff. THE BANK OF shall either pay cash NEW YORK. or 10% of purchase TRUSTEE UNDER price, with the bal-THE AGREEMENT ance on credit for DATED 12/1/01 thirty (30) days, and (EQCC TRUST required to execute a 2001-2) C/O bond with good surety thereon for the **FAIRBANKS** unpaid purchase CAPITAL CORP. price of said property, PLAINTIFF if any, bearing inter-VS. est at the rate of ALLEN TACKETT, twelve percent (12%)

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RE-NOTICE OF

SALE

Judgment and Order

of Sale of the Floyd

Circuit Court, entered

on the 30th day of

day of April, 2003, at

the hour of 9:15 a.m.,

described real estate,

located at 979, Hi

Hat, in Floyd County,

Kentucky, and more

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highway 979; thence

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TERMS OF SALE

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Judgment (b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of COMMISSIONER'S America and/or the record owners there-

per annum from the

date of sale until

paid, having the force

and effect of a

BY VIRTUE OF (C) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of Master Commissioner and any real estate taxes assessed against the

real estate. announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

PLAINTIFF'S road; thence around COUNSEL the hill to the begin-Hon. James E. Stierle Being the same 410 West Chestnut property conveyed to Street Allen Tackett and Suite 617 Gerlie Tackett, his Louisville, Kentucky wife, by deed dated 40202 6/25/91 of record in Deed Book 257, WILLIAM S. Page 201, in the

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Judgment and Order Court, in the above and fees, I shall proat the Old Floyd the Prestonsburg, (behind real estate. Kentucky, Floyd the new tion on Thursday, the 24th day of April,

2003, at the hour of

9:00 a.m., the follow-

ing described real

estate located in

County,

Floyd

Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at an iron pipe & cap, a corner to 20 foot road (egress & ingress), thence running with said 20 foot road South 30 deg. 03 min. 23 sec. West-39.32 feet; South 30 deg. 16 min. 36 sec West 76.76 feet: South 43 deg. 25 min. 01 sec. West-77.69; South 44 deg. 05 min. 11 sec. West-38.59 feet and South 39 deg. 54 min. 44 sec. West-61.97 feet

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America and/or the 30th, 2003. record owners there-

chaser and pay all Floyd Surface County, Kentucky, Reclamation and all subsequent ceeds

In the event 30th, 2003. (d) BY VIRTUE OF the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above of Sale of the Floyd described property Circuit Court entered for an amount equal on the 17th day of to, or less than, its February, 2003, in first lien, it shall take the Floyd Circuit a credit against said lien for the amount of styled action, in the the bid and no bond principal sum of shall be required of \$85,914.38, together the Plaintiff, and it with interest, costs shall only be obligated to pay court costs, ceed to offer for sale the fees and costs of Master County Courthouse Commissioner and Door, 3rd Avenue, any real estate taxes assessed against the

Any announce-Justice ments made on date Center) to the highest of sale take precebidder, at public auc- dence over printed matter contained herein.

> PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. James E. Stierle 410 West Chestnut Street Suite 617 Louisville, Kentucky 40202

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NOTICE OF **BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Fuel, the line of Fannin Inc.; 14305 Old US Catlettsburg feet; North 06 deg. 07 41129, has applied min. 13 sec. West- for Phase I bond release on permit 836-5342, which was issued on The 51 sec. East-179.62 bond release applicafeet to an iron post in tion covers an area of the eastern margin of approximate 1242.00 the County Road Jim acres, located 0.60 Branch; mile Northeast of Ivel thence running with in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.9 mile Northeast from junction with U.S. Route 23/460, and located 0 miles West of Kinney Branch. Latitude is Edward 37°36'10" The Camp and Joshua Longitude is 82°39'

effect for the permit 836-5342, is a surety office of the Clerk of Approximately 60% of the origional bond amount of \$28,700 are included in the At the time application for release.

Reclamation work

The bond now in

performed in 836-5342 has included backfilling and grading, redistribution of the available topsoil, thirty (30) days, and and revegetation, in with bond with good sure- approved plan, comty thereon for the pleted on March 2002. The achieved results include the stabilization of backpermanent vegeta-

Written comments, and effect of a requests for a public hearing or informal The proper- conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Departtions of record in the ment of Surface Floyd County Clerk's Mining Reclamation

Hollow

Mining unpaid Office, 3140 South twelve percent (12%) years which are not Lake Drive, Suite 6, per annum from the Kentucky, real estate celled if no request Judgment. taxes will be paid for a hearing or infor-

COMMON-WEALTH OF KEN-TUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 02-CI-1241

MORTGAGE **ELECTRONIC** REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., **ACTING SOLELY** AS NOMINEE FOR AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER C/O

COUNTRYWIDE

HOME LOANS, INC., D.B.A. AMERICA'S WHOLESALE LENDER AND COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. D.B.A. AMERICA'S WHOLESALE

PLAINTIFFS VS. BRIAN N. **DELONG, BRIAN** NEIL DELONG, CITIFINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. DEFENDANTS

LENDER CO-

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 21st day of March, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in above styled action, in the princisum \$107,626.76, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestons-Kentucky, burg, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 8th day of May, 2003, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 3789 Kentucky Route 404, Blue River, In County, Flovd Kentucky, and more particularly described

Said property was conveyed to Brian Neil Delong, unmarried, by Harrison Douglas Reffett and Connie Reffett, husband and wife, on June 14, 2002, by a deed recorded on July 8, 2002, in Deed Book 474, Page 456

Beginning

as follows:

Highway 404 with a Iron Stake, House running South East 120 feet, to main Creek Middle Thence running East with the main Middle Creek stream 120 feet. Thence running Northwest approximately in a straight line 120 feet to Highway 404. Thence running West 120 feet with Highway 404 to the starting point.

TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of 2003, in the Floyd sale, the successful Circuit Court, in the bidder, if the other above styled action, than the Plaintiff, in the principal sum

exist in favor of the Complex, Frankfort, shall either pay cash of United States of KY 40601, by May or \$5,000.00 of pur-together with interest, ance on credit for the application has thirty (30) days, and sale at the Old Floyd bond with good sureshall be June 2nd, 2003, at bond with good sure- Door, 3rd Avenue, unpaid the Department for ty thereon for the Prestonsburg, and price of said property, the new real property taxes Enforcement's Pres- if any, bearing inter- County for the year 2003, tonsburg. Regional est at the rate of Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the yet due and payable. Prestons-burg, date of sale until 24th day of April, Any and all delin- Kentucky 41653. The paid, having the force 2003, at the hour of quent Floyd County, hearing will be can- and effect of a 9:30 a.m., the follow-

The property (b) from the sale pro- mal conference, is shall be sold subject received by May to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners there-

1973

Drive,

Floyd

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Kentucky, records.

Housing Unit and Lot.

TERMS OF SALE:

sale, the successful

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PARCEL NO. 576-

County,

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Kentucky, real prop-2003, and all subse- as follows: beginning quent years which at a black top road are not yet due and and concrete post payable. Any and all Floyd going west to another County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale

(d) In the event the

chaser of the above east around the hill, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real taxes assessed against the real estate.

announcements made on date bidder, if the other dence over printed of sale take prece- than the Plaintiff, dence over printed shall either pay cash herein. contained or 10% of purchase matter BY VIRTUE OF

> PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL Hon. Kerri L. Nunley Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480

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FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 02-CI-01325 U.S. BANK, NA (SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO FIRSTAR BANK NA, F/K/A STAR BANK, NA, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO TRANS FINANCIAL BANK, NA) PLAINTIFF VS. LARRY L. LEWIS, GEORGIA LEWIS AND on DISCOVER BANK, BY ITS SERVIC-ING AGENT, DISCOVER FINAN-

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF

CIAL SERVICES,

INC. DEFEN-

DANTS

Default Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 26th day of February.

\$15,057.84, price, with the balchase price, with the costs and fees, I shall thirty (30) days, and A public hearing on balance on credit for proceed to offer for required to execute a pur- been sheduled for required to execute a County Courthouse ty thereon for the purchase price of said property, purchase Kentucky, (behind if any, bearing inter-Floyd est at the rate of Justice twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment. (b) The property

> ing described real shall be sold subject estate, located at to any easements South Lake and restrictions of Prestonsburg, record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right Kentucky, and more particularly described of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners there-

of. A certain tract or (c) The purchaser parcel of land lying in shall be required to County, assume and pay all Kentucky, on Cow Floyd County, Creek, containing 1 Kentucky, real prop-1/2 acres more or erty taxes for the year less and being more 2003, and all subseerty taxes for the year particularly described quent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, straight line up hill real estate taxes will be paid from the sale point around the hill going proceeds.

Joe Burchett's line down the hill following Joe Plaintiff is the pur- Burchett's line going described property, described property, thence around the hill to, or less than, its going south back to first lien, it shall take Larry Lewis and shall be required of Georgia Lewis, by the Plaintiff, and it deed in Volume 351, shall only be obligat-Page 154, of the ed to pay court costs, County, the fees and costs of

> any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate. Any announce-

Commissioner, and

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ments made on date of sale take precematter contained

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL Hon. Septtimous Taylor 4830 Towne Square Court Owensboro, Kentucky 42301

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LEGAL NOTICE

C.V.

100, Suite Prestonsburg, Kentucky, has been appointed Warning Order Attorney by the Floyd Circuit Court to notify Eula May Muncie; Branham Unknown Spouse of Eula May Branham Randall Muncie; Danny Branham unknown spouse of Randall Danny Branham; unknown heirs and spouses of unknown heirs of Eugene Branham of the nature and pen-(d) In the event the dency of a certain Plaintiff is the pur- lawsuit filed on or chaser of the above about February 26, 2003, in which the for an amount equal above were named as Defendants. Said suit has been filed in a credit against said Division Number I of Being the same lien for the amount of the Floyd Circuit a credit against said property conveyed to the bid, and no bond Court and is represented by Civil Action 03-CI-00242. No. is a

> County, Kentucky. Eula May Branham Muncie: Unknown Spouse of Eula May Branham Muncie; Danny Randall Branham, unknown spouse of Randall

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Master

heirs of days from the date of the Warning Order to file an Answer with the Floyd Circuit Court Clerk if he/she/ they desire to do so. If they do not appear in the suit and defend it, a Judgement will

cretion of the court. Anyone having information concern-May Eula Muncie; Branham Reynolds, unknown Spouse of Attorney at Law, 112 Eula May Branham West Court Street, Muncie; Randall Danny Branham; unknown souse of Randall Danny Branham: and unknown heirs and spouses of unknown Walter of heirs Eugene Branham, please contact Hon. C. V. Reynolds at

> C.V. Reynolds Attorney at Law 112 West Court Street Suite 100 Prestonsburg. Kentucky 41653

(606) 886-3311.

NOTIFICATION

Kentucky East Radio Network, Inc., licensee of WPRT (AM), hereby provides notice that the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") has evaluated the Environmental The basis of the suit Assessment provid-Complaint ed by applicant and the found that the tower Defendants for propand transmitter buildon ing proposed for the Mining Branch of Bull floodplain along in Floyd Spurlock Creek will

Danny Branham; and have no significant unknown heirs and impact on the quality spouses of unknown of the human envi-Walter ronment and that no Eugene Branham further environmental shall have fifty (50) processing is war-

NOTICE

Mike Little Gas

Company has made

application with the

Public

Service

Commission be entered at the disincrease its base rates to: first 1 MCF \$5,5138, over 1 MCF \$4.8616; these rates will generate \$85,000.00 in revenue. The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Mike Little Gas, however, the Public Service may Commission order rates to be charged that are higher or lower than the rates proposed in this notice. Any corporation, association, or person, may request leave to intervene by motion within thirty (30) days after notice of proposed rate change is given. A motion to intervene shall be in writing, shall be submitted to the executive director, Public Service Commission, Sower 211 Boulevard, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort Kentucky 40602, and shall set forth the grounds for the motion, including the status and interest of the party movant Copies of the application obtained from Mike Little Gas Company, P.O. Box 69. Melvin.

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Kentucky 41650.

NOTICE FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

FINAL RIGHT OF WAY PLAN SHOWING KY 122 AT MINNIE TO LITTLE MUD CREEK ROAD (SECTION 1) FD04 036 6376501 D ITEM NO. 12-301.10

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, Department of Highways, has scheduled a Public Information Meeting for the proposed project in Floyd County, Kentucky. The meeting will be held:

> Thursday, May 1, 2003, at The Old Regular Baptist Church Lunchroom, located along KY 122, near Minnie, Kentucky, from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

This public meeting has been scheduled to afford all interested persons the opportunity to review the final right of way plans and obtain information, and exchange ideas on this project.

The project is the proposed construction from KY 122 at Minnie ,to Little Mud Creek Road (Section 1).

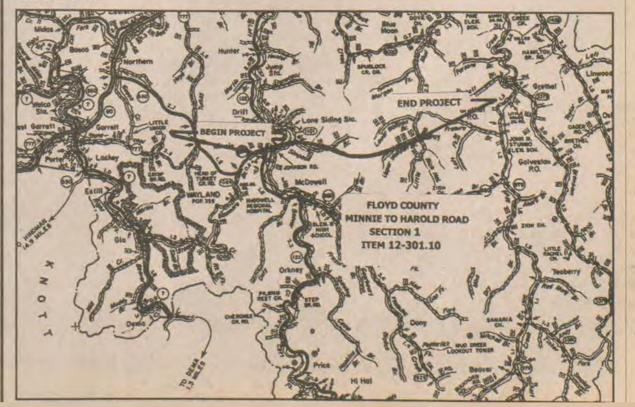
The public is invited and encouraged to attend this public meeting, which will be conducted in an "Open House" format. Attendees are welcome to review the proposed project and express their views concerning the social, economic, historic and environmental effects the project, as proposed, will have upon individuals, business, cultural resources and other organizations in the area. Representatives of the Transportation Cabinet, and Consultants involved in the details of the project will be present to answer questions, address comments and assist the public with any information made available.

For convenience, a comment sheet will be provided for soliciting written comments and a recorder will be made available for those who desire to make oral statements. Statements will be accepted at the meetings, and from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., prevailing local time, Monday through Friday, at the District Office listed below, up to fifteen (15) days after the Public Meetings.

Once compiled, the transcript from this meeting, and/or supporting meeting documentation will be made available for review and copying, only after an Open Records Request has been received and approved. All Open Records Requests must be submitted to the Transportation Cabinet, Department of Administration Service, State Office Building, Frankfort, Kentucky 40622.

In accordance with the "Americans with Disabilities Act," if anyone has a disability for which the Transportation Cabinet needs to provide accommodations, please notify Mary Westfall-Holbrook or Berita Castle, at 606-433-7791, of the necessary requirements, two days before the meeting. Your request may also be mailed to:

Dan'l Hall Chief District Engineer Kentucky Transportation Cabinet 109 Loraine Street Pikeville, Kentucky 41502 606-433 -7791



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> > **BIDDING AND** CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS SECTION 00010 PRE-BID INFORMATION

PART 1 -**ADVERTISEMENT** FOR BIDS (INVITATION TO BID)

No. 23 - Minnie to Relocation for the Southern Water and Sewer District, will be received at the offices of the Southern Water and Sewer District, 245 KY 680, McDowell, Kentucky 41647, until 1 p.m., Local Time. Monday, May 5, 2003, and then pub-

Expansion, Contract

Water

licly opened and read aloud. The

(800) 247-2510 for consists of the construction of approxiinformation. Harold Road Utility mately 4,980 LF of 8-Inch and 720 LF of 2 and 3-inch water main and one pump station, including all related appurtenances as shown on the Drawings and described in Specifications.

System are to be submitted individuals may call 1

The Contract Time allotted for the comof pletion Contract is sixty (60) consecutive calendar

Specifications and Executive Orders. Contract Documents

TETRA

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Southern Water and 11246. Sewer District, 245 KY Hwy. 680, 41647

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F.W. Players Club Drive, gin. Charleston, 25311

F.W. Corporation Associated General

and Contractors, KY 40511

Blueprint and Supply KY Hwy. Copies of the geot- Bid.

echnical report are included in the specifications as an appendix.

Prevailing wage rates do apply for this

Hearing impaired

No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within ninety (90) days after

the actual date of bid Bidders on this work will be required to

comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Anti-Kickback Act, and the Contract Work Hours Standard Act. Bidders must com-

with nt's Ex The Work for this Orders No. 11246 Project is located in and No. 11375, and County, any amendments or Kentucky. Drawings, supplements to those

Attention of bidders may be examined at: is particulary called to the requirements as TECH, to conditions of INC., 800 Corporate employment to be Drive, Lexington, KY observed under the contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility Section 109 and E.O.

Bidders must certify they do not and will McDowell, Kentucky not maintain or provide for their employ-Phone: (606) 377- ees any facilities that are segregated or Dodge based on race, color, Corporation, No. 2 creed or national ori-

> Minorities and small businesses are Dodge encouraged to submit and bids on this project.

The Southern Water Contractors, 2321 and Sewer District Fortune Drive, Suite reserves the right to 112, Lexington, KY waive any bidding informalities and to Associated Builders reject any or all bids.

The sealed bid for 1051 Newtown Pike, this Project shall be Suite F-1, Lexington, clearly marked on the outside of the envelope: "Sealed Bid for Copies of the Contract 23 - Minnie Drawings in full size, to Harold Road Ultility Specifications Relocation." The bid Contract may be mailed to: Documents may be Souther Water and obtained from Lynn Sewer District, 245 Co., 328 Vine Street, McDowell, Kentucky Lexington, Kentucky 41647. A certifed 40507, Phone: (859) check or Bid Bond upon payable to the receipt of a non- Southern Water and refundable amount of Sewer District in the \$125.00 for each amount of five (5) complete set of docu- percent of the Bid shall accompany the

> Southern Water and Sewer District Hubert Halbert, Chairman

Date: April 23, 2003

377-0791 377-9843 NOTICE OF PERMIT CONFERENCE

PURSUANT TO APPLICATION PERMIT #898-4028, AM #2 In accordance with the provision of 405 KAR 8:010 Section

given that a permit conference has been Pike County. scheduled Tuesday, May 13, building, located at

Road, Pikeville, KY, concerning the above application filed by surface area to be Company. The appliamendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located approxi-11, notice is hereby mately 0.6 mile northwest of Owsley. In method of mining.

from KV 1384's junc-

of Hurricane Creek. There is no additional disturbed. The proposed amendment is located on Broadbottom Pikeville U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadranmaps. amendment will use

2003, at 10:00 a.m., 3.5 miles northwest Department Surface for Surface Mining tion with US 23, and Reclamation and

121 Mays Branch located 0.2 mile west Enforcement's is accessible to peo-Pikeville Office, 121 Branch 9331. the whose interests are and or may be adversely affected by The posed permit may present information underground relevant to the permit, in oral or written form, The application has at the time of the con-The amendment been filed for public ference. Please call area is approximately inspection at the 606-433-7726 for

for special arrange-Mining ments

ple with disabilities. Regional Mays The cabinet will pro-Road, Any Person the and activities.

vide, upon request, resonable accommodation, including auxiliary aids and services necessary to afford individuals with disabilities an equal opprtunity to participate in all programs interpreter or other vice is needed, contact Jolene Crawford in the Department for

The meeting facility before May 6, 2003, Sealed bids for the work for which bids

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One of Brooke's happier moments in life - unwrapping a brand-new keyboard that she recently received as a birth-



by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

Miss Brooke Ginter is a softspoken and fun-loving young lady who enjoys time spent with the KY Opry Jr. Pro's playing keyboard. Though Brooke's passion is the keyboard, she is also currently a vocal student and, I discovered during a brief interview on a recent sunny Sunday afternoon that she is a student of dance, as well. With a fully-equipped dance studio in the backyard, operated by Greg Hamilton and Brooke's mom, Linda Ginter, we would imagine that she would have to be! For those of you who were fortunate enough to have attended the KY Opry's Christmas performance, Greg and Linda were the lightfooted duo you most likely remember gliding across the stage to some lilting seasonal music.

Brooke tells us that "even as a kid, I loved banging on any piano that I could get my hands on." "About four years ago, I got a

(See SPOTLIGHT, page five)

Miss Brooke

Co-Op Extension news: Control your diabetes life

by THERESA SCOTT FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT FOR FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

Do you have diabetes? Does someone in your family, or a friend. have diabetes? If you answered yes to either of these questions, this publication can help you learn how to best control this disease. It is intended for people who are diagnosed with diabetes as adults, but it may

also help families of children with diabetes. The good news, which you should share with your family and friends, is that you can control diabetes-for life.

Increasing numbers of Kentuckians report they have been told by a doctor that they have diabetes. A random telephone survey shows that from 1995 to 1999, the number of Kentuckians who had been told they have diabetes, nearly doubled. About half of Kentucky's adults are overweight, and are not physically active, and the state has more older people than ever before. Being overweight, inactive, and older, all increase risk for diabetes.

Importance of Good Control

If you have diabetes, keeping glucose, fats, and insulin under control can help you stay in top condition. and may prevent future problems

with your eyes, heart, kidneys, nerves, and feet. Glucose, fats, and insulin should be controlled.

People with diabetes should talk with their health care providers about what care options are best. They need to discuss why some options may be better choices for them than others. To encourage people with diabetes to talk about care options,

(See EXTENSION, page five)

POISON OAK

* From the Muddy Branch outpost on Capitol Hill

by CLYDE PACK

Since the publication of my book (Muddy Branch: Memories of an Eastern Kentucky Coal Camp), I've received dozens of calls, emails and letters from misplaced Eastern Kentuckians, some former Muddy Branchers them-

Larry VanHoose, who said he was "reporting from the 'Muddy Branch' outpost on Capitol Hill" (he's currently

press secretary to Congressman J.D. Hayworth of Arizona) emailed that his reading of the book had precipitated "another outbreak of nostalgia and longing to be back home."

Among other things, he commented on the orange-slice shaped scar on his right knee, he still carries from the time he and Jimmy Colvin decided to take a short-cut home from the H.S. Howes Community

School. Instead of walking

across the long wooden bridge,

they jumped the creek and Larry landed on a broken RC pop bottle.

He also mentioned the time that his younger brother, Harold, got kicked in the stomach by James Heber Conley's horse, and how he had watched from his front room window as miners from Northeast pitched coins at planks on the front porch of the commissary. This of course led to his later crawl-

ing under the store porch to

look for coins that might have

fallen through the cracks.

The book also unleashed the memory of VanHoose's watching on election day, as voters came to the polls at the feed store located next to the commissary. He remembered them momentarily disappearing around the corner of the building "to be plied by politicians wielding half pints of Bond & Lillard.

The VanHoose family

(See OAK, page five)



Clyde Pack

School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center ■ May 6 - Red Cross Blood

Drive, begins at 12:00 p.m. ***8th grade class is selling Papa John's cards (pizza discounts) to help raise money for the 8th grade prom and class trip. If you would like to help the Adams eighth-graders by purchasing a Papa John's card, please contact the Youth Services Center at 886-9812 or Diane at 886-7926.

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 hap-

■ 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

■ 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

April 23 - Bridges parent meeting, 8:30-10:00 a.m. and 1:30-3:00 p.m.

**If your child has lost any type of clothing, please check at the Youth Service Center office.

■ Youth Service Center office hours are from 8 a.m. until 3:30

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-FREEeach 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

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

Clark Elementary

All SBDM Council meetings open to public. All are welcome to attend. **School now collecting "Box

Tops for Education" from General Mills products. Parents and community members, please send your "Box Top" coupons to the school Family Resource Center.

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 immu

(See SCHOOL, page four)

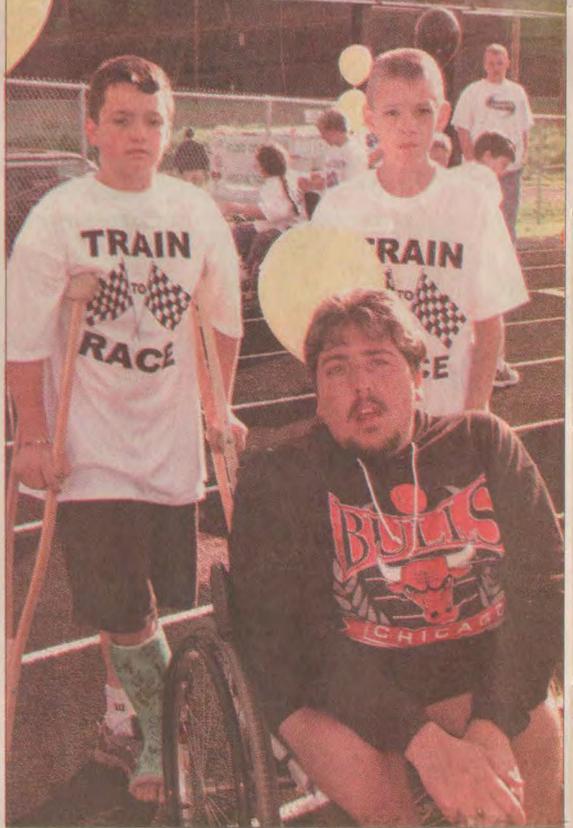
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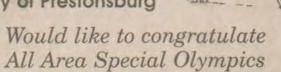
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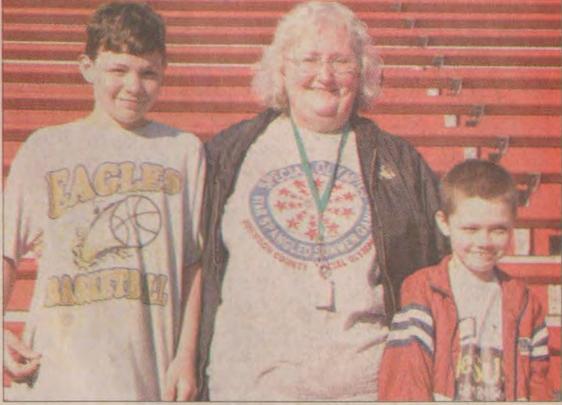
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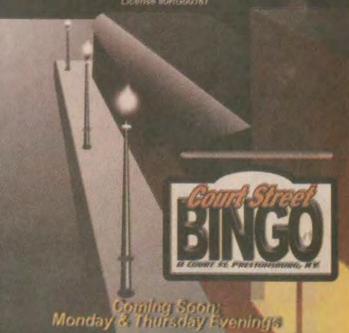
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nizations and physicals for students who will enter the 6th grade in the upcoming school year, kindergarten entrance exams and TD boosters for sophomores. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These nursing services are available to anyone in the communi-

■ 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

- April 25 "Spring Fling Dance," 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Admission - \$3 per person. Reason for admission is to help fund trip for 2nd and 3rd grades to the Louisville Zoo in May. Grades K-8 are invited to attend. Dance will be held in school
- April 28 thru 30 -"Volunteer Appreciation Week." School will host a volunteer appreciation luncheon on Wednesday, April 30, from 11:30 - 12:30. We appreciate all our school volunteers, so come on out and "have lunch on us!". Call school Family

Resource Center at 358-9878, to make an appointment for a free physical for your child who plans to enter Kindergarten in the fall semester, 2003.

Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and Well-Child physicals; T.B. skin test; and WIC services. Please call for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

May Valley Elementary

- April 24 "Stranger Danger" program for primary
- April 27 thru May 4 "National Volunteer Week." May Valley thanks all their volunteers for their assistance.
- Lending Library available for use of students, parents and teachers. Videos on a variety of topics are available.
- Floyd Co. Health Dept. is at the school each Wednesday. Services include 6th grade physicals and immunizations; WIC; well-child physicals; Kindergarten and Head Start physicals; blood pressure checks: TB skin tests, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment. Donna

Samons-Bartrum, FRC Director.

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

- 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 appoint-

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

South Floyd Youth Services Center

- Walking track open to public (except during special event).
- Center has a one-stop career station satellite station that is available to the community, as well as students.
- Anyone interested in Adult Ed may contact the center for information.
- All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus,

Room 232, and see Mable Hall.

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

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource Center

Resource Center hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Parents and community members are welcome to visit. For questions, call 587-2233 - ask for Tristan Parsons, Center Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

The David School Adult Education Class Schedule

- Monday and Wednesday Betsy Layne High School, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389 for more information.
- Morehead State Prestonsburg Campus, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405 for more info.
- Tuesday and Thursday St. James Episcopal Church, 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Church is located on University Drive, Prestonsburg, between PCC and the BP station.

ALL GED CLASSES ARE FREE. BOOKS AND MATE-RIALS ARE ALSO FREE, EVEN THE ACTUAL GED TEST IS FREE! So, please take advantage of this wonderful learning opportunity. For more information about the free GED program, call Crissy Compton at The David School at 886-8374 (Fridays).

Wesley Christian School

■ Weekly Chapel Services, each Wednesday morning, 10

W.D. Osborne Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center

- "Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks. Any items not claimed within two weeks, becomes the property of the
- Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from The Floyd County Times, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago

(April 28 and April 30, 1993)

The Floyd County Times was presented the Outstanding Media Award for 1992-93, during the 6th annual East Kentucky Leadership Conference, held in Morehead on April 23 and 24. The Times was recognized by the East Kentucky Leadership Foundation, a coalition of 5th Congressional District counties, for the newspaper's ongoing coverage of educational issues facing the troubled Floyd County School System...Diversifying and industrializing our economy to ensure employment and financial success for all, should be eastern Kentucky's number one priority, Lieutenant Governor Paul Patton told members of the Big Sandy Area Labor-Management Committee Monday. The committee met, Monday morning, at Jenny Wiley State Park's May Lodge, to unveil the results of its intensive labormanagement survey of the five-county area. The findings of that survey are, Floyd County Development Authority Executive Director Darrell Gilliam said Monday, "overwhelmingly positive,"...Floyd County school officials set a May 10 deadline, Saturday, for South Floyd architect Paul Hoffman to produce design plans for a relocated gymnasium. Floyd board members met with Hoffman at the controversial school site. Saturday morning, for an explanation of why the architect wants to locate the gym in a different area. Hoffman said that the 1,700 seat gym would not fit on the original gym site. He added that the original plans called for a seating capacity of 750...With a price tag, to date, totaling nearly \$7 million over original estimates, an incomplete South Floyd High School continues to tug at the Floyd County School System's purse strings while school officials struggle to finish construction in time for an August opening. The latest adventure in financing for the new school arose, last week, after officials learned they would likely be short of funding needed to furnish the school...Despite honoring a request from Eastern Kentucky Racing Incorporated, to remove from its agenda, a discussion on a proposed off-track betting parlor at Hazard, Monday, the Kentucky Racing Commission, apparently renewed its onagain/off-again opposition to the muchbeleaguered Kentucky Downs harness track project. Former Governor Julian Carroll, representing Eastern Kentucky Racing, last week asked the commission to curtail discussion on the Hazard OTB parlor, proposed by Kentucky Off-Track Betting, reasoning that such a facility, located within 75 miles of Kentucky

Downs, would violate Kentucky state

law, and the terms of Eastern Kentucky

Racing's license...A mid-afternoon collision at the intersection of U.S. 23, and Ky. 1428, claimed the life of an elderly Prestonsburg woman, Wednesday, and hospitalized an Oil Springs native. According to a report issued Thursday, by the Prestonsburg Police Department, the accident occurred Wednesday, when Ruth Wright, 70, of Prestonsburg, attempted to turn unto U.S. 23, from Ky. 1428, directly in the path of a northbound vehicle, drifrom her vehicle. Both women were transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center, where Wright was pronounced dead by Floyd County Coroner Roger Nelson...A Floyd County man was arrested, early Saturday, by officers of the Kentucky State Police, after allegedly abducting, beating and raping an elderly Ivel woman. According to Floyd County Jail records, Eddie Dean Hall, 20, of Tram, was arrested at the Tram residence of his uncle, Junior Hall, by Kentucky State Police Detective Lynn Cross, and lodged in the jail at around 9:30 a.m. Saturday...State school officials have chastised Floyd County school superintendent Steve Towler for failing to provide local board members with vital information relating to the district's improvement plans. Local board members apparently have also been bypassed in the distribution of revised state guidelines - some of which require their attention-concerning school construction projects...There died: Rev. Elmer M. Francisco, 79, of Hornell, New York, formerly of Grethel, April 12, at St. James Mercy Hospital; Robert Douglas Gregory, infant son of Robert Gregory and Glema Yates of Martin was stillborn April 22, in Martin; Paul J. "Jeff' Stewart, 40, Martin native, of Ashland Saturday, at King's Daughters' Medical Center; Harold Eugene Duff, 53, of Eastern, Saturday, in the Veteran's Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia; Bill Jones, 60, of Wayland, Sunday, at his residence; Nadean Fleming, 70, of Virgie, a Weeksbury native, Friday, at Jenkins Community Hospital: Dan T. Martin, 85, of Hindman, Monday, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Medical Center; Robert Clinton Watts, 40, of Mousie, Monday, at his home; Helen Diane Watkins, 54, of Lackey, Monday, at the U.K. Medical Center in Lexington; Thelma Ruth Whitaker Dotson, 74, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mary Jane Lewis, 87, formerly of Ivel, Saturday, at the residence of her daughter, Thelma Ruess of Markle, Indiana; Sarah Keane Hale, four-month-old infant of Benjamin Lee and Keane Gregory Hale,

of Blue River, Saturday, in the University

of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington:

Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia; William Matthew Little, 18, of Wheelwright, Friday, at Wheelwright; George Preston Adams, 80, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Emery Osborne, 66, of Betsy Layne, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Arizona Moore, 77, Wednesday, at Life Care Center in LaGrange, Indiana; Hester ven by Sherletta M. Doderer, 29, of Oil Prater Page, 81, of Martin, Wednesday, at Vineyard of Burnswick, Ohio.

Twenty Years Ago

(Wednesday, May 4, 1983)

Another step was taken, last week, in the effort to save William "Oakie" Bevins from death by electrocuton, as ordered by the trial judge in Greenup County...The old Martin Railroad Depot building was the most recently building to be set afire in a string of suspected arsons in the city of Martin...The licensing probe was shy of evidence to return indictments in connection with the awarding of liquor licenses...There died: Hern D. Burke, 69, of Floyd County, last Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Marietta Mann, 77, of Prestonsburg, April 29, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Linzie Moore, 83, of Pyramid, last Thursday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Alamander Tuttle, 73, of Martin, April 27. in Louisa; Virginia Hall, 56, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Josie Sparks Adams, 71, of Middle Creek, April 28, at home; Albert Ward, 70, of Prestonsburg, April 29, at Salyersville Health Care Center; Watt Hayes, 86, of Martin, last Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical

Thirty Years Ago

(May 2, 1973)

County Attorney James R. Allen said, this week, that Floyd County and the City of Martin, will move, soon, to acquire easements for the \$3 million stream improvement project in the Martin area...A limited area of stripmined properties in Floyd County was inspected during a tour made, Monday, by environmental protection officials, and one such operation was suspended...Five high school girls representing Allen Central, Betsy Layne, McDowell, Prestonsburg and Wheelwright, will vie, here, Saturday, for the title of Floyd County Music Festival Queen. They are Teresa L. Osborne, Gwen Clark, Linda Godsey, Jill Newsome, and Karen Hamby...The Robert L. Crum, 73, of Prestonsburg, national list of crimes is long, and Floyd

Thursday, at the V.A. Medical Center County's own, isn't short. And now this county has recorded a brand-new infraction to its category. The innovation was recorded at the county jail, last Friday, when an upper Right Beaver Creek man was booked by Deputy Sheriff Sollie Holbrook on a charge of drinking beer in church...Phillip A. Haywood, of Prestonsburg, was honored at Eastern Kentucky University's Honors Day Program, last Sunday, as the outstanding male physical education major...There Springs. Wright was apparently thrown the residence of her daughter, Pauline died: Sam Bradley, 74, of Servia, Ind., formerly of Magoffin County, Wednesday, in a North Manchester, Ind. M. Porter, 47, of hospital; John Prestonsburg, Saturday, at a Pikeville hospital; Mrs. Maudie Hamilton, 77, Tuesday, at her home at East McDowell; Andy Lee Newsome, 76, of Masontown, Pa., formerly of this county, February 20; Mrs. Emma C. McSurely, 65, of Tippecanoe, Ind., formerly of Floyd County, Sunday, in Indiana; Mrs. Phoeba P. Crisp, 79, of Martin, Wednesday, at a nursing home, here; Mrs. Martha M. Smith, 78, Monday, at her West Prestonsburg home; William S. Branham, 80, Sunday, at his home at Martin.

Forty Years Ago

(May 2, 1963)

Forty Years Ago (May 2, 1963)

A cave-in of rock from the roof of a small mine of the Hamilton Coal Company, at Price, claimed the lives, Tuesday morning, of 59-year-old Marson Moore, of Orkney, and his son-in-law, Clyde Little, 33, of Wheelwright. The mine, in which they died, was in its first day of operation...Sue Holbrook, 13, eighth grade pupil at the Bonanza School, is the new spelling champion of Floyd County. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hobert Holbrook. Runnerup was 14-yearold Patricia Vance, eighth grade pupil at the Beaver School...Floyd County's medically indigent clients were aided a total of \$107,391, last year, under the public assistance and medical assistance program...The four-lane, 43-mile section of the new Mountain Parkway from near Winchester to Campton will be dedicated May 8...County officials were authorized, Monday, by the Community Facilities Administration, Atlanta, Georgia, to issue a work order to the successful bidder on construction of the Floyd County courthouse...There died: Johnny B. Smith, 65, of Allen, April 23, in Elkhart, Ind.; Ray A. Tate, 66, of Bypro, Sunday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital; William J. Vaughan, 70, Friday, at his home in Prestonsburg; Henry L. Bonar, 65, of Tram, Sunday, at a Martin hospital; Mrs. Tommie Shepherd, 68, of David, Tuesday, en route to a hos-

(See YESTERDAYS, page five)

Invitation to Honor Civil War Veteran

Confederate Veteran Hiram 3:00 p.m., at the Clark-Justice 1861, at the age of 17, only a

A dedication ceremony for Cemetery, Rt. 3385, Endicott. Hiram Taylor, 1844-1926. Taylor's new grave marker will enlisted in the Confederate be held on Saturday, April 26, at States Army on December 11.

served under Brigadier General Humphrey Marshall and Lt. Colonel Vincent A. Witcher in Co. A, 34th Battalion, of the

The April 26 dedication ceremony will be hosted by the following grandchildren of Hiram: Emma Lou Taylor Martin, Patty Ann Taylor Greer, Judith Kay Taylor Childers, and Alvin Marshall "Butch" Taylor.

enjoys most about the Jr. Pro's is

ly when it's people I know. Also,

hanging out with all the other

members is great fun," she said.

feels that music education in public schools "needs help."

"Teachers seem to stress book

knowledge too much, and not

enough fun and hands-on

things," she said.

Brooke also shares that she

"It's a great feeling, especial-

"the applause after the show."

The dedication ceremony will be conducted by the Lt. Col. Vincent A. Witcher Camp #1863, Sons of Confederate Veterans, of Grundy, Va.

Hiram is affectionately

Brooke, 15, is a student at

Johnson Central High School.

She is the daughter of Ray Ginter

and Linda Ginter and she has one

brother, Chris. As well as being

involved with the Jr. Pro's,

Brooke also enjoys being a

member of her school's golf

team, gymnastics and business

ing member of the KY Opry Jr.

Brooke Ginter, another shin-

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Birthdays



Hayden is 1!

Hayden Brant Michael Hall turned one year old on Tuesday, April 22, 2003. Hayden is the son of Mikey and Jo Pack Hall, of Minnie. He is the grandson of Johnny and Peggy Pack, of Drift, and Terry and Shirley Hall, of Minnie. He is the great-grandson of Ted and Alberta Shannon, of Drift, Ted and Violet Shelton, of McDowell, Alma and the late Oscar "Nig" Mosley, of Minnie, and Tessie and the late Leonard Hall, of McDowell.

Yesterdays

Tuesday, at her home at Dwale; Kelly J.

Day, 86, former mayor of Pikeville,

Tuesday, at a Pikeville hospital; Mrs.

Grace Reynolds, 85, of Martin, last

Clifton Spradlin, 85, Wednesday, at her

home here; Alex Bingham, 64, of the

Auxier road, Wednesday, en route to the

Prestonsburg General Hospital; Charles

Fifty Years Ago

(April 30, 1953)

The Floyd Circuit Court grand jury

adjourned, Wednesday noon, with a final

report, in which it took potshots at "cer-

tain officers" of the law, assailing them

condition of lawlessness in this county,

particularly bootlegging"... A sanitation

report of Floyd County schools, made by

Galen Brown, state area sanitarian, shows

that unsanitary conditions exist to an

alarming degree in the county schools,

with only 23 percent having a safe water

supply, and 57 percent with unsafe

sewage disposal systems...For his rescue

of a three-year-old child from the path of

an oncoming passenger train, Glenn L.

McComas, 25, Lima, Ohio, formerly of

Medal for heroism...The firm of Akers &

Akers, of Banner, successful bidders on

construction of the county high school

building here, with a bid of \$388,281.47,

is expected to begin work on the structure

next week...Members of the Big Sandy

Valley delegation were highly encour-

aged, Tuesday, by the tenor of the hearing,

held before the senate public works sub-

committee, on the matter of river canal-

ization...Fire losses in Floyd County in

1952, for the 45 fires reported, totaled

\$32,420...There died: Joe Bradley, 50, of

Rev. Mack Hall, 71, at home at Drift,

April 25; Mrs. Armelda C. Caudill, 76, at

Dema, at a Lexington hospital, April 27;

• Eastern, has been awarded the Carnegie

of for a "general effort to cover up the true

injuries received in a fall.



Happy Birthday,

Mrs. Amanda Music, of Abbott Creek, will celebrate her 92nd birthday today, Wednesday, April 23, 2003. Mrs. Music, the widow of Mr. Estill Music, says that she has seen "many changes" in her lifetime. The couple together had nine children and today Mrs. Music has many grandchildren, greatgrandchildren and great-great her a very, very happy day.

few days before the Battle of Virginia Calvary.

William and Nancy Taylor, of this union. Middle Creek ensued. Taylor Johns Creek. His first wife was Clarinda Clark. One son, Reuben, was born of this marriage. After Clarinda's death, Hiram married Doshia Kendrick Morrison, a widow with 9 chil-Taylor was the son of dren. Alvin Taylor was born of

Spotlight

small keyboard and I taught me practice. He made special myself how to play. I've been taking lessons for about one and a half years," she continued.

Brooke first studied under former Opry instructor. Chris Lafferty. When asked what steps she took to get herself on stage as a Jr. Pro member, Brooke said, "One day he (Lafferty) just told me to be at the next Opry show to play along with the Jrs. He knew that this was an important goal for me.'

According to Brooke, her interest in music was pretty much cultivated on her own. "No one in my family plays piano, so I wasn't taught anything as a child. Although I did 'practice' singing along with my grandfather and his guitar when I was young," she said.

Brooke credits her family with giving her the support she needed to continue to cultivate her musical talent. "My whole family supports me," she said, but the two main people who have helped me get to where I am today have been Chris Lafferty and Greg Hamilton. Greg made sure I had a piano, a great teacher and he also helped

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efforts to get me to all my lessons, too.'

Brooke says that she doesn't have a "favorite" type of music and that she actually likes "any type of music from blues to rock." She shares that she does feel that music is a "major part" of her life and that she plans to attend college and minor in

Just as she has no one favorite type of music, Brooke also says that she has "no one artist in particular" that she can say has greatly influenced her. "Any songs with piano in them are great, so that covers a lot of artists," she said.

When asked her feelings in regard to talent vs. image, "American Idol style," Brooke was emphatic in her answer: "Talent!," she said, "the most attractive person in the world could be singing on the radio and you're not going to know what they look like, only if they can sing or not."

Brooke, who has been a member of the Jr. Pro's for "about a year," said that she actually began to play with the Jrs. "during last summer's shows." Since she is fairly new to the group, her travels with the Jr. Pro's have thus far been limited, having actually traveled only once with the group. "I've been on one trip to Charleston, so it would have to be the most memorable. It was really fun considering it rained the whole time and my music kept blowing away," she said.

Brooke says that what she

some principles about quality

diabetes care have been devel-

oped by the National Diabetes

Education Program to guide

people with diabetes toward

active, and taking the time to be

well, will help you to control

diabetes, if you have it, and may

even decrease your chances of

developing Type 2 diabetes. To

take steps toward bettter health,

Cooking and Eating, Your

Activity for Your Health.

practice these CATSkills:

Eating a healthy diet, being

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Extension

long, healthy lives.

Wedding Engagements



Wolford-Turner

Ms. Vanessa Wolford and Mr. Glenn Turner of Pikeville are

happy to announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. Vanessa is the daughter of Michael Wolford, of Feds Creek, and Dedra Phillips, of Steele. She is the granddaughter of Leslie and Rose Wolford and Dan and Belva Dotson, all of Feds Creek. Glenn is the son of Bobby and Alberta Turner, of McDowell. He is the grandson of Malta Howell, of Hi-Hat, and the late Albert Howell, and Mae Turner, of Drift, and the late Ernest Turner. The couple, who became engaged this past September 24, will be united in holy matrimony on Saturday, June 7, 2003, at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, at the First Christian Church, Chloe Road, Pikeville. Pastor Mickey Anders will officiate. A reception will follow immediately afterwards in the church Fellowship Hall. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.

Mrs. Music!

grandchildren who each wish

pital, here; Mrs. Betty P. Shepherd, 75, ers, helping to supply America's wartime need, after the Japanese captured our best source of imported hemp, are seeking a goal of 400 acres this year...Last obstacle to the purchase of the Prestonsburg Gas

Commission

Ashland; Mrs. Sarah Johnson, 56, at her home at Lambert, on Clear Creek, Tuesday: Mrs. Amanda Akers, 62, at her

Seventy Years Ago

home at Ligon, Sunday.

James Keathley, 34, Harold railroad employee, died Sunday, of a bullet wound in his head...Ninety-one Floyd youths have been accepted for federal employment in reforestation camps...The contract advertised for letting, May 10, on the Left Beaver road, leaves a gap between Hunter and McDowell, officials said here this week...The auto used as the getaway car, in the recent attempt to rob the Bank of Allen, was stolen, Tuesday morning, from its parking-place, in front of the Beaver Valley Hospital at Martin...The suit filed here, to revoke the franchise of the Prestonsburg Water Company, failed this week...George B. Gomersall, Cincinnati film salesman, was possibly fatally hurt, and William Thomas Dingus, manager of the Unique Theatre here, was less seriously injured, when their car wrecked here, Thursday...Alex H. Spradlin has begun construction of a service station on the Mayo Trail at Friend street... Ellis Boyd is the new manager of the A. & P. Store here...Work has been begun on the clubhouse at the Beaver Valley Golf Course, near Allen...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Gwynne Ford, March 25, a daughter-Mary Auxier...There died: Mrs. Lydia

■ Time to Be Well. Everyone agrees that if a person with diabetes can control the disease by eating a healthy diet

and exercising regularly, that approach is best.

If you have diabetes, you should work with a Registered Dietitian (R.D.) to develop an eating plan that is right for you.

Oak

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moved into town when Larry was in second grade. Otherwise, he too, might have been able to conjure up enough memories for a Muddy Branch book of his

Anyway, I took Larry VanHoose's email as a great compliment in much the same way as I did, when Dr. Linda Scott DeRosier wrote the following in the book's preface: "It is the story of a boy, a place, and a time, offering a taste of time as sweet as honey, when the term bored' had to do with something a man did with an auger.'

Also, Larry's letter just might have sounded a big "amen" to something else Linda wrote. Speaking of what I had written, she said, "It rings true to the Appalachian-every time.

There used to be a old TV show called "The Naked City." Somewhere, either as it came on, or as it was going off, the announcer would say, "There are a million stories in the naked

Bet if a bunch of Muddy Branchers got together, we'd do even better than that.



Burchett-Blackburn

Bobby and Glenda Collins, of Shelbiana, along with James and Rosa Burchett, of Royalton, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Tonya Renee Burchett, to Jacky Kenneth Blackburn Jr., the son of Jacky and Kathy Blackburn, of Prestonsburg. The bride-elect will be a 2003 graduate of Pike County Central High School this spring. She plans to attend Prestonsburg Community College this coming fall. Her fiancee is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School and is currently attending Morehead State University. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, July 26, 2003, at six o'clock in the evening, at the Betsy Layne Church of God. A reception will immediately fol-

home at Dwale, April 23. **Sixty Years Ago**

(April 29, 1943)

First Floyd mine to be idle as a result of the current wage dispute between the United Mine Workers, and operators, was that of the Elk Horn Coal Corporation at Wayland, where 800 miners quit work this morning...Floyd County hemp grow-

Company by the City of Prestonsburg. Thursday, at a Martin hospital; Mrs. Julia was removed, last week, when the transaction was approved by the Public Frankfort...Attempt of Mrs. Catherine Hamilton, 39, of Dayton, O., formerly of Nolen, 77 years old, to extinguish a flam-Big Mud Creek, April 23, in a Dayton ing curtain in the home of her daughter, hospital; Bert Tackett, 37, formerly of Mrs. Melvin Allen, near Garrett, Sunday, Beaver, April 22, in Kenosha, Wisc., of resulted in burns which proved fatal to her, Monday...Floyd County is definitely "over the top" in its drive to reach the \$463,000 quota assigned it in the nation's \$13 million War Bond campaign this month...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Patrick, of Tram, a son, Larry Douglas; to Mr. and Mrs. Sambo Laferty, of Sloan, a son, Vernon, April 18... There died: Daniel D. Martin, 89, Floyd County native, Wednesday, at his home at

(April 28, 1933)

Sherman Burchett, 59, Sunday, at her home here of her daughter, Mrs. J.H.

Critter Corner: Pets, kids and photos

by DR. CAROL COMBS-MORRIS, DVM

I try to keep current on books, television programs, web sites, magazines, etc. that feature animals in order to find material for columns (and because I am incurably addicted to this sort of thing.) I subscribe to a dog-oriented email newsletter called-don't laugh-The Straight Poop. Each week's issue has a Featured Web Site, along with sites on Health and Nutrition. Activities and Training, Dogs in the News, Dog Humor, Dog Books and Dog Rescue. (If you want to subscribe, it's free, and the address is www.straightpoop.com.)

Anyhow, this week's featured site is called How to Love Your Dog: A Kids Guide to Dog Care. I was so impressed with this that I decided to share it with you. There are lots of good sources of pet care information for kids out there, but this one really stands out. If it tells you anything, I spent a good hour and a half exploring it myself.

Four Collies-Bailey, Cody,



Kelly and Trouper-lead tours around the site. Each dog has its own tour, but they are linked by common material. (For instance, when one of the stops on Bailey's generalized tour discusses how much exercise different dogs need, there is a link to Kelly's tour, "The Well-Behaved Dog", that describes things like "Flyball" and "Agility," along with tips on teaching Obedience exercises and tricks)

I took Bailey's tour at first, to get an overview. There was the predictable "Are You Ready for a Dog?" introduction, but it was surprisingly straightforward and not sugar coated. The language was clear yet not condescending. A list of things a potential dog owner needs to think about before acquiring a dog included: "Some dogs get big. When you walk a dog you have to pick up the mess. Dogs can't always understand what you are saying. Dogs need things like leashes, collars and toys, which cost money. Dogs drool on your hands and on your clothes. Someday your dog will die." Wow. These are things that a lot of adults evidently don't think about first.

The tour continued with "Planning for Your New Dog," including a link to a page of reasons why you might not be ready for a dog. There were descrip-

from bursitis and tendinitis, because they play too hard.

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more aches and pains. This is especially true when physical habits are changed

too quickly. Doctors of Chiropractic are seeing thousands of seniors who suffer

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function to the affected joints, as well as maintain strength in surrounding muscles

as tissues heal. With their curative support and guidance on starting a regimen of

strenuous activity, Doctors of Chiropractic offer all that is needed to have a

tions about the different breeds of you have some idea whether you www.kidsanddogs.bravepages.co dogs and how they are likely to behave (Retrievers have lots of energy, Terriers will probably like to dig), which is another area

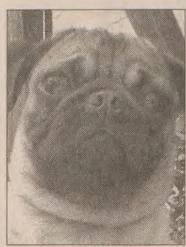


photo by Kathy J. Prater "Percy." Percy is the pet Pug of Emily, Elliott and Elizabeth Baldridge. He is a bundle of unharnessed energy that loves to tease, hide shoes, bite feet and eat ice. He is two years old and also answers to the nickname, "Dibble."

adults would do well to think through in advance. At this point, readers are invited to take Cody's tour, which focuses specifically on new dog ownership.

Once Bailey's tour is finished,

want to check out some of the stops you have already seen more thoroughly, or whether you want to take one of the other tours. Trouper's tour consists of Special Topics such as the pet overpopulation problem, why it's important to spay and neuter, special needs of older dogs, and dealing with the loss of a pet.

A section on being safe around dogs includes reading dog body language—in cartoons that even a young child could understand with the help of an adult. My favorite piece of dog safety advice, "Be a Tree, Be a Stone" is also there.

A unique aspect of this site is its emphasis on books and incorporating the topics into lesson plans for teachers and home schoolers. There are book lists for kids, but also book reviews BY kids, and even a section on "How to Write a Book Report." A nice added feature is that the child's parents are e-mailed to be sure it is okay with them before the child's work is printed on the web site (The child is identified only by first name, age and state or country). Anything that gets kids reading ...!

There are math problems built into some areas. For example: One female dog has four pups twice a year for six years. If every pup born from every litter during those six years has four puppies, how many puppies will have been produced during that six-year period? Another project involves estimating the cost of owning a dog over its entire lifetime.

Another section focuses on careers with animals and what they involve. There is also a memory page where children can pay tribute to special dogs that they have lost; I had to quit reading that one.

Add a sprinkling of jokes, riddles, dog trivia, animation, cartoons and photographs, and you have one interesting and informative site, even if you're not exactly a kid anymore. You can check out this one for yourself at

For more fun stuff on the local level, the second annual SNOOP Pet Photo Contest will be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg on Saturday, April 26 from 11:30am to 1:00pm. Once again, the Kentucky Opry's own Munroe will be on hand as a celebrity judge. Photo categories will include Top Dog, Cutest Cat, Funniest Pet, and Munroe's Choice. (Munroe can be bribed with "SNOOP bucks", available

for purchase during the event!) Admission is one dollar; entry fees are five dollars per photograph (admission included). If you don't have a picture, don't worry-bring your pet, and SNOOP will take a Polaroid on the spot! In addition to prizes for photos, several door prizes will be awarded, and there will be a snack bar. Bring the kids, bring the dog, and be prepared to have a good time! All proceeds will go to the Spay & Neuter Organization of Prestonsburg.

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Tibbs named All-American Scholar.

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Jessica Tibbs

The United States Achievement Academy (USAA) has announced that Jessica Tibbs, of Grethel, has been named an All-American Scholar. The USAA estab-

the All-American Scholar program as a means by which to recognize superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. Students chosen for this recognition must earn a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school instructor, counselor, or other qualified sponsor are accepted. Jessica, who attends Betsy Layne High School, was nominated for this recognition by Mr. Charles Rowe. Jessica holds a 3.75 GPA and is ranked 10th in her sophomore class. She will appear in the 2003 All-American Scholar Yearbook, a national publication. Jessica is the daughter of Denver Tibbs, of Pikeville, and Palestene Akers, of Grethel. She is the granddaughter of Charles and Sola Akers, also of Grethel, and Arvid and Necie Tibbs, of Pikeville.

HRMC New Arrivals

April 4, 2003

A son, Willis Dalton Castle, to Jenny Lynn and David Ray

April 8, 2003

A son, Robert Bryson Lee Waller, to Stephanie and Orville Waller

April 9, 2003

A son, Jacob Peter Spradlin, to Wanda Jo and Bobby Spradlin

April 9, 2003

A son, Darren Walker Patrick, to Priscilla and Rodney Patrick

April 9, 2003

A son, Nicholas Alexander Hadley, to Vicky Lynn and Ernest Scott Hadley

April 9, 2003

A son, Xavier Dwayne Shell, to Brandy Jo Griffith

April 9, 2003

A son, Ryan Christopher

McCoy, to Brandy Rose McCoy

April 9, 2003

A son, Charles Brendon Tyler Hicks, to Heather Nicole Owens

April 10, 2003

A daughter, Julia Mata Gonzalez, to Ma Elena Gonzalez Mata

April 11, 2003

A daughter, Hailey Jaye Combs, to Misty and James

April 11, 2003 A son, Nicholas Brendon Howell, to Rosanna Mitchell

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A son, Carl Bradley Hamilton II, to Candice and Carl Bradley Nichole Hamilton

April 14, 2003

A daughter, Kayla Marie Johnson, to Ginger Ann and Rodney Wayne Johnson

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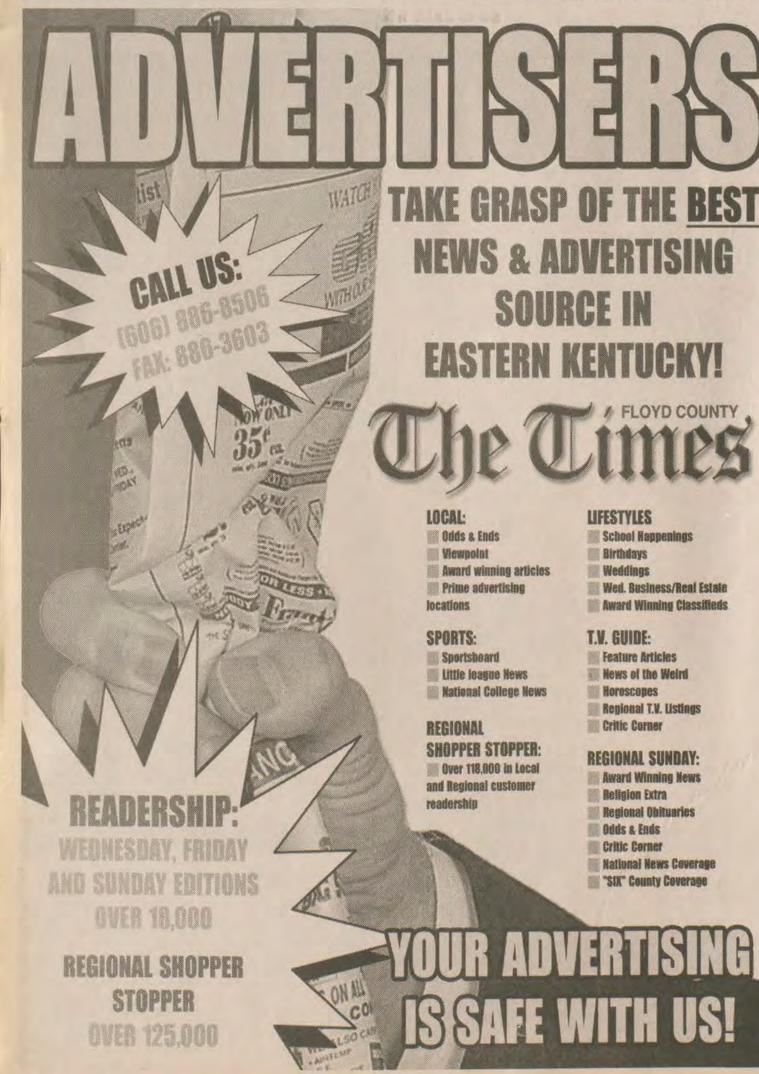
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remembered by many of the Cow Creek community as "Uncle Hi."

Please join his descendants for this special celebration and the erection of Pvt. Hiram Taylor's new grave marker. All are invited to attend.

Refreshments will be served. The Clark-Justice Cemetery

is located on Rt. 194 East, at the mouth of Cow Creek. Cross Cow Mt. to the junction of Rt. 194 and Rt. 3385. Travel Rt. 3385, past the Endicott Freewill Baptist Church and the Cow Creek #2 Fire Station. The cemetery is located across the road from Clark Branch. A sign will be posted.





Fish named recipient of Georgetown College Scholarship

Ashley Nicole Fish, the involvement and leadership in daughter of Jimmy and Diane Fish, of Prestonsburg, has been awarded a Trustees Scholarship to attend Georgetown College. Fish, a senior at Prestonsburg High School, will receive the scholarship upon matriculation in the fall.

Fish is president of National Honor Society, a Kentucky Governor's Scholar, a member of the varsity tennis team and a yearbook staff member. She actively participates in her church youth group and the 4-H Teen Council.

The Trustees Scholarship is the top academic scholarship awarded at Georgetown College. It is renewable for four years. Students receiving the scholarship were chosen based on GPA. ACT scores, and depth of

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Area Quilt, Art, and Antique Show

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The Big Sandy Area Quilt, Art, and Antique Show will be held on Friday, May 2, 2003, from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and on Saturday, May 3, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville. Art, quilts, and antiques will be on display. Bring your own personal items on Saturday, as an antique appraiser will be available to appraise them. Presentations will also be given concerning the effect the Civil War had on the people throughout the Big Sandy area.

This is an area event. If you are interested in displaying your quilts, artwork, or antiques, or if you would like further information, please contact the Johnson County Extension Service at 789-8108. Quilts will be registered at the Ramada Inn on Wednesday, April 30, 2003, from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00

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whatever may come,

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Soldier fight hard, fight strong, be tough.

Though the war you are fac-

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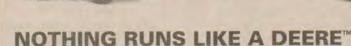
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PSC cautions regarding lines

FRANKFORT - February's devastating ice storm has left many Kentuckians with more work than usual to do in their yards this spring.

If that work involves trimming or removing damaged trees, the Public Service Commission urges property owners to be particularly mindful of the dangers posed by electric power

"It is much easier than you think to get in trouble around power lines," PSC Director of Engineering Robert Amato said. "You may not even have to make direct contact with a line to be seriously injured or

"Don't work anywhere near a line without first contacting the utility company," Amato said. "And tree-trimming itself is dangerous work, especially if you're working high off the ground or removing a big tree. Those jobs are best left to a licensed professional arborist."

Property owners who are considering tree trimming or removal near power lines should first contact their local utility and ask them to evaluate the situation. If the vegetation is too close to the power lines to allow safe removal by anyone else, the utility will send its own specially trained crew to either remove the vegetation entirely or to create a safe zone that will allow the rest of the work to safely be done by a trained professional.

When hiring someone to trim or remove trees, a property owner should consider:

■ Whether the company or person is insured and bonded.

■ Whether the work will be supervised by a licensed arborist.

■ Whether the company has a satisfactory record with the local Better Business Bureau.

Other safety precautions to take when working outdoors in the vicinity of power lines:

■ Be careful using long-handled tools such as pruning saws. Electricity may arc to the tool if it gets too close to a power line. Tools should have handles of non-conducting material.

Do not to climb trees near

■ Do not throw anything over overhead lines, or try and retrieve anything hanging from power lines.

■ Before doing painting or other maintenance work near the service connection to a building, contact the utility and ask that an insulating cover be placed over the line.

"We know that people are eager to finish cleaning up the mess left after the ice storm," Amato said. "But it's well worth spending the time to insure that the work is done

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Porter elected chair of PPA

Steven G. Porter, PPA Cert., M. Photog. Cr., KFD., ASP., attended Kentucky the Photographers Professional Association's 59th annual convention, held on February 7 thru February 10, at the Marriott Hotel and Northern Kentucky Convention Center in Covington. During this convention the association installs its new officers and directors for the upcoming

Porter was sworn in as the

allows customers to monitor

a customer's electric service

shuts off when the pre-paid bal-

ance reaches zero. From

November through March, the

primary heating season, the

pre-paid meters operate in con-

ventional mode, accumulating a

balance owed after the pre-paid

gram allows customers who

have had their electric service

disconnected because of unpaid

bills to have service restored

without paying off their bill in

full. Thirty cents of every dollar

placed on the pre-paid is credit-

ed against any unpaid balance.

pre-paid meter program, the

PSC incorporated a number of

suggestions made by parties

that intervened in the case. The

intervenors included the

Kentucky Office of Attorney

General and several organiza-

tions that administer programs

that provide financial assis-

tance to low-income ratepayers.

Provisions

of the PSC

order include:

pants a \$2-per-month equip-

ment fee. That is about half the amount requested by LG&E. The pilot program charged a

monthly fee of \$7.50.

■ LG&E can charge partici-

From November 1 to

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be shut off when the pre-paid

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other electric customers.

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amount reaches zero.

From April through October,

and adjust usage.

chairman of the board of the Professional Kentucky Photographers Association. As chairman of the board. He will represent the Commonwealth of Kentucky at the Regional Convention, held in Las Vegas, Nevada, July 27 thru July 29. He will also be representing the state of Kentucky at all International Photography functions, as they occur for the year 2003.

The Kentucky Professional Photographers Association was founded in 1943, and is the premier provider of educational opportunities and fellowship among professional photographers in Kentucky. The mission of KPPA is to educate its members by providing opportunities to enhance photographic skills and abilities through lectures, demonstrations, hands-on experiences, and print competition. These opportunities occur in the atmosphere of friendliness and warmth in an organization which lives through its members and supporting suppliers. Through these efforts, the quality of photography available to the consumer will be improved, and the quality of life for the photographer will be elevated.

Upon achieving the status of chairman of the board. Porter was invited to be one of six print judges to serve on the panel in the state of West Virginia at their 70th annual convention held in Oak Hill, West Virginia, February 21, thru February 23.

Porter has judged print competition in the state of West Virginia twice, and once in the state of Tennessee. He is currently working toward his certified print judging certificate, which is given by the professional photographers of America.

Upon receiving this certificate, he will be eligible to Judge Print Competitions, not only in the United States, but in any country in the world.

Porter is one of 14 professional photographers in the tate of Kentucky who has achieved the status of iMasters of Photography and Craftsmani Degree, and, one of four professional photographers in the state of Kentucky with the iMaster of Craftsman,î Photography, degree, and is also PPA certified.

Porter, along with his wife, Angela, own and operate Porter Studio and Associates, in Prestonsburg.

Use 'smart' card to pre-pay utility bills

Kentucky Public Service Commmission has granted Louisville Gas & Electric Co. permission to expand a program which allows customers to pay for electricity in advance using a special meter and a "smart" card similar to an ATM card.

LG&E expects as many as 40,000 customers to enroll in the program, which can begin May 1, 2003. The PSC allowed the expansion on the basis of results from a pilot program involving 500 customers.

The PSC order approving the program incorporates a number of suggestions made by several organizations that administer programs that provide financial assistance to low-income ratepayers and the Kentucky Office of Attorney General.

With pre-paid metering, customers receive the special meter, an in-house display unit that tracks electric consumption and two smart cards. Customers put money into a paystation, which transfers the amount to the card. When the card is inserted into the in-house unit. the display shows the amount of electricity the customer has purchased.

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whatever steps are necessary to insure that low-income customers who use pre-paid meters remain eligible for programs that provide them with help in paying home heating bills. ■ In order to insure that the pre-paid meter program remains optional and is adequately and fairly explained to customers, LG&E is to file with the PSC all promotional material and customer service guidelines and instructions related to the program. ■ LG&E will report every six months to the PSC on the progress of the program. The PSC also said that an independent, third-party evaluation of the pre-paid meter program will be prepared after it has been in place for three

years. The evaluation will determine whether the program is meeting its goals of being self-supporting and cost-effective, whether it is reducing unpaid debt to LG&E, whether it is being offered on an optional basis, whether it should be continued and, if so, what improvements might be neces-

The order, related case documents and a videotape of the hearing in the case are posted on the PSC Web site. www.psc.state.ky.us. The case number is 2002-00232.



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