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Two die in mobile home fire in Knott

CARRIE — Both residents of a Knott County mobile home died Thursday after the man who lived there entered the burning structure to rescue his young stepson, authorities said.

"State police received a call (at 12:55 a.m.) that the residence of Estill Perkins was on fire in the Carrie section of Knott County," Kentucky State Police detective James Burnett said.

"Upon arrival at the scene, it was discovered that 35-year-old Estill Perkins had entered the burning residence to get his 9-year-old stepson, Marcus Ray Messer," a report said. "Both Perkins and Messer became trapped inside and were pronounced dead at the scene by the Knott County coroner."

The fire scene was on Kentucky 550, four miles west of Hindman, police said.

Autopsies were to be performed as part of the investigation of the deaths, according to coroner Jeff Blair.

The cause of the fire was not immediately determined.

Board might nix students going elsewhere

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Board of Education is currently discussing the possibility of terminating reciprocity agreements with surrounding counties in an attempt to curtail the loss of funding to the school system.

The agreements, which are normally routinely adopted by school

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— Supt. Paul Fanning

districts, allow students to transfer to schools in other counties, taking state funding with them.

Schools receive Support Education Excellence in Kentucky (SEEK) funding based on average daily attendance of students. Since more students are leaving the Floyd system than entering it from other counties, the result is a net loss for the school system.

"For several years, we have released more students and SEEK

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Where are they going?

A comparison of students going to and from Floyd County schools.

District	Entering From	Leaving To
Johnson County	10	151
Paintsville Ind.	0	49
Knott County	26	22
Magoffin County	8	4
Pike County	59	71
Pike Ind.	0	46
Martin County	3	0



The air was cold but the winter sun shone brightly on an estimated crowd of more than 21,000 educators and supporters who rallied on the Capitol steps for increased educational funding of Kentucky's schools on Wednesday afternoon.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

Teachers rally at Capitol

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR

FRANKFORT — "Get those crayons moving," and "Let's make some noise," were the chants of the day as a reported 21,000-plus demonstrators swarmed the steps of the state's capitol late Wednesday morning in an effort to draw the attention of legislators to the state's floundering educational budget.

"We've got to get their attention," said Alonzo Fugate, a teacher from LBJ Elementary in Jackson.

"Education is our future — without it, there is no future."

Sporting t-shirts with slogans that read, "It's Not About the Money," and waving posterboard signs purporting such messages as "Education Pays — Just Not Teachers," and "Teachers can't live on apples," educators from across the state rallied on the capitol's grounds for increased funding.

Teachers, like Debra Holland, of Prestonsburg Elementary, said that "First we were told that there would be cuts, then we were told that there

would be no cuts, but also no increases. We do need an increase in funding. This is not just a salary issue, but an education issue in general."

Holland says that more money is needed in classrooms, to fund special programs and to ensure that students receive quality educations.

"They are saying, I believe, that no cuts will be made to primary or secondary programs, but the cost of living will still increase and we will

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Three high schools could be joined

Plan would affect Allen Central, Betsy Layne, South Floyd

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

A plan of consolidation could see one major high school in Floyd County in the next decade.

According to a draft facilities plan that will be reviewed by the Local Planning Committee, Betsy Layne, South Floyd, Allen Central and the Floyd County Technical School could be combined to form a "Central High School."

According to the document, the consolidation is an attempt to address declining enrollment and subsequent limited curriculum offerings of the high schools.

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photo by Steve LeMaster

Publisher Rod Collins drew the winners of The Floyd County Times "Valentine Sweetheart Package" for advertisers. Tropical Isle of Prestonsburg and Fiesta Place of Paintsville were the lucky winners.

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High: 40 • Low: 36

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High: 41 • Low: 29

For up-to-the-minute forecasts, see floydcountytimes.com

Unpaid trash bills net charges

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

While the Floyd County garbage bill collection rate has increased from 65 to 90 percent since the county switched to universal pickup last July, officials, who are working toward a 100 percent rate, have resorted to the court system to accomplish their goal.

According to court documents, three men have been charged with violating county solid waste ordi-

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photo by Loretta Blackburn

Hogan, left, and Katy decided to take a stroll Wednesday afternoon at Lancer. However, traffic was held up when their lack of knowledge concerning traffic laws caused them to travel in the left lane when they should have been in the right.

Two dogs 'on a mission' snarl P'burg traffic

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — While on a "mission" to what could have been to visit with family, two Saint Bernards found themselves in traffic at Lancer.

Hogan and Katy were spotted Wednesday afternoon, traveling toward Prestonsburg on South Lake Drive below Adams Middle School. The two were taking a leisurely walk in the wrong lane, causing a holdup in traffic. The couple was followed by concerned citizens before they took a driveway path to the hill, just above the Somerset gas station.

A concerned driver called the Prestonsburg City Police, but according to the dispatcher, the dogs had disappeared by the time the cop arrived.

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Odds and Ends

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■ **ATLANTA** — Birds do it. Bees do it. And humans can learn how they do it during a Valentine's Day tour of Zoo Atlanta.

The amorous antics of animals are proving so popular that organizers plan to add a second night besides Valentine's Day for their "Love In The Zoo" lecture and dance party. Several hundred guests are expected.

"This is science, and it's actually fun," said Nicole Johnson, who works in marketing for the zoo.

Lecturer James Ballance says the mating games can be hilarious.

"Birds are like, totally crazy," Ballance says, waving his arms to imitate a strutting pheasant. "Some we call the backseat-of-the-car guys — they don't stick around. They leave a lot of single mothers. Then we have the guys who will build the house before they even suggest anything."

Outside the zoo's flamingo

pond, Ballance points to the pairs who spend nearly all day within a foot or two of each other.

"They pair up, but there's a lot of cheating out there," he says. "You've always got female flamingoes coming home with muddy footprints all over their backs."

Other zoos around the country are finding similar talks are big draws.

There's "The Mating Game" at the Columbus Zoo in Ohio. In San Diego, a "Night Moves" program sells out seven nights straight in February.

Aquariums are getting into the act as well. The New York Aquarium offers a February "Sex In The Sea" singles' mixer.

"So many institutions have had success with this type thing, we figured, 'Why not? Fish do it, too, you know,'" said Fran Hackett, a spokeswoman for the aquarium.

■ **PINCKNEY, Mich.** — It's not every day a woman sees her grown son on the cover of a national news magazine.

Especially without clothes. That's what Lee Reeves found on the cover of this week's Time magazine.

Skyler Reeves and a female model are in a photo illustration about genetics, covered only with strategically placed strands of DNA.

"I expected to see a crowd shot and go, 'There he is.' I didn't expect the Adam and Eve shot," said Lee Reeves.

"It's just kinda fun," she said, adding that family and friends like the photo.

The issue featuring Skyler Reeves, 22, hit newsstands this week.

Skyler, a junior at the University of Colorado, had hoped for a mountain-biking career for years before trying his hand at modeling a few months ago.

Pat Convery, a longtime friend of the Reeves family, was one of the first to realize Skyler

Reeves was on the magazine's cover.

"There was a moment of stunned silence," Convery said. "I think one of the first things I said is, 'It doesn't get much bigger than Time magazine.' It's such a prestigious magazine. Vladimir Putin (Russia's president) is probably looking at Skyler Reeves of Pinckney."

■ **CONCORD, N.C.** — Love is in the air in Cabarrus County. It's also in the phone book.

Cabarrus has the nation's highest concentration of people named Love according to a Valentine's-week study by a San Diego marketing research firm.

Union, Gaston and Mecklenburg counties aren't far behind Cabarrus, making North Carolina one of the nation's Love-liest states.

Clementeene Love Glover of Gastonia said her maiden name is telling: "I'm just a friendly, happy-go-lucky person. I love my family and I love people."

"It's a beautiful name, Love," she said. "It's a way of life."

The demographers at Claritas Inc. tossed around several monikers — Romeo, Casanova, Cupid — in their search for Loves.

They tried Lust, too. Even where Lust is popular (first place: Oneida County, N.Y.), Love prevailed.

Although the Charlotte region has a whole lot of Love, the surname accounts for only a small part of the population.

Researchers looked at U.S. counties with populations of more than 100,000 and ranked those with the highest concentrations of the Love surname. Just 0.03 percent of the national population is named Love, and Cabarrus County's Loves make up 0.24 percent of the county's population.

Demographers say no name does much more — not even Smith which in 1990 was held by only slightly more than 1 percent of U.S. residents.

■ **NORWOOD, N.J.** — Sandy Grossman isn't promising women the moon. He is promising them a free sports car. All you have to do is marry him.

He's serious about finding a bride by Valentine's Day, and drives around northern New Jersey in a 1959 Cadillac ambulance topped with a billboard advertisement for a bride.

The ad promises "Free Sports Car With Marriage" and lists his e-mail address, photo and vital stats: "43, 5'11, 175 pounds and NEVER MARRIED."

"It sure beats trying to come up with a snappy one-liner in a Jersey nightclub," Grossman said.

So far, he's gotten only five e-mail responses (and no "I do's") since his campaign began earlier this month. He's confident a Mazda convertible will seal the deal with someone.

"I'm a romantic," he said. "I

think this is the ideal way to find somebody."

Joy Browne, author of "Dating for Dummies," gave Grossman points for trying.

"I call this 'auto eroticism,'" she said. "Somebody out there will take him up on it. It's getting him some publicity, and that seems to be the name of the game these days. Nothing is beneath contempt anymore."

Grossman says he doesn't want much from a bride.

"I don't need a model, just someone who is pretty and funny and appreciative of me," he said. "I will treat her like a queen. I just hope she can drive stick shift."

■ **ST. PAUL, Minn.** — Linus — Lucy's philosophical, blanket-clutching little brother — has been chosen as the subject for the fourth year of a public-arts tribute to hometown cartoonist Charles Schulz.

Five-foot, 400-pound polystyrene statues of Linus will adorn St. Paul street corners this summer, said Jeannie Schulz, the "Peanuts" creator's widow. An official announce-

ment was expected Friday.

She said the family felt strongly Linus should follow Snoopy, Charlie Brown and Lucy. Their likenesses have become popular tourist attractions in St. Paul since Schulz died three years ago of colon cancer.

"I think Linus, with his blanket, lends itself to a lot of possibilities for local artists," Schulz said. "That blanket and security are such appealing themes that people can have fun with, and those really are the core characters."

Linus beat out two other characters — Woodstock, Snoopy's small yellow-feathered friend, and Schroeder, the piano-playing subject of Lucy's flirtations — to receive the honor.

Nearly 85 percent of the sponsoring businesses have pledged to pay \$3,600 for the tribute. Proceeds from the campaign, which ends with an autumn auction, will pay for a permanent bronze installation of Peanuts characters at Landmark

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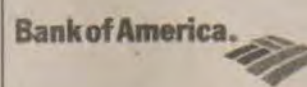
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U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, was kidnapped in Kabul by Muslim extremists and killed in a shootout between his abductors and police.

■ In 1989, Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini called on Muslims to kill Salman Rushdie, author of "The Satanic Verses," a novel condemned as blasphemous.

Ten years ago:

The body of James Bulger, a 2-year-old boy who had been lured away from his mother in a Bootle, England, shopping mall two days earlier, was found along a stretch of railroad track. (Two boys who were 10 years old at the time, Robert Thompson and Jon Venables, were later convicted of murdering James; they spent eight years in detention before being paroled.)

Five years ago:

Authorities officially declared Eric Rudolph a suspect in the bombing of a Birmingham, Ala., abortion clinic and offered a \$100,000 reward. Russia's Ilya Kulik won the men's figure skating gold medal at the Nagano Olympics.

One year ago: Launching his defense against war crimes charges, former Yugoslav president Slobodan Milosevic justified his actions as a "struggle against terrorism" and said he was a victim of twisted facts and "terrible fabrication." Enron executive Sherron Watkins told a House subcommittee it was common knowledge at the company that partnerships were used improperly to hide debt and inflate profits. The House voted to ban unregulated contributions to national political parties.

Today's Birthdays:

TV personality Hugh Downs is 82. Actress-singer Florence Henderson is 69. Country singer Razy Bailey is 64. Jazz musician Maceo Parker is 60. Movie director Alan Parker is 59. Journalist Carl Bernstein is 59. Actor-dancer Gregory Hines is 57. Sen. Judd Gregg (R-N.H.) is 56. TV personality Pat O'Brien is 55. Magician Teller (Penn and Teller) is 55. Cajun singer-musician Michael Doucet (Beausoleil) is 52. Actor Ken Wahl is 46. Actress Meg Tilly is 43. Singer-producer Dwayne Wiggins is 42. Actor Enrico Colantoni is 40. Actor Zach Galligan is 39. Rock musician Ricky Volking (The Nixons) is 37. Tennis player Manuela Maleeva is 36. Rock musician Kevin Baldes (Lit) is 31. Rock singer Rob Thomas (Matchbox Twenty) is 31.

Thought for Today:

"A lady of 47 who has been married 27 years and has six children knows what love really is and once described it for me like this: 'Love is what you've been through with somebody.'" — James Thurber, American humorist (1894-1961).

Rally

continue to be behind," Holland said.

Holland, along with several other teachers from Prestonsburg Elementary, as well as numerous other teachers from Floyd County, traveled to Frankfort on Wednesday to support the Kentucky Education Association's "Rally for Education."

While there, the teachers listened to various state educators

give speeches in support of increased educational funding.

"What we want them to do is figure out how to pay the bills," said Susan Perkins Weston, executive director of the Kentucky Association of School Councils.

KEA members were in full force at the event, toting bags filled with school-funding promotional materials and inflatable crayons for the legislators, some of whom left the warmth of the

Capitol Building to mingle among the crowd to discuss the teacher's concerns.

Rep. Greg Stumbo, D-Floyd County, was among those who braved the frigid winds to assure educators that he was in their corner and had added his name to the KEA's proposed legislative package.

Gov. Paul Patton, too, added his support, saying in an issued statement that, "I am honored to

support the request for more state funding for elementary and secondary education."

Patton said of the state's teachers, "Collectively, they have the most important job in Kentucky. Our future is in their hands. Kentucky cannot turn a deaf ear to their legitimate concerns."

According to Patton's statement, Kentucky's schools have improved dramatically since

1990, when the Kentucky Education Reform Act was passed. "Twelve years ago we asked them (teachers) to do the impossible and they responded," he said.

Patton went on to say that "Kentucky has the nation's second best standards and accountability program, and is also second best in the nation in improving teacher quality ... yet our

teachers work in schools where the school climate and total funding are below the national average. Our teacher salaries have fallen from 27th in the nation in 1992 to 34th in 2002. That is not the way to achieve long-term, sustained improvement in our public school system."

When asked if she felt encouraged by the rally events held in the capital city on Wednesday, Holland said that she found the experience to be "interesting."

"I suppose it has to be effective when you look out and see more than 20,000 people on the steps of the Capitol," Holland said. "If nothing else, I think it showed that we care, that teachers do care. Children are our best resource, we have to protect that resource."

Grand jury indicts 25

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A North Carolina man was indicted Jan. 29 on five criminal counts, two class D felonies and two class A and one class B misdemeanor, following a grand jury hearing.

Danny Thomas SESCO, 35, of Marshville, N.C., was indicted on one count of first-degree wanton endangerment, one count of prescription in improper container, one count of possession of a controlled substance and one count of first-degree fleeing or evading police in connection to an incident allegedly occurring April 26, 2000.

At that time, arresting officer Tim Clark, who was traveling southbound along U.S. 23, alleged SESCO nearly hit his cruiser while traveling northbound along U.S. 23 when he crossed the median and came into the other lane of traffic.

Clark alleged in his written citation following the incident that SESCO continued on after nearly hitting him for about 12 miles before stopping "in the middle" of the four lane. Clark added in his report that he had recovered a total 30 prescription pills from SESCO after the stop.

SESCO faced, at the time of his arrest, four counts of first-degree wanton endangerment, including one against Clark for the near miss. The other three came, according to Clark's citation, after SESCO allegedly forced two cars and a coal truck off the road while "driving to the side" along the four lanes of traffic and while "driving on the wrong side of the four lane."

Clark also alleged at the time of the arrest that when he approached SESCO, the North Carolina man "had a beer, drinking it."

The grand jury also handed down indictments for 24 others, one of which was sealed and six of which were not readily available at press time.

Other indictments included:

■ Sammy Rife, 35, Salyersville, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence, operating a motor vehicle while license revoked or suspended for driving under the influence.

■ Harold Dean Preston II, 38, Paintsville, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence, first-degree fleeing or evading police.

■ Arnold Dixon Wesley, 36, Peebles, Ohio, one count of flagrant non-support.

■ Terry Sturgill, 42, Dema, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence, operating a motor vehicle while license revoked or suspended for driving under the influence.

■ Darrell Puckett, 48, Boonscamp, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence, operating a motor vehicle while license revoked or suspended for driving under the influence.

■ Brian Kidd, 30, Ivel, receiving stolen property.

■ Corbet Dale Tackett, 34, Cayce, S.C., flagrant non-support.

■ Ted P. Carroll, 37, Minnie, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence, operating a motor vehicle while license revoked or suspended for driving under the influence.

■ Gary Prater, 47, Hueysville, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, two counts of possession of a handgun by a convicted felon.

■ Mike Blocker, 35, Weeksbury, first-degree possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana.

■ Reggie G. Cook, 50, Topmost, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence, possession of marijuana, second-degree possession of a controlled substance.

■ Randy Owens, 30, Blue River, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence, operating a motor vehicle while license revoked or suspended for driving under the influence.

■ Jackie D. Crum, 34, Charlotte, N.C., operating a motor vehicle while under the influence, operating a motor vehicle while license revoked or suspended for driving under the influence, first-degree fleeing or evading police.

■ Morris Joe Hall, 46, Hi Hat, trafficking a controlled substance in or near a school, possession of marijuana, carrying a concealed weapon.

■ David A. Adkins, 39, Grethel, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence, operating a motor vehicle while license revoked or suspended for driving under the influence, first-degree wanton endangerment, first-degree fleeing or evading police, second-degree persistent felony offender.

■ Michael Dean Stanley, 32, Prestonsburg, receiving stolen property.

An indictment is not an indication of guilt, but instead a determination by a grand jury that criminal charges warrant a full court hearing.

Dogs

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In the meantime, Brenda Corbin, of Highlands Avenue, had contacted the Floyd County Animal Shelter in an attempt to locate her two 1-year-old St. Bernards. She reported that she had awakened Wednesday morning to find them gone, thus beginning her search.

Fortunately, Corbin received a call Wednesday afternoon, informing her that someone had spotted her dogs at Slone's Transmission. Apparently, the dogs and decided to come back down after the police left.

"I'm glad to get them back," said Corbin.

Corbin stated that she had purchased Hogan when he was a pup, but Katy had only recently joined the family. She reported that Katy liked to "break loose" and Hogan would follow her.

"She was the one that broke them out," said Corbin.

As to where the dogs were going, Corbin said that her husband had taken the dogs for a walk to visit her mother-in-law in the area and she supposed "they wanted to go over there."

"They were on a mission," said Corbin.

Agreements

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funds to other systems than what we have received," said Supt. Paul Fanning.

According to statistics provided by Fanning to board members, the district lost approximately \$650,000 for the 2002-2003 school year.

According to Fanning, the termination of the agreement is only in a discussion phase right now and no formal action will be taken that would impact the current school year.

"A lot of things that were accepted in the past are getting reviewed now," Fanning said.

Fanning also said that an appeal could be filed if the agreements are terminated that could go all the way to the state board.

Johnson County Superintendent Orville Hamilton is against the proposed cancellation of the reciprocity agreement.

"I think that this is a very poor time to consider doing something like this with current problems in the state budget," Hamilton said.

According to Hamilton, a termination of the agreement with other counties would harm Floyd County more than it would help it.

"It's not going to help much financially. They will have to hire more teachers to cover more students," Hamilton said. "What if the other counties decided to terminate their agreement and take students away from Floyd County? We have over 200 students going to Paintsville and if we took them out, they would have to close."

Hamilton said that parents should be able to decide where their children go to school.

"We need to think about the children, not the system," Hamilton said.

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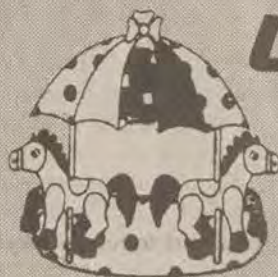
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Man arrested after hit-and-run accident

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — A Martin man is being held on a \$10,000 cash bond after being arraigned on 10 charges, including a hit and run on Tuesday.

According to court documents, Stephen Wright, 42, of Bucks Branch, was arrested at 1 a.m. at 18 Cummings Street, in Martin. He was charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence of drugs, posses-

sion of an open alcohol beverage container, criminal trespassing, reckless driving, no or expired registration plates, carrying a concealed deadly weapon, disorderly conduct, leaving the scene of an accident or "hit and run", possession of a controlled substance and criminal mischief.

The arrest warrant states that Wright had several pills in separate bottles.

Wright was arraigned on Tuesday morning, at which time a \$10,000 cash bond was set.

Trash

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nance No. 94-001, a misdemeanor carrying a possible consequence of 90 days in jail and/or a \$500 fine.

The criminal complaints state that Kenneth Bundy, 70, McDowell, Carl Combs 80, Langley, and Wayne Reynolds, Martin, were all charged on Feb. 6 for failing to pay their garbage bills.

County Attorney Keith Bartley said that a total of eight will be charged with the misdemeanor at this point.

County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson reported that the ordinance had been in effect since the early 1980s, but had not been enforced until recently.

As of July 2001, the county went to universal pickup, which means that the county is now paying a contractor, Waste Management, to collect the garbage and pays a rate for every residence.

Thompson said that the collection rate was at 65 percent when the county first went to universal and is now at about 90 percent. But, he said, it isn't fair that 10 percent are still failing to pay the bill and the county is working toward a 100 percent goal.

The problem with the traditional way for utility companies to collect by cutting off service and taking the customer to small claims court cannot be applied in this case. Bartley said that the water and garbage bills are combined and that these particular customers are paying their water bill, which prevents disconnection of water. But the county now has to pay for the garbage

bill whether it is picked up or not. Therefore, Thompson said, there is no other way to approach the situation.

When considering the age of two of the men charged, a question of the customers' ability to pay arises. In reference to this possibility, Thompson and Bartley reported that if the situation is that there is a problem with income, the county would not attempt to prosecute, with Thompson saying that the customer would have to prove it, at which time the county would "work something out."

"It is not a perfect system," said Thompson.

However, when referring to the process of collecting the county's garbage in the past, Thompson pointed out the improvement of the more efficient system. He said that the county used to use stickers on garbage bins to determine who had paid their bills, so that the county workers would know where to collect. But neighbors would steal each other's stickers, said Thompson. With universal pickup, everyone's trash is collected at the \$10 rate, which Thompson says is the lowest rate in any county in Eastern Kentucky. However, the bill will rise pursuant to a state-mandated increase.

Thompson pointed out other benefits of the change is collections, stating that the county just received a \$29,000 grant for roadside litter cleanup as a result of universal pickup. He reported that the county spent somewhere between \$200,000 and \$300,000 last year cleaning up the county.

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

Herald-Journal, Spartanburg, S.C., on the federal budget: President Bush has warned Congress to stay within its spending limits and not send him a budget that uses tricks and gimmicks to make it seem like federal lawmakers are restraining spending when they are not.

Congress needs to abide by the spending limits it agreed to last year and limit the growth of spending during the current economic downturn. But federal lawmakers show no intention of doing so. ...

They will say that their budget doesn't exceed the spending limit, but like accountants for Enron, their numbers don't represent the truth. ...

There are other accounting problems as well. The Senate version of the spending package spends much more money on highways than the federal government will collect in gasoline taxes. ...

... Federal spending should be held down while the economy is slow and the nation is under the threat of war.

Congressional leaders should recognize that additional spending may be needed to continue the war on terrorism or to stimulate the economy or both. They shouldn't tie their own and the president's hands by obligating more money to their own priorities.

One of Bush's goals in taking office was to slow the growth of the federal government. If that growth can't be held back in times like these, it's unlikely that it can ever be held back.

The Plain Dealer, Cleveland, on Iraq:

Iraq is an incorrigible deceiver. That's the strong, credible and persuasive case that Secretary of State Colin Powell made to the U.N. Security Council this week. Dictator Saddam Hussein has shown no inclination to cooperate with U.N. arms inspectors; on the contrary, he has only increased efforts to thwart their endeavors.

Powell wove intelligence information provided by 10 friendly nations into a tapestry that illuminates the continuing treachery of a determined despot; Saddam continues to accumulate chemical and biological weapons of mass murder and the methods to deliver them far beyond his borders.

The weight of the information presented, and the nearly universal respect for Powell as a statesman of gravitas and dovish instincts, have raised to a new level of intensity the debate concerning what response the U.N. will make.

That pressure will continue to mount as the next deadline for inspectors' reports, Feb. 14, approaches.

President Bush's statements have made clear that the window for an invasion will remain open for at least a few weeks. His administration should use that time to continue to pursue diplomatic efforts and to win the support of a sizable majority of the Security Council for what is necessary should diplomacy fail.



In the moment

Finding solutions

While we allow others to make their own decisions about what, if anything, they will do in any given situation, we can also get into the habit of trying to influence others to do things through force. The latter doesn't work because most adults, healthy ones that is, don't want you to tell them what to do, whether you do it blatantly or subtly. While they may invite you to contribute insight into the situation, they ultimately want to make their own choices. However, this rule does not apply to raising children. Or does it?

When I leave it up to my children to determine what they will do in any given situation, I am seldom pleased with the outcome. While their choices are acceptable in some instances, others affect me in ways that I can't tolerate.

For example, an attempt to get a 13-year-old to put a coat on three times to no avail can be ignored with the thought, "Oh well, she will put it on when she gets cold enough." But getting her to pick up things that are hazardous to anyone who may be walking through the house is an important goal to achieve.

When repeated requests for cooperation fails, I resort to trying to make them do things. Even though I know force doesn't work, I still find myself trying to

exert it in an attempt to get what I want. What happens is I get upset, they get resentful, and nothing gets done. How do you get children to do what you want them to do without making yourself crazy? Please help! Call 1-888 ...

Seriously, it is a very trying time for them as well as me. They want me to treat them like adults, which I try, but they don't want to act responsibly. It makes a mother sometimes feel that she has moved from mommy status to maid status and at others, from ally to enemy. After exhausting myself in futile attempts to make my children do what I wanted them to do, I finally realized my dilemma. I had failed to approach them on a more adult level by trying to make their decisions for them. Because that is ultimately what I am doing when I am attempting to force or persuade them to see things my way.

I eventually realized that, as teenagers move toward independence and maturity, a parent has to recognize the existence of the struggle and contribute to their goal. I can still remove

the Xbox if the chore is not completed, but I need to follow up with the focus on how that chore contributes to my child's independence. Upon completion of a good decision in any given situation, I must congratulate them and praise the "great" accomplishment that I see. When done repeatedly, they begin to see the importance of what they do.

The transitions in the teen years are not fading, but beginning. However, my futile attempts at forcing my way is dwindling and my focus on the real task is improving. There is still anger and yelling, which I have had to learn to not take personally or respond to. I am learning to find a little serenity by refusing to fight with them and bargaining on some things while I refuse to budge on others.

It is easy to get too tired to stand up to the challenges a teenager throws at you, especially when you are an often tired and stressed single parent. But, as I have learned, it is best to dig a little deeper and pull out that last bit of patience, tolerance, and strength to say "I can't make you do it, but it has to be done" so, "How are we going to do it?"

Engaging them in the problem solving process by helping them to see it as a problem needing a solution helps them to look at the situation in a way other than one in which Mom is "trying to make us to one more thing."



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it show how much respect that I have for the entire program.

I know that without the services offered by the Happy House Daycare, I could not have worked. These programs enable people to get that extra boost for their physical health and social life. Also may this be an acknowledgement to the public that programs like this do exist and may be an alternative solution to nursing home care and we should all support programs like this.

To the public: The next time you write your congressman, remember to say a few words in support of programs like this, because you never know when you might need their services.

Once again, thanks (to Happy House) ever so much for the wonderful loving care

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Robin Slone
Prestonsburg

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At the Movies: 'Daredevil'

by BEN NUCKOLS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

"Daredevil" is a dispassionate affair, buffed to a sheen throughout — from the digitally touched-up images to Ben Affleck's exquisitely tousled mop-top to the painstaking setup of a sequel in the final reel.

Yet occasionally, a naughty pulp sensibility creeps out of this by-the-numbers comic book-to-film. It's a little darker, a little bloodier, a little more adult than its Marvel Comics-spawned counterparts "Spider-Man" and "X-Men."

On the surface, our hero sounds unassailably noble. Matt Murdock (Affleck) was blinded in an accident at age 12, and shortly thereafter, his washed-up boxer dad was murdered — perhaps by the mysterious Kingpin, who controls all the crime in New York City.

Though blind, Matt's other senses become hyper-acute, so he transforms himself into Daredevil, a high-flying superhero with Batman's gadgets and Spider-Man's physique, who brings thugs to justice in the Hell's Kitchen neighborhood. By day, he's an attorney who champions the oppressed.

But he's not without his complications. Matt has casual sex

and pops prescription painkillers like candy, and when a case doesn't go his way, his revenge can be extreme. When a rapist escapes conviction, Daredevil tracks him down and imposes a creative sentence — death by subway-train



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Two and a half stars out of four.

bisection.

Affleck can do dark and tormented when he's working on a small, emotionally intimate scale, as in "Boiler Room" and last year's superb "Changing Lanes." But when he goes into star mode, it's all smirky, frat-boy diffidence — Daredevil's demons don't get the introspective treatment they deserve.

The wispy plot isn't driven by

wants to get out of business with Kingpin (Michael Clarke Duncan), so the crime boss calls in henchman Bullseye (Colin Farrell) for some none-too-subtle persuasion.

"Daredevil" is meant to be the big-screen coming-out party for Garner, star of ABC's action weepie "Alias," but playing a self-made wonder woman with every last ounce of body fat

burned into oblivion, she's an icy, inaccessible presence. She may be the only actress for whom squeezing out a tear is an aerobic exercise.

Mark Steven Johnson, who also wrote the script, directs crisply but timidly, in a style that could be summed up as "Batman" meets "The Matrix" meets "Spider-Man."

Occasionally, though, some personal expression seeps through. Johnson has a knack for little explosions of violence — an unexpected talent from the writer of "Grumpy Old Men" and the director of "Simon Birch." A spurt of blood makes all the difference in his airless action sequences; suddenly we feel that something is at stake. The violence is not graphic, but stylized and pictorially potent — like a good comic-book frame.

Johnson's exuberant co-conspirator is Colin Farrell, who slips away with the movie as the multi-pierced, bald Bullseye.

Credit Johnson for upping Farrell's comfort level by allowing him to keep his native Irish accent. We meet Bullseye inside one of Farrell's well-documented favorite places — a pub, where he's draining pints and playing darts. The Irish rappers House of Pain can be heard in the background as he uses paperclips to kill a man who insults his heritage.

With just a smattering of dialogue, Farrell creates a gleeful assassin, all slinking body language and rowdy comic menace. Aside from a few scenes in "Minority Report," it's his most exciting work since "Tigerland," the movie that made him a star.

When Farrell's on screen, "Daredevil" becomes more than just a finely tuned entertainment machine. In a movie that will rake people in no matter what, it's fun to see something unexpected.

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The holiday of love is also the holiday some love to hate

by DAVID CRARY
AP NATIONAL WRITER

Valentine's Day is the holiday of love, to be sure. It's also the holiday that many singles — with ever-increasing zest — love to hate.

Whether it's organizing bashes for people without sweethearts or even starting an alternative holiday, the unattached are fighting back. In Chicago, for instance, several taverns will be

hosting anti-Valentine's Day parties Friday, complete with black balloons.

On the Internet and in stores, anti-Valentine's cards are widely available. "Out of all my wives ... you're the best," says one.

Diatribes against the holiday abound on anti-Valentine's Web sites, with particular scorn heaped on greeting card companies, florists and confectioners.

"The primary motive behind Valentine's is money," writes

Xiaoxin Lu, a pro-celibacy activist. "They all do this under the guise of something called Love. They do this while making single people feel sad, degrading them."

The holiday isn't popular in some spots overseas, either.

In Iran, police this week ordered shops to remove heart-themed decorations from their windows. And in India, Hindu nationalists burned Valentine's Day cards, part of now-annual protests against what demonstrators consider a corrupt and commercial Western holiday.

Advice for Valentine's Day outsiders is plentiful — don't feel there is anything wrong with not being in a relationship, do something kind for someone in need, treat yourself to something special during the day, hook up with other single friends for some enjoyable activity.

That concept of group fun is what inspires the annual anti-Valentine's party at the Schoolyard Tavern in Chicago, according to director of operations Don Hladko.

"The majority of people who come are singles, looking for something to do other than the whole romantic thing," he said. "People just enjoy mocking the holiday."

In past years, the tavern has made special offers — for example, free drinks for patrons who brought in a photo of an ex-sweetheart. This year, with the holiday on a Friday, Hladko said he's sure of a full house without any come-ons.

In cities including San

Wal-Mart survey finds men spend twice as much on Valentine's Day as women

by KELLY P. KISSEL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — A survey conducted for Wal-Mart Stores found that men will spend 62 percent more on Valentine's Day gifts than women, but experts say that hardly means males are more romantic.

"I suspect it's an ego thing," said Roanoke (Va.) College psychology professor Galdino Pranzarone. "Some just don't want to be seen as a cheapskate. The bigger the diamond, the more impressed your sweetheart is."

In the Wal-Mart survey, conducted Jan. 17-19, respondents on average said they would spend \$51 on

Valentine's Day gifts. Men averaged \$63, women \$39. The groups spending the most included Hispanics (\$87) and those ages 18-24 (\$92).

The random telephone survey of 1,010 people also found that women typically wrapped up their shopping earlier — and that men often waited until the last minute.

Fran Dickson, an associate professor of human communication at the University of Denver, said that may explain why men tally the higher bill.

"Men are generally more uncomfortable shopping, so they avoid a negative or uncomfortable experience

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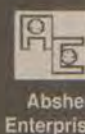
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Science center offers teachers free workshop on oceans

PRESTONSBURG — Middle school science teachers can see oceans from space through a free professional development workshop conducted by the East Kentucky Science Center (EKSC) February 22 at Prestonsburg Community College.

The workshop, Understanding the Oceans from Space, is correlated to grades 6-8 Core Content and Program of Studies and will be held in Room 111, Campbell Science Building beginning at 9 a.m. and

ending at 4 p.m. Lunch will not be provided. Cathy Neeley, EKSC Outreach Education Coordinator, will conduct the workshop. Neeley is also an Ocean Envoy with the NASA/JPL Oceanography Program.

Understanding the Oceans from Space is based on information gathered by the TOPEX/Poseidon satellite. The satellite was launched in 1992 as a joint venture between the French Space Agency (CNES) and NASA to map ocean surface topography. Although a three-

year prime mission was planned, with a five-year store of expendables, TOPEX/Poseidon has delivered an astonishing 10+ years of data from orbit, according to NASA. The data includes sea level measurements, global topography observations, studies of ocean features and phenomena, and much more, Neeley said.

The workshop will consist of hands-on activities that will explore physical oceanography, ocean life, and how oceans affect the Earth's climate. Participants will receive a pack-

et of resources that include posters, samples of free classroom materials, and two CD-ROMs that will help teachers and their students better understand the importance of our oceans to global climate and life.

Attendees will receive the CD-ROMs Perspectives on an Ocean Planet and a Visit to an Ocean Planet. Perspectives on an Ocean Planet is loaded with background information. The Visit to an Ocean Planet CD-ROM contains more than 50 activities that demonstrate ocean

scale and structure, measurement, energy, systems and interactions, process and change, and human interactions. The CD also contains a self-guided tour of the 1997-98 El Niño event, an Earth orbiting satellite knowledge game, an interactive Gulf of Mexico cruise-planning expedition, a unit on oceanographers and their work, and information about satellite altimetry.

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"These data suggest that women do spend more time anticipating the holiday and I suspect they place a greater value on the quality and thoughtfulness of the gift — not just getting something at the last minute," said Dennis Murray, a professor of psychology at Mansfield (Pa.) University.

Online columnist Laura Snyder, who dishes out advice for Compuserve and Netscape, believes nothing says "I'm too inconsiderate to give you something thoughtful" than a generic box of chocolates and a cheap stuffed animal.

"A bouquet of flowers, a bottle of wine or champagne and a nice dinner are all she really expects," she said. "Valentine's Day is just about being together and remembering why you love each other."

That means leaving out the tickets to a basketball or hockey game, she said.

"Remember when Homer Simpson bought Marge a bowling ball for her birthday? It's only funny in the cartoons."

■ RIPLEY, Ohio —

A man who walked around the world is planning another exotic trip: He wants to walk the length of China's 2,100-mile long Great Wall.

Steven M. Newman, 48, said he is trying to get a corporate sponsor for what he estimates would be an eight-month trek.

"I'm very, very optimistic," said Newman, who walked more than 15,000 miles through

five continents and 23 countries during his global walk from April 1983 to April 1987. He hopes to start his latest trip in April 2004.

If it happens, his walk will be filmed and made into a six-part documentary for television, he said.

Newman could face extreme heat and sandstorms in the Gobi Desert, high altitude, cold and thin air in the mountains, and overgrown areas crawling with poisonous snakes. The 6-foot-2, 205-pound Newman, a former high school sprinter, said he is in shape for the walk.

China has been more open to tourists recently, with Beijing getting ready to host the 2008 Summer Olympic Games.

Since Newman went for his global stroll, he has made a living walking, writing and talking about walking.

"They're paying me for what I love to do best — travel and explore," Newman said.

■ JACKSONVILLE, Fla. —

A man suspected of robbing a bank was arrested as he tried to make a slow-speed getaway on a city bus, police said.

A bank branch was robbed Monday morning when a man approached a teller, said he had a gun and demanded money. After the teller handed him the cash, he fled on foot.

He was arrested a short time later on a city bus, said Sgt. Malcolm Farmer of the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office.

Officers suspected the robber might use a bus because it was the same escape method used in a prior bank robbery, Farmer said.

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■ STEVENS PASS, Wash. — With a chain saw, a rope and a hatchet, Tony Detmer built his three-story dream house — suspended 20 feet up, in a stand of Douglas fir and cedar.

Detmer, 31, often starts his day with a plunge into the snow below. In the deep chill of a mountain morning, he said, the jolt is better than a cup of coffee.

"There's something about being off of the ground," he said. "I feel lofty. I want to fly. This is the closest I can get."

Detmer began working on the tree house in the fall of 1999. The deck went up first. Then straps were wrapped around trees to hold up parts of the house. The whole thing cost less than \$2,000, most of which went for a 3,000-watt generator to run a saw and a television.

"I never used a level, it's all by eyeball," he said.

Detmer's girlfriend, Betsy Delph, 23, and another roommate, Brett Hoisington, 19, also live in the house, which has a wood-burning stove and a rope swing on the deck.

Detmer sleeps on the third floor. The only way to get there is by climbing over a couch, up a wall and through a small, square hole.

There are no bathrooms, and showers come once a week at a nearby ski area.

Detmer's envisions a worldwide community of tree houses. In the meantime, he wants to build a village in the trees, and have rope swings connecting all the houses.

"I've pretty much been a monkey all my life," he said. "This is what makes me happy."



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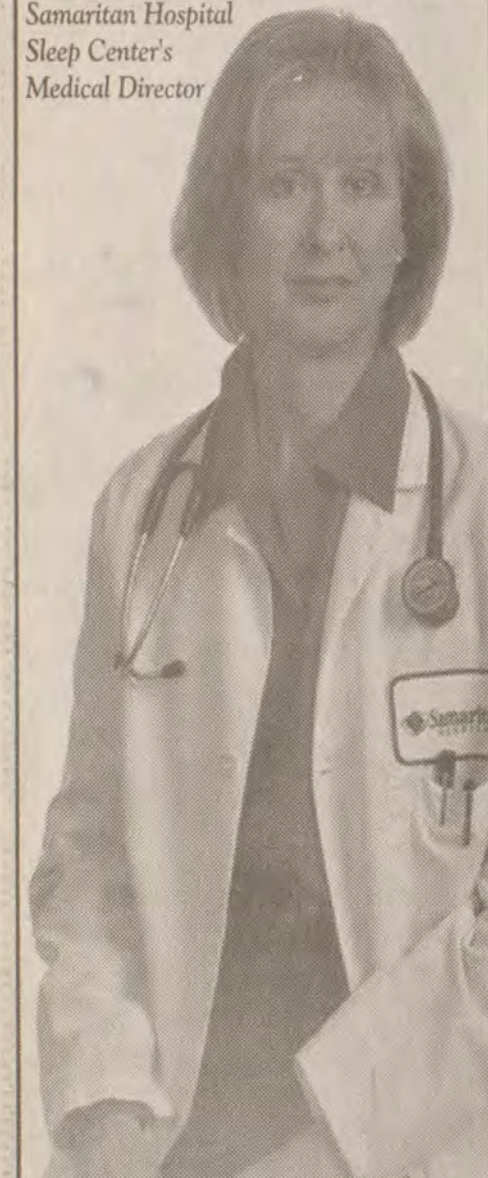
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Sitting quietly after a lunch without alcohol	_____
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Obituaries

Sylvia Wright Raines

Sylvia Wright Raines, lovingly known as "Granny Raines," 87 years of age of Grundy, Virginia, passed away at her home, Tuesday, February 11, 2003, following a brief illness.

Born in the Pyramid section of Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late William and Mary Ann Coburn Hicks. She had been a resident of the Buchanan County area for the past 65 years. She was a member of the Grundy Church of Christ, a member of the Board of Trustees of Mountain Mission School for more than 30 years. She was a supporter of the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, the Red Cross and the March of Dimes. She operated an antique store in Grundy, Virginia. She was inducted into the Buchanan County Hall of Fame in 1997.

She is survived by one son, Billy Jay Wright of Courtland, Virginia; three step-daughters, Mary Lynn Neeley, Pauline Kennedy, and Joan Buchanan, all of Grundy, Virginia; one step-son, S. M. (Sonny) Raines of Grundy, Virginia; one sister, Pearl H. Faulk of Payne, Ohio; three brothers, Delmer Hicks of Portsmouth, Ohio, Bert Hicks of Payne, Ohio, and Garrett Hicks of Convoy, Ohio; five grandchildren, William Harrison Lester, Kimberlee Wright Lester, Paige Galt Lester, Richard Garrett Wright and Katherine Wright Coley; three great-grandchildren, Mason Wright, Madison Wright and

Caroline Coley.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Dr. T.G. Wright; her second husband, W. P. Raines; one daughter, Shirley Wright Lester on September 27, 1991; three sisters, Katherine Onley, Trilbia Osborne and Viola Beverly; and one brother, Elmer Hicks.

Funeral services for Sylvia Wright Raines will be conducted Friday, February 14, at 11 a.m., at the Grundy Church of Christ with Evangelists Clarence Greenleaf, Michael Trent and James M. Swiney officiating.

Burial will be in the Mountain Valley Memorial Park at Big Rock, Virginia.

Visitation was at the funeral home and at the church, where an evening service was held on Thursday.

Grundy Funeral Home of Grundy, Virginia, is in charge of arrangements.

Active pallbearers will be Terry Matney, Rages Matney, Mark Ratliff, Herman Ball, Chuck Crabtree, Johnny Fleenor and Jim Bevins.

Honorary pallbearers will be Robert Neeley, Philip Justice, Nick Street, Hon. Nick E. Persin, S. W. Hylton and Paul Yates.

The family suggests that expressions of sympathy be made in the form of donations to the Mountain Mission School, Dr. T.G. Wright Memorial Scholarship Fund, 1 Hurley Street, Grundy, Va. 24614.

(Paid obituary)

In loving memory of my finance Lisa Ann Walters

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You never said goodbye;
You were gone before I knew it,

And only God knows why.

A million times I needed you,
A million times I cried;
If love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died.

In life I loved you dearly,
In death I love you still;
In my heart you hold a place
That no one ever will.

It broke my heart to lose you,
But you did not go alone;
For part of me went with you,
The day God took you home.

I will love you always
and forever,
Brian DeLong

For the Record

Marriage Licenses

Huei-Yi Pan, 26, to David W. Coroi, 38, both of Printer.
 Jessica Lynn Fields, 21, of Prestonsburg, to Rodney Harrington, 32, of Melvin.
 Geneva Calhoun Skeens, 41, to Anthony Gordon Scott, 42, both of Prestonsburg.
 Christy Lynn Stanley, 23, to Gary Randall Johnson, 38, both of Bevinville.
 Miranda Jo Ousley, 23, of Hi Hat, to Adam Thomas Roberts, 26, of Banner.
 Nicole Rene Caudill, 28, to Roderick Allen Wooten, 31, both of Prestonsburg.
 Rebecca Elizabeth Justice, 19, of Prestonsburg, to Jonathan Otto Morris, 24, of East Point.
 Myra Corinne Forman, 20, of Bevinville, to Joshua Clinis Hall, 22, of Drift.
 Angel Bradley, 19, to Clarence Miller, 22, both of Martin.
 Opal Williams, 36, of Weeksbury, to Jimmy Curtis

Spears, 46, of Prestonsburg.

Civil Suits Filed

Kenneth Hamilton vs. Tena Springfield; request for production of documents.
 Citicapital Commercial Corp. vs. Goble Excavation; complaint.
 Bill Newsome vs. Arie Hamilton; answer to complaint.
 Glema Yates vs. Mark R. Smith; answer and cross claim.
 Tammy Newsome vs. Rodney Frasure; petition for healthcare insurance.
 Jeffrey Lynn Riley vs. Elizabeth Ann Riley; divorce.
 Beneficial Kentucky Inc. vs. Lisa R. Campbell; civil summons.
 Harold D. Salisbury vs. Melinda G. Short; complaint.
 Christopher Combs vs. Brenda Youmans; motion for extension of time, or in the alternative, motion to dismiss.
 Lawrence Wilburn vs. Ashley Stanley; petition regarding custody and visitation.
 Kenneth Roberts vs. Michele

Belcher; complaint.

Jonathan Holman vs. Angela Holman; divorce.
 Jefferson Wells vs. Chandra Wells; divorce.
 Craig Robinson vs. Fred Hall; demand for trial by jury.

Small Claims

Filings

B&R Carpet vs. Kenny Little and Kim Little; debt collection.
 B&R Carpet vs. Vanessa Hall; debt collection.
 A-Plus Rental vs. Billy Harshew; debt collection.

Charges Filed

Christopher T. Jenkins, 25, Hueysville, fourth-degree assault.
 Tricia Paulson, 21, Lake Placid, Fla., theft by unlawful taking.
 Connie Blair, 42, Columbus, Ind., alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Michael L. Lathey, 44, Hamilton, Ohio, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Caleb M. Tackett, 23, East Point, public intoxication.
 Alex H. Skeens, 19, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.
 Carl Baldrige, 27, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking.
 Mark V. Hicks, 35, McDowell, theft by deception.
 Kimberly Greer, 36, McDowell, parent failure to send child to school.
 Jackie Hall, 25, Martin, theft by deception.
 Michael Casey Vanderpool, 23, Drift, harassment.
 Jean Ruby Pennington, 52, Prestonsburg, harassment, terroristic threatening.
 Tonda Patton, 45, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking.
 Loretta Combs, 33, Leburn, theft by deception.
 John K. Wallace, 39, Prestonsburg, third-degree criminal trespassing, fourth-degree assault.
 Joseph Edward Cogburn, 24, Martin, alcohol intoxication, possession of open alcohol beverage container.
 Harold J. Blocker Jr., 48, Weeksbury, public intoxication.
 Carol J. Bryant, 38, Weeksbury, alcohol intoxica-

tion, possession open alcohol beverage container.

Patricia L. Wallen, 20, Lackey, alcohol intoxication, minor in possession of alcohol, permitting unlicensed operator, possession of open alcohol beverage container.

Mark D. Crider, 38, Prestonsburg, sale of inedible wildlife parts.

Johnny Ousley, 49, Prestonsburg, third-degree criminal trespassing, entry on land without consent, illegal pursuit of turkey, discharging a firearm across road.

Regina Bellamy, 36, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking.

Janice Griffith, 49, Martin, first-degree stalking.

Walker Endicott, 20, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking.

Eddie Dean Shepherd, 28, David, alcohol intoxication, second-degree terroristic threatening.

David E. Leckrone, 43, Prestonsburg, driving under the influence second offense, driving on DUI-suspended license.

Stephen Writh, 42, Martin, operating vehicle under the influence of drugs, possession open alcohol beverage container, first-degree criminal trespassing, reckless driving, no registration plates, carrying concealed weapon, leaving the scene of an accident, disorderly conduct, first-degree possession of controlled substance, first-degree criminal mischief.

Michael Slone, 42, David, receiving stolen property, prescription in improper container, possession of marijuana.

Ashley Keith Whitaker, 26, address unlisted, theft by deception.

Barry D. Holbrook, 30, address unlisted, alcohol intoxication.

Jackie Hall, 25, address unlisted, theft by deception.

Crystal Hansel, 40, alcohol intoxication, permitting an unlicensed driver.

Wallace R. Johnson, 39, Martin, aggravated assault, violation of EPO, third-degree criminal trespassing.

Krystal Walker, 20, address unlisted, disorderly conduct, terroristic threatening.

Donald Hale Jr., 27, Martin, disorderly conduct.

Local leaders refuse to sponsor grant application after unpatriotic remark

The Associated Press

WHITESBURG — Magistrates have refused to sponsor a grant application for Appalshop, an arts and entertainment organization in Whitesburg, after a disc jockey on its radio station allegedly made an unpatriotic remark.

The Letcher Fiscal Court voted not to endorse a \$300,000 grant application for Appalshop to renovate a building that would be used for an exhibition hall where the public could view the organization's film documentaries and listen to old radio programs.

Magistrate Wayne Fleming said he found remarks made by Bill Andy Farley, who has a Friday afternoon program on WMMT-FM, offensive. He said that's why he urged fellow magistrates to refuse Appalshop's request for sponsorship.

Fleming, a Vietnam veteran, claims Farley told listeners that America has killed more innocent people than any other country in the world. Farley said he doesn't recall making the statement.

"I don't think I said that," Farley said. "I went back through the tapes of the past couple of weeks, and I couldn't find that at all."

WMMT station manager Cheryl Marshall said Appalshop will stand behind Farley, even if it means the organization won't be able to apply for the grant from the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet.

"We celebrate our country's

freedom here on this station by practicing free speech," she said.

Many local residents, including Farley, volunteer as DJs for the community radio station, which bills itself as "the voice of the hillbilly nation." Marshall said the DJs often offer their commentary on local, state and national issues.

"We have some very diverse views on things," Marshall said. "We do not necessarily agree with those views, but we do provide the space for people to express their views."

Fleming said he doesn't object to free speech.

"He's got the right to make whatever comment he makes, and this country is what affords him that right," Fleming said.

Greg Howard, vice chairman of Appalshop's board of directors, said the organization doesn't condone everything the radio station's DJs say. Neither does it censor them, he said.

John Cleveland, another volunteer disc jockey at Appalshop, said he was also offended by Farley's comments and turned off his radio. But, he said, magistrates should not throw out the entire organization because of one person's opinion.

Katie Dollarhide, another member of the Appalshop board of directors whose father is a World War II veteran, said she also turned off the radio when she heard Farley's comments.

Even so, Dollarhide said the comments shouldn't stop magistrates from sponsoring the grant application.

Hate

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Francisco and New York, a new alternative to Valentine's Day will be celebrated at parties this Friday — International Quirkyalone Day.

Started by a group of feminists — but open to men as well as women — Quirkyalone Day is geared toward people who "resist the tyranny of coupledness," according to the movement's Web site.

"It's a feel-good alternative to the marketing barrage of Valentine's Day and an antidote to the silicone version of love presented in shows such as 'Joe Millionaire' and 'The Bachelorette,'" the Web site says.

Ronald Nathan, a psychologist from Latham, N.Y., said the phenomenon of holiday depression has been somewhat exaggerated, but he suggested that Valentine's Day could be upsetting to certain singles.

"If it brings back and reverberates with an experience where they had the romance, the dream of a deep relationship, at a time when they don't have it any more, that can cause considerable distress," he said.

Nathan likes the idea of broadening Valentine's Day

beyond its one-on-one romantic aspect, so it becomes a celebration of caring that non-lovers could share in.

Elaine Rodino, a psychologist from Santa Monica, Calif., said Valentine's Day can be stressful to people who recently were divorced or widowed, and to some couples just starting to date.

"You go to a restaurant — it has a different menu, the prices are jacked up. That can be a lot of pressure," she said. "I've been talking with some of my patients about doing creative things, something casual like a movie and hamburger."

One hazard for the anti-Valentine's movement — and for the broader singles-rights movement — is that stalwart leaders can suddenly drop from the ranks.

Elson Trinidad ran a feisty Web site called Anti-Valentine's Day Central. Last year, he posted this news:

"I am happy (or sad) to report that after 10 long years of bitterness, cynicism and doubt, I have recently entered a relationship and I am actually very happy at the moment. I apologize if I have disillusioned you."

Survey

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until they can no longer avoid it," Dickson said.

"They haven't really thought that much about the gift and do not have a plan," Dickson said. "When they see something they like, they just buy it — like impulse buying."

Dennis Murray, a professor of psychology at Mansfield (Pa.) University, said men and women have different motivations about Valentine's Day.

"These data suggest that women do spend more time anticipating the holiday and I suspect they place a greater value on the quality and thoughtfulness of the gift — not just getting something at the last minute," he said. "Men ... may take action when the event is imminent and they are at risk of missing the day entirely."

Online columnist Laura Snyder, who dishes out advice for Compuserve and Netscape

from State College, Pa., believes nothing says "I'm too inconsiderate to give you something thoughtful" than a generic box of chocolates and a cheap stuffed animal.

"Unfortunately for the Johnny-come-latelys, those are the most common last-minute gift ideas — chocolates, roses, fluffy teddy bears," she said.

"Keep it simple," she suggested. "A bouquet of flowers, a bottle of wine or champagne and a nice dinner are all she really expects. Valentine's Day is just about being together and remembering why you love each other."


For Snyder, that means leaving out the tickets to a basketball or hockey game.

"Remember when Homer Simpson bought Marge a bowling ball for her birthday? It's only funny in the cartoons."

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Christina



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Charlotte B. George, 50, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking.

Jennifer Bates, age unlisted, address unlisted, theft of services.

Christen Ousley, 21, address unlisted, theft by deception.

Carl Combs, 84, Langley, county ordinance.

Kenneth Bundy, 70, McDowell, county ordinance.

Wayne Reynolds, age unlisted, Martin, county ordinance.

Ailene Crum, age unlisted, address unlisted, theft by deception.

Inspections

Action Express, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometer not provided in all refrigeration units, food item observed stored on floor. Score: 97.

Mayo Trailer Court, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not numbered systematically. Score: 98.

Brenda's Place, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Proper hair restraints not in use, pizza box stored on floor, no soap at hand wash sink. Score: 95.

Double Kwik Mart, Harold, regular inspection. Violations noted: Frozen pepperoni being thawed at room temperature.

countertop in disrepair, wiping cloth not stored in a sanitary solution, no light in walk in refrigerator, mop head stored in contact with floor. Score: Food: 95 Retail: 98.

Jerry's, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometer not located in freezer, all items in reach in not covered, hair restraints not in use, signs of wood showing, paper towels missing from utility sink, light missing from small storage closet. Score: 91.

El Azul Grande, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some food items stored too close to floor, improper storage or handling of utensils, improper single service storage. Score: 96.

Property Transfers

Joyce Davis Burke to Kimberly Isaac, property location not listed.

Robert R. Allen II and Kathy Allen to Kenneth Music, property location not listed.

Clarence Trammell to Sue Trammella McIntyre, property located, subdivision of John Allen Farm.

Randy Stevens to Tim and Phyllis Akers, property located on Toler's Creek.

(See RECORD, page eight)

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Community Calendar

Calendar items will be printed as space permits

Editor's note: Due to rising costs and space limitations we will no longer be accepting items for our Community Calendar that contain a revenue-producing nature. If your organization is holding a fundraising event, please contact our classified or advertising departments to announce your event. The Floyd County Times will continue its practice of posting community meeting dates and public service announcements. Items must be either: Delivered to our office; faxed to 606-886-3603, or emailed: features@floydcountytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone.

All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

AARP TAX-AIDE VOLUNTEERS AT FLOYD COUNTY LIBRARY

Volunteers from Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528, AARP, will begin preparing income tax forms for the elderly and low-income taxpayer on Tuesday of each week, beginning February 4, at the Floyd County Library. Hours are from 9-3:30. Bring last year's tax return and information for 2002. The service is free.

"LOOKING FOR A SUPPORT GROUP?"

■ **Fibromyalgia Support Group**—Meets first Tuesday of each month, at 6 p.m., at the Betsy Layne Senior Citizens Building on Pike-Floyd Hollow

Road, just above the Betsy Layne Fire Dept. For more info, call Sharon at 478-5224, or Phyllis at 874-2769.

■ **Alzheimer's Association Caregiver Support Group**—Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church (near Jerry's) at 7 p.m. For more info., call Dana Caudill at (606) 886-0265.

■ **The Ups of Down's Syndrome Support Group**—Meets the 1st Sunday of each month from 2-4 p.m., at the Pikeville YMCA, beside the Pikeville Independent School. For more info., call (606) 377-6142, or (606) 478-5099.

■ **Narconon**—Free assessment, evaluation and referral services can help you to overcome your drug addiction problems. Call 1-800-468-6933, or visit www.stopaddiction.com.

■ **Domestic Violence**—24 hour Crisis Line manned by

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■ **Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children**—Free, confidential assistance for unplanned pregnancy concerns. Talk with someone who cares about you and your baby. Call 1-800-928-5242.

■ **Prostate Cancer Support Group**—Group is for all men with prostate cancer and their families. Group meets every third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville. For more information, contact Susan Campbell, Kentucky Cancer Program, P.O. Box 1208, Hazard, KY 41702, or call (606) 487-8360, or 1-800-401-4287.

■ **MS Support Group**—Meets 3rd Monday of each month, at 7 p.m., at the Seton Complex, Martin. Offers group support for MS patients and their caregivers.

■ **Overeaters Anonymous (O.A.)** meets every Monday, from 7-8:30 p.m., at St. Martha Catholic Church. For more information, call 886-2513.

■ **Disabled?** You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE

Big Brothers Big Sisters of

Big Sandy will hold a "Bowl for Kids' Sake" fundraising event on the following dates at the following locations: Prestonsburg, Pin Zone, Feb. 22; Paintsville, Sparetime Bowling Lanes, March 1; Pikeville, Mark III Classic Lanes, March 8; and in Knott County, Alice Lloyd College campus, March 15. Event will be held at all locations from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Event is free and open to the public.

Consolidation

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According to the document, all four of the schools are not demonstrating strong growth on Kentucky's state assessments.

The document also says that the existing problems in the county have forced the LPC to make some decisions that it might not have made under better circumstances.

The location of the new facility — which is estimated to cost \$24 million to build — would need to be determined by the Floyd County Board of Education.

The LPC is also recommending a reconfiguration of attendance lines so that Prestonsburg High School and the new consolidated school will each serve roughly 800 students. According to the plan, some students from Allen Central and Betsy Layne would attend high school at Prestonsburg. The other students would be enrolled at the new consolidated high school.

If a plan by Prestonsburg res-

idents to secede from the county school district succeeds, the result would be one high school for all county students.

If Prestonsburg remains part of Floyd County Schools, however, plans still call for the possibility of closing Prestonsburg Elementary. That school is listed in the document as "transitional," meaning it could face future closure. The plan says Prestonsburg Elementary would be a good candidate for closure because it is in the floodplain and is in bad shape, and because there is no money to build a replacement.

Other schools dubbed "transitional" in the plan include Osborne and McDowell elementaries. Those schools could be consolidated, with some of the students attending Duff Elementary.

According to Carol Stumbo, LPC chair, public forums must be held before the plan can be completed.

Meeting to discuss plan for P'burg road

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has scheduled a public meeting to discuss a proposed "Hazard Elimination System" project that would include the modification of a section of Route 1428, which has been an issue for the city of Prestonsburg for at least a year.

The stretch of road referred to in the HES project is North and South Lake Drive, from Prestonsburg High School to Graham Street, and has been the scene of numerous accidents. After a great deal of discussion about the problem over the past year, the Prestonsburg City Council opted on Monday, Feb.

10, to send Secretary of Transportation James C. Codell III a letter in which they would voice their concerns.

The Highway District 12, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet announced on Thursday, that it would conduct a meeting on Feb. 17, at the Mountain Arts Center from 4 to 7 p.m. Charles Neeley, traffic branch manager for the local highway department, reported that they would gather public input and share information about their plans for the improvements.

Neeley reported that the HES project involved modifying the road to three lanes, with a two-way left turn lane throughout most of the project area, as well as improvements to existing traffic signals.

Engineers and project consultants will be on hand throughout the three-hour period to answer questions and explain the project. Neeley reported that there will not be a formal presentation and people can feel free to come and go at any time between 4 and 7 p.m. Maps of the project area will be on display and people will be allowed to ask questions of the consultants and engineers.

Expected to attend are Prestonsburg city officials, Floyd County officials, and representatives of the Floyd County School System. Neeley sent a special invitation to the property owners along the affected area to come to the meeting to offer their input concerning the plans.

Man indicted for shooting near kids

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

A Langley man was indicted by a Floyd County grand jury in late January, along with 24 others, on four separate felonious counts of first-degree wanton endangerment.

Rodney Brown, 34, of Langley, was indicted on Jan. 29 for allegedly firing a semi-automatic pistol 20 feet away from four children on Sept. 8, 2001.

Complaints filed by Mitchell Brown, father of three of the four children, and Sherri Mullins, mother of the fourth child, allege that Brown shot the weapon 20 feet from where their children were playing.

The complaint was signed by Floyd District Judge James R. Allen two days after the alleged incident. At that time, Allen ordered that Brown was to have no phone, written, physical or verbal contact with Mitchell Brown or his family. A similar order was issued against Brown in response to Mullins' complaint.

According to the indictment, Brown shot the pistol in close proximity to Mitchell Brown's three children — Krystal, Kala and Dakota Brown — and also near where Mullins' daughter, Lakota Mullins, was playing, putting the children in substantial danger of death or serious physical injury.

Coroner: Suspect who died was shot 13 times

The Associated Press

LEXINGTON — A robbery suspect who died after he was shot by Lexington police was wounded 13 times, Fayette County Coroner Gary Ginn said Wednesday.

Lexington police said it appears Officer Aaron Kidd, who was shot in the cheek after chasing James Salyers into a back yard, was the only person who shot at Salyers. Only one of the shots was fatal, Ginn said.

Seven of the shots penetrated Salyers' torso, Ginn said. Five penetrated below the waist. There also was a grazing wound below the waist.

Ronnie Bastin, commander of the Lexington police department's training bureau, said officers who are threatened are trained to "respond to the threat and to continue to respond to the threat until the threat is no longer present."

Salyers, 24, matched the description of someone who had robbed five people in an apartment shortly before 3 a.m. Thursday, police said. He began running when Kidd tried to question him.

Kidd was carrying a Glock Model 17 9-mm pistol, Bastin said. It is a semiautomatic weapon, which means the trigger must be pulled each time it is fired. The gun holds 17 bullets in its magazine and one in the chamber.

Salyers' parents, Janet Salyers and George Henderson, could not be reached for comment. His grandmother, Leanna Carter, said she had no comment.

Police and elected officials responded quickly to the shooting. Both Police Chief Anthony Beatty and Mayor Teresa Isaac were on the scene before dawn last week.

Isaac spent part of that morning notifying black leaders about what had happened. Kidd is white; Salyers was black.

Beatty said he could not comment on many aspects of the investigation, including how many times Kidd fired, or how close the two men were when shots were exchanged.

Kidd is recovering from his wound at home and is in a lot of pain, Beatty said.

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Pre-registration is required and may be made by calling the East Kentucky Science Center, (606) 889-0303 or email Cathy Neeley at Neeley@setel.com. Registration deadline is Thursday, February 20.

The Science Center is planning two additional professional development workshops, The Seasons and a Solar System Educator workshop, this school year. The Seasons is for intermediate (grades 4-5) teachers and will be conducted by EKSC Director Raymond Shubinski. Shubinski is also an astronomer and an educator with Morehead State University's Big Sandy Campus in Prestonsburg.

Eric Thomas, EKSC assistant director, will conduct the Solar System Educator workshop on Mars. The workshop is for middle school (grades 6-9) teachers. Thomas is a Solar System Educator with the Jet Propulsion Laboratory managed by Cal Tech for NASA.

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The Center will open a new facility late in 2003 that will contain a planetarium, exhibits, science classroom and emporium. For additional about the Science Center and its programs, visit its website www.wedoscience.org.

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Betty Stevens, property located on Right Fork of Toler's Creek.

Anna E. Hoffman to Virgil Cross and Clara E. Cross, property location not listed.

Donald Howard to Ronald Howard, property located on Right Beaver Creek.

Lola Jean Collins to Gregory Collins and Rosetta Collins, property located on Stratton Branch Road.

Claude E. Little and Jewell Little to Claude E. Little II and Brandon Robert Little, property located at Weeksbury.

Jerry L. Lewis and Barbara A. Lewis to Robbie Wright and Mary Wright, property located City of Wheelwright.

Charles E. Bradley and Della M. Bradley, Burl Wells Spurlock, Jeanne C. Spurlock to Troublesome Creek Gas Corporation, property located, Bear Branch of Johns Creek.

Jacklynn Scott Darling and Ken Darling, John A. Scott and Barbara Hawkins Scott to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located on Big Mud Creek.

Rosemary Tackett to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located along KY 979.

Shawn Douglas Tackett and Darema Tackett to Commonwealth of Kentucky, property located on Big Mud Creek.

Don Trimble to Bonnie Holsen, property located on Dillon Branch of Ivy Creek.

Buena L. Bentley to Vicki R. Spencer and Anthony Ray Spencer, property location not listed.

James Walker Horn, Dana Edmond Horn and Michelle Horn to Vicki R. Spencer and Anthony Ray Spencer, property location not listed.

The First Baptist Church of Allen to Kinhab Development Company, property located on Big Sandy River.

Ralph Adkins and Christine Adkins to Ron Spears and Teresa Spears, property location not listed.

Pauline Stiltner and John Stiltner to Delbert Lee Clevinger, property located on Left Fork of Middle Creek.

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Great Scott: Lady Rebs thrash P'burg

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – Amber Scott played her grade school basketball in Floyd County before heading to Knott County to attend the June Buchanan School. Toward

the end of her junior year, she made her way back to Allen Central and with that return, became a member of the AC girls' basketball team. Just one night after a victory over Betsy Layne, Scott and the Lady Rebels returned to 58th District regular-

season play Tuesday night with another win. The latest being a 68-53 victory over Prestonsburg. Scott led all scorers with a game-high 32 points. But she wasn't the only Lady Rebel to contribute. Allen Central head coach Cindy Halbert got 16 points from sopho-

more center Becky Thomas and eight more from junior guard Terri Mullins. Megan Harris scored five and Jessica Isaac four. Senior Tiffany Turner rounded out the Allen

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photo by Jamie Howell
Prestonsburg girls' basketball coach Harold Tackett discussed things with his team during a timeout.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Castle poised for starting rotation

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON – Johnson Central High School graduate Heath Castle is now living out a dream. He is playing college baseball in the Southeastern



■ Heath Castle

Conference among such top national powers as Florida, Tennessee, South Carolina, Mississippi State and Alabama. Castle, who

has already been drafted on a couple of different occasions, signed with the University of Kentucky after an outstanding two-year stint at St. Catherine College.

The Kentucky coaching staff expects nothing but good things from Castle, a valuable left-hander.

"Heath had an outstanding fall," said Kentucky Coach Keith Madison. "Because of his

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COMMENTARY

Memories, not stadium, made Riverfront very special

by BILLY REED
TIMES COLUMNIST

For only the third time since 1912, the Cincinnati Reds open spring training knowing that when they go north for the major-league baseball opener, they'll be breaking in a brand-



■ Reed

new home. Gone is Cinergy Field, the team's home since the middle of the 1970 season. All shined up and ready to go is

Great American Stadium. To me, the new park, in a sense, will be a monument to the mistakes of the past. Cinergy, originally known as Riverfront, was built in the late 1960s, a time when the rage was stadiums with artificial fields that

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– 58TH DISTRICT BASKETBALL –



photo by Steve LeMaster
South Floyd senior Heath Hall went up for a score over Betsy Layne's Brandon Hall and Preston Simon in the first quarter of Tuesday night's win over the Bobcats. Heath Hall finished with 17 points for the Raiders.

RAIDERS ROMP

South Floyd shows true form, clips Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – The same Betsy Layne team that entered the recent 15th Region All "A" Classic and came out the championship end of the tournament with two wins and a runner-up finish traveled to

South Floyd's Raider Arena Tuesday night. The same Betsy Layne team that made Paintsville work for its championship in the finals of the 15th Region All "A" Classic. After falling hard to South Floyd at home earlier this year, Betsy

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photo by Steve LeMaster



Betsy Layne guard Tiffany Meade dribbled around South Floyd's Brandy Anderson.

H.S. BASKETBALL

Ladycats run past South Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – Less than 24 hours after losing its first 58th District/Floyd County Conference game of the season to Allen Central Monday night in a makeup game, Betsy Layne took the floor Tuesday

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H.S. BASKETBALL

Rebels pull away late over P'burg

Runnin' Rebs shoot 31 free-throws in 2nd half

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

EASTERN – Allen Central placed four players in double figures on Tuesday evening and ran away from Prestonsburg in the second half to post a 70-56 district win over the Blackcats. The game

momentum belonged to the visiting Blackcats early as Prestonsburg was able to beat the Rebel pressure and convert easy transition baskets.

The early first quarter run from P-burg gave the Blackcats a 19-15 lead after one quarter of play. Nick Jamerson led the Blackcats in the first quarter with six points and finished as the Blackcats leading scorer with 23 points on the night.

After an Allen

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photo by Jamie Howell

Joey Willis called a timeout for Prestonsburg in its loss to Allen Central on the road Monday night.



P'burg High ranked 19th in state

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

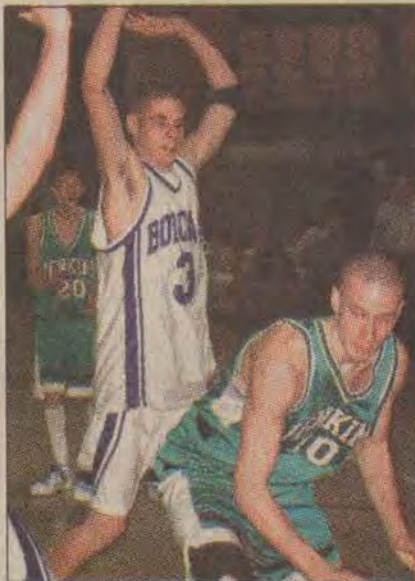
PRESTONSBURG – Just four wrestlers strong, the Prestonsburg High School wrestling team is ranked 19th in the state by the Kentucky Wrestling Coaches Association.

Prestonsburg senior Heath Chaffin is ranked second in the 125 class and his brother, Nick Chaffin, a favorite to claim a state championship last season, is rated fourth in the 119 class.

Two other Prestonsburg wrestlers, sophomores Steven Thompson and Zack Lafferty,

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photo by Jamie Howell



Betsy Layne's Preston Simon (3) defended Jenkins' Joby Potter. See a story on Betsy Layne's win inside today's edition on page 3.

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could be used for both major-league baseball and pro football. The result was a series of cookie-cutter stadiums in Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Atlanta and St. Louis, one virtually indistinguishable from the other. From 1970 until 2000, Riverfront was home to both the Cincinnati Reds, who won the World Series three times during

that era, and the Bengals, who went to the Super Bowl twice. But they were uneasy co-tenants, at best, and there were always ploys by which one tried to take precedence over the other. Once the new wore off, Reds and Bengals fans became painfully aware that they had lost more than they had gained. The intimacy was gone. So were all the little quirks and idiosyncrasies that made the old stadiums feel cozy and homey, just like the living room of your grandma's house.

At Crosley Field, the Reds' home from 1912 through 1970, there was the scoreboard in left-center that turned many a home run into a double. There was the inclined outfield terrace that made deep balls tough for outfielders to play. And there was the short right-field fence and the bleachers that were called the "Sun Deck" by day and the "Moon Deck" by night. Beginning in the early 1990s, cities began tearing down stadiums, some of which were little more than a quarter-century old, and replacing them with modern new stadiums with an old-time look and feel, not to mention a full complement of luxury

boxes, the rich owners' latest fad. One of the first was Camden Yards in Baltimore. The Reds' new park and the Bengals' new home sit side by side, separated by the space that formerly was occupied by Riverfront. Both were funded largely by taxpayers, meaning the citizens of Hamilton County have a vested interest in the success of both the Reds and the Bengals. The Reds haven't been to a World Series since they won the 1990 classic, which was about the last time the Bengals were respectable. In the last dozen years, however, the Bengals have been the NFL's worst franchise, mostly because of the clueless leadership of owner Mike Brown. Still, there was a time when

the Bengals had their moments in Riverfront. Remember the playoff game against the San Diego Chargers when it was so cold that the pressbox windows had to be defrosted? Remember the "Icky Shuffle"? Or quarterback Ken Anderson's touchdown strikes to Chris Collinsworth? My biggest gripe about Riverfront as a baseball venue was that the pressbox was glass-enclosed, meaning that you had to go out and wander around to experience the seductive sights, sounds, and smells of a ball park. At Crosley, old black men wearing top hats peddled fresh peanuts outside the park, and beer vendors would stroll the aisles yelling, "Get moody with Hudepohl, the characters and the color seemed to vanish at Riverfront, lost in the stadium's massive infrastructure. This isn't to say that I don't have fond memories of Riverfront. I sat in the home team dugout and interviewed Reds' coach Ted Kluszewski, my boyhood hero. I saw Pete Rose cry the night he broke Ty Cobb's record for career hits. I worked the clubhouse during the era of the Big Red Machine, enchanted by Sparky Anderson, Johnny Bench, Joe Morgan, and Tony Perez.

I remember watching Joe Nuxhall pitch batting practice before showering and heading off to his radio duties as Marty Brennaman's sidekick ... the great Roberto Clemente of Pittsburgh killing the Reds with his bat and glove ... Mario Soto coming with a few outs of a no-hitter ... Ross, the prodigal son, coming home to manage in 1984. I once rode in an elevator with Marge Schott, the Reds' floozy of an owner, as she puffed a cigarette in violation of stadium rules. I saw her St. Bernards, Schottzie I and II, do their business of the artificial carpet, much to the embarrassment of the players. I was there when an elephant enlivened the opening-day ceremonies pooping on the carpet, and the day's loudest ovation went to the guy who cleaned it up. Journalistic history was made in Riverfront. When the stadium was opened, writers were still pounding out their stories on manual typewriters and sending them to the office via Western Union. The first computers were bulky things called "teletypes" that weighed about 30 pounds and could be depended upon to go on the fritz on deadline. But when the last game was played there, writers were on the cutting edge of the new technology.

DAYTONA 500

Five-car crash in practice sends drivers to backups

by KEITH PARSONS ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Jeff Burton jumped out of his car after the first big wreck of Speedweeks, then walked over to see if Elliott Sadler was OK. When Sadler also climbed out unscathed Tuesday, Burton angrily described the crash to Sadler with his hands, ramming them together to show how the two cars made contact. Also involved were Jack Sprague, Mike Skinner and Steve Park were able to drive their cars back to the garage, where many hours of repairs were waiting.

"I don't know what happened," Sadler said. "I just wish people would use their heads more." Ah, welcome to Daytona. With about five minutes left in practice — the first drafting session of the week for the majority of the drivers — Sprague and Park helped start the chain reaction crash by bumping just before the cars entered Turn 1 at Daytona International Speedway. The other three cars suffered the most damage, forcing their teams to roll out backups for the remainder of the events.

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Ladycats

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night on the road at South Floyd. Betsy Layne, still without the services of junior standout Whitney Lykens, led at the end of each quarter, but it wasn't all smooth sailing in a 58-40 triumph. One of the bright spots in the game for the Betsy Layne girls was the play of senior Natasha Stratton. The senior forward led the Ladycats in scoring with a game-high 32 points, just eight shy of South Floyd's total for the night. Betsy Layne led 14-8 after one quarter and 24-19 at halftime. After a tight third period, the Ladycats put the game away in the third period, outscoring the host Lady Raiders 22-10. Sophomore Kim Clark scored nine for Betsy Layne while Tiffany Meade and Kristal Daniels finished with six apiece. Tabetha Witt scored four in the Ladycats' win and Kristen Smith rounded out the scoring with one. Brandy Anderson led South

Floyd's scoring effort with 12 points. Sharee Hopkins finished with 10. Betsy Layne is back on the hardwood Saturday afternoon, hosting Allen Central. Lykens will not play tonight and may or may not play next week. "We really don't when she'll be back right now," said Betsy Layne head coach Cassandra Akers, "she goes back to the doctor on Tuesday." Tip-off for Saturday's game is scheduled for 3:30. Before that, Allen Central hosts South Floyd tonight. Betsy Layne has the night off.

Raiders

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Layne had revenge in mind Tuesday night, but in short, failed to enact that revenge. Tyler Hall returned for the Raiders on Tuesday night. Michael Hall led South Floyd with 21 points in what was a 100-71 win for the host Raiders. Tyler Hall ended the game with 14 points in his return, but it was the play of Heath Hall and his 17 points that quite possibly may have sparked South Floyd the most. Following a rout of Prestonsburg on the road Friday night, the Raiders wasted little time getting ahead of Betsy

Layne in Tuesday night's home contest. The Raiders doubled up the Bobcats 20-10 in the first quarter and then bettered that showing by one better in the second quarter, 30-19. A 50-29 halftime lead put South Floyd in control and in the driver's seat from that point on. Several Raiders got into the scoring act in the blowout win. In all, 14 different South Floyd players scored in the romp. Adam Tackett and Steven Stanley each finished with eight points for South Floyd. Jordan Kidd paced Betsy Layne with 14 points. Ryan Bryant scored 13 in off the bench and Brandon Hall chipped in 12. Preston Simon finished with six and teammates

P'burg

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both are expected to place in this weekend's regional tournament at Sheldon Clark High School. Prestonsburg Coach Jerry Butcher helped start the wrestling program at PHS, Floyd County's only high school wrestling team. He is assisted by former state champion Josh Stepp, a graduate

Bobo Hamilton and Chris Cochran each had six points. South Floyd travels to Allen Central tonight for a varsity matchup at 7:30. Betsy Layne is scheduled to host Belfry.

BETSY LAYNE (71) – Hamilton 6, J. Kidd 14, Newsome 4, Hall 12, Simon 7, Cochran 6, Akers 2, B. Kidd 2, Thacker 2, Daniels 2, Bryant 13, Case 2.
SOUTH FLOYD (100) – M. Hall 21, T. Hall 14, Ray 6, Tackett 8, J. Hall 2, H. Hall 17, Slone 6, Meade 6, Stanley 8, Johnson 2, S. Allen 3, Vance 2, M. Hall 3, S.D. Allen 2.
RECORDS – Betsy Layne 7-13, South Floyd 14-6.

Castle

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performance in the fall, he will most likely be in our rotation in 2003. He gives us that quality left-hander in our rotation that we desperately need. With Craig Snipp's injury, it's important for Heath to step up." Before choosing to pursue baseball, Castle starred in three different sports in high school. His other two sports were football and basketball. Castle and the rest of the UK pitching staff are caught by Whitesburg High School product Caleb Brock, a senior who returns for his final season behind the plate for the Bat Cats.
HEATH CASTLE THROUGH THE YEARS...
St. Catherine College: Named JUCO Player to Watch

Scott

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Central scoring with three points. Allen Central led visiting Prestonsburg after each period, quietly outscoring the visiting Ladycats. Meaghan Slone and Darcey Hicks each had 13 points for Prestonsburg. Abby Shafer was the only other player to score in double figures for Prestonsburg. She had 10. Amanda Webb scored seven and Heather White added five. Allen Central (13-7), still undefeated in regular-season

by Collegiate Baseball magazine... Holds JUCO records for Innings Pitched (96), ERA (2.27) and Strikeouts (112)... Played in Super-Regional as a freshman. High School: Posted a career record of 26-6... Selected First-team All-State by Lexington Herald-Leader... Selected All-Area and All-Region by Coaches Association... Played in 1999 and 2000 East/West All-Star Game... Selected All-Conference in junior and senior year... Holds single-season football record for yards (1,375) and TD's (13)... All-State football honorable mention by Coaches Association... Lead basketball team to 2000 Sweet 16... Selected 2000 All-District and All-Region for basketball as a shooting guard... Four-year letterman in all three sports.
PRESTONSBURG (53) – Slone 13, Music 2, Harris 3, Hicks 13, Webb 7, White 5, Shafer 10.
ALLEN CENTRAL (68) – Scott 32, Turner 3, Mullins 8, Harris 5, Thomas 16, Isaac 4.
RECORDS – Prestonsburg 2-16, Allen Central 13-7.

of Sheldon Clark High School. Regional wrestling tournaments will be held all across the state this weekend. The Top 20 as ranked by the Kentucky Coaches Association follows. 1 – South Oldham; 2 – Campbell Co.; 3 – Ryle; 4 – Sheldon Clark; 5 – Woodford Co.; 6 – LaRue Co.; 7 – Simon Kenton; 8 – Eastern; 9 – Trinity; 10 – Seneca; 11 – Christian Co.; 12 – Oldham Co.; 13 – Henry Clay; 14 – Wayne Co.; 15 – Caldwell Co.; 16 – Ft. Campbell; 17 – Dunbar; 18 – Ballard; 19 – Prestonsburg; 20 – John Hardin.

Rebs

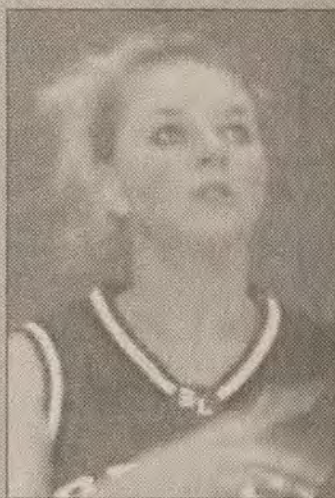
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Central timeout early in the second quarter, the Rebels began to turn things around behind the play of Austin Francis and Neil Allen, as the two combined for 10 second-quarter points for the Rebs. Allen Central turned up the defense in the second quarter as well and turned a 19-15 first quarter deficit into a 34-30 lead at the half. The game also appeared to be a coming out party of sorts for Brad Pack, the 6-9 center came through with a big game by scoring 12 points and coming away with six blocks and 10 rebounds in the contest. Pack scored six of his 12 points in a three-minute span of the third quarter as the Rebels opened a double digit lead over the Blackcats. Allen Central outscored Prestonsburg 17-10 in the third quarter and built a 51-40 lead after three quarters. Prestonsburg got within seven points at the 4:02 mark of the fourth quarter after a Nick Jamerson layup and a Kris Bentley trey. Allen Central Coach Johnny Martin had then seen enough and after a Rebel timeout it was all Allen Central. The Rebels went to the free throw line 31 times in the second half as Prestonsburg was forced to foul late and the Rebs connected on 12-of-19 fourth quarter charity shots to pull away for the all important district win over Prestonsburg. With the win, Allen Central earned a regular season sweep of Prestonsburg. Scoring was as follows: Allen Central – Mike Slone 15, Rossi Sammons 12, Brad Pack 12, Austin Francis 10, Neil Allen 9, Kyle Webb 8, Oliver Kilgore 4. Prestonsburg – Nick Jamerson 23, Joe Blackburn 6, Joey Willis 6, Michael Morrison 5, Trevor Compton 5, Kris Bentley 5, Jesse Chaffin 2, Kyle Ousley 2, John Mark Stephens 2. The 58th District regular-season title is starting to take shape and after next week a clear district tournament field should be in place with a good chance for a Prestonsburg versus Allen Central first round district tournament matchup.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Heath Hall, South Floyd



Tiffany Meade, Betsy Layne



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Upset: Saint Louis 59, No. 2 Louisville 58

by R.B. FALLSTROM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. LOUIS — Marque Perry scored five of his 25 points in

the final 13 seconds, and maneuvered inside for the game-winning layup with 3.2 seconds to go as Saint Louis upset second-ranked Louisville

59-58 Wednesday night.

The Billikens (9-12, 3-7) were coming off a pair of road losses to middle-of-the-road Conference USA teams, making

them an unlikely team to put an end to the nation's longest winning streak. Louisville (18-2, 8-1 C-USA) had won 17 in a row since a two-point loss to Purdue on Nov. 30 in the second game of the season.

Reece Gaines scored a season-high 28 points for the Cardinals, who have been beating their opponents by an aver-

age of 19 points. That also was the margin of victory in the first meeting between the teams at Louisville on Jan. 11, a 73-54 victory.

This was by far the lowest scoring total for Louisville, which is averaging 84 points, and had no other players in double figures. Center Marvin Stone, averaging 13 points, was

scoreless in 30 minutes.

Chris Sloan and Josh Fisher added 11 points apiece for Saint Louis, which despite its problems has won five of six in the series. Sloan had one of the big plays in the waning minutes with a steal and dunk that cut the gap to 57-54 with 50.8 seconds left.

Gaines' 3-pointer had given Louisville a 57-50 lead with 1:58 to go. But he struggled down the stretch, missing one of two free throws with 24.4 seconds to go and also being called for traveling and missing the front end of a bonus attempt in the final six minutes.

Perry scored on a drive and converted a three-point play with 13.2 seconds left to cut the gap to one. Then he tipped a long inbounds pass intended for Gaines to teammate Anthony Drejaj to set up the game-winner.

Gaines was hard off the backboard at the buzzer on a shot a few steps beyond the midcourt stripe.

Saint Louis led 26-24 at halftime at Louisville before collapsing. The Billikens were in front at the break of the rematch



The 2003 Betsy Layne High School Basketball Homecoming Court was together Wednesday night prior to the game with Jenkins. The freshman winner was Samantha Hall; the sophomore winner was Amy Hall, and the junior winner was Mindy Tackett. Senior Amanda Robinette (middle, seated) was crowned Homecoming Queen. Tabitha Mitchell was the reigning queen.

photo by Jamie Howell

NAIA FOOTBALL

Mynatt will likely institute pass-happy offense at PC

by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Jerry Mynatt was hired as the new Pikeville College football coach Tuesday. The pass knowledgeable coach brings with him vast passing offense experience.

Mynatt left a coaching position at East Tennessee State to take the Pikeville job.

"I'm very excited about this opportunity," Mynatt said. "I've been coaching for 10 years now

and I've always wanted to be a head coach."

Mynatt, who coached at East Tennessee since 1997, coached defensive backs, the offensive line and wide receivers before becoming the passing coordinator in 2000.

Mynatt, who learned his offensive style from Bob Leahy at East Carolina, said he will institute a pass-oriented offense at Pikeville.

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Bobcats topple Jenkins

28-9 third quarter spurt propels Bobcats

by JAMIE HOWELL
SPORTS WRITER

BETSY LAYNE — Coach Brent Rose has a unique way to get his teams attention when he is not happy with the way a game is going, and on Wednesday night at the Dome it was Rose who got his kids attention at the half. After trailing at the half, Betsy Layne promptly came back out and rolled to a 70-46 win.

Betsy Layne trailed a Jenkins team 22-21 at the half. Jenkins is 4-13 on the season and the Cavaliers have dropped games to East Ridge and Perry Central by 50-plus points. Betsy Layne played an uninspired first half and actually trailed Jenkins at the half. The Bobcats turned the ball over several times in the first half and had a cold shooting first half. Jenkins was led by Tyler Eisenman with 18 points, the senior center stands 7-0 and held a huge size advantage.

It was homecoming at Betsy Layne and the Bobcats woke up in a big way in the second half. After trailing at the half,

Betsy Layne started a 28-9 run in the third period led by Bobo Hamilton and Brandon Hall as the two combined for 20 third quarter points.

Jenkins was miserable in the quarter from the field and turned the ball over 12 times in the

come together during the All "A" Classic at Pikeville as the Bobcats reeled off wins over the Panthers and Allen Central to make the All "A" finals before eventually falling to Paintsville.

Betsy Layne looked to be primed to make a late season run but then came back to back losses to 58th District teams in South Floyd and Allen Central.

The Bobcats had dropped to important district matchups and looked to be showing the effects early against Jenkins, but after the half it would prove to be all Bobcats. Betsy Layne outscored Jenkins 21-15 in the fourth quarter and 49-24 in the second half. Brent Newsome added 10 points for the winners and Brandon Hall led all scorers with 18.

Bobo Hamilton would be the other Bobcat in double figures with 14 points on the night.

Scoring for the game was as follows:

Betsy Layne — Brandon Hall 18, Bobo Hamilton 14, Brent Newsome 10, Preston Simon 7, Jordan Kidd 7, Derek Case 4, Chris Cochran 4, Brandon Kidd 2, Jordan Case 2, Ryan Bryant 6.

Jenkins — Tyler Eisenman 18, Joby Potter 8, Jared Bentley 8, Jeremy Goodson 6, Scott Ratliff 6.



Amanda Robinette, 2003 Betsy Layne High School Basketball Homecoming Queen.

photo by Jamie Howell

period. Betsy Layne has proved to be the 15th Region's most up-and-down team.

The Bobcats struggled early in the year and dropped several games that the team should have won, but Betsy Layne began to

Bentley's Comments: Cat Fever

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

About five weeks ago, some enterprising young columnist used this space to try out a new moniker for the 2002-03 Kentucky Wildcats. I, um, he labeled them the "Frustratin' Five."

If only I, I mean, he, could have shown a little more patience.

That piece was written the night of a lethargic performance by the Cats, one that saw them leave Knoxville with a lackluster three-point win over Tennessee. One night after it appeared in print, our state university saw its team win one of the most boring games in the 100-year history of Kentucky basketball over South Carolina.

But while those games were happening, something unbeknownst to us was also taking place. Tubby Smith was taking advantage of the holiday break and its limitless practice time to mold this team. It was still taking shape.

Soon, it had its unveiling. Since then, we've been privy to a month of wild, wonderful Wildcat basketball.

Many people I know used to complain about Coach Smith's

style. It's not that the Cats didn't win, but they did nothing spectacular — they had no calling card. They'd play well enough to win, seeming to go through the motions, and had been since early in the 1998-99 season.

But something happened over the Christmas break. About the time students began returning to campus, the Cats found their niche. They would be a defensive team. As my Andy Griffith might say, that's putting it way yonder too mild.

These Cats went from good on defense to a team that exploded on its opponents when they got the ball.

Smith unleashed these Cats, and their press-happy style has been ferocious. They've gone from Mildcats to playing like uncaged tigers or lions. They believe now that through their defensive intensity, the offense will become simple and exciting.

It's simple to shoot layups when they result from steals, and much easier to shoot three-pointers from the half-court set if your opponents are too leg-weary to get out and guard you.

It's been like taking candy from a baby. It's been embarrassing, as Dick Vitale has put

it. It's been ... well, it's been like watching Kentucky Wildcat basketball.

See, people have been complaining that the Cats don't run enough. The theory has been right, but off just a little. It's not the running the Cats have lacked, it's the pressure defense.

Hitting a team with full-court fury puts them back on their heels; they're scared, terrified to be the person with the ball, and as a result of them being so eager to get rid of it, they're just as likely to give it to the defense as they are a teammate.

When the Cats are rolling these days, it seems like there are eight defenders out there instead of five. When they're rolling, it's like they can't defend enough. These young men are excited about defense, and with that, Tubby Smith has done what every coach in America wants to but doesn't know how — convince your guys that they want to guard somebody, and you've got yourself something.

Still, however, we still haven't gotten to the best part of this.

With all of Kentucky's games televised, while the Cats are running roughshod over Alabama and Florida and Ole Miss and Georgia, the other SEC teams are watching. They see the fire, the intensity.

And they know, in the words of Goldberg, they're next.

They dread playing Kentucky. The Cats are going to beat them, they're going to run it down their throats, they're going to humiliate them, and they know it. And best of all, there's nothing they can do about it.

The only fear here is that the Cats can't keep up this intensity for another seven weeks. Perhaps they can, maybe they can't. But one thing is certain — it sure is fun to watch right now.

Maybe Kentucky isn't the best team in the country — most people point to Arizona with that label. But they are undeniably the hottest team in all the land right now, their neighbors in Louisville included.

And tomorrow, one of the only bumps in the Conference USA road comes the way of the Cards when they head to Milwaukee to play Marquette.

Should the Cards hold on there, they could run the table. That's something Kentucky surely won't do in the rugged SEC. LSU is formidable, and the schedule still brings trips to Athens and Gainesville before the postseason begins.

Still, it's been a terrific month to be a Kentucky basketball fan. And if they're still rolling like this in mid-March, says here Tubby Smith may just exhume the ghosts of his immediate predecessor after all.

At this point all we can do is sit back, enjoy the ride and wish him all the luck in the world.

Daytona

"There's quite a bit of work that has to go on with the backup car to get it ready, but not a tremendous amount," Burton said. "The big problem is if you have a problem with this car, then what do you do?"

"I don't know what we would do if that happens. We only have two cars."

As is often the case, the exact cause of the wreck remained in dispute in the immediate aftermath. About 15 cars were running in a tight pack, running two- and three-wide for several laps. Skinner, who had just returned to the track, was a bit off the pace of the bottom, trying to blend in with the draft.

Park and Sprague already were side-by-side, jockeying for position as they crossed the finish line and approached Skinner.

What's not in doubt is that the cars of Park and Sprague touched, with the right-front tire of Sprague's Pontiac bumping the left rear of Park's Chevrolet.

Sprague had his view, as did

Park.

"There wasn't a lot of room, because Park kind of ran us out of room," Sprague said.

"I'm pretty confident in the fact that I was where I needed to be," was Park's response.

Either way, the end result was the same. Sprague veered sharply to the left, nudging Skinner's Pontiac in the right rear. That turned Skinner back across the track, and when he lost control, Sadler and Burton had nowhere to go.

It's the second straight year Sadler and Burton will have to use backup cars in the Daytona 500. Both were involved in practice wrecks in 2002.

"Sprague got in the side of Skinner on the short chute and turned Skinner sideways," Burton said. "That got the track all blocked up and there was nowhere for anybody to go, so everybody plowed into everybody."

"I tell you one thing, I'm tired of getting wrecked in prac-

tice."

Sadler was equally distraught. Before he had jumped in the ambulance on the track for the mandatory trip to the infield medical center, his Robert Yates Racing crew was lowering another car out of the hauler.

This is Sadler's first race with the team, which has won the Great American Race three times since 1992.

"I'm going to tell you what, that thing was a rocket," Sadler said of his heavily damaged Ford. "Every lap we were out there we were pretty much in the front."

"I decided to drift to the back a little bit just to see what my car would do around a lot of turbulence, and right at that time, the wreck happened."

Park might have been so quick to blame Sprague because he's a Winston Cup rookie, a driver who's never run in the Daytona 500. At 38, he's made only six starts in NASCAR's top division.

But he's also won two Craftsman Truck series titles in the past four years, and finished fifth in the Busch Series standings in 2002.

"I just thought it was unnecessary closeness," Park said. "It's just one of those deals, the pack gets bunched up here. Just look at the experienced guys and the lack-of-experience guys, and who does what."

And Sprague? "Steve Park came off the wall there and caught me in the right front," he said. "You ought to know you're three-wide and stay against the wall."

Reed

ogy, communicating with sophisticated computers and cell phones.

Some fine journalists reached the end of their careers during the Riverfront era: Si Burick, Earl Lawson, Ritter Collett, Jim Ferguson, Pat Harmon, Dick Fenlon, Mike Sullivan, John McGill, and Al Michaels.

Only Hal McCoy, who will be inducted into the writers' wing of the baseball Hall of Fame this summer, remains

from the old gang. Riverfront wasn't a "huge toilet bowl," as a visiting player once called it, but it also wasn't the sort of park that caused baseball fans to almost feel a sense of proprietorship. It was too enclosed, too sterile, too impersonal.

The best you can say is that it seemed like a good idea at the time.

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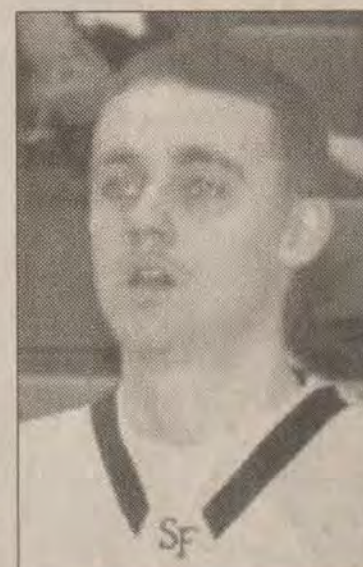


photo by Steve LeMaster
Tyler Hall returned with 14 points in South Floyd's win Tuesday night.

by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT — For South Floyd fans, the familiar face of Tyler Hall in his No. 32 white home jersey graced the Raider Arena gym floor for the first time in a month Tuesday night in the game against rival Betsy Layne. Hall, who got off to a rocky start in his first game back in the line-

up, settled down and hit for 14 points in the South Floyd win. He started the game and helped the Raiders to the victory. South Floyd remains perfect in 58th District/Floyd County Conference play.

Hall's first game out of the South Floyd lineup was a loss at home to Paintsville. In his absence, South Floyd posted a 2-3 record when Hall was out of action. The three setbacks included two losses to Paintsville and one short effort against East Ridge.

With Tyler Hall back in the lineup, the Raiders have one of the top one-two scoring combinations in the state with Michael Hall being the other Raider scorer.

A Lady Raider, Ashley Johnson, also returned recently. Johnson went down in the 15th Region All "A" Classic in a loss to Pikeville. Johnson being gone out of the South Floyd girls' lineup also took from scoring power away from that unit as well.

The South Floyd girls are currently 3-3 in district play, good enough for third in the district. Both South Floyd teams travel to Allen Central tonight.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Boys: Tigers top Eagles

PAINTSVILLE — Paintsville traveled across town to Johnson Central and topped the host Golden Eagles 49-37 to remain undefeated in both the 57th

District and the 15th Region Tuesday. The first game between the two teams this season, played earlier this year, saw overtime before the Tigers won at home.

Paintsville came out hot, outscoring Johnson Central 15-5

in the opening period. The Tigers (12-3) led 23-18 at halftime en route to the win.

Junior guard Shane Simpkins led Paintsville with 13 points. Ryan Jarrell, after having 10 points in the first half alone, netted 12. Peyton Conley and Stuart Rutledge finished with nine and seven points, respectively.

Senior Brandon Wheeler led Johnson Central (14-5) with a game-high 21 points. Mike Walters was next in scoring for the Golden Eagles with five.

PAINTSVILLE (49) — Rice 4, Rutledge 7, Collins 4, Simpkins 13, Conley 9, Jarrell 12.

JOHNSON CENTRAL (37) — Walters 5, Stapleton 1, Hurt 4, Music 2, Woods 4, Wheeler 21.

RECORDS — Paintsville 12-3, Johnson Central 14-5.

Lee holds off Magoffin

BEATTYVILLE — Lee County held off the Magoffin County Hornets Tuesday night to notch its seventh win of the season, opposed to 14 losses. Lee County recorded a 54-38 victory at home over the Hornets.

The Hornets dropped to 7-12 following the loss.

Magoffin County trailed after every quarter. The host Bobcats of Lee County led 9-8 at the end of the first period and 26-20 at halftime.

Magoffin County outscored Lee by one point (12-11) in the third period, but was in turn outscored 17-16 in the final frame.

The Bobcats had just one player score in double figures, but it was enough as he netted a game-high 33 points. Six different Lee County players scored.

Jason Arnett led Magoffin

County in scoring with 25 points. Pitt Connelley flipped in 18. Colton Jayne and Clifton Barker finished with three and two points, respectively.

Magoffin County hosted Paintsville last night. Results were unavailable.

MAGOFFIN CO. (48) — Jayne 3, Conley 18, Arnett 25, Barker 2.

LEE CO. (54) — Oliver 1, Caudill 8, Smith 33, Neeley 6, Deboard 4, Rich 2.

RECORDS — Magoffin Co. 7-12, Lee Co. 7-14.

Warriors keep Phelps winless

LICK CREEK — East Ridge didn't want Phelps' first win of the season to come Tuesday. Robbie Spears had 18 points and 10 rebounds to lead the host Warriors to an 80-55 win over Phelps. East Ridge (11-9) forced 49 turnovers in the win.

Junior guard Brandon Ratliff added 15 points and scored his 1,000 career point for East Ridge.

Senior guard Josh Daniels scored a game-high 21 points for Phelps.

Lawrence stuns Morgan

LOUISA — In just its seventh win of the season, host Lawrence County topped 16th Region contender Morgan County Tuesday night, 58-51.

Steven Driver scored 20 points and Adam Brown added 19 for Lawrence County in the win. Both players are seniors. Driver also added nine rebounds.

Ryan Williams led Morgan County (14-5) with a game-high 21 points.

Valley rips Middlesboro

ROBINSON CREEK — A road visited to Pike County did not end the way

Middlesboro had hoped Tuesday night. The last night any Middlesboro athletic team was in Pike County, a regional football championship went back to the county seat of Bell County. Tuesday night, the Middlesboro boys' basketball team lost to Shelby Valley, 86-68.

Shelby Valley (15-6) had five different players score in double figures. Philip Akers led the Wildcats with 22 points. Kelsey Friend scored 19 and Paul Terry Fleming added 16.

Girls: Belfry 69, Magoffin Co. 59

Anna Bevins took game-high scoring honors with 20 points and two other Lady Pirates scored in double digits to lead Belfry past Magoffin County.

The two teams were deadlocked at 32 at halftime before Belfry pulled away for the win.

Michaela Howard and Brittany Manns each had 14 points for Magoffin County.

— Sports Calendar —

Soccer

Floyd County registration

Registration for Spring 2003 Floyd County Youth Soccer season will continue Saturday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Prestonsburg Dairy Queen.

The registration fee is \$40. Soccer is open to any child who was at least 4 years old on August 1, 2002, or less than 19 years old on July 31, 2002. Practice will begin in early to mid-March, with the first games scheduled on Saturday, March 29.

Cheerleading

Mountain Classic

The 17th annual Mountain Classic Cheerleading Competition will be held at Pikeville High School on Saturday, March 8. The competition will take place for school squads and All-Star squads on both 2 1/2-minute routine and traditional formats. The competition will also feature three age groups — Pee-Wee, Elementary and Junior High. For more information or to register a squad, contact Lisa Wheeler at Pikeville High School by calling 606/432-0185 or via email at wheeler@pikeville.k12.ky.us.

Baseball

Pburg Little League signups

Adams Middle School will host Prestonsburg Little League

signups each Saturday this month. Signups will be held each Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. and ending at or around 2 p.m. The signups will be held at Adams Middle School.

Divisions this year include T-Ball for players ages 5-6; Minor for players ages 7-8; Little League for players ages 9-10 and 11-12; Junior for players 13-14; Senior for players 15-16 and Big League for players 17-18.

In addition, Prestonsburg Little League will offer girls softball this season. Two divisions of girls' softball will be offered, one for players ages 9-12 and another for players ages 13-14.

A board meeting has been scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 22 at Adams Middle School.

HAP signups

Harold-Allen-Prater Little League will hold signups on Sunday from 1-5 p.m. at the Dome at Betsy Layne Elementary. Signups will be held on Saturday, February 22 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and again on Sunday, February 23 from 1-5 p.m.

The registration fee is \$25 for one child and \$15 for each additional child in the same family. There is no additional registration fee for the third child or any child after that.

A copy of a birth certificate and a copy of a current utility bill to prove residency is required at signups.

A Look At Sports: Kentucky, UofL NCAA matchup?

by ED TAYLOR
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Editor's note: The following column was written prior to Wednesday night's college games.

Here in Florida the temperatures have been in the mid 70s each day after a rather cool morning greets us. The high school baseball and softball teams are on the diamond playing their respective sport. Spring training in Florida is underway and it is just like spring time here in the Panhandle.

However, we still have a lot of basketball to play and my favorite time of the season is coming up when we celebrate March Madness. For UK fans, March Madness seems to have come in February with two of the top three college teams hailing from the Bluegrass State.

Coach Rick Pitino and his Louisville Cardinals not only own the longest winning streak in the nation but also have vaulted to number two of the AP basketball polls. The Cards are on a 17-game

winning streak and by looks of the remaining schedule, could very possibly win out the rest of the way.

Their rivals south of Louisville, the Kentucky Wildcats, are on a bit of a roll themselves being winners of 13 consecutive games after a 20-point defeat of a good Georgia team Tuesday night. I know UK fans would love to see a rematch of the two Kentucky powerhouses in the upcoming NCAA tournament.

Louisville dismantled Kentucky in an earlier meeting in December of last year, whipping the Cats by 15 points in the second half. Since then both clubs have not tasted defeat. So, a match up in the NCAA would be very interesting.

When you look at the two teams and the way they are playing now, the edge may have to go to UK. After all, the Cats are playing in a much stronger conference than Louisville plays in the C-USA Conference. I know Cincinnati is in there along with Marquette. But the Bearcats are not the national power they once were. Coach Bob Huggins does not have the man-

power he had enjoyed in past seasons. Marquette is ranked only because, after the top 10 national ranked teams, everyone else is about the same.

The UK players got the wake up call after the Louisville defeat. But at Vanderbilt, the Cats learned that games are won by playing good defense as well. I think the offense has come around because the defense has improved so much. I love to see a team play a good defense. UK has put together a pretty good string of victories over some power teams. No cupcakes in the lot.

Louisville could get the edge if the two teams were to collide again in the NCAA. Rick Pitino is one of the better motivating coaches in the game today. He stresses defense and does not stick with the half court game like most coaches. I think he is a better coach, knowledgeable wise, than Tubby Smith. Pitino knows how to play the opponents and prepares his team better.

For right now, let's just enjoy both programs as we still have the regular season and conference tournaments to play. And again, maybe there will not be a UofL and UK match up in the tournament.

VITALE IS TRYING TOO HARD

Remember a couple of years back when Kentucky basketball was not the hottest thing in Kentucky but all the turmoil. Dicky V (that is for Vitale, not vital) was anything but supportive of the Kentucky basketball program and he came across that way over the tube.

Now, he is applauding the Cats and raving over how they have turned things around from last year. Well, we all know that, babbby! But a team needs the encouraging when they are going through difficult times, not when they are on a 13-game winning streak. They don't need it then. I have never been a Dicky V fan. Sorry! I would rather listen to Tom Leach and Mike Pratt than Vitale any day.

Until Sunday, good sports everyone and be good sports!



■ Tiffany Owens

Owens only eighth-grader on squad

Tiffany Victoria Owens is Allen Central Middle School's only eighth-grader cheerleader. The Rebels were scheduled to have eighth-grade night earlier this week but had to postpone with school being out due to bad weather. Owens has cheered for the past eight years. She started cheering for Duff Elementary when she was in the first grade.

Owens is an Honor Student with a 4.0 GPA. She is a Beta Club member, ACMS Student Council Secretary, and has been a member of Floyd County's Talented and Gifted Program since third grade. She was a lobbyist for Kentucky Youth Assembly in Frankfort and was a member of the ACMS Future Problem Solving Team that just last week took first-place in district competition held at Magoffin County.

Owens is the 14-year-old daughter of Joe and Teresa Owens of Garrett. She has one brother, Ryan Owens. She is the granddaughter of Margaret Conley and the late Virgil Conley of Garrett and Molly Owens and the late Ralph Owens of Langley. In addition to cheerleading and all of her club and organization affiliations, Owens was also a member of the ACMS Homecoming Court.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Lady Bears up two, Bears down two in polls

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — The continuing changes in the NAIA Div. I basketball polls have resulted in both Pikeville College teams moving two spots from last week's ratings.

The Lady Bears used three wins to move 17th place, while the Bears split two games with Top 20 teams and fell to No. 10.

The 21-6 Lady Bears, who are 3-2 at the midway point in the Mid-South Conference race, got wins over U.Va.-

Wise, Lindsey Wilson and then-No. 18 Georgetown College last week and moved up two spots.

Campbellsville University suffered its second loss of the league season on Saturday and dropped two places to No. 10. The loss to Pikeville cost Georgetown two places, down to No. 20.

Pikeville's next opponent is in the poll as well. Despite losing two games last week, Cumberland's Lady Indians remained in the ratings at No. 25 for the second straight

week. The Lady Bears travel to Williamsburg on Saturday for a 2 p.m. game.

In the men's poll, the Bears fell to No. 10 after a win over then-No. 16 Lindsey Wilson and a loss to former 10th-ranked Georgetown.

Pikeville begins a logjam of MSC schools in the second 10. The Bears are followed by Georgetown at 12, Cumberland at 13 and Lindsey Wilson at 15.

Like the Lady Bears, the men are off until Saturday when they'll travel to Cumberland College.

GRADE SCHOOL

Wesley Circuit Riders continue rise

TIMES STAFF REPORT

ALLEN — The Wesley Christian athletics program has gradually grown since the school's opening in 1998. With students migrating from area schools and home schooling programs, the basketball teams and cheerleading squads have grown quantitatively and in quantity.

Coaches Randy Tincher and Randy Gearheart have enjoyed two consecutive years of success in B-Team competition but the 2002-03 season has given the Circuit Riders its first A-Team wins.

In addition to competing in the Floyd County Middle School Conference, Wesley

also entered the Mountain Middle School Conference. The added number of games has allowed both the basketball teams and cheerleading squads to participate in numerous events.

The gradual growth at the school has also presented the institution with its largest and loudest cheerleading squads in the 2002-03 school year. B-Team sponsor, Laura Fitch, has a unit of 12 elementary students while the A-Team sponsor, Amy Burchett, has a blend of 13 students from the middle and elementary levels.

The Circuit Riders will be competing in the upcoming Floyd County Basketball Tournament later this month.

Mynatt

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"I think the players will enjoy playing with each other in this system," he said.

Mynatt has also been an assistant coach at Elon College and Charleston Southern University. He played football at Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tenn. where he was a member of the 1989 NAIA national championship team.

Mynatt also has experience as a player in both the World League and the thriving Arena Football League.

"Jerry is young and will bring a lot of enthusiasm and excite-

ment to our program," said Pikeville College President Hal Smith.

Mynatt is taking over for John Gilliam, a Prestonsburg High grad, who left the school just two weeks after accepting the position.

Gilliam came to Pikeville from Morehead State where he was the defensive coordinator. Since his departure from Pikeville after the short stint, Gilliam has returned to Morehead State and resumed his old position coordinating the Eagle defense under head coach Matt Ballard.

Upset

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also, using their usual patient offense to grind out a 30-27 lead, and led by as many as six points in the opening minutes of the second half.

Louisville's start was the best for the school since 1955-56, when the Cardinals began the

season 19-1 on the way to a 26-3 record and NIT championship. The school record for consecutive victories is 18 in a row by the 1979-80 NCAA champions.

The Cardinals had won 17 straight games in conference play.

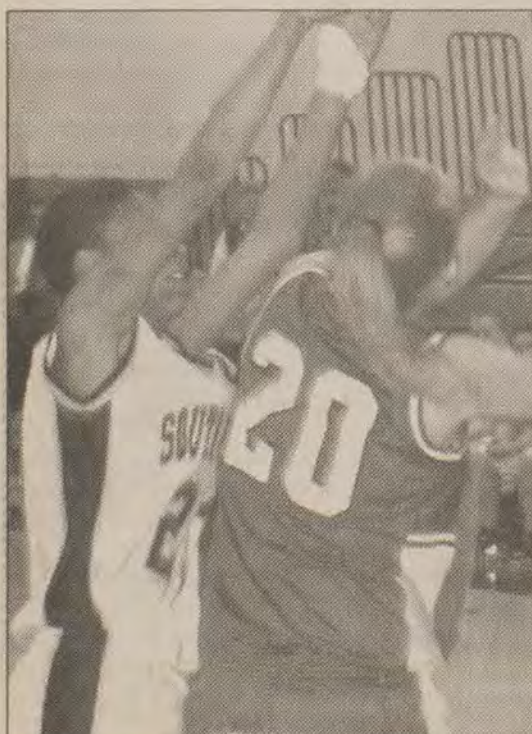


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South Floyd's Tabitha Trammell applied pressure on a shot attempt by Betsy Layne's Kristal Daniels.

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THROUGH MY EYES

Not our business?

I just read "Kim's Corner." Actually, I'm even one up on the rest of you because I had the pleasure of having it read to me by the writer herself over the telephone late Sunday evening. I'm very glad that Kim decided to tackle the issue of whether or not to cancel



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

school sporting events on days when school itself has been canceled due to weather conditions. Only thing is, I had already decided to address this same issue myself. In that regard, however, Kim is one up on me because her column runs in the Wednesday edition with mine following two days later. No matter, for as far as I'm concerned, one more voice speaking out in indignation only increases the

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THIS TOWN, THAT WORLD

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

The mumps have (or has) hit town. "What's so confounded funny about a-body having the mumps?" one of our adult readers wants to know.

NO SALE

That "a-body" expression reminds us of the suggestion a woman was making to her son that he do this and that about the place. "You'd be surprised what a-body could do if he wanted to," she remarked. To which the uninspired listener rejoined: "Yes, and it's work like that that makes a-body a body."

STRONG MAN!

Have you heard the story of the city feller who came this way, listened to a story one of the natives was telling, and returned, wide-eyed, to his motel room to tell his wife a yarn about a mountain Paul Bunyan. "I tell you, my dear," he related,

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

From left, Linda Bartrum, curriculum resource teacher, Allen Elementary, Rossi Clark, Kathy Clark, Beverly Crisman, community relations specialist, Floyd County Schools, and Pat Barnette, Talented and Gifted (TAG) program director, Floyd County Schools, met on a recent morning to discuss Rossi's award and possible attendance at the upcoming presentation ceremony.

Rossi Clark, Kentucky's Nicholas Green Distinguished Student

by KATHY J. PRATER
FEATURES EDITOR



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Rossi Clark, a 9-year old student at Allen Elementary, plays a haunting "old-timey" melody on her favorite "fiddle."

Each year one student from each state is recognized by the National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) for having distinguished themselves academically, in leadership roles, or in the visual or performing arts, by being selected as the year's recipients of the Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award.

This year, the Kentucky Association for Gifted Education (KAGE), honored a Floyd County student by selecting them to receive this coveted award. Rossi Clark, a fourth grader from Allen Elementary, has been chosen to receive the distinction of being Kentucky's 2002-2003 Nicholas Green Distinguished Student.

"Rossi is very deserving of this award," said Linda Bartrum, the school's curriculum resource teacher, who nominated Rossi for the award. "She has shown the qualities of an excellent writer and performer, as well as being a talented and gifted student who excels academically. Rossi just has it all, she's the whole package."

Rossi, the daughter of Gary R. and Kathy Clark, of Harold, plays the violin, or "fiddle" as she prefers to call it, as well as the mandolin and dulcimer. Additionally, she takes private dance lessons and has received district recognition for her writing skills through the district's "Christmas Through the Eyes of a Child" and "Young Author's" programs. She scored a 99 percentile in the areas of language arts, mathematics, intellectual and creativity in state testing assessments. She assists in peer tutoring in her classroom and has participated in several school programs. Additionally, she regularly visits area nursing

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POSTSCRIPT

As time goes by

February is more than halfway over, and it's a little late to be recommending a calendar. But I'm going to, nonetheless.

I stopped last week at the Kentucky Artisans Center in Hindman to see the Let It Snow exhibit before it was gone. (I know full well the snow is not gone, but the display of paintings and photography with snow themes closed February 10.)

I was taken aback by some photographs by Dean Hill and I lingered over them, studying the use of light and the texture of his subjects.

Browsing through the gift area of the gallery, I came across a 2003 calendar of Hill's photos.

The title itself is worthy of note: "A Sense of Place - Natural Appalachian Kentucky." Now, I don't think I've ever seen a calendar devoted to the incredible

scenery of our section of the state. I've seen plenty that purport to represent Kentucky, but they are generally weighted with horse farms and other bluegrass scenes.

Even though I've got more than enough calendars in my house, I had to buy this one. I assure you it's worth the money.

Hill, who lives at the upper end of Paint Creek, which I take to mean the Morgan County side of Paintsville Lake, is an artist with a camera. And he has captured the beauty of

our section better than anyone I know of. His pictures take my breath away. I can see framing some of the calendar scenes when the year is gone.

Sure, he has the standard photos that have to be included in any depiction of eastern Kentucky. For instance, he has shots of Breaks Interstate Park, Cumberland Falls and Natural Bridge. But he also has photos of less well known sites, such as Bad Branch Falls in Letcher County, Little Mud Lick Falls in Johnson County and Broke

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Things to ponder: About hair

A guess is that the language of hair is just one of those things that does not always receive the attention it deserves. Although I've never done any research about the psychological aspects of hair, it seems to me that our hair generally says more about us, our physical and emotional states, than we tend to pay attention to. An example is that, for several years, a hypothesis of mine has been that a person's age can be estimated by the style of her hair, in the following way. First of all, place within five years,

the actual year that the particular hairstyle was the "latest and most sought after." Next, subtract 15 years from that year, and that is possibly the year that the person was born. You see, my idea is that a lot of individuals tend to stay with the hairstyle that they had as teenagers, when they thought they "looked their best" and was most likely sought after by the opposite sex. Have you thought about why you have the style of hair you do? Have you changed your hairstyle within the past 10 years? How willing

would you be to try out a different way of wearing your hair?

Hair is a very important characteristic that is typically stressed from the time we are born. The bald baby is often considered a male, when no other indications of sex are evident to a stranger. These are the times that the parents are likely to glue, if necessary, a pink bow on the little girl's scalp. When the small one's hair is thick and curly, there are the statements like, "Why his hair is too pretty for a boy!" These things also

bring in gender issues. Then, there are all the bets made about what the color is going to be. Finally, in a few months everyone is surprised when the color of the hair has changed completely. Even though the infant's hair is not usually cut until he is about a year old, perhaps to keep that babylook, an impression is that his first haircut is styled similar to the latest way that most adult males' hair is being

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Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

School Happenings

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

Center distributes school activity calendars and newsletters on the last day of each month to all students. Parents please be advised to be watching for these informational materials as a way of staying informed with your school's happenings.

Health Records Update: Parents who have health records to bring in to the school may bring them to the Youth Services Center any weekday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Homework Hotline - 886-9314 - Homework information available from 4 p.m. to 7 a.m. Updated each day after 4:00 p.m.

Center is open each day from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any

listed activities, call 886-9812. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley. Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to students regardless of income. Center telephone: 886-9812.

School is collecting Food City receipts. Receipts may be given to any AMS student or staff member, or dropped off at the Youth Services Center.

ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

Feb. 14 - Spotlight Ceremony.

Feb. 14 - CPR, 8th grade.

Feb. 17 - Respect class, 7th grade.

Feb. 18 - MAC, 6th grade.

Feb. 19 - "Heart Health" presentation, 8th grade.

Feb. 20 - SBDM meeting, 5 p.m.

Feb. 20 - "Bridges" parent

meeting, 8:30-10:00 a.m. & 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Feb. 21 - Science Fair.

Feb. 24 - Respect Class, 7th grade.

Feb. 25 - "Eating Disorders" presentation, 6th grade.

Feb. 26 - "Heart Health" presentation, 8th grade.

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

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

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

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

G.E.D. classes offered-FREE-each Friday, beginning 8:30 a.m. and lasting through 11:30 a.m. Instructor: Linda Bailey

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

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

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

CLARK ELEMENTARY

Feb. 17, 18 - "TWYSSA," 5th grade.

Feb. 18 - "Dollars & Sense" program, 5th grade.

Feb. 26 - FCHD Dental presentation, grades K-3.

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

The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families

regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

DUFF ELEMENTARY

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

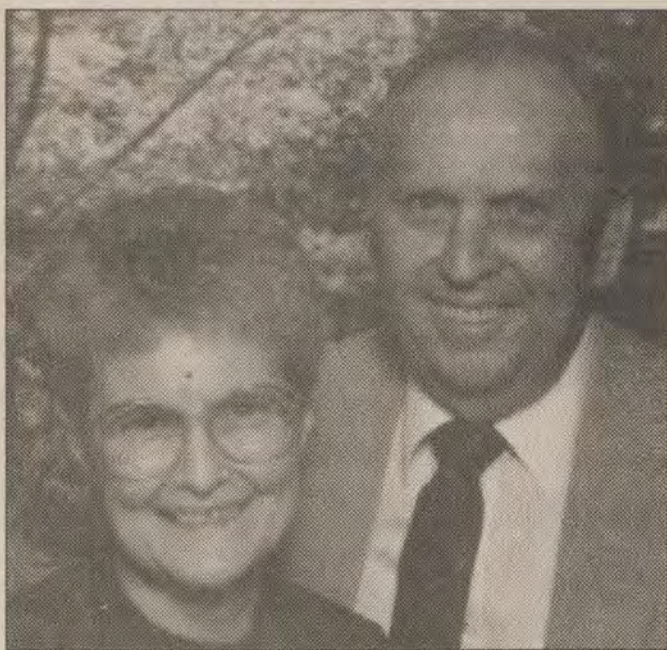
MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

Feb. 17 - Lexington Children's Theater, school wide assembly, 9 a.m.

Feb. 18 - "Dollars & Sense" program, 5th grade.

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Anniversary



50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

A fiftieth wedding anniversary celebration will be held on Saturday, February 15, 2003, in honor of the marriage of Hershel and Coney Conn. The celebration will take place at the Little Salem Old Regular Baptist Church, Prater, from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. All family members and friends of the couple are cordially invited to attend. Please allow your welcomed presence to serve as gift.

Clark

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homes where she plays her violin for the residents.

The Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award is given through the Nicholas Green Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to furthering the cause of organ donation around the world by increasing awareness of the shortage of organ donors worldwide. The foundation also supports a broad range of children's causes.

Set up by Reg and Maggie Green, two California parents who tragically lost their son, Nicholas, to a drive-by shooting during a family vacation in Italy in 1994, the foundation strives to "turn a negative into a positive," according to Beverly Crisman, community relations specialist for Floyd County schools.

Nicholas' organs were donated to seven Italians waiting for transplants. In the first few days after his death, the number of people signing organ donor cards in Italy quadrupled, following the Greens' willingness to speak openly with the media about the tragedy that had occurred in their family and their resulting decision to donate their son's organs.

In establishing the foundation, the Greens felt it was important to recognize the gifts and talents of children near the age of their young son when he died.

During an informal interview at her school, Rossi said that she was aware of the moving story behind the prestigious award and that she was very proud to have been selected. According to Rossi's mother, the young student began to show an interest in music at an early age when she requested the gift of a violin for Christmas the year she was four. "I just thought sure she would want the same doll the little girl next door was asking for,"

said Kathy Clark, "but no, she wanted a 'fiddle,' she said it was all she wanted."

Rossi got her string instrument and has been studying and playing ever since. "She began taking lessons at the age of four and has never become bored with it at all," said her mother.

Rossi's preferred style of music is what she and her mother both refer to as "old-timey." Old Timey music is comprised primarily of old Appalachian tunes handed down through the generations by ear. Rarely can one find the tunes in sheet music and Rossi admits that she often learns the music by attending "jam sessions" where she listens to other musicians and tries to repeat what they played. A method that takes considerably more time to learn than studying sheet music.

"I don't know," Rossi said, "I just like old-timey music the best. It's what I enjoy the most, it's what my grandpa used to play and it reminds me of him."

"Rossi, to be so young, is really interested in carrying on old time traditions like the traditional mountain music and hand-quilting," said Kathy Clark.

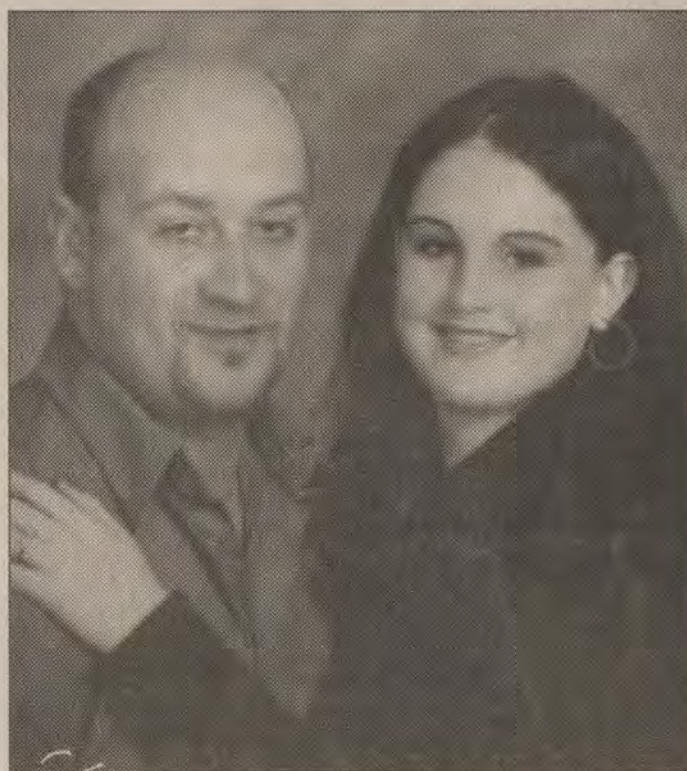
In order to be considered for the Nicholas Green Distinguished Student Award, Rossi was required to submit a 300-word composition that described a special activity or area of interest for the student. Rossi wrote about the importance of preserving mountain traditions.

She will receive a \$500 U.S. Savings Bond, along with a Certificate of Excellence from the NAGC, in recognition of her achievement during an awards ceremony and reception that will be held later this month at Lexington's Marriott Hotel.

Weddings

Justice-Morris

Mr. and Mrs. Roy G. Justice, of Prestonsburg, are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Rebecca Elizabeth, to Jonathan O. Morris, the son of Larry Morris, of East Point, and the late Goldie Morris. The ceremony to unite the couple will be performed on Saturday, February 22, 2003, at half past the afternoon hour of four o'clock, at the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.



Ponder

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done. It is just so sad to me, that within the last year, so many children, girls and boys, within the lower elementary grades, have been allowed to color their hair, or to have chemical processing, so their hair is "highlighted" similar to adults. Is it OK with you? What kind of message do you think, this gives to the children?

Where did all this emphasis on hair began? As we all know, humans' hair grows the thickest mainly on the head, with the later development of body hair on the genitals, underarms, and face (for males) signifying sexual maturity. Sometimes, women will have hair growing "out of place" when a hormonal imbalance is present. The story for hair growing mainly on the head is that the hair protects and insulates the head and brain from the sun. Another interesting fact is that hair grows at the rate of about 150 mm a year, with the quickest growth being for young adult women between 16 and 24. This is related to the time that they frequently are at the "height" of their possible reproductive capacity.

It is hard to say who was in charge of the counting, but supposedly the average young adult has over 100,000 strands of hair on his head. There have also been differences counted, according to the color of the hair, with the averages being 140,000 strands for blondes, 108,000 for brunettes, and 90,000 for redheads. It was hard to believe that each individual hair lasts for two to six years before it falls out, and allows the follicle to rest for a while, before another one takes its place. The hair numbers remind me of a young girl who visited us from Austria, and German was her primary language. When discussing hair, she made an issue out of the fact that we needed to say "hairs" when referring to a "head of hair" and not "I like your hair."

Then, the old saying, "history repeats itself," sure rings

true when it comes to hair issues for the masses. Statuettes have been found from the Ice Age, and 30,000 years old, that showed stylized hair. Conclusions were that these items reveal a complex social organization where these prehistoric people had a concept of beauty or attractiveness, some woman took care about how their hair looked, and the women could not have done it all herself. The ancient Egyptians were another group that valued their appearance, beauty, and cleanliness, to the point that they had combs and hairpins in their graves. They rated thick hair very highly, so that they used hair extensions and wigs made of real hair or sheep's wool. The Egyptians also dyed their hair and wigs various colors, such as blues, greens, blondes, gold, and black being widely chosen.

As expected, one's general health and diet greatly influence the quality, condition, and appearance of hair. Needless to say, long hair suggests that at least within the recent past, the person had good health. Individuals with consistently poor nutrition frequently have very fine, brittle hair that lacks various minerals. Hair can be examined and the drugs that the person is taking can be identified, such as chemotherapy, that commonly causes a complete loss of hair. Another factor in hair loss is supposedly related to one's gene pool, in that there is an inherited ten-

dency for baldness. By observation, it can be supported that the majority of men over 50 are affected by male pattern baldness (androgenetic alopecia). This is a condition where there is an excess of testosterone, the male hormone associated with both male sexuality and aggression.

The impact and/or influence of mental health upon one's hair cannot be ignored. It is not unusual for hair not to be taken care of properly, due to depressive symptoms, such as low energy, motivation, and interest. In some cases, the extremely anxious person will begin literally pulling her hair out, when the extreme stress arrives abruptly, and she has poor coping skills and ways to resolve problems. It is not unusual for the angry teenager to demand an exaggerated hairstyle to show a need to be his "own person." Then, when the other kids copy that hairstyle, there is the big change back to the old way. So parents best not get tied up with the drama of becoming a reasonable adult, and create power struggles over that which is really not the issue—the length and style of the adolescent's hair.

Frequently, hair also reflects how people think of themselves and how they want others to see them. The biggest impact of hair upon self-image is the Biblical example where Samson lost

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Leg Falls near the line of Morgan and Menifee counties.

He has an exquisite take on Dewey Lake, the water shaped like an hourglass between the hills and a clear, almost surreal, blue.

He captures Paintsville Lake in dense fog, making it look like an ethereal entry to Shangri La.

Yatesville Lake and Cave Run Lake are also beautifully framed, as is a section of the

Cumberland River, which along with the Kentucky River starts in Letcher County.

On the inside back cover, Hill includes notes on each site, much more meaningful than the simple place name you find in most calendars.

I don't know how widely distributed this calendar is, but everyone who appreciates the splendor of Appalachian Kentucky should have one.

World

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"this man is so strong he can shake a house."

When the wife expressed some doubt he told her exactly what they told him. "They said this man got angry with his neighbor, and rocked his house."

As regularly as the years roll around Paul C. Linkous, of Wheelwright, renews his subscription to this family journal, and just as regularly he favors me with a note worth reading. This week he writes:

Did you hear about the Cajun who said, "My friend Como was told me bout dem yalligator shoe what wear so long time and I was decide I am gone get some of dem shoe. So I brought myself in my pireaou boat to the swamp and was look for seven or until six hour until I find a yalligator my size. When I was shot dat yalligator and pull him to de boat, what you thot? Dat yalligator don't got shoe number one!"

P.S. Hoping you are NOT the same!

WHO—ME?

And this, sent by some friend whose address I've lost, you know where: "Old fishermen never die—they just smell that way."

LET TO ED DEPT.

Another letter received this week marked, "Attention, Editure," contains this item from Anchorage, Alaska:

This letter appeared in the first edition of the Roadrunner, a weekly newspaper which claims to be "published irregularly at Nenana, Alaska."

"Dear Editure:

"I like your paper very much. In fact I agree with evrything you say. It is the first time that I have evry found a noospaper that thinks exactly the same way I due.

"Signed, John P.

"P.S. Pardon the colour crayon but where I am staying now, we are not allowed to have sharp objects."

(That one would be from either Keith Scott or Carl Riffe.)

THE EXTRA ITEM

And Dr. Russell Hall tells about the guy who built an electrically operated automobile which cost only \$400 and would run from New York to San

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odds of getting "someone" to listen.

That said, I add my own:

Last Friday morning I arose to find a veritable winter wonderland outside my door. Pristine blankets of snow covered the hills outside my window. Layer upon layer of icy fluff cascaded down each tree, bush, fencepost, and rooftop that I could see.

After a busy week of writing and editing, coupled with doing my best to nurse a sick child while on the go, I was relieved to know that my office work was caught up. But, however, my youngest child was still very much under the weather.

Looking out, I was glad to be able to tuck my child back into her warm bed as I made the decision to stay in for the day. We were running a little low on milk and a few other kitchen staples, but I figured we had enough to make it a day or two longer - I simply couldn't see the sense in dragging my child out into that icy air without good cause when she had fought so hard all week to get better.

The biggest obstacle facing me that morning was the fact that a needed prescription was waiting at Cooley Apothecary with Elizabeth's name on it.

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Family Medicine

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



Serious corneal abrasions require doctor's care

Q Yesterday, I think I scratched my cornea. I wear contacts, and they had been in for 18 hours, so my eyes were getting a little irritated. I rubbed them really hard (with the contacts in) and then took the contacts out after that. All day today, my right eye has been hurting, like the contact is still in it. Did I injure my cornea?

A Yes, it does sound like you may have scratched your cornea. This is a relatively common occurrence. The good news is that scratches to the cornea generally heal up very quickly and without complication. The bad news is that they can be quite painful.

Although you've personally been experiencing this pain and may feel as though you know more than you want to know about your cornea, for the rest of

us here is a bit more about corneal abrasions. The cornea is the clear, curved structure on the front of the eye. Its primary job is to help focus our vision. It provides over 60 percent of the focusing power in the eye — the lens does the rest. The cornea is a five-layered structure that is very tough, but it can be prone to injury.

If you get poked in the eye or "get something" in your eye, the cornea can get scratched. The cornea can also be damaged by extensive exposure to ultraviolet light, such as can happen when you use a tanning bed or engage in welding. Generally, in the first few hours after an injury to the cornea, the eye becomes painful and light sensitive. The eye may water and feel like it has something in it. Most people go to the doctor

for this since it is so uncomfortable.

The doctor will examine the eye, usually with some dye and a Wood's Lamp (black light). The scratch or abrasion will glow green under the dye. The physician may also use a special lamp, called a slit-lamp to examine the eye. He or she will also be sure there are no foreign bodies in the eye or imbedded in the cornea.

Once the exam is complete, your eye may be treated with dilating drops to stop eye muscle spasms and some antibiotic drops or ointment. Sometimes your eye will be patched. Over-the-counter pain pills may not be adequate in some cases, so your doctor may prescribe stronger pain medication. Your physician should recheck your eye in 24 to 48 hours. There can be complications from

corneal abrasions, but these are rarely seen following small, uncomplicated abrasions — like the one you're apparently experiencing.

However, if your pain does not go away in another day, you should see your family physician for an examination. Depending on the extent of your abrasion and how quickly it heals, you may or may not have to be referred to an eye specialist known as an ophthalmologist.

Family Medicine® is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701. Or, e-mail Dr. Simpson at simpsonm@ohio.edu.

School

Jenny Wiley Convention Center.

■ Feb. 20, 21 - Dental programs for Headstart thru 3rd grade.

■ 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; 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 appointment.

OSBORNE ELEMENTARY - RAINBOW JUNCTION FRC

■ Feb. 18 - "Romeo and Juliet" - MAC - 6th grade

■ Feb. 18 - "Dollars and Sense" - Jenny Wiley Convention Center - 5th grade

■ Feb. 27 - "Self Esteem" character program - Gary Boothe

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ *PES is collecting Food City receipts. Have your child turn in receipts to their homeroom teachers. Community members may also turn in

receipts to the school office or 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

■ Feb. 18 - "It's Not Just Dirt," K-1, (EKSC)

■ Feb. 19 - "It's Not Just Dirt," grades 2-3, (EKSC)

■ Feb. 20, 21 - "Quality Kids," Hygiene and Lice, 8:30 a.m.

■ Feb. 25 - Whales, 4th grade, (EKSC)

■ Feb. 26 - Whales, 5th grade, (EKSC)

■ Feb. 27 - Whales, 6th grade, (EKSC)

■ The Bridges Project is located in the school each day, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you have any questions about the Bridges Project, call 587-2644.

■ 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 MATERIALS 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).

W.D. OSBORNE RAINBOW JUNCTION FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ TBA- Recycling program, all grades.

■ "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 FRC.

■ 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.

WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

■ School is participating in Food City "Apples for Students" program. Please send your register receipts to school with your student, or drop them off or mail them in to school office at: P.O. Box 454, 103 Methodist Lane, Allen, KY 41601.

■ Weekly Chapel Services, each Wednesday morning, 10 a.m.

New Arrivals

HRMC Arrivals

Jan. 29, 2003

A son, Ike Elijah Spears, to Lisa and Ike Spears

Jan. 29, 2003

A son, Alex Charles Hoover, to Matilda Brown

Jan. 30, 2003

A son, Derek Ray Lee Craft, to Heather Castle

Jan. 31, 2003

A daughter, Emilee Grace Bailey, to Sherry and Jeffrey Bailey

Jan. 31, 2003

A son, Russell Dylon Conn, to Janet and Shawn Conn

Jan. 31, 2003

A son, Alexander Wyatt Kendrick, to Patricia and Ernest Kendrick

Feb. 01, 2003

A son, Michael Douglas Lackey, to Geraldine May

Feb. 01, 2003

A daughter, McKenzie Jade Conn, to Sara and Arnold Wireman

Feb. 01, 2003

A son, Brad Randall David Standifer, to Amanda Kay and Brad Anthony Standifer

Feb. 01, 2003

A daughter, Kierra McKenzi LaShea Goble, to Heather and Nathaniel Goble

Feb. 02, 2003

A son, Bryan Douglas Chase Marsillett, to Jennifer Marsillett

Feb. 02, 2003

A daughter, Haley Grace Breland, to Nancy Wiley

Eyes

But, no problem, a quick call to Granddad took care of that. (Granddad has a four-wheel drive and by early afternoon, the medicine was at our door.)

At about the same time that my eldest daughter was out the door.

"Out the door?," you question. Yes, out the door. On her way to a "mandatory" appearance at the Prestonsburg High School gymnasium.

The snow was falling once again, the temperature was dropping and for anyone with the least amount of common sense at all, it was by far a time to be headin' in to the welcoming warm fires of hearth and home.

Yet, here my child went - out into this cold evening to attend a high school basketball game.

"What was wrong with this picture?," I asked myself.

Could it be that children the county over had remained at home that day, foregoing educational instruction in lieu of safety's sake?

Could it be that I had borne witness many times over to our board of education members promising to put "children first" as well as ensuring that academics would always take precedence over sports?

Hmm, could it be?

My mind hearkened back to my own mother's voice as she remarked to me during my childhood days, "No, no, no. If you didn't feel well enough to go to school today, then you must cer-

tainly are not well enough to go out and play now that school's turned out." Granted, not a perfect analogy, but the situation seemed to smack of the same sort of child-like thinking.

I was incredulous when I discovered that even though school had been called off and the snow was continuing to fall, this scheduled high school ballgame was, nonetheless, still going to be played.

"Well, you simply aren't going," I told my daughter. "It's ridiculous to expect children to attend a school event under these circumstances."

"Well, fine, Mom," she replied, "it's only my grade that will suffer and it's only me that won't be allowed to go on the trip this spring because I missed a performance." (My daughter is a member of the PHS Pep Band and is required to attend each home game.)

"How is this fair?," I wondered. "How is this right? What sort of message does this send to our children? It's okay to cancel instructional learning for the day, but, you know, the game now, it's gotta go on!"

My mind rebelled at the very thought. My stomach sank in disappointment for my child, who would be the one to ultimately suffer if I made the decision to silently protest by forbidding her to go.

As it turned out, my daughter's best friend's mom works in

Paintsville. This particular mom also owns a four-wheel drive vehicle (I do not). This very accommodating mom agreed to not only pick my child up and transport her as safely as possible under the existing adverse weather conditions, but she also agreed to allow her to spend the night in her home, relieving me of the task of arranging for her safe transport home following the game. (Thank you, Belinda!)

So, my daughter was able to attend the game. Her grade was not docked and so far, she still gets to go on the trip. But, most importantly, she managed to stay out of harm's way. I pray everyone else involved this night did, also.

Mind you, I'm not blaming my daughter's band director for this turn of events - as I'm fairly sure that he was not the person who made the decision for the game to go on. I, like Kim, am wondering just who that person, or persons as it may be, is.

And I'm also wondering just why this game was so important that our children's lives were placed in jeopardy just so that it could be played.

Ah, well, just another example, I'm afraid, of Floyd County educational-related decisions that make us take pause as we utter yet another small sigh of resignation and take the liberty of paraphrasing, if you will, Lord Tennyson, as we ponder, "Ours is not to wonder why..."

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Organization



Officers installed

Curtis L. Johnston, Grand Master of Masons in Kentucky, conducted the installation of officers for Zebulon Lodge No. 273, F&AM, Prestonsburg, at a meeting held Saturday, January 4, 2003, at the lodge hall. Officers installed are, front row, from left, John T. Chafin, junior warden; Norman Miller, senior warden; Darrell Calhoun, master; James E. Goble, secretary; and Clyde E. DeRossett, treasurer. Back row, from left, are Donald L. Hughes, senior deacon; Jimmy C. Webb, junior steward; James B. Wells Jr., senior steward; and Bill J. Dotson, tiler. Tilden R. Ellis, chaplain, and Kelly S. Young, junior deacon, are not shown. Walter K. Harper, Grand Senior Deacon of the Grand Lodge, served as installing marshal. (Photo by Williams Photo)

Ponder

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his strength when Delilah cut his locks off. A most recent example is that over 60 percent of men with extensive baldness report that they have experienced negative social responses, because of it. In contrast, there are many women who perceive bald or balding as a very positive aspect of men. Also, women with baldness suffer even more emotionally than men do. One attitude can be that balding is just another part of advanced maturing

that needs to be accepted, say with a really nice, stylish wig. Can you imagine all of the "blonde" jokes with their put-down about another person's "dumb" mental abilities and their supposedly submissive, interactions with the opposite sex, based on the color of her hair? How come males with blonde hair are not teased as blonde females are?

What does a "bad hair day" really mean for you?

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Francisco on only \$30 worth of electricity. The only hitch to the thing was, the extension cord costs \$300,000.

STOP THE GUY, SOMEBODY!

If a bill introduced by State Senator Mobley gets the approval of his colleagues, another "out" will be afforded the bootlegging gentry. This legislation would require any officer making an arrest, of a motorist to inform the

motorist of his intention to arrest, and of the offense for which he is being arrested, and would prohibit any evidence obtained as a result of the arrest from being admissible for any purpose, if the charge as stated by the officer at the time of the arrest cannot be proved.

This same Senator Mobley has another bill which would prohibit the search of automobiles without a search warrant.

Get these two on the statute books, and the way to look up, even heavier than usual, and get away with it all, much more easily than usual.

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THE KEEPERS OF THE TABERNACLE!

LEVITES THE DESCENDANTS OF LEVI, ONE OF THE SONS OF JACOB, WERE TRADITIONALLY CHARGED WITH THE CARE OF THE SANCTUARY. IN THE TRIBE OF LEVI, THERE WERE THREE TRIBE FAMILIES: GERSHON, KOHATH, AND MERARI. MOSES AND AARON WERE LEVITES OF THE HOUSE OF AMRAM AND FAMILY OF KOHATH (EX. 6:16-26). THE DERIVATION OF THE NAME LEVI MEANS A PERSON GIVEN IN PLEDGE TO A TEMPLE FOR A DEBT OR VOW. THIS NAME WAS FOLLOWS BY HIS MOTHER AT BILLO BEFORE HE WAS EVEN BORN. AARON AND HIS SONS WERE SET APART FOR THE PRIESTHOOD AND THE OFFICE WAS MADE HEREDITARY. IT MUST BE REMEMBERED THAT THE CARE OF THE TABERNACLE AND ITS SERVICE WAS GIVEN ON A NOBILITATE BASIS TO WHICH NO ONE MAN OR EVEN ONE FAMILY WAS EQUAL. THIS, THE ONLY WORK OF THE ENTIRE TRIBE OF LEVI WAS CARING FOR THE TABERNACLE AND GIVING SERVICES AS PRIESTS.



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Stopping in the snow

by TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

Last weekend, my fiancée and I were driving to the school where she teaches, in central Indiana. The back roads were still covered in mostly packed snow, with some ice underneath. As my fiancée approached a stop sign or turn, she would press the clutch in and pump the brakes. I told her that you're never supposed to pump the brakes on a snow-covered road, because it allows the wheels to temporarily lock up and start to skid. I told her to instead apply gentle, constant pressure to the brakes and leave the clutch engaged so the wheels are turning all the time, only disengaging the clutch when the car is almost completely stopped. By the way, her car is a lousy 1997 Saturn SL2 that uses about a quart of oil every week.



So, which one of us is right? I think I proved I was right while driving on a road with the same conditions. I applied gentle, constant brake pressure, and the Saturn stopped perfectly, without any skidding or sliding whatsoever. — Terry

TOM:

Well, you are right, Terry. And I hope that knowledge warms you while you're sleeping in the garage for the next few weeks. Actually, Terry, she's right, too, under certain circumstances, so I think you two can still go ahead and send out the invitations.

RAY:

In general, in the snow you want to do everything smoothly and gently. Think about walking across an icy pond. What do you do? Do you run and then try to stop short or turn suddenly? No. You'd fall on your butt. You move carefully, doing everything slowly and smoothly. And the same is true for how you drive on ice and snow.

TOM:

So, when coming to a stop on snow or ice, you want to anticipate the stop as early as possible, then slow down smoothly and gradually over a nice long stretch of road, leaving the clutch engaged so you get the constant engine braking working for you, too.

RAY:

In fact, it's not a bad idea to keep the car in a lower gear than normal in the snow. First, it'll help keep you from accidentally driving too fast. But also, you can slow the car by simply letting up on the accelerator, using the engine braking to reduce your reliance on the brakes. So you're right about all that stuff, Terry.

TOM:

However ... if you DO start to skid AND you don't have anti-lock brakes, then you SHOULD pump the brakes to stop the car from skidding. Basically, what you're doing is lifting your foot off the brake pedal when you detect a skid and then immediately reapplying it, trying again to slow the car without skidding.

RAY:

ABS does the same thing, but it does it automatically and does it much faster and better than any human ever could. So, in a car with ABS, you never pump the brakes. The brakes will pump themselves if they ever need to.

TOM:

So, your fiancée's mistake is that pumping the brakes is not a first line of defense. It's a method of controlling a non-ABS car once a skid has already begun. And your mistake is saying that you should "never pump the brakes on a snow-covered road," which is not true.

RAY:

And now that you've both proven to be equally flawed beings, may you live happily ever after in blissful and continual forgiveness of each other.

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by TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

I have a 1982 Mazda B2000 pickup truck, which has been the most reliable and trustworthy vehicle I have ever

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TEST DRIVE by Greg Zyla



2003 GMC Yukon XL 2500

This week, we test drive GMC's popular Yukon XL 3/4-ton four-wheel drive, a direct descendent of Chevy's Suburban. This big people-mover is available in two models, a 1/2-ton 1500 or a beefier 3/4-ton 2500 model that allows pulling cargo or trailers all the way up to 12,000 pounds. For those looking for the ultimate, add the \$4,495 Quadrateer option, which finds four-wheel steering assist.

Completely redesigned in 2000, the Yukon XL features a stronger-yet-lighter full chassis frame and enhanced styling. The standard engine of our 2500 Series tester is GM's Vortec 6000 gasoline engine, producing 320 horsepower and offering good overall pulling ability. The only transmission available is the tried and trusty electronic four-speed automatic with overdrive. The combination performed flawlessly throughout

the week.

The 4WD transfer case on all Yukon XLs is a part-time Autotrac, which features a two-speed transfer case that will lock front and rear axle speeds in 4WD mode. We like this system because it allows driver selection, which is better when one goes serious off-roading. A press of the button allows deviating from Automatic 4WD mode to

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Wheel

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ger than its predecessor, offers a first-ever V8 and adds a number of new features, including electronic control for steep downhill descents off-road, bigger uplevel wheels and optional curtain and side airbags.

Pricing is changed, too. Starting manufacturer's suggested retail price, including destination charge, is \$27,715, up \$870 from the 2002 base model.

And with the new V8, four-wheel drive and a host of options, a 4Runner now can actually carry a lofty price tag of more than \$42,000.

In comparison, Toyota's other mid-size SUV, the Highlander crossover, which combines SUV looks and a car-like ride, starts at \$24,390 for a two-wheel-drive model with four-cylinder engine and tops out at around \$36,000 for a loaded model with V6.

During the test drive, 4Runner fans instantly noticed the new model's freshened styling but had no problem recognizing the vehicle as a 4Runner.

Still, changes go beyond looks as the new 4Runner rides on a new platform it shares with the Lexus GX 470. The new 4Runner is 4.5 inches longer in wheelbase, 5.7 inches longer overall, some 3 inches wider and a bit taller than its predecessor. That means headroom and shoulder room are improved all around. Front legroom goes from 39.3 inches to 41.7 inches,

too. Rear seat legroom of 34.7 inches is just a shade less than the 34.9 inches of last year's 4Runner and less than the 35.1 inches in the Jeep Grand Cherokee; but it's more than the 31.8 inches in the back seat of the 2003 Nissan Pathfinder.

The 4Runner's maximum cargo capacity is down to 75.1 cubic feet from last year's reported 79.8, too. That compares with the 85 cubic feet of cargo room in the Pathfinder and the 71.7 cubic feet in the Grand Cherokee.

Like the Grand Cherokee, the 4Runner now is available with six- and eight-cylinder engines. The 4Runner's four-cylinder powerplant from last year is gone. The base engine now is a new, 4-liter V6 capable of 245 horsepower and 282 pound-feet of torque at 5,200 rpm. Both performance numbers top the Pathfinder's V6 and the inline six in the Grand Cherokee.

In fact, the 4Runner V6's 245 horses even top the 235 horsepower provided in the vehicle's uplevel V8. But the pulling power, or torque, is highest in the 4.7-liter, double overhead cam, i-Force V8. It's a full 320 foot-pounds at 3,400 rpm. That compares with 326 foot-pounds at 3,600 rpm in the Grand Cherokee's High-Output V8.

In the test 4Runner with V8, the vehicle felt as though it had

plentiful power, no matter if I was climbing hills off-road or passing vehicles on the highway. I needed only to depress the accelerator slightly and the power would come on. If I slammed down hard on the accelerator at startup, there was strong power that pushed my head back against the head restraint. Shifts were smooth from the five-speed automatic, which is a first five-gear automatic in a Toyota truck. The 4Runner V6 comes with a four-speed automatic, though.

For both engines, Toyota recommends 91 octane gasoline. Fuel economy with the new V8 is rated at 15 miles a gallon in the city and 19 mpg on the highway, which is just a tad above the 14/19 in the Grand Cherokee with V8.

Note the towing capacity for the 4Runner remains at 5,000 pounds, the same as last year's model.

I was thankful the test 2003 4Runner had running boards. They helped me, at 5 feet 4, climb aboard this tall SUV.

The leather seats in the Limited model had a soft, cushioned feel and the tops of the doors inside were covered in what appeared to be a soft-touch vinyl, so not everything is brutish about this SUV.

The seating position is familiar, though, as my legs extended out in front of me as they did in previous 4Runners and not downward as they do in other

vehicles with more upright seating.

But it took a bit of time to get accustomed to the new dashboard controls for the 4Runner ventilation system.

I liked how the bright red speedometer needle cast sort of a red beam to the farthest reaches of the speedometer gauge, helping me quickly check speed. And I appreciated how the optional navigation system had a display that could be tilted to three positions to help a driver better see the screen, even when the 4Runner's sunroof is open.

Fit and finish on the vehicle was excellent, inside and out, and every passenger has a head restraint and a three-point safety belt.

Note, though, that despite its longer length this year, the

4Runner continues with only two rows of seats, for a maximum of five passengers.

Meanwhile, some mid-size competitors such as the Honda Pilot and Chevrolet TrailBlazer are available with three rows of seats.

The ride in the 4Runner still conveys a bounce now and then on rough off-road terrain and on uneven road pavement. Much of the time in the 4Runner tester, I felt subtle vibrations and jiggles over road bumps.

The vehicle uses a front independent suspension with control arms and a solid rear axle. Brakes worked strongly in the tester. Note that antilock brakes, electronic brake force distribution and brake assist are all standard.

Toyota officials hope to sell some 120,000 of the new

4Runners annually.

The competitor Pathfinder has a starting MSRP, including destination charge, of \$27,339 for a two-wheel-drive model with V6, while the 2003 Grand Cherokee starts at \$27,105 for a two-wheel-drive model with inline six-cylinder engine.

4Runner buyers have a median age of 39 and household income of about \$77,000 a year, Toyota said. Sixty-three percent are married, and about half are men.

Because the 2003 4Runner is a new design, there are no released crash test results from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration yet. There also have been no safety recalls of the 2003 4Runner, and Consumer Reports does not list reliability data on this new-generation model.

Clank

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steering has been groaning lately, and my mechanic says the ball-joint boots cannot hold the lubricant. He said the ball joints and associated tie rods should be replaced. He said the cost of this repair is likely to be far more than the truck is worth. He also said that for as little as I drive it, I could probably get by without making the repair; it would just be noisy and sticky to steer. But I found that if I drown the ball joints in WD-40, the groaning goes away and steering is easier for months at a time. Is this safe? Can I just continue to use the WD-40 as the ball-joint lubricant indefinitely? — Richard

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Test

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two-wheel drive, four-wheel-drive high (lock) or four-wheel-drive low-range (lock).

It's Yukon XL's interior, however, that receives the most kudos when transporting passengers. Everyone is always impressed with Yukon's spacious surroundings and luxurious treatments. The seats are extremely comfortable, and visibility is excellent except for the rear view, especially when the DVD motion picture screen is in play position. (Yes, our Yukon had the optional DVD movie theater rear entertainment option for \$1,295.) All instruments and controls are attractive and easy to read. You can pack up to eight passengers into this vehicle with little trouble, although accessing the third-row bench seat is a bit cumbersome.

Automatic Tri-Zone heat and air conditioning, which pleases both front, middle and rear passengers, is standard on the Yukon XL. Also noteworthy is the OnStar security and information service, another standard feature that offers numerous mapping and safety securities. Accessing the rear cargo area is easy thanks to dual cargo doors, which hinder rear sight a bit because of the design.

We couldn't have asked for a better week to test drive the Yukon, as more snow fell on the Northeast. As expected, Yukon XL performed impeccably and offered great traction

in the poor driving conditions. This is what's best about GMC's 4WD truck line, period. Thanks to the torsion front and leaf-spring rear suspension setup, the Yukon drove like a Cadillac on the smooth freeways and then transformed into a serious off-roader, depending on where we pointed it. Granted, those rear leafs are a bit more rugged than the 1500's coil rear setup, but when you tow a trailer, you'll be glad you have them.

Stopping is also important, and GMC put a great set of four-wheel discs on the Yukon. All Yukons have ABS, front side airbags and many built in safety items. This is a safe, big vehicle.

Important numbers include a gross vehicle weight of 8,600 pounds, wheelbase of 130 inches, 5,300-pound curb weight and 131.6 cargo volume. The fuel tank holds 36.9 gallons, which is needed, as EPA expected numbers are in the 12-mpg city to 16-mpg highway range.


Our tester had \$13,395 worth of options, including the SLT decor pack (\$5,501), Autoride (\$900), second-row captain chairs (\$490) and a few other odds and ends to end up at \$55,447. The Yukon XL isn't cheap, but it will take you and your crew anywhere you want to go.

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ORDINANCE NO.: 3 - 2003

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY BY WHICH THE CITY PROPOSES ANNEXING INTO THE CITY CORPORATE LIMITS CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN AND INCLUDING THE DEWEY LAKE AREA OF FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY.

WHEREAS, the City Council for Prestonsburg, Kentucky intends and proposes to annex 7,578 acres, more or less, unincorporated territory located at and contained within the area of Dewey Lake more specifically described herein below, and as reflected by the proposed annexation hereto attached as Exhibit "A"; and,

WHEREAS, the area as hereinbelow more particularly described, and reflected in Exhibit "A" hereto (Proposed Annexation Map) lies adjacent to or is contiguous to the City of Prestonsburg's current boundaries; and,

WHEREAS, the Prestonsburg City Council having considered the matter and determined after due discussion and deliberation that it is in the best interest of the City to incorporate such area in order to further enhance the area as a tourism attraction and to encourage economic growth and development in Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council, through passage of this resolution and the ordinance set forth herein below, declares it desirable to annex into the corporate limits of the City of Prestonsburg that certain area more fully described below,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AND IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY AS FOLLOWS:

Section I: The City of Prestonsburg does hereby declare its intent to annex into the municipal corporate limits the property described as follows:

Beginning at a point on a point that lays to the north of the Dewey Dam, said point being a corner in the line of the Corp. of Engineers Property; thence with the Corp. of Engineers line and up the ridge S 84°08'14" E a distance of 554.87' to a point on a knob; thence following the ridge line S 08°08'22" E a distance of 182.17' to a point; thence S 36°19'10" E a distance of 960.37' to a point; thence N 66°23'43" E a distance of 630.51' to a point; thence S 71°26'14" E a distance of 631.23' to a point; thence S 05°05'45" E a distance of 711.19' to a point; thence S 59°02'06" E a distance of 966.30' to a point; thence S 02°47'45" W a distance of 137.00' to a point; thence S 03°24'59" W a distance of 296.52' to a point; thence S 19°36'02" W a distance of 502.56' to a point; thence S 21°28'58" W a distance of 445.88' to a point; thence S 11°39'49" E a distance of 51.79' to a point; thence S 03°00'53" E a distance of 413.93' to a point;

thence S 00°46'56" W a distance of 397.06' to a point; thence S 04°57'14" W a distance of 481.85' to a point; thence N 66°28'21" E a distance of 310.50' to a point; thence S 80°00'03" E a distance of 307.37' to a point; thence S 77°09'33" E a distance of 239.51' to a point; thence N 64°50'18" E a distance of 210.17' to a point; thence N 46°13'23" E a distance of 562.23' to a point on the east side of the ridge; thence leaving the ridge and running down the hill into the head of Akers Branch N 57°04'23" E a distance of 165.96' to a point; thence N 81°30'07" E a distance of 306.00' to a point; thence N 77°21'23" E a distance of 273.43' to a point, approximately the center of said branch; thence up the hillside S 87°33'28" E a distance of 366.57' to a point; thence S 74°56'27" E a distance of 482.03' to a point; thence S 57°35'52" E a distance of 266.66' to a point; thence S 84°25'18" E a distance of 372.10' to a point; thence S 71°06'03" E a distance of 82.74' to a point on a ridge; thence S 39°42'46" E a distance of 664.76' to a point; thence S 22°13'55" E a distance of 300.93' to a point; thence S 50°38'18" E a distance of 267.15' to a point; thence S 68°34'13" E a distance of 269.41' to a point on a knob; thence running down the hill into Stonecoal Branch N 80°34'27" E a distance of 167.49' to a point; thence N 52°10'18" E a distance of 217.84' to a point; thence around the hillside of said branch N 47°13'31" E a distance of 324.69' to a point; thence N 42°30'40" E a distance of 236.11' to a point; thence N 34°58'14" E a distance of 453.49' to a point; thence N 72°35'59" E a distance of 480.16' to a point in the head of said branch; thence running up the hill S 86°18'03" E a distance of 277.30' to a point; thence S 67°13'36" E a distance of 300.32' to a point; thence S 71°20'03" E a distance of 365.07' to a point; thence S 53°29'56" E a distance of 225.98' to a point on a knob; thence running down the hill S 39°45'23" E a distance of 255.17' to a point; thence S 28°02'50" W a distance of 163.38' to a point; thence around the hillside S 54°08'01" W a distance of 139.56' to a point; thence S 48°37'44" W a distance of 209.25' to a point; thence S 26°27'49" W a distance of 305.37' to a point; thence crossing the ridge S 19°15'02" W a distance of 427.84' to a point; thence S 11°21'51" W a distance of 290.50' to a point; thence running down a point and crossing a tributary of Big Branch S 83°53'31" E a distance of 1721.80' to a point on the hillside; thence S 29°48'11" W a distance of 599.74' to a point being on the bank at the forks of the creek; thence crossing the creek and running up the hillside S 12°18'31" E a distance of 884.04' to a point on a point; thence running down the hill and crossing Spicewood Branch S 14°18'13" W a distance of 946.36' to a point on the hillside; thence crossing a drain and running up the hill N 78°12'22" W a distance of 1341.40' to a point on the ridge; thence running with the ridge S 39°00'40" W a distance of 1078.26' to a point on a knob; thence S 01°46'42" E a distance

of 832.07' to a point on the hillside; thence S 18°29'54" E a distance of 737.02' to a point; thence crossing the ridge and running down into the head of McGuire Branch S 69°57'10" E a distance of 835.28' to a point; thence leaving said branch and crossing the ridge N 55°48'15" E a distance of 619.65' to a point on the hillside; thence running around the hillside N 81°22'49" E a distance of 542.24' to a point; thence N 64°56'56" E a distance of 296.06' to a point; thence N 60°15'31" E a distance of 200.65' to a point; thence N 52°37'47" E a distance of 412.10' to a point; thence N 49°56'58" E a distance of 305.38' to a point; thence S 74°40'51" E a distance of 268.89' to a point; thence S 71°30'28" E a distance of 310.18' to a point; thence S 85°53'43" E a distance of 251.47' to a point; thence N 84°16'41" E a distance of 173.82' to a point; thence S 63°07'44" E a distance of 493.05' to a point; thence S 79°27'00" E a distance of 97.87' to a point on a knob; thence running with the ridge line N 29°44'31" E a distance of 400.25' to a point; thence N 25°59'22" E a distance of 101.05' to a point; thence N 46°54'43" E a distance of 354.80' to a point; thence N 33°05'48" E a distance of 363.90' to a point; thence N 01°46'44" E a distance of 572.46' to a point; thence leaving the ridge N 14°41'22" E a distance of 168.47' to a point on the hillside; thence N 17°38'04" W a distance of 197.63' to a point on the ridge; thence running with the ridge N 02°25'20" W a distance of 205.13' to a point; thence N 17°53'33" E a distance of 143.64' to a point; thence N 42°13'10" E a distance of 307.41' to a point; thence N 47°15'07" E a distance of 224.04' to a point; thence N 79°40'40" E a distance of 202.03' to a point; thence N 85°24'13" E a distance of 225.62' to a point; thence N 81°18'29" E a distance of 297.51' to a point; thence N 68°48'48" E a distance of 148.48' to a point; thence N 65°22'07" E a distance of 255.53' to a point; thence S 39°57'04" E a distance of 244.34' to a point; thence S 31°12'50" E a distance of 199.20' to a point; thence S 18°52'35" W a distance of 104.23' to a point; thence S 04°37'26" W a distance of 119.09' to a point; thence S 19°44'43" W a distance of 302.27' to a point; thence crossing a drain and running down the hillside S 52°19'11" E a distance of 1113.21' to a point on the bank of Dicks Creek; thence running up said creek N 18°44'13" E a distance of 424.13' to a point; thence N 35°55'46" E a distance of 210.94' to a point; thence N 48°36'53" E a distance of 102.73' to a point; thence N 48°54'35" E a distance of 43.45' to a point; thence N 69°13'45" E a distance of 189.55' to a point; thence N 40°01'09" E a distance of 91.05' to a point; thence N 16°47'50" E a distance of 122.60' to a point; thence crossing a tributary of said creek N 25°45'50" E a distance of 118.34' to a point; thence N 32°42'15" E a distance of 93.17' to a point; thence N 43°56'20" E a distance of 52.31' to a point; thence S 89°46'08" E a distance of 42.12' to a point; thence S 00°37'33" W a distance of 273.34' to a point; thence N

72°06'32" E a distance of 364.75' to a point; thence N 48°37'16" E a distance of 93.89' to a point; thence N 87°14'39" E a distance of 909.60' to a point; thence running down said creek S 49°46'35" W a distance of 397.41' to a point; thence S 85°53'53" W a distance of 623.69' to a point; thence S 67°11'49" W a distance of 406.05' to a point on the bank at the intersection of creeks; thence crossing said creek S 35°56'26" W a distance of 187.73' to a point; thence S 18°40'45" W a distance of 184.80' to a point; thence S 24°03'00" W a distance of 129.53' to a point; thence S 45°39'44" W a distance of 204.33' to a point; thence S 42°23'07" W a distance of 267.85' to a point; thence running up the hill S 45°19'22" E a distance of 38.90' to a point; thence S 66°24'53" E a distance of 176.28' to a point; thence S 72°54'32" E a distance of 154.79' to a point; thence S 64°53'04" E a distance of 398.83' to a point on a ridge; thence leaving the ridge and running down hill S 62°37'35" E a distance of 274.15' to a point; thence crossing a drain and running up hill S 64°50'46" E a distance of 505.21' to a point; thence S 57°16'55" E a distance of 83.70' to a point; thence S 64°51'05" E a distance of 104.03' to a point; thence N 79°33'47" E a distance of 124.87' to a point; thence N 49°43'12" E a distance of 122.45' to a point on a knob; thence across the knob N 26°47'06" E a distance of 60.60' to a point; thence leaving the knob and running with the ridge N 62°25'04" E a distance of 115.63' to a point; thence N 74°06'46" E a distance of 99.95' to a point; thence N 83°04'39" E a distance of 148.10' to a point; thence S 80°49'30" E a distance of 280.40' to a point; thence S 72°04'35" E a distance of 288.03' to a point; thence S 66°50'37" E a distance of 115.98' to a point; thence S 79°05'48" E a distance of 72.11' to a point; thence S 80°02'51" E a distance of 130.07' to a point; thence S 74°50'11" E a distance of 99.36' to a point on a knob; thence across the knob N 57°01'19" E a distance of 52.01' to a point; thence leaving the knob and running with the ridge N 25°47'51" E a distance of 136.86' to a point; thence N 33°39'33" E a distance of 139.16' to a point; thence N 26°08'50" E a distance of 60.70' to a point; thence N 42°04'21" E a distance of 190.50' to a point; thence N 37°53'17" E a distance of 172.54' to a point; thence leaving the ridge and running down a point N 89°32'49" E a distance of 43.01' to a point; thence S 78°29'03" E a distance of 89.46' to a point; thence S 84°14'54" E a distance of 262.23' to a point; thence crossing a gap N 87°58'16" E a distance of 238.67' to a point; thence running up a point N 72°04'12" E a distance of 58.86' to a point; thence N 84°55'38" E a distance of 300.95' to a point; thence N 89°46'07" E a distance of 76.79' to a point; thence N 57°37'51" E a distance of 77.96' to a point on a ridge; thence running with the ridge N 43°55'28" E a distance of 82.50' to a point; thence N 16°57'19" E a distance of 172.69' to a point; thence N 06°06'55" W

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tance of 387.45' to a point on said ridge; thence turning with the ridge line and crossing a gap N 89°36'42" W a distance of 954.99' to a point; thence N 76°44'59" W a distance of 347.77' to a point; thence leaving the ridge and running down a point into Souders Branch S 44°01'50" W a distance of 412.45' to a point; thence S 36°15'34" W a distance of 554.20' to a point; thence S 39°04'01" W a distance of 438.98' to a point; thence S 29°36'57" W a distance of 298.55' to a point on the bank of the creek of Souders Branch; thence crossing said creek S 69°13'01" W a distance of 480.79' to a point on the hill; thence crossing a drain and running up the hill S 81°41'08" W a distance of 498.25' to a point; thence continuing up the hillside S 72°28'46" W a distance of 535.26' to a point; thence S 80°39'22" W a distance of 271.01' to a point on the ridge; thence running with the ridge line between Thompson Fork and Souders Branch N 05°36'43" W a distance of 449.52' to a point; thence N 03°28'02" W a distance of 429.60' to a point; thence N 17°07'34" W a distance of 59.39' to a point; thence N 10°14'02" W a distance of 290.21' to a point; thence N 00°01'18" E a distance of 421.35' to a point; thence leaving the ridge and running down a point N 21°56'25" E a distance of 299.78' to a point; thence N 11°25'31" E a distance of 438.94' to a point; thence N 34°04'29" E a distance of 400.73' to a point; thence N 27°25'33" E a distance of 241.99' to a point on the hill above the intersection of creeks; thence leaving the point, running upstream and down the hillside of Thompson Fork N 62°43'10" W a distance of 97.79' to a point; thence S 83°36'01" W a distance of 877.60' to a point on the bank of the creek of said fork; thence crossing the creek N 65°26'50" W a distance of 180.85' to a point on bank of said creek; thence continuing upstream S 69°27'18" W a distance of 276.91' to a point; thence leaving the bank and running up the hill N 47°18'36" W a

distance of 104.73' to a point; thence running around the hillside and downstream N 35°29'07" E a distance of 87.82' to a point; thence N 48°19'14" E a distance of 79.96' to a point; thence N 61°21'15" E a distance of 189.30' to a point; thence N 69°40'52" E a distance of 128.04' to a point; thence N 73°10'14" E a distance of 433.78' to a point; thence N 71°55'25" E a distance of 490.16' to a point at the mouth of a drain; thence N 67°56'48" E a distance of 121.21' to a point; thence running up hill and cross the drain N 39°38'27" W a distance of 1069.09' to a point being approximately the center of the ridge; thence following the ridge line S 34°05'07" W a distance of 355.48' to a point; thence S 51°49'37" W a distance of 291.12' to a point; thence S 82°54'39" W a distance of 209.62' to a point; thence N 65°46'12" W a distance of 632.48' to a point; thence running up a point N 81°35'05" W a distance of 549.18' to a point; thence S 85°00'50" W a distance of 520.63' to a point; thence S 32°42'56" W a distance of 160.62' to a point being approximately the center of the ridge between Clarks Branch and Thompson Fork; thence running with said ridge line S 05°49'12" W a distance of 170.02' to a point; thence S 02°43'41" E a distance of 359.06' to a point; thence S 04°04'26" W a distance of 238.31' to a point; thence S 15°46'17" W a distance of 254.78' to a point; thence S 33°31'35" W a distance of 313.53' to a point; thence S 27°57'52" W a distance of 199.05' to a point; thence S 17°20'53" W a distance of 210.21' to a point; thence S 35°06'56" W a distance of 285.17' to a point; thence S 29°01'28" W a distance of 143.31' to a point; thence S 50°57'13" W a distance of 257.21' to a point; thence S 62°35'25" W a distance of 135.29' to a point; thence S 66°38'31" W a distance of 221.91' to a point; thence S 86°44'49" W a distance of 195.61' to a point; thence S

73°47'04" W a distance of 326.30' to a point; thence S 38°14'59" W a distance of 26.41' to a point; thence running off the ridge line and around the hillside of Clarks Branch S 58°02'10" W a distance of 57.18' to a point; thence S 49°09'24" W a distance of 397.05' to a point; thence S 56°39'28" W a distance of 341.72' to a point; thence running across the head of said branch N 78°45'34" W a distance of 828.20' to a point on the hillside; thence running around the hillside N 06°36'59" W a distance of 757.58' to a point; thence N 11°32'13" W a distance of 347.50' to a point; thence N 44°14'08" W a distance of 50.87' to a point on a knob; thence crossing the knob and running with the ridge line between Clarks Branch and Ham Hollow N 68°12'24" W a distance of 195.09' to a point; thence N 43°58'50" W a distance of 185.62' to a point; thence N 34°06'07" W a distance of 139.69' to a point; thence S 80°05'06" W a distance of 254.32' to a point; thence N 84°38'52" W a distance of 183.64' to a point; thence S 71°39'54" W a distance of 226.53' to a point; thence S 63°40'06" W a distance of 220.80' to a point; thence S 69°36'47" W a distance of 123.38' to a point; thence S 76°06'22" W a distance of 157.04' to a point; thence N 54°35'57" W a distance of 107.49' to a point; thence N 45°23'11" W a distance of 266.27' to a point on a knob; thence crossing the knob N 84°44'47" W a distance of 104.95' to a point; thence running with the ridge line between Shade Branch and Ham Hollow S 54°49'04" W a distance of 201.29' to a point; thence S 57°10'55" W a distance of 657.96' to a point; thence S 68°10'22" W a distance of 367.47' to a point; thence N 88°03'16" W a distance of 164.05' to a point; thence S 68°38'52" W a distance of 142.35' to a point; thence S 60°16'02" W a distance of 466.63' to a point; thence running

with the ridge line between Corn Fork and Shade Branch N 57°56'19" W a distance of 622.80' to a point; thence N 81°22'46" W a distance of 542.27' to a point; thence N 62°49'48" W a distance of 962.35' to a point; thence N 30°40'20" W a distance of 980.14' to a point on a knob; thence continuing with the ridge line S 73°42'57" W a distance of 461.00' to a point; thence S 67°43'36" W a distance of 353.72' to a point; thence S 55°58'26" W a distance of 542.29' to a point; thence N 15°30'08" W a distance of 584.87' to a point; thence N 23°33'45" W a distance of 913.00' to a point on top of a knob, also being a corner to the property annexed by the City of Prestonsburg, Ky. which contains 512.548 acres; thence leaving the Corp. of Engineers Property and running with the property line of the City of Prestonsburg, Ky. N 40°16'21" E a distance of 1654.09' to a point in a drain; thence crossing Dewey Lake N 24°30'33" W a distance of 1182.49' to a point at the summer pool line of Dewey Lake; thence N 63°08'14" W a distance of 918.48' to a point at the summer pool line; thence N 40°42'37" W a distance of 947.74' to a point at the summer pool line; thence N 79°41'48" W a distance of 1344.00' to a point at the summer pool line; thence N 76°23'43" W a distance of 1198.31' to a point at the summer pool line; thence N 52°49'30" W a distance of 432.03' to a point at the summer pool line; thence N 17°09'38" W a distance of 1021.49' to a point at the summer pool line; thence leaving the summer pool line and crossing Dewey Lake and Ky. Rt. 3 S 89°58'35" W a distance of 1292.96' to a point on the center of a point at the mouth of Stratton Branch, also being a corner to the property annexed by the City of Prestonsburg, Ky. which contains 3,497.669 acres; thence leaving the property annexed by the City of Prestonsburg, Ky. which contains 512.548 acres and running with the property annexed by the City of

Prestonsburg, Ky. which contains 3,497.669 acres around the hill N 01°28'42" W a distance of 337.08' to a point; thence N 42°37'02" W a distance of 380.74' to a point; thence N 10°24'49" E a distance of 763.39' to a point; thence N 27°01'26" E a distance of 647.71' to a point; thence N 44°27'52" E a distance of 1248.78' to a point; thence N 51°07'37" E a distance of 1708.32' to a point; thence N 52°02'04" E a distance of 919.20' to a point; thence N 49°18'08" W a distance of 415.90' to a point near a pipeline; thence continuing with said property and around the hill S 70°01'56" W a distance of 874.93' to a point; thence S 49°04'06" W a distance of 1729.90' to a point; thence S 81°25'43" W a distance of 369.22' to a point; thence S 58°43'39" W a distance of 1141.81' to a point; thence S 28°27'21" W a distance of 631.07' to a point; thence S 65°36'54" W a distance of 293.96' to a point; thence N 24°29'42" W a distance of 815.54' to a point; thence N 87°02'30" W a distance of 97.48' to a point; thence turning down a point N 29°39'26" E a distance of 225.78'; thence continuing down, said point N 40°17'25" E a distance of 375.39'; thence N 27°41'08" E a distance of 214.77' on said point; thence N 27°28'45" E a distance of 265.40' to the Right of Way of Ky. Rt. 3 on the South West side of said roadway; thence following said Right of Way in a North Westerly direction a distance of 4,931' to a point; thence turning and leaving said Right of Way and going up a hillside S 53°33'30" W a distance of 203.17' to a point; thence running around the hill N 67°02'10" W a distance of 1250.63' to a point; thence down the hill and across Ky. Rt. 302 N 09°02'06" E a distance of 893.90' to a point on the hillside; thence around the hill N 71°30'22" E a distance of 506.11' to a point; thence S 88°30'50" E a distance of 557.71' to a point; thence N 00°11'26" W a distance of 488.65' to a point; thence N 10°10'06" W a distance of 663.45' to a point; thence N 45°36'32" E a distance of 567.59' to a point;

thence N 82°31'57" E a distance of 310.82' to a point; thence S 50°41'54" E a distance of 809.54' to a point; thence S 51°26'36" E a distance of 491.14' to a point; thence N 71°09'29" E a distance of 207.69' to a point; thence N 00°06'31" E a distance of 777.15' to a point; thence N 77°40'28" E a distance of 618.92' to a point; thence S 47°34'01" E a distance of 367.18' to a point; thence N 11°05'36" E a distance of 326.44' to a point; thence N 42°35'13" W a distance of 332.27' to a point; thence N 15°39'41" E a distance of 502.92' to a point; thence N 67°35'00" E a distance of 228.60' to a point on a point above the Dewey Dam; thence continuing around the hill N 20°04'42" W a distance of 544.37' to a point on the hillside in the line of the property annexed by the City of Prestonsburg, Ky. which contains 3,497.669 acres; thence leaving said property and running down the hillside S 89°27'55" E a distance of 300.12' to a point beside the creek downstream of the spillway; thence running upstream and crossing Ky. Rt. 302 S 39°03'08" E a distance of 769.65' to a point on top of the Dewey Dam; thence running across the dam N 44°29'47" E a distance of 1308.45' to a point on the hillside, which is the point of beginning, having an area of 330,095,991.5 square feet, 7,578.0 acres more or less.

Section II: The proposed annexation map attached hereto as Exhibit "A" reflects the description as hereinabove stated and is incorporated herein by reference as a part hereof.

Section III: Publication of this ordinance and notice of the proposed annexation shall be provided in accordance with the Kentucky Revised Statutes as contained in Chapter 81A.420 and 81A.425.

So resolved, ordained, and adopted, this 10th day of February, 2003.

JERRY FANNIN MAYOR
 ATTEST:
 PEGGY BAILEY, CITY CLERK

900-Legals
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-0295 AMENDMENT NO. 1

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for an amendment to a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located at Craynor in Floyd County. The amendment proposes to add 74.08 acres and delete 2.52 acres of surface disturbance, and add 28.10 acres and delete 21.21 acres of auger area for total of 288.28 acres within the total permit boundary.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 mile southwest from KY 660's junction with KY 979, and located on Hamilton Branch of Mud Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Curt Hall Heirs, Richard P. Hall Heirs, Charles Hall, Walker Tackett et al., Robert or Marlene Howell, Frank and Ivallee McKinney, William L. Hall Heirs, and Barbara Hall. The operation will underlie land owned by Charles Hall, Walker Tackett et al., Robert or Marlene Howell, and Frank and Ivallee McKinney. The operation will use the area, contour, and auger methods of surface mining.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kent-

ucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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

INVITATION TO BID

Branham Height's Apartments, of Wheelwright, Ky, is accepting bids for putting tile in a 5x5 bathroom, 16x6 hallway and a 8x12 Laundry Room. For further information, Contact 606-452-4777

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 02-CI-

694 HOMECOMINGS FINANCIAL NET WORK, INC. PLAINTIFF VS. WHEELER NEW SOME DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 13th day of January, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$35,008.45, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, 3rd Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 20th day of February, 2003, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located in Floyd County, Kent-

ucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a cement post at the Highway 979, running down with the highway to Andy Tackett line, thence turning right running straight up the hill to the top of the ridge. Thence turning right around the ridge to Herman Newsome, thence back down the hill with the line to a cement stake, thence turning right around the garden a straight line to another stake, thence turning left back to the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Wheeler Newsome and Kathleen Newsome, his wife, by deed dated April 10, 1980, and recorded in Deed Book 247, Page 49, in the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office. A life estate was retained by the grantor, Emery Newsome, unmarried.

Being the same property conveyed to Wheeler Newsome and (c) The pur-

chaser 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 the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

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

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL:
 Hon. Thomas D.

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You are the love of my life,
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to be the man that I am.
I LOVE YOU with all my
heart and don't know
what I would do
without you.
I love you.
Heath

Happy Valentines Day, Jo.
With Love, John

To my little Suite 2
On Valentines Day
My love for you, JM

Happy Valentines Day
Angela,
From Rusty

To my booker
I love you Sweetie

To Craig,
You are my light, my love,
my everything.
Love, Jenny

To Amanda Tackett,
You are my Valentine.
Love, Corey Hall

You're the Sweetest, Jo Jo
Love, Buddy

Michelle, Happy Valentines Day
With all my love, Doug

Jenny, May this be our Best
Valentines Day Ever.
Love, Anita

Happy Valentines Day
Lyndsay,
Love, Mick

You're still my sweetheart.
Love, Mick

Billie,
Happy Valentines day.
I love you,
Scottie

Hearts & Flowers, Candy too.
All so sweet but not like you.
Cost me twice but lots to say
You are worth it, this
Valentines Day.
I love you Mar
Tove.

Denney, Happy Valentines Day!
You are most special.
Love, Lynn

Sherry,
Still love you after
all this time
Love, John

Christian, You are the
love of my life, Dana

Renny, We've grown up
together and we'll grow old
together.
I love you Angel

Colin Happy Valentines
Day,
From Stacey

To Emily Michelle,
Chandy, and Jessie,
Happy Valentine's Day,
Love you lots,
Mom and Dad

Roses are red, violets are blue,
I still love Mommy better than you.
Love, Your Daughter, Katie

Happy Valentines Day Larry,
With Love, Rhonda

Roses are Red,
Violets are Blue,
Happy Valentines Wayne
I love you!

Gay-gay,
Happy Valentines Day
Love, Charlotte

Sell, I love you
Happy Valentines Day
Gary

Susan,
Please be my Valentine!!
Love, Jordan

Jennifer, I'll always love you,
Happy Valentines Day,
Love James

To Daddy Wilson,
Roses are red, violets are blue, I
still love Mommy better than you.
Love, Your Daughter, Katie

To Larry (Paul) and Teddy Sexton
Have a Happy Valentine's Day,
Brent, Roxanne,
Breanna and Seth

To Mom,
I couldn't make it without you.
Happy Valentine's Day!

Happy Valentines Day Love Bug
From Your Smakums

Face, Happy Valentines Day!
I love you
Easter

Bill,
You are my special Valentine
Patsy

Boy, Happy Valentines Day
Love, Sherry

Louie,
Happy Valentines Day,
I love you, Linda

To Roxanne, Breanna and Seth
You are and always will be my Valentines.
Love, Dad

To Jenny,
You are the love of my life,
my one and only,
Love, Craig

Happy Valentine's Day,
Funny Bunsy!
From Cindy

Kisses, hugs, and love
all of you love
Love, Jimbo

Del, I love you
Happy Valentines Day
Marian

David, Happy Valentines Day
Rita

To my grandchildren,
Happy Valentine's Day,
Love, Nancy (Ruth Huff)

To Yagmina, Joshua, and Jacob,
Happy Valentines Day!
Love, Mom

Care Bear,
You still light up my life
Love always, Poobie

To My Love, Shena,
Happy Valentines Day!
From Your Boy, Jay

McCall,
Happy Valentines
Day!!!!
Love, Kyle

Roger, It's been ten
wonderful years and a
lifetime more.
Love, Lena

Cindy,
Each year that passes,
I love you more and more.
The best is yet to come.
Happy Valentines Day!
Love you always,
Rod

Hey Ba,
You still the one
Love mate

Giante,
Love you still, Valentine
Dennis