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Rampage leads to charges

by JARRID DEATON STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Martin man was arrested on Wednesday and charged with disorderly conduct and criminal mischief for allegedly using a table in the home of a Prestonsburg woman for batting practice.

According to police, Alex L. Wallen, 39, broke a table with a baseball bat at the home of Selena Leslie. When police arrived on the scene, Wallen allegedly ran into the residence of Wilma Starr before being apprehended.

The baseball bat is being held for evidence by the Floyd County Sheriff's Department. Wallen is being held at the Floyd County Detention Center on a \$2,000 bond.

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Ross, Stumbo lock horns over P'burg Elem.

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

A section included in the commonwealth's 2003 budget asking for the historical preservation of Prestonsburg Elementary School has at least one local figure asking questions.

Rev. Johnnie Ross, former school board chairman and the newest member of the

Floyd County Local Planning Committee, feels the move to prevent closing the school based on historical significance is a slap in the face for local planning officials, as well as the school board in its entirety.

Part IX, Section 17, Paragraph C of the budget reads, "School Operations: School #840 [Prestonsburg Elementary School], a historical community school in district #175 [Floyd County], shall not be closed

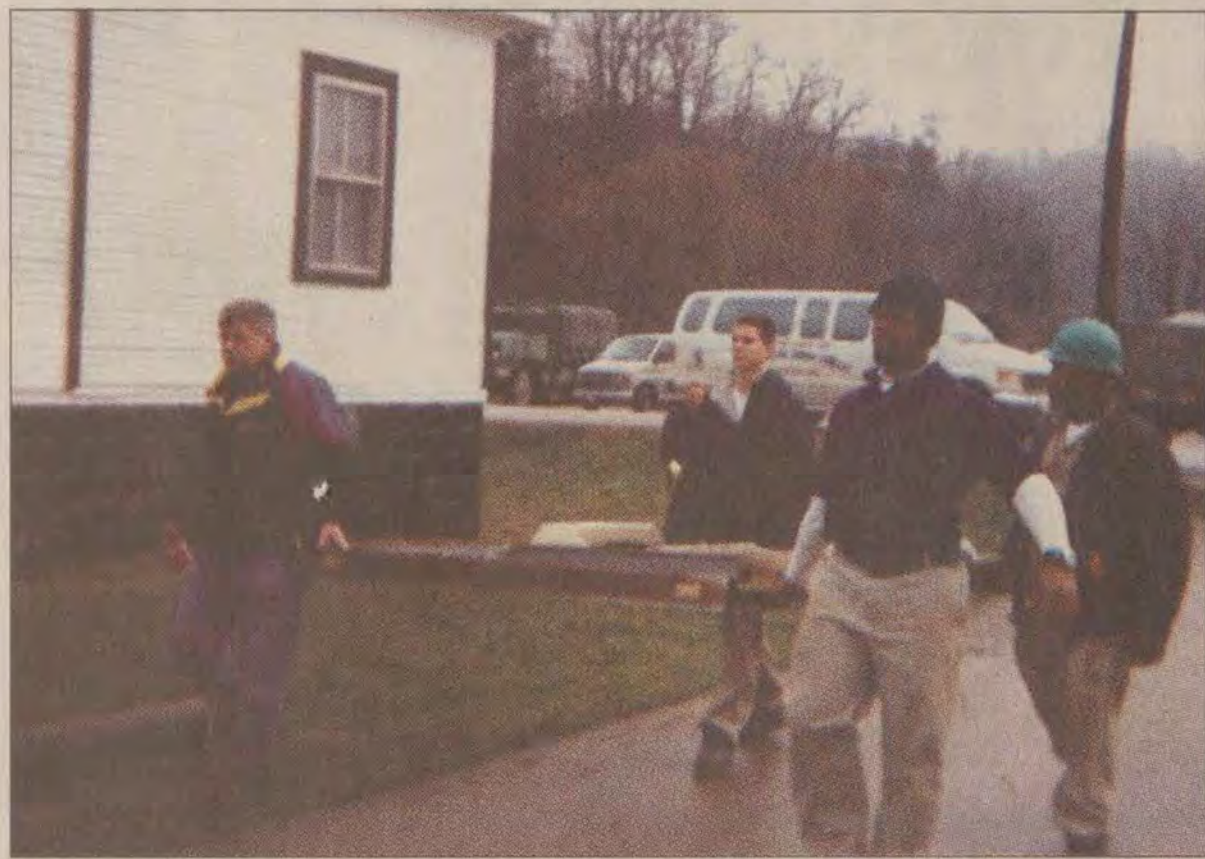
or substantially changed." It was inserted in the state House of Representatives' version of the budget by Majority Floor Leader Greg Stumbo.

In a letter sent to every state senator, Ross, who became an LPC member through unanimous decision earlier this week, clearly states his opposition.

"Over the past five years, and perhaps for the first time in recent history, the

Floyd County Board of Education has cared more about the children of this county and their education than playing local politics," Ross wrote in the letter. "However, this has not stopped many local and state politicians from trying to influence the decisions of the local board politically ... the political alumni of

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Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson and students from the Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center helped clean Maytown after the flood last week.

Floyd flood damages climb over \$1 million

by JARRID DEATON STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Fiscal Court held a special meeting Wednesday to authorize payment from a grant from the state Transportation Cabinet to be used for work on county roads this summer.

The court ordered that a check

be issued to Mountain Enterprises in the amount of \$342,201.96 for work on the county roads.

Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson also gave an update on the damage situation from flooding in the county the Feb. 15-17.

Thompson estimated damages caused by the flood were in excess of \$1 million.

"This last flood has caused the

most mudslides that I have ever seen," Thompson said.

According to Thompson, 280 homes in the county have been severely damaged by the flood.

"We will all work to get the job done. People will just have to be patient with us," Thompson said.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the fiscal court is March 21.

Lawsuit claims mining damaged McDowell home

by JARRID DEATON STAFF WRITER

MCDOWELL — A McDowell woman has filed a lawsuit against Frasure Creek Mining alleging that the company damaged her property by trespassing, causing noise, blasting and causing dust or other environmental conditions during coal processing operations.

According to the lawsuit filed by Amarine Conn, the coal processing operations conducted by Frasure Creek Mining is the direct and proximate cause of harm, damage and injury to her property.

Conn claims that her property, home and structures on her land will have to be repaired and restored to the condition they were in prior to the coal processing and that she will be deprived

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Brown Publishing acquires Times, 22 other papers

Times Staff Report

CINCINNATI — The Brown Publishing Company announced Thursday that it had agreed to acquire 23 newspapers located in Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee — including The Floyd County Times — from Community Newspaper Holdings Inc. of Birmingham, Ala. The newspapers include 11 dailies, 12 weeklies and related publications, with a total distribution of 250,000 households. Terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

The 11 daily newspapers include the Harlan Daily Enterprise and Middlesboro Daily News in Kentucky, as well as the Portsmouth (Ohio) Daily Times, Gallispolis (Ohio) Daily Tribune, Pomeroy (Ohio) Daily Sentinel, Lumberton (N.C.) Daily Robesonian, Clinton

(N.C.) Sampson Independent, Tarboro (N.C.) Daily Southerner, McDonough (Ga.) Henry Herald, Jonesboro (Ga.) Clayton News Daily and Point Pleasant (W.Va.) Register.

The 12 weekly or multi-weekly newspapers include The Floyd County Times, The Hazard Herald, the Grayson County News-Gazette in Leitchfield and the Russellville News-Democrat and Leader in Kentucky, as well as the Claiborne County Progress in Tazewell, Tenn., the Macon County Times in Lafayette, Tenn., the Bladen County Journal in Elizabethtown, N.C., the Fuqua-Varina (N.C.) Independent, the Garner (N.C.) News, the Apex (N.C.) Herald, the Jackson (Ga.) Progress-Argus and the Thomaston (Ga.) Times.

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Magoffin abuse case to be tried in Prestonsburg

by JARRID DEATON STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A criminal abuse case filed in Magoffin County last February has been moved to Floyd County.

Kristel Shireman, 22, and Kevin Cole, 26, both of Salyersville, were indicted on charges of criminal abuse by a grand jury in Magoffin Circuit Court. Shireman was charged with 14 counts of first-degree criminal abuse and Cole was charged with one count of first-degree criminal abuse and being a persistent felony offender.

According to court docu-

ments, Shireman caused torture and punishment to a minor female relative in her custody. The indictment alleges that Shireman burned the girl on her arm and feet, caused torture or trauma to her feet and ankles, trauma to her head, internal organs, trauma to her mouth and lips, contusions to her arm, pulling hair from her head, trauma to her arm and wrist, trauma to her back, buttocks, leg and hip, deprived her of medical services necessary to maintain her health and welfare by refusing medical treatment for injuries to her head and

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Attempted murder suspect answers charges in court

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — A Chloe Creek woman appeared for a preliminary hearing on Wednesday in Pike District Court to face charges in relation to an incident in which she is accused of attacking a 78-year-old neighbor with a claw hammer while attempting to rob him.

As previously reported, Deanna Michelle Keene, 23, was arrested on Feb. 21, and charged with attempted mur-

der, first-degree robbery and first-degree assault after she allegedly attacked Argie Goble with the claw end of a hammer.

Goble was admitted to St. Mary's in Huntington, W.Va., where it was believed that he had sustained a broken fourth cervical vertebrae, as well as severe lacerations to the head.

According to investigating officer John F. Hunt, of the Pikeville City Police Department, Goble positively

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photo by Loretta Blackburn

Deana Michelle Keene, 23, left, who is charged with attempted murder, robbery and assault, appeared in Pike District Court on Wednesday, where a preliminary hearing was postponed.

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■ **ELIZABETHTOWN** — "Thou shalt not use a stolen credit card" isn't one of the Ten Commandments. It seems like wise advice, especially after a man accused of stealing from several churches was tracked down through a purchase at a Christian bookstore.

Cecil T. Turner, 50, of Louisville, is accused of rummaging through at least three churches and stealing money and a credit card, police spokesman Terry Cox said.

Turner, who is being held on \$5,000 bond, pleaded innocent Monday to charges stemming from the allegations. He is scheduled for a hearing next week.

On Friday, an employee at one of the churches — Grace Heartland Church — reported a

credit card missing from her purse. The credit card company was notified, and they told police the card had just been used at the Lifeway Christian Bookstore in Elizabethtown.

A manager at the Alpha Omega Bookstore called police. Turner was arrested about 15 minutes later for fraudulent use of a credit card and three counts of third-degree burglary. He was also cited for driving on a suspended license.

"He bought 10 copies of a Bible study called 'Making Peace With Your Past' and a follow-up study called 'Moving Beyond Your Past,'" bookstore manager Jonathan Gallegly said.

The books allegedly purchased by Turner were found in

the car along with a receipt that matched the stolen credit card. The missing money and the card were found in Turner's pockets, Cox said.

■ **LAFAYETTE, Ind.** — Booking flights online has led some travelers bound for Louisiana far afield of their intended destination — about 761 miles astray.

About once a month, a passenger who had expected to step off the plane in Lafayette, La., shows up at Purdue University Airport in west-central Indiana.

"Most of the people speak very little or no English," said Chuck Burns, general manager of AmericanConnection, the commercial carrier at the Purdue airport. "We try to accommodate them the best we can and get them down there. A lot of the people are pretty distraught."

The problem apparently lies with travelers who use the Internet to book flights and choose the wrong three-letter airport code, confusing West Lafayette's LAF code for Lafayette, La., which has LFT as its code.

The problem with misdirected fliers was more frequent when Northwest Airlin had operations at the Purdue airport, because the airline served both Lafayettes until it pulled out of Purdue in December.

Northwest even offered misdirected fliers a special fare to the other Lafayette, Purdue airport Director Betty Stansbury said.

Similar problems have occurred at airports in Grand Rapids, Mich., and Grand Rapids, Minn., as well as in Rochester, Minn., and Rochester, N.Y., and a host of other U.S. cities.

"You feel bad for the people," Burns said. "It's not their fault."

■ **KEWASKUM, Wis.** — Happier than a pig in mud? Not if you're Pi-g, a home-loving 2-year-old pot-bellied porker.

The Kewaskum Plan Commission refused this week to amend village ordinances that would allow the pig, pronounced Pie-gee — who lives indoors with Scott Konzal and Greg Bernau — to be considered a domesticated pet.

"People enjoy (them) as a pet and not a barnyard animal," Konzal said. "Pi-g's a part of my family. She gives everyone joy the neighbors, friends, family."

They said they will be contacting a lawyer.

"This is, in one word, ridiculous," Bernau said. "There are more important things to worry about."

The two moved to Kewaskum last April with Pi-g, and Konzal went to the village to ask if there were any permits, licenses or fees required for pot-bellied pigs. He was told, incorrectly, there were

none.

A complaint was brought to the village and last month Konzal got a letter saying owning Pi-g was in violation of the ordinance. One option was to ask the village to change the ordinance or issue a conditional permit.

Pot-bellied pigs, Konzal said, are domesticated just like cats and dogs, which the ordinance allows. They have no human communicable diseases and are quiet, he added.

■ **NEWARK, N.J.** — He's one Lucky dog.

A Rottweiler mix named Rover — stranded on an ice floe on the Passaic River — has been adopted by a firefighter who rowed to his rescue last week.

Kearny Fire Capt. Tom McDermott was expected to pick up the dog on Thursday, according to the Associated Humane Societies of Newark. The firefighter said he planned to change Rover's name to

Lucky.

McDermott said he's going to change Rover's name to Lucky.

The firefighter got in a row-boat last Wednesday with George Smith, a Humane Societies manager, and the pair paddled for hours in the icy river to rescue the dog.

"When I saw him out there on that ice floe, he was helpless and all by himself," McDermott said. "At that point I said if somebody doesn't claim him, I would be interested. I knew I wanted him."

The dog belonged to an elderly couple who have since said they are unable to care for the animal, and surrendered the dog to the animal agency.

McDermott brought his two chocolate Labrador retrievers — Abigail and Smokey — to the shelter Monday to get acquainted.

"They seemed to get along," McDermott said. "I'm sure it's

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## Nunny Noces

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Tract I: Beginning at a stake at the chain link fence at the south-westerly corner of K. Stephens property, near the northerly right-of-way of Ford Street, and with the fence S 68-07E 50.60 feet to a stake in the fence; thence N30-45E 77.00 feet to a stake, corner of Vonnie Chaffins' property; thence running with the Chaffins property N59 15W 50.00 feet to a stake in the fence; thence leaving Chaffins property and running toward Ford Street S30 45W 84.40 feet to the beginning. Containing 0.093 acres.

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### One year ago:

The body of a young girl found outside San Diego was positively identified as that of 7-year-old Danielle van Dam, who'd disappeared from her bedroom about a month earlier; a neighbor, David Westerfield, was later convicted of her murder and sentenced to death. Hindus in western India retaliated for a train attack that claimed some 60 lives by setting fire to Muslims' homes, then keeping firefighters away for hours. Soap opera actress Mary Stuart, who had starred in "Search for Tomorrow" for some 35 years, died in New York at age 75.

### Today's Birthdays:

Actor Charles Durning is 80. Svetlana Alliluyeva, daughter of Josef Stalin, is 77. Actor Gavin MacLeod is 72. Actor Don Francks is 71. Actor-director-dancer Tommy Tune is 64. Auto racer Mario Andretti is 63. Singer Joe South is 63. Actor Frank Bonner is 61. Actress Kelly Bishop is 59. Football player Bubba Smith is 58. Actress Stephanie Beacham is 56. Actress Mercedes Ruchl is 55. Actress Bernadette Peters is 55. Basketball player Adrian Dantley is 47. Actor John Turturro is 46. Rock singer Cindy Wilson is 46. Actress Rae Dawn Chong is 42. Actor Robert Sean Leonard is 34. Rock singer Pat Monahan (Train) is 34. Actress Maxine Bahns is 32.

### Thought for Today:

"Who will give me back those days when life had wings and flew just like a skylark in the sky." — Marcelline Desbordes-Valmore, French actress and poet (1786-1859).



# Bill would lower retirement benefits for government workers

by BRUCE SCHREINER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Future state and local government employees would have reduced retirement benefits under a bill approved by a Senate committee Thursday. They also would have to work longer.

If enacted, the changes in retirement rules would apply to state and local government workers hired on or after July 1, 2004. Pensions and other benefits for current employees would not be affected.

Sen. Albert Robinson, chairman of the State and Local Government Committee, said the public employee retirement system has been strained to the breaking point by

stock market losses and its own liberal rules.

Employees in "hazardous duty" jobs, such as police officers and firefighters, now can retire with full benefits after 20 years, regardless of age. Most are in their late 30s or early 40s, said Robinson, R-London. Those in the nonhazardous system get full retirement at 27

years. "It has gotten so generous, so liberal and quite frankly so lucrative that our taxpayers cannot afford it any longer," he said.

Under Robinson's bill, future hires in hazardous duty could not raise taxes, postpone pay raises or increase employees' payments into retirement funds, he said.

When times get better, future legislatures can sweeten retirement benefits for the new hires, he said.

Robinson's bill had some Democratic support. Minority Leader Ed Worley of Richmond said hazardous-duty retirement before age 40 has become an "unre-

alistic benefit."

One opponent, Democratic Sen. Walter Blevins of Sandy Hook, said Robinson's proposal would make it difficult to recruit police and firefighters. Public employee groups also opposed the bill.

Tim Johnson, representing Kentucky Professional Firefighters, told the committee that the bill would create a two-tier retirement system that could hurt camaraderie among rookie and veteran police and firefighters.

Opponents also questioned whether forcing police and firefighters to stay on a demanding job into their 50s was a good idea.

## School

Prestonsburg Elementary, lead by Rep. Stumbo, are now trying to interfere with the decisions of the local board of education through what is at best usurping the authority of the local board, or at worse is illegal special legislation."

When Stumbo was successful in including a line in the budget that could keep PES from being closed as a part of plans being pushed by LPC members, a good number of city residents applauded the effort — especially those who had spearheaded the resistance.

Many local and state figures became highly visible in that resistance, including PES principal Gwen Hale Frazier, who had voted against the consolidation proposal as an LPC member in February; Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin, who has since initiated plans to return Prestonsburg to a city school district to avoid closing; and Stumbo, who hopes to see his line in the budget to save PES soon passed into law.

The Senate approved another version of a state budget Wednesday, but it did not

include any language meant to protect PES as a historical community school. The two houses must now confer to work out a compromise budget in order for it to become law, or adjourn without a budget, as they did twice last year.

Stumbo's eagerness to include his political influence in the fight to save the school from being closed is directly undermining those working to provide better educational opportunities for area children, Ross says.

"They're hamstringing five people [the Floyd County Board of Education] who are trying to educate kids with what little bit of money we've got," said Ross. "They're trying to be educational leaders in Floyd County. They're trying to get out in front and say, 'Look folks, this is what's best for our children.'"

Stumbo says the decision making in this situation falls in the laps of the legislators.

"The General Assembly is sort of the ultimate decider of public policy," Stumbo said. "In this instance, it just happens to disagree with the local planning commission."

Stumbo, who directly opposes plans to revisit a city school district system to keep the school open, says that, considering the funding options for the closing proposed by LPC, he and the other legislators become the primary roleplayers in a final say.

"Since the money that's being used would come from

Frankfort, we — the General Assembly — are the ultimate authority on how that money's to be spent. That's our job," Stumbo said.

In February LPC members capped off nearly two years of open public meetings and community planning to develop a school facility plan for review by the Kentucky Department of Education. That plan predicted that student enrollment for Floyd County would drop over the next decade or so from 6,739 to 5,338 students, a projected loss of 1,401 students.

In their report, the LPC provided one of several options aimed at meeting KDE approval which would close PES and mean students would then be bused to other area schools.

The proposal would simply be ineffective, according to Stumbo.

"It's a goofy formula," said Stumbo. "What they proposed was not acceptable, in my opinion."

When asked to respond to questions concerning comparisons between other county schools which have been closed without legislative attention, Stumbo said there is one obvious difference.

"It's like apples and oranges," Stumbo said. "Wheelwright, for example, was closed because it was consolidated. There were no plans for consolidation here. There was no new school ... In this instance, what they've talked about doing was closing the grade school and moving part to Clark and part to Allen. That's a totally different situation."

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## Hearing

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identified Keene as the perpetrator as a result of photos from a previous case. He said that Goble knew Keene, who lived across the road from him, and opened the door for her and a accomplice, who is still anonymous at this time.

Hunt said Goble testified that Keene asked him to give them his money and when he refused, she hit him in the head with the hammer, rendering him unconscious. Keene and her accomplice allegedly left at that time, leaving Goble for dead.

Hunt, who had previously worked an arson case at the suspect's residence last year, had photos of Keene, which Goble later identified as the woman who struck him.

Hunt reported that when he arrested Keene last Friday, her companion, Rhonda Fields, became a suspect because she was with Keene and was drunk. An arrest warrant was also issued for Amanda L. Hamlin, who lives with Keene, but Keene told Hunt that Hamlin had been out of town for six months.

Hunt reported that Keene's mother had taken a trip to

Hamlin's alleged whereabouts the night of the assault and Hamlin could have went at that time. Therefore, she is still a suspect and wanted for questioning.

According to Hunt, Goble was released from St. Mary's on Tuesday, and did not have a broken vertebrae as previously suspected. He said that his family had taken him back to Indiana out of fear for his safety.

"It's a shame someone would do a 78-year-old man that way," said Hunt.

Keene's attorney was not present for the preliminary hearing set for Wednesday. After Keene waived the time constraints at the advice of temporary counsel, the hearing was rescheduled for March 6. She is currently being held on a \$50,000 cash bond.

## Brown

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"We have enjoyed owning and operating this fine group of publications, and that made the decision to part with them a very difficult one," said Mike Reed, president and CEO of CNHI.

"However, we are fortunate that these papers, while no longer strategic to CNHI, fit nicely with Brown's expansion plans. I am certain that the combination of Brown's expertise and the fine people at these locations will bring even better future service to these communities."

"The newspapers have a long, successful history of serving their communities, and we are please CNHI chose us to succeed to their ownership," added Roy Brown, president and CEO of Brown Publishing. "We are fortunate to have such a compelling opportunity to grow our company with such proven businesses and look forward to continuing that growth in the years to come."

"We're excited to become a part of a stable, family-owned business, such as Brown," said Times Publisher Rod Collins. "We have enjoyed our time with CNHI, and we're looking forward to working with Brown and taking our paper to the next level."

After completion of this sale, CNHI will operate 95 daily newspapers with about 1 million daily circulation, as well as 58 non-daily and 149 specialty publications in 21 states.

## Assault charge filed following knife attack

by LORETTA BLACKBURN  
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — A Stopover man accused of knifing his neighbor on Feb. 15, waived his preliminary hearing on Wednesday in Pike District

Court. According to a court document, Roy Lynn Hunt, 27, was arrested and charged with first-degree assault for allegedly cutting his neighbor during an altercation shortly past midnight. Tpr. B. Cramer, KSP, reported that there were major injuries to the abdomen of the victim, who was admitted to South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Court documents show that Hunt was arraigned on Feb. 17, at which time a \$15,000 cash bond was set. A property bond was signed on Feb. 21.

Hunt appeared in Pike District on Wednesday, at which time his attorney waived the preliminary hearing.

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# Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

*"To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual means of preserving peace"*

—George Washington

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Guest View

## Editorial roundup

*The Morning Call, Allentown, Pa., on increased gas prices:*  
... The U.S. Department of Energy reported last week that average per-gallon gasoline prices went up 8 cents in one week. In fact, since the end of 2002, the price of a gallon has gone up 29 cents, on average. By the end of last week, the American Automobile Association reported, the average national price was \$1.66, a nickel below the record average of \$1.71, which was reached in May 2001.

With the military buildup and bellicose diplomacy dominating the news, common wisdom looks at the gasoline prices and makes a connection. The oil supply from Iraq and the rest of the Middle East has not yet been disrupted by fighting, so the conclusion that most people jump to is that oil companies and even local retailers are using Iraq news to gouge customers. ...

A cold winter in the United States has increased consumption. Paradoxically, gas stations report that nervous drivers are topping off their tanks more often, so while prices have increased, consumption remains strong. Another issue is that Americans are buying bigger, less-efficient vehicles that contribute to rising consumption over time. ...

The variety of factors has reduced crude oil supplies, and refineries respond by reducing production. That constricts the supply to customers. As long as consumption remains strong, ordinary market forces push prices up.

... Even if an "evil one" can't be identified in this situation, conservation is the most reliable way to respond.

*The Modesto (Calif.) Bee, on American allies and the costs of war:*

To win allies for its campaign to disarm Iraq, President Bush has opened the nation's pocketbook. He is offering financial inducements whose total is unknown but is sure to be in the tens of billions of dollars, not including the cost of fighting a war. At least as troubling as the price tag is whether the administration is making promises that could come back to haunt it.

Turkey is a critical case in point. Washington wants to deploy troops along Turkey's border with Iraq, to open a northern front in the event of war. As a condition, the Turks have demanded money — \$15 billion is the latest reported figure, or about \$50 per American. But they also want more: U.S. assent to a leading role for Turkish forces in Kurdish areas of northern Iraq, a role U.S. officials appear to have approved. Ankara hopes to prevent a repeat of the Kurdish refugee exodus that followed the 1991 Persian Gulf War by delivering humanitarian relief to the Kurds in Iraq. ...

No one can foretell the exact course of events if war comes. But the apparent extent of the U.S. commitment to Turkey — apparent because many details are still unresolved and because the Turkish parliament, facing strong popular opposition to war, has delayed voting on the plan — only adds to the list of dire consequences that could flow from a U.S. invasion of Iraq.

This is not the only reason for President Bush to think twice before going to war, but it's a powerful one.

### TURKEY'S BIG ROLL IN THE WAR WITH IRAQ:



### In the moment

## Surviving in the Moment

While watching a 1920s documentary called "Nanook of the North", I was moved by the smiling faces of Eskimos, who lived day to day, unaware of when the next meal would be available. They endured harsh winds and weather that would kill most of the people I know within hours.

Often, the igloos they built from the snow were their only shelter. It was a place where fire could not be afforded even if there had been material available for fuel. The only warmth available to Nanook's family was that which they emitted from each other as they slept together on mats of fur that rested on snow.

Children were confined to the hood

of mom's coat until 3 or 4 years old, at which time they started eating raw fish and seal like the rest of the family.

Their food supply depended on the hunting skills of Nanook, who, though strong, capable and competent, just couldn't find a catch some days.

It sounds like a gruesome way of life doesn't it? I cringed at times as I watched this family struggle for survival and marveled at the primitive culture shown on this film that was made before sound was available.



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However, sound was not necessary to capture the most amazing thing that I observed and that was the smiling faces of people who ate seal blubber from the body of a seal with their bare hands. They were thrilled to have a meal. It didn't matter that they were bare-handed in temperatures well below freezing or that their only means of transportation on an ocean of ice was a few dogs and wolves attached to a sled, with which they had to share their meager amount of food.

All they were concerned about was that at that moment, they had food. They were truly living in that moment, which they appeared to perceive as a blissful one in which they would escape starvation for at least a few more days.

### Guest Column

## For Kentucky's sake, do your job!

by LACEY MCNARY AND CHRIS SANDERS

Kentucky's finances are in sorry shape, and if the General Assembly doesn't do something impressive quick, ordinary, working Kentuckians are going to be hurt worse. Like the ice-storm victims in the Lexington area, we can be patient for a little while as those in charge regroup to meet the crisis. But our patience is quickly wearing thin in the face of weakness, fear, political pandering, and excuses.

Kentucky, like many other states, faces a "structural" deficit, which will grow to \$2.3 billion by 2010. This structural deficit is a mismatch between the growing expense of government and the revenue collected by government through taxes. It's like a family spending more money each year than their income and carrying debt on a credit card. But Kentucky doesn't have a credit card and must balance its budget each year.

The Legislature's current

budget proposals essentially cut program funding to thousands of vulnerable Kentuckians by not adjusting funding levels for inflation. This is done at a time when services needed by the state's citizens, such as education and health care, continue to grow.

The General Assembly doesn't have a serious attitude about revenue to take care of people. At the beginning of the session, we asked them to dig in and create an overall just tax system that will meet the state's needs. We said, "For Kentucky's sake, do your job." We heard a deafening silence.

So we said, if they won't raise the money for people, we'll raise it ourselves. We brought "Bakin' for the Budget" to the Capitol last week, distributing brownies and cookies in exchange for contributions to the Commonwealth. Our goal was \$500 million, to make up the deficit. We raised over \$400, and gave it to the Treasury. (If others want to follow our lead, let's hold

bake sales every day for the next 3000 years!)

In place of a serious attitude toward revenue, we get attitude. "No new taxes." It's a non-answer. It's a conversation-stopper. It's a slap at people who speak up for people, expecting thoughtful answers to hard questions. We believe the polls that say Kentuckians don't want the government to raise their taxes. Ask an obvious question, get an obvious answer! In this lousy economy, people want more money in their pockets, not less. It's the wrong question.

We say to the General Assembly, stop changing the subject. The subject isn't whether average working people should be forced to pay more taxes. The subject is how government provides services for the people. We believe in taking care of children, seniors, and the disabled. We know we need education, law enforcement, health care and increased security in these scary times. We know that these services don't fall down like manna from heaven, and patriotic people believe in shared sacrifice for the common good.

Show some backbone. Stop running from people who threaten your job with a "no new taxes" pledge. We elected you to do your job, to run a government in service of the people. If you're afraid

to do your job in order to keep your job, that's no job at all.

Tell us the truth. We said all along that at the eleventh hour, you would come up with some stopgap solution to get us through this year and either take credit for saving Kentucky or blame the other party for making a mess. Now we see the slots proposal come forward. But it is equally disturbing: relying solely on a single-issue revenue source as the way to solve our budgetary problems. While these proposals may provide a temporary relief from our fiscal problems, they ignore the need for long-term policy change and revenue reform.

We need a budget that works for working people. We need tax justice. We need you to confront the crisis now, while there's still time in this session.

For Kentucky's sake, do your job.

McNary is Policy Analyst for Kentucky Youth Advocates. Sanders is Secretary-Treasurer of the Kentucky State AFL-CIO. Both organizations are members of Kentuckians Allied for Revenue Reform, a coalition of over 45 labor, religious and human services organizations working for government in service of the people.

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AT THE MOVIES:

# "Cradle 2 The Grave"



by SHEILA NORMAN-CULP  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

East meets West, hip-hop hangs with kung fu, and the feet and the fists are flying as Jet Li and DMX team up in the high-octane thriller "Cradle 2 The Grave."

Su, a Taiwanese government agent, and Tony Fait, the mastermind of a diamond heist, prove that "the enemy of my enemy" does not have to be a friend — but sure can be a partner who comes in handy.

Both are after the chiseled, chilling Ling (Mark Dacascos), an international arms dealer who doesn't care if the world blows up as long as he is paid for his mysterious "black diamonds."

Trouble is, Fait has stolen the diamonds from a high-security vault and already fenced them. Now he has to get them back — for Ling has kidnapped his young daughter. Su knows Ling all too well — and may be the only hope Fait has of seeing the plucky Vanessa again.

"Cradle 2 The Grave," a Warner Bros. Pictures release, is rated R for violence, language and some sexual content. Running time: 102 minutes.

**Two and one-half stars out of four**

But who goes to a Jet Li movie for the plot? And if the audience craves slick, fast-paced action and original, death-defying stunts, well, director Andrzej Bartkowiak (who earlier directed "Romeo Must Die" starring Li, "Exit Wounds" with DMX and was in charge of photogra-

phy for "Lethal Weapon IV" and "Speed" among many other films) is only too happy to oblige.

The astonishing opening sequence, where Li simply drops from balcony to balcony in a high-rise building, should come with a "Jackass"-like disclaimer: DO NOT TRY THIS AT HOME.

For his part, DMX takes the favorite toy of country kids nationwide, a souped-up all-terrain vehicle, and careens from rooftop to rooftop in a very urban landscape. The screaming yellow ATV adds much needed spice to the traditional police chase and car wreck scenes.

Too bad the dialogue doesn't always have the punch of action scenes. While Li, with his stoic reserve, has a few good lines — "I'm not Bruce" he reminds one opponent — the muscled, charismatic DMX and the ruth-

less Dacascos are stuck with clunkers.

"It's my little girl," DMX says woefully, begging for help from another crime lord.

"Make another one," is the caustic reply.

The fast-talking Anthony Anderson (most recently seen in "Kangaroo Jack" and "Barbershop") shows why he's one of the funniest young actors in Hollywood today — as he (reluctantly) flirts with a gay security guard during the diamond heist. And Tom Arnold mines his traditional shtick while fencing Fait's stolen loot, but he tosses out so many one-liners that only one-in-five comes up a winner.

The movie's sex appeal falls to martial arts expert Kelly Hu and Gabrielle Union, star of "Bring it On" and "Deliver Us

(See GRAVE, page six)

## House panel votes down constitutional amendment proposal for gambling

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — A proposed constitutional amendment to let Kentucky voters decide whether to legalize more types of gambling was narrowly defeated in a House committee Thursday.

The proposal would have enabled the General Assembly to authorize additional gambling at race tracks or at facilities within a 50-mile radius of a licensed track,

said Rep. Susan Westrom, D-Lexington, the bill's sponsor.

"I think this is a discussion that has had to be held on top of the table," Westrom told the Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee. "And, it's been very difficult to bring everybody together."

Westrom said her bill would have allowed track owners to decide what kind of gambling they wanted.

The horse racing industry is pushing a bill to allow video gaming, which would be limited to the state's eight licensed tracks. The tracks pledged to make advance payment of \$400 million in taxes.

That measure would not go on the ballot. Its proponents claim the legislature already has the authority to authorize expanded gambling.

Bob Elliston, president of Turfway Park, said it "seems very unlikely" that lawmakers will pass that measure this session. Majority Leader Greg Stumbo, a driving force behind the tracks' bill, said he agreed with Elliston that it had little or no chance.

(Westrom's legislation is House Bill 559. The tracks' legislation is in HB 536 and HB 537.)

## Fox says it is readying a second version of 'Joe Millionaire'

by DAVID BAUDER  
AP TELEVISION WRITER

NEW YORK — Flush with the success of "Joe Millionaire," Fox executives said Wednesday that they are readying a second edition.

Fox would not say when the hit reality series would return or how a sequel would differ from the first, which was based on a joke that everyone but the female competitors were in on.

"It can't be done identically to the first one for all the obvious reasons," said Sandy Grushow, Fox Television Entertainment chairman.

Grushow said the network "has come up with a notion that carries all of the same values forward. We're obviously optimistic that it will perform extremely well when it returns."

An estimated 40 million viewers watched the final hour of the series on Feb. 17, helping lead Fox to its first-ever victory in a ratings "sweeps" month among viewers aged 18 to 49.

CBS was the most popular network in February when viewers of all ages are counted. But networks like Fox, NBC and ABC are intensely interested in the youthful demographic because it's craved by advertisers.

The chaotic February sweeps was marked by intense competition for Michael Jackson programming and reality series like "American Idol" and "The Bachelorette" that could be moved and expanded in a scheduling chess game.

CBS President Leslie Moonves called it the "craziest sweeps in the history of television." NBC Entertainment Chairman Jeff Zucker said it was "nutty" and his ABC counterpart, Lloyd Braun, called it "wild and woolly."

All of those assessments left Grushow somewhat miffed.

"The comments are so transparent that it borders on being comical," he said. "If they feel that February was ridiculous or crazy or nutty, they ought to be ready for ridiculous or crazy months of March, April and May."

Zucker congratulated Fox and noted it was the first sweeps month NBC had lost in the 18-

to-49-year-old demographic since February 2000.

"Obviously, it's disappointing that we didn't win," Zucker said. "But it's far more a credit to what Fox did than what we didn't do."

One of NBC's top priorities for this summer and next year is to develop a successful relationship-based reality series along the lines of "Joe Millionaire" and "The Bachelor," he said.

Meanwhile, ABC announced Thursday it was preparing a

fourth edition of "The Bachelor" that "has the heir to a well-known family, a 'Dynasty'-like family," ABC executive Susan Lyne said.

Fox is about to debut "Married by America," a series based on the idea that it can marry off two longing-for-love people who had never met. In April, Fox presents "Mr. Personality," a series that "explores how looks effect love," said entertainment President Gail Berman.

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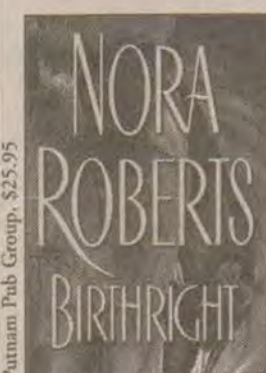
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Maria Alexandra Deuber, 30, of Germany, to Bruce Dee Keathley, 21, of Banner.  
Doris Jean Rowe, 46, to Johnny Lee Craft, 52, both of Harold.  
Gereva L. Hall, 39, to Jorge Heredia, 26, both of Ivel.

### Civil Suits Filed

Timothy Smith vs. Angela R. Smith; divorce.  
Rona Triplett vs. Michael Triplett; divorce.  
Melissa Johnson vs. Mary A. Dodson; compensation for injuries in automobile accident.  
Phyllis A. Johnson vs. Larry D. Mitchell; petition for health care insurance.  
Elizabeth G. Meade vs. Thomas M. Meade; petition for health care insurance.  
Jennifer L. Mullins vs.

Melissa D. Mullins; petition for health care insurance.  
Sabrina Case vs. Billy Holloway; petition for health care insurance.  
Angela S. Tackett vs. Jonathon R. Tackett; petition for child support.  
Toby M. Akers vs. Monica Younce; petition for sole custody.  
Chester Akers vs. Tina Marie Mullins; petition for custody.  
Rodney Stepp vs. Amanda Stepp; divorce.  
Michael D. Brown vs. Dawn R. Morrison; petition for child support and health care insurance.  
Peggy S. Hoover vs. Michael Hoover; petition for health care insurance.  
Jimmy D. Hall vs. Thelma E. Hall; petition for child support and health care insurance.  
Christy R. Hamilton vs. Bradley S. Hamilton; petition for health care insurance.

Karen F. Hall vs. Robert Keathley; petition for health care insurance.  
Vickie Hamilton vs. Christopher Jamey Hamilton; divorce.  
Shannon Diana Walker vs. Timothy Paul Walker; divorce.  
Mary Ellen Mosley vs. Scottie Lee Mosley; divorce.  
Jessica Kenmore vs. Elton Kenmore; divorce.

### Small Claims

Sharon Parker vs. Stephanie Jackson; return of car payment.  
Eric C. Conn vs. Brenda Hill; debt collection.  
Eric C. Conn vs. Jo Ann Adkins; debt collection.  
Eric C. Conn vs. Claudia Hall; debt collection.  
David Allen and Kim Allen vs. Rita Thornberry; rent payment and damages to property.

### Charges Filed

Timmy Douglas Yates Jr., 23, Martin, fugitive/governor's warrant.  
Ronnie D. Terry, 47, Lackey, fugitive/governor's warrant.  
Leonard Hall, 68, Martin, first-degree wanton endangerment, terroristic threatening, menacing.  
Terence A. Gibson, 39, Warsaw, Ind., DUI, two counts of failure to wear seat belt, first-degree possession of controlled substance, two counts of second-degree possession of controlled substance, third-degree possession of controlled substance.  
Debra Hampton, age unlisted, Pikeville, theft by deception.  
Jennifer Coahran, 30, Prestonsburg, theft by deception.  
Linda Lee Spears, 44, Prestonsburg, harassment, harassing communications.  
Timothy Hall, 24, Paintsville, alcohol intoxication.

alcohol intoxication.  
Roland H. Adkins, 18, Toler, public intoxication.  
Lonzo Bowling, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, third-degree criminal trespassing.  
Jason Slusher, 26, Allen, alcohol intoxication, possession marijuana, use/possession paraphernalia.  
James B. Arnett, 21, Salyersville, alcohol intoxication.  
Elray Cline, 19, Prestonsburg, public intoxication.  
James A. Adkins, 35, Harold, public intoxication.  
Jessica Thornberry, age unlisted, Prestonsburg, harassing communications.  
Fredrick Nathan Collins, 26, Staffordsville, first-degree trafficking in a cocaine, possession marijuana, DUI, license to be in possession.  
Stephen Ray Blevins, 33, Langley, second-degree possession of controlled substance.

### Inspections

South Floyd High School, Hi Hat, regular inspection. Violations noted: Container in back storage area contains unknown items, spray bottle does not have label, milk coolers have no conspicuous thermometers, outside dumpster not properly enclosed, top lid of scoop holder has dust. Score: 96.  
McDowell Grade School, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Restroom floors in disrepair, light out in restroom, hallway in disrepair, electrical room not locked. Score: 89.  
Boyd's Dairy Bar, Dana, regular inspection. Violations noted: Single service articles reused, floors in disrepair, walls in restroom in disrepair. Score: 96.

### Property

#### Transfers

R.J. Ratliff and Geneva Ratliff to Floyd Lawrence Patton and Sheila Renee Patton, property located on Turner Branch of Right Beaver Creek.  
City of Prestonsburg to E.B. May and Allie May, property located, Crestwood Subdivision.  
Betty Joe Estep, Barbara Booth and Edward Booth, Daniel May and Beatrice May to Charles Tackett and Shelia Tackett, property located, Clear Creek.  
Toni Collins to Bucky Collins, property location not listed.  
Otis Hansel Cooley and Sarah Frances Cooley to First Guaranty Bank, property location not listed.  
H.D. Fitzpatrick Jr. and Martha Jane Fitzpatrick, Yancey Ligon Clark and Carol S. Clark and Yancey Ligon Clark to Yancey L. Clark et al., LLC, property location not listed.  
Christopher Eplin and Cynthia Eplin to Jimmy Kendrick and Vickie Kendrick, property located on Mare Creek.  
H.D. Fitzpatrick Jr. and Martha Jane Fitzpatrick, Yancey Ligon Clark and Carol S. Clark, and Yancey Ligon Clark to Franklin D. Fitzpatrick and H.D. Fitzpatrick Jr., property location not listed.  
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property location not listed.  
Tracy D. Neece and Stacy L. Neece to Tracy D. Neece and Stacy L. Neece, property located on Big Mud Creek.  
H.D. Fitzpatrick Jr. and Martha Jane Fitzpatrick, Yancey Ligon Clark and Carol S. Clark, and Yancey L. Clark to Franklin D. Fitzpatrick and H.D. Fitzpatrick Jr. Living Trust, property location not listed.  
H.D. Fitzpatrick Jr., H.D. Fitzpatrick Jr., Martha Jane Fitzpatrick and Sallye L. Clark to Yancey L. Clark et al., LLC, property location not listed.  
H.D. Fitzpatrick Jr., trustee of Fitzpatrick H.D. Fitzpatrick Jr., to Yancey L. Clark et al., LLC to Franklin D. Fitzpatrick, property location not listed.  
Ron Hall to Doris Rowe, property location not listed.  
William B. Johnson IV and Jennifer Johnson to Cendant Mobility Government Financial Services Corporation, property location not listed.  
Brenda Ratliff Bentley and Lawrence Bentley to Wetzel M. Queen and Faye Denise Queen and Leslie Nicole Queen Gilliam, property location not listed.  
Glen Pack to Ruth Karen Marcum, property located, town of Allen.  
Master Commissioners deed: Thomas M. Orf, et al, to Kentucky Housing Corporation, property location not listed.  
Willard Hamilton Jr. and Lena Mae Hamilton to Willard Hamilton Jr., et al., property location not listed.  
Willard Hamilton Jr. and Lena Mae Hamilton to Willard Hamilton Jr., et al., property location not listed.  
Bobby D. Jones and Barbara Jones to Donna Henson, property located, Burton Village Subdivision, Left Beaver Creek.  
Clarence A. Pouch and Pauline Pouch to Bobby D. Jones and Barbara S. Jones, property located, Burton Village Subdivision, Left Beaver Creek.  
Joyce Ann Conley Hinkle and Kevin Hinkle to Kenneth Ray Conley, property located, Ky. 80.  
Oakwood Acceptance Corporation LLC, to Mitzi Robinson, property location not listed.  
Allen Taylor to Joseph L. Taylor, property located, City of Wheelwright.  
Thomas N. Hall and John C. Hall Jr., Watergap Properties and Burnetta Hall, and Gloria






Hall to First Baptist Church of Allen, property location not listed.  
Joseph L. Taylor, and Allen Taylor to Keith Gordon Taylor, property located, Otter Creek.  
Dinah Salisbury Anderson and Gary Anderson to Dinah Salisbury Anderson and Gary Anderson, property location not listed.  
United States Marshal's Deed: Helen McAninch formerly known as Helen Schul and Robert McAninch to Michael D. Moore, property location not listed.  
Tommy L. Dingus and Ramona R. Dingus to Joe W. Allen Jr. and Shanna Allen, property location not listed.  
James R. Cox and Ruth Cox to Jamey Matthew Tomlinson and Marcelina Elizabeth Castillo, property located at Harold.  
Othella Johnson to Clyde Johnson and Stephanie Johnson, property located on Left Beaver Creek on Muddy Gut Branch.  
Jamey Matthew Tomlinson and Marcelina Elizabeth Castillo, property located, Harold.  
Burl Wells Spurlock and Jeanne C. Spurlock and Charles E. Bradley and Della Bradley to Dale Tomlinson and Carol Ann Tomlinson, property located, Katy Friend Branch of Middle Creek.

### Grave

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From Eva."  
Hu is mostly underutilized, while Union displays a smoldering chemistry with DMX.  
Not only did he star in the movie, DMX also wrote and recorded three songs for it and collaborated with Eminem on the film's slick opening track. His fans will not be disappointed.  
And after all that nonstop action, make sure to stick around while the credits roll. Arnold and Anderson's characters engage in a sidesplitting comic riff on how important they were to recovering the diamonds and who should play them in the movie that is sure to follow.  
Mel and Denzel, screen your calls.  
"Cradle 2 The Grave," a Warner Bros. Pictures release, is rated R for violence, language and some sexual content. Running time: 102 minutes. Two and one-half stars out of four.

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## Obituaries

Donna M. Rorrer

Donna M. Rorrer, age 61, of Prestonsburg, passed away Monday, February 24, 2003, at her residence, following an extended illness.  
She was born February 8, 1942, at Johns Creek, a daughter of the late Elzie and Grace (Privitt) Powers.  
She is survived by her husband, Bill Rorrer.  
Other survivors include three daughters, Pat Lemaster, and Stephanie Hall, both of Prestonsburg, and Tammy Hammonds of Michigan; two brothers, Palmer Powers of Auxier, and Porter Powers of Brookhaven, Mississippi; three sisters, Helen Clark of Ironton, Ohio, Shirley Banks of Mishawauka, Indiana, and Ruth Phelps of Ypsilanti, Michigan; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.  
Funeral services will be conducted Friday, February 28, at 1 p.m., from the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church at Auxier, with Rev. Bobby Joe Spencer, Dave Powers, and Junior Fannin officiating.  
Burial will follow in the Auxier Relocation Cemetery, at Auxier.  
Visitation is at the Auxier Freewill Baptist Church.  
Arrangements are under the direction of the Burke Funeral Home, Prestonsburg. (Paid obituary)

Johnny Glenn (Carbide) Terry

Johnny Glenn (Carbide) Terry, 50, of Wayland, died Wednesday, February 26, 2003, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin.  
Born June 11, 1952, in Martin, he was the son of the late Corbett and Ellen Hicks Terry. He was a construction worker.  
Survivors include two brothers, Jack Terry of Wayland, and Greg Terry of Newport News, Virginia; and two sisters, Joyce Bush of Martin, and Judy McGuire of Prestonsburg; a nephew, Brent McGuire; four nieces, Kristen Thacker, Misty Isaac, Regin Slone and Jessica Slone; one great-niece, and five great-nephews.  
Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 1, at 11 a.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Paul Coleman officiating.  
Burial will be in the Hicks Cemetery at Dema.  
Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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# Runoff dispute complicates budget negotiation

by CHARLES WOLFE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The Senate's attempt to use the budget bill to eliminate the runoff primary election complicates budget negotiations, two House leaders said Thursday.

"It's terrible to use the budget document to change public policy," Rep. Larry Clark, a Democrat who is the House speaker pro tem, told reporters.

Clark suggested the General Assembly might again end without a budget. "I don't want a budget that changes the whole ... leg-

islative process," he said.

In its version of a budget bill, the Republican-controlled Senate would eliminate funding for a runoff election. A runoff is triggered if a first-place finisher fails to get 40 percent of the vote in a gubernatorial primary. It has not happened since the runoff was reinstated in 1992.

Clark said Senate President David Williams is trying to protect U.S. Rep. Ernie Fletcher, one of four Republican candidates for governor. "It's perfectly clear that ... Ernie Fletcher can't make the 40 percent, so they want to do away with the runoff," Clark said. Republicans want to repeal the runoff altogether through separate legislation, or at least suspend it in the final budget bill, because it otherwise would remain on the books, even without funding.

The Senate passed its version of the budget on Wednesday. Clark and Rep. Jim Callahan, chairman of the 65-member House Democratic caucus, said the House would decline to go along.

The final budget always is negotiated by House and Senate conferees. But Democratic rumblings about the runoff evokes 2002, when the General Assembly ordinarily would have enacted a biennial budget but instead deadlocked over a Republican proposal to eliminate partial public funding and spending limits for gubernatorial campaigns.

natorial campaigns.

Gov. Paul Patton has been running the state on his own spending plan since July 1. The General Assembly now is working on a budget for the period through June 30, 2004.

Of the current Senate budget, Callahan said: "They're making statutory changes in the budget and we're not going to agree with that."

Also Thursday, college stu-

dents thronged to the Capitol, but tonholing legislators, then rallying in the Rotunda for greater funding of higher education.

Morehead State plans to raise resident tuition by about \$250 a semester in the fall. "Morehead serves a poverty area. We can't afford that increase," Melvin said.

The Senate's budget would give the universities and community colleges \$18.8 million more in base funding than would the

House's version.

Western Kentucky University President Gary Ransdell, whose institution would get an additional \$3 million under the Senate plan, said he promised to hold a tuition increase in the fall to 10.4 percent if the Senate's plan was enacted.

Otherwise, Ransdell said, "we probably would be forced to go something in the 20 to 25 percent range, and that's just to break even."

## Senate budget at a glance

Highlights of executive branch budget bill passed by Kentucky Senate:

- Appropriates \$14.1 billion for current year and fiscal 2004 — \$25.5 million more than House version.
- Cuts funding of governor's office by \$1.7 million next year.
- Forbids pay raises or promotions for nonmerit state employees appointed by governor.
- Eliminates all perks for lieutenant governor.
- Orders state motor vehicle fleet reduced by 1,000 vehicles — 500 more than already ordered by Gov. Paul Patton.
- Spending on personal service contracts would have to be reduced by \$85 million in 2004; the House budget said \$75 million.
- Patton and other constitutional officers could spend no more than 55 percent of the money appropriated for 2004. The idea is to prevent bare cupboards for their successors.
- Freezes executive branch hiring. Exceptions for veterans' nursing homes, Kentucky State Police and Revenue Cabinet.
- Eliminates funding for runoff primary election.
- Effectively shuts down KAPT — Kentucky's Affordable Prepaid Tuition program.
- Eliminates \$100-a-week child care subsidy for "working poor."
- Raises level of basic school funding. Sends school reward money to districts for use in giving raises, if desired.

## Study says cash infusion needed to meet mandates of education reform

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Kentucky will need to pump \$1 billion more a year into education to fulfill the mandates of education reform, a study says.

The study says that just keeping up with programs and the goals of getting all students to a proficient level by 2014 would cost \$892 million a year. The price tag would be \$1.16 billion a year for the foreseeable future when including other initiatives, like an extended school year, more preschool and raising teacher salaries to the national average.

"The learning goals established by KERA are among the most ambitious in the nation, and achieving them will not come without significant and sustained financial commitments on the part of the commonwealth," said Blake Haselton, the Oldham County schools superintendent and vice president of the Council for Better Education, which commissioned the study.

The eight-month study was done by Deborah Versteegen of the University of Virginia.

Several state legislators who received the study Wednesday said they had not had time to study it.

Sen. Lindy Casebier, R-Louisville, said he thought the numbers would take a while to sink in. But he said the study would dovetail with a look at comprehensive tax reform in the next legislative session that could raise the kind of revenue needed to properly finance schools.

Sen. Jack Westwood, R-Erlanger, said the public needed more proof reform was working before it would pony up more money.

"We're spending lots of money, but I'm not sure we're getting a good bang for our buck," he said.

# Best of the Best Nominations

### CASHIER/EMP:

- Ashley Boyd/Food City
- Audrey/Save-A-Lot
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- Karen Perry/IGA Martin
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- Mable Collins/Foodland
- Mandy Stumbo/Heavenly Creations
- Mary Hall/Messers
- Nina/IGA
- Rhonda Hinkle/Stop
- Stephanie McKinney
- Tiffany/Foodland

### SUNDAY SCHOOL:

- Teacher/Emp**
- Angie Nichols/Pleasant Home
  - Ann Sizemore/St. Martha's
  - Barb Shepherd/Rising Sun
  - Cassie Justice/Middle Cr.
  - Charlotte Shannon/LDS Chur
  - Don Hughes/Garrett 1st Bap.
  - Greg Johnson/McDowell
  - Jerry Varney/Hueysville Ch.
  - Kathy Frasure/Pleas. Home
  - Kay LeMaster/Allen Christ
  - Rodney Gardner/Faith
  - Shawn Hamilton/McDowell
  - Sherry Hall
  - Sherry Ratliff/St. James

- Sis Hall/Church of LDS
- Soundra Potter/Auxier
- Sue Collins/Cow Creek
- Tony Meade/Betsy Layne
- Vicky Ellis/Trimble Branch

### BEST PEOPLE:

- Teacher**
- Amy Banks/Allen
  - Amy King/McDowell
  - Angie Waugh/Allen
  - Anita Vanover/Allen
  - Anna Shepherd/May Valley
  - Becky Watts/Betsy Layne
  - Bobbi Lynn Moore/South Floyd
  - Carlotta Jones/Osborne
  - Carrie Adams/Adams
  - Charlene Hamilton/South Floyd
  - Charles Hicks/BL Elem.
  - Charlotte Case/Duff
  - Cindy Allen/Betsy Layne
  - Cindy Hall/MCA
  - Connie McKinney/Betsy Layne
  - Dale Hamilton/McDowell
  - Danita Johnson/McDowell
  - Tonya Miller/Wesley
  - Wanda Johnson/McDowell
  - Wendy Blanton/BLE
  - Stacy Shannon/McDowell
  - Tammy Frasure/ACHS
  - Terri McCoy/PHS
  - Tommy Poe/PHS
  - Ellen Trimble/P'burg HS
  - Greg Johnson/McDowell
  - Gwen Hamilton/McDowell
  - Gwen Williams/ACHS
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  - Jan Wright/Clark
  - Janet Akers/BLH
  - Joy Adams/McDowell
  - Linda Combs/

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- Pat Dye/Adams
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- Garrett 1st Baptist
- Graceway Meth.
- Grethel Baptist
- Hueysville Church
- Katy Friend
- McDowell 1st Baptist
- P'burg Church of Christ
- Pleasant Home
- St. Martha's
- St. James
- Church of LDS
- Third Avenue
- Trimble Chapel
- Wayland Methodist

### PRINCIPAL/EMP:

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- Norm Collins/WQHY
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- Dr. Salisbury
- Dr. Wheeler
- Dr. Majackey
- Nordin
- Richie Salisbury
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- Steve Berger
- Steve Dawson
- Stevie Newsome

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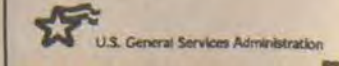
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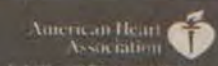
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### ■ ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.

— A man allegedly robbed a convenience store while toting along his 9-month-old son in a car seat.

Jarrod Devinney ran to a nearby hotel with the baby and about \$120 allegedly stolen in the robbery, according to a complaint filed in court.

Without the baby, "it probably would have been a little easier for him to get away," said robbery detective John Thies, who handled Monday's incident. "He's running with that child. He kind of sticks out."

The clerk — who identified Devinney, 22, after his arrest — said a man with a baby came inside the store, bought a candy bar and left. He then returned and asked if he could stand inside because it was too cold outside for the baby, the complaint said.

After customers thinned out, the man stuck his hand inside his jacket and allegedly demanded cash. When the clerk refused, he "told her that if she didn't give him the money, he was going to shoot her," the complaint said.

The clerk gave him all the \$20 bills and was trying to give him more cash when he told her he had enough. The complaint said he then ran off with the

baby, falling once in the process.

Officers who checked nearby hotels found only one tenant with a baby.

"The baby was sleeping when I got there," Thies said, adding that the mother "was a little bit upset at the whole incident."

Devinney was charged with robbery, child abuse and tampering with evidence.

### ■ MINNEAPOLIS

— A man posing as a Minnesota Twins baseball player tried to buy a million-dollar home, but was foiled when he produced a supposedly official document riddled with misspellings and bad grammar.

Dewitt Alonzo Davison, 21, insisted he was just trying to impress his fiancée and her family.

Davison told real estate agents he had recently signed a \$17 million contract with the Twins and wanted to buy a home before he reported for spring training in Fort Myers, Fla. He provided a letter, purportedly from the Twins, that verified his financial status.

But the letter was riddled with misspellings, which made seller Robert Griggs suspicious about the prospective buyer of the \$1.495 million home.

Griggs' real estate agent

contacted the Twins organization, which said they had no one by that name under contract and certainly did not pay him \$17 million.

"It was full of misspellings and grammatical errors," Mark Naylor of the Ramsey County Sheriff's Office said of the letter. "It wasn't even on Twins letterhead."

Davison was arrested for being a military deserter.

"It was a stupid little joke that went too far," Davison said. "I guess I was trying to impress some people."

### ■ SAN FRANCISCO

— A man indicted on federal mail theft charges was sentenced to spend 100 hours outside a San Francisco post office wearing a sign announcing what he did wrong, the U.S. attorney's office said.

"I have stolen mail," the sign was to read. "This is my punishment."

Shawn Gementera, 24, was also sentenced to two months in prison and three years of supervised release by U.S. District Judge Vaughn Walker.

The prison term followed by having to wear the sandwich board in public would emphasize that stealing mail is a serious offense, Walker said during sentencing.

Dan De Miglio, spokesman for the U.S. Postal Service,

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said he had not heard of the ruling and could not comment on it specifically. He said the postal service did not have a say in the sentence.

De Miglio said he had never heard of anyone being punished in that way for stealing mail.

"You mail a letter, you expect a certain level of sanctity," he said. "Folks who violate that violate America and violate all that America stands for."

According to the plea agreement, Gementera admitted he drove around San Francisco and Burlingame in May 2001 and stole mail from boxes at homes and apartment buildings.

When Gementera was arrested, he had 42 pieces of stolen mail, including a U.S. Treasury check for \$1,525, the U.S. attorney's office said.

### ■ NEW ULM, Minn.

The landmark "Hermann the German" statue that has stood guard over this southern Minnesota city for 106 years is getting a makeover.

The statue was successfully lowered from its perch Tuesday in preparation for an extensive reconditioning.

In a three-hour operation, the 32-foot, 2-ton-plus statue was cut loose from its moorings atop its 70-foot base and lowered by crane to a temporary base beside the monument.

The city hired two local artisans to inspect the statue, which lost a wing off its helmet in a 1998 windstorm and is punctured with bullet holes.

Inspectors will now be able to get inside the statue to inspect its iron framework, and to get a closer look at the copper-plated skin to determine what needs to be done to restore Hermann to good health.

Known officially as The Hermann Monument, the statue represents a Germanic tribal leader named Arminius who rallied his people to victory over the Romans in a battle in the Teutoburg Forest in A.D. 9. A larger version that stands near Detmold, Germany, served as the model.

The city hopes to have the statue restored and back in place for New Ulm's 150th anniversary celebration next year.

More than \$800,000 worth of repairs have been made to the stone base of the monument, but it's not clear how much it will cost to fix the statue itself. Residents and businesses have contributed nearly \$170,000 so far.

■ ATLANTA — Coming soon to your state government: respect, trust and a healthy dash of self-help.

Hundreds of state employees and legislators gathered Tuesday to hear pointers from a business consultant lauded by Gov. Sonny Perdue.

Attendance was optional at the workshop by Stephen R. Covey, author of "Seven Habits of Highly Effective People." But the new governor has strongly suggested employees read Covey's work, so they signed up in droves.

Perdue has said he models his government after Covey's book "Principle-Centered Leadership." Department heads were asked to read the book before reapplying for their jobs under the the Republican's administration.

"I read him because he makes so much sense," Perdue said as he introduced Covey.

The business guru talked broadly about improving performance by "empowering people," explaining that mankind had moved from a hunter-gatherer economy to a knowledge-based economy and increased productivity every step of the way.

Some called the speech a welcome chance to set partisanship aside.

"It kind of re-centers us," said Sen. Jack Hill, a Republican. "We get up here, and situations pull us in all different directions. You need to refocus."

Democrats were less impressed. House Speaker Terry Coleman slipped out five minutes into Covey's talk, and Lt. Gov. Mark Taylor was gone before halftime.

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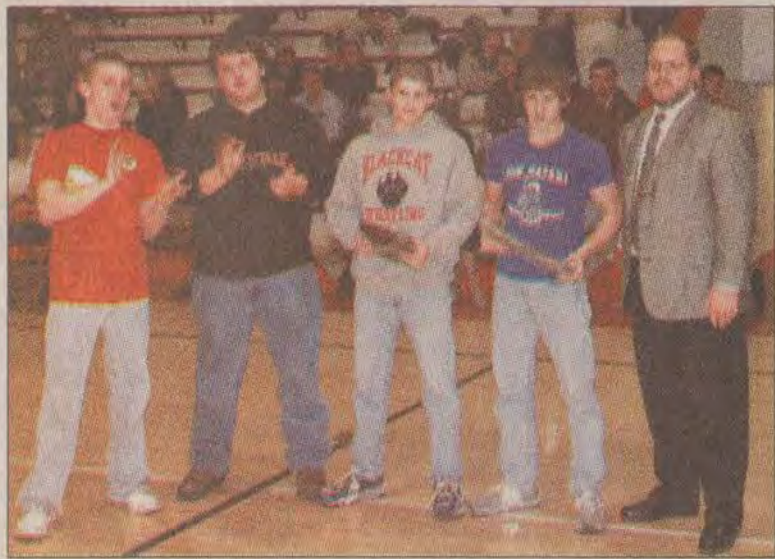
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Prestonsburg High School principal Ron Hampton presented plaques to Blackcat wrestlers (pictured in no particular order) Nick Chaffin (state champ) Heath Chaffin, Steven Thompson and Zack Lafferty at the Prestonsburg-Magoffin County boys' basketball game. The Chaffin brothers are seniors. Thompson and Lafferty are sophomores.



## HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

# Butcher announces plans for spring wrestling

by JAMIE HOWELL  
 SPORTS WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – Wrestling coach Jerry Butcher has announced plans to hold spring wrestling. Any student in Floyd County interested in

wrestling in the spring program ages 5-16 may contact Butcher at 886-2416 or at Prestonsburg High School at 886-2252 during school hours.

Prestonsburg just returned from Frankfort and the recently completed state wrestling finals.

Coach Butcher would like to extend many thanks to the some people. "I would like to thank the Floyd County Board of Education and Dr. Fanning as well as Ron Hampton for allowing us to have

(See BUTCHER, page two)

## COMMENTARY

# On the eve of March (Madness)

by RICK BENTLEY  
 TIMES COLUMNIST

What? It's the last day of February? Well, then, see you in April ...

■ Next week is one of my favorite times of the year.

No matter if you're the

Johnson Central Lady Eagles with one loss or the Phelps Hornets without a win, you enter play in the district tournament believing you can live the



■ Bentley

dream. One win and you're in; that's the case in most districts these days. The five- and six-team districts have gone the way of the small, neighborhood school, and with more consolidation will come more three-team districts in Kentucky. In the 15th Region,

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## COMMENTARY

# Fans idea of basketball greats pure fantasy

by BILLY REED  
 TIMES COLUMNIST

If a ballot for the University of Kentucky's "Fantasy Five" in men's basketball were to be viewed as a history test, many of the voters would have to be given an "F" and assigned to study what happened during the 41 seasons a fellow named Adolph Rupp was coaching on the sidelines in Lexington. Yes, he's the same man

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photos by Jamie Howell

Right: Junior Nick Jamerson went up for a lay-in over Magoffin County's Jason Arnett. After being tied with Magoffin County at the end of three quarters, the host Blackcats pulled away from the Hornets in the game's final quarter.



Below: Jesse Chaffin went up for a jumper Tuesday night in Prestonsburg's win over Magoffin County.

# P'BURG SENIORS EXIT HOME FLOOR WITH WIN

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG – Back and forth is possibly the best way to describe this past Tuesday night's road game for the Magoffin County Hornets. Magoffin County trailed host Prestonsburg by six points at the half, 24-16, but battled back to tie the game up at 36 by the end of the fourth and final quarter. The host

(See P'BURG, page two)



## H.S. BASKETBALL

# Pikeville runs off from Rebels

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE – Twenty-two points from senior Neil Allen was not enough to stop host Pikeville Tuesday night. The home-standing Panthers exited the first period tied with the Runnin' Rebels at 15, but never trailed after any other quarter. Pikeville led 37-31 and eventually beat Allen Central 72-62.



■ Allen

Pikeville blew the game open shortly after the intermission break. The Runnin' Rebels outscored the Panthers 21-10 in the third period. Allen Central got seven of the 17 points it was behind back

in the fourth period, but had to settle for the 10-point loss.

Jordan Mullins paced the Pikeville attack with a team-high 19 points. Justin Bell scored 10

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## SCOREBOARD:

ALLEN CENTRAL (62) – Allen 22, Stone 17, Samons 8, Webb 7, Francis 6, Hall 2.

PIKEVILLE (72) – Bell 16, Mullins 19, Parrish 10, Fish 2, Walls 9, Shurtleff 9, Jones 7.

RECORDS – Allen Central 15-9, Pikeville 12-11.

## H.S. BASKETBALL

# Big quarters lift Sheldon Clark

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

BLACKLOG – Betsy Layne got behind Tuesday night and could not recover on the road at Sheldon Clark. The Bobcats trailed 29-10 at the end of the first period and eventually fell to the Cardinals, losing 78-50.

After trailing 29-10 at the end of the first period, host Sheldon Clark outscored Betsy Layne 17-8 in the second quarter and after the break, 14-7 in the third

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## H.S. BASKETBALL

# Ousley becomes first Lady Raider to score 1,000

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – The name Megan Ousley, if it wasn't before, will now be synonymous with South Floyd girls' basketball. Forever.

Ousley, a three-year starter, scored her 1,000th point Wednesday night in a win on the

road over Letcher. The Lady Raiders beat Letcher 49-39. Ousley is the first female basketball player to reach 1,000 points in the history of the school. Now a junior, assumed a starting role in the South Floyd backcourt as a freshman.



■ Ousley

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Citizens National Bank President Dennis Dorton (middle) was present to honor Prestonsburg High School football players for honors garnered during the 2002 football season. CNB joined with area radio stations to give out scholarship money. Prestonsburg honorees included, from right to left, Rudy Pennington, Mikeal Fannin, Joey Willis (Floyd County Player of the Year) and Nicholas Jamerson. Also pictured with Dorton and the players is PHS principal Ron Hampton (third from right) and head football coach John DeRossett (second from right).



# It's not too early to stream fish for smallmouth bass

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

Hardcore stream smallmouth bass anglers fishing near a road or a bridge in late winter are sometimes met with looks of

bewilderment by those driving by. Motorists stop and stare at these anglers, give them puzzled looks and shake their heads in wonder at why anyone would be insane enough to stream fish in

late February or early March.

There is a mistaken belief that stream fishing for smallmouth bass doesn't start until the dogwoods and redbuds bloom in spring. But, if the weather provides a warming trend of air temperatures above 50 degrees for at least three days in late winter, the stream smallmouth fishing season begins in Kentucky.

This pattern starts as early as the second week of February in a year with a mild winter. Usually, the pattern starts during the last week of February or the first week or two of March.

The key to finding smallmouth bass in streams in late February or early March is discovering their winter lairs. When the first real cold weather of the year sets in, stream smallmouth migrate to deep holes with little current. They may migrate several miles in fall to find this kind of water. In the smaller Kentucky smallmouth streams, a winter hole may only be four to six feet deep. They spend the winter in these holes in a semi-dormant

state until the first warm front of late winter or early spring.

The warm front draws the smallmouth to feed in the flowing water at the beginning or end of the wintering hole. Stream smallmouth survive in a harsh environment and feeding opportunities are rare in the cold months. The big females, especially, must take advantage of any food offered by nature at this time of the year to nourish the eggs in their bellies.

Smallmouth bass in streams in late winter won't chase a lure. They are sluggish from the cold and lures must be presented as slowly as possible. A one-eighth ounce olive and orange, brown and orange, black or white hair jig worked slowly along the bottom of the flowing water is deadly on these fish. A small black, smoke or white grub allowed to tumble in the current produces strikes as will a small, in-line white spinner like the Rooster Tail. An overlooked late winter lure in Kentucky streams is a four-inch pumpkin seed with green flake lizard rigged on a

lead head. Work the lizard in the same manner as the hair jig.

Late winter in Kentucky usually brings a lot of high and muddy water to our streams. Most bass anglers believe that cold muddy water is the absolute worst, but stream smallmouth may still be caught in water the color of creamed coffee during a late winter warming trend.

Finding the winter holes is still very important for success. Instead of fishing the flowing water at the ends of the pool, fish the slack water at the edges of the pool. Safety pin spinnerbaits in white or chartreuse worked slowly through this water produces strikes. Some anglers prefer the small Beetle Spin in this situation. A black and brown hair jig worked slowly in the slack muddy water is also good for these fish.

Safety is very important when fishing water less than 50 degrees. If you slip on a slick rock and get soaked, get out of the water immediately and get back to your vehicle as soon as

possible. Bring along an extra set of clothes to replace the wet ones. Hypothermia, the gradual lowering of body temperature, is a real danger in water this cold. Always wear a wader belt to keep water from filling the legs of the waders in the event of a slip and fall.

Late winter smallmouth fishing in streams won't produce as many fish as spring or summer fishing, but those that bite may be the biggest fish of the year. All it takes is for the water temperature to rise a few degrees to start the stream smallmouth fishing season in the Bluegrass state and cure the winter blues.

For more information about smallmouth streams in Kentucky, request a list of Kentucky smallmouth waters at 1-800-858-1549 or go to [www.kyafield.com](http://www.kyafield.com) and click on the "fishing" tab and then click on the "Kentucky smallmouth bass waters" tab.

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# PC basketball teams move up in polls

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Mid-South Conference teams continue to yo-yo up and down the NAIA Div. I basketball polls, which this week find both Pikeville College teams on the upswing.

The Lady Bears moved up three places into a tie at No. 15, while the men slid up one notch to 13th in the ratings as released today by the national office in Olathe, Kan.

On the women's side, the top four remained the same (Oklahoma City, Houston Baptist, Union University and Central State), with Freed-Hardeman and Southern Nazarene (Okla.) flipping at fifth and sixth.

Wins over then-No. 9 Campbellsville and at Lambeth helped the Lady Bears gain more confidence from the 12 raters and move into a tie at No. 15 with Brescia (Ky.), whom the Lady Bears defeated 64-63 in late December.

The Lady Bears are 23-7, which is a school record for wins in a season. They're also 5-3 in the Mid-South Conference, with two games remaining this week. The Lady Bears were to host No. 21 Georgetown last night, and will play at Lindsey Wilson in the regular-season finale on Saturday afternoon.

Pikeville is 4-2 against teams in this week's Top 25.

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## Bentley

only the 58th District girls' tournament has more than four teams involved.

We're four days away from district-tournament week beginning, meaning March Madness will begin. District tournaments lead to the regions, where the elite come together and some young boy or girl will do something that will be etched in the memory banks of entire schools of children.

All of which leads to the Sweet 16, which I truly believe to be "The Greatest Show on Earth." Fans from across the Commonwealth will gather for four days and nights of hoop frenzy, cheering their local teams (and picking out a Cinderella from our mountains), all the while waiting to hear announcements over the public address of NCAA upsets.

I treasure the memories I have of the state tournament, both working and cheering. I never got to pull for my own high school, but through the power of the press have gotten to quietly pull for schools I made my own throughout our hills.

There's something about standing shoulder to shoulder with strangers in the Rupp Arena concourse, watching an overtime thriller develop on the televisions mounted there.

And then there was last year, when I watched Shelby Valley play and then took in a couple of sessions with my dad. I suppose

that's my favorite state-tournament memory of them all.

My favorite line about the state tournament this year came from our friend Mike Fields. Hearing the national media ooh and aah about LeBron James drawing 12,000 for a game in supposed hoops-happy North Carolina, Fields harrumphed for us all when he said, and we paraphrase, "That would be a mediocre afternoon crowd at the Sweet 16."

Last weekend we took advantage of some rare spare time to make the trip to Ashland for a high school basketball game.

We saw the Royals of Rose Hill Christian host the Lafayette Generals, and saw a good battle. But better than the one taking place on the scoreboard was the game I was scoring in my head.

Lafayette shooting guard Adam Coleman slayed the dragon, so to speak, on this night. Coleman, you may recall, was the sharp-shooter from Millard who teamed with Jarred Adkins to help make the Mustangs' final season of basketball a memorable one.

After his junior year, he transferred to the Lexington school, where he now starts and provides a formidable outside punch.

And on Friday, while his team lost, Coleman flipped in 26 points on the high-profile Royals. He was remarkably hot in the first half, hitting 5-of-6 from the arc and cruising into the locker room with 17.

Rose Hill's standout eighth-grader O.J. Mayo was thrown out of rhythm early. Because it was senior night, he came off the bench and never seemed to get into the flow of the game. He finished with 23, getting hot enough in the third quarter to lead his team from behind for the win.

I was impressed with Adam Coleman on this night, and happy for him that he had such a fine game. He told a friend afterward he could always say he outscored Mayo in a game, and did it in style.

It also says a lot for the players of the mountains who have long been looked down upon by many west of Winchester. Here's a kid from the hills who has gone

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and Jesse Parrish ended the game with 10. Chad Walls and Robert Shurtleff each scored nine.

Allen scored a game-high 22 points for Allen Central. Mike Slone finished with 17. Rossi Samons scored eight, and Kyle Webb chipped in seven.

## Butcher

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a wrestling team at Prestonsburg," said Butcher. "I also want to thank the Highland Avenue Baptist Church for the use of the facilities at the church."

Butcher also expressed special thanks to Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin for all his support of the wrestling team.

into the Big Dipper's "triangle" and proven himself worthy.

I believe, if the opportunity presented itself, many others would do the same thing.

Allow me the opportunity to clarify something I've writing about more than once here. I've voiced some criticism of the new regional-tournament format a time or two, but want to reiterate something I'm afraid was overlooked on those occasions.

I don't think the people who made this decision are bad guys or anything like that. This is just a situation where we don't agree. That doesn't make either of us right or wrong, nor does it make us enemies (I hope).

If you're a basketball fan of any magnitude, I really wish you could have been at the

## P'burg

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Blackcats did get the final say after outscoring the Hornets 22-17 in the fourth period for a 58-53 win.

Magoffin County had its chances in the final period, but could not convert.

For the Blackcats, it was a win on what was both homecoming and senior night.

Before the game, Magoffin County head coach Danny Adams stressed the importance of his team keeping pace with an athletic Prestonsburg team. The Hornets kept up with the Blackcats for the most part, but couldn't get the shots to fall at the end of the game, thus losing. Sophomore Kris Bentley and senior Joey Willis led Prestonsburg in scoring with 15 points each.

Jesse Chaffin scored 13 and Trevor Compton, the team's point guard, managed 11.

Jason Arnett led the Hornets in scoring with 22 points. Pitt Connelley followed with 11 points, and Blake Helton finished with 10. Clifton Barker chipped in six, and point guard Colton Jayne netted four, two of which came on a pair of bottom-

of-the-net free throws in the second half.

Magoffin County will travel to Pike County Central tonight for a regular-season finale against the host Hawks. The Hornets play No. 2 seed Johnson Central in the first round of the 57th District Tournament Wednesday night at Paintsville at 7 p.m. Johnson Central head coach Les Trimble and staff were in attendance to scout the Hornets at the Magoffin County-Prestonsburg game.

The victorious Blackcats will travel to South Floyd's Raider Arena to play Allen Central, a two-seed in the first round of the 58th District Tournament next week.

**MAGOFFIN CO. (53)**  
Barker 6, Jayne 4, Connelley 11, Helton 10, Arnett 22.

**PRESTONSBURG (58)**  
Willis 15, Compton 11, Jamerson 4, Chaffin 13, Bentley 15.

**RECORDS**  
Magoffin Co. 7-16, Prestonsburg 9-14.

## Ousley

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The Lady Raider joins the ranks of recent Raiders to join the list such as 2002 graduate Ryan Tackett and current boys players Michael Hall and Tyler Hall. Michael Hall eclipsed 2,000 career points in December, while Tyler Hall

scored point No. 1,000 Saturday at home against Fleming-Neon.

South Floyd girls' basketball coach Melinda Osborne was to give Osborne a game ball last night prior to the Lady Raiders home game against Sheldon Clark.

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period.

Asher Maynard led Sheldon Clark's offense with a game-high 17 points. Reggie Sammons scored 13. Three other Sheldon Clark players finished with 11 points each.

Brandon Hall led the Bobcats in scoring with 15 points. Ryan Bryant chipped in 12 for Betsy Layne. Preston Simon and Bobo Hamilton, two of Betsy Layne's top players, scored six points each. Brent Newsome, another top performer, added four.

Betsy Layne and Sheldon Clark (5-20) are both No. 4 seeds in their respective district tournaments.

Betsy Layne (9-16) is a No. 4 in the 58th, and Sheldon Clark is a No. 4 in the 57th.

**BETSY LAYNE (50)**  
Simon 6, Hamilton 6, Hall 15, Newsome 4, B. Kidd 2, Bryant 12, Akers 1, Case 2, J. Kidd 2.

**SHELDON CLARK (78)**  
Moore 11, Stafford 11, Cornett 4, Givens 11, May 5, Howell 6, Maynard 17, Sammons 13.

**RECORDS**  
Betsy Layne 9-16, Sheldon Clark 5-20.

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# Park to drive Busch race for Dale Jr. at Vegas

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOORESVILLE, N.C. — Steve Park will be returning to the NASCAR Busch Series for the first time in 18 months, after suffering serious injuries during a Busch race at

Darlington Raceway. Chance 2 Motorsports and Steve Park will team up for five races for the 2003 season beginning in Las Vegas Motor Speedway in the No. 8 Maxwell House Chevrolet.

Park started driving for Dale Earnhardt Inc. in 1997, emerging from the Northeast Modified Series.

His NASCAR Busch Series rookie season in the No. 3 ACDelco Chevrolet, Park had

three wins and four second place finishes, ending the year third in 1997 Busch Series point standings.

Park left the Busch Series where he continues to drive full time in the Winston Cup

Series for Dale Earnhardt Inc. for the 1998 season.

Crew Chief Kevin Manion and Park have been close friends for years. Manion moved from New York to Mooresville, N.C. in 1996, and one year later he was working on Park's Busch team.

When Park went to race in the Winston Cup Series, Manion moved with him as the car chief on the No. 1 Pennzoil team.

Until this season the two have been together daily over

the past six years. It will be like old times in Las Vegas for the two of them.

"It seems we both went full circle, working in the Modified Series together, moving to different states, working at DEI, now we are back together again for five races," says Manion. "I am really looking forward to the Las Vegas race, it's going to be a lot of fun."

Co-owner Dale Earnhardt Jr. will step out of the driver's seat to take on the responsibilities of being a car owner.

## A LOOK AT SPORTS

# Baseball, baseball, baseball

by ED TAYLOR  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

I walked outside the house early Monday morning and already it was nearing the 70-degree mark here in the panhan-

dle of Florida. The sun was already out and you knew it was going to be an outstanding day weather wise.

Later that afternoon I made my way to Mayo, Fla., and covered a high school baseball

game. Leaving the facility was Chan Perry, who plays for the Kansas City Royals organization. I talked a bit with Chan and he was getting ready to head to Bradenton, Fla., for spring training. His brother, Herbert Perry, plays third base for the Texas Rangers.

Both have not forgotten their roots and what got them to the big leagues to start with. Both played baseball for the University of Florida and were inked to a major league contract. Chan had signed with the Cleveland Indians out of college and was later traded to the Atlanta Braves. Injuries slowed him while with the Braves and led to his being released. He signed on with the Royals and made his way to Wichita, where he played until last year when he was called up to the parent club.

I have spoken with both Herbert and Chan Perry and I am quite impressed with their "down home" attitude they still possess although they are million dollar baseball players.

"I am looking forward to getting back in camp," said Chan, who had his bats and baseballs after taking hitting and fielding practice at the Lafayette High School field. "I am just trying to stay sharp."

The thing that impressed me about both major league players

is they're willing to give back to the program that helped them get started. Lafayette High School displays one of the nice facilities you will find in this part of Florida and it is because of the generosity of both Perry boys.

"They have helped with money to build the stadium into a fine place to play," said Mike Harris, golf coach at the school. "Chan holds baseball camps for the kids in the area every year."

At some recent junior basketball games I attended, I found Chan sitting in the floor and entertaining the very young while the games were going on. I found his brother, Herbert, as an assistant coach of

one of the teams. Their wives were in the stands cheering on their kids who were playing in the league.

"This is one of the finest families in our area," said Andy Hart, junior basketball director. "They are all friendly to you."

To say the Perrys have not forgotten their roots and their raising is an understatement. I did a story on Chan when he was called last year to the Royals and had to chase down his wife in Kansas to get a statement from him. I did not get his statement as he was on the road at the time, but found his wife

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photo by Ed Taylor

Chan Perry took time to share some quality moments with kids at a recent junior basketball outing. Perry plays in the Kansas City Royals organization and was called up to the parent club last season.

## H.S. BASKETBALL

# Lady Knights get within 11 of Jackson City

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

JACKSON — The Piarist School girls' basketball program got within 11 points of its opponent Tuesday night, but could get no closer in what amounted to a valiant effort. Piarist lost to Jackson City, 50-39.

The Lady Knights trailed Jackson City 9-5 after one quarter, 18-11 at the half, and 36-30 after three periods of play.

Piarist outscored Jackson City 19-14 in the game's fourth quarter to finish on a strong note.

Ashley Brewer led Jackson City with 15 points. Brittany Gibson and Ashley Hundley each had eight.

Leigh Ann Garnett scored five for Jackson City and teammates Lillian Six and Randi

Barnett each finished with four. Amanda Southwood and Jessica Brewer rounded out the Jackson City scoring with two points.

Bethany Tackett, after not scoring in the game's first quarter, led Piarist with 15 points. The Lady Knights had two players in double figures. Mary Bentley finished with 11 points for Piarist, including a made three-point shot in the first period and another successful trey in the final quarter.

Lauren Preston scored four points for the Lady Knights. Stephanie Williams and Lakita Lykins scored three apiece and Marie Dennison netted two.

Tackett led the Lady Knights in rebounding with 10 boards.

Tommie Sue Tussey rounded out the Piarist scoring with a free throw in the third period.

## H.S. BASKETBALL

# 17-6 spurt lifts South Floyd

by JAMIE HOWELL  
SPORTS WRITER

LETCHER — The South Floyd Lady Raiders have the talent to put a scare into any team on a given night, and on Wednesday evening the Lady Raiders traveled to Letcher and came away with a 49-39 win. Tabitha Trammell led the Lady Raiders with 16 points in the contest.

South Floyd led 10-6 after one quarter and a 17-6 run in the second gave the Lady Raiders some breathing room at the half as they led 27-12 at the half.

South Floyd likes to push the ball up and down the floor and that tactic seemed to take the wind out of Letcher's squad. South Floyd was able to again outscore Letcher in the third quarter and the Lady Raiders

had the game in cruise control in the final stanza.

The Lady Raiders are getting set to begin play in the 58th District Tournament and one big advantage for South Floyd will be the fact that the tournament will take place on its home floor.

Allen Central will be the first round opponent for South Floyd and the Lady Rebs will not take the Lady Raiders for granted. South Floyd gave Allen Central all the Lady Rebs could take for three quarters in the teams last meeting at Allen Central before falling over the final eight minutes.

South Floyd (7-18) will play its final regular-season game tonight before taking on Allen Central in district play next week. Scoring for the Lady Raiders was as follows: Skeens 3, Hopkins 6, Anderson 7,

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whose name is attached to the arena where the Wildcats have played their home games since 1976. His teams won four NCAA championships, an NIT, a Helms Foundation national title, an Olympic gold medal, and 876 games.

Yet of Rupp's 25 All-Americans, only Dan Issel (1967-70) was voted onto the "Fantasy Five." Both Rupp's successor, Joe B. Hall, and Rick Pitino each placed two players on the team, even though their 21 teams combined won half as many national titles as Rupp and produced less than half as many All-Americans.

So the "Fantasy Five" is only the latest example of why the fans shouldn't be allowed to pick these sort of mythical teams. The election tends to hinge on popularity more than merit, and the players of recent vintage are more popular than the old-timers whose fans have dwindled with the passing years.

Of course, the entire idea of picking a UK "Fantasy Five" is preposterous because few programs have produced so many great players over so long a time. When Basil Hayden became UK's first All-American in 1921, for example, the first NCAA tournament was 18 years in the future.

With all due respect to the five players who made the public's "Fantasy Five" — Issel, Jack Givens, Kyle Macy, Jamal Mashburn, and Tony Delk — let's indulge in another fantasy.

Any all-time UK team must begin with Ralph Beard, the most honored guard in Wildcat history and Rupp's choice as the best player he ever coached. Pick any criteria you want, and Beard's career easily meets it.

Only one other UK guard is in the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts, and that's Frank Ramsey, a star on the unbeaten UK team of 1953-54 and the NBA's original sixth man with the Boston Celtics dynasty of Red Auerbach and Bill Russell.

The best true pivotman in UK's history wasn't Issel, Cliff

Hagan, or Alex Groza, but Bill Spivey, who led the 1950-51 team to the NCAA title. (Issel never played in the Final Four.)

The first 7-footer agile enough to run the floor, Spivey played only two varsity seasons. Yet he still holds the UK and SEC records for most rebounds in a season (567 in 1950-51).

At one forward, it's difficult to pick against Kenny "Sky" Walker. Although he never played in the Final Four, he's the only player to rank among UK's all-time top 10 in scoring, free throws made, rebounding, and blocks.

If you're willing to fudge a bit, Issel gets the fifth spot as the power forward because he often could take his man outside and score.

The second team would have Macy and Cotton Nash at guard, Groza at center, and Hagan at forward with Mashburn. The 6-foot-5 Nash played every position, including center, during his three-year varsity career, and Hagan played some forward as a sophomore alongside Spivey.

But this means leaving out Givens, Delk, Kevin Grevey, Tayshaun Prince, Rick Robey, Mike Pratt, Vernon Hatten, Ed Davender, Johnny Cox, Louie Dampier, Dirk Minniefield, and so many other deserving players. It's easier to name an all-mountain UK team (Cox, Jones, Larry Conley, Larry Pursiful, and Richie Farmer), or an all-opponent team (Pete Maravich of LSU, Jerry West of West Virginia, Elgin Baylor of Seattle, David Robinson of Navy, and Christian Laettner of Duke).

Finally, every journalist who has covered UK for 10 years or more should be entitled to name an all-quote team to honor those who have been most accommodating to the media. My five would be Robey, Conley, Issel, Scott Padgett, and Walker, with Bowie, Pratt, and Farmer ready to come in from off the bench.

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## AAC TOURNAMENT

# ALC teams end seasons with losses

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

BRISTOL, Tenn. — The Alice Lloyd men's basketball team, after trailing 46-37 at halftime, saw its season end Wednesday afternoon. The Eagles fell to Bluefield in the Appalachian Athletic Conference (AAC) Tournament, losing 91-80.

The ALC women's team, coached by first-year mentor Tim Rice, bowed out early too. The Lady Eagles dropped a 60-44 decision to Covenant. The ALC women entered the intermission period of their game trailing 34-25.

Senior Kent Campbell scored a game-high 25 points in the loss for the men's team. Tommy McKenzie scored 18 and Nick

Samons added 10. Ryan Shannon finished the tournament game with nine points.

Dale Evans led Bluefield with 25 tallies.

The Eagles won the rebounding battle, outrebounding Bluefield 34-32.

Summer Brown and Laura Staroneck each scored 11 points apiece in Covenant's win over the Alice Lloyd women.

Delores Jenkins led the Alice Lloyd women with a game-high 13 points. Andrea Kelley and Leah Whitley each finished with eight markers.

Betsy Layne graduate Devon Reynolds, a freshman, scored seven for Alice Lloyd.

The Lady Eagles were outrebounded 42-35.

## H.S. BASKETBALL

# Jarrell leads Paintsville past Pikeville team

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE — Paintsville senior Ryan Jarrell has given Paintsville a lift on more than one occasion this season. Wednesday night, on the road at Pikeville, Jarrell scored a game-high 19 points and teammate Shane Simpkins, a junior, scored 13 to lead the Tigers past the host Panthers, 50-43.

Pikeville led 14-13 at the end of first period, but never enjoyed a lead at the conclusion of any other quarter. The Tigers led 22-18 at halftime and 38-32 after three periods.

The win kept Paintsville undefeated in the 15th Region.

Other Paintsville scorers included Adam Rice (8), Adam Collins (6), Peyton Conley (2) and Stuart Rutledge (2).

Jordan Mullins led Pikeville with 14 points. Jesse Parrish finished with 13.

Paintsville now needs just one win to finish the regular season with 20 victories. The Tigers have lost just three times.

## Rose Hill visits Tigerland tonight

Coach Bill Mike Runyon and the Paintsville Tigers will host eighth-grade sensation O.J. Mayo and the Rose Hill Christian Royals tonight in a rematch of a first-round All "A" Classic game. Paintsville High School officials reported a sellout for tonight's first-ever regular-season meeting between the two high school boys' basketball teams. Tipoff for the varsity game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Q95 is one of the area radio stations that will carry the game live and in its entirety.

## PAINTSVILLE (50)

Rice 8, Rutledge 2, Collins 6, Simpkins 13, Conley 2, Jarrell 19.

## PIKEVILLE (43)

Bell 3, Mullins 14, Parrish 13, Shockey 2, Shurtleff 4, Jones 4.

## RECORDS

Paintsville 19-3, Pikeville 12-12.

## H.S. BASKETBALL

# Hawks edge South Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT — On a night when Michael Hall and Tyler Hall were each honored for recent accomplishments, South Floyd hosted Pike County Central, and eventually dropped a close game, 82-80. South Floyd had defeated the Hawks earlier in the year in the finals of the Coca Cola Hoops Classic. That was in early January.

The host Raiders led visiting Pike Central 20-16 through one quarter Monday night. After Pike Central charged back in the second period, the game was tied at 42 at halftime. The Raiders outscored Pike Central by four points in the third period, only to be outscored by six, 25-19, in the game's final period.

Chase Lyons led Pike Central offensively with 29 points. Barry Sanders scored 16 for the Hawks, who had four different

players score in double figures. Ben Pugh and Bobby Mullins 15 and 11 points, respectively.

Michael Hall led South Floyd in scoring with 38 points. Tyler Hall netted 12. Justin Hall and Heath Hall each had nine points for the Raiders.

## PIKE CO. CENTRAL (82)

Mullins 11, Sanders 16, McCurry 4, Pugh 15, Lyons 29, Williamson 7.

## SOUTH FLOYD (80)

Mi. Hall 38, T. Hall 12, Tackett 6, J. Hall 9, H. Hall 9, Slone 4, Stanley 2.

## RECORDS

Pike Co. Central 15-10, South Floyd 16-9.



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# No. 2 Kentucky 80, Tennessee 68

by CHRIS DUNCAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Kentucky coach Tubby Smith's halftime speech sounded familiar to guard Cliff Hawkins

Smith's talk during the No. 2 Wildcats' 80-68 victory over Tennessee on Wednesday night reminded Hawkins of the coach's words at Vanderbilt on Jan. 14.

The theme that night was defense, and Kentucky turned it up in the second half and turned a 36-28 deficit into a 74-52 victory over the Commodores.

The same words yielded the same result against the Volunteers, as the Wildcats (23-3, 13-0 Southeastern Conference) extended the nation's winning streak to 17 games.

"The second half, we know what we've got to do," Hawkins said. "It was a whole lot of Coach Smith. He told us we weren't challenging shots.

We just kind of settled in and started doing what we do best."

Tennessee (15-9, 7-6) went 27-of-46 from the field (59 percent), the best shooting performance by a Kentucky opponent this season. But the Volunteers made only 12 baskets and committed 11 turnovers after halftime to lose for the 25th time in 28 meetings at Rupp Arena.

"They are always in the passing lanes and they make it hard to run an offense," Tennessee coach Buzz Peterson said.

Keith Bogans scored 15 points to lead a balanced Kentucky attack. Jules Camara added 12 points, Cliff Hawkins 11 and Marquis Estill had 10 points and nine rebounds for Kentucky, which tied its longest winning streak under Smith.

"We don't have just one guy. We all want to go out and play," Bogans said.

Ron Slay had 22 points and 14 rebounds to lead the Volunteers, who've lost three in

a row after a six-game winning streak.

"I saw a lot of fire and intensity from our guys," Tennessee coach Buzz Peterson said. "I told them they have nothing to hang their heads about. They got beat by a very good team."

Slay, a notorious trash talker, humbly gave Kentucky its due after the game.

"Even when they don't do something right, they look like they're doing something right," Slay said. "Even when they make an offensive mistake, they usually make up for it on the defensive end."

The Volunteers outrebounded the Wildcats 29-21. It was just the sixth time Kentucky was outrebounded in a game this season.

Smith said the Vols' good shooting limited the number of boards available. He was pleased his team countered Tennessee's shooting by scoring 26 points off 18 turnovers.

The Wildcats won by double digits for the 11th time in 12

games, committing only nine turnovers and going 25-of-29 (86 percent) from the free-throw line.

"We took their best shot and came away with a win," Smith said.

The Vols used a 9-0 run to trim a 15-point deficit early in the second half to six.

Camara converted a three-point play with 7:14 left and the Wildcats steadily rebuilt the lead. Camara scored again a minute later and Hayes dunked after a steal by Hawkins.

The Vols never got within double digits after that.

The fans started chanting, "Tubby! Tubby!" in the final minute, and the Kentucky coach held back a smile as he clapped his hands.

"We had quality play and very balanced scoring," Smith said.

Kentucky's defense leads the SEC in four categories in league play, but the Volunteers shredded it early, hitting seven of their first 11 shots.

Tennessee still trailed 23-19, and seldom-used reserve Josh Carrier sank a 3-pointer with 9:39 left to push the lead to seven.

But the Vols continued to find cracks in Kentucky's defense, sinking six straight shots during a 13-4 run. Elgrace Wilborn hit a reverse layup with 5:23 left before halftime to give the Volunteers a 32-30 lead.

Bogans scored seven straight points over a two-minute stretch to restore Kentucky's lead. His three-point play with 2:50 left in the half moved him past former teammate Tayshaun Prince and into seventh place on Kentucky's career scoring list.

"We were a little sluggish. I finally just told the guys I wanted the ball," Bogans said.



photo by Jamie Howell

John M. Stumbo guard Casey Tackett (4) tried to elude Jody Tackett of Adams during a game earlier this week in the Floyd County C-Team Tournament. Play, after being suspended Wednesday following the cancellation of classes in Floyd County, resumed yesterday.

## — Sports Calendar —

### BASKETBALL

#### Girls' tournament

The Eastern Kentucky Starz 3rd Annual Girls Basketball Tournament will be held May 2-4 in Ashland. The tournament guarantees teams four games. U11, U12, U13, U14 will compete in the tournament. Entry fee is \$225. AAU Sanctioned. Contact Hal Zimmer at (606)329-0413 or hzimmerky@aol.com.

### 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

#### P'burg 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 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.

#### 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, March 1 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and again on Sunday, Saturday March 2 from 1-5 p.m.

The registration fee is \$25 for one child and \$15 for each addi-

tional 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.

#### Paintsville signups

Paintsville Little League will hold signups again this weekend. The signups will be held at the Major Division field from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

## Beaver Creek LL announces signups

Beaver Creek Little League will hold signups this weekend.

The signups will be held this Saturday and Sunday, March 1 and 2, at 3 p.m., at the following locations: Minnie Ball Park, Martin Ball Park, and Garrett Ball Park. Age groups: 9-12, 13-14, and 15-16. A prospective player's parent or guardian must be present to register the child. Also, anyone interested in being an umpire for the 2003 season, must be present at the signups.

### Sports

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very cooperative in explaining how she, as a major league baseball player's wife, has to keep the bags pack and children ready to be on the go.

The Perry family own and operate a dairy farm here in Mayo, a small rural town the size of Martin. Herbert Perry recently signed a multi-year deal with the Rangers worth in the millions. Both are very dedicated to the Lord. Chan leads the team's chapel service when they are on the road.

Baseball. You have to love it! Not all who make the big bucks are spoiled. There are still those who have not forgotten the people who gave them a start. Until Sunday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

### PC

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The loss to Pikeville cost Campbellsville two spots, falling to No. 11 and out of the Top 10 for the first time all season. Georgetown is the other team in the Top 25 at 21st. Cumberland College has fallen out of the Top 25 for the first time this season, but is still getting votes.

In the men's poll, despite being tied for first in the league, two other MSC teams are ranked ahead of the Bears. Georgetown, winners of four straight in the conference, moved up two places to No. 7, while Cumberland fell to No. 10 after a home loss to the Tigers.

The Bears are 13th, followed by Lindsey Wilson College, which slipped one spot to No. 22.

The Bears got wins over Campbellsville at home and

Lambuth University in Jackson, Tenn., last week to enable them to advance one slot. They're 23-6 on the season and 5-2 in the Mid-South Conference.

This week will go a long way toward telling the Bears how they'll finish. Two ranked teams are on the horizon — Georgetown visits on Thursday at 7:45 before a road game to play Lindsey Wilson on Saturday. In fact, all three remaining games are against teams in the Top 25; the season ends on March 8 with Cumberland College visiting.

Houston Baptist is atop the poll again, getting 10 of the 12 first-place votes. McKendree (Ill.) got the other two votes and is second. Oklahoma Baptist, Southern-New Orleans and Azusa Pacific (Calif.) round out the Top 5.



The 2003 Prestonsburg High School Homecoming Court — Celina Rowe, front, seated second from left, was crowned queen.

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### THROUGH MY EYES

## R-E-S-P-E-C-T

I semi-watched the Grammy Awards show on Sunday evening. Meaning that I was glued to my seat during Paul Simon and Art Garfunkel's opening performance and completely out of the room by the time Kid Rock and Sheryl Crow were singing that gawd-awful tune about the two people who are both so co-dependent and sick that they figure they'll just stay together because, you know, that's a heck of a lot easier than actually having to work a little at getting better.



Kathy Prater  
 Lifestyles editor

Anyway, as with any Grammy show, there were performers I liked and some I hated. It was more than a little refreshing to see James Taylor once again and it was a hard call on whether to root for him or for John Mayer in the "Best Male Pop Vocal" category. Mayer won, but I would have been happy either way as long as it was one of them.

Since I've been feeling a bit nostalgic lately when it comes to

(See EYES, page two)

### POSTSCRIPT

## Another shaggy dog story

Saturday before last, my big dogs were cutting such a shine that I went outside in the rain to see what was going on.

They were alternately barking and snarling at a little creature on the other side of the fence. In fact, it took me a minute or so to see her because she blended in with the gray-brown background of the alley.



Pam Shingler  
 Contributing Writer

The object of Ben and Bubba's attention was what appeared to be a miniature collie with a frightened, but sweet face. She was thoroughly drenched, her thick hair matted.

I went outside the fence and she came to me, despite the car-

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## - KICKIN' IT DOWN SOUTH -



"Munroe" and the gang showed the folks in Savannah just how it's done in the mountains.

## The Ky Opry wows 'em in Savannah

"The Kentucky Opry attended the 2003 Travel South USA Convention, held in Savannah, Georgia, this past February 17, serving as ambassadors of the state of Kentucky, with the specific purpose of promoting tourism for our state."



Angle Carriere, left, and Roger Coleman, right, amazed the Savannah audience with their musical talents. J.T. Cure is shown in the background playing bass.

by ANN LAFFERTY, MARKETING DIRECTOR,  
 Mountain Arts Center

The Kentucky Opry attended the 2003 Travel South USA Convention, held in Savannah, Georgia, this past February 17, serving as ambassadors of the state of Kentucky, with the specific purpose of promoting tourism for our state. While at the conference, the Opry performed at a luncheon event hosted by the Kentucky Travel Department. Approximately 700 national tour operators were in attendance at the Travel South conference. Shortly following the luncheon performance, the phones began to ring at our city's Mountain Arts Center, home base for the Kentucky Opry, with tour groups who saw their performance making reservations to attend the summer 2003 Opry concerts.

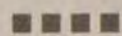
The Mountain Arts Center will once again be host to The Kentucky Music Trail 2003. The Kentucky Music Trail is a four day designated bus tour that begins in Berea, and winds its way down through Renfro Valley to Hindman, Prestonsburg (Mountain Arts Center and Jenny Wiley Theatre) and finally, to Ashland and that city's Paramount Theater.

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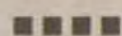
### THIS TOWN, THAT WORLD

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.

I would say this Liston-Clay fight was fixed, if I weren't afraid somebody would point out I had already been wrong about the matter. Yawn, Cassius...



This Clay bears a distinguished name. It goes back to the "Lion of White Hall," who never threw a fight, dodged, or lost one, and more recently to a gentleman of Paris, Kentucky, who bore the same name with distinction. Which reminds me of the radio announcement made of the death of the latter, in which the announcer repeatedly referred to the decedent as Cautious M. Clay. When word of this mispronunciation of the Paris man's name was relayed to one of Clay's old political foes, the latter snapped his fingers disgustingly and ripped out an oath. "Here I've been searching my mind for years, trying to come up with a name to ridicule Cassius Clay, and till he's dead does some ignorant so-and-so give it to me."



I report, very factually, that Longfellow has the mumps. (Now, there's a distinguished name for you.) This particular Longfellow is a dachshund owned by "Huck" Francis and family.

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## Please, keep 'em coming!

Our pet photos file is slowly emptying, folks, so please, send us some more pics of those precious mugs A.S.A.P.! And while you're at it, help Dr. Carol with her wintertime bout of writer's block by sending along a few questions aimed at giving her a good jump start out of her creative doldrums. You can send both pictures and questions to: Kathy Prater at the Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or you may e-mail to: features@floydcountytimes.com.

You may also send questions only to Dr. Carol at: 1768 KY Rt. 7, Estill, KY 41666, or e-mail to: carolb-cac@tiusa.net. We'll be waiting!

## Things to ponder: Ted and Ozell - Prejudice

It seems as we "mature" we tend to stop and reflect on important people in our lives over the years, the events in which they were around, and the impact they had on our decisions, positive and negative.

So it was with Ted and Ozell, dear friends over the decades in Florida, who happened to be a kind, sincere, and gentle lady and gentleman of color. We first got to know them, when Ted started working in the grove during the summer time and being the boss of crews picking the oranges and grapefruit in the wintertime.

Although a friend/acquaintance-type of relationship developed over the years, the four of us, Granny Grace, Ted, Ozell, and I became especially close friends, after my father died in the early 1970's.

There were times that we did not see them very often and then there were times that each of them did for us, when no one else was available, what Granny and I needed. They helped as they could with serious jobs, but would also laugh and talk as friends do. They would talk about their lives and tell of their experiences, again as friends do. Needless to say, with

the history of the United States, the South, and sometimes people in general, it was very painful to hear their experiences, particularly when they were children that reflected someone else's prejudice.

Since all of us are prejudiced in some way, these viewpoints can have a significant, negative impact on our view of ourselves, decisions and interactions with those about us. Thus, a concern was how might you increase your awareness of your prejudice, what do you automatically assume and say about others, when you

are apt to show it, and etc. How would you rate yourself regarding prejudice?

Prejudice is defined by Webster as an adverse judgment or opinion formed beforehand or without knowledge or examination of the facts. Some look at it as an unjustified bias toward something or someone.

Prejudice has also been identified as a preconceived and unreasonable viewpoint, usually an unfavorable one marked by suspicion, fear, intolerance, or hatred.

(See PONDER, page two)



Mable Rowe Lineberger,



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

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

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

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-

0621 to schedule your child's 6th grade entry physical, Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointment.

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

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

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

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

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

CLARK ELEMENTARY

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

Feb. 28 - Character education - "Self-Esteem" program. Grades K-5. (Assembly program.)

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

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

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-Barrum, FRC Director.

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Shangri La's headline BLHS concert event

The Betsy Layne High School Alumni will host a concert featuring musical artists from the 60s and 70s on Saturday, March 29. The concert will feature special guests the Shangri La's, Gary Lewis & the Playboys, and Billy J. Kramer. Join these talented musicians on March 29, at 8:00 p.m., at the D.W. Howard

Fieldhouse, located on the Betsy Layne Elementary campus, for a night of rock 'n roll they way it used to be! Tickets for the event may be purchased at the following locations: Betsy Layne High School, all Cardinal Mart locations, Collins Trophy and T's (Banner), and K&E Market (Teaberry).

Opry

The Kentucky Music Trail was designed to attract tourism into our region. It is sponsored in part by the Kentucky Travel Department.

Montgomery, Montgomery Gentry, Patty Loveless, Ricky Skaggs, Rebecca Lynn Howard and Loretta Lynn.

This should be another highly entertaining summer at the Mountain Arts Center...tickets will go on sale to the public on Monday, March 10. For reservations call, 886-2623, or toll free to 1-888-MAC-ARTS.

Ponder

Prejudice is the outcome of many different causes, such as cultural difference, economic competition, and insecurity.

Similar to so many of the individual's attitudes, the major problem with the concept of prejudice is that it typically supports or dictates how one interacts with others. It often leads to discrimination, which prevents some people from having rights or benefits that other people enjoy simply on the basis of what group they belong to, such as race, gender, age, economic status, handicap, or lifestyle. (At times, I have had clients who were experiencing significant emotional turmoil due to sex discrimination in the job place.) It is not unusual for prejudice to be the basis for an individual to stereotype others, keeping exaggerated assumptions associated with how a whole group of people will behave. When a stereotype is familiar to people, they tend to believe that it is true, it is difficult to disapprove them, and it causes mistrust in each other. A lot of stereotypes consist of name-calling, racial slurs, and jokes. This reminds me of the times I felt very put-down when folks would make extremely unkind remarks about hillbillies, when I was a young nurse working at the New York Hospital in Manhattan one winter. I was very proud of being from eastern Kentucky and I really resented their comments about it being an undesirable place to live. A guess was that many of those repeating the slurs, probably viewed themselves as not being prejudiced and, furthermore, would have been upset, if you pointed out the possibility to them. I felt I was the last to know that, in some

areas of Ohio, applications for jobs will have "Appalachian" as one of the types of minority groups. The efforts toward there not being a virtual TV program pertaining to the old "Beverly Hillbillies" type of setting were greatly appreciated. What is your reaction? To me, the prejudice related to the direct result of economic competition is typically very painful to someone that "does not have" the money to do what is valued. While I was involved with the advisory committee for a local family resource center at a school, as a community representative, and hearing staff discuss student concerns, it was easy to understand the emotional discomfort that some pre-teen and teenage students experience around eating lunch at school, when they qualify for the discount-lunch program. Because they do not want to be viewed as a "have-not," they opt to not eat lunch at all. Needless to say, the importance of not feeling "different" in adolescence is fully understood. However, there also does not seem to be a reasonable and acceptable method for working out a situation so that a youngster will feel socially OK and yet get food. This was especially distressful to me, since 4 of 100 kids filling out questionnaires that year indicated that the breakfast and lunch at school were their only source of food.

The most significant underlying factor of prejudice is that it is learned in the home and the individual's neighborhood - school, church, organizations, and such. The idea is that everyone grows up being conditioned by messages about

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Celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

On December 20, 2002, surrounded by family members and friends, Patsy and Ralph Torrech celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the Greenbrier Country Club, in Chesapeake, Virginia. Mrs. Torrech, the former Patsy Jean Marcum, is a Floyd County native and a 1952 graduate of Prestonsburg High School. Mr. and Mrs. Torrech, along with their children and grandchildren, vacationed over the New Year holiday at the Atlantis Resort, on Paradise Island, Bahamas. The Torrech's are deeply grateful to God for His steadfast faithfulness and the numerous blessings He has endowed on them throughout the years.



World

IN RE FISHING

Comes a card, postmarked Florida, from Bill Pettrey, who left here with the intention of cleaning up on the fish in those parts. Some of the fellows around here have spread the word that the Florida Fish & Game Commission, forewarned of his impending visit, decided the bass needed protecting, and hurriedly lowered the creel limit.

SO THEY SAY

Somebody has said that the most difficult thing a woman has to do is to keep secret her opinion of other women. The hardest secret for a man to keep, is his opinion of himself.

LET THEM LISTEN

They're having hearings at Frankfort this week on the stripmine situation. If they could only hear what the folks back home are saying about it! If Kentucky acts with its usual alacrity, the machines will have taken the coal and gutted the landscape and gone to rust, before the state gets realistic about the matter. Then the situation will be left to a page in Kentucky history, alongside the sad account of the destruction of the region's forests and

other resources.

The only dangerous thing about a little learning, we are reminded, is that the fellow who has it, mistakes it for a great deal.

THE FIGGERS

Just in the event some of those who use the columns of

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District schools compete in academic competition

On Saturday, February 1, students from three Floyd County schools participated in the Middle Grades Governor's Cup District Academic Competition. They competed and placed in six different areas of Written Assessment and Quick Recall as follows:

Mathematics: 1st - Corey Wallen, South Floyd Middle; 2nd - Samantha Newsome, John M. Stumbo Elem.; 3rd - Ryan McKinney, Betsy Layne Elem.; 4th - Tara Gearheart, South Floyd Middle; 5th - Mary Williamson, South Floyd Middle.

Social Studies: 1st - Jeremy Osborne, John M. Stumbo Elem.; 2nd - Hannah Blackburn, Betsy Layne Elem.; 3rd - Ryan McKinney, Betsy Layne Elem.; 4th - Richard Bentley, South Floyd Middle; 5th - Andrew Moore, South Floyd Middle.

Science: 1st - Trai Witt, Betsy Layne Elem.; 2nd - T.J. Holleyfield, Betsy Layne Elem.; 3rd - Corey Wallen, South Floyd Middle; 4th - Tyler Greer, South Floyd Middle; 5th - Colby Nunnemaker, Betsy Layne Elem.

Language Arts: 1st - Erin McMillian, Betsy Layne Elem.; 2nd - Kayla Tackett, South Floyd Middle; 3rd - Stephanie McKinney, John M. Stumbo Elem.; 4th - Kim Patton, South Floyd Middle; 5th - Kоди Hall, South Floyd Middle.

English Composition: 1st - Alyssa Reed, Betsy Layne Elem.; 2nd - Kayla Tackett, South Floyd Middle; 3rd - Mary Williamson, South Floyd Middle; 4th - Erin McMillian, Betsy Layne Elem.; 5th - Katy Hall, South Floyd Middle.

General Knowledge: 1st - Katy Hall, South Floyd Middle; 2nd - Trai Witt, Betsy Layne Elem.; 3rd - Courtney Blevins, South Floyd Middle; 4th - Whitney Howell, Betsy Layne Elem.; 5th - Jessica Hall, John M. Stumbo Elem.

The Quick Recall teams placed as follows: 1st - Betsy Layne Elem.; 2nd - South Floyd Middle; 3rd - John M. Stumbo.

The Sportsmanship Award went to: South Floyd Middle.

The Final Standings were as follows: 1st - South Floyd Middle; 2nd - Betsy Layne Elem.; 3rd - John M. Stumbo.

Billy Newsome and Tyler Green (Floyd County graduates) served as officials with Joyce Watson serving as Chief Official. Walter Ord served as Contest Manager. The program was hosted by Betsy Layne Elementary,

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ryings-on of the big dogs. She welcomed my pats on her head and stood with her front paws ever so light on my knees.

I confess I lost my heart. The look of her made it obvious she had nowhere to go to get out of the weather. I certainly don't need another dog, yet, what could I do but take her in?

The big dogs, however, would have none of it. They were not about to share their food, shelter and master with another. They chased her around the yard, with me running after and yelling. I slogged through the mud, trying hard to keep them from hurting her and trying hard to keep from falling and hurting myself.

It was clear Ben and Bubba would not allow the new dog, no matter how sweet she was to me, to stay. I took her back outside the fence and tried to fix her a shelter in an unused garbage can. That didn't suit her, however, especially with the big dogs pawing at the fence and growling.

I saw neighbor Judy Music who shared my concern. She had seen the beautiful little dog in the neighborhood for several days and had asked a number of people to take it. But she found no takers. The Musics already have two dogs and many other responsibilities.

Faced with no other choice, we decided the little dog must go to the animal shelter. Judy chipped in to help me with the \$10 drop-off fee.

The little dog had a collar but no tag. Further evidence of her neglect was the fact that the collar was too tight and was digging into the matted neck hair. I loosened the collar and attached a leash. She accepted the leash, although she was obvi-

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Eyes

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music, it was nice to hear an old favorite, "Landslide," performed, but it would have been nicer had it been Stevie Nicks singing it (like only she can) instead of the Dixie Chicks, but I guess you can't have it all.

And so, speaking of the Dixie Chicks, I am compelled to mention something that has bothered me for several weeks now. It should feel good to get it off my chest, so here goes. A short while back, I was flipping through the television's channels when I happened upon a Dixie Chicks concert on KET. Now, I'm not really what you'd call crazy about the Chicks (though I do think those little tatoos of tiny chick feet are cute), but I never really disliked them or anything. It's just that I'm not so into country music.

Most likely, I probably wouldn't have even stopped on that channel had it not been for the fact that James Taylor was on the screen. He was holding his guitar so I thought it was a pretty safe bet that he was going to play. I have always loved James Taylor's music and voice. With the release of his latest album, October Road, he's been in the public eye a little more lately than in recent years.

Anyway, as I was saying, here he was. I figured I could put up with the Dixie Chicks if that's what it took to hear "Sweet Baby James." But, alas, before sweet James could utter even a single note, that little Natalie Maines (the short one for those of you who don't know) opened up her big ole' sassy mouth and in full, "I'm so thrilled with me!" style, said: "I grew up listening to James Taylor (yeah, we know, honey, you're young), and I used to daydream about one day being a back-up singer for him. But, now, here I am, on the stage with him and..... he's singing back up for me!"

I couldn't believe it, y'all! Who did this little "chick" think she was, anyway? James, of course, being ever polite, never said a word, just gave the audience that sweet smile that he's famous for. But,

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Freewill Revival and Gospel Sing

The Faith Independent Freewill Baptist Church is staying mighty busy of late organizing a couple of exciting community events. They began hosting revival meets this past Wednesday that will continue throughout the weekend, culminating with a special Homecoming Service that will be held this Sunday, March 2. Meetings begin each night at 7 p.m., with Rev. Clarence Combs, evangelist, conducting. Come on out and take part in the meet and

enjoy the nightly special singing.

Also, on Friday, March 28, at 6 p.m., the church will host a Gospel Sing event featuring a myriad of gospel performers including New Hearts, Gateway Quartet, Voices of Faith and many more. All proceeds will benefit the Children's Miracle Network and local children's hospitals.

Faith Independent Freewill Baptist Church is located on Rt. 1428, near Worldwide Equipment.





# Family Medicine

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



# Ingrown toenail – officially called an onychocryptosis

**Q** I have a lot of trouble with ingrown toenails. When I get them, I cut them out but they come back a few months later. Why do I keep getting this ingrown toenail? Can I do anything to prevent it from coming back?

**A** An ingrown toenail — officially called an onychocryptosis — is a common adult complaint. It typically affects the big toe on only one foot. The primary cause of this problem

is improperly cutting the toenails. If the nail is cut with an inward slope on the edges, it can predispose the nail to grow inward. Shoes that do not fit properly, especially in the toe region, can also trigger the process that leads to an ingrown nail. Obesity, previous significant foot injuries, abnormal gait and excessively sweaty feet can also predispose you to having an ingrown toenail. Ingrown toenails are also more common in people with certain diseases, including hyperthyroidism, diabetes mellitus, acromegaly and some congenital conditions, like trisomy 13 syndrome.

Spotting an ingrown toenail early and getting prompt treatment can prevent infection and avoid the need for surgical treatment of the nail. A stage I ingrown nail causes redness, slight swelling and a little pain on the side — or “lateral” groove — where the nail meets the toe. This is

an easily treatable stage. Some moist heat and gently working the nail outward will usually bring relief. In Stage II, the pain increases, and signs of infection may be noted at the edge of the nail. In Stage III, the toe is swollen, painful, infected, and new, pink tissue may be seen growing in the lateral nail fold.

In stage I, as I said, moist heat is the key to treatment. This may best be accomplished by using warm soaks several times a day. The physician may put a wick of cotton in the edge of the nail to force it away from the lateral groove. If

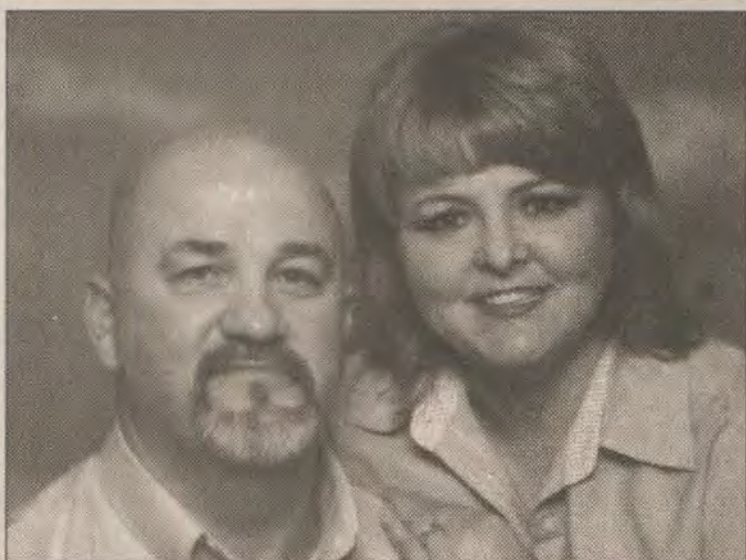
infection has set in, he or she will prescribe antibiotics as well as using a cotton wick to move the nail away from the lateral groove. If the nail is severely ingrown, and has become infected as in stage III, the nail may need to be removed. This can be done in a physician's office under a local anesthetic.

So, the best treatment for ingrown toenails is prevention. First, I'd recommend you see your family physician to find out why you are having a recurring problem with your toenails becoming ingrown. I suspect that when you “cut them out” yourself, you are leaving sharp edges that then cut back into the toe as they grow. Your physician can cut your nail back properly and then use one of the methods I've described to make sure that it grows away from — and not into — the toe flesh. Once your immediate problem is

under control, you should practice good preventive measures. First and foremost, cut your toenails straight across and not too short. Also, it's important to wear properly fitting shoes. If you have an abnormal gait, or a chronic problem that causes your ingrown nails to keep returning, it might be a good idea to consult a podiatrist and get some help in managing your nails to prevent these painful ingrown toenails from coming back.

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## Weddings



Hall-England

Brenda Hamilton Hall, of Banner, and David England, of Pikeville, happily announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. Brenda, the daughter of Shirley and John M. Hamilton, of Grethel, and Vernas Hamilton, of Martin, is employed as branch manager of US Bank, North Mayo Trail branch, Pikeville. David, the son of the late William and Lucretia “Lucy” England, of Pikeville, is employed by Pikeville Methodist Hospital. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Friday, March 7, 2003, at half past seven o'clock in the evening, at the Allen First Baptist Church. All friends and family members are cordially invited to attend. The gracious custom of open church will be observed.

## Eyes

don't you think maybe, just maybe, somewhere deep inside he may really have just wanted to clear his throat and utter a dramatic, “Uh, ex-cuse me?”

I mean, the way I was seeing things, it was a Dixie Chicks concert with SPECIAL GUEST, James Taylor. And the words “special guest” surely denote a tad bit more respect than this little girl was handing out.

I hope her granny gave her a good whuppin' when that concert was over.

Hooray for Norah Jones and her big-time wins! The first time I heard “Don't Know Why” on the radio I nearly slammed on the brakes in amazement. I thought it was an old song I had somehow never managed to hear before and I was pleasantly surprised to learn differently. I took some ribbing from my two older children about liking the song (and the CD) and now, with all the Grammy recognitions, I can say, “See, I told ya so!”

## Ponder

how to see each other, how to relate to one another, and how to see ourselves. The following are some examples that give a message: “Why you look like a \_\_\_ with that hair style!” “You're acting dumber than \_\_\_ that lives down the road!” and, “Are you trying to act better than everybody else by talking and acting that way?” Directly and indirectly, prejudice and violence are acquired attitudes and behaviors that are neither uncontrollable or inevitable. Are you an intensely prejudiced person, judging others and situations as “one” or the “other” (good or bad, black or white)? These individuals are less likely to admit that their view of categories of people might need to be changed. Also, prejudices provide a scapegoat when hardships occur and “something” has to be found to explain away the anxious, fearful, or angry feelings. Prejudice helps to maintain some people's high self-esteem by having someone to look down on and it can easily justify greed. At times, prejudice helps the person, who hides behind it, take advantage of another, take control, and/or create a comfortable status gain.

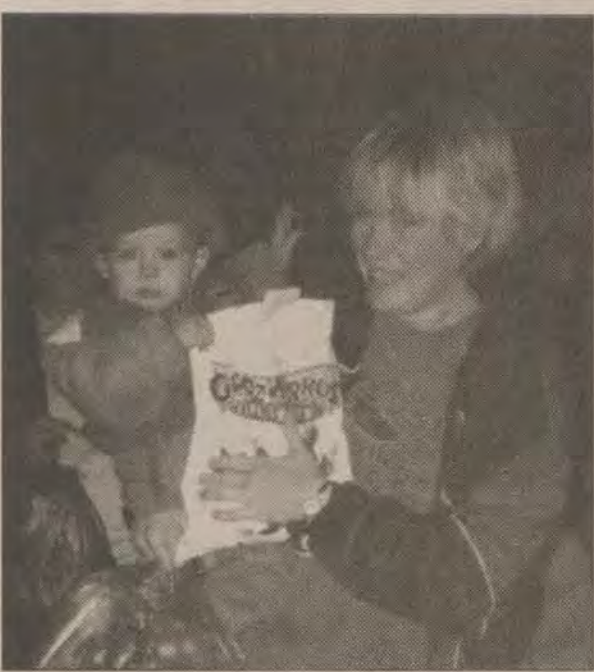
talked about as though they happen somewhere else, to someone else, but never in our own community. Usually people try to avoid thinking about these subjects because they are confusing, complicated, and painful to us, as individuals, as Americans, and especially folks viewing themselves as always trying to “do the right thing.” Our children need the adults in their lives, parents, family members, teachers, and the neighborhood overall, to teach them how to recognize its presence in themselves and others, prevent, and deal effectively with prejudice.

*Dr. Lineberger is a psychologist with a private practice in Prestonsburg.*

## World

this newspaper to advertise their businesses might be interested, the circulation of The Floyd County Times this week is where it has been for the previous two weeks—at the 5,000 mark. At the risk of becoming a tooter of our own horn, we add that only eight other weekly newspapers in Kentucky have such a circulation.

Thinking on the subject of circulation, we recall the time when a local businessman,



## Thanks, Santa!

The children of Wayland were treated to visits from Santa and armfuls of Christmas treats and gifts during the past holiday season. Tom Murphy, Mayor, City of Wayland, helped coordinate the “Christmas Treats for Children” project with the assistance of several Wayland area businesses and residents. Thanks to all this community support, the children of Wayland had one of their merriest holiday seasons ever.

## Postscript

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ously scared.

She refused to hop into my car, but she allowed me to pick her up and set her in the back seat. She lay down and didn't make a sound as I drove her to the shelter.

She walked beside me on the leash up to the building. At the door, she stopped, refusing to enter. Perhaps she had never been allowed indoors, or perhaps she knew the uncertainty that lay within.

The shelter operator picked up the little dog and carried her into the kennel area. She put her in a cage with a young hound dog who seemed a little uneasy, but happy to have a companion. I left the little collie standing there in bewilderment.

Almost two weeks later, I still hate having to leave her there. But I know she has been cleaned up, and I know she's dry and well fed. I just hope someone else will fall in love with her and take her to a loving home.

## Baseball Sign-Ups

Batter up! If you like the sound of that cry, then come on out and join the Beaver Creek Baseball organization for a season of good ole' American baseball. Sign-ups will be held this Saturday and Sunday, March 1 and 2, at 3:00 p.m., at the following locations: Minnie Ball Park, Martin Ball Park, and Garrett Ball Park. Age groups: 9-12, 13-14, and 15-16. Parent/guardian must be present to register child. Also, if you are interested in being an Umpire for the 2003 season, please appear at the locations show above - same dates, same time. And remember, if you don't show up - “You're out!”

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aware of the value of getting his advertising in the hands of the people, offered to enter into a contract to use at least a page of space every week of the year if we would bring our circulation up to 3,000.

We also are reminded that some newspapers with little more than half the circulation of The Times, charges their advertisers as much per column inch as we charge.

## School

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### 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.

### STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

- March 4 - “Aladdin,” (MAC), grades P1-5
- March 5 - Wulfe Brothers, grades P-4 at 1:00 p.m.; grades 5-8 at 2:00 p.m.
- March 6 - Red Road Performers, Native American program, 9:00 a.m.
- March 10 - Health Careers program (ARH), 7th grade, 8:30 a.m.
- March 11 - Hand Washing (personal hygiene), (FCHD), grades K-4, 8:30 a.m.
- March 12 - Health Careers, (ARH), 7th grade, 8:30 a.m.
- March 13 - Parent support group, 1:00 p.m.
- March 13 - Identify-a-Child program, 8:30 a.m.
- March 14 - Health Careers, (ARH), 8:30 a.m.
- March 19 - Cory Booth, (Magic Show), “Character Counts.” 8:30 and 9:30 a.m.
- March 21 - Tour Toyota Plant, 8th grade. Bus leaves school at 6:00 a.m.
- March 24 - TWISA, (Alcohol Prevention program), 5th grade, 9:00 a.m.
- March 25 - Rain Forest program, 4th and 5th.
- March 26, 27 - TWISA, (Alcohol Prevention program), 9:00 a.m., 5th grade.
- 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

### 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.

### 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).

### WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

- March 28 - \*Spring Fundraiser Dinner\* - 7 p.m. For more information, contact the school at 874-8328. A \$1,000 door prize will be given away.
- 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.

### 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.



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- BAPTIST**  
Allen First Baptist, Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.  
Auxiliary Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.  
Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.  
Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.  
Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.  
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Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.  
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Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.; Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Randy Turner, Minister.  
Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.  
Faith Freewill Baptist, 14 mile above Worldwide Expt. on Rt. 1428; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Buddy Jones, Minister.  
First Baptist, Garret; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.  
First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 7 p.m.; Graydon Howard, Minister.  
First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial); Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, Minister.  
Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 2656 West Mt. Parkway, Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jennings West, Minister.  
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
Gretzel Baptist, State Rt. 3379 (Branham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.  
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Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; French B. Hermon, Director; Ella C. Goble, President; 874-9498/478-2978.  
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Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Shane Powers.  
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- CHRISTIAN**  
First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.  
Garrett Community Christian, Route 550, Garret; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Hackworth, Minister.  
Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.; Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherrill Williams, Minister.
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Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday 7 p.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.  
Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.  
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Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campion; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.  
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Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.  
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Faith Revelation Ministry, 14 mile above Worldwide Equipment; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Hegans, Minister.  
Faith Worship Center, US 490, Paintsville; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.  
Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.  
Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.; Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.  
Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.; Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.  
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Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heinzelman, Minister.  
Town Branch Church; Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m., Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.  
The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wilgitt, Minister.  
Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright; Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.  
Zion Deliverance, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m. Prayer Line: 355-2001; Darlene Arnett, Pastor.  
Traylor Chapel Community Church, formerly of the Old Price Food Service building, located 1 quarter mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428, Sun. Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m.; Kerry Vanderpool, Pastor.  
International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin, Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.  
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Friday, February 28, 2003

# ROLLIN'

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

More readers  
responses about  
emergency vehicles

by TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI

### RAY:

We're still getting mail regarding a column we wrote about emergency-response vehicles. An EMT wrote us to ask what could be done about drivers failing to yield right of way to ambulances and rescue vehicles.

### TOM:

Lots of you wrote to us with ideas, thoughts and suggestions. Here are some of them:

### DEAR TOM AND RAY:

I worked for GM for many years, and right after I started in 1976, I turned in a suggestion about installing a device such as a detector that would pick up the frequency of police, fire and ambulance vehicles, and that would alert people that one was nearby. At the time, I stated how soundproof cars were. Needless to say, they are more soundproof today than they were in 1976. I was told that this would be an invention rather than a suggestion, and I should submit it to the new-devices department. It would have been so easy to tie it into one of the many bells and whistles already in the cars. Several months later, I was informed that it would not work because it might interfere with the police. They inferred that it would be a "heads-up"



to a traffic violator that an emergency vehicle is nearby, and would make it harder to apprehend such violators. A couple of years later, I resubmitted my idea and was issued new papers and excuses. Before I retired in 1997, I resubmitted my idea, and it was forwarded to the Electronics Division, never to be heard from again. I can't see why they have never accepted my suggestion/invention. My last two cars (2000 Deville and 2002 DTS) have detectors in the rear bumpers that chime at different tones to alert the driver to the proximity of something in the back or on the side. I really think it would be a great improvement to the safety of emergency vehicles, and would help them get to the scene of accidents and also get survivors to local emergency hospitals. I hope someone will look into this. — Rodericke

### TOM:

Well, Rodericke, you'll be happy to know that you were simply ahead of your time. Similar systems are being rolled out this year by independent companies. We heard from several outfits that want to equip ambulances with devices that broadcast through nearby car radios — alerting drivers to get out of the way.

### RAY:

Of course, you'll be unhappy to know that you won't be getting any royalties whatsoever. But that's life, huh?

### TOM:

I should also point out that each emergency vehicle is in control of its device, so if it needs to travel without being detected, it just keeps the thing turned off. Duh, right?

### RAY:

Here's another perspective on the problem:

### DEAR TOM AND RAY:

As an emergency physician, I am all too aware of the problems that ensue when two objects attempt to occupy the same space at the same time. What most EMTs fail to realize is that driving "code 3" (lights and sirens, and going like a bat out of hell) saves only typically 30 seconds on the average urban ambulance transport (published studies). Most people just do not have the awareness to avoid an ambulance that might be driving at a very high differential speed compared with regular traffic. When we do our "ride-alongs" with the EMTs, I am amazed and rather petrified at some of the extreme maneuvers that EMTs use to get an ankle sprain to the hospital quickly. In our Emergency Medical Services system, we are working to severely restrict this practice.

It always distresses me to hear about cases in which the EMS system causes more mayhem than it prevents on the streets. The statistics across the country concerning EMS accidents are sobering. With the increased congestion in most of our urban areas, the number of accidents will continue to climb until every EMS system revamps its transport policies. — Tim Johns, M.D.

### RAY:

We know that many emergency-service operations are already restricting speed in urban areas. And we agree with

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## Behind the Wheel Volkswagen New Beetle

by ANN M. JOB  
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If the 2003 Volkswagen New Beetle Convertible can't make you long for warm, sunny days, nothing can.

This is an affordable open-air car that's cute with the top up or down. It also has some retro flair, right down to the way the soft top rests on top of the rear decklid.

Eagerly anticipated by many Beetle fans since VW brought back the Beetle in a new design in 1999,

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## 2003 Volkswagen New Beetle Convertible GLS

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TYPE: Front-engine, front-wheel drive, four-passenger, subcompact convertible.

ENGINE: 2-liter, inline four-cylinder.

MILEAGE: 24 mpg (city), 30 mpg (highway).

TOP SPEED: NA.

LENGTH: 161.1 inches.

WHEELBASE: 98.8 inches.

CURB WT.: 3,082 pounds.

BUILT AT: Mexico.

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TEST DRIVE by Greg Zyla



# 2003 Lexus GS430

This week, we test drive the powerful-yet-refined Lexus GS430, a spectacular luxury performance sedan. The GS430 received a new 4.3-liter, 300-horsepower V-8 last year, and the extra "boost" propels GS430 from 0 to 60 mph in 5.8 seconds. Performance like this puts it in some great high-performance company, yet the GS430 offers four-door comfort

and the usual Lexus craftsmanship.

A bevy of GS430 standard features includes leather trim, all the expected air bag and safety items, heated power outside mirrors and spectacular high-intensity-discharge headlights. Our GS430 featured the optional \$3,250 Mark Levison Navigator Package, which upgraded the seven-speaker audio system to

10 speakers and featured a great in-dash-display navigation package run by DVDs. A six-disc in-dash CD system is standard, as is a power moon roof and heated, multi-adjustable power front seats.

The cabin is what one would expect from Lexus. The genuine walnut interior trim sets the

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**Wheel**

the New Beetle Convertible also is the lowest-priced convertible in America.

Starting manufacturer's suggested retail price, including destination charge, is \$21,025 for a GL model with 115-horsepower, 2-liter, four-cylinder engine and manual transmission.

This is \$1,190 less than the base, 2003 Mazda MX-5 Miata.

The test New Beetle Convertible, a GLS model with base engine, was all black — both body paint and soft top, so the look was cohesive and set off perfectly by a strip of shiny chrome around the top of the decklid.

VW officials say all fabric tops will be black initially; gray and cream fabrics will come later.

I expected to find cramped quarters inside this subcompact car. But just like its hardtop sibling, the New Beetle Convertible surprises with the amount of front-seat room.

Headroom is a generous 40.7 inches here with the top on and compares with 37.1 inches in the Miata and 37.3 inches in the 2003 Toyota MR2 Spyder, which has a starting price of \$25,055.

Shoulder room is 52.8 inches in the New Beetle Convertible front seats versus 49.7 inches in the Miata and 51 inches in the MR2 Spyder.

And the back seat? Well, the Miata and MR2 Spyder are roadsters with just two seats.

The 2003 Ford Mustang Convertible, which starts at \$23,965, has a back seat. But its back-seat headroom of 35.8 inches is less than the 37.2 inches in the New Beetle Convertible.

The Beetle ragtop has more rear-seat legroom and shoulder room than the Mustang, too.

The new convertible's power-assisted rack-and-pinion steering was responsive and easily kept the small, front-drive car on track in the curves.

The convertible is some 300 pounds heavier than the hardtop New Beetle because of reinforcements made to stiffen the car now that the structural roof is gone.

This means the open-top New Beetle isn't some hot rod — at least not with the base, naturally aspirated, single overhead cam, four-cylinder engine.

VW estimates a 0-to-60 mph time of 11.4 seconds with a manual transmission.

Fuel economy for the manual transmission test car is rated at 24 miles a gallon in the city, the same as in the hardtop. The convertible's highway rating of 30 mpg is 1 mpg less than the comparable hardtop.

Regular unleaded is the recommended fuel.

There are two transmission choices. Besides the five-speed manual in the test car, a six-speed automatic also is offered. The New Beetle Convertible is the first open-top car with a six-speed automatic. It includes

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Tiptronic, which allows manual shifting of gears sans clutch pedal.

I noticed the New Beetle Convertible felt heavy when going through slalom maneuvers.

Still, there was no evidence of cowl shake. In fact, overall, the car's manners were well-managed, and I felt as if I sort of skimmed over irregular road surfaces, with harshness of bumps kept at bay.

Safety already was a commendable feature of the New Beetle, with side airbags, antilock brakes and three-point safety belts with pretensioners standard on every model.

On the convertible, an automatically deploying rollover support system also is standard and works from behind the rear seats.

The fabric top is easy to get up and down. On the base GL, it's a manual top, but GLS models and above have an easy-to-use power feature.

Just unlatch the roof at the top of the windshield, push the button and the top goes down in 13 seconds.

The rear window is glass on this convertible, with built-in defroster.

But when the roof is down and folded at the back of the car, it obscures some rear view.

Consumer Reports notes that reliability of the New Beetle hardtop has been well off the pace. Specifically, predicted reliability is below average.

**Clank**

stuck in traffic with a passenger in the back. And it's not always something as mild as a strained left buttock.

**RAY:**  
Here's one we liked:

**DEAR TOM AND RAY:**

I suggest expanding a program already in place: video cameras. Many police officers already have video cameras in their cruisers to be used during traffic stops. Why not expand these to other official vehicles? When some bonehead pulls an egregious offense, slow the emergency vehicle long enough to get a good picture of the offender, then make FOUR copies of the tape. Copy 1 goes to the police as evidence of a serious crime: failure to yield. Copy 2 goes to the media for the evening's "Most Dangerous Drivers" segment. Copy 3 goes to the vehicle's insurance company. Copy 4 goes to the family of the original victim, whose safety was threatened by the bonehead. Given that copy No. 1 probably won't be acted upon, let the civil lawyers loose (you know, the ones chasing ambulances). — Keith

**TOM:**  
Keith, city hall needs you.

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**Gas-line freeze is the thing of the past**

by TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI

**DEAR TOM AND RAY:**

Every year when winter rolls around in the tundra we call northern Illinois, I hear the same old advice from all of the "experts": that we should all keep our gas tanks at least half-full to prevent gas-line freeze. No one has ever been able to tell me how a car with a quarter-tank of gas is more apt to experience gas-line freeze than a car with a half-tank of gas. If keeping half a tank is good, is keeping three quarters of a tank better? — John

**RAY:**  
Gas-line freezing was more of a problem in the old days, when pterodactyls chased my

brother home from school and gas tanks were vented directly to the atmosphere through a hole in the gas cap.

**TOM:**  
So when you had only a small amount of gas in the tank, the rest of the space would be filled up with air. And if it happened to be damp out, there could be lots of moisture in that air. And if the temperature dropped at night, that moisture could condense, and you'd have water in the gas.

**RAY:**  
Then, if that water flowed through the gas lines and the temperature dropped again, the water could freeze and prevent the engine from running.

**TOM:**  
So, keeping more gas in the tank was really just an easy way of keeping the air OUT. Therefore, the answer to your question (at least in the old days), John, was yes. Three quarters of a tank WAS better than half a tank. And a full tank was best of all. In fact, we used to tell our customers that the best way to prevent gas-line freeze-up is to fill the tank. And then don't drive anywhere all winter!

**RAY:**  
I'm not sure why, but we

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almost never see gas lines freezing these days. It might be because of better winter gasoline formulations, or because of the way gas tanks are now vented through a charcoal canister. But whatever the reason, it's an increasingly rare phenomenon in most parts of the country.

**TOM:**  
Nonetheless, we still recommend keeping your tank at least half-full in the winter, but not for the reason you think. If you get stuck in a snowdrift, you'll be able to keep the engine running, which is crucial.

**RAY:**  
Right. So you can keep listening to your tunes on the radio until the highway patrol finds you.

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**Test**

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stage for luxury at its best. Instrumentation features a black panel display that illuminates all the gauges and speedometer needles. The gauges are all easy to read, and a standard compass in the rear-view mirror is also noteworthy. The Navigation system allows control of everything from mapping to climate to radio station, and is easy to operate. The driver's view is excellent to the front although a bit restricted to the rear due to headrest positioning.

Under the hood, the new 4.3-liter V-8 engine features a four-cam overhead design with 32 valves. This car offers very strong low-end torque and also features great upper rpm strength, thanks to variable timing. Still, the GS430 posts 18 mpg city and 23 mpg highway EPA numbers, which is excellent for this type of power. Our car had the optional rear spoiler and 235/45ZR 17-inch Z-rated summer high-performance tires, which were noisier than the all-season 16-inch V-rated rubber they replaced but offered better adhesion and looked great. Top speed for autobahn lovers is governed at 149 mph.

The GS sedan came with a five-speed electronically controlled automatic transmission and console shifter. The transmission performed excellently all week, although I wondered what this car would do with a five- or six-speed manual. Remember, too, that this top

luxury/performance car is rear-wheel drive, similar to all the other great motorcars in the world. The GS430 is tame and kitten-like in town, yet turns into a cheetah when the right pedal is depressed to the carpet. The ride quality is very good, with four-wheel independent wishbone suspension responsible for its sports-car-like handling.

Stopping the GS430 is easy, thanks to four-wheel anti-lock disc brakes with traction and vehicle skid controls. Also featured is a Brake Assist, which deduces when the brake push is an emergency effort, and then automatically applies braking power. (Lexus says; research shows that many drivers do not push hard enough on the brake pedal in emergency situations.) Vehicle Skid Control, meanwhile, monitors the car's direction versus steering-wheel position and brakes one or more wheels to correct the car's direction. VSC is switch on-off activated, so if you don't like it, you can turn it off.


Important numbers include a 110.2-inch wheelbase, a vehicle weight of 3,710 pounds, 19.8-gallon fuel capacity and an overall length of 189.2 inches. The trunk opens 90 degrees for easy access, and although outwardly small, there is an ample 14.8 cubic-feet of cargo capacity.

Not much bad can be said of one of the world's top performance/luxury sedans.


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tion 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 680'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 Ivalee 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 Ivalee 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, Kentucky 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. \*Final Advertisement Only): 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.

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Editor's  
note

# Come on, spring!

I like to think of myself as a tough girl.

I can take just about anything – a flat tire, a muddy hill, a broken pipe – without too much ado.

But there's one thing I can't take – cold weather!

These last few months in Kentucky have been rough on all of us, I'm sure you'll agree. Some people like the cold weather. They enjoy the beauty of fresh, white snow on the ground and in the trees. To me, it's a bad thing.

I can't stand the cold weather! I lived in Georgia for five years, and the one thing I miss most about it was the weather. The whole five years I lived there, I didn't own a heavy coat.

When it snows here, I panic. I hate driving in it, I hate dressing for it, and I hate paying the heating bills. Sometimes, I notice the beautiful weather, but it's usually only when I'm inside looking out.

I once spent nine months in Sandusky, Ohio. Talk about snow! If you're not familiar with lake-effect snow, let me tell you about it. Well, I can't tell you much about where it comes from. I only know that it comes off the Great Lakes and dumps down on those who live within about two miles of the shoreline.

I lived about a mile from Lake Erie. The nine months I lived there were all winter months! I never really got to enjoy the summertime in Sandusky, which is a shame. Lake Erie is beautiful, even in the winter when it's covered with ice.

So last week, I had a Sunday off, and it was raining heavily in Richmond. I wanted to go somewhere and do something fun, but it was so miserable and rainy, I just decided to stay in. The farm was flooded and so was my basement, so I couldn't do laundry, either. I've been digging into my closet archives for the last few days.

I realized when I'm at work and it's raining like that outside, I always wish I could be cuddled up under my down comforter watching TV. So that's what I did. I watched cable all day, including the History Channel and HGTV. At about 5, my reporter Jodi called me from her home in Lexington. I told her I was watching TV.

"I wish I could watch TV," she said.

"Why can't you?"

"Because I have no power!"

"Why because of the floods?"

"No! Because of the ice!"

Apparently, Lexington was covered in ice, and power was out all over the area, and I had no idea!

I turned on the local news and the tragic story unfolded before my eyes.

What's crazy about it is that Lexington is about 20 minutes from me, and we got no ice at all.

As I write this, Jodi has power back, but another reporter of mine is still without power and has been staying with friends and in hotels for the last four days.

Ugh.

I hate cold weather. If this had happened to me, I would have been more than a little grumpy.

Meanwhile, my boyfriend was in Savannah, Ga., for a conference, and I couldn't go because of my busy week. He called Sunday night and said, "It's 75 degrees here!"

I like Georgia, but I think I'll stay here. I love Kentucky, I just don't love the winter. Come on, spring. Get here fast!



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The Judds are the most famous family of women in Kentucky. Naomi's mother tells their story. **Page 16**

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# Who's your favorite woman in history?

## Kimberly Little Frasure The Christian Messenger Inc., publisher

When posed with the question, "If you could be one woman in history who would it be?" Kimberly Little Frasure didn't pause for long.

"Oh my goodness, to have to pick one woman in history to be is a tough task to conquer. There are so very many women in my life that have made such a memorable impact," she said. "I suppose if we were to search the world-renowned aspect, I would have to say the late, great

Erma Bombeck has been a guiding influence. As a columnist, she was phenomenal. Two of my all-time favorite books were penned by her, 'The Grass Is Always Greener Over The Septic Tank,' and 'If Life's a Bowl of Cherries, Then What Am I Doing In The Pits?' The titles alone give us a glimpse into her humor," Frasure said.

Dora Russell, an editor and columnist who began her career in England in 1945, was the second woman credited by Frasure as having had a guiding influence in her own career choice.

"She was one of the very first women to write for a newspaper," Frasure said. "A mother of five, she continued writing a weekly column and a Saturday feature column titled 'Woman of the Week' for 10 years after her retirement."

Christian authors Barbara Johnson, Joyce Meyer and Patsy Clairmont, are all named by Frasure as women she admires for their work producing and publishing wonderful, delightful writings and programs highlighting God in unique and sharing ways.

"Writing has always been a part of my life, though I never dreamed in my wildest imagination that I would ever actually write a column for a newspaper, let alone publish a Christian newspaper. But, God has a plan for us all and if we just listen, and strive to use the blessing He gives 'all things are possible' just as His Word tells us in Philippians 4:13 'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me,'" she said.

"The Christian Messenger was a dream come true. To see it in print each month truly gives me 'God Bumps' up and down the spine. We have had the opportunity to meet and share God's blessings with numerous individuals and groups over the past two years. So many talented God-loving Christians eager to help spread the love of God. We are a not-for-profit newspaper, operating totally on contributions and donations from those who wish to see 'Sharing God's Blessings' continue to help spread His word, love, and joy, free to the public - covering all denominations striving at uniting one mind and one accord, in praising the Lord," she said.

Kimberly Little Frasure is a member of the Emma Untied Methodist Church. She serves as Director of the E.U.M.C. Outreach Ministry, and Historian of the Emma Women Of God. She belongs to the E.U.M.C. Intercessory Prayer Group. And hosts an on-line Prayer Chain.

She has worked in the newspaper industry since 1986, beginning as a feature writer, and also holding the position of advertising manager. Her column, "Kim's Korner," has been published in five newspapers throughout the area and is currently seen each Wednesday in The Floyd County Times.

She has been invited to participate in the "Share a Book" local school program, and has helped to begin two local school newspapers.

Kimberly has also written a children's book titled, "Mischievous in the Mountains." **KW**



## Janice Blackburn Allen

"The woman in history that has made such an impression on me would have to be my mother, Mable Blackburn," said Janice Allen of Prestonsburg.

Allen, who was recently appointed to the Kentucky State Board of Education, was taught by her own mother for eight years. A teacher for 38 years, Mable Blackburn would have been extremely proud of her only child's accomplishments as she has followed and moved so successfully forward in her mother's footsteps.

"I am so in awe of my parents," Allen said. "They were from an era when not a lot of people had the opportunity to go to school."

But Clyde and Mable Blackburn instilled the importance of a solid education in their daughter, who then took this idea and allowed it to lead her forward by leaps and bounds.

Allen, however, experienced many hardships and heartaches along her path to becoming a member of the state's highest level of authority. Allen is one who can honestly say, "When I was young, I walked a mile in the cold to get to school," and mean it. For during her early years of school she attended a small, rural school that both she and her mother walked to each morning, even in the cold, winter months.

Allen is also a survivor of the horrendous 1957 school bus tragedy that occurred in her home county of Floyd in February of that year. Several of her classmates, relatives and friends perished that cold bleak day when they were plunged to their deaths in the icy waters of the Big Sandy River. "Every day of my life, I still drive by the scene of that accident. There isn't a day that I don't think about it," she said. Nonetheless, Allen has heroically managed to pull herself together through the years and to strive toward her educational goals while at the same time never failing to remember those who perished that day.

Allen has a Rank I status in the School Superintendent, Instructional Leadership Early Elementary Principal, Levels I & II Middle Level Principal-Level II, Middle Level Principal-Level I, and Elementary Education. She has both a bachelor's and a master's degree in elementary education, with minors in both latin and English.

Allen retired as principal from James D. Adams Middle School, Prestonsburg, in 2000. Prior to taking on the principalship of Adams, Allen taught the students of Floyd County from 1964 through 1992.

She has served on local, state and district levels in the political arena through her involvement as a member of the Board of Directors, Democratic Women's Club of Kentucky, as well as serving as elected first associate for the fifth district for which she will serve a two-year term. She was also president for the Floyd County Democratic Women's Club from 2000-2002. Allen will hold the position of precinct chair until the year 2004. **KW**



Janice Allen of Prestonsburg was sworn in Monday as the newest member of the Kentucky Board of Education. She replaces William Weinberg, who resigned in December. Allen was sworn in by Franklin Circuit Judge Reed Rhorer. Holding the Bible upon which Allen swore her oath of office was her son, Patrick.

## Linda Wood, deputy sheriff with the Barren County Sheriff's Department:

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# KENTUCKY WOMAN BOOK CLUB



Linda Scott DeRosier signs books at Joseph Beth Booksellers in November. Creeker is her first novel.

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## Kentucky woman writes about home

*"Mine was not the Kentucky of bluegrass, juleps and cotillions; the Kentucky of my youth was one of coal banks, crawdads, and country music."*

**By Lisa Hornung**  
*Kentucky Woman Editor*

Visions of life in the mountains have been portrayed by the media as hard and sad.

But Linda Scott DeRosier's memories are nothing of the sort. She recalls her childhood as filled with family and laughter.

"My house sometimes rocked

with laughter," she said. "We would sit and tell stories and laugh and laugh."

DeRosier said she believes laughter is the best medicine. Suffering from lupus since her 20s, she said just talking and laughing makes her forget her pain.

"I can sit here and talk to you, and I don't feel it at all," she said.

DeRosier was born in Greasy Creek, which is now called Boons Camp, at her grandmother's house. She was raised in Two-Mile, which is between Paintsville and Inez in Johnson County.

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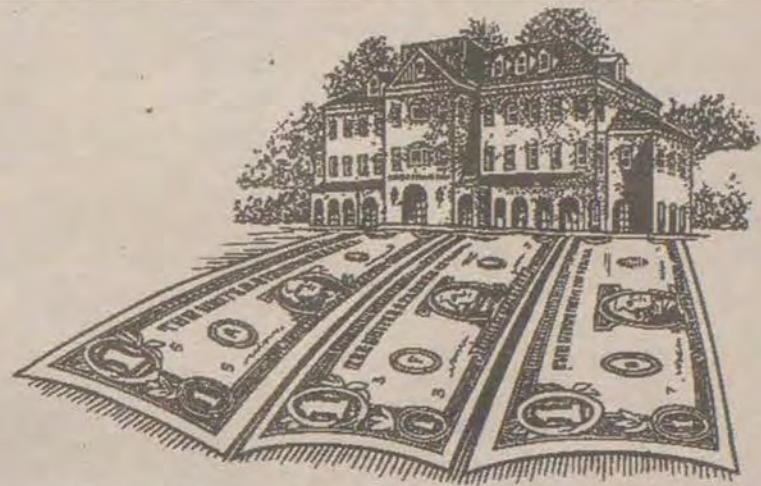
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being an author or "Arthur," she says jokingly. She went home for the family reunion of her friend, Gwen Holbrook. Holbrook had been working on a genealogy of her family, and she gave it to her brothers and sisters as a gift. DeRosier commented she thought it was the nicest gift she'd ever seen, and Holbrook told her to do the same. Instead, she sat down and started writing stories from different parts of her life.

She had heard of the Women in Southern Culture series from the University Press of Kentucky. She contacted the editor, Margaret Ripley Wolfe, who told her to send in a prospectus.

"Well, I didn't know what a prospectus was!"

She wrote a short summary of what she had been writing, and soon a contract arrived in the mail. Within just a few months, she was a published author.

"I had always heard how difficult it is to get published," she said.

She had been going at it for a while, when her husband, Arthur, who has written eight books, said, "You know, Linda, usually when people write books, they have an outline or something."

"I just wrote what came to me," she said.

What came to her was her life story, and the tale of the people in it. She said she only changed seven names in the book for fear they may have been portrayed in a less-than-flattering way. But she said one person later asked her why she changed their name, wishing she had been in the book.

She fell into writing just like she fell into most of the things that have made her successful. Comparing herself to a bobblehead doll, she said things just happened that made her life fall into place. She went to Pikeville College looking for a husband. She found one, but she also found a world of learning and possibility. When she went to college she changed her name, unofficially, to Lee, hoping to find a new identity. She married Brett Scott and had no intention of finishing college, but her husband insisted. She was married, after all, and what was the point?

The couple had one son, Brett Preston Scott, and moved all over Kentucky, stopping in Corbin, Richmond, Louisville and Frankfort. She continued her education and taught at Eastern Kentucky University and Kentucky State University, and was the first white, female professor at KSU.

After years of losing her husband to the golf course, she divorced him, but they've remained close friends their whole lives. She said her first husband and her second are close, too.

While DeRosier is now a professor at Rocky Mountain College in Montana, she holds on tight to her roots, traveling back to Two-Mile every Christmas.

"I am not only from Appalachia, I am of Appalachia," she writes. "My attitudes and behaviors were shaped by having grown up in that family, in that place and in that time."

Creeker is a thrilling look into the life of one Appalachian person, how she learned to fit in outside of the mountains without losing her sense of home.

For the reader who did not grow up in the region, Creeker is a learning experience, breaking down stereotypes. For the reader who grew up in the region, Creeker is a nostalgic look back at a proud people who do not need or want sympathy.

Creeker is a must-read for all Kentuckians.



PHOTO BY NANCY TAGGART

Linda Scott DeRosier talks with fans and signs books at Joseph Beth in Lexington

*"Each morning as my clock goes off at four-thirty, the lupus I have wrestled with over the last forty years reminds me that I am far from free of it. I turn off the clock and think, 'I can't go to work today.' Then I turn over and see Arthur getting out of his side of the bed, and I insist, 'As bad as I'm hurting, they can't expect me to come in today.' Then I turn back over and drag my sorry self out of bed and go to work. My job is different every day, and just doing it engages every part of my being. Every year they're eighteen. Every year, I'm a year older and I am passing along all I know of the world and what it means to be in it to another generation of young folks who are just beginning to make sense of their inheritance. I teach psychology, but it is psychology filtered through Appalachian sensibilities and shaped by my Appalachian heritage." ...*



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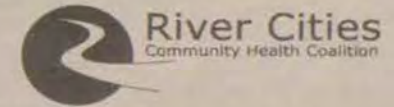


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Hormone  
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## The truth about benefits and risks

**“... THE OLDER YOU GET, THE MORE CAREFUL YOU WANT TO BE ABOUT YOUR HEALTH.”**

**— JOYCE HOOD, JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.**

**By Christa Hoyland**  
Kentucky Woman Staff

When Joyce Hood of Jeffersonville, Ind., heard her hormone replacement therapy may lead to a higher risk of breast cancer or chance of stroke, so she asked her physician about stopping the therapy.

The 67-year-old mother of three had been taking some form of hormone replacement for nearly 20 years, from the time she first began experiencing menopausal symptoms. Initially she took an estrogen product, then later switched to Prempro, the estrogen-progestin combination therapy that was featured in last summer's Women's Health Initiative study.

She had been taking the hormones to prevent night sweats and irritability, as well as to protect against bone loss. But when she found she was in the same age group as the women studied, she wondered, if the study's conclusions were true and she was doing herself more harm than good. When it was time for her annual exam in October, she asked about stopping the hormones.

“He said it was up to me,” Hood said.

Her physician did recommend weaning herself off the hormones, taking them every other day and then

every third or fourth day until she'd used up her supply. That plan seemed like a good idea, she said, since some of her friends had stopped cold turkey and suffered mood swings or hot flashes as a result, prompting them to restart their therapy.

He also recommended she continue taking daily calcium supplements and that she have a bone density test. That test showed some bone loss in her hips, so she is now taking medication to prevent further deterioration, she said.

With medication to treat her bones and only slight irritability and depression — which she attributes somewhat to going off the hormones over the holidays — Hood said she feels comfortable with her decision.

“I've been on them 20 years, and I've not had any bad results,” she said. “But the older you get, the more careful you want to be about your health.”

Dr. Christine Cook, professor and vice-chairman of the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women's Health at the University of Louisville, said she's had many patients come to her with the same concerns. However, she does not recommend a wholesale abandonment of estrogen-progestin therapy.

Cook is quick to point out that the study covered one product and one group of women in their 60s.

The data collected on those women is difficult to extrapolate to individual patients, she said.

Just because the women in the study experienced a slightly higher incidence of breast cancer than those in the placebo group doesn't mean the next woman coming into her office will also have the same statistical risk, Cook said.

“Women need to be looked at individually,” she said, given the variety of ways menopause — and hormone replacement — affects different women.

Switching patients to a different estrogen-progestin combination or a lower dose is not necessarily the best response to the study's data, either. The study didn't cover all estrogen-progestin products or lower doses of the hormones to determine the risk factors of switching patients to another product, Cook said.

“It may be that lower doses of that medication or medications that are related to but not identical to that medication could have a different risk-benefit profile,” she said. “We need to be cautious in either assuming that all estrogen-progestin combinations are bad. But we also need to be cautious in assuming that lowering the dose or changing the formulation to one of the alternative preparations is automatically risk free.”

“Probably the single most frustrating thing for the ▶



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patient and the doctor is that there are so many things that we still do not know the answer to," Cook said.

The FDA recently began requiring all estrogen and estrogen-progestin combination products to come with warning labels that lay out the risks as found in the WHI study, as well as alternative treatments.

Yet hormone replacement clearly has its benefits, from eliminating hot flashes and night sweats to increasing mental functioning to helping with vaginal discomfort and bladder problems. While other products have shown they are effective in treating some of those symptoms, for some, such as vaginal discomfort, "there isn't any good replacement right now," she said.

Risk factors such as an increase in blood clotting can be dealt with by a daily dose of baby aspirin, something the American Heart Association already recommends for everyone over age 50, she said.

A woman's comfort is an important consideration in prescribing hormone replacement, something too often "left out of the discussion," Cook said. "That is a legitimate issue ... that we need to balance in them whatever the risk could be for an individual."

Cook recommends looking at each patient's risk factors, particularly "patient-controlled risk factors," such as alcohol consumption and diet. Pre-diabetic women and those with high cholesterol need to be urged more strongly to exercise and change their eating habits, she said.

What needs more study are alternatives to traditional hormone replacement, products such as Black Cohosh tea or locally applied vaginal estrogen. And more should be done to create tests to identify those who are more likely to have an increased risk of breast cancer or other medical problems from taking hormone replacements, she said.

Among Cook's own patients, few have opted to stop taking hormones altogether. The others are either sticking with their same treatment or taking an alternative hormone therapy, she said.

Cook and other U of I staff are giving all patients a list of Web sites that provide education on alternative treatments as well as academic interpretations of the WHI study. With medical students and residents, they are placing an emphasis on using the Internet "as a reliable source of information for patients ... by giving

them guidelines," something the department has not done before, she said.

Also, alternative treatments are being given more thorough look as a viable way for women to cope with menopausal symptoms. The university is also preparing to research soy products, their effects on menopausal women and what symptoms they alleviate, she said.

Dr. Christopher Grady, an obstetrician and gynecologist in private practice at Woman Care in Jeffersonville, shares many of the same views as

reaffirmed I should be cautious in the cardiac patients, at least," Grady said.

Hormone therapy is the best treatment for most menopausal symptoms, particularly hot flashes and night sweats, he said. While there are other products to treat and prevent effects such as bone loss, hormone therapy is still a good preventative treatment, he said.

Like Cook, Grady said it's not easy to take the data from the women in the WHI study and apply that to individual patients. With the media playing up the breast cancer population risk, many of his patients have made appointments to discuss their fears, he said.

He guesses that about five to 10 percent quit the hormone therapy because they fear the cancer risk, particularly those with a family history. Some ask about over-the-counter remedies, but he cautions that those products may carry risks because many are not manufactured by drug companies or regulated by the FDA.

Of those patients who have come to talk to him, about 65 percent have continued with their prescribed treatment, mainly because they fear the misery of menopausal symptoms, he said.

As for Joyce Hood, she said she doesn't regret she took hormone replacement products, particularly since it ended the misery of night sweats and her change in disposition. And if she continues to experience difficulty sleeping and mild irritability she may return to the products, though a different combination than the one she was taking. She said she is also looking into natural remedies.

For her daughters - the eldest of whom is 45 - and her 51-year-old stepdaughter, she said she would recommend looking into something "safer."

"There are other things now they can go on," Hood said. "Why start on something you're not sure of?"

Web sites with information on menopause, hormone replacement therapy, alternative treatments and interpretations of the WHI study: [menopause.org](http://menopause.org), (North American Menopause Society); [acog.org](http://acog.org), (American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists); [www.ama-assn.org](http://www.ama-assn.org), (American Medical Association), and [nih.gov](http://nih.gov) (National Institutes of Health). **KW**

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He said he has not changed the way he prescribes hormone replacement therapy in light of the WHI study. Since learning in his residency in the mid-'90s about the potential risks of prescribing estrogen to heart patients, he has always been cautious about putting patients with a history of cardiac problems on hormone therapy, he said.

"Given the data from this particular study, it just

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**VIVIAN DAVIS**

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As Davis has gotten older and her family has dwindled in size, she has learned to cook for one or two. While working she learned to do a lot of slow cooking.

To Davis, food is necessary for life, but it also fun. People should enjoy the creative part of cooking. That is why she enjoys writing her Food, Fun and Fitness column for the Richmond Register. She can share what she knows with so many who have not had the opportunities she has.

Davis' column appears in the Register every Wednesday.

### STRAWBERRY CHEESECAKE TORTE

Please read all instructions before starting cake. Have all ingredients pre-measured and ready to go. This cake takes a little extra effort to make, but it is worth it. It is pretty to look at, as well as having a great taste.

#### Ingredients:

- 1 16-ounce package one-step angel food cake mix
- 1 tablespoon confectioner's sugar
- 1 3-ounce package sugar-free strawberry gelatin
- 1/2 cup boiling water
- 1/4 cup seedless strawberry jam
- 1 8-ounce package reduced fat cream cheese, cubed
- 1/3 cup fat-free milk
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 3 cups reduced-fat whipped topping
- 1 3.4-ounce package instant cheesecake or vanilla pudding mix
- 1 cup sliced fresh strawberries
- 1 kiwifruit, peeled, halved and sliced
- 1 1/2 teaspoons grated lemon peel

#### Preparation:

Line a 15-by-10-by-1 inch baking pan with non-greased parchment paper. Prepare cake mix according to package directions. Spread batter evenly in prepared pan.

Bake at 350 degrees for 24 to 26 minutes or until top is lightly browned. Sprinkle sugar over a waxed paper-lined baking sheet. Immediately invert cake onto baking sheet. Gently peel off parchment paper, cool completely. Dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Stir in jam until melted. With a fork, poke cake at 1/2 inch intervals. Brush with gelatin mixture. Chill for 10 minutes.

In a bowl, beat cream cheese, milk and lemon juice. Add whipped topping and pudding mix; whisk well. Reserve one cup. Place remaining pudding mixture in a pastry bag with a star tip. Trim edges of cake. Cut widthwise in three equal rectangles; place one rectangle on a serving plate. Spread 1/2 cup reserved pudding mixture in center. Pipe pudding mixture around the edges of cake. Repeat with second layer of cake. Top with remaining cake layer. Pipe pudding mixture along edges. Fill center with fruit. Sprinkle with lemon peel. Store in refrigerator.

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#### Ingredients:

- Chicken, beef or vegetable bullion cubes or granules
- 1 small head cabbage, chopped, carrots, zucchini, broccoli, cauliflower, green beans, or any other vegetable you like, cut into bite size pieces
- canned tomatoes
- spices, such as pepper and garlic, to taste

#### spicy V8 juice

#### Preparation:

In a large soup kettle place two quarts of water, add bullion, bring to boil, reduce heat and stir until mixed well. Add all vegetables and simmer slowly until vegetables are tender. This could not be more simple.

Make your stock, add any vegetable you like, simmer until tender and then enjoy. This will keep in the refrigerator for days and freezes well if there are no potatoes in it. When you freeze a soup with potatoes, the potato may turn black.

I like to keep this soup in the refrigerator and have a bowl when I am ready to fix supper so I do not get so hungry at meal time and overeat. I also like to add some spicy V8 juice to spice it up a little.

This is a good soup for people watching their weight. It is also a good way to get in those three to five vegetables you should eat every day.

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By Lee Reih  
AP Weekly Features

All those earthworms you saw wriggling in the top layers of soil last fall have not gone away, just down into the earth to keep warm. As the soil surface warms in spring, these creatures will again rise to near the surface and begin to multiply.

Earthworms eat their way through the soil, taking it in at one end and spewing it out the other, as "earthworm castings." Charles Darwin reported that each year earthworms brought more than 10 tons per acre of castings to the surface of a field. One hundred square feet of good garden soil can be home to thousands of earthworms.

Darwin gained a deep respect for the many benefits of earthworms to plants. In an era when agriculture shaped human life more directly, he wrote that perhaps no other animal "played such an important part in the history of the world." Physically, worms improve the soil by gently tilling it and creating channels for air, water, and roots. Earthworms' secretions bind soil particles together, giving the earth a porous structure. The journey through a worm's digestive tract also releases plant nutrients locked

up in organic materials and even rock particles.

Earthworms benefit plants in even more roundabout ways. Apple scab disease, for example, survives the winter on old apple leaves lying beneath the trees — but not if earthworms drag the old leaves into the ground and chew them up. Earthworms also help chew up and decompose lawn thatch.

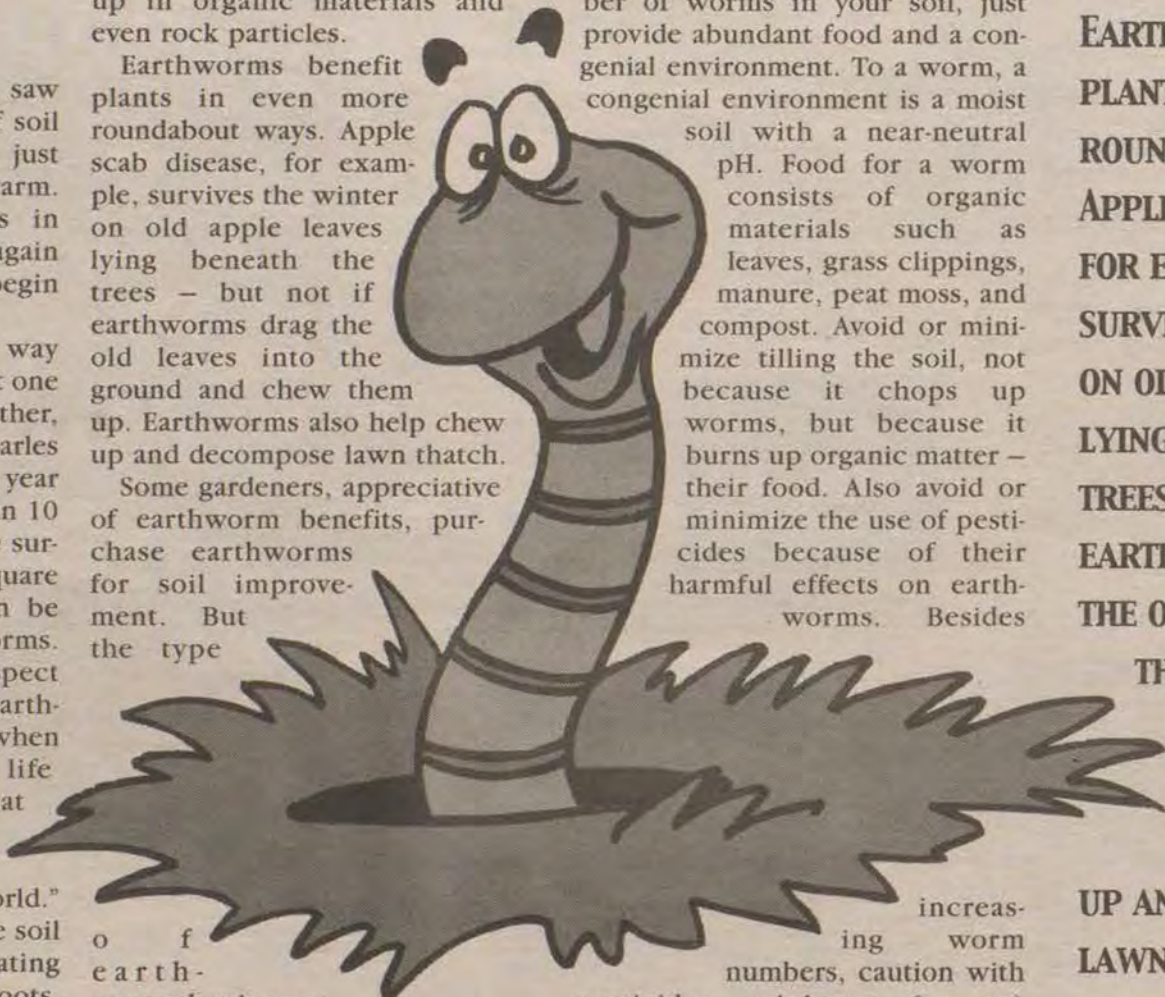
Some gardeners, appreciative of earthworm benefits, purchase earthworms for soil improvement. But the type

of earthworm that is most easily grown for sale is the redworm, which is adapted to living in compost or manure piles, but would starve in soil.

If you want to increase the num-

ber of worms in your soil, just provide abundant food and a congenial environment. To a worm, a congenial environment is a moist soil with a near-neutral pH. Food for a worm consists of organic materials such as leaves, grass clippings, manure, peat moss, and compost. Avoid or minimize tilling the soil, not because it chops up worms, but because it burns up organic matter — their food. Also avoid or minimize the use of pesticides because of their harmful effects on earthworms. Besides

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**Julie Paxton, family court judge,  
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Julie Paxton graduated from Central City High School, Central City, in 1976 and went on to graduate from the University of Kentucky in 1980 with a bachelor of arts. In 1986, Paxton received a juris doctorate from the Chase College of Law and went to work as a staff attorney for Judge John D. Miller of the Kentucky Court of Appeals.

She moved to Floyd County to marry Martin Osborne, where she became the Assistant Floyd County Attorney. She took a three-year break, during which time she had a son, Jackson, 12, and a daughter, Clara, 10. She returned to work as an associate with Boehl, Stopher and Graves and later worked as an associate with Riley and Walters.

Paxton was appointed as the first Family Court Judge in Floyd County on June 1999, and was elected Family Court Judge for the 31st judicial circuit, Floyd County, in November 1999. She was appointed to serve as Family Court Judge in the 36th judicial circuit, Knott and Magoffin Counties, on March 1, 2001, and is now serving all three counties.

She is a member of the Floyd County and Kentucky Bar Associations, a member and past president, PEO, which is a philanthropic educational organization, she serves on the Jenny Wiley Theatre Board, she is a member and Sunday School teacher at the First United Methodist Church, a member of the East Kentucky Science Center Board, the Kentucky Child Support Enforcement committee and the Kentucky Institute for Family Literacy.

Paxton said the secret to her success is that she does things because she enjoys doing them not because she has to. She said that she does



her job because she likes it.

"I am very pleased with what I am doing," Paxton said.

Advice she would give to anyone in her field is to be willing to laugh at yourself.

"Don't ever take yourself too seriously," Paxton said.

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## Drug prevents diabetes-related eye disease

**By Randolph E. Schmid**

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — New hope for people with a diabetes-related eye disease may be found in a synthetic form of vitamin B1 used to treat nerve problems.

Benfotiamine, which is used for this purpose in Europe, has been found to prevent the most common form of diabetes-related eye disease in rats, according to a new study.

A research team led by Dr. Michael Brownlee of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York found that diabetic rats treated with this form of Vitamin B1 for 36 weeks did not develop any of the retina damage found in a similar group of untreated rats.

Brownlee said he hopes to begin a clinical trial to determine whether a

similar result would occur in humans once an effective dose for the drug in people is determined. That could happen as soon as a year, he said.

"We can't say it works in humans because there has never been a double-blind clinical study" of it, Brownlee said.

The new findings were being published Monday in the online edition of the journal *Nature Medicine*.

In the United States, diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in people age 20 to 70. Diabetic retinopathy — damage to the small blood cells in the retina — is the most common problem. The American Diabetes Association estimates that between 12,000 and 24,000 people lose their sight each year because of diabetes.

In diabetics, excess sugar in the blood can damage some cells, espe-

cially those lining blood vessels, that are unable to block the sugar from entering. That sugar is burned for fuel by mitochondria, the energy engines of cells.

In cells that cannot regulate their amount of sugar, byproducts accumulate that can activate three different pathways of cell damage that can lead to blindness and other complications.

Brownlee's group focused on two compounds involved in this damage. Those compounds are affected by an enzyme called transketolase, which depends on thiamine — also known as vitamin B1 — for its activity.

The researchers sought to block the cell damage by using thiamine to boost the activity of transketolase, but this increased the enzyme activity only about 20 percent.



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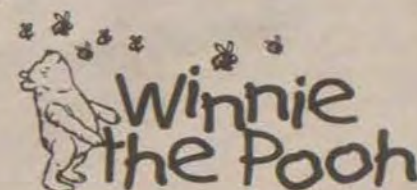
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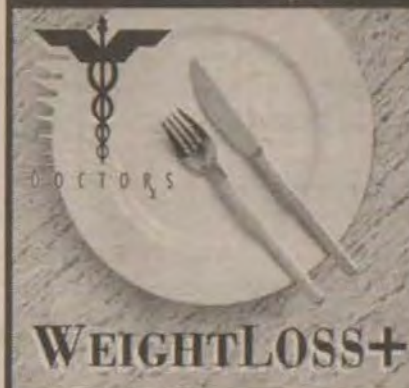
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# Celebrating women in the arts

By Bryan Marshall  
Kentucky Woman Staff

Richmond residents will have a chance in March to experience the wealth of arts created by women within the community.

The Richmond Area Arts Council is hosting the second "Celebration of Women in the Arts" to highlight the creative talents of female artists, musicians and authors in the region. The event, sponsored by Dr. Adrienne Millet, is from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. March 8 at the Arts Center.

"It's a way to showcase local talent," said Amy McIntosh, executive director

of the Richmond Area Arts Council. "We have a little bit of music and a lot of authors selling their stuff and artwork for display and sale."

Participating artists will have the chance to sell their work as well as display it. Authors will also be available to sign autographs. Last year, McIntosh said the event was a huge success with nine authors featured and about 100 people in attendance. She hopes and expects to expand on those numbers this year.

"We feel it is important to showcase local talent because there are not many venues for that," McIntosh said. "The

reason we chose women is because of women's history month, and sometimes there is not as much publicity for women."

"The tone of the event is very festive, and there's a lot to see and hear."

The celebration will begin with visual art exhibits and authors reading their books. Next, the music trio Raison D' Etre, who participated last year, will sing and perform a variety of folk-inspired music. The Northern Kentucky group is made up of Vickie Riffe Ellis, Violet Rae Downey and Roberta Schultz.

McIntosh said the RAAC distributes

surveys in the middle of the summer to local artists to spark interest in the event. There has been lots of positive response, but female artists can still sign up to share their art and give the community an opportunity to experience their presentations.

"The public is really excited about this new venue and the celebrating of local creative people," McIntosh said.

If you would like to participate or buy tickets for the "Celebration of Women in the Arts" call the Arts Center at (859) 624-4242. **KW**

*Bryan Marshall is the features reporter for the Richmond Register*

## U.S. Women's Chamber of Commerce announces major initiative

Washington, D.C. February 10, 2003 - The U.S. Women's Chamber of Commerce is establishing a bold new initiative that will provide women business owners, government, and corporate and economic leaders with a framework to create results that are more positive for women in procurement.

"Recently the Center for Women's Business Research and the Women's Business Enterprise National Council released findings of the challenges women are facing in corporate and government procurement markets," said Margot Dorfman, CEO of the U.S. Women's Chamber of Commerce. "These studies illuminate one of the last great hurdles for women in business the access to large purchasing markets. This access will greatly improve the ability of women-owned firms to generate substantial revenues."

"Women-owned firms represent 38 percent of all businesses in the U.S., but capture less than 5 percent of government and corporate purchasing dollars and less than 3 percent of state purchasing dollars," continued Dorfman.

"It is time for women business owners and corporate and government leaders to come together in a

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- The USWCC National Women's Procurement Support Network of government and corporate supporters who commit to setting and keeping reasonable goals to improve their

organization's spending with women-owned firms.

- The USWCC Women's Procurement Network the voice for women in procurement in the United States.

- The USWCC National Women's Enterprise Certification to enable women to more easily obtain a national certification that will assist them in reaching across state and regional barriers to procurement opportunities.

- Local and national USWCC Women's Procurement Summits where women business owners, economic and government leaders can come together to review the successes and challenges in procurement.

"Through these nationally coordinated, locally implemented councils, commitments and opportunities, women will gain a much stronger

position in the marketplace," Dorfman concludes. "The USWCC Women's Business Procurement Project will move women business owners into positions of leadership working side-by-side corporate and government leaders to make positive change."

To read more about the USWCC Women's Business Procurement Project, visit [http://www.uswomenchamber.com/Women\\_Procurement\\_Project.doc](http://www.uswomenchamber.com/Women_Procurement_Project.doc).

To submit your name to be part of the Women's Business Procurement Project, visit <http://www.uswomenchamber.com/html/submit.htm>.

About the US Women's Chamber of Commerce The USWCC, a not-for-profit 501(c)(6) trade association, is the pre-eminent national women's chamber of commerce network whose mission is to develop leaders, accelerate economic growth and provide a community voice for women.

Any woman or man joining the chamber becomes part of the national organization and local affiliate. More information on the USWCC can be found at [www.uswomenchamber.com](http://www.uswomenchamber.com) or by contacting the organization at (888) 861-9290. publication.





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# KFW announces 2002 Artist Enrichment Grants

Forty-eight individuals were recently awarded grants from The Kentucky Foundation for Women as part of the foundation's annual Artist Enrichment program.

The grants, which totaled \$100,000, funded a wide range of programs including professional development, artist residencies, the exploration of new areas or techniques, and the creation of new art.

The grant program provides opportunities for feminist social change artists and arts organizations to enhance their abilities and skills to make art. All projects for this grant program must be artist-driven; feminist in nature, and demonstrate high quality.

Louisville dancer and choreographer, Beth McNeill, who was one of the grant recipients. McNeill describes herself as a "feminist choreographer." McNeill says, "while choreographing my first works, I became aware of my voice as a female artist. I explored ideas such as uncovering the self from stereotypes; the strength of the individual inside the group; and the politics of the female body as a vehicle for expression."

McNeill studied dance and choreography at NYU Tisch School of the Arts, receiving a M.F.A. in Performance and Choreography in 1995. She has also choreographed ballets for the Louisville Ballet Company, the University of Louisville Theatre, and the Ashland Youth Ballet.

Because of her grant from KFW totaling \$3,000, McNeill will be able to continue to pursue her dreams to choreograph socially conscious, feminist ballets. Her grant will enable her to create and produce a multi-generational dance concert focusing on the Politics of the Female Body from the standpoint of eight women, each in different stages of their lives and different stages of their relationships to dance. The artists will share their voices and experiences as women within the art form and will express this to the audience through the

dance.

"My hope is that this project will help to denounce some of the negative stereotypes of female artist and will make it possible for me to make bold statements and be able to back them up through my work." McNeill says.

Some other Artist Enrichment grants recipients include:

Brown, Nickole, Louisville, \$4,830 – to complete a collection of short stories written in dialect and inspired by the direct oral interpretations of stories handed down to her by her grandmother and other women from the Appalachian region.

Hagan, Ellen and Alecia Whitaker, Bardstown, \$3,500 – to create a series of performance pieces that will be performed around Kentucky and will provide an arena for young girls to become empowered as issues of sex, violence, love and innocence are presented to them in a thought-provoking manner.

Quisenberry, Rosetta, Lexington, \$2,960 – to help fund the continued publication of a series of books that contain postcards from 1898 to the 1930's that are both sexist and racist in an effort to educate the public about the social mindset during this period in history. The books will focus on the black woman, the black child and the black family.

The Artist Enrichment grant program is one of two grant programs funded by KFW. The Foundation is accepting applications for its Art Meets Activism program. The deadline to apply for it is March 3.

For more information about The Kentucky Foundation for Women, call (502)562-0045.

The other recipients of the 2002 Artist Enrichment grants are:

## Literary

Bailey, Rosemary, Springfield, \$1,000 – to complete a collection of autobiographical poetry that focuses on social issues that relate

specifically to women.

Brown, Nickole, Louisville, \$4,830 – to complete a collection of short stories written in dialect and inspired by the direct oral interpretations of stories handed down to her by her grandmother and other women from the Appalachian region.

Buchanan, Bobbi, Louisville, \$1,000 – toward the completion of a series of essays for a book manuscript with photographs of women who have overcome extraordinary circumstances such as: the death of a child, alcoholism, and persecution for their political and or personal beliefs.

Campbell-Mapp, Renee, Louisville, \$1,500 – to research and document the mistreatment and abuse experienced by her grandmother, Ada Doss Campbell, a Rural Kentucky, mentally ill, African-American woman. The abuse took place during the mid and late 1930s in a state run mental institution.

Chaney, Candace, Lexington, \$1,935 – to write a collection of personal essays and poetry tentatively entitled *The Divorce Papers: An Appalachian Daughter's Journey*. This mosaic of creative non-fiction and poetry chronicles the effects of divorce on family.

Edwards, Kim, Lexington, \$2,040 – to complete a series of writing projects that explore female characters whose journey are both inward and outward, women who make discoveries and take risks and seek transformation. Part of her ongoing research will be presented at the Kentucky Women Writers' Conference.

Howell, Rebecca, Lexington, \$3,700 – to complete a book-length manuscript of poetry titled *Find Me*. The poems in this collection seek the mystic connection between human erotic love and divine love.

Irvin, Cass, Louisville, \$1,500 – to help with the compilation of previously published work that discuss the issue of women with disabilities.

Jones, Holly, Lexington,

\$2,000 – to create a body of short, literary fiction that reflects on the issue of working class culture and its sociological effects on women.

Morris, Ellen, Louisville, \$2,000 – to attend a two week writing retreat and a seven day workshop to develop and revise a novel that deals with many of the issues that middle school girls face such as: self esteem, body image and peer pressure.

Papailler-Berkley, Kristi-Louisville, \$1,935 – to support the development and publication of a collection of feminist, consciousness-raising poetry.

Potter, Abbie, Louisville, \$1,500 – to write a novel about the struggles of two very different women and the way their lives intersect and enrich each other, and to attend the 2003 Appalachian Writers' Workshop.

Quisenberry, Rosetta, Lexington, \$2,960 – to help fund the continued publication of a series of books that contain postcards from 1898 to the 1930's that are both sexist and racist in an effort to educate the public about the social mindset during this period in history. The books will focus on the black woman, the black child and the black family.

Ricketts, Margaret, Berea, \$1,400 – to purchase voice activated computer software that will enable her to continue to write socially conscious, feminist poetry without being limited by the discomfort related to her disability.

Weber, Brenda, Lexington, \$2,500 – to develop an anthology to be called *Fidelities: Staying true through Twenty-five years of the Kentucky Women Writers Conference*. The anthology would feature original selections of both fiction and non fiction contributed by 10-15 writers drawn from the roughly 200 women who have attended the conference since its creation in 1979.

Zimmerman, Patricia, Louisville, \$1,000 – to gather oral histories from the women in

her family in order to illustrate the strength they possessed and show how these strengths mirror those of other women in families similar to hers.

## Media

Cox, Nell, Frankfort, \$3,500 – to fund the completion of a video that features women activists, women policy makers, women leaders, and women directly affected by bills being introduced before the legislature.

Donohue, Jean-Covington, \$3,500 – to support the production of a documentary about the Black Madonna. The documentary will show how the suppression and ouster of women from their traditional sacred roles over a thousand years ago is having catastrophic effects on the lives of women and Western Society today.

Garcia, Enerida, Louisville, \$2,000 – to produce a documentary about Latina women in Louisville concerning the problems they face such as discrimination and domestic violence.

Houghton, Barbara, Alexandria, \$1,300 – to research and prepare images for an exhibition that will examine the process of invention through information provided by Galileo's daughter, Celeste.

Kaplan, Lisa, Lexington, \$3,500 – to create a one hour documentary about women who grew up in families who operated the ferries and tug boats along the Kentucky River nearly one hundred years ago.

Kelly, Gwendolyn, Louisville, \$1,000 – to develop a web site and online community called *Multipurposewoman.org*, a gathering place for women to share and discuss the joys and challenges of living their everyday lives while creating art.

Lyon, Sarah, Louisville, \$1,000 – to travel across the midwest on motorcycle and reveal through photography the individual journeys of a group of women by history and their geographical location.



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# Women must take special care of their bodies

By **SHANNON PHELPS**

Kentucky Woman Contributor

Let's face it – in regards to sexuality, we live in a very confusing world. We see "sex" on the television, on the movie screen, in magazine all the time. We spend a considerable amount of time defining what is and how to be sexy.

We know that nearly half of teenagers have sex before they finish high school (and this number is down since 1991) but they are told to just say 'no' as the only acceptable means of protecting their health and selves. These same youth are also told by their divorced parents who may be engaged in a sexual relationship "outside of marriage" to save their "virginity" and be abstinent until marriage. And on that point, what exactly is meant by the terms "virginity" or "abstinence"? See what I mean? The fog becomes even more dense when we try to clear the air in regards to sexuality.

So it would make sense that individuals are confused about what is best for their sexual health (including

reproductive health, of course). By reading further you are giving yourself the opportunity to learn about your and others' sexual health; maybe you will even lift some of the haze!

Sexual health 101: Pap smears and testicular screen. Listen up ladies! If you of the age of 18 and/or have become sexually active, you should be getting a pap smear at least once a year. You can do this by calling a health care provider and scheduling an annual exam. This includes a breast exam, a bimanual exam and a pap smear. A breast exam is done to screen for breast cancer, a bimanual exam is done to check the placement and size of the uterus and ovaries, and a pap smear is done to screen for cervical cancer and human papilloma virus – a sexually transmitted infection that can lead to cervical cancer and/or genital warts. These are definitely conditions one would want to prevent! During the exam a practitioner also instructs patients how to conduct a

self-breast exam and how to reduce the risk of unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, if the patient is sexually active. But remember – a woman who is 18 does not need to be sexually active to go to gynecologist or reproductive health practitioner – she should go at this time in life, regardless of her sexual history.

Listen up gentlemen! There is not an annual exam for men. However, it is strongly recommended that you incorporate this in your life, especially after becoming sexually active. During this exam you should be tested for sexually transmitted infections and have a testicular screening. During this time your practitioner should teach you how to do a self-testicular exam. Remember – although it is rare, testicular cancer affects men between the ages of 16 and 40.

I also include this in your sexual health primer – decisions about safer sex and contraception should be made during conversations PRIOR to being sexual with



a partner. It is nearly impossible for partners to make responsible choices about their health when they are in the heat of the moment. This means learning to and making the effort to communicate about sexual health.

Don't worry – it is not sinful or shameful to talk about sex – it is really the sensible and mature thing to do. And don't forget, education can be a powerful defense against misinformation, myths, infection and unintended pregnancy. And one more thing – encouraging individuals to talk about sex does not mean they will have sex – it can actually prevent young people from doing something they are not ready for or may regret.

*This article is brought to you by the community programs department at Mountain Maternal Health League Planned Parenthood, located in Berea.*

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*Shannon Phelps is the Director of Community Programs for Mountain Maternal Health League, Planned Parenthood, 315 Chestnut Street, Berea, KY 40403.*

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# Author to speak at African American Heritage Forum

## Education is this year's theme

FRANKFORT — "A New Curriculum for a New Millennium: African American Heritage and the Racial Achievement Gap" is the theme for the second annual Kentucky African American Heritage Forum, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Feb. 27 at Gheens Professional Development Academy in Louisville. Presentations and discussions will center on the role of African American history and culture in public schools and college curricula, address the racial "achievement gap" and provide an overview of upcoming community education forums.

The forum is open to scholars, researchers, historians, activists, teachers and educa-

tors. It is sponsored by the Kentucky African American Heritage Commission in partnership with the Kentucky Heritage Council, the State Historic Preservation Office, along with the Kentucky Education, Arts and Humanities Cabinet, the Kentucky Center for African American Heritage, Kentucky State University, the Kentucky Humanities Council, Gheens Professional Development Academy and Louisville/Jefferson County Public Schools.

This year's keynote speaker will be Janice Hale, Ph.D., a professor of early childhood education at Wayne State University in Michigan. Hale will discuss her latest book,

*Learning While Black: Creating Educational Excellence for African American Children*, which addresses issues and solutions for closing the achievement gap of African American children in comparison with their white peers. Hale has written numerous education-related books, including *Black Children: Their Roots, Culture, and Learning Styles* and *Unbank The Fire: Visions for the Education of African American Children*.

Guest speakers will also include Gene Wilhoit, Commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Education; State Sen. Gerald Neal (D-Jefferson); and Dr. Bernard Minnis, assistant superintendent, equity and poverty issues, Jefferson County Public Schools.

## IF YOU GO ...

Registration for the second annual African American Heritage Forum is \$50, including lunch, and pre-registration is required by Feb. 25. This program may qualify for professional development credit; teachers should consult their individual districts.

More information is available at the Kentucky Heritage Council Web site, [www.kyheritage.org](http://www.kyheritage.org), <http://www.kyheritage.org>, or by calling (502) 564-7005.

The annual Kentucky African American Heritage Forum is scheduled in conjunction with Black History Month, to bring together those interested in Kentucky African American history and research and set a statewide agenda for African American education. This includes assessing current resources and efforts, setting priorities, and public educa-

tion about the achievements and contributions of Kentucky African Americans.

The forum is a precursor to other programs that will be sponsored by the African American Heritage Commission during 2003, such as the call for proposals for African American Heritage Grants, sponsored by the KAAHC and administered by the Kentucky Heritage Council. Annually, matching grants are made to projects that support African American historical and heritage activities, including the preservation, identification and documentation of historic buildings and sites, the rehabilitation of historic buildings, research, publication of educational materials, and related programs and activities. The deadline for applications is April 15.

# Woman to watch

## Davie Greer, Barren County Judge-Executive, Glasgow

Davie Greer is definitely a woman to watch.

Greer was elected in November 2002 to serve as judge-executive for Barren County.

She is the first woman to ever hold the position in Barren County, and one of six women across the Commonwealth to be elected judge-executive.

Greer said it never really occurred to her that there weren't very many women who won seats as judge-executives.

"I thought there were more until I went to the County Judge Executive Association's meeting," she said.

Greer said it is an honor to be Barren County's first woman county judge-executive.

"I think only lawyers could be county judges up until the late 1970s. It was in 1978 that they changed the state constitution to make it where you don't have

to be a lawyer," she said. "And I just think it's a field that women haven't cared a lot about getting into."

Greer is a career florist. She decided to run for the position because she felt it was time the people of Barren County to have more of a voice in county government.

"I hope they take advantage of it, because all they have to do is call me," she said.

Greer managed Greer's Florist for 10 years. She has worked in the flower shop for a little more than 39 years.

"I thank my mother-in-law (Pearl Greer), because she gave me a business where I dealt with people from morning until night. A lot of times, seven days a week," she said. "I have no problem working with people, and I can listen. A lot of people don't have that. I enjoy being around people. I enjoy doing things for the county. I have served on all these committees — Safe Kids, Safe Spot, Safe Communities. I helped form all

those programs. I will just work myself to death for the county."

Greer has also been an active member in a local Business and Professional Women's Club. She joined the club in the early 1980s.

"My mother-in-law got me into that. She says you won't have to do anything, and about five years later I was president. So, I'm one of these people who gets in there and works. I'm not one to just sit back and let someone else do it. I've always enjoyed getting in there to get the job done."

She is also a member of the Glasgow Renaissance-Main Street Project Steering Committee and helped organize an annual car show around Glasgow's public square in October and serves as a fund-raiser for the Renaissance/Main Street Program.

Greer's daughters, Julie Edwards and Cathy Doty, have now taken over the management of the flower shop.

She said she has yet to see if man-



aging county government will be anything like managing a flower shop.

"I know the bookkeeping part and dealing with employees will be the same. The saying is that if you manage the county the same way you managed your business, you will end up in jail. If you manage your business the way you managed the county, you will go broke. That's the saying I hear from other county judge-executives," she said with a laugh. **KW**

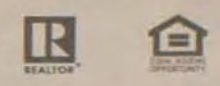




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their imagination — plus careful planning and an adequate budget — be their guide when choosing a destination. A recent survey by Conde Nast Bridal Infobank showed that 46 percent of all honeymooners stay at a resort and that 8 percent of couples hold a destination wedding.

The best way to arrange for a foreign wedding is to contact a country's tourism board, the wedding coordinator at an individual hotel-resort, or hire a wedding coordinator who

specializes in foreign weddings.

The Association of Bridal Consultants (<http://www.bridalassn.com>) has consultants in 28 countries and can steer you to a specialist.

In fact, the Web is an excellent way to browse the world, display your options and get most of the information you might need. Guidance on destination weddings, various locations, local vendors and local requirements can be

found on sites like <http://www.weddingchannel.com> and <http://www.modernbride.com>.

General requirements of marriages abroad are found on the government's Web site, <http://www.state.gov/t/avel>.

For true castle settings, you can't do much better than England, Ireland and Scotland. "Scotland is the easiest place for Americans to get married, because it only requires a few days residency," advises Crous. Since England's and Ireland's waiting periods are much longer, brides frequently have a quick wedding at home followed by an upper crust version in Britain.

At Inverlochy Castle, a truly grand castle in the Scottish Highlands, weddings are a specialty, averaging about 40-50 people with a stay

of two to three nights. When Queen Victoria visited there, she commented, "I never saw a lovelier or more romantic spot."

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There's no upper limit to what a wedding can cost, but one for only the bride and groom can start at 650 pounds (approximately \$1,000).

Over in Italy, villas and castles are favorites of the Italians themselves. To make it easy for Americans, a couple of Web sites offer photos and coordinators. Information about "Castle 103," near Florence, a grand affair complete with crenellated towers, and "Castle 105," built in the

13th century, is available at <http://www.weddings-in-italy.com>. At <http://www.italyweddings.com>, find details about "Villa No. 1," a renaissance villa near Florence.

Hawaii is a perennial favorite for weddings, and there are numerous Web sites for guidance on hosting weddings everywhere from public beaches (free) to larger resorts. At <http://www.hawaiiwedding.com>, the Wikapu Country Club, a property originally designed for Marilyn

Monroe by Frank Lloyd Wright, is popular for weddings.

Four Seasons resorts are known for elegant settings, easily viewed on their Website, <http://www.fourseasons.com>. Wedding packages including accommodations at Four Seasons Maui can start in the several thousands.

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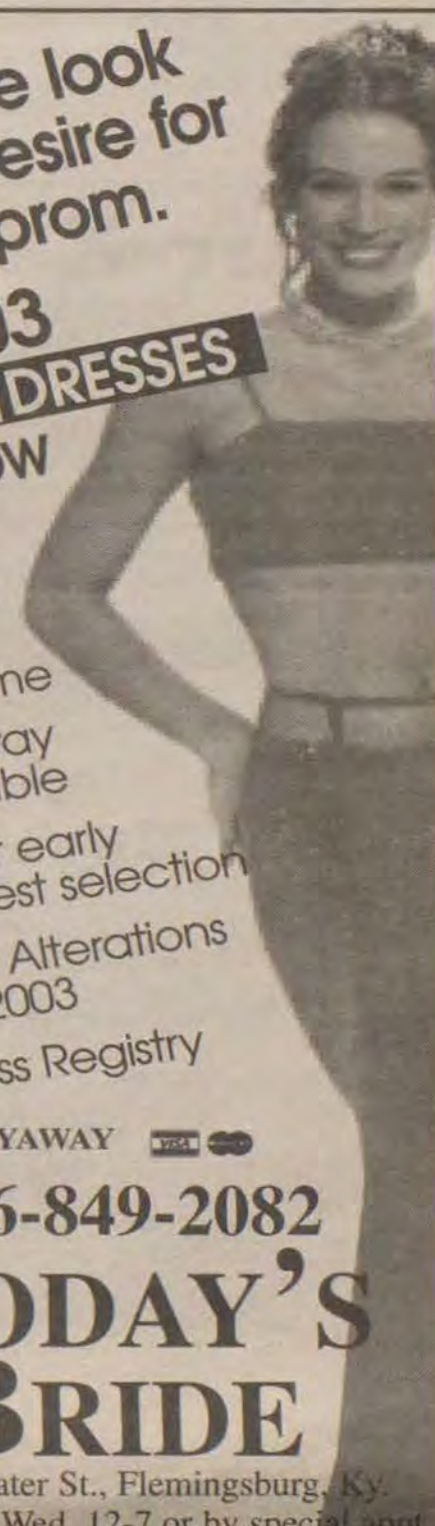
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CHICAGO — Melanie Coffee and her beau made a vow early in their relationship to dance inside a gazebo every time they ran across one.

The tradition started with an impromptu whirl inside a gazebo at a quaint bed and breakfast in rural Missouri. So it was only fitting they danced inside a gazebo the night Jorgen Hesselberg asked Coffee to be his wife two years later.

The couple's journey on a life together began nearly five years ago when both were journalism students at the University of Missouri-Columbia — he in broadcast journalism, she in print journalism. As a beginning journalism student, Coffee was assigned to "shadow" Hesselberg for a while.

"It felt right from the moment I first saw her," Hesselberg, 29, said of his relationship with Coffee.

The two became friends, and their companionship blossomed into love. The

couple started dating Feb. 10, 1998, and has celebrated every "10th" of the month since. They were engaged on Feb. 10, 2000, and married this past Aug. 10.

"Melanie and Jorgen's wedding was the wonderful union of two families from two very different cultures," said Fran Coffee, the bride's mother. "We were all so proud and happy."

Coffee, 25, of Manhattan, Kan., is a black American, and Hesselberg is Norwegian. It was important to them to incorporate both cultures in the celebration.

"We felt it was our day and we could write the rules, so we did," Coffee said.

About 120 people attended the wedding, which was held at a historic black American church in suburban Chicago and officiated by the Rev. Tony Cobbins of Canaan Baptist Church in Kansas City. The couple recited traditional wedding vows.

Hesselberg's mother, Gry,

gave away her son, which is a Norwegian wedding tradition. "That was important for me to have that in the wedding because I thought 'Here was this mom who had probably dreamed about the day she'd give her son

away, and because he decided to marry an American, that wouldn't happen,'" Coffee said. "His mom ... never said anything about it, but it was a gesture that I did because I thought it would mean a lot to her."

Songs performed at the wedding included "At Last" by Etta James, "Ave Maria" and "The Lord's Prayer." And Hesselberg's sister Toril read a Norwegian poem, in

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## Location

ding package that includes two days of spa treatments, flowers, procession and traditional blessings by village elders for approximately \$1,500, plus taxes. Accommodations are priced separately. E-mail res.chiangmai(at)fourseasons.com.

Some travel agencies like Absolute Asia in New York City (<http://www.absoluteasia.com>) can individualize trips to include wedding arrangements. Even the beautiful Shinto shrine in Tokyo, the Meiji Jingu, hosts weddings at a cost of approximately \$1,200 (<http://www.meijijingu.or.jp/english>).

Closer to home, large cathedrals do quite nicely for many couples. Los Angeles has its modern Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, where weddings are held five different times on Saturdays.

Dallas Fuentes, pastoral events coordinator, says, "Most people who marry here have come to the cathedral for a concert or other event and been so wowed by the space, that they want to marry here."

Abigail Kirsch, a popular regional caterer (<http://www.abigailkirsch.com>), points couples to a variety of settings, including the Castle at Tarrytown, a 31-room Relais

& Chateaux hotel with stone walls and gilded mirrors, and Tappan Hill, a grand mansion overlooking the Hudson River.

For a refresher on how royal weddings really look, Kensington Palace is currently exhibiting "Royal Wedding Dresses" until the end of April, 2003, (<http://www.hrp.org.uk>). Five gowns — from Queen Victoria's 1840 wedding to Queen Elizabeth's in 1947 — are on display. Fortunately, none of the queens had to worry about which setting would do them justice.

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Norwegian.

A friend of Coffee's made the broom the couple jumped over in the wedding ceremony. Jumping the broom at a wedding is a long-held African-American tradition.

Nearly 30 Norwegians attended the wedding. For many of them, it was their

first trip to America.

The wedding colors were navy blue and cream.

"We chose those colors for several reasons," Coffee said. "It was navy blue because Jorgen likes blue, and cream because white roses have a special meaning to us."

Also, Hesselberg wore

his traditional Norwegian garb — a "bunad," which happened to be navy blue and cream.

Norwegians wear bunads to special celebrations, such as weddings. They also don them to celebrate their Independence Day and at holiday parties. Bunads are handmade, and their intricate design dates back to the 19th century.

Hesselberg's bunad has pants that end just below his knees, white socks that cover his calves, a navy blue pin-striped vest and a cream 3/4-length topcoat.

"I always say he looks like a Norwegian prince in it," Coffee gushed.

All of the groomsmen wore bunads, and all of the Norwegian guests who had bunads were asked to wear them at the wedding. The bunads were in various colors. Even Coffee's nephew, who is American, wore a bunad as a junior groomsman.

Coffee, who estimates she tried on more than 50 dresses over several months of shopping, settled on an

ivory satin dress with a princess cut and beaded spaghetti straps. The embroidery and beads on the bodice combined to make a subtle floral print, and that design was duplicated along the trim of the dress.

"I never imagined myself in one of those," Coffee said of the cathedral veil. "but I tried it on a whim at the store and fell in love with the fairytale-like appearance."

She also wore a tiara.

At a country club reception, each place card on the tables was decorated with a miniature three-dimensional satin rose made by Coffee and Hesselberg.

Seating was arranged by named tables rather than by numbers. The names — seven each American and Norwegian — reflected important symbols in these cultures. American names included Old Glory, Martin Luther King, Jr., Mount Rushmore and Apple Pie. Norwegian names were Lutefisk, a traditional Norwegian meal eaten during the Christmas season; Slalom, because skiing was

invented in Norway; Syttende Mai, which is Norwegian for the 17th of May; and Edvard Munch, the Norwegian artist who painted "The Scream."

"We made the table signs with navy blue bows tied on them and we made little cards to sit on the tables that had the definition of the table name so that people would come away from our wedding knowing a little bit more about the other culture," Coffee explained.

The menu, which was written in English and Norwegian, included chicken anglaise, sirloin of beef, roasted turkey and stuffing and assorted salads and vegetables. Norwegian cheese and chocolates also were served.

Norwegian traditions at the reception included passing around a rolling pin during dinner for guests to sign as a keepsake for the couple. They also had a "toastmaster," someone who coordinates the dozens of speeches given during dinner at

Norwegian wedding receptions.

Coffee, who received help from one of the groomsmen, gave a speech, partly in Norwegian, to her new husband. The gesture moved many in the crowd to tears.

"It was the most unique and beautiful wedding I have ever seen," said Nekeisha Williams, Coffee's maid of honor. "At Melanie and Jorgen's wedding, we were able to see more than just two people getting married, we witnessed the union of two cultures, two languages, two traditions and one love."

Fran Coffee said she's always liked how Jorgen treats her daughter like a "princess." She said she knew early on that their relationship might be something special by the way Melanie looked and sounded when she talked about Hesselberg.

"I believe that Melanie and Jorgen have laid a good foundation for a wonderful relationship together," Fran Coffee said.

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## Books

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second fiddle to their weddings, and their personal, psychological and relationship health suffered because of it," she writes. "Many brides have told me that they wished they'd known ahead of time how much stress the wedding would put on their relationship with each other."

■ Remember that fellow who's part of the wedding event — the groom? He doesn't get to wear the fabulous dress, the fabulous diamond, and probably doesn't worry about how his hair will look.

But he is looking for help, if healthy sales of the first edition of "The Pocket Idiot's Guide to Being a Groom," by Jennifer Lata and Mark Rung, are an indication. Now the second edition (Alpha Books, \$9.95 paperback, January) is here, with advice about the proposal, choosing the best man, selecting formal wear, budgeting for the honeymoon, and other mysteries.

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## Capital

that while other faiths are welcome, a Jewish or Catholic bride or groom would need to come with their own clergy.

That doesn't seem to be a problem for most couples. Wallis says he performs "15-

20" weddings on Saturdays alone. That's probably helped by Tennessee law, which requires no waiting period or blood tests for a marriage license.

Wallis got into the wedding chapel business after

## Love

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Coffee used a wedding coordinator for planning most of her wedding and reception. She got a few floral ideas from a Martha Stewart magazine, but she and Hesselberg came up with most of the decorating ideas themselves to add that special touch.

The bride made the wedding programs herself using her home computer. Details about the wedding were posted on their wedding Web site — <http://www.Hesselberg.org>.

The newlyweds have just a couple of disappointments about planning their special day. One was their choice of

disk jockey for the reception. They had labored to compile a song list that would cater to both cultures, only for the DJ to venture from the list midway through the reception.

Another was the faux pas on the printed directions to the church, causing some guests to be late. "I should have proofread the directions better," Coffee admits.

On their wedding night, the couple stayed in a suite at a hotel along Michigan Avenue. And on their way to the hotel, they passed a gazebo on the Magnificent Mile.

"So naturally we got out and danced," Coffee said.

retirement as his way to make sure that couples could be married in a church-like setting if that was what they wanted.

"It seems the last years I was a pastor, a lot of churches didn't want you to get married there unless you were a member," said Wallis. He said he also found a lot of objections to second weddings.

That's where the wedding chapels of Gatlinburg fill a niche, he believes. Most of the weddings performed at Smoky Mountain Memories are smaller, more intimate affairs.

Chapels range from rustic log cabin buildings beside a mountain stream to Victorian-style chapels in the heart of Gatlinburg. Many chapels also have garden and gazebo settings for outdoor weddings. Appalachian Wedding Adventures even offers weddings on horseback.

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deluxe honeymoon chalet for \$999.

At the Wedding Chapel in the Glades, package wedding costs run from \$319 to \$2,695 for a ceremony that includes limousine service, flowers for the bride, groom, groomsmen and bridesmaids, photograph albums for the parents as well as the bride and groom, video, cake and three nights lodging in a honeymoon cabin with fireplace and Jacuzzi.

Since many couples come from some distance, many find comfort in having all the planning done for them, both Cox and Wallis say.

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Cox's firm, Gatlinburg Wedding Planners, can provide everything from the reception and flowers to the limo and the church. They

do not, however, provide wedding dresses.

"There's no stress because we take care of all of it for the bride and groom," Cox said. "It's really easy to come in and not have to worry about anything."

Both say that the more time a bride and groom can give to plan a wedding the more special it can be.

"If they want to get married today, they can," Wallace said. "But the more time they can give us, the better."

Gatlinburg weddings seem to be on their own schedule, peaking in October when the fall foliage is at its height of color, Wallis said.

"The mountains are more beautiful than ever then," Wallis said. While ceremonies are limited from January through April, "February 14 is always a big day," Wallis said. During the summer, July is also a big month for Gatlinburg weddings.

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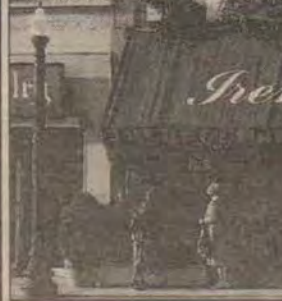
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Judd, who just finished a two-year term as an Ashland city commissioner, has become accustomed to the attention. During her campaign, she was the subject of an article in "People" magazine, something that happened only because she is Naomi's mother.

Like the matriarch of any family, she's become accustomed to telling people what her family is up to. Ask and you'll learn that her son Mark is a Baptist minister, happily married and serving in a small Kentucky church, and her other daughter, Margaret, is also happily married and a housewife in Pennsylvania.

The uniqueness of her situation comes when she's asked about Naomi.

"She's busy right now with 'Star Search,'" she says. "She's working on a book, and she's developing a line of skin care products. She has such beautiful skin and looks so much younger than she is."

"And," she adds with a chuckle, "she's also writing an advice column."

The weekly advice column has appeared in Country Weekly magazine since August, and she's also hosted a talk show on WE, the Women's Entertainment network.

The update on Wynonna is equally upbeat. She's let her band members and back-up singers go as she's cut back on performances in order to put in serious time in the studio working on a new album. She is concentrating, too, on spending time with her children, Elijah, now 8, and Grace Pauline, 6.

She's making plans to build a house near Franklin, Tenn., just down the road from her mother and sister, and she has a new love in her life, as well.

"She's been engaged for about a year to D.R. Roach, who has been her road manager and security head for a long time," Polly Judd confides. "The family's very fond of him, and he's so good with her children. He cares for them, and takes care of them, just like a father would."

Polly spent the recent Christmas holidays in Tennessee with Naomi and her husband Larry and Wynonna and her family. Ashley was thousands of miles away, in Scotland with her husband, race car driver Dario Franchitti. The couple have purchased a



Photo by Kevin Goldy  
Among the crowd winning Ashland city commission winners, Polly Rideout, Kevin Gunderson, and Larry Brown watch vote tally being updated on monitor at Boyd County Courthouse Nov. 7, 2002.

home there, although she has no intention of moving away from her Tennessee home and her family.

Ashland still remains home for Naomi and her daughters, even though they may only get back once or twice a year. They have certain rituals they follow when they come back, Polly says.

"Naomi always has to walk the neighborhoods where she grew up," she says. "She physically puts herself back where she was a child, walking through the park and past her elementary school.

"When Wy and Ashley come home, they raid the drawer with the junk food first, then they go up to the attics to make sure all their old toys and memorabilia are there. They check the other rooms, and then they're satisfied."

Naomi was a toddler when she came to live in the house where Polly's lived for 53 years and intends to remain. It's because of that stability, Polly says, that helped give the three



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Joyce has been a professional business woman for over 30 years. She has been in real estate eight years and has owned her own company, Century 21 Joyce Marcum Realty, for 3 years. She has an AB in English from ECU and taught school for about 5 years.

Joyce was elected president of the Madison County Board of Realtors for the year 2003. She has worked hard since becoming a Realtor. In addition to listing and selling, she earned several real estate designations. She has a GRI, CRS, ABR, SES, and the Broker Designation. After joining Century 21 she earned the Centurion Award and the Quality Service Award. This year her company was in the top 25% in sales in the Mid-south Region.

Joyce says the popular perception of Realtors is very off the mark. "The public thinks we make a lot of money just running around and showing a few houses. The reality is we work very hard, 24-7, and we make a very average amount of money. But, I love it! Finding the right home for someone does my heart good!"

As the company has grown larger than expected, Joyce moved the office from 1505 Lexington Rd., a lovely re-modeled older home, to 351 Radio Park Drive in Richmond. The new location has more floor space and several conference rooms. It will also accommodate Dove Mortgage, a company Joyce started but which now belongs to her son, James Woolery.

Joyce, has a daughter, Elizabeth Walker, who teaches school and one grandson, Matthew. Joyce is married to Bernard Reddy.

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# Beautiful

## Louisville woman tackles the hardships and joys of modeling

**By Gina Kinslow**  
Kentucky Woman Staff

Modeling isn't as glamorous as people think — just ask Tonya Lacy.

"It's hard work," said the 31-year-old model, who is originally from Louisville.

Some work days begin at 5 a.m. and don't end until the sun goes down. But that's okay with Lacy, she likes hard work.

Lacy has been modeling full-time for seven years. She works for the Elite Miami modeling agency in Florida. Last year, she appeared on the cover of *Prevention* magazine

twice — once in September and again in November. She's also featured frequently in the Land's End catalog, plus Apple Seed, Blair and the Tog Shop catalogs. She has also appeared in several European magazines such as Maxi, YoYo and Bella, and such European catalogs as J.D. Williams, Otto, H&M and Economia.

Being a model has afforded Lacy the opportunity to travel all over the world. She's been to Portugal, Chile, Sweden, Japan, London, Canada, Hawaii, the Bahamas and the Caribbean on modeling assignments.

"I've got some good traveling in," she said, adding it is not as much fun

to travel now as it was before Sept. 11, 2001, because of increased security.

"I will travel anywhere for the job. If a client comes to town, and says 'Okay, let's go to Santa Barbara,' or if they need me in Chicago, I'll go," she said.

Sometimes she goes from assignment to assignment. She may be doing a shoot at Harbor Island in the Bahamas one day and have to fly to Montreal, Canada, the next.

One of her favorite assignments was traveling to Big Sky, Mont., for a photo shoot with Land's End.

"We got to go ice skating and we

got to go on snowmobiles. It got to be very active," Lacy said.

She travels so much she seldom is found at home. In fact, on average, she's only home about 10 days a month.

"The rest of the time I'm on the road," she said.

Sometimes her schedule is so hectic she has little time to eat. Because she stays so busy, she takes food with her when on assignments, as do most models. Models either don't have time to grab something quick to eat, or they are in a remote area where there are no restaurants.

"I always bring something ▶ 46



## A novel relationship

# Father-daughter team write novels over Internet

By GINA KINSLOW

Kentucky Woman staff

When Lisa Kay Hauser thinks of Kentucky, she thinks of patchwork quilts, pecan and chess pies, summer gospel meetings, home and love.

It was the love she witnessed between her grandparents, John Orville and Ethel Smith, of Drakesboro, the county seat of Muhlenberg County, that inspired her to first write a song titled "Turn Back Time," and later an adult fiction book by the same title. The song and book are based on the lives of her grandparents.

"My granddad was just the sweetest and gentlest man. So, warm and sweet, and so responsive to his little wife," said Hauser, who lives in Brodhead, Wisc.

She eventually discovered her grandfather wasn't always the type of person she thought he was. As a young man, her grandfather was a bit of a scalawag.

It was at a family Thanksgiving gathering in 1996 that Hauser learned about her grandfather's wilder days. Her father, Philip Dale Smith, told stories about his father's early years, including one about him shooting up the pool

room at Beechcreek and the time he shot at the Muhlenberg County sheriff.

"My mouth dropped open," Hauser said. "I couldn't believe it. I was just stunned. I couldn't believe this was the same sweet and precious soul."

After learning more about her grandfather, Hauser decided she wanted to write a book based on her grandparents' lives.

"I just really felt I had to write my grandparents' story so my children would know who they were," she said. "I wanted them to know who these people are and why they had such a profound influence on my life."

She wrote two chapters and sent them to her dad, a published children's book author and motivational speaker who lives near Tacoma, Wash.

Smith liked the chapters and encouraged his daughter to continue.

"She's a writer by natural inclination," he said. "From early on she loved to write."

Eventually, Smith joined his daughter in writing the book, which became, "Turn Back Time," the first in a series.

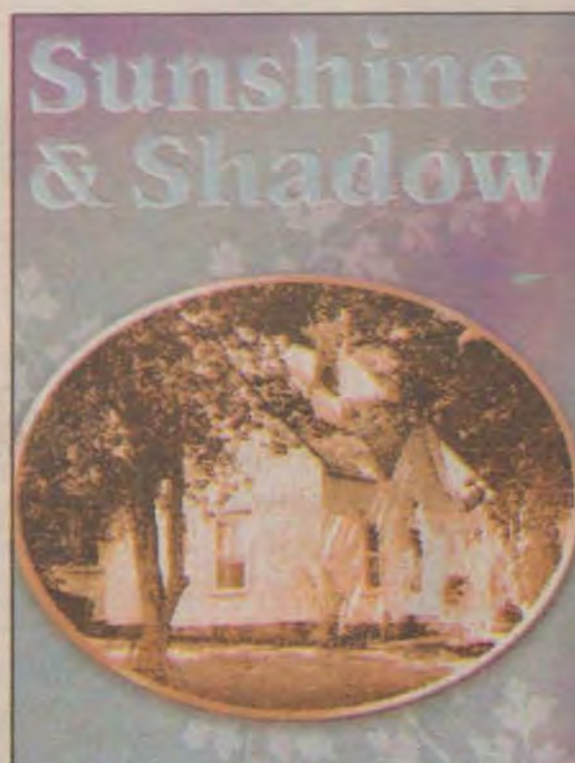
"Turn Back Time" takes place during the Great Depression in Muhlenberg County. The main character, Hattie Stoneworth Crowe, is forced to hire an out-of-work coal miner to work as a handyman following the death of her husband.

"Turn Back Time" won the 2001 Benjamin Franklin Award for Popular Fiction, an award given by Publisher's Marketing Association.

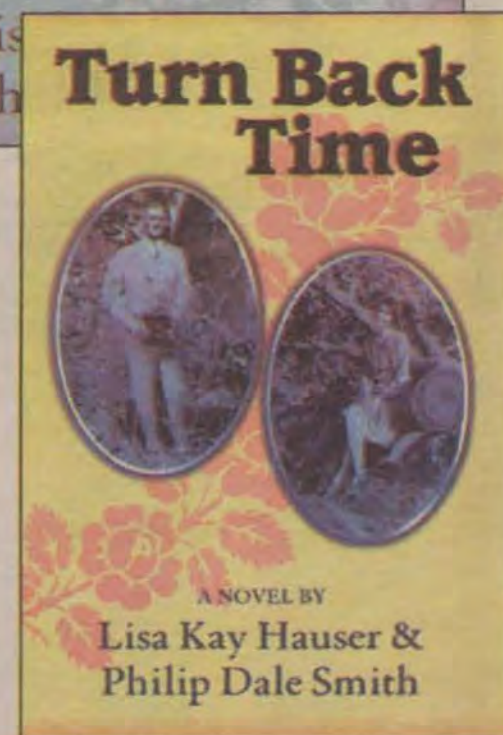
"People are comparing the book to 'Christy.' Some say it reminds them of 'The Waltons,'" Smith said, adding he and his daughter incorporated some real-life incidents in the book, such as a 1930s flood that occurred in Muhlenberg County.

"It's a combination of fact, fiction and family-lore," Smith said. The second book in the series, "Sunshine and Shadow," was released in October 2002, and is a continuation of the story.

In "Sunshine and Shadow," Hattie Stoneworth Crowe has married handyman Smith Delany, and together they face



Lisa  
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Hauser and Smith have published two novels together. They say the stories are somewhat based on their family history.

**"I JUST REALLY FELT I HAD TO WRITE MY GRANDPARENTS' STORY SO MY CHILDREN WOULD KNOW WHO THEY WERE. I WANTED THEM TO KNOW WHO THESE PEOPLE ARE AND WHY THEY HAD SUCH A PROFOUND INFLUENCE ON MY LIFE."**

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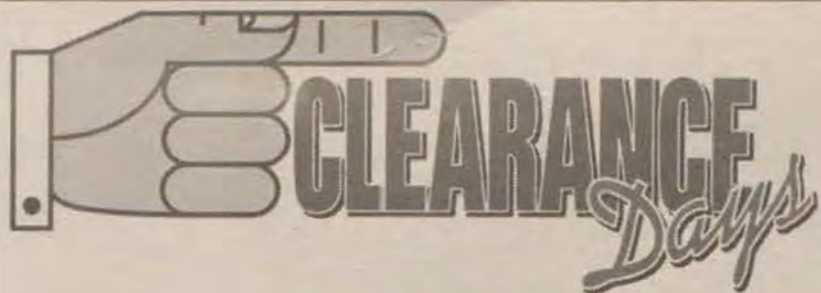
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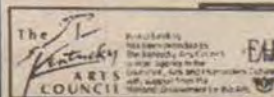
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Certified nurse midwife Sylvia Kerr consults with Stacy Wagner during a routine checkup for Wagner's pregnancy. Her son Brooks is nearly 2 years old.

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## Midwives and obstetricians assist in special deliveries

By Elizabeth Lewis  
Kentucky Woman Staff

When a woman learns she is pregnant, there are a lot of questions for her and her family. Is it a boy or girl? What should I name the baby? Will I be a good parent? Breastfeed or bottle? Midwife or obstetrician?

Before the baby is ever born, one of the first decisions to be made is the choice of health care provider during the pregnancy.

"The patient's decision is more of their opinion of what they have heard from other people," said Dr. Robert Doepke, an obstetriciangynecologist at Morehead Clinic. "It's a matter of who the patient has confidence in and feels comfortable with."

Midwives and obstetricians offer nearly the same kind of care. The main differences are that midwives assist in normal births, referring abnormal or risky pregnancies to OBGYNs, and that midwives can't do surgical procedures, such as Caesarean sections.

"People think that perhaps it's not the same level of care," said Sylvia Kerr, a certified nurse midwife, who's been with St. Claire Family Care Clinic in Morehead for 14 1/2 years. "But there are criteria they have to meet."

Kerr explained that CNMs must first become registered nurses, then attend nurse midwifery school. Many times, midwives and obstetricians assist each other.

"It's an excellent working relationship," said Doepke. "The midwife does

most of the patient's obstetric care, and obstetricians sort of act as a back-up for them, providing instruction, help and expertise.

"It's not a difference in care. There are certain protocol and standards midwives and obstetricians must follow. Naturally, if problems should develop, some questions about the patient's ability to deliver the baby, the provider would bring in the obstetrician to intervene," he said.

However, the approach is different. "We tend to look at them more as a family," Kerr said. "We really include them in the experience. The patients almost get a personal relationship with the care provider."

"It's a wellness-based care," said Becky Hogge, a CNM at St. Claire Family Care Clinic. "We look at birth as a normal

process. A lot of women feel that birth is normal and don't want to be 'made sick'. They want the personal care of a nurse midwife — someone who will sit and talk with her and ask questions."

Hogge has spent 20 years as a nurse working with pregnant women, she said, and has been a CNM for three years.

"They feel they can be more at ease with someone who is not a physician. Midwives have more time to talk with their patients than doctors do. It's more relaxed than obstetricians," said Doepke, who's been an OBGYN for 28 years.

However, sometimes women with normal pregnancies do choose obstetricians because they like the services of a specialist, he said. "Also, patients who have had obstetrical problems or known medical problems usually gravitate ►



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Becky Hogge, CNM, left, chats with Lori Fortier, a student nurse midwife from the University of Cincinnati.

toward obstetricians."

Both midwives and OBGYNs have to contend with misconceptions about the care they provide.

"People think we expect the patients to have a natural-type childbirth," Kerr said. "But if they want an epidural, we support them in that."

Hogge struggles with the concept of granny midwives.

"A long, long time ago, there were women called granny midwives, who were trained by other granny midwives," she said. "They had their role in the community, but I'm

trained to be an expert in women's health. They were great women who helped people have babies, but they did not have training."

"The biggest misconception holds for both male and female OBGYNs," Doepke said. "It's that we have only an academic interest in the the patient, and are not interested in whole woman health care. The idea of total women's health care is the thing we're here for. We have always been about women's health care, not reproductive care."

Both types of providers take delight in helping women through pregnancy and childbirth.

**"People think we expect the patients to have a natural-type childbirth. But if they want an epidural, we support them in that."**

**Sylvia Kerr, Midwife**

Doepke enjoys doing ultrasounds for his patients, which he has done for 22 years, since surgery on his shoulder limited his own ability to do surgery.

"I sit back with my ultrasound machine, looking at babies waving and sucking their thumbs," he said. "Being able to sit there with a patient, look at the baby and see their reaction to the fetus on the screen.

There are always new questions, new excitement from patients. Every one is a little different."

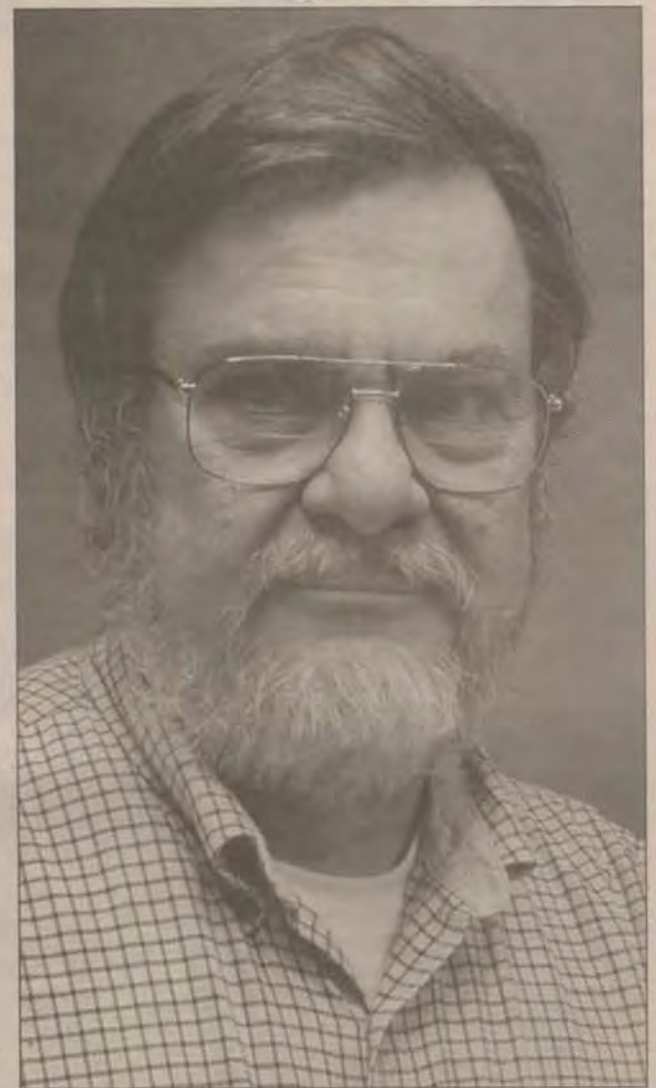
He said frustration about rising malpractice insurance costs and dealing with third-party payers sometimes makes

him question his profession.

"It makes you say, 'Why am I even in this?' Then you see the baby on the monitor and say, 'This is why I am doing this.' You just have to tolerate the other."

"Most midwives would tell you it's a calling," Kerr said. "To me it's like a miracle. I always get part of the high. You are helping participate in someone's miracle."

"There's a passion you develop for birth," Hogge said. "It's a miracle in the making. I love handing that mom the baby. Just to see the baby's birth is a miracle. To see the enthusiasm of the families." **KW**



**Dr. Robert Doepke**



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Robert Doepke, an OB/GYN, has been concentrating on ultrasounds for 22 years.



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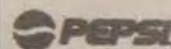
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Along with her pride in her daughter's success, Polly has also had to come to grips with her personal life being opened up through Naomi's book and the subsequent movie, "Love Can Build a Bridge."

"This was Naomi's story, based on her perception of what had happened in her life, but it was my reality, too," she said. "I lived through it, and I saw it differently, and I was shocked and horrified at how some of it was portrayed. I never finished reading the book because it was difficult, but I watched the movie."

She credits Hollywood revisions with making her appear so different in the film, which is still shown occasionally on television, than she really is.

"It was hard for me to see myself portrayed as this dowdy, frumpy housewife," she said. "But they took a lot of liberties with it. They showed my late son Brian and me singing in the church choir, and neither of us ever did. I don't blame Naomi for the way the movie was; it was the Hollywood people."

Although Judd celebrity is nothing new, Polly says it still seems a little odd to turn on the television and see the familiar face of her daughter or granddaughters. She hasn't missed a minute of "Star Search," and says she's often laughed at what came out of Naomi's mouth when she made her comments as judge.

She wasn't the least bit surprised when Ashley chose acting, she says, because ever since she was a child, she's shown a flair for it. She does, however, have a reaction when she sees her on screen that the average viewer doesn't.

"To watch Ashley now is just living proof that you can do anything you want if you set your mind to it," she says. "I'll see her up there on the screen, such a wonderful actress, and think 'I diapered her.' Everytime I see one of them on television, or listen to their music, it makes me so very proud of them."

KW

*Cathie Shaffer is the Today's Living editor at the Ashland Daily-Independent.*



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many trials and tribulations, as well as joys.

"We've had wonderful response and have started getting phone calls from people asking when the third one is coming out," Smith said.

The third book, "Forever and Always," which has no scheduled publication date yet, won't be the last in the series.

"I see at least four and possibly five books in the adult series," Hauser said. She and her dad are also co-writing a youth series. The first book in the series, "Secrets of Rebel Cave," is set first in Muhlenberg County and later in

McMinnville, Tenn. The children featured in "Turn Back Time" and "Sunshine and Shadow," Dulcie and Jackie, have grown up and are the protagonists for "Secrets of Rebel Cave."

The children explore a cave on their cousin's Tennessee farm to see if they can prove whether Confederate soldiers hid out there during the Civil War.

"They make a huge discovery," Smith said. "We have them finding some artifacts from the Civil War. It's a pretty exciting book for teenagers and adults."

Hauser said she sees at least four books in

the youth series. Smith is working on the second book in that series titled "Lost Journal of Rebel Cave."

Smith and Hauser co-write and edit their books via the Internet.

"If we are at the end of the editing process, we will do it over the phone," she said. KW

*Gina Kinslow is the city/county government reporter for the Glasgow Daily Times. She has 12 years experience in journalism, and has worked for the Glasgow Daily Times for six years.*





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page 36 ▶like nuts, something chocolatey or crackers," she said.

When on assignment in Europe, she packs more food, like peanut butter and crackers. She says often when working in Europe she's too tired after a long day to go out and find something to eat, and she doesn't want to bother with the currency exchange rate.

Some would think getting the chance to travel to so many different places would be wonderful, and often it is, but sometimes it can be a burden, too.

"You get worn out (from traveling so much)," she said. "You get on the empty side. You're just exhausted and drained. You never have time for yourself."

Lacy says she and other models often take things with them on assignments to help their hotel rooms feel more like home.

"A lot of girls bring candles with them, small flat photo albums that you prop open on your nightstand. Whatever you can bring with you to keep you from being so lonely and something that will empower you," she said.



Modeling can also be hard on relationships — romantic and otherwise, she said.

"I was lucky to date a guy that was supportive. That's hard to find. A lot of insecurities develop," she said.

On average, it takes 10 to 15 people to conduct a photo shoot, and Lacy says it's hard to get to know all of their names and have conversations with them. She said she seldom has time to develop friendships with people on assignments, and that can make life lonely.

Models seldom get to keep the clothes they wear on assignments. Lacy said that is probably one of the most popular questions asked of models.

"Ninety-nine point nine percent of the time you don't get to keep the clothes," she said.

Often the clothes have large holes in them to keep people from taking them, or they may have the word "sample" stamped in heavy black ink.

Sometimes holes are cut to make them fit the models better. If a shirt is too small, the back will be cut out to make the sleeves longer.

"They (catalog companies) will totally fake you out," she said. "There's so many tricks to the trade."

Lacy is surprised she's been able to work as a model for as long as she has.

"I can't believe I'm doing it," she said. "I don't think I'm the model type."

She describes herself as being a person with a plain face and no fashion sense.

"I'm a jeans and flip-flop girl," she said.

As for make-up, she says, "I'm probably the most illiterate person at putting on my own make-up."

Ask her which photos of herself she likes the most, and she'll say, "I like it when my head is cut off. It's a big joke with the photographers. I always ask them to cut my head off because I think it adds more dimension."

Lacy will admit she's her worst critic.

"I really don't like looking at myself," she said.

Despite her modesty, she has gotten a lot of modeling work. Like most models, Lacy has a trim figure. She lives next door to a spa, so when time allows she only has a short distance to go for a workout.

Her favorite types of exercise when at home are spinning and yoga, but when she's on assignment she usually jogs to stay in shape.

"When I turned 30, I realized that I should start working out more to maintain muscle tone. You lose your muscles as you get older," she said.

Being thin comes natural for Lacy. She says she doesn't work out a lot, and that she's not opposed to eating junk food.

"I can eat a whole pizza by myself," she said.

Lacy got her start in modeling as a member of Bacon's Department Store's Teen Board in Louisville. She modeled part-time during high school and college.

Modeling wasn't a career she ▶ 50





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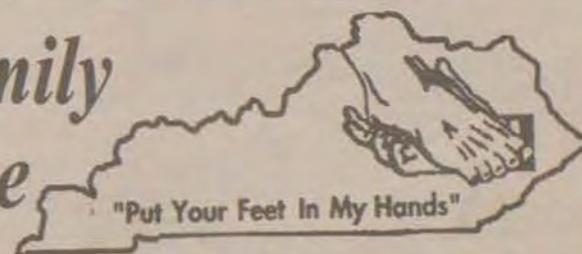
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# Making the tough decision



## Glasgow woman tell how she found the right place for her mother

By Stacy L. Neitzel  
Kentucky Woman Staff

As an only child Jennie Wilson had to make the decision on her own to place her 82-year-old mother in a nursing home when her health began to deteriorate nearly two years ago.

"I didn't think about it being as hard on the family as it was," said Wilson, adding that she carefully researched her options before placing her mother, Anna Mae Mitchell, in a nursing home in August 2001.

"It was a decision I knew I had to make," she explained, saying when her mother lived alone, she would frequently forget to take her medication and skip meals.

After six months of shopping around, Wilson found a nursing home in her area she believed would provide quality care for her mother in a relaxed, comfortable setting.

Yvonne Martin, admission coordinator and social service director for Barren County Health Care Center in Glasgow, said there are a number of things people should consider when confronted by the possibility that a loved one is no longer capable of living alone.

A skilled nursing staff should be a priority when it comes to long-term care, said Martin, who said the first step, however, is to determine the level of care needed.

There are essentially four types of facilities, each with varying costs and a host of different services.

**"I didn't think about it being as hard on the family as it was. It was a decision I knew I had to make."**

**Anna Mae Mitchell**

Assisted living and mini-homes are a good choice for elderly persons who could benefit from daily assistance with meals or household chores such as laundry, but do not need full-time care.

Assisted living can cost anywhere from \$1,630 to \$3,130 per month, depending on

the facility and its location, whereas mini-homes are usually slightly cheaper and cost on average of \$1,200 to \$1,500 per month.

Residents receive individual attention when living in a licensed personal care home. Personal care homes operate much like nursing homes, but on a smaller scale. The cost differs according to the level of care provided for each patient and could run up to \$100 per day.

Nursing homes provide 24-hour medical attention for residents who may need long-term care. Most nursing homes provide access to a professional health care staff usually comprised of physicians, registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, certified medical technicians, nurse technicians, a registered dietitian and in some cases, an on-site pharmacy.

Long-term care costs range from \$3,000 to \$3,500 per month and can be paid for in a variety of ways or a combination of them including Medicare, Medicaid, long-term care insurance, private insurance or by private means.

"The physical plant is not that important," said Martin, who said families should compare ►



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*Megan, who loves acting as well as singing, also stays busy with local 4-H and Girl Scout projects.*

*Recently, she had the opportunity to travel to Nashville to visit the Island Bound Recording Studio where she met with Island Bound's owner, Julie Bolling Daniel, also a native of Floyd County, to record a demo CD.*

*Megan plans to attend college upon graduation and says that she is interested in both mathematics and journalism as well as a career in the arts.*

*She nurtures a strong faith in God and says that she plans to "go wherever God leads me."*

*Megan, 15, is a sophomore at Prestonsburg High School. She is the daughter of Tommy and Diana Goble.*

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always wanted to pursue. She graduated from the University of Kentucky with a degree in nutrition.

"I was considering going into the medical field. I wanted to be a physician's assistant," she said.

When she started modeling, she was given a choice — fashion or catalog modeling.

"Catalog is where the money is," she said.

A top catalog model earns roughly \$300,000 per year, but Lacy says she knows of some catalog models who earn close to a \$1 million annually.

As for advice for young Kentucky women who are considering careers in modeling, she urges them to think about going to college first before launching a full-time modeling career.

"I think I was better off going to college first, but some girls are very mature out of high school ...," she said, adding that if the parents of young Kentucky women feel they are mature enough to handle a full-time job then she, too, would support them in their choice.

There are modeling schools that offer some good, quality training.

"You have some girls who need self-confidence and polishing," Lacy said,

adding that a modeling school is a good place to start building self-confidence.

Someone who is thinking about a career in modeling should also consider whether or not they can handle having constant physical contact with others.

"It takes a certain type of personality to get used to having people's hands all over you," she said. "At first I was okay about it. (But after a while ) you're like 'Geez, get your hands off me!' You can get a little aggravated by it. I think most girls put themselves in a zone. You don't realize that people are doing it."

Since she entered her 30s, Lacy's been giving more thought about what she wants to do in the future.

"Time will tell," she said, adding she has no idea what she will do when she quits modeling. "It's lingering in the back of my head. Newscasting, maybe. Or I might get married and have kids and be a housewife. Or maybe I'll start my own maid service. I have no idea."

Lacy isn't ready to give up modeling just yet.

"I'll probably run this as far as I can go with it," she said. **KW**

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staff-to-patient ratios and look at the level of care provided by each facility. It is important to find out what kind of therapy or rehabilitative care is offered. Some places offer specialized care while others do not.

The facility should be clean and free of odor.

"Let your nose be your guide," Martin said. Strong or unpleasant odors should "throw up a red flag."

By law, nursing homes are required to display publicly the results of state inspections. The information is usually found near the entrance or in the lobby and can also be accessed via the Internet. In addition, state-run facilities are required to do background checks on all employees.

Martin also recommends families inquire about the rate of skin breakdown or the number of persons in the home with bed sores.

"Ask if you can try the food. Taste and texture are very important to patients," she said. Families may also want to ask about church

services, the activity calendar, whether the facility is corporately or privately owned, or if there is an on-site beauty or barber shop.

Check to see what the visiting hours are and if pets are welcome to visit, as well. Find out if there is a fenced in outdoor area for residents and whether private rooms are available.

"This is a home away from home. Families should feel comfortable visiting," said Martin, who added word of mouth is often one of the most effective resources in finding out which facilities offer premium care.

Wilson agreed, saying, "I knew some of the patients and the kind of care that they received" and then used that information to help in the selection process.

But don't wait until they're ready to go to a nursing home before discussing with loved ones their wishes or making plans, said Wilson.

"People need to think ahead."

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ney appointed. Wilson said it is normal to have feelings of guilt in the beginning.

"It is an emotional time. It is hard on the person leaving their home and hard on the rest of the family," she said.

But finding a facility each party


can feel good about can make the transition easier for everyone involved.

"I know she is much better off," said Wilson, of her decision to move her mother to a nursing home. Now "I don't have to worry," she said. **KW**



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# Woman to watch

## Allison Modaff, underwriting sales for Morehead State Public Radio

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But Allison Modaff isn't announcing the next song, local news or the weather. Rather, she's one of the voices behind Morehead State Public Radio's promotional spots.

The 23-year-old marketing and development director sells underwriting, records and updates underwriting messages, and plans fundraisers for the public radio station.

A graduate of Morehead State University, Modaff has a bachelor of arts degree in communications. She has a husband, John, 44; and two stepchildren, Jonathan, 13, and Kelly, 10.

She has been in the U.S. Army Reserves for nearly six years, and is a member of the Morehead Mary Kay unit. In the past, she has volunteered at the Morehead Adult Learning Center and Clearfield

Elementary Family Resource Center as part of the America Reads program.

She credits her father for teaching her the secret to success.

"My dad gave me a really good role model of what it means to have a good work ethic," Modaff said. "I inherited that from him."

She said she's not afraid to ask for the tools to help her do a better job.

"Don't be afraid to try new things and don't fear the unknown. When I came here, I didn't know how to work a fax machine, but now I have learned so much."

"Organization is a really important part of marketing and development, especially if you do projects such as fund drives," Modaff said.

Other suggestions she has for those in her field is to be self-motivated, creative, adaptable, maintain a professional appearance and have good phone etiquette.

"Having good manners goes a long way," Modaff said. "You have to know how to network and form



strong partnerships with people in the community and area."

KW

## More recipes from Vivian Davis See page 16 for more

### CREOLE SAUCE

#### Ingredients:

1/2 cup mayonnaise

2 green onions, sliced

1 tablespoon Creole mustard

1 garlic clove, pressed

1/2 tablespoon fresh parsley chopped

scant 1/4 teaspoon ground red pepper

#### Preparation:

Stir all ingredients together until well blended.

Most groceries now have an international aisle. You will find the Creole spices and mustard there.

You can make hotter by adding more red pepper.

### CHICKEN CAKES WITH CREOLE SAUCE

#### Ingredients:

1 tablespoon butter

1/4 red pepper, diced

2 green onions, thinly sliced

small garlic clove, pressed

1/2 cup soft bread crumbs

1 1/2 cups cooked chicken, chopped

1 large egg, slightly beaten

1 tablespoon mayonnaise

1/2 tablespoon Creole mustard

1 teaspoon Creole seasonings

1 tablespoon vegetable oil

Creole sauce

garnish with fresh parsley, optional

#### Preparation:

Melt butter in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat. Add bell pepper, onions and garlic and saute three to four minutes or until vegetables are tender.

Stir together bell pepper mixture and next five ingredients in a bowl. Shape chicken mixture into four patties.

Fry in 2 tablespoons hot oil in a large skillet over medium heat three minutes on each side or until golden brown. Serve immediately with Creole sauce.

Garnish, if desired.

### CREAM CHEESE MASHED POTATOES

#### Ingredients:

1 pound baking potatoes

1/4 package fat-free cream cheese, softened

2 tablespoons butter or reduced-calorie margarine

salt, pepper and garlic powder to taste

vegetable cooking spray

#### Preparation:

Wash potatoes, peel and cut into pieces. Place in large pan, cover with cold water and cook over medium heat, about 25 minutes or until tender. Drain. Beat potatoes and fat-free cream cheese until smooth, add rest of ingredients, mix well. Spoon potato mixture into a 9-inch square baking dish you have coated with vegetable cooking spray.

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# Lady of the Mountains



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Eula Hall enjoys a turkey dinner at the 2002 Mud Creek Clinic Christmas party, where more than 1,000 people enjoyed a holiday meal and were given access to clothes, shoes and toys.

## Woman dedicates life to providing health care for the needy

By **LORETTA BLACKBURN**

Kentucky Woman Staff

**F**rom the Kentucky Women's Hall of Fame to the White House, Eula Hall has been recognized for her contribu-

tion to the people of eastern Kentucky, but the rewards of a lifetime of service are most evident in the faith her community has in her abilities.

Getting an interview with Hall was quite a task as an influx of people in need

dominate her day and her office at the Mud Creek Clinic in the small community of Grethel in Floyd County. She has been helping miners acquire black lung benefits, transporting the lame and poor to the doctor, feeding and clothing

poor children and giving to the needy at Christmas for most of her life. And at 75, she is still signing vouchers, gathering food for baskets and throwing Christmas parties.

A native of Pike County, Hall was married at the age

of 17 and started having children. She was one of seven children, most of whom were physically challenged in some way. She did not have the luxury of prenatal care and most of her children were born at home, where one was



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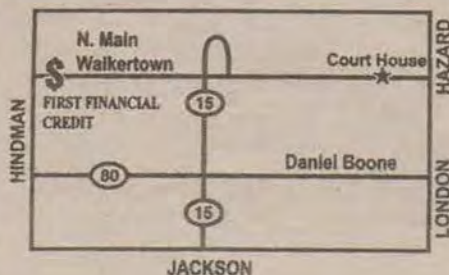
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born prematurely and deaf and another died at infancy.

"I know what it's like to sit up all night rocking a sick baby and not have the money to take it to the doctor," she said.

With these personal experiences and by watching those in her community suffer and sometimes die because they didn't have the money for proper medical care, Hall was motivated to do something about it.

She was an eighth-grade dropout working for \$50 a week, yet she saved what she could for the next seven years until she accumulated enough to rent a small house for \$40 a month on an isolated road in Mud Creek called Tinker Fork. She attracted foreign doctors who were required to do service in disadvantaged areas in order to get their green cards and she put them up in her home where she cooked for them.

In February of 1973, a licensed clinic opened with the help of volunteers from a group working for welfare rights and the Community Action Program. For a lot of this rural community's residents, it was the first time they could afford health care because the fee was \$5 a visit. One year later, in 1974, the clinic was moved to a trailer in a place called Mink Branch, also on Mud Creek, where it remained until 1984, when a fire claimed the structure.

Hall said she was heartbroken and cried, but she did not give up. She recaptured her courage and got busy raising money by organizing chicken dumpling dinners, standing on the highway with a donation bucket, as well as utilizing other fundraising tactics. Within three months, she had raised enough money to secure a federal fund for a new clinic. In the mean time, she moved the clinic into John M. Stumbo Elementary School for the summer. In the fall, she moved the clinic into a trailer at Grethel, until a modern one could be built.

Because of her success in establishing affordable health services for her rural community, Hall has received awards and recognition from numerous sources, including a spot on the Kentucky Women's Wall of Fame in Frankfort and a letter of appreciation from the White House, which was signed by former President George Bush in 1992. However, Hall's motivation lies in helping those who require her assistance.

"The people in Washington know of me and the people of Frankfort know me, but it is the people of this community that need me, and I'll do anything that I can to help them," Hall said



PHOTO BY LORETTA BLACKBURN

**Eula Hall, 75, in her office at Mud Creek Clinic, where she compiles resources, organizes parties, signs documents, transports patients, purchases medication and performs many other tasks to assist the needy in her community and eastern Kentucky.**

during the 2002 Mud Creek Clinic annual Christmas party.

Hall recalled a time a few years back when she flipped her sport utility vehicle on a mountain road while returning from delivering medication and checking on a patient.

"Thank God for my car phone," said Hall.

Although cell phones had not become available, Hall did have a car phone, which she used to call for help. Hall suffered a broken arm from the accident, but returned to work the next day.

"I've known her since she started this business," said former Floyd Circuit Court Clerk Frank Derossett. "There will never be another one like her."

This is one of many stories told by those who speak of Hall's dedication to the people of her community.

"She got medicine for me when I didn't have a medical card," Emma Jean Conn of Tolers Creek said.

"Plenty of times I didn't have a ride to the doctor and she sent someone or came and got me herself," said Elsie Tucker of Mud Creek, who has known Hall for 21 years.

"She saved my life once," said a grateful Beatrice Collins, of McDowell. Collins said she arrived at Mud Creek Clinic after having an allergic reaction to something only to find the doctors had already left. She said Hall took her to Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin, where

she received the medical attention she needed.

"She goes out of her way to help people," Collins said.

A friend of 48 years, Carlos Akers of Prater Creek, said Hall had always been interested in the welfare of others, especially the poor, and he felt honored "to know such a person."

These comments and characterizations are common when people are making reference to Hall. You can hear it from the community peoples' mouths and see it on the numerous plaques and certificates that adorn her office walls. And although a list of these awards and certificates would fill an entire page, it is the medical clinic, the senior citizens center, the dental clinic, the clothing and food pantry and other establishments enjoyed by this needy community in which Hall voices pride.

At 75, Hall still works to put together Christmas parties and baskets for the needy, signs documents and gives advice, as well as anything else she can to help someone in need.

It appears the only time she stops during the day is to eat a meal, which gets from the Mud Creek Senior Citizens Center.

"There are some good things about getting old," Hall said.

*Loretta Blackburn is a reporter for the Floyd County Times and grew up in the Mud Creek area.*



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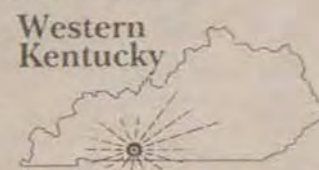
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# Preparing for your future

By **SUE R. BUNNELL**

Kentucky Woman Contributor

Is money management for women really any different than for men? No is the answer, but we as women especially need to know about our financial condition to ensure peace of mind, security and independence. Whether you make \$100,000 a year, are a homemaker, single or married, there are certain things you need and deserve to know about your personal finances and the family finances.

I like lists, and I think this can be of great importance to you, also. Make a list of short-term goals – not more than five things to begin with – and another list of longer-term wants and goals.

Start a "Honey Do" list beginning with No. 1 – TALK ABOUT FINANCES. Choose wisely the right time to approach this subject (and we as women will know when that is) because after all, this might be considered by your husband as an intrusion on his privacy. But you deserve to know if he is ensuring a secure future for you and your family should something happen to him. So be persistent in obtaining this information.

What if your husband of five or even 50 years declared unexpectedly that he wants a divorce – and it can happen – or if he died, or if he became disabled? Too often, women then have the stark realization of learning about finances and of the stress of coping and struggling to continue a lifestyle to which they have been accustomed.

Let's face it, women on the average live almost 10 years longer than men. You can't delay planning for the future. You can't expect a husband to always be there to take care of you.

Let's start with a financial analysis of your situation. Prepare a financial statement, which should list your

assets and your liabilities. If you are married, a joint statement should be prepared together, dated and even initialed. Tuck this away – You may need this someday to help prove just what you both own. Remember divorces can and do happen, and such documents will encourage him not to forget anything.

As you know ASSETS are what you own such as your home, money or savings in various accounts, business investments, furniture, cars, etc. LIABILITIES are what you owe. Don't list monthly utility bills on this statement but rather such items as bank and family loans, car and home loans, business loans you might have guaranteed personally.

AND DON'T FORGET CREDIT CARD DEBT. The difference in the total assets and total liabilities is your NET WORTH. Also make notations at the bottom of this page as to the face values of insurance and present value of all retirement accounts at work or elsewhere.

Just another P.S. – have either of you personally guaranteed any loans at a bank for business, relatives including children? You must realize you are completely responsible for the payment of such loans. Should you be asked to sign a mortgage on your home be absolutely sure what the need is, the ability to repay and future impact it could have on your financial condition.

Now that you have determined what you are really worth let's make more lists and, more importantly, determine how much you are saving each month. You need to start as early as possible planning for the golden years of retirement, also for special short-term goals such as a weekend getaway, a birthday



gift or just a bouquet of daisies. I call these smile-makers. Don't ask why or why not – we just need occasionally a little morale boost.

Let's start as soon as possible in a new direction. But remember, money brings out all types of emotions and is deemed the number one cause of all divorces. Tread lightly in gathering information needed.

Now look at more specifics. Do you own your home and what are your monthly payments? How much is your home worth – Don't over-estimate. How much do you owe on it and how much longer do you have to pay on it? Interest rates are very, very low right now. Check on your rate and perhaps this is the time to consider refinancing. You could get your payments perhaps lowered considerably affording you money to save or leave the payments the same but shorten the years remaining on your loan. Check with your local bank and see what it can offer you.

Should you or your husband die, is there sufficient life insurance covering the note? You probably think I am declaring doom and gloom. But to avoid heartaches, plan now to avoid this happening to you.

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able to retire at 62 or 65? This question – or the answer to it – becomes scarier if you have the only income in the home. Less than 5 percent of all Americans can actually afford to retire at these ages.

For us to be happy, we have to be honest with ourselves. What are our goals – both short term and long term? Set attainable goals. It is easy to wish upon a star but happiness and financial freedom do not just happen. If you set goals that are too high, you could easily become frustrated.

As we begin saving for the future, it is not necessarily how much we save each week but the consistency of saving on a regular basis. You have to be completely dedicated to this cause.

I have talked so much about saving for the future, I know you are wondering just where can any money come from for this. How can I have anything to invest? I live from one paycheck to the next Friday. Take a close look at your wants and needs. What do you really want out of life? Again, let's make a list of values that are really important to you. I'll help you get started but all of us are going to have a different list.

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Now comes the big issue. Let's evaluate our spending habits. ANOTHER LIST!

For one month spend as usual but write down EVERY PURCHASE and the cost. You will be amazed at how much frivolous spending you do. Use a great portion of this money to fund a retirement plan.

The biggest culprit facing money management skills is the addiction to spending and using our little plastic cards. How many do you own?

I do believe everyone should have at least one credit card for use in an emergency but credit cards and uncontrollable spending habits are the cause of most bankruptcies. As credit card debt grows, stress levels soar. If you have credit cards totaling over \$2,500, go to your bank and seek a consolidation loan. This will result in much lower interest rates and perhaps even lower monthly payments. This can be another source of funds to go into a dream-maker account or retirement account.

I challenge you, with your next paycheck to open a savings account with at least 5 percent of your total

take-home pay. For different people this amount will vary tremendously but this is the beginning of planning for a rosier future. After five or six months of successfully doing this, try to increase the percentage. Should the economy be different, I would suggest other means of investing because your return is going to be minimal. But when you have saved at least a total of \$2,000 then you can go to other types of investments. Your banker can direct you – but there is always a need for an emergency account, and funds are always available in savings accounts. By doing the above, this is going to give you a sense of pride in yourself, a sense that "I can do this."

Let's say at first you start saving for what I call a cloudy day – that is the day the TV goes on the blink – you blow a tire on the car and the spare is no good or you lose a filling. It will be a great feeling to know that you have created a nest egg to cover these unexpected expenses.

I have given you lots of homework that you are going to consider a pain but make this your New Year's resolution for 2003 to become a more informed wife, more aware of your finances if you are single.

This information will be of benefit and encourage you to start planning for a carefree and financially secure future. I hope you have also capitalized on the fact that there are funds that can be directed to a savings plan when before you thought it completely impossible.

I've attempted to challenge you to realize your short-term goals, your long-term retirement needs. Whatever else you do in life, take retirement planning seriously. Be devoted to attaining your goals, dreams and aspirations but make every day a great day by just smiling. Smiles are free and will make you feel good about yourself.

Happiness to different people means different things. To me, it is sharing my good fortune with my family and seeing them enjoy their inheritance while I am alive.

For many of you, as this article is read you will think, "this woman surely doesn't trust her husband." The truth is completely opposite. We have been married 42 great years, but I am not blind to what can happen. As past president of a local bank, I have shared so many heart-wrenching stories of "This can't be happening to me!"

My challenge to you – start planning immediately for a secure and rewarding future. Enjoy life to the fullest!

*Sue Bunnell is a past president – Kentucky Banking Centers*

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# A SHOW OF HANDS



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## Berea to display hand sculptures this summer

By Jodi Whitaker  
*Kentucky Woman Staff*

The Berea Arts Council is looking for sponsors to lend a hand to a project they hope will bring tourists to the city and encourage a sense of community between businesses, artists and the residents of Berea.

"Show Of Hands" will place 15 six-foot hand sculptures throughout Berea, each featuring artwork by a Berea artist. The council says the hands are a "friendly and fun image of creativity and greeting."

The council needs a minimum

of nine sponsored hands, costing \$4,000 per sponsor, to make the project work. Partnerships between two or more sponsors are allowed.

Hands are scheduled to be displayed throughout Berea from June 2003 through November 2003, with the unveiling planned to coincide with the opening of Berea's new Artisan Center.

Some sites where hands may be on display include College Square, Old Towne and Chestnut Street.

A jurying process will be used to pick artists for the hands. In January, the Council will make a

call to artists asking them to submit design ideas. The group hopes to have 30 artist renderings in a portfolio from which merchants will choose. Merchants will choose which artist they want to have paint their hand, starting with the first merchant to sign on with the project.

Representatives from the Berea Arts Council said they want to create a trail of hands throughout Berea going from one exit to the next, helping the flow of traffic for sightseers and encouraging tourists to drive through the entire town. Maps of the trail will be available.

Lexington and several major U.S. cities have done similar projects. Lexington displayed horse sculptures throughout downtown and other areas of the city. Cincinnati had decorated pigs, and Chicago had cows, just to name a few.

Unlike Lexington's horses, the hands will not be auctioned off after their display, but will instead become the property of the sponsor.

Churchill Weavers was one of the first Berea businesses to sign on with the project.

"I'm excited about it as a community art project," said Lila

Bellando, president of Churchill Weavers. "I feel like it will bring a lot of attention to our community, and it will bind people together in an artistic effort that's good for everybody."

"It's important for people to cooperate, and any time you have a community art project, it's really important people get behind it and support it," Bellando added. "It's a statement of our values."

Bellando hopes tourists will visit the city to see the hands, and discover how unique Berea is.

"It's a wonderful place and an exciting project," Bellando said.



Helping families

# KFC creates child care alternatives

Nine-to-five child care no longer suits parents in today's 24-hour economy

Louisville – Job cuts and a weak economy are forcing many parents to work multiple jobs at nontraditional hours just to make ends meet, posing a new child care dilemma. For many, nine to five jobs are a thing of the past and child care hours have not adjusted to meet this need.

Child care is a top concern, according to a recent YMCA of the USA survey. The needs are greatest among single parents and those who don't work nine to five:

- More than two out of three parents say they have no programs in their communities that offer extended-hour child care programs.
- 80 percent of single parents and 78 percent of younger parents (ages 18-34) are concerned about child care costs.
- Two out of three parents want child care to start at 5 a.m. and one in four parents are interested in late-night programs.
- One in three parents are interested in weekend care
- One out of three parents are in a constant state of worry that they'll lose their child care provider and have no back-up plan.

"Extended day care and infant and toddler care have become top concerns for 15 million families who work nontraditional hours," said Cheryl Bachelder, president, Colonel's Kids Board of

Directors, KFC Corporation president and chief concept officer.

"The issue hits home for KFC because 65 percent of our team members are breadwinners and many rely on day care," Bachelder said. KFC research has shown that seven out of 10 employees think it is very important for companies to address child care. "KFC's Colonel's Kids was created to address this growing issue and today has raised more than \$1 million to help provide families with better access to affordable, high-quality child care," Bachelder said.

Twenty-nine million children under the age of 13 are in dire need of child care and that prompted KFC's Colonel's Kids to partner with YMCA of the USA in a multi-year child care partnership. Colonel's Kids will help YMCAs, the country's largest provider of child care, support two underdeveloped child care areas: extended-hour care and infant and toddler care.

Established in fall 2000, KFC chose to focus on child care after feedback from employees and customers about their family concerns. Inspired by Colonel Harland Sanders' love for children and commitment to family values, KFC is one of the first corporations to address the child care issue nationally. In the past two years, participating KFC restaurants have raised more than \$1 million for Colonel's Kids through in-store fundraisers. Beginning this month, KFC is launching a new fundraiser where a portion of proceeds from every Kids Laptop Pack will be donated to Colonel's Kids. Funds will

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be distributed to qualifying YMCA Child Care sites nationwide later this month.

"Together we can offer parents a chance to provide their children with the best care possible," says Kenneth L. Gladish, Ph.D., national executive director of YMCA of the USA. "It is vital that we pay attention to the needs of real families, and with the generous support of Colonel's Kids, the YMCA is working to provide innovative pro-

grams such as extended-hour and expanded infant and toddler child care that will go a long way to providing parents not only quality child care when and where they need it, but peace of mind, as well."

KFC enlisted three-time Emmy winner Doris Roberts from Everybody Loves Raymond and (with the help of the Entertainment Industry Foundation) two-time Emmy award winner Sela Ward from Once and Again, to support Colonel's Kids. Both have participated in public service announcements. Roberts' PSA will be released nationwide this month, and Ward's was released in 2002.

To help support Colonel's Kids efforts and to find more information about YMCA Child Care, please contact the Colonel's Kids hotline at (800) 874-3273 or log on to [www.colonelskids.com](http://www.colonelskids.com) or [www.ymca.net](http://www.ymca.net)

The YMCA of the USA is the national resource office for America's nearly 2,500 YMCAs, collectively the nation's largest community service organization and largest provider of day care. YMCAs serve 18 million people, including 9 million children through a broad range of programs. YMCAs are for people of all faiths, races, ages, abilities and incomes. YMCAs offer financial assistance when possible.

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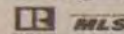
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# Mud on my shoes

## Madison County woman tells all about moving to the country

By **Cindy Teague Kelley**  
Contributing Writer

There was a time when standing before a client or entering a room filled with corporate officers and seeing mud on my shoes would have caused me great embarrassment. Now (and even at this moment) I catch myself grinning as I notice mud around the soles of my shoes or sometimes up on my toes!

This morning I made sure the alarm clock awakened me two hours prior to my leaving for my "real" job. My usual "jump up and get ready in an hour" is a thing of the past. Now, I need at least one hour to complete my daily chores. Some of these are routine, but best of all, usually according to the season, there can be some surprises. I say "best of all" because it's usually all in how you look at it! I choose to be grateful!

We have three cats, McCracken, McKenzie, and Lucy, to feed; a German Shepherd, Kane, to let out of his picket fenced yard and feed; along with the lucky "city raised" indoor pooch, Angel, to let out and then feed. Cats being cats (they live, for the most part, on our screened porch), I tend to glance around the back door to see if either of them have brought me home a "surprise" to view from last night's hunt! Usually this consists of a demised frog, lizard, mouse, or the one I detest the most: a bird. I'm getting a little used to it and this has taken some effort since before our "city cat" lived indoors.

Next, after the coffee has brewed, I usually find myself at the kitchen table reading a current magazine — or best of all — a gardening book. I'm still not good for getting the newspaper out of the box. It's not my early morning pleasure to walk the distance to the road. I now skim over it at night. I seem to prefer a quick update from Katie Couric, because unless it's major need to know news, I find my interests have waned to my thin, two-section hometown newspaper with the local interests and events. The world outside of here seems so far and disjointed from me

anymore. In fact, I have to admit my recent trip to Chicago was a little overwhelming and even intimidating to me. I surprised myself that when I noticed the tall, encompassing buildings and the rushing traffic, along with all the sounds of horns and sirens, I felt like a real fish out of water. This was a first!

Anyway, back to my morning. Today I also remembered the dozen or so eggshells that were probably at the bottom of the garbage can from the weekend breakfast. These would be a great addition to my new compost I had recently begun for my "first year" vegetable garden. I rifled through the garbage, with a little disgust, but was pleased (even excited) to find them. I threw them, along with this morning's coffee grounds, into my grandmother's old "chamber pot." This pot was the very one we used, in our early days, because there was no indoor plumbing. For the task at hand it was perfect! The perfect size, made of white and red enameled metal with the perfect handled lid! This now sat on the table next to my briefcase to exit with me soon. After a few sips of coffee, I headed upstairs to prepare myself for my day. I can get dressed now in front of the window if I choose for there is no one "next door," up the road, yes, but not next door. In fact my husband had objected to shades or anything that would block our view of our tall maple and the beautiful sky we could see while lying in our bed.

Cleaning out my hairbrush, I remembered a couple of things. First, that rabbit that plays in our yard and probably in our new vegetable garden! Secondly, I recently read where human hair may repel "critters" from a garden. So, after dressing it seemed logical to take the clump of hair downstairs and throw it into the chamber pot to be placed around the garden. With my pot in one arm and my briefcase in the other, out the door I went with one cat and both dogs looking on, I walked the railroad ties that divided the raised bed garden in "balance beam" fashion. I was excited to see that last night's rain and the

warm sun of yesterday had caused my bean plants to rise just above the top of the soil.

While noting my other plants were still intact from the threat of our wild running rabbit, I dumped my compost ingredients on my new compost mound. Then chasing the cat out of the garden assuring him he had his own litter box, I quickly took a stick to secure my clump of hair into the dirt. Who knows, a few more of these might pay off! Opening my car door to start the motor led to "the pooch" diving in, along with four muddy paws! Enticing her to get out and get out now, I brushed away the dirt and could not help but giggle a little.

Getting all the creatures into their fenced area and porch, I went back into the house to gather up my belongings for my work day. Then turning to go out the door, I stopped on the front porch and took a deep breath as I looked out over the yard.

All my past front yards were about 15 to 20 feet from the street. Now I could not even see the street. And, I didn't even live on one anymore. Now, my rural mailbox was on the other side

of the road. The driveway split my acre of yard down the middle. Wildflower beds, white pines, tall walnuts and small dogwood trees, along with our freshly planted vegetable garden, were among the view from where I stood. Our entire yard is surrounded

by



woods. I couldn't help but look over my shoulder, which was to the west.

When I vacationed on the ocean, I was always in awe of the sunsets. Now, any evening I could look in this direction and see a different "painting." Ever changing clouds, hills, woods, and even a neighboring family of donkeys that recently moved in the field with, oh yes, a sunset that could peel away all layers of stress that had engulfed me during my work day. These were the sights that would greet me when I arrived back home.

Looking at my watch, I stepped off the porch and walked down my winding brick path to the driveway. The ▶



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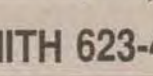


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neighborhood chicken that everyone feeds clucked beneath our large cedar tree. She always enjoys the feed my husband puts out for her there. I pulled out of my driveway and smiled once again at the old iron headboard and foot-board from my grandmother's "bed." No one in the family wanted this antique three-quarter sized bed, so there it was placed strategically in the wildflower bed with a "mattress" of tall purple garden phlox. This made it an official flower bed. (My husband still shakes his head a little at this, but being the sweet man that he is he humored me by hammering it into the dirt.) Yes, it all sounds like a scene from a Norman Rockwell painting. I suppose it could be one.

As I pulled out onto the road, I thought about how I had "landed" here just 10 months ago. About 10 years ago I began to picture myself "out of the city." I had been in the city all the 43 years of my life. Did I really think I'd do it? Move out of the city? Maybe. Did I think it would all be like this? Never!

When my sons visited me the last time (they are back in our hometown "city" at college), we all three took the dogs and went down to the pond. The shepherd jumped in and tried to retrieve the sticks I threw in until the water would get too deep. He then enjoyed galloping around the pond in full force. They both seemed a little amazed. The one thing I remember, as we walked back up to the house, was my walk. I had on my waterproof hiking boots and they had on flip flops and sneakers. I had that rugged, confident stride. They seemed a little awkward at first. It may not ever be where they choose to live, but I'm so proud they consider this an "awesome place." At least

they can make an educated choice one day. Anyway, back to my walk, it was one that even surprised me when I realized it. I was a fast-made girl!

When I'm out calling on my clients, It's like an instant bonding when someone mentions they live in the country. We don't have to say much. The feeling of "the rest of the world is clueless" is unspoken but



under-  
stood.

Usually what is said are things like: "It's worth the extra drive," "Things move slower,"

and "It's so much quieter and peaceful." These are all true, of course, but the best thing is that feeling of harmony. I mean a true harmony between myself and the earth, along with total contentment.

The wonderful man I married, just a few days after the move, under the arbor, overlooking a beautiful valley and pond that we now own still asks, "How did I get here?" This was not in his life plans; however, he had said "I'm right there with you, and better still, lets get married," after I told him of my plans. Now, some of his best joys come from his hours on the riding

mower, hiking in our woods with our German Shepherd by his side and sitting next to me in one of the two adirondack chairs that face those sunsets in the evenings.

My hand rests on the top of the steering wheel as I make the hairpin turns, dodge a terrapin ambling across the road, and ride the hills that were never graded to provide the roads leading out of community. A community made up of a Ruritan Club, a volunteer fire department, a small grocery and two churches. Most importantly are its people. Those that I still do not really know, but I raise my hand up to wave at when I pass them on the narrow roads. Those that sit at the two picnic tables to read the paper, drink coffee and swap stories down at the grocery, where I sometimes stop for a gallon of milk, or a homemade sandwich as thick as "Dagwoods," and a Yoohoo to drink. Those that gather at the Ruritan Club (where men only still meet monthly), but sponsor community-wide fish fries, pancake breakfasts and, of course, "Union City Days" to raise money for our volunteer fire department's operation.

This is where I live now — Union City, Kentucky. This is where I want to live out the rest of my days. After only 10 months, I feel I've been here for 10 years or more.

I'm sure if I looked, I have mud on my shoes. I do not really like to wipe it off during my work-day. I look down at my shoes and realize where I was that morning. And, if I choose to wipe them clean, I can look forward to more when I get HOME.

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## BEAUTY TIPS

# Open your eyes to body truths

By Joyce Gorley

Master hair designer and skin care specialist

**Double chins/short or thick necks:** If you have a narrow face and short neck, the short hair can elongate the neck by exposing more of it. Wearing your hair up also gives the appearance of a longer neck. Wear long necklaces and small earrings. Do not wear chokers, attention-getting necklaces or dangling earrings, all of which draw the eye to the neck. Anything that shows more neck will visually elongate — or example, V-necks and scoops. Avoid jewel-necks and anything that ends at the collarbone. High necks will help to hide double chins.

**Long necks:** Do not wear hair super short. If you want to shorten the appearance of the neck, wear hair that covers the neck. Look for high-necked clothing, Nehru collars, etc., which minimize the length of the neck. Avoid off-the-shoulder neckline and V-necks.

**Broad shoulders:** Break up the width of your

shoulders with V-necks of deep scoop necks and wear fabrics that drape easily. Avoid halter necks for they emphasize shoulder width. Do not wear anything that highlights the width of the shoulders like shoulder pads, stiff fabrics, horizontal lines, square necks or strapless styles.

**Narrow or sloping shoulders:** Wear shoulder pads but be sure they rest comfortably on the shoulders. If they are too large, they will look sloppy and overwhelming. Necklines like boat necks, cap sleeves, off-the-shoulder styles and halters will suit. Avoid wearing long necklaces and tight outfits. These call attention to the fact that hips are wider than the shoulders.

**Large bust:** Draw the focus away from the upper body with V-necks, open collars and scoop necklines. Avoid tight fitting clothes or jackets. Avoid pockets and buttons over the chest. Wear a supportive, minimizer bra with wide shoulder straps. Use jewelry to distract from the chest. Wear bracelets and earrings. Do not wear necklaces or pendants that hang low. Wear lighter colors on the bottom

part of your body, which will appear larger, thereby de-emphasizing the upper part.

**Small bust:** Wear clothes with brighter colors on the upper part of the body than the bottom. Give more detailing to the top portion of the dress by giving some kind of embroidery, lace, etc.

**Heavy arms:** Loose, long sleeves are best or try wearing bell sleeves. Avoid anything that reveals the upper arm.

**Small waist:** Wear wide belts that call attention to this feature.

**Thick waist:** Wear A-line clothes. Avoid wearing fitting blouses. Emphasize shoulders to detract attention from the waist.

**Tummy bulge:** Wear flared clothes that will well-cover the stomach area. Avoid wearing clinging clothes with tight waist lines.

**Large hips:** Avoid wearing lycra fabrics which will highlight the shape of the body. Dark fabrics are slimming. Wear clothes that cover the hip well.

**Flat hips:** Avoid fitting styles and patterns as they draw more attention towards the hip.

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# KENTUCKY TEACHERS



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Thousands of educators and their supporters from around Kentucky rally to lobby for more funding for education at the state Capitol in Frankfort Feb. 12..

## Kentucky Agricultural Women's Leadership Network to have conference

The Kentucky Agricultural Women's Leadership Network is busy preparing for the next statewide Women in Agriculture Conference. The conference will be Feb. 27 and 28 at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Lexington.

The conference will include keynote speakers, concurrent sessions, roundtable discussions and exhibits, as well as time for networking.

Registration information is available through your county Extension office and online at [www.kywomeninag.com](http://www.kywomeninag.com).



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kim Carden, a middle school teacher in Jefferson County, rallies with other educators on the Capitol steps in Frankfort Feb. 11. Carden, along with more than 16,000 educators, rallied to get legislators to vote against cutting the budget in education.





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# The Gown



## The Associated Press

The groom usually wears more or less the same tuxedo uniform (often rented) and what he wore is quickly forgotten. But the bride's special dress is consulted about, agonized over, analyzed, re-fitted, and after the event, carefully put in storage in near-museum type conditions.

So go ahead, scan the magazines and Web sites. Argue with your mother and your mother-in-law. Scrape up the deposit from somewhere. These are part of your memories, too:

■ Looking like something out of a baroque fairy tale, St. Pucchi's sweeping ballgown, redolent with lace and embroidery details, features long bell sleeves and cathedral train. Choose it in butter-scotch, natural or ivory silk organza.

■ A sleek A-line of silk and zibalene by Paula Varsalona has a detachable Alencon lace train which emerges from the backline.

■ Varsalona also uses this silhouette in a silk zibalene strapless dress that has cording at the bustline and waistline.

■ Inspired by both Greek classi-

cism and modern sophistication, Amsale's silk crepe sheath is for the bride who can carry off drop-dead glamour. It has a scoop neckline, spaghetti straps, and at the deep backline there's a cowl drape that plays against a beaded and embroidered insert.

■ More demure but still very sophisticated, a very full-skirted (eight yards in the skirt alone) duchess satin dress from Amsale has a cathedral train in the grand fashion. The dress has a high halter neckline, and flat straps form a V to reach a low-cut backline, where they are caught by a silk flower.

■ People come in all sizes, and that includes brides. The Style Plus collection from David's Bridal offers dresses size 14w-26w, such as a strapless organza gown with beading on the bodice and skirt, or a short-sleeve A-line dress with caviar beaded bodice and hemline.

## On the Web:

Amsale Bridal - <http://www.amsale.com>

David's Bridal - <http://www.davidsbridal.com>

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# Heirlooms-to-Be

## The Associated Press

Some bridal couples may be the lucky recipients of jewelry that has been in their families for generations. Others will be making new selections that they hope their future grandchildren may one day wear:

■ Because they're worn every day for life, platinum settings should be the choice for bridal jewelry, says designer Scott Kay. Platinum prongs in an engagement ring are stronger than gold, he says, giving the diamond or other stone a more secure anchor.

He offers classic prong rings, which let diamonds shine with maximum sparkle; one variation is his cathedral setting design, with rising slopes on either side of the main stone, giving it more protection from abrasion; one version (\$4,000) has four smaller diamonds set in the slope.

Also in his Vintage

Collection are platinum bands for the groom in a variety of textures, widths, and finishes, such as the one with rope design (\$2,400).

■ All that's gold may not glitter. The textured gold (starting at \$500) or sterling silver (starting at \$200) wedding bands in the Twig Collection by K. Brunini are inspired by twigs, vertebrae and DNA - all part of the Symbols of Strength Series. Many of these are accented with diamonds, gemstones and pearls and are a good choice for couples who want low-key jewelry.

■ The all-time classic is the engagement diamond, and first-time buyers should be paying attention to the drill about the "4Cs" - namely cut, color, clarity and carat.

These are the basics of picking a quality stone, but there are other considerations, such as shapes (round, teardrop, heart, marquise) and special styles.

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All this information can be found at <http://www.adiamondisforever.com>, the Web site of the De Beers Information arm, the Diamond Information Center.

Some of the cuts to look for include the Leo Diamond, with brilliant 66-facet cuts, developed by Leo Schaefer of the World's Diamondaires. Call 1 (800) 431-4393 for information.

Another is the Royal Asscher cut from Fabrikant, with a high crown setting, steep pavilion, and 74 facets. Find retailers by calling 1 (800) 432-8895.

The Rand Diamond from Codiam comes with a provenance report which tracks the stone from mine to the cutting factory to the consumer. Call 1 (800) 223-6279 for information.

The Elara cut, named after the brightest moon of the planet Jupiter, has square-cut faceting and proportions of a round brilliant. Call 1 (888) 397-7627 for information.

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# Location, Location, Location

"Castle weddings are hot," says Crous. "It's the ultimate in exotic, and plays into America's obsession with royalty."

by MARY MARTIN NIEPOLD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Most brides dream of standing in a beautiful gown in a perfect setting, but increasing numbers want that setting to look downright royal.

There's a definite trend for more stately gowns - longer trains, classic silhouettes - recent favorites of designers like Vera Wang and Carolina Herrera. Then there's the trend for royal settings to set off that gown, thanks to a recent rush of celebrity weddings in castles.

Castles in the United Kingdom and Ireland are particularly luring. According to Yolanda Crous, travel editor of *Bride's Magazine*, credit goes to the knot-tying of Madonna and Guy Ritchie at Skibo Castle in Scotland, of Paul McCartney and Heather Mills in Castle Leslie in Ireland and the reception of Pierce Brosnan, also in Ireland, at Ashford Castle.

"Castle weddings are hot," says Crous. "It's the ultimate in exotic, and plays into America's obsession with royalty."

These weddings typify an emerging trend called "destination weddings," where the entire wedding party travels to

the chosen location. Millie Martini Bratten, editor-in-chief at *Bride's*, explains: "Everybody's taking a trip, but doing it together to a place that has special meaning. And since the weddings are frequently smaller, usually they are less expensive than hosting a large group closer to home."

A destination wedding party averages about 50 people versus several hundred.

The yen for royal-style weddings can come to life on any continent in the world. While many Americans are particularly fond of their Anglo roots, an exotic temple in Japan, a lush resort in Thailand, an ocean-side garden in Hawaii, or a 13th century villa in Tuscany can seem equally royal.

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The Associated Press

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■ Best known for her sleek wedding gowns, Vera Wang reaches into the apres-wedding sphere with her new designs for Wedgwood fine bone china and crystal. Like the dresses she creates, the patterns are classically simple and sophisticated:

Golden Grosgrain (\$109 for a 5-piece place setting) is white, adorned with gold trims that hint at the picot edging on ribbon; Golden Tiara (\$139 for a 5-piece place setting) is champagne-colored china with a rich banding in matte gold. Her crystal designs include Cube Lighting, forms in sculptured blocks rendered as 2-, 6-, and 9-inch candlesticks (\$25, \$55 and \$75) or as votives in clear or frosted finishes (\$40 each).

■ "Widdean," an Old English word meaning "to pledge," is the source of the word "wedding." It's

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# The South's Wedding Capital

by **DEBRA GASKILL**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GATLINBURG, Tenn. — It bills itself as the heart of the Smoky Mountains, but this little Tennessee town, long a haven for tourists, is also the wedding capital of the South.

Approximately 20,000 couples get married each year at one of Gatlinburg's 32 wedding chapels, according to Becky Jones, public relations director for the city of Gatlinburg's Department of Tourism.

If you take a day off for Christmas, that's nearly two

weddings a day, 364 days a year.

"We're called the Vegas of the South," said Dawn Cox of Gatlinburg Wedding Planners, Inc. "We almost beat Vegas a couple of years ago" in the number of weddings.

Benny Wallis, owner of

the Smoky Mountain Memories Wedding Chapel and the Golden Valley Wedding Chapel thinks he knows why getting married in Gatlinburg is so popular.

"It's a quaint city, a place where you can walk all over and hold hands, and we're right next to the Smoky Mountains National Park," said Wallis. "We're within a day's drive for 75 percent of the people in the U.S."

And, with the number of package wedding deals available in this Smoky Mountain town located just 31 miles southeast of Knoxville, Gatlinburg makes it easy to tie the knot.

"We arrange for the limousine service, the flowers. You say 'I do,' and we furnish everything else," said Wallis.

Wallis is like most Gatlinburg preachers in that he will only perform Protestant ceremonies. Cox concurs with that, saying



submitted photo

Jenna Humphrey, Jon Mark Tackett, Joshua Kinzer and Melinda Martin attending Prestonsburg High School Prom at the Jenny Wiley Convention Center.

## On the Web:

Gatlinburg Convention and Visitor's Bureau  
<http://www.gatlinburg.com>

Smoky Mountain Memories Wedding Chapel  
<http://www.smokymountainmemories.com/>

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# Books

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*Practical advice, by the  
book, for the bridal couple:*

■ In "The Colors of Love" (Lawrence Hill Books-Chicago Review Press, \$14.95 paperback), author Kimberly Hohman counsels that being prepared for the possible obstacles offers the best chance for success in an interracial marriage.

These marriages are becoming more common, she says, citing 2000 census figures of about 2 million couples, but there still are challenges such as societal or family disapproval, raising biracial children, finding diverse communities in which to live, and discrimination.

Hohman interviewed many of these couples and from their experiences offers advice to anyone who may be dating and contemplating marriage with someone of another race. There also are practical tips about planning an interracial wedding.

■ The ultimate dress is celebrated in "The Knot Book of Wedding Gowns" (Chronicle Books, \$29.95 hardcover), by Carley Roney.

After treating readers to a history of weddings and a review of famous weddings through the years (take special note of the photograph of an ethereal-looking Eleanor Roosevelt, wearing a romantic Victorian gown for her 1905 wedding to Franklin D. Roosevelt), Roney surveys the types of dresses that may be right for you. She discusses and describes fabrics, laces, accessories, undergarments, and how to take care of the dress after the ceremony.

■ Kleinfeld is one of the nation's biggest bridal retailers, and its executives, Ronnie Rothstein and Mara Urshel (with Todd Lyon) offer advice

on "How to Buy Your Perfect Wedding Dress" (Fireside-Simon & Schuster, \$14 paperback).

There are millions of gowns out there, and selecting the one you will wear on your wedding day is a challenge. "The stores are different, the merchandise is different, and the process is nothing like anything you've ever experienced," they write.

■ For many brides, the oncoming wedding is like an oncoming freight train. Dealing with hundreds of details, expenses, family, vendors, and other considerations can be so overwhelming that the bride forgets to take care of herself.

Leah Ingram offers "The Balanced Bride: Preparing Your Mind, Body and Spirit for Your Wedding and Beyond" (Contemporary Books-McGraw-Hill, \$16.95 paperback).

"I've met or interviewed hundreds of brides who've let their personal lives play

(See BOOKS, page 11)

