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County gives control of center to Martin

by SHELDON COMPTON
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — The Floyd County Community Center at Martin, The Martin Community Center, The Floyd County/Martin Community Center — the confusion surrounding the name of the facility has been nearly as visible as the in-house bickering.

However, as of Wednesday, that confusion has ended.

The community center, situated just outside Martin, will now be referred to as the Martin Community Center, officially.

Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson said Thursday the community center, once pushed by fiscal court officials as a county-centered strike against mounting drug problems in the area, was leased to the city of Martin under a five-year plan, with two five-year renewal options, for \$1 a year.

The center was transferred to the county for financial management on April 16 when the state failed to continue the \$1.4 million grant that had been disbursed for the project in the 2000 budget. In April, the facility prepared to face the next year of operations with

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Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson tries out the computer lab at the Martin Community Center. The city of Martin leased the building from the county for \$1 a year for five years with two five-year options for renewal, but some fear the center's original purpose as a drug prevention center may be lost in the deal.

photo by Sheldon Compton

Coca Cola Classic

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briefs

Five killed in crashes during holiday

FRANKFORT — Five people died in four crashes on Kentucky's roadways during the New Year's holiday, state police said Tuesday.

Alcohol was a suspected factor in two of the crashes, state police said in citing preliminary statistics. Two of the five victims were not wearing safety belts, police said.

Two people were killed in a crash in Hopkins County, police said, while single-fatality crashes occurred in Clay, Lawrence and Wayne counties.

The official New Year's holiday period ran from 6 p.m. Tuesday through 11:59 p.m. Wednesday.

The death toll was down significantly from a year ago, when 12 people were killed in 12 crashes during the five-day New Year's holiday period, state police said.

However, 21 people were killed on Kentucky highways from this past Friday morning through New Year's night, state police said.

For the year, 906 people were killed in traffic crashes in Kentucky, up 56 from 2001, according to preliminary information compiled by state police.

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Today

Rain to snow

High: 36 • Low: 23

Tomorrow

Partly cloudy

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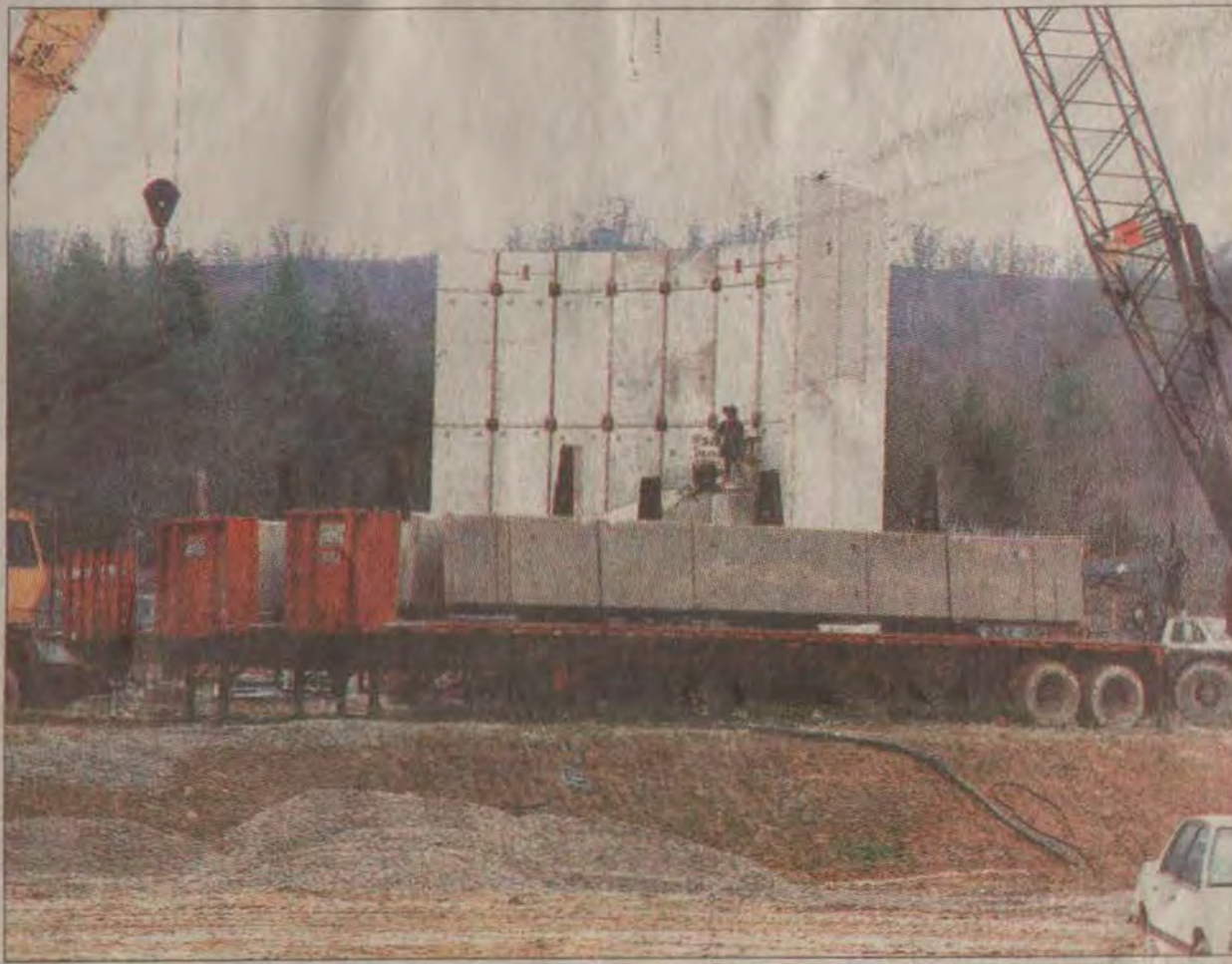


photo by Jarrid Deaton

Construction is moving along on the East Kentucky Science Center in Prestonsburg. Preformed concrete walls were recently erected using a large crane.

Coroner says ambulance wreck didn't kill patient

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — An accident involving an Elkhorn City Ambulance did not cause the death of a patient that was in the vehicle during the collision.

According to police, the ambulance was transporting a patient to Pikeville Methodist Hospital when the driver, John Moore, attempted to overtake another vehicle. When Moore pulled back into his lane he overcorrected and lost control of the ambulance.

The ambulance left the westbound lane of the road and overturned. Three ambulance employees were transported to Pikeville Methodist Hospital for

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\$270 million award nixed by settlement

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIKEVILLE — An Eastern Kentucky man who was awarded \$270 million in damages after his well house exploded has settled the case for far less.

The exact amount of the settlement was not disclosed, but his attorney said it included none of the \$250 million in punitive damages awarded by a jury in October.

Fairon Johnson of Dema claimed in his lawsuit that he was severely burned when explosive gas traveled through an underground water aquifer

and seeped into his well from a nearby natural gas well. When he flipped a switch to turn his pump on, the gas exploded.

The jury ordered Equitable Resources and Kentucky West Virginia Gas to pay him the huge award, the largest jury verdict ever awarded in Kentucky. Johnson's attorney, Gary Johnson of Pikeville, said both sides in the lawsuit agreed not to reveal the amount of the settlement. Officials at the gas companies couldn't immediately be reached for comment.

Knott County Circuit Judge John Robert Morgan signed an order

Monday dismissing the case.

"Fairon Johnson, from day one, was never in this for big money," Gary Johnson said. "He told me that from the time he first came into my office. But he was adamant that this case be tried in front of a jury to expose this problem. Once that was done, then it was easy for Fairon to settle this case and move on."

Gary Johnson, no relation to his client, said people are at risk of similar injuries throughout central Appalachia, including rural portions of West Virginia and southwestern

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Police stop man going for gun

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

STANVILLE — A Stanville man was arrested and charged with menacing and disorderly conduct after police responded to a domestic call on Christmas.

Ronald H. Hall, 47, was arrested after Kentucky State Police responded to a call involving a domestic dispute between Hall and his son. After taking the complaint, Hall's son requested that the officer check on the welfare of his sister who has at his father's home.

When police arrived at Hall's home, he allegedly tried to grab a pistol and had to be restrained.

Ronald Hall is scheduled to be arraigned on the charges Jan. 7.

Rape charge sent to grand jury

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The preliminary hearing of a man accused of rape and assault was heard in Floyd District Court yesterday, where the testimony of the investigating officer proposed that the victim suffered injuries that required hospital admittance.

The Drift resident, Danny R. Martin, 48, was arrested on Dec. 26 and charged with rape and assault, both first-degree charges, in connection with an incident allegedly occurring on Dec. 23 and 24.

According to the testimony of James Michael Goble, of Kentucky State Police, the victim reported that Martin beat her in the face and head with two separate telephones on two different occasions within the 24-hour period.

Goble testified that the alleged victim told him that Martin, who she had previously dated, allegedly showed up at her apartment in Minnie, at which time she went with him to Pikeville to purchase a Christmas present for her child. Goble related that the alleged victim stated that

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Danny R. Martin appeared in Floyd District Court on Thursday, with his attorney, Jerry Patton, for a preliminary hearing on charges of rape and assault, which allegedly caused injuries requiring hospital admittance for the victim.

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Odds and Ends

■ **OMAHA, Neb.** — Union Pacific is not braking for superstition when it comes to its new 19-story downtown building.

Bob Turner, the company's vice president of corporate relations, said the building will have a 13th floor.

"As long as 13 comes after 12, we're going to call it 13," Turner said.

The new headquarters for the nation's largest railroad is scheduled for completion in 2004.

The new 40-story First National Tower, just a block away, went from the 12th to 14th floor but not because officials were trying to ward off bad luck.

The number of floors would have ended at 39 based on the First National Tower's square footage, said Brenda Dooley, president of the company's building division.

Building managers decided to skip naming the 13th floor in the interest of capping out at an even number, Dooley said.

■ **VENTURA, Calif.** — It seems sea gulls aren't so gullible.

The gulls don't give a hoot about fake rooftop owls used to keep gulls away from homes and businesses in the Ventura Harbor area.

If anything, the ersatz owls have become a curiosity to the gulls, said Ken Farzad, owner of the harbor's Hornblower's Restaurant & Comedy Club. The foot-tall owl replicas were placed atop his roof as well as the roof of the Ventura Port

District building.

"Some of the gulls will actually go up to the owls and peck at them," Farzad said, expressing disgust over the messy sea birds roosting atop area buildings. "They leave a mess with their feathers and everything else."

Everything else includes toothpaste-like stains on awnings and pancake-sized splats on the ground.

"We need to give them more time before we decide they don't work," said Oscar Pena, the Port District's general manager, who noted the owls, which cost about \$40 apiece, only are supposed to scare 30 percent to 40 percent of the gulls that land nearby.

If they don't work, Pena said the district should buy "bigger, meaner-looking owls."

Peter Pyle, an ornithologist with the Point Reyes Bird Observatory in Northern California, doubts the fakes will ever work.

"It's very hard to fool gulls because they're a lot smarter than many people think," said Pyle.

Gulls are attracted to the tops of buildings because they are safe places and the rooftops give them a clear view of the area.

■ **CEDAR SPRINGS, Mich.** — Steve Horowitz's quest for a wife is no secret.

For the past few months, it has been advertised on a large, portable sign — simply reading "WIFE WANTED" — in front of his home.

But after hearing from about

60 women and going out with three, the 53-year-old says all he's looking for now is a second date with one. So the sign has come down.

Horowitz says he was so taken with one woman after their lunch date that he presented her with a video of his friends' testimonials on his behalf.

The woman, who declines to be identified pending future dates, says she is "intrigued" by Horowitz, columnist Tom Rademacher wrote in *The Grand Rapids Press* on Monday.

She describes herself as about a decade younger than her suitor, college-educated, childless and never-married.

She says she's "open to the idea of a relationship."

But Horowitz is a bit bolder in his assessment: "I think this really could be the one."

Horowitz's dating methodology didn't come as a big surprise to many in his hometown of Cedar Springs. They know

the retired teacher for his sense of humor, eclectic tastes and admitted eccentricities — such as sleeping in his living room on a pair of mattresses stacked atop a dining room table.

Married years ago for just six months, Horowitz says that until that fateful lunch, he hadn't had a date since 1994.

Some of the 60 women from around the state who responded to his plea for a partner wrote eloquent letters, he says. One arrived at his post office addressed only "To the man who wants to get married; Cedar Springs, Michigan."

"It's a bizarre way to meet somebody," Horowitz said, "but I never would have met this woman otherwise."

The second date was set for New Year's Eve.

■ **HARTFORD, Conn.** — Call it the diamond in the rough.

Fifteen years after Diane Kurtz lost her engagement ring, it was returned to her by a

Hartford sewage treatment plant worker who found it at the bottom of a wastewater drainage pool. He also found her onyx ring that disappeared at the same time.

Kurtz, of New Hartford, believes the rings fell down a sink drain in a bathroom. Kurtz and her husband, Michael, think the rings were pumped out of their septic tank by a contractor who took the waste to the treatment plant.

Bill Zuerblis, a treatment operator at the Metropolitan District Commission's sewage treatment plant in Hartford, found the rings, then did some detective work to find the Kurtzes. He called them Dec. 19.

"He was asking me if I lost anything," said Diane Kurtz, who thought that someone had found car keys she lost earlier the same day. "Finally it dawned on me. My heart started pounding, and I said he found my wedding ring."

■ **CHARLESTON, W.Va.**

— Twenty-eight customers of a West Virginia car dealership received an extra Christmas present after the company gambled on Mother Nature and lost.

As a promotion, Logan Motor Sales promised to pay any customer who bought a vehicle between Dec. 1 and Dec. 18 \$2,000, if there were at least 2 inches of snow at Raleigh County Memorial Airport near Beckley on Christmas Day.

"It snowed five inches," said Steve Huffman, general manager of the dealership.

Customers deluged the dealership and the airport with phone calls on the day after Christmas.

"I was talking to several people who said, 'We know it hit. We called the airport in Beckley. They said you're about the 20th person who's called today.' They were wearing those poor people out at the airport," Huffman said.

Losing the gamble does not bother Huffman. Logan Motor Sales took out an insurance policy to cover the payments, which totaled \$56,000.

■ **NEW YORK** — For many Americans, the morning of New Year's Day is for recovering from a hangover. For the Polar Bear, it's for invigorating the soul.

Members of the Coney Island Polar Bear Club dive headlong into the chilly waters of the Atlantic Ocean on New Year's Day, celebrating an annual tradition that dates back 100 years.

"Only in Coney Island would you meet a group of people like this," said John D'Aquino, a Manhattan sound engineer who joined the club 4 1/2 years ago.

And a disparate group they are — from computer animators to postal workers, all linked by the singular belief that swimming in frigid water is good for

Henry will await poll, then decide on governor's race

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Lt. Gov. Steve Henry will await the results of a poll before announcing next week whether he'll join the race to become Kentucky's next governor.

Henry has been organizing a campaign but has been hurt by a federal lawsuit in which he's accused of overbilling Medicare and Medicaid for his work as an orthopedic surgeon. Henry has countersued, claiming he actually was underpaid.

Fund-raising is another of Henry's concerns. He fears he would need \$4 million to \$5 million to compete with the Democratic slate formed a month ago by Attorney General Ben Chandler for governor and multimillionaire Charlie Owen for lieutenant governor.

"How the hell do you raise that much money?" Henry said.

Dale Emmons, a consultant to Henry, said this week's poll will include another Louisville Democrat that Emmons expects to enter the May 20 primary — health-care entrepreneur Bruce Lunsford, a former state commerce commissioner.

Henry said his family and finances would be better served if he doesn't run. He questioned

whether another poll would make a difference in his decision. But he said he remains attracted to the race because of the issues and the encouragement of supporters.

"We want to look at this race as open and as honestly and as objectively as possible, and I wish people weren't so encouraging," he said.

Emmons said Monday night that Henry had decided to use the money in his exploratory campaign fund to take a poll. The fund had more than \$55,000 a month ago.

The filing deadline for the primary is Jan. 28.

If Henry doesn't run, he has little other use for the fund, and any remaining money would go to the state treasury.

Emmons said a second poll is advisable partly because Henry's initial survey in mid-November did not include Lunsford and showed Henry running close to Chandler.

Emmons said Henry's initial poll was taken about a week after the government sued Henry, seeking re-payment and penalties for overbilling Medicare and Medicaid. Henry has admitted some mistaken billings but said there were more errors in the government's favor.

Emmons said the billing controversy appears to have caused Henry little damage.

"We've gotten remarkable encouragement from people, so the lieutenant governor wants to go back and take a closer and more definitive look at the issue, plus the possibility of another candidate getting in the race," Emmons said.

But two key Henry supporters in western Kentucky say Henry's reputation has been damaged.

"Here in Western Kentucky

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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Jan. 3, the third day of 2003. There are 362 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 3, 1777, Gen. George Washington's army routed the British in the Battle of Princeton, N.J.

On this date:

■ In 1521, Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church.

In 1833, Britain seized control of the Falkland Islands in the South Atlantic. (Almost 150 years later, Argentina seized the islands from the British, but Britain took them back after a 74-day war.)

■ In 1868, the Meiji Restoration re-established the authority of Japan's emperor and heralded the fall of the military rulers known as "shoguns."

■ In 1938, the "March of Dimes" campaign to fight polio was organized.

■ In 1947, congressional proceedings were televised for the first time as viewers in Washington, Philadelphia and New York got to see some of the opening ceremonies of the 80th Congress.

■ In 1959, President Eisenhower signed a proclamation admitting Alaska to the Union as the 49th state.

■ In 1961, the United States severed diplomatic relations with Cuba.

■ In 1967, Jack Ruby, the man who shot accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, died in a Dallas hospital.

■ In 1990, ousted Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega surrendered to U.S. forces, 10 days after taking refuge in the Vatican's diplomatic mission.

■ In 2000, the last new daily "Peanuts" strip by Charles Schulz ran in 2,600 newspapers.

Ten years ago:

President Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin signed a historic nuclear missile-reduction treaty in Moscow. Three

days after he was jeered at in Sarajevo, U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali was forced to take refuge from a crowd of angry Somalis in Mogadishu.

Five years ago:

Funeral services were held in Centerville, Mass., for Michael Kennedy, the son of Robert and Ethel Kennedy who was killed New Year's Eve in a skiing accident in Aspen, Colo.

One year ago:

A three-year federal investigation into the political and personal finances of Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., ended with no criminal charges. A judge in Alabama ruled that former Ku Klux Klansman Bobby Frank Cherry was mentally competent to stand trial on murder charges in the 1963 Birmingham church bombing that killed four black girls. (Cherry was later convicted, and is serving a life sentence.) Miami beat Nebraska 37-14 in the Rose Bowl.

Today's Birthdays:

Sportscaster Hank Stram is 80. Record producer Sir George Martin is 77. Actor Robert Loggia is 73. Actor Dabney Coleman is 71. Journalist-author Betty Rollin is 67. Hockey Hall-of-Famer Bobby Hull is 64. Singer-songwriter-producer Van Dyke Parks is 60. Musician Stephen Stills is 58. Rock musician John Paul Jones (Led Zeppelin) is 57. Actress Victoria Principal is 53. Actor-director Mel Gibson is 47. Actress Shannon Sturges is 35. Jazz musician James Carter is 34. Actor Jason Marsden is 28. Actress Danica McKellar is 28. Actor Nicholas Gonzalez is 27. Actor Alex D. Linz is 14.

Thought for Today:

"I can forgive, but I cannot forget, is only another way of saying, 'I will not forgive.' Forgiveness ought to be like a canceled note — torn in two, and burned up, so that it never can be shown against one." — Henry Ward Beecher, American clergyman (1813-1887).

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Russ Maple files for secretary of state

by CHARLES WOLFE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Jefferson County Commissioner Russ Maple on Thursday filed to run for secretary of state.

Maple, 64, is the first Democrat in the race. A Republican, Trey Grayson of Fort Mitchell, filed Dec. 17.

The incumbent, Secretary of State John Y. Brown III, is in his second term and is constitutionally barred from seeking a third.

Maple has been one of Jefferson County's three commissioners since 1995. His term expires after midnight Sunday, as does the commission itself. The separate Louisville and Jefferson County governments give way Monday to a merged government.

The secretary of state is Kentucky's top election officer. Maple said in an interview that, if elected, reviewing the state's system of voter registration and vote counting would be a high priority. He said he supported harsher penalties for vote fraud.

He also said he would do nothing without consulting the state's 120 county clerks. "If you're going to have any kind of election reform, you could not even consider it unless they are at the table," Maple said.

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Center

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approximately \$250,000 — \$97,000 of which would come from the state account and an additional \$120,000 from the center's account, with the fiscal court and contributions from the county rounding out the rest.

The decision was regrettable, said Thompson, but unavoidable.

"If the state economy had been better, it would have been refunded," Thompson said. "We just didn't have the money to

keep employees. We didn't have any options."

According to Jamie Minix, a former employee of the center, during a meeting on Dec. 10 the remaining seven of the original 13 employees were laid off, a move she said came as no surprise to her.

"We knew that the budget had problems because we had not got refunded in the grant and the fiscal court was trying to carry us through until the next

General Assembly, but the coal severance tax was held up and they couldn't continue to fund us," said Minix. "I think it was something we knew was a possibility all along."

The change of hands went into effect Wednesday, Jan. 1, according to Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson, who couldn't be more pleased with the decision.

"It's a fabulous opportunity," said Robinson Thursday. "We are now forming a planning committee and should be able to have a grand opening by Jan. 15."

But some fear the growing number of Floyd Countians fighting drug addiction may no longer have the full promise of care and prevention once envisioned through the fiscal court.

Teresa Allen, who left her position as the center's drug prevention director on June 22, believes the center's original purpose was lost long before the shuffle.

"It was just a horrible place to work," Allen said Thursday. "It didn't seem to matter what we were there for, which was as a drug education center and a place to give children to go."

Allen claims political agen-

das played a role in events leading up to the leasing of the center.

"I've never been so thoroughly disgusted with the way things are done in Floyd County," Allen said. "That's why I've left Floyd County. I would never work in Floyd County again."

Allen currently works rehabilitating DUI offenders in Whitesburg.

Minix, however, expresses different views about the center's downfall.

"I think everybody tried their best with this and we've just run into problems, but it just continuously put up obstacles," said Minix. "I think it would have been a worthwhile program and I hate the way it has happened, but I don't think it was any person's fault."

Claims that the center would no longer be used as a drug prevention center are not fully accurate, according to Thompson.

"I can't tell them how to run it, but they are basically going to use it for the same purpose it always had," said Thompson, who admitted the focus on drug prevention programs would probably give way to a broader

range of services.

According to Robinson those services are to include GED programs, adult computer classes and incorporation with local housing projects, which will plan basketball tournaments and various workshops at the center, among other services.

Drug prevention, said Robinson, will be approached by offering area kids a place to more positively spend their free time.

Thompson agreed that although the center will not be

capable of offering such in-depth services as onsite drug counselors, the opportunity to give kids an alternative way to spend their evenings is a step in the right direction.

"The scope of the drug prevention will be less focused as planned because funds will have to be cut back," said Thompson. "But, in my opinion, one of the best ways to prevent drug abuse is to have a place to go and activities that would keep them away from drugs."

Charges brought for destruction spree

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

A human destruction derby outburst has led to six charges of criminal mischief against a Royalton man.

Matthew Adam Marshall, 19, was arrested on the charges that stem from an October incident

during which he allegedly destroyed the tires of vehicles belonging to six different people and busted the headlights, grill, taillights, and keyed both sides of a Lincoln Continental at Owens Trailer Park.

Sheriff's Deputy Steve Montgomery is listed as the primary witness in the case.

Wreck

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treatment. The patient was pronounced dead by Pike County Deputy Coroner Zeb Hamilton, but preliminary reports of the autopsy indicate that the patient died from

causes unrelated to the collision.

The incident is still under investigation by Kentucky State Police Trooper Todd Kidd and Detective Eddie Crum.

Worker sues for being dismissed after injury

by JARRID DEATON
STAFF WRITER

An Ivel man has filed a lawsuit against his former employer after the company allegedly would not allow him to come back to work.

James Kevin Hughes filed the suit against NDO Coal Co. after he was allegedly informed that there were no positions available when he tried to return to work after an injury.

According to the lawsuit, Hughes sustained a hernia while moving a rock off a belt line on June 5.

Hughes was seen and evaluat-

ed at Highlands Regional Medical Center on August 21, and was released to go back to work. According to the suit, Hughes contacted his former employer and notified them that he was ready to resume employment, only to be notified that there were no positions available.

Hughes filed the lawsuit accusing NDO Coal Co. of discrimination against an individual with a disability.

The lawsuit asks for damages including front pay, back pay, lost wages, costs, expenses, attorney fees, punitive damages and any and all other relief to which is entitled.

Settlement

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Virginia.

State environmental regulators, reacting to the case, are considering whether to recommend safety precautions for rural residents who could be at risk from the same kinds of explosions.

Mark York, spokesman for the Kentucky Cabinet for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection, said the precautions could include ventilation ports in well houses to prevent the accumulation of gases.

Fairon Johnson received second-degree burns in the explosion. He spent eight days in a hospital burn unit, and has since recovered.

Gary Johnson said the case brought attention to the problem of potentially explosive wells, but did not solve it.

"The problem is still there," he said. "And it's going to have

to be addressed by the oil and gas industry."

The gas companies contend that the explosion in the water well house on June 5, 2000, was caused by naturally occurring gas in the small building and was not related to the nearby gas well.

Gary Johnson said the company had removed the steel casing from natural gas wells, allowing waste gas, brine and salt water to seep into the fresh water aquifers. The attorney said the practice has been widespread across the region, which he said means other residents could be injured in the same way Fairon Johnson was.

Gary Johnson said his client was pleased with the settlement.

"He got what was fair considering the injuries he had," Gary Johnson said. "He didn't want any more than that."

Judge continues hearing for no-show witness

by LORETTA BLACKBURN
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A witness' failure to appear at a preliminary hearing on Thursday, resulted in a Garrett man's case being continued, as well as a warning of dismissal of the two counts of first-degree wanton endangerment from the judge.

According to court records, Adam Ramey, 19, of Rock Fork, was arrested and charged pursuant to a criminal complaint from Janice Osborne, of Garrett.

Osborne claimed in a criminal complaint that Ramey followed her on Nov. 11 and started arguing with her, telling her that he was going to hurt or kill

someone. Osborne also alleged that Ramey tried to hit the vehicle in which she and her minor child were occupying on Nov. 12.

Ramey was arrested at Garrett on Dec. 21 and arraigned on Dec. 23, at which time a \$5,000 cash bond was set. He appeared in court for a preliminary hearing on Jan. 2 at which time the commonwealth's witness failed to appear.

Judge James R. Allen agreed to continue the case until next Wednesday, due to the commonwealth's emphasis on the holiday interference, but warned that he would consider a dismissal if the witness failed to appear at that time.

Rape

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afterwards she went to Martin's home at Drift, arriving around 9:30 a.m. on Dec. 23.

Goble's recounting of the alleged victim's statement included that Martin became irritated that she was seeing someone else and relieved his frustration by beating her in the head and face with a cordless telephone causing injuries of a broken nose, black eye and swollen head. Martin allegedly raped her and performed an act of sodomy, which he has not been charged with, after the beating, and after receiving a phone call, which the victim stated was from a male who proposed that she had been seeing someone else, Martin allegedly commenced to beating her, again with a phone, while she was still in the bed.

The victim reported that Martin took her to McDowell

ARH on Dec. 24, sometime between 4 and 6 a.m., where she was admitted. The victim stated that she told the hospital on admittance that she had been attacked by three women because she was afraid that Martin would hurt her children, but when she was taken upstairs for admittance, she confided to the floor nurse about the events that led to her injuries.

Goble testified that a rape exam kit was performed on the alleged victim and sent to the KSP forensics lab, but she had admitted to having consensual sex with Martin at least four times that weekend. He said that he took photos of the injuries suffered by the victim.

Judge James R. Allen referred the case to a grand jury and after conferring with the commonwealth, agreed to a bond reduction of \$50,000 surety.

Letters

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among other communities.

"The simple truth is that our nation's manufacturing base is collapsing. As unemployment rises, more and more Americans are searching for non-existent jobs. In the past two years we have lost just under 1.8 million factory jobs nationwide, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and, at 16.5 million, we now have the lowest number of factory jobs in 40 years. As the U.S. produces less and imports more, we have developed a huge trade deficit of more than \$400 billion, including an \$80 billion trade deficit with China. Millions of Americans are working longer hours for lower wages, many of them at part-time or temporary jobs with minimal benefits.

"And yet, despite all of this, President Bush, almost all Republicans and many Democrats in Congress continue to spout the corporate line about how wonderful unfettered 'free trade' is. And the establishment media continue, in editorial after editorial, to repeat that big lie.

"The simple truth is that American workers cannot, and should not, be 'competing' against desperate workers in developing countries who are forced to work for pennies an hour. This is creating a horrendous 'race to the bottom.'

"Aaron Kemp is a Maytag worker in Galesburg. He expressed a lot more understanding of our current trade policies than most members of Congress when he told a reporter, 'This is heartbreaking. This is one of the most unpatriotic, most un-American things I can imagine a company doing. They want Americans to buy their products, but they don't want to put Americans to work making those products.'

"Clearly, we need fundamental changes in our trade policies. If the American economy is going to survive, if our workers are to earn a living wage, corporations are going to have to start reinvesting in the United States.

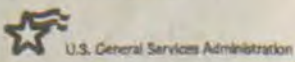
"In Washington, everybody knows what the story is. President Bush and many members of Congress have received hundreds of millions in campaign contributions from the corporations that benefit from our free trade policies. They have taken those donations — and sold out American workers by giving their support to a trade policy that is destroying our economy. If the U.S. is going to survive as a great economic power, we must rebuild our manufacturing base and create jobs that pay workers a living wage with decent benefits."

If America is going to survive it is up to the people of America to insist on fair, open electoral process and I'm not talking about new voting machines. If you are tired of looking for work and all you can find is low-paying jobs with no future, jobs that don't even pay enough to support a family or plan for a retirement, then you need to go to the courthouse and join the Green Party. If you don't your are an ignorant, brainwashed fool.

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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

"There is no more sense in having an argument with a man so stupid he doesn't know you have the better of him"

—John Roper

Amendment 1

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

Guest View

Editorial roundup

The Post and Courier, Charleston, S.C., on Andrew Jackson Whittaker Jr.:

Fortunately, Andrew "Jack" Whittaker Jr. appears to be a likable fellow. Otherwise, many Americans' envy of this lucky man from little Scott Depot, W.Va., could be tainted by bitterness.

But it's hard to be bitter toward Whittaker for winning the largest jackpot in the history of lotteries with a ticket he bought at the C&L Super Serve in Hurricane, a small town near Charleston — W.Va., not S.C. How can you find fault with a man who says he will donate 10 percent of his gross Powerball winnings — \$17 million — to three Church of God parishes to "set up a fund to do good"? ...

Though Whittaker doesn't expect his life to change much, he expects his lottery prize to help solve lots of real problems. Whittaker was a gracious victor Thursday, attired for the triumphant occasion in a black cowboy hat. He eloquently explained his decision to help the churches that helped him and his family endure serious health problems...

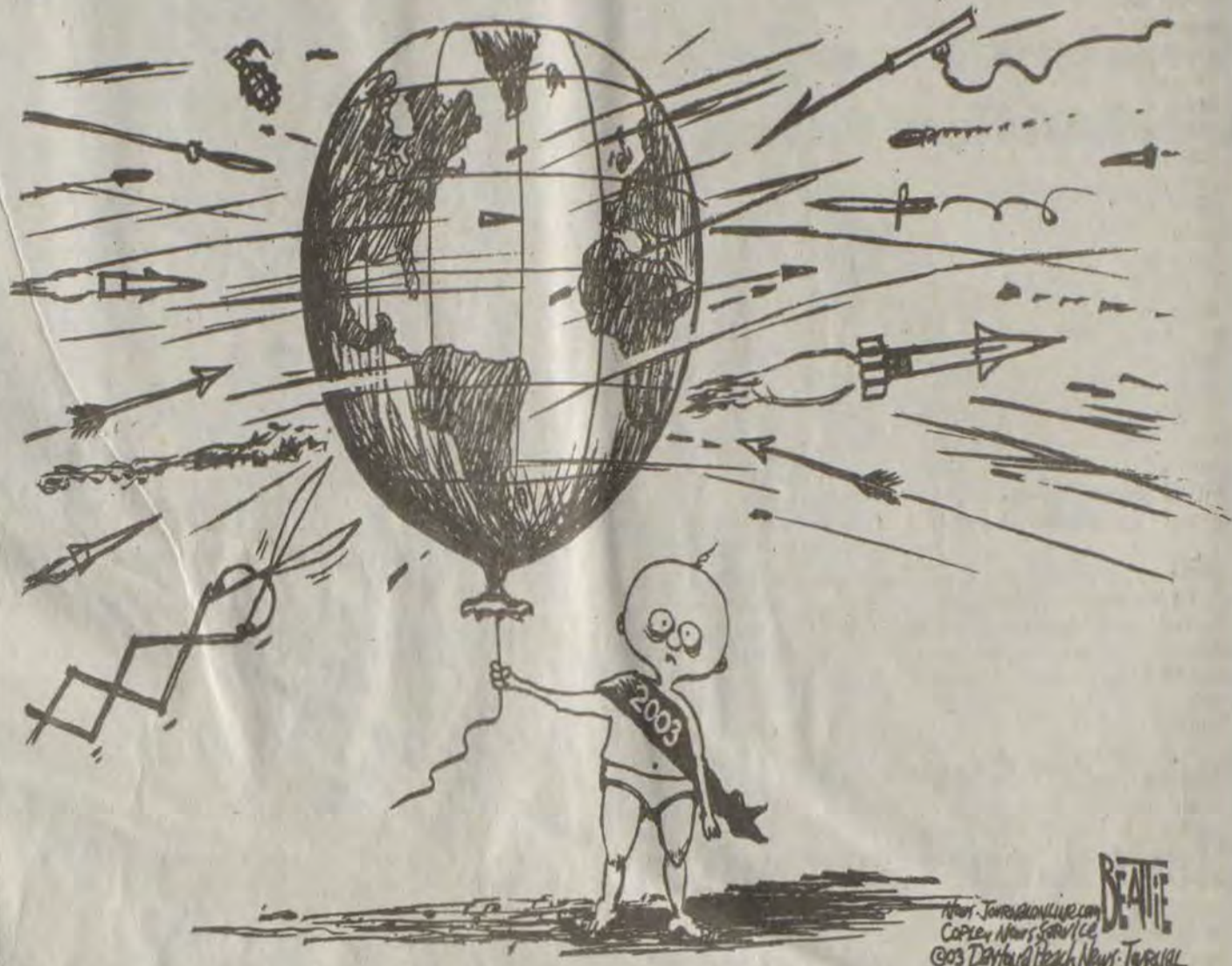
Whittaker said he will keep working despite his recurring digestive ailments and the newfound wealth that he will share with his loved ones. He does, however, plan to sink some of his winnings into hiring more workers for his business ...

The Buffalo News, New York, on the use of foreign oil:

If you think our dependence on foreign oil is a problem now, you ain't seen nothin' yet. Imported oil accounted for 55 percent of total U.S. oil demand in 2001, up from 37 percent in 1980 and 42 percent in 1990, according to the Energy Information Administration, an office of the Department of Energy. By 2025, the information administration forecasts that imports will make up 68 percent of petroleum demand, as U.S. energy consumption increases more rapidly than domestic energy production.

Since his own administration is telling him that consumption will continue to outpace production, why does the Bush administration believe that production - rather than conservation - is the way to end our dependence on foreign oil? That belief is especially puzzling when most of the world's oil reserves are in the Middle East.

Maybe that's why the administration fought so hard to keep secret the names of the folks who advised Vice President Cheney's energy task force. Who would want to take credit — at least publicly — for such a wrongheaded policy?



In the moment

The resolution

With the beginning of a new year, most people have made a New Year's resolution of some sort. However, from the experience of others and myself, the resolutions are, more often than not, short-lived. The American Heritage Dictionary defines a resolution as a course of action determined or decided on. The key words here are "determined or decided on."

When most people make a resolution at the beginning of a new year, they base it on some "should" that they consider of utmost importance and voice a half-hearted vow to stop it, start it or improve it. When this spur-of-the-moment decision fails to become a reality, most people are left feeling disheartened and disillusioned. Why can't I ever stick to my New Year's resolution?

The reason can be found in a quote from Abraham Lincoln that reads,

"Determine that the thing can and shall be done and then we shall find a way." Lincoln knew that a resolution was obtained by determining that the goal was possible and then making a decision to attain the goal. This cannot be done because I think that I should be making a change. I have to see a need for the change, want to make the change, and then decide that I will do whatever is necessary to make it.

While the first step to making a permanent change in behavior or perception is wanting the change, several other steps have to be taken in order to bring about that change. The wish has to be followed by a commitment to making the preparation necessary to make the transformation. Then one must go through the repeated training that introduces the new action or thought, while clearing away

any obstacles that come up during the process. Even after the change becomes second-nature, it is necessary to share this new behavior or perception with others who have or want this same goal.



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Although the process of change can be summed up rather briefly in a paragraph or so, it is a complicated issue when being put into practice. It requires motivation, patience and lots of consistent, hard work.

Changes can't be made overnight and people often start with small transformations before moving to major life changing goals.

Regardless of what the resolution is or how great the rewards appear to be, it is important for a person to remember that all goals made with the right motivation are probable and will serve as a catalyst for more changes. The world becomes a better place when even the smallest positive transformation is sought.

Letter

You do have a choice

The other day a poor fellow ran out of gas in front of my house. He was driving a small truck loaded with black pine logs. The logs, he told me, were for the mines to replace the oak support timbers so they could be re-used in another mine and the old mine then could just collapse. He gets a dollar and half per log.

He complained that there was no work for him. His usual line of work was masonry. From the looks of him and his old truck, one would conclude he was down on his luck. I asked him who he voted for in the last election and he stated he didn't bother to vote. He didn't figure anyone out there who represented him or people like him.

I told him he was wrong. There were two candidates in the last presidential election

whose parties did represent people like him. He responded he didn't know that.

This fellow is like millions of others across America who, because of exclusion of candidates from the presidential debates, an election system where hundreds of millions provided by the corporate elite control political debate, frame the issues through their media and stifle dissenting voices, this man did not know there were choices he could have made on Election Day.

The following is a story that appeared in the Chicago Tribune on December 31 2002 by Independent Congressman Bernie Sanders of Vermont. He is the only independent-elected congressman in the U.S. House of Representatives. In my opinion he would make an excellent presidential candidate for the Green Party. He would do a fine job representing the hundreds of millions of working men and woman across this country. If he ran though,

would we see just another repeat of censorship, exclusion and other fascist tactics by the Republican and Democrat parties? Would we see just another repeat of the last presidential election and will I be standing by another guy on the road unaware that he had a choice, that he didn't have to accept an economic policy that dooms him millions of others like him to perpetual poverty with no hope?

Here is what Bernie Sanders had to say:

"Though I am a congressman from Vermont, it outages me that Maytag Corp. will shut down production at its refrigerator factory in Galesburg, Ill., and lay off the plant's 1,600 workers by late 2004.

Maytag is using the North America Free Trade Agreement, which I opposed, to move its plant to Mexico. In Mexico it will be able to hire workers at \$2 an hour, rather than pay the average wage of \$15.14 earned by

workers in Galesburg. And the Newton, Iowa, appliance manufacturer is closing its Illinois plant despite recent concessions from the union and substantial sums of corporate welfare given it by city, county and state governments.

"Illinois citizens should have no illusions that what's happening in Galesburg is unique. I can tell you that the same thing is happening in my state. In fact, it's happening in many regions of the country.

"In Vermont, in recent years, as a result of such disastrous trade policies as NAFTA, most-favored-nation status with China and permanent normal trade relations with China and other trade agreements, we have lost thousands of decent paying jobs in Shaftsbury, Newport, St. Johnsbury, East Ryegate, Island Pond, Randolph, Orleans, Bennington, Springfield and Windsor —

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ENTERTAINMENT NEWS

Eminem to Ozzy, Halle to 'Hairspray': a look back at 2002 in arts and entertainment

The Associated Press

It was a year of huge Hollywood box office, from the slow-build sensation of "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" to the steamroller success of "Spider-Man." A year of fresh-faced novelists and a foul-mouthed rapper from Detroit. A year in which TV viewers rediscovered old "Friends" and gobbled up new reality fare, such as "The Osbournes" and "American Idol." The sour economy hit museums, opera companies and symphony orchestras hard, although the art market and Broadway showed resilience.

2002 in entertainment and the arts offered plenty of escapist fare, as well as new efforts to directly address the fears and tensions of the post-Sept. 11 world.

ART

Optimistic art buyers bucked a shaky economy. But fallout from the Wall Street slump forced cutbacks at many museums when endowments and donations declined.

The Whitney Museum of American Art was an exception. Board members donated a \$200 million collection of 87 works by 23 artists, the largest gift of post-war art to any museum.

Propelled by growing interest in American artists, the two-week fall sales at New York's big three auction houses — Sotheby's, Christie's and Phillips — were stronger than expected.

Postwar and contemporary art sales topped \$203 million, surpassing by \$10 million the sales of Impressionist and early modern works. The major sales were Claude Monet's 1906 "Nymphaea" water lilies for \$18.7 million, and Willem de Kooning's 1947 "Orestes," which fetched \$13.2 million. Sotheby's in London recorded the year's top price — \$76 million, third highest on record — for Peter Paul Reubens' 17th-century oil "Massacre of the Innocents."

Outstanding exhibitions appeared nationwide, including an Andy Warhol retrospective in Los Angeles, Dutch 17th-century masterpieces in Denver, ancient Greek treasures in Cleveland and Parisian Impressionists in Atlanta.

A display of Nazi imagery in recent art — including death camp models using Lego and Prada products — drew accusations that the Holocaust was being trivialized at the Jewish Museum in New York. And public outrage forced Rockefeller Center to remove "Falling Woman," a sculpture depicting a Sept. 11 victim tumbling from the World Trade Center.

— By David Minthorn, AP Writer

BOOKS

This was the year of the "thunderclap debut" in fiction, or so announced National Book Awards judge Bob Shacochis at November's ceremony. All five finalists, including winner Julia Glass ("The Three Junos") were first- or second-time novelists, and the list of worthy non-nominees is just as long.

Alice Sebold's million-selling "The Lovely Bones" received some of the best reviews of 2002. Jonathan Safran Foer, author of "Everything Is Illuminated," established himself as a major new literary talent. Jeffrey Eugenides' "Middlesex" confirmed the promise of his first

novel, "The Virgin Suicides."

Acclaimed new fiction came from Daniel Mason, who wrote "The Piano Tuner," and Ann Packer, author of "The Dive From Clausen's Pier." Stephen Carter's "The Emperor of Ocean Park," and Emma McLaughlin's and Nicola Kraus' "The Nanny Diaries" were major commercial successes.

Many commentators agreed with longtime editor Gary Fisketjon of Alfred A. Knopf that the "thunderclap" was more coincidence than renaissance. But the emergence of writers such as Foer and Mason, both in their mid-20s, means that television and computers haven't stopped at least some youngsters from dreaming the dreams of young people a century ago: to use the written word to tell their stories to the world.

— By Hillel Italie, AP Writer

MOVIES

Halle Berry ("Monster's Ball") and Denzel Washington ("Training Day") made movie history at the Academy Awards, where black actors won both lead-role honors for the first time.

Others won critical respect that had long eluded them: With "A Beautiful Mind," Ron Howard and producing partner Brian Grazer took home the best-picture Oscar and best director for Howard; Randy Newman, who had tied an Academy Award record with 15 nominations but no wins, finally took home an Oscar for "If I Didn't Have You," his tune from "Monsters, Inc."

At the box office, Hollywood had another year of record revenues. Studios piled on blockbusters one after another, with the eagerly awaited comic-book adaptation "Spider-Man" scoring an all-time best debut of \$114.8 million domestically in its opening weekend.

"Spider-Man" went on to top \$400 million, nearly \$100 million more than "Star Wars: Episode II — Attack of the Clones," the latest installment of George Lucas' sci-fi franchise.

Other mega-hits included "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets," "Signs," "Austin Powers in Goldmember," "Men in Black II" and "Ice Age."

The year's surprise success story was the low-budgeted "My Big Fat Greek Wedding," an old-fashioned romance that rode terrific word-of-mouth to a \$200-million-plus haul.

By Thanksgiving weekend, six of the year's movies had topped \$200 million, with a record-breaking seventh expected in "The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers."

— By David Germain, AP Movie Writer

MUSIC

On his third album, "The Eminem Show," Eminem relished his role as America's most reviled entertainer: "I could be one of your kids!" he taunted in the song "White America."

And it seemed as if America adopted the rapper as its own. Not only was "The Eminem Show" the top-selling disc of the year, but Eminem's movie debut in the semi-autobiographical "8 Mile" grossed more than \$100 million in a little more than three weeks. Its soundtrack debuted at the top of the charts.

"He's becoming an empire," said MTV personality Carson Daly. "What he did in the last year was transcend music and

conquer entertainment, and that's a phenomenon that doesn't happen that often."

Meanwhile, the teen pop craze continued to wane. "Tweens" who used to mimic Barbie-like warblers such as Britney Spears discovered fully clothed singer-songwriters such as Avril Lavigne, Michelle Branch and Vanessa Carlton. 'N Sync's Justin Timberlake's solo debut fell short of the expected blockbuster; Backstreet Boy Nick Carter's foray into solo stardom bombed; and Christina Aguilera's in-your-face sexuality may have turned off more fans than it turned on.

Among the biggest surprises was the success of Ashanti, the R&B songstress who sold nearly 3 million copies of her debut album. And Pink abandoned her R&B sound for rock, and went quadruple platinum.

Unlikely sensations were Norah Jones and Josh Groban. The torch-singing piano singer and the classically inspired baritone got little radio airplay, yet managed to sell 2 million copies each of their debut albums.

The surge of patriotic discs and the demand for soothing music after the Sept. 11 attacks lessened this year, but the tragedy still affected music, most notably in Bruce Springsteen's "The Rising." The disc spoke not only to the tragedy of that day, but to the importance of love and hope.

Country music veered back toward its roots, led by the soundtrack for "O Brother, Where Art Thou?," which dominated at the Grammy Awards. The Dixie Chicks' rootsy return quickly went double platinum.

And classical music continued its commercial decline. The weakened economy left opera companies and orchestras in a precarious state, with some canceling or postponing programs and others laying off staff.

— By Nekesa Mumbi Moody, AP Music Writer

TELEVISION

MTV's "The Osbournes" became the year's loudest argument that reality television is here to stay, with Fox's "American Idol" and ABC's "The Bachelor" also part of that deafening hit parade.

Viewers didn't spurn fiction. NBC's "Friends" was the No. 1-rated program for the first time in its eight-year run. CBS' "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" was the No. 2 show, became a franchise with "CSI: Miami" and gained the top drama spot that NBC's "ER" had held each season since its 1994 debut.

"Friends" received the Emmy Award for best comedy series while "The West Wing," also on NBC, was honored for the third consecutive year as best drama. HBO's "Band of Brothers" was named best miniseries.

NBC reigned as the most-watched network, with CBS a solid second. ABC began rebuilding after a serious ratings swoon, and Fox struggled to cope with the end of trademark shows "The X-Files" and "Ally McBeal."

Fox News Channel took the audience lead over CNN. Female journalists at each news channel received awkward attention: Fox's Greta Van Susteren for her cosmetic eye surgery and CNN's Paula Zahn as the unwilling subject of a short-lived promotional spot touting her sexiness.

The programming impact of

Sept. 11 was felt in the memorial specials that saturated TV one year later, and in the terrorism storylines that emerged in dramas including "Law & Order," "The West Wing" and "24."

Finally, the urge to merge continued. CNN and ABC talked about joining their news operations, while leading Spanish-language TV broadcaster Univision Communications Inc. bought the nation's largest Spanish-language radio broadcaster, Hispanic Broadcasting Corp.

The Federal Communications Commission approved the purchase of AT&T Broadband by Comcast, creating a cable behemoth, but cited monopoly concerns in resisting the union of satellite TV providers EchoStar Communications (Dish Network) and Hughes Electronics' DirecTV.

— By Lynn Elber, AP Television Writer

THEATER

"You Can't Stop the Beat," the last 15 minutes of "Hairspray," erupt in a joyous celebration of song, dance and brotherhood. Young and old, black and white, on stage and in the audience, everyone begins moving to Marc Shaiman and Scott Wittman's hypnotic pop score and Jerry Mitchell's exhilarating choreography. The pandemonium crystallizes why this musical version of John Waters' film about a pudgy teen's triumph has become the biggest hit — and toughest ticket — on Broadway.

"It is one of those magical moments, and one can only feel blessed that the idea, the chemistry, the team and the tenor of the times just converged," says the show's lead producer, Margo Lion. "It's really sort of an evangelical experience. A kind of adrenaline races through the house."

That kind of energy has helped propel Broadway through one of its toughest years, weathering a steep drop in business following the terrorist attacks 15 months ago on the World Trade Center. The musical, along with other new hits, such as "Frankie and Johnny in the Clair de Lune" and "Movin' Out," have contributed to the rebound.

"Hairspray" affords an opportunity for people to have some

joy in their life," Lion says. "There are a lot of things going on in the world right now that are very frightening and this is a place where you can go and be

relieved of those concerns."
— By Michael Kuchwara, AP Drama Writer

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State of the Commonwealth address scheduled next week

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Gov. Paul Patton will deliver a State of the Commonwealth address to the General Assembly next Thursday night, aides said.

The speech is scheduled for 7 p.m. from the chamber of the Kentucky House.

Its theme will be the state's

"budgetary crisis," Patton spokesman Rusty Chevront said. Patton also will stress "how far we have come, how important it would be to keep up our momentum in education, economic development — areas like that," Chevront said.

At current rates of spending and income, Kentucky would go \$500 million into the red by

the end of the current budget cycle, which is June 30, 2004. Patton has undertaken a series of spending cuts in recent months.

Patton has been running the state without a budget since July 1. The General Assembly failed to enact a budget during its 2002 session and again in a special session called by Patton.

For the Record

Civil Suits Filed

Atlanta Causality Insurance vs. Donna Keene; debt collection.

Kathy Sparks and Thomas Sparks vs. Dr. Karen Pajari, Dr. David Tamayo, Dr. Uzma Ehtesham, Mountain Comprehensive Care Center and Bristol-Myers Squibb; compensation for injuries from perspiration medication.

Green Point Credit vs. Verna Johnson; debt collection.
Glendia Mitchell vs. Edgar

Riley; compensation for injuries in automobile accident.

James Lane vs. Angela Lane; divorce.

Carlos Rogers and Debbie Rogers vs. White Mobile Homes; breach of contract.

Household Bank vs. Eddie R. Scarberry; debt collection.

James Kevin Hughes vs. NDO Coal Co.; discrimination against individual with disability.

Bishop Jackson Newsome Jr. vs. Misty Magnolia Newsome; divorce.

Small Claims Filings

Paul D. Deaton vs. Gopal R. Majmundar; collection of payment for legal services.

Charges Filed

Victor Newsome, 22, Ligon, theft by deception.

Eric J. Pitts, 37, Martin, fourth-degree assault.

Ethan Anderson, age unlisted, Garrett, fourth-degree assault.

Ronald H. Hall, 47, Stanville,

menacing, disorderly conduct.

Wade Meadows, 44, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault.

David Ferrell, 36, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Barbara O. Moore, 38, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.

Johnnie Gilliam, 40, Wheelwright, alcohol intoxication.

Kenneth Lee Daugherty, 27, Stopover, alcohol intoxication.

Rhonda Hettinger, 39,

Teaberry, alcohol intoxication.

Lagina L. Clark, 27, Sidney, fourth-degree assault.

Matthew Adam Marshall, 19, Royalton, six counts of criminal mischief.

Curtis L. Crofford, 31, East Point, fugitive governor's warrant.

Stanley Ward, 43, Martin, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, obstructing an officer.

Sherman R. Poston, 52, Flat Gap, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, third-degree criminal trespassing.

Alex H. Skeens, 19, Prestonsburg, third-degree terroristic threatening, harassing communications.

Sue Mormon, 46, Nippa, alcohol intoxication.

Trista G. Hicks, 18, Blue River, falsley reporting incident.

Barbara Keathley, 38, Ivel, third-degree criminal trespassing.

Larry Fields, 49, Wayland, third-degree criminal mischief, second-degree criminal trespassing.

Mickey Lee McKinney, 23, Harold, terroristic threatening.

Virgil Tackett, 37, Beaver, third-degree criminal trespassing.

Jim Lowe, 33, Teaberry, two counts of third-degree unlawful transaction with a minor.

Victor Newsome, 32, Ligon, theft by deception.

Alex H. Skeens, 19, Prestonsburg, harassing comments.

Colonel Bolen, 46, Hueysville, disorderly conduct, terroristic threatening, first-degree assault.

Charles E. Hicks, 38, Stanville, theft by unlawful taking.

Adam Ram19, two counts of first-degree wanton endangerment.

Danny R. Martin, Drift, first-degree assault, first-degree rape.

James R. Henderson, 27, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking, alcohol intoxication, third-degree criminal trespassing, disorderly conduct, endangering the welfare of a minor, unlawful transaction with a minor.

U.S. mine deaths fall to historic low of 67

by ROGER ALFORD
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PIKEVILLE — The number of miners killed on the job in the United States fell to a historic low of 67 last year, with Kentucky leading the nation with nine coal-field deaths.

The U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration said 2002's total was the lowest since the federal government began keeping records in 1910.

"Clearly, it's a trend that we wanted to see," said Bruce Watzman, vice president for safety and health with the National Mining Association. "It's a trend we hope and pray for on a daily basis."

Of the 67 deaths, 27 occurred in coal mines, down from 42 in 2001, and 40 in cooper, gold, stone

and other types of mines, up from 30 in 2001.

West Virginia was second to Kentucky with six mine fatalities. Virginia had five deaths and Pennsylvania three. Alabama, Indiana, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming each had one.

Bill Caylor, president of the Kentucky Coal Association, said the decrease in deaths came despite an increase in mining activity.

"It's a combination of better training, better equipment, more conscientious oversight by regulatory agencies and more emphasis on safety by companies," he said. "Our goal is to have zero fatalities. ... The mining industry won't be happy until we reach that goal."

Nationally, more than 100 coal miners died in mine accidents

each year through the 1970s, but the numbers have declined since then. The previous record low was 72 deaths in 2001.

"We work in difficult conditions," Watzman said. "It can be a dangerous job, but the bottom line is we're doing better. We want to do better next year than we did this year."

Holly McCoy, spokeswoman for the Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals, said the number of coal mining deaths tend to fluctuate without a single major cause.

Most of the deaths were the result of rock falls, electrocution or equipment accidents.

"Some things are just hard to avoid," she said. "We strive every year for zero fatalities, and we'll never be satisfied until we reach

that. The reality is mining is inherently dangerous."

Still, McCoy said, the numbers are promising.

"If you look at the general trend," she said, "you can see we're doing much better in the last 10 years than we did the 10 years prior."

Obituaries

Spencer Mutter

Spencer Mutter, age 93, of Odessa, Texas, formerly of Martin, husband of the late Dorothy Crick Mutter, passed away Tuesday, December 31, 2002, at his son's residence in Odessa, Texas.

He was born November 30, 1909, in Russell County Virginia, the son of the late Charles Mutter and Alice Gertrude Crabtree Mutter. He was a member of the Drift Pentecostal Church, of Drift, a retired coal miner, and was a member of the United Mine Workers of America, and also a 50-year plus member of the Moose Lodge.

Survivors include four sons, Spencer Mutter Jr., of Eutawville, South Carolina, Jim Mutter of Palatka, Florida, Archie Mutter of Muncie, Indiana, and Frank Mutter of Odessa, Texas; three daughters, Sharon Arnett of Claypool, Indiana, Ann Humphries of Jasper, Alabama, and Sue Farrar of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania; 33 grandchildren, 60 great-grandchildren, and several great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by two sons, Darrell Wayne Mutter and Charles Edward Mutter; and two daughters, Ella Mae Mutter and Chris Kitchen.

Funeral services for Spencer Mutter will be conducted Tuesday, January 7, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Clergyman Ted Shannon officiating.

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

Visitation will be at the funeral home, after 1 p.m., Sunday. (Paid obituary)

Irene Ledford

Irene Ledford, 79, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, January 2, 2003, at the Prestonsburg Health Care.

Born September 12, 1923, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late James and Rosa Hatfield Hunt. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include three sons, John Adams of Prestonsburg, James Hunt of Martin, and Chib Lee Ledford of Pensacola, Florida; two daughters, Gerline Cecil of Romulus, Michigan, and Wanda Sue Fitch of Garrett; six grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, six step-grandchildren, and eight step-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Frank Hunt, Bill Hunt, and Eugene Hunt, and one sister, Wanda Faye Preston.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, January 5, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Tommy Nelson officiating.

Burial will be in the Richmond Cemetery, at Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Hazel Stephens

Hazel Stephens, 85, of Allen, died Wednesday, January 1, 2003, at the Prestonsburg Health Care.

Born January 6, 1917, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Floyd and Virgie Jarrell Stephens.

She was a homemaker.

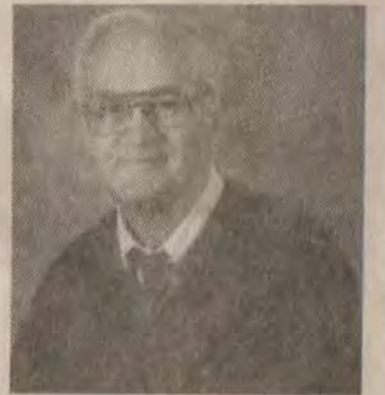
Survivors include three brothers, Ernest Stephens and Clarence Stephens, both of Allen, and Melvin Stevens of Michigan; one sister, Ruth Mulkey of Michigan; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by seven brothers, Luther Stephens, Harry Stephens, Marcy Stephens, Burns Stephens, John Stephens, and two infant brothers; and one sister, Elma Mulkey.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, January 4, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jim Smith and Bill Collins officiating.

Burial will be in the Burchett Cemetery at Endicott, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)



Lawrence Archie "Bud" Shafer

On December 19, 2002, in Paintsville, Ky., Lawrence Archie "Bud" Shafer, departed this life at the age of 82 years, and 17 days.

He was born in Charleston, West Virginia, December 2, 1920, to the late Lawrence Shafer Sr. and Bertha Bower Shafer.

On July 23, 1949, at Oil City, Pennsylvania, he married Sara Ann Dickinson who survives his death.

Additionally is one son and one daughter, Lawrence Edward of Hollywood Florida; and Dr. Diane Shafer of Paintsville; also a granddaughter survives, Sara Teresa Shafer also of Paintsville; one brother and one sister survive additionally, Earl Shafer and Joan Gold Oaks, both of Oil City, Pennsylvania.

Bud was a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. During his lifetime he had accomplished many good deeds and tasks by demonstrating his love and willingness to assist others by unselfishly giving of his knowledge and time.

Among his accomplishments, he was highly decorated while serving his country in the Air Force; while attending Yale University, he was honored with the Communication Commission; he served as a Boy Scout leader; Bud was a member of the Roseville Masonic Lodge; he was a member of the New Castle Consistory, Lodge of Perfection; his beautiful bass voice contributed to the Johnson County Senior Singers; he was a long-time member of the Mayo Methodist Church; after serving as a Chemical Engineer for Pennzoil Refinery for 40 years, he retired, but became the system manager of Dr. Diane Shafer's office of Orthopaedics Surgery.

Bud died quietly at home with his wife of 53 years, and his daughter at his side. At his wish, he was laid to rest at the Wells-Buckingham Cemetery in a private graveside ceremony with Rev. Benny Bentrop, and with the choir singing Amazing Grace.

Services were cared for by Preston Funeral Home of Paintsville, Ky. (Paid obituary)

2002

VIDEO GAMES

2002 in video games could be rated M for Mature.

After the runaway success of last year's hyper-brutal adventure "Grand Theft Auto III," gamemakers developed a string of adult-themed titles showcasing murder, mayhem and sex.

With no new consoles, attention turned to game software and online playability.

The sequel crime-saga "Grand Theft Auto: Vice City," the assassination shooter "Hitman 2" and the nude bicycle-stunt game "BMX XXX" were among the big hits for grown-up players.

Kid-friendly titles generated less buzz, as Nintendo's "Super Mario Sunshine" and PlayStation 2's "Sly Cooper and the Thievius Raccoonus" took a back seat to the increased interest in adult players.

The personal-computer people simulator "The Sims" shifted players into an Internet community, while Microsoft's Xbox Live created a network

for the shootout "Unreal Championship" and Sega developed the sci-fi world of "Phantasy Star Online" for Nintendo's GameCube.

The online connection for Sony's PlayStation2 showcased its multiplayer shooter "SOCOM: U.S. Navy SEALs" and the football titles "Madden NFL 2003" and "NFL GameDay 2003."

— By Anthony Breznican, AP Entertainment Writer

Race

where his roots are, he's just lost a tremendous amount of support," said road contractor John Stovall of Greenville. "Things have just gone from bad to worse in the handling of the Medicaid thing."

A co-chairman of Henry's exploratory committee, Union County Judge-Executive Larry Joe Jenkins, concurred.

"I'm afraid it's going to be a really bloody battle," Jenkins said. "His wife's pregnant again, and I hate to see anybody's family dragged through this."

Henry's wife, former Miss America Heather French Henry, announced recently they are expecting their second child.

Henry said family concerns are important, but that he'd feel guilty if he doesn't run because he has more to offer voters than other candidates, who he said have been too timid.

"My family would be best served by not running; financially, I'd be best served by not running; my quality of life would be best served by not running," he said. "But the issues aren't going to get addressed, in my mind."

"When you have people who stand up and say under no circumstances will I consider increasing taxes to pay for education, that's irresponsible. That's the kind of candidates I want to run against."

Odds

one's health. "We have no scientific evidence to back this up; it's all anecdotal, of course," said Ken Krisses, the club's president for the past 15 years. "But we don't ever get sick."

The New Year's dip is the club's premier event, drawing more than 100 swimmers. But every Sunday from late November to late April, 20 to 25 Polar Bears trundle down to the sands of Coney Island and after a round of calisthenics to get the blood flowing, splash around in the frigid water.

"I never liked to wear a hat in wintertime, so my parents always said I should join the Polar Bears. Go figure," Krisses said.

Wiley Burke Jr.

Wiley Burke Jr., age 63, died Sunday, December 29, 2002, at Riverside Methodist Hospital.

He was born in Halo. He is survived by his loving wife of 40 years, Dorothy.

Other survivors include one son, Ron (Samantha); granddaughters, Amanda and Amber Walker, Alexandra and Madison Burke; one brother, Boone Burke; three sisters, Missouri, Opal and Oma; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Kathy Walker and his parents, Wiley and Flo Burke; one sister, Tennessee; six brothers, Ted, Woodrow, Urice, Shirley, Howard and Olden.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m., Friday, January 3, at Schoedinger North Chapel, 5554 Karl Rd., Columbus, Ohio.

Interment will be in Franklin Hills Memory Gardens, under the direction of Schoedinger North Chapel, Columbus. (Paid obituary)

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2003 NFL POST-SEASON

Saturday, Jan. 4
Indianapolis at N.Y. Jets,
4:30 p.m. (ABC)
Atlanta at Green Bay,
8 p.m. (ABC)

Sunday, Jan. 5
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
(CBS)
N.Y. Giants at San Francisco, 4:30
p.m. (FOX)

Saturday, Jan. 11 & 12
TBD at Tennessee
TBD at Oakland
TBD at Tampa Bay
TBD at Philadelphia

Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 19
AFC and NFC Championship
3 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Super Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 26
At San Diego
6:18 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

John Gilliam named new head football coach

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — A graduate of Prestonsburg High School who has close ties to many Pike Countians has been selected to lead the Pikeville College football program.

President Hal Smith and Director of Athletics Ron Damron have announced that John Gilliam will be the new leader of the three-year-old program.

"John brings a great deal of experience and enthusiasm to our program and to our college," said President Smith. "His personal philosophy is consistent with Pikeville College's goal, which is developing the 'whole' student."

"We've very excited that John has agreed to become our new football coach," said Damron. "He's young and enthusiastic and will bring a lot of energy to our program. We look forward to working with him."

Gilliam was a three-sport letterman at Prestonsburg where he played football for current

(See GILLIAM, page three)

BENTLEY'S COMMENTS

Bowls take on sponsors of all kinds

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

And now, for your reading pleasure, the El Azul Grande Coach's Box ...

The college football season comes to a merciful end tonight in Tempe when Miami plays

Ohio State — wait, that's *The Ohio State University* — in the insert-sponsor-here Fiesta Bowl.

This sponsorship fiasco has gone about too far for me, but at

least the major bowls still use their old names somewhat. There's the Nokia Sugar Bowl, the FedEx Orange Bowl and the Rose Bowl presented by PlayStation 2. That's much better than the ones that have dropped their old moniker

(See BENTLEY, page three)

YOUTH BASKETBALL

B'ball signups scheduled for Osborne

Little Eagles Basketball signups will be held January 6-10 at Osborne Elementary in conjunction with the Rainbow Junction FRC (Family Resource Center). A parent or guardian will need to bring a proof of insurance. Students eligible to play are boys and girls in grades K-4.

Chaffin captures wrestling title

TIMES STAFF REPORT

GRUNDY, Va. — The Prestonsburg Wrestling Club traveled to Virginia last Friday to participate in one of the most prestigious wrestling tournaments in the eastern part of the United States, the 29th annual Agie Skeens Memorial. Prestonsburg was one of 46 teams to

participate in this year's Agie Skeens tournament.

Prestonsburg, with a small team of just five wrestlers, managed to be in 22nd place after the first two rounds of competition were completed. The outstanding showing was largely due to Prestonsburg's 130-pound wrestler, Nick Chaffin.

In 2001, Chaffin finished second

in the 119-pound division. However, this season, the veteran grappler was not going to settle for a second-place ending. Chaffin drew a bye in the first round, which placed him against Bryan Gilleland of Rural Retreat, Va. The Prestonsburg grappler pinned his first-round Virginia opposition in

(See CHAFFIN, page three)



Prestonsburg grappler Nick Chaffin, shown pinning an opponent, became the first P'burg grappler to win the Grundy, Va. tournament

2003 Coca Cola Hoops Classic

REBELS OPEN TOURNEY WITH WIN

Samons enters game from the bench, scores 20

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BUCKLEYS CREEK — Allen Central head coach Johnny Martin is no stranger to close basketball games. Like most other coaches if he had a choice, he probably would opt not to be in the close games.

However, Wednesday night, he got a close game with Magoffin County in the second game in the first round of the Coca Cola Hoops Classic at Pike County Central High School. Allen Central, leading by double figures in both the first and second halves, held on for a 60-58 win over Magoffin.

Rossi Samons led the way for Allen Central with a game-high 20 points. All of Samons' points came off the bench. Mike Slone, another player who came in off the bench for Allen Central, added 14. Neil Allen, who started the game, chipped in 10.

(See REBELS, page three)

photo by Steve LeMaster

RIGHT: Allen Central senior Neil Allen dunked for two in the first half of Wednesday's win over Magoffin County. Allen finished the game with 10 points.



First round at Pike Co. Central

GAME ONE

PIKE CO. CENTRAL (72) — Sanders 15, Williamson 15, Mullins 6, McCurry 8, Pugh 18, Hall 6, Lowe 1, Thacker 3.

CORDIA (54) — Perkins 33, Farler 4, Taylor 2, Porter 5, Slover 2, Moore 4, Mullins 2, Francis 2.

GAME TWO

ALLEN CENTRAL (60) — Samons 20, Allen 10, Pack 8, Lafferty 4, Prater 4, Slone 14.

MAGOFFIN CO. (58) — Barker 18, P. Connelley 11, Helton 8, Arnett 19, C. Connelley 2.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Pikeville routs Miami-Hamilton

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — Pikeville College blistered the nets, dominated the glass and grabbed a boatload of steals in blowing past Miami-Hamilton 103-53 Monday night.

The Bears (11-2) shot 55.9 percent (38-of-68) from the floor for the game, and played good enough defense to hold the Harriers to 31.4 percent shooting (22-of-70). In addition, Pikeville had seven players pull down at least four rebounds in controlling the boards to the tune of a 53-39 edge.

In forcing 22 turnovers, the Bears had

(See BEARS, page three)



■ Anderson

RANKINGS

Raiders move up to seventh in website poll

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

UNION — A convincing win over Hazard Friday night weighed heavy on the powers-that-be at the BluegrassPreps.com website. South Floyd, after a good showing in a tournament at Jeffersonton, coupled with a quality win over Hazard, moved up to seventh in the All "A" rankings. Paintsville, a team which was ranked just out of the top-five, falls out after losing to both Wayne County and Pulaski County in the Fifth Third Bank Holiday Classic.

South Floyd was back in action last night against Belfry in the Coca Cola Hoops Classic at Pike County Central High School. Results will appear in the Sunday, Jan. 5 edition of The Times.

(See RANKINGS, page four)

GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Floyd teams in 'A' Louisville weekend event

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

After dropping a 54-52 game to 14th Region power Perry County Central at home on Monday, Betsy Layne will travel to Louisville this weekend for the 2nd Annual Lady Derby Classic All A Shootout at Bellarmine University.

The opponent for the Ladycats is Dawson Springs.

Allen Central and Coach Cindy Halbert are also in the Louisville event. They will play Covington Holy Cross. The Holy Cross (Covington) team is coached by Rob Kuess.

The Dawson Springs Lady Panthers are coached by

Norman Monasco.

Betsy Layne, coached by Cassandra Akers, is the defending 15th Region All "A" Champion.

Lady Derby Classic All A Shootout coordinators feel the event provides participants with a tune-up before the actual region All "A" tournaments.



Former South Floyd High athlete Joe Skeans appears on a billboard for Alice Lloyd College. Skeans, pictured on the front of the billboard on the right, is a freshman pitcher on the ALC baseball team. He appears on the billboard along with other fellow ALC students from the area.

S P O R T S B O A R D

AP polls released, Johnson Central girls move up

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

BOYS	Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Lex. Catholic	(8)	9-1	98	1	
2. Lou. PRP	(1)	8-1	88	2	

3. Mason Co.	8-1	58	9		
4. Lou. Male	5-3	47	3		
5. Warren Central	6-1	46	4		
6. Apollo	(1)	10-0	42	-	
7. Scott Co.	5-2	29	8		
8. Rose Hill	6-3	26	5		
9. Lou. Ballard	6-3	25	7		
10. Highlands	6-1	21	10		

15, North Hardin 13, Wayne Co. 12, North Laurel 8, Muhlenberg North 7, Hopkinsville 5, Lou. Trinity 4, Christian Co. 2, Simon Kenton 2, Daviess Co. 1, Frankfort 1.

Johnson Central girls just outside top-10

Others receiving votes: Elizabethtown This week's Associated Press girls'

high school basketball poll ranked the Johnson Central girls just outside of the top-10. The Lady Eagles received 11 votes, behind 10th-place Ohio County's 12 votes. Johnson Central returns to play on Monday night when it hosts Allen Central.

GIRLS	Rank-School	FPV	Rcd	TP	Pvs
1. Sacred Heart	(10)	7-0	100	1	
2. Christian Co.		11-1	88	2	
3. Clinton Co.		11-1	73	3	
4. Jackson Co.		6-2	54	5	
5. Lex. Catholic		5-2	50	4	
6. Lou. Manual		8-0	34	10	
7. Shelby Co.		7-1	27	6	
8. West Carter		8-2	23	7	
9. Muhlenberg North		7-2	14	9	
10. Ohio Co.		12-1	12	-	

SCOREBOARD

BOYS'
Owsley County 78 Boyd County 65 (Berea Holiday Classic)
Pikeville 51 N. Lake Christian, La. 47 (KSA Holiday Tournament)
Rockcastle County 74 Cawood 45 (Berea Holiday Classic)
R. Hill Christian 58 Simon Kenton 55 (Fifth-Third Holiday Classic)
Allen Central 60 Magoffin County 58 (Coca Cola Hoops Classic)
Pike County Central 72 Cordia 54 (Coca Cola Hoops Classic)

GIRLS'
Breathitt Co. 48 Card. Brennan, Pa. 44 (KSA Holiday Tournament)
East Ridge 54 Owsley County 42 (Somerset Invitational)
Perry Central 54 Betsy Layne 52
Somerset 64 Whitesburg 43 (Somerset Invitational)

HONORS

Website names Williams All-American

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The accolades for Jeff Williams continue to roll in.

Pikeville College's sophomore punter was named a First-Team All-American by the Web site naiafootball.net in the organization's first year of honoring student-athletes from around the country.

Williams, a 6-2, 215-pounder from Pelion, S.C., was one of five Mid-South



■ Jeff Williams

Conference players to be named to the 2002 Engravers Edge All-American Teams. He was joined by four players who helped lead Georgetown College to its fourth consecutive NAIA title game — offensive

lineman Ike Clepper, defensive

lineman Mike Mulhall, linebacker Shan Housekeeper and defensive back B.J. Mattingly.

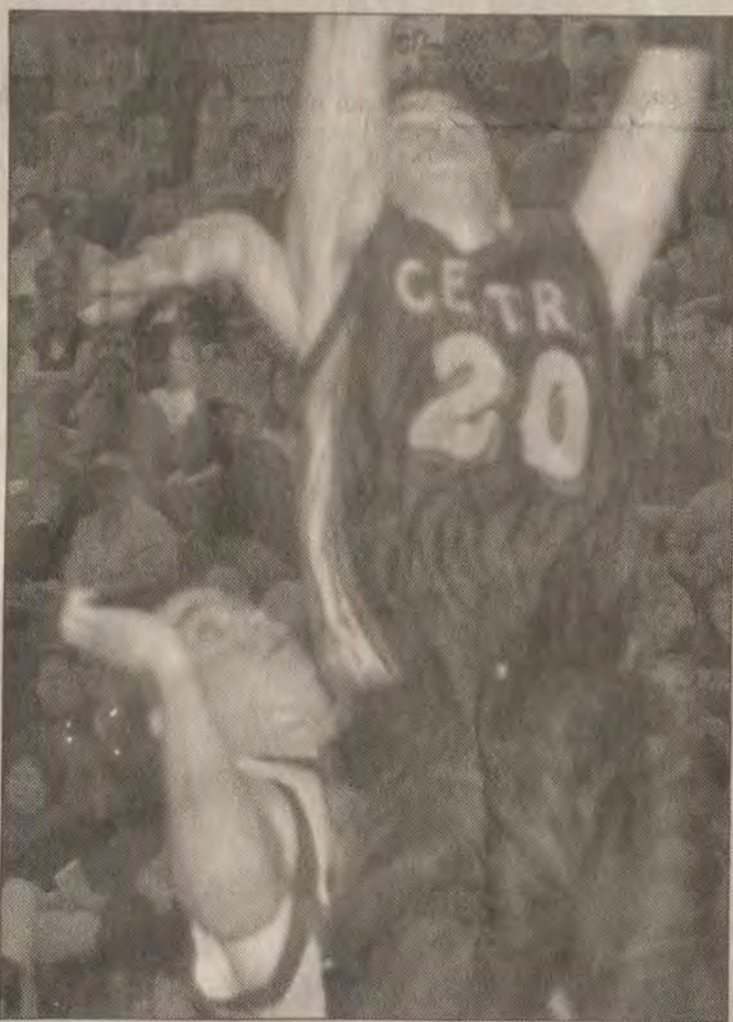
Williams led the nation with an average of 44.16 yards per kick last season, helping keep the Bears in solid field position as they finished with a 6-4 record in their second season of varsity football. He broke his own school record with a 71-yard punt on September 14 at U.Va.-Wise.

Second-Team All-American Eric Zahler, a junior from Montana-Western, was second in the country with an average of 42.80 yards per kick.

Williams was the best punter in an incredibly strong kicking league. Five of

(See WILLIAMS, page four)

REBELS VS. HORNETS



Allen Central advances

ABOVE: Allen Central sophomore point guard Nathan Lafferty drove against Magoffin County defender Colton Jayne (10).

LEFT: Mike Slone (20) went up and over a Magoffin County defender for a field goal. With the 60-58 win over Magoffin, Allen Central, the defending tourney champ, advanced to the second round of the Coca Cola Hoops Classic. The tournament is held at Pike County Central High School.

photos by Steve LeMaster

BSC

Oklahoma, Georgia win BCS games, Notre Dame loses sixth bowl in row

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Georgia reached new heights in New Orleans, and Oklahoma rose to the occasion in Pasadena.

No such luck for Notre Dame, Mike Price and Larry Johnson — they simply got bowled over.

With MVP Musa Smith running for 145 yards, No. 4 Georgia set a school record for wins by beating No. 16 Florida State 26-13 Wednesday night in the Sugar Bowl.

In his second season with the Bulldogs (13-1), coach Mark Richt beat his former boss. Richt served 14 years on Bobby Bowden's staff at Florida State.

"I'm thankful for the victory," Richt said. "I'm just thankful to Bobby Bowden still. He's still the teacher."

MVP Nate Hybl threw two touchdown passes and Quentin Griffin ran for 144 yards and a score as No. 8 Oklahoma won in its first trip to the Rose Bowl, romping past Washington State 34-14.

(See BOWLS, page four)

FIESTA BOWL

McGahee, Clarett come long way to reach Fiesta Bowl

by JOSH DUBOW ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEMPE, Ariz. — One year ago, Willis McGahee was a fullback for Miami and Maurice Clarett was enjoying his senior year in high school before going to Ohio State.

Both were just blips on the radar screens for followers of their high-profile colleges.

Come Friday night's Fiesta Bowl, neither running back will be able to hide. Both defenses will be geared up to stop their running, and the back who overcomes that just might become national champion.

"I think McGahee and Clarett might be the two best running backs in the country,"

Buckeyes coach Jim Tressel said Tuesday.

"I've watched Maurice Clarett every day in practice and in games and he's extraordinary. I've been watching Willis McGahee for six weeks on film and he's extraordinary. They both are physical, catch the ball well and make big plays. They might both be the biggest reasons the two teams are here."

What got McGahee and Clarett to where they are now are decisions the two made more than a year ago.

(See FIESTA, page four)

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Paintsville-Raceland rivalry starts back in the fall

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE — It's a safe bet that many Paintsville High football fans list Raceland as one

of the biggest rivals in the history of the storied Tiger football program. Current Johnson Central High head coach Bill Tom Ross was a big part of the rivalry when he was the head coach at

Raceland. Current Paintsville head coach David Lemaster has played and coached against the Rams.

"Raceland is one of our biggest rivals," said Lemaster. "We're looking forward to renewing the rivalry."

The 2003 football slate for the Tigers will add Raceland and drop Prestonsburg, another rival.

These aren't the Raceland

(See RIVALRY, page four)

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

MVP Collins leads Pikeville women past Wesleyan

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

OWENSBORO — Event MVP Amanda Collins scored 19 points Sunday to lead Pikeville College to a 75-65 victory over Kentucky Wesleyan in the championship game of the Owensboro Classic. Wesleyan hosted the

tournament.

Collins' effort included a 6-of-10 performance from the field. She also hit on 6 of 7 free-throw attempts and pulled down eight rebounds.

Pikeville made good on half of its field goal attempts. Seniors Tecco Gallion,

(See MVP, page four)



The Adams Middle School C-Team posed with the championship trophy of the Karen Pack Tournament. The tournament was held at McDowell Elementary.

A Look At Sports

Kentucky on pace to have worse loss record than '01-'02

by ED TAYLOR CONTRIBUTING WRITER

For the past two basketball seasons at the University of Kentucky,

Wildcat fans have watched and suffered through 10 losses under coach Tubby Smith. From all the reports, consecutive seasons of double digit losses are not acceptable with the fans and some are hollering that "Tubby must go!"

Well, the Cats are on course to drop more than 10 games this season with a 6-3 record after being embarrassed by Louisville and former UK coach Rick Pitino last Saturday. The next three contests should be cupcakes for the Cats but when UK enters conference play they are going

(See SPORTS, page four)

Rebels

Allen Central led 24-17 at the end of the first quarter and 39-29 at halftime. Magoffin County took each of the final two periods, and tied the game in the fourth quarter, before falling short.

Jason Arnett led a Magoffin

County rally in the fourth quarter, hitting two three-pointers.

Samons also hit on a pair of fourth-quarter three-pointers for the Rebels. Samons had two other three-pointers in the first half.

Starting center Brad Pack

scored eight for Allen Central and Nathan Lafferty and Andrew Prater each scored four apiece to round out the scoring for Allen Central.

Arnett led Magoffin County with 19 points. Clifton Barker netted 18 and Pitt Connelley

chipped in 11.

The win moved Allen Central over to a winner's bracket game tonight. Magoffin County, with the loss, heads to the loser's bracket.

Pike Co. Central 72, Cordia 54

Host Pike County Central jumped out to a 12-0 first-quarter lead, but would have to battle for three quarters before pulling away. The Hawks eventually topped Cordia, 72-54.

Pike Central led 20-8 at the end of the first quarter, but held just a 33-31 advantage after two periods.

Barry Sanders and John Williamson each had timely three-point baskets in the third quarter to lead Pike Central out to a 60-44 lead at the end of three quarters.

Ben Pugh led the Hawks in scoring with 18 points.

Sanders and Williamson each scored 15 points for Pike Central.

Justin McCurry finished the game with eight points.

Brent Perkins led Cordia in scoring with a game-high 33

points.

First round action continued last night with two games: Lawrence County-Pikeville; South Floyd-Belfry. Results from both games were unavailable at press time.

Continued from p1

Hall of Fame meeting on Rose put off

NEW YORK — Baseball is in no rush to call a meeting of Hall of Famers to talk about Charlie Hustle.

A meeting between Hall of Famers and commissioner Bud Selig to discuss Pete Rose had been postponed at the request of baseball officials.

The Hall had been contacting its 58 living members about a possible gathering in Los Angeles on Jan. 17. But Bob DuPuy, baseball's chief operating officer, asked the Hall last Friday to delay the session.

Hall spokesman Jeff Idelson said Monday that the meeting would not take place, but would not go into the reasons, and DuPuy declined comment.

The meeting is likely to be scheduled for the first two weeks of February, a baseball official said on the condition of anonymity, and no action on Rose is likely to take place before the meeting with Hall members.

Rose, the career hits leader,

agreed to a lifetime ban from baseball in August 1989 following an investigation of his gambling. Because of the ban, he cannot appear on the Hall of Fame ballot.

Rose applied for reinstatement in September 1997 but Selig hasn't ruled on it. After years of saying he saw no reason to change the ban Rose agreed to with commissioner A. Bartlett Giamatti. Selig allowed DuPuy to negotiate with Rose's agent, Warren Morris, during the past year.

Selig and Rose met in Milwaukee on Nov. 25, and Rose issued a statement earlier this month confirming the talks, saying "we have been provided the forum to discuss all of the issues with major league baseball."

DuPuy met with Hall chairwoman Jane Forbes Clark, Hall president Dale Petroskey and Hall vice chairman Joe Morgan on Dec. 18, and an update on the Rose talks was part of the briefing.

Baseball officials want Rose to admit that he bet on baseball —

which he has repeatedly denied, as part of any reinstatement agreement. Morgan, who was involved in setting up the Selig-Rose meeting, has said his former teammate has "got to come clean" if there was to be an agreement.

John Dowd, who headed the Rose inquiry for baseball, wrote a report that detailed 412 baseball wagers between April 8 and July 5, 1987, including 52 on Cincinnati to win. Dowd cited evidence that included betting slips alleged to be in Rose's handwriting, and telephone and bank records.

The Cincinnati Reds, the team Rose spent most of his career with and later managed, would like him to be reinstated by the start of the season, which would allow him to participate in the opening ceremonies of the Great American Ball Park.

Bob Feller has been opposed to Rose's ban, and other Hall of Famers have said it should be considered if Rose admits what baseball said he did. — Associated Press

Gilliam

Belfry High School coach Philip Haywood. He was a four-year letterman at linebacker for Morehead State, and after graduating in 1988 with a Bachelor of Arts in social science, began a successful coaching career while earning his Masters of Arts in education at Union College.

Gilliam worked his way up to assistant head coach at Union where he helped Coach Matt Ballard lead the Bulldogs to the 1992 Mid-South Conference championship. He then went to MSU with Ballard, and has been defensive coordinator on some very successful teams, including the 1998 team that finished the season ranked No. 1 in the NCAA I-AA non-scholarship poll, and last year's squad, which finished 9-3 and won the Southern Division of the Pioneer Football League.

"I'm extremely pleased to be coming back to the area," said Gilliam, who will be joined in Pikeville by his wife Melissa and their children, Caitlin Nichole and Austin William. "This is an exciting time our family."

"We're thrilled to take over a program that is still growing and developing. I can't say enough about the people we met while visiting the area. I look forward to getting to Pikeville and going to work."

Gilliam will inherit a program that has experienced a lot of success in a short period of time. After going 7-1 as a club team two years ago, the Bears have posted a 9-11 mark in two varsity campaigns and in 2002 compiled a 6-4 record for the first winning season in school history.

The coach expects to employ a 4-3 defense with a strong empha-

sis on fundamentals. "We won't do a lot of scheming and gaming, but we'll mix in some zone blitzes," he said. "The main thing is we'll give our kids the chance to play."

On offense, Gilliam will utilize a run-and-shoot style where he'll emphasize the run. "We want to stretch defenses vertically and horizontally, but you have to have a strong, aggressive running attack," he said.

Gilliam is the son of Ralph and Barbara (Porter) Gilliam. Ralph was a multi-sport player at Pikeville High School and is a member of the school's hall of fame. John was named for long-time PHS basketball coach John Bill Trivette.

The coach will meet the media Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Hall of Fame Room at the Pikeville College Gymnasium.

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Bentley

altogether in favor of the corporate name: The GMAC Bowl, the Insight Bowl and the Continental Tire Bowl come to mind.

What ever happened to the Citrus Bowl, the Tangerine Bowl and, my favorite of them all, the Texas Bluebonnet Bowl? The Tangerine Bowl actually made a comeback this year, getting off the mat for the first time since 1982 to give Clemson and Texas Tech a place to gather.

In a press release announcing that Mazda had agreed to become the "title" sponsor of the Tangerine, this paragraph told about all you need to know about how distinguished this event is and how historically insignificant it really is:

"Overall, the Mazda Tangerine Bowl is in its 13th year of existence, but only its second year in Orlando. Before moving to Central Florida in 2001, the game was played at Pro Player Stadium in Miami for 11 years under various titles."

Let me see if I have this straight: It's a new bowl with a new sponsor in a new town and has been called many, many things through the years, but doggone it, this bowl (ital) means (ital) something.

Sure it does. But that's the way of the world, I suppose. Even the Sweet 16 has a title sponsor these days. I keep waiting on the day when I pick up the paper to find out that the Carter Hughes

Toyota Prestonsburg Blackcats paid a visit to the Chirico's Restaurant Pike Central Hawks.

I have a feeling it'll happen. At least the Rose Bowl put the sponsor after the name. That's something, I suppose. About the only one of these bowls that really distinguishes itself is the Humanitarian Bowl, which makes up for being played in (contain your laughter, please) Boise, Id., by being contested on blue turf.

And as long as we're on the subject of bowls, when did the Cotton Bowl — I'm sorry, that's the SBC Cotton Bowl — drop down to also-ran status? I guess I'm getting old, but I remember a time when New Year's Day meant four bowls — CBS had the Cotton, NBC the Rose and Orange, and ABC the Sugar.

I know the Fiesta became one of the big boys when it pulled off a coup by having Miami and Penn State play for the national championship in the 1987 game. Before that, teams pretty well stayed where their conferences were aligned, and if Michigan was No. 1 and Tennessee No. 2, it was up to the pollsters to decide because "Hail to the Victors" was played in the Rose and "Rocky Top" was property of the Sugar.

Now, at least they have some plan to get the top two together. It's surely screwed up, and if three teams ever finish unbeaten or with one loss each — which is bound to happen

eventually — the world may come to an end deciding who will be the odd man out.

The Cotton Bowl has sunk in priority to the point that it isn't even included in the BCS rotation, meaning it never hosts the national title game. And it begins at 11 a.m. EST, which is 10 in the morning in Dallas where it's played.

I don't know about you, but 10 in the morning is a little early for football in my book.

It used to be an honor to play in a New Year's bowl, but these days there's so many of them it's not really all that big a deal. In fact, the Jan. 1 schedule is so crowded that not only has the national championship game moved off that day, but also yet another of the also-ran outings — the Orange in Miami — was played last night.

On New Year's Day, the championship game wasn't played, the (I suppose) runner-up game wasn't played, and there was still six games! There was the Rose, Sugar and Cotton, and also the Outback, the Gator and the Capital One Bowl, which used to be called the Citrus Bowl.

If you're confused by all this, you aren't alone. But really, all you need to know is that tonight in Tempe, Miami will probably have its way with The Ohio State University — you know, so as not to be confused with all those impostor Ohio State's out there — and the college football season, which began in August, will finally end.

Unless, of course, someone has come up with another company who needs a bowl to sponsor. How about the Kentucky National Bank Mountain Bowl, with representatives from the MAC and the Sun Belt?

Somebody get me Ronnie Paul. I think I'm onto something.

Chaffin

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the first period. In round three, Chaffin faced Aaron Stiltner, the hometown favorite from the Golden Wave of Grundy (Va.).

Chaffin, in his match against the hometown grappler, built up an 11-1 lead before pinning Stiltner in the third period.

Round four pitted Chaffin against Brad Petit of Mt. Anthony Union of Vermont. In the fourth round bout, Chaffin pulled out a tough victory, 3-1.

In the finals, Chaffin faced Brandon Creed, a very accomplished wrestler from Allegheny, North Carolina. Chaffin, a Prestonsburg senior, beat Creed 3-2 in the final match to capture the title, thus becoming the first Prestonsburg wrestler to finish first in the Agie Skeens Memorial.

Other Prestonsburg wrestlers to participate were Heath Chaffin, Steven Thompson, Shawn Whitt and Zach Lafferty.

Heath Chaffin, ranked as one of the top four 125-pound wrestlers in the state, drew a bye in the first round, placing him against Josh Davis of Shady Springs, W.Va. Heath Chaffin pinned Davis in the second period of the match, but later had to withdraw from the tournament after becoming sick.

Lafferty filled the heavyweight position for Prestonsburg. The sophomore wrestler pined Jack Campbell from Northwood, Va. He was later eliminated by Northside, Va.'s Jon Copper, the No. 2 heavyweight in the tournament.

According to Prestonsburg coaches, Thompson and Whitt also participated and wrestled well in the tournament.

Bears

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16 steals, thanks to six by senior guard Kevin Gaines. The Las Vegas product carded solid numbers across the board — seven points, 10 assists and eight rebounds to go along with the thefts.

Five Bears were in double figures in the scoring column, while 11 of the dozen players scored in the game. Senior Jason Robinson had 16 to pace the club, while Sam Hurren and Michael Thomas came off the bench to score 15 and 13 respectively.

Jarius Michael and Teon Knox had 11 points apiece. Knox, a junior from Baltimore led the team with nine rebounds and blocked five shots. Ttoni Anderson scored eight.

Miami-Hamilton (1-13) was led by Steve Maloney's 15 points and 11 rebounds. He was the only player in double figures for the Harriers.

Billy Back came off the bench to score nine points, while Chris Brown added eight. Everett Hibbard came off the



photo by Jamie Howell

South Floyd senior center Charles Ray put the dribble down on a free throw in last week's win over Hazard. Ray and South Floyd are in this week's Coca Cola Hoops Classic at Pike County Central High School. Second round play in the tournament is scheduled to begin tonight.

ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



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Sports

to face at least four teams ranked in the top 25 in the nation. How about a closer look at those teams.

ALABAMA - The nations number one team right now and deservingly so. The Crimson Tide has it all in being a number one team. They have the inside game and can drain the three. Look for one conference loss here against the Tide. Oh, by the way. The game is played in Tuscaloosa!

GEORGIA - The Bulldogs are no doubt a top 10 team and the problem here is UK has to

play this team twice this season. Look for the Bulldogs to be barking loud when the Cats show up at both away and home games. Two losses here.

FLORIDA - Coach Billy Donovan has his team playing real well and it is a balanced team he puts on the hardwood. The evil that spell defeat for Kentucky against Louisville will show up again when the Gators and Cats meet for their two annual meetings. Away loss for UK but I predict a win at home against Donovan's Gators. Four conference losses after Florida.

MISSISSIPPI STATE - Very much underrated! The Bulldogs are climbing the national polls fast and they will be a tough opponent for Tubby's five.

Two good things about this one: 1) UK has them at home; 2) UK only has to play them once during the season. Fifth conference loss for UK.

Now that are just the three teams who I feel UK will have a hard time in defeating. There are others who ring up the Cats on the road: LSU, South Carolina, Auburn, Vanderbilt and Tennessee. Of course, we do not want to overlook the one remaining non conference game in Notre Dame and that will not be an easy one.

Dick Vitale (America's least-liked sportscaster) was hollering at UK fans for their treatment of Tubby as head coach of the story book program. He even went as far to say that the Atlanta Hawks were very much interested in having Tubby come and take over the reigns of the Hawks next season.

Hmmmm! I don't think we can point all the blame on Coach Smith, although we want to. I think UK does not recruit players who fit into the Kentucky

basketball mold. I like the way Adolph Rupp used to do it. He would get him seven good blue chip players, the rest good role players, and beat just about everybody. Tubby does not allow a player to get into the flow of the

game by yanking him too early in the game.

Marquis Estill is, no doubt, one player the Cats need more on the floor than on the bench. I agree with most, he gets some cheap calls on the floor. But he needs to play in order the UK to contend against anyone.

When is not on the floor, the tendency is for the guards to start firing up the treys and we know they do not shoot that well from the arc.

The UK football program got good news with the signing of a new head football coach. UK announced that Rich Brooks would take over the program and replace the departed Guy Morris, who left for greener pastures.

UK quarterback, Jared Lorenzen said he new little about Brooks. "I didn't know much about him at first. I looked up his bio to see who he was and where he came from. He's had a pretty successful career. He knows what he's doing and what it's like to be on the next level. That's what a lot of us are looking

for." So another drama has come to an end at UK with the hiring of Brooks. If Dick Vitale is right, then a new basketball

coach could be the order of the day next season.

Until Sunday, good sports everyone and be good sports!



Allen Central's Nathan Lafferty looked for a rebound over Magoffin County's Clifton Barker.

Paintsville Little League accepting applications

PAINTSVILLE - Anyone interested in coaching or umpiring in the Paintsville Little League for the 2003 season, must submit an application. Applications may be picked up in Paintsville at LeMaster's Sports Center, Bocook Engineering and/or the Paintsville Herald.

Deadline to submit an application is February 7. For more information, visit the Paintsville Little League website at www.eteamz.com/paintsville.

Paintsville offers one of the top Little League charters in the state. This season, the league will offer a girls' softball program and will also host a state tournament in the sport.

MVP

who joined Collins on the All-Classic team, shared scoring honors with her teammate by posting a double-double, scoring 19 points and grabbing 10 rebounds.

Jessica Lovell and Courtney Mercer each rounded out four Lady Bear players in double figures with 12 points apiece.

Cordia grad Amelia Cody and Johnson Central product Selena Williams rounded out the Pikeville scoring with four points each.

Megan Mortan scored 18 points and pulled down nine rebounds to lead Wesleyan (3-7).

Wesleyan shot 41.9 percent from the floor (26 of 62).

Pikeville was scheduled to host Oakland (Mich.) last night. Results from that game were unavailable at press time.

Fiesta

McGahee played behind NFL star Clinton Portis last year, doing the grunt work of blocking as a fullback. He didn't mope around about his misfortune. Instead, he worked and bided his time.

"As a fullback, I had to block a bit more," McGahee said. "I took what I learned from fullback to playing tailback. One thing I learned is that I didn't want to play fullback anymore."

When Portis left school early for the NFL and Frank Gore underwent knee surgery in March, McGahee became a full-time tailback. But his patience made an impact on his coach.

"He could have done two things. One is punt, and two is transfer," coach Larry Coker said. "Instead he went to work and made himself into a great player. He serves as a tremendous example for our team."

McGahee dedicated himself to working out in the offseason, even pulling a small pickup truck for 30 seconds a few nights a week in a parking lot near his brother Eugene's gym, not far from campus.

The work paid off. McGahee shattered the school record with 27 touchdowns this season. He also set school marks in yards rushing (1,686) and all-purpose yards (2,036) and had 10 100-yard games. He even caught 24 passes for 350 yards.

"I worked real hard in the weight room and it just carried over from there," McGahee said. "I knew I had it all along in me. It was just a job of me getting on the field and putting it all together."

On a team full of offensive stars, McGahee has been the most consistent this year, coming through when his team needed him most.

He had 214 total yards against Florida, 172 against Florida State, 171 against Tennessee, and 226 against Virginia Tech.

He took a screen pass 68 yards to set up the game-winning touchdown against Florida State, had a momentum-turning 69-yard TD run against Pittsburgh and scored a school-

Williams

the top 12 punters in the country were from the Mid-South Conference, including the nation's third-best, Cumberland (Ky.) College's Andrew Nathan.

Nine other MSC players were honored by naiafootball.net, including three second-team selections - Reese Hicks, an offensive lineman from Georgetown; Nick Stamper, a defensive lineman from Lambuth;

record six touchdowns in the season finale against Virginia Tech.

"He is probably their premier player," Buckeyes defensive end Darrion Scott said. "Even when the hole's not there, he finds a way. The key is stopping McGahee because he makes plays regardless. He's definitely a cutback guy first. But he runs hard. He'll put his head down and run through you, too."

That could be a description for Clarett as well.

He's become one of the most valuable freshman running backs in history, transforming a sluggish offense into a championship one.

Clarett has made a lot of news off the field this week, saying school officials lied about the reasons he wasn't allowed to fly home to attend the funeral of a friend.

The Buckeyes hope he has as much impact on the field Friday.

One of the top recruits in the country a year ago, Clarett finished high school a semester early and came to Columbus to get a head start on his college career.

He participated in spring practice and quickly won the starting job in August.

"He gave up a relaxing six months of a senior year of high school because he had some goals in mind," Tressel said. "He really didn't think we would start a freshman if they got here in August and he wanted to be the starter as a freshman. That was a goal."

Clarett makes the Buckeyes go. He had 1,190 yards rushing and 14 touchdowns to put Ohio State in position to claim its first national title since 1968.

He ran for 175 yards in the season opener against Texas Tech, had 230 yards in a showdown against Washington State and could have been a Heisman Trophy contender before injuries kept him out of three games.

"Clarett is a playmaker," Miami linebacker Jonathan Vilma said. "With him in the game, there is always the threat of him breaking one for a touchdown. He's their go-to guy."

and Nate Green, a defensive back from Georgetown.

Belhaven's highly-touted passing combination of quarterback Sam Husband and receiver Bernard Scott were named honorable mention All-Americans, as were four other Georgetown Tigers - quarterback Neal Warren, defensive linemen Sean Cronin and John Sullivan and return specialist Nate Green.

LPIR Notebook: Copley takes over position

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

COEBURN, Va. - The owners of Lonesome Pine International Raceway, a NASCAR Weekly Racing Series presented by Dodge track located off Route 58 in Coeburn, Va., named Morris Copley to the position of General Manager and Track Promoter in early-December.

Copley, from Allen, has leased the track from the Kinzer family. Copley has a strong background in business management and is looking to use that knowledge and

experience in the daily track operations. His desire to run the track comes from his involvement during the 2002 season and his passion for racing.

Rules for the track will be announced some time this month.

Rule books will be printed and ready before the end of January.

"I look forward to building on the foundation that has been developed at LPIR. The racing community and local race fans have shown us that they support our facility. My goal is to build on the 2002

season, in three main areas, car count, fan base and sponsor relations. With improvements in these areas I believe LPIR will provide everyone with a unique entertainment opportunity that can only be found in short track racing," said Copley.

The LPIR office, after being closed since a couple of days before Christmas, is now open for the new year.

TAPES

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Rivalry

Rams of old. Raceland teams of past decades ran the football nearly the entire game. Coach Randell Vanderhoof, the current Raceland head coach, has implemented a passing game which makes opposing teams line up in defenses to defend both the pass and the run.

Paintsville will also add Jenkins, a new team in Class A, District Eight to the new year's fall schedule. Jenkins joins the district this season with formidable district opponents to play each and every week.

Paintsville finished last season with an 8-4 record, ending its season with a loss on the road at Middlesboro. Raceland was 9-3, bowing out to Newport Central Catholic in the post-season.

Rankings

BluegrassPreps.com All A Boys Basketball Rankings

1. Rose Hill
2. Mayfield
3. Frankfort
4. Saint Henry
5. Bishop Brossart
6. Corbin
7. South Floyd
8. Glasgow
9. Campbellsville
10. Carlisle County

BluegrassPreps.com Boys' Basketball Rankings (All Classes)

1. Mason County
2. Lexington Catholic
3. Pleasure Ridge Park
4. Ballard
5. Warren Central
6. Elizabethtown
7. Scott County
8. Rose Hill
9. Owensboro Apollo
10. Male
11. Highlands
12. Hopkinsville
13. Tates Creek
14. Trinity
15. North Hardin
16. Simon Kenton
17. Saint Xavier
18. Breathitt County
19. Muhlenberg North
20. Christian County

Bowl

"It's fairy tale-ish. It hasn't sunk in yet," Hybl said.

Hired two weeks ago by Alabama, Price stuck around for one last game as Washington State's coach. The seventh-ranked Cougars were held to a season-low 243 yards.

"It's not the way we wanted to end it, by any means," he said. "It's a disappointing way to finish."

"I'm sure I'll get my fair share of the blame for that, which is OK. I just wanted to do everything I could to help the team win."

A season that began with great promise for Notre Dame ended in its sixth straight bowl loss.

The No. 11 Irish were perplexed by the razzle-dazzle of North Carolina State, losing 28-6 in the Gator Bowl.

"It's still a very good season," first-year coach Tyrone Willingham said. "At the same time, we have to become accustomed to winning our last game, whether it's the regular season or a bowl game."

Johnson, who finished third in the Heisman Trophy voting, had a disappointing day for No. 10 Penn State. He was held to only 72 yards on 20 carries as No. 19 Auburn won 13-9 in the Capital One Bowl.

Johnson later groused that the Nittany Lions' offense was "trying to be too cute" instead of just giving it to him.

"He can stay up there and be Penn State's savior if he wants," Tigers defensive end Reggie Torbor said. "At Auburn, he probably wouldn't play. He'd probably be on defense."

In other games, it was No. 22 Michigan 38, No. 12 Florida 30 in the Outback Bowl and No. 9 Texas 35, LSU 20 in the Cotton Bowl.

Southern California plays Iowa in the Orange Bowl on Thursday night, and Miami meets Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl for the national championship on Friday night.

Sugar Bowl

No. 4 Georgia 26, No. 16 Florida State 13

At New Orleans, Bruce Thornton returned an interception for a score, backup quarterback D.J. Shockley threw a TD pass and Georgia stymied short-

handed Florida State.

Billy Bennett added four field goals as the Bulldogs went conservative, throwing a season-low 15 passes.

With Adrian McPherson kicked off the team for allegedly stealing a check, and Chris Rix suspended after oversleeping and missing a final exam, Fabian Walker made his first start at quarterback for Florida State (9-5).

Walker threw two interceptions and lost a fumble, and the Seminoles turned to star receiver Anquan Boldin to replace Walker.

Rose Bowl

No. 8 Oklahoma 34, No. 7 Washington St. 14

At Pasadena, Calif., the Sooners shut down star quarterback Jason Gesser, intercepting two passes.

Oklahoma (12-2) led 27-0 midway through the fourth quarter behind Hybl and Griffin.

Hybl, like Griffin playing his final game, was 19-of-29 for 240 yards, two touchdowns and no interceptions.

Gator Bowl

No. 17 North Carolina St. 28, No. 11 Notre Dame 6

At Jacksonville, Fla., the Wolfpack completed the best season in school history behind Philip Rivers.

Rivers completed 13 consecutive passes as N.C. State (11-3) scored three touchdowns in the second quarter, one on a fumble-roski and another set up by a flea-flicker.

The Irish (10-3) lost quarterback Carlyle Holiday to a separated left shoulder on their second possession and lost their temper with three personal fouls.

Outback Bowl

No. 12 Michigan 38, No. 22 Florida 30

At Tampa, Fla., Chris Perry became the first player in Michigan's storied history to score four touchdowns in a bowl.

The junior tailback's last two touchdowns lifted the Wolverines (10-3) from a two-

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THROUGH MY EYES

Out with the 'old'

A new year has now begun and I sit at my desk today feeling anything but. As a matter of fact, it seems that the past few weeks have been filled with thoughts of "old." Never before in my life have I ever concentrated



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

so much on the passing of time, and on the fact that even though my memories of days gone by may remain fresh and as clear as a bell within the confines of my mind, they, nevertheless, are the memories of an...ahem, "old woman."

What a deliciously pleasant way to start the new year.

I must say, that I have to offer an enthusiastic "Amen!" to Wednesday's editorial regarding the "new" Kentucky license plate. I

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THIS TOWN, THAT WORLD

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

Don't tell me that Christmas is over and done with. There are certain matters to be attended to by the 10th which bring it all back with a sharp sort of twinge.

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Withal, it's a great season. Isn't any season?

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TROUBLE COMPOUNDED

You think you have troubles? You should try the newspaper business (?) and know what trouble really means. We haven't the time, nor do we have the inclination, to burden you with our own woes, so let us cite you to what a North Carolina publisher tells about the man who put a classified ad in his hometown newspaper. Here's the history of the ad:

MONDAY:

"For Sale: R. D. Smith has one sewing machine for sale PHO 958. Call after 7 p.m.,

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School snow closings explained

KDE Webmaster

Although the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) does not have a direct role in determining when your school dismisses early or closes for a "snow day," we are responsible for ensuring that schools and districts adhere to legal requirements in this regard. Actually, the

superintendent in your district makes the decisions regarding transportation and the safety of your child based on the information available at that time.

It may seem odd to you that schools are sometimes closed when an expected winter storm doesn't develop as predicted, and that schools are sometimes open when the worst of conditions exist. That's because

superintendents are human and just like weather forecasters, they can make mistakes in deciding whether to open or close schools.

Kentucky law requires that students be in school a minimum of 1,050 instructional hours each school year, which equals 175 six-hour days. When more than five hours of this instruction are missed

because schools dismiss early or close altogether, the law requires that the instructional time be made up.

In some school districts the regular school day includes more than six instructional hours and they choose to use the extra time they have "banked" to offset

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Ciara D. Chafin.



Eddie Chafin, Ciara's father and deceased husband of Lana Chafin, of Emma.

LIFE

Editor's Note: The beginning of a new year is typically a time for reflection. A time that many of us pause to evaluate our personal growth. We thought it would perhaps be a good time to run this piece, submitted by a local teenager.

By Ciara Dawn Chafin

Life? Is it really that important to you? Is someone else's life? To me, life is very important, especially since my dad lost his to cancer last year.

My dad was the most important thing in my life - we did everything together. He was "my everything." My dad's bout with cancer

was a painful ride and part of me wishes he hadn't fought so hard. Even though I want him back more than anything in this world, I still wish he hadn't fought so hard to live. He endured long hours of nothing but pain. To me, it was like watching a child get younger by the minute. First he could do

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POSTSCRIPT

Assorted thoughts

I've never been much for using lights for the holidays. I suppose part of it is laziness. I've never wanted to go to all the trouble of putting lights up and then taking them back down.

Part of it is miserliness. I can't stand even the thought of high utility bills. They're way more than I want to pay without tacking on thousands of tiny bulbs.

Then, I have to admit that another part of my reluctance to light up is plain old fear of things electrical. I have nightmares about burning bushes and baseboard sparks.

But I have come to appreciate other people's efforts. I like to see mobile homes outlined with color. What a wonderful way to show pride of place. I like the tiny twinklers that point out trees at midnight. I like the illuminated reindeer, Santas, sleds and what-nots that adorn many yards.

It's a treat to drive around this time of year and observe how much effort has gone into celebrating the season. Thank you to those of you who treat the rest of us to this marvelous seasonal display.

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Speaking of lights, my cousin, Lena Butcher, gave me a fiber optic bird figurine for Christmas. I've never been particularly fond of figurines and what some consider collectibles, but this one is different.

After the scrumptious dinner Lena (we call her Lois) hosts for the extended family every year, I took the piece home and plugged it in.

I was amazed and delighted. I don't think I've seen anything as calming and soothing. A rainbow of color flows through the wings of a pair of white doves, perched on a nest of flowers. Reds flow into yellows that flow into greens that flow into purples ... into blues

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Things to ponder: Winter festivities completed

New Year's Day has come and gone. This signals wholeheartedly, as much as the well-known ball falling in Time Square, that a brand new year is here and the major winter "holidays" are again over. At this point, we have either survived with our sanity somewhat in place or we continue to plan ways to do differently next year. In some situations, there are the echoes in our heads of "There sure won't be a repeat of this in the future, or I am having problems." Of course, all of this shows in a gigantic way how we get caught up in the commercialism of the holidays and try-

ing to do everything to keep others happy, which tends to lead to our forgetting why we truly celebrate. Even though things might have been a little hairy occasionally, during the joyous holiday season, it is time to assess what worked, and didn't work, for each of us.

Similar to many other folks, it seemed that I fell into the bottomless pit of struggles between Thanksgiving and Christmas this year. I really became aware of how human I was to become all tied up with the "superficial" needs of the holiday season. At

several points, I heard myself saying, "Now, I know why my mother use to say, 'I can't wait until the holidays are over.'" I recalled telling my mother, during those times, "Oh, come on now. Try not to wish your life away. Try to enjoy what you can." Then, I attempted to ease my inner discomfort with "Well, I guess that is comes with the passing of age. You just get tired."

However, I so enjoyed following through with my plans to do what I really wanted to do for Christmas this year. It was like my friend's writing about loving ourselves by doing what

we need to do for ourselves. My gift was being with my son, John, and daughter-in-law Maria, and our taking my 8-month-old grandson to meet the "Florida" family—the families of my sister, my brother, and my special aunt and uncle, and their two daughters. Since it is so important to me for this little one to have a sense of family, and who he is from the perspective of my gene pool, it was so great to see the old and young family members do all of

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Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

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and ask for Mrs. Kelly who lives with him cheap.

TUESDAY:
 "We regret having erred in R. D. Smiths ad yesterday. It should have read: For Sale: R. D. Smith has one sewing machine for sale. Cheap. PHO 958 and ask for Mrs. Kelly who lives with him after 7 p.m."

WEDNESDAY:
 "R. D. Smith has informed us that he has received several annoying telephone calls because of an error we made in his classified ad yesterday. His ad stands corrected: For Sale: R. D. Smith has one sewing machine for sale. Cheap. PHO 958 after 7 p.m., and ask for Mrs. Kelly who loves with him."

THURSDAY:
 "NOTICE: I. R. D. Smith, have no sewing machine for sale. I smashed it. Don't call 958, the phone has been taken out. I have not been carrying on with Mrs. Kelly. Until yesterday, she was my housekeeper."

IT DOESN'T SNOW TILL IT SNOWS

My reputation as a public speaker has become dimmer, the more it is known, but I know I've never been as sorry for myself as I am for these TV boys who try to do the weather forecasts, these days.

They come on screen with their tails between their legs, so to speak, lift their eyes from the floor (what a hyperbole!) like a stage weight-lifter, and then begin apologizing. "Ha, ha! Yes, ladies and gentlemen, we missed in our forecast of yesterday, as you are aware. But it all happened like this (seizing a ruler and jabbing at a map)—this high shifted to the left, and this low moved over here, and so there we are—left out in the cold and snow, when we were sure we would be warm and comfy."

And so it goes. Half the allotted time taken up in apologizing for yesterday's mistakes before taking time to make a new crop for today.

They've got radar, weather stations all over the place, the finest brains science can produce, even weather satellites to roam about up 'neath the stars and report back on what's happening and what to expect. Still, I maintain that anybody with an active corn, one in the prime of life and dependable, can forecast the weather as accurately as these experts.

"UNDOWITHOUTABLE"

Woodrow Burchett in his predictions for 1964 at the Kiwanis Club meeting, the other night, introduced a word which belongs in the language. Speaking of and jibing at bankers, he referred to them as the "undowithoutables." Now that word is, in the singular, only two letters longer than "indispensable," and we maintain it's a lot more expressive and even more euphonious than its accepted synonym.

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those things that help us bond and attach to a baby. It was also nice that we didn't push and shove to go all of the usual places. Instead, we watched the baby, laughed, talked, and played games, without the TV. A really nice treat was the traditional gathering of the clan to eat one big meal together. It was so pleasant to "nurture" each other, emotionally and with good food. The long weekend flew by so quickly.

Another benefit of the family visit, in addition to introducing the baby to the family, was for John, Maria, and I, to actually witness the declining health of family elders. Besides visiting with the ones in Florida, we managed to get a short visit with the Lineberger great-grandparents. Needless to say, it was extremely difficult to realize and accept that the different ones would probably not be with us much longer. Even though it is well known intellectually that this deteriora-

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Closings

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hours missed due to inclement weather. Other districts have "make-up" days built into their school calendars in case they are needed. Whichever approach they choose, district must - by law - provide a total of 1,050 hours of instruction each school year.

Snow days are not free days, but they can provide your child some needed breathing room to complete those homework assignments they just have not had time to finish. With the official first day of winter still more than a week away, be prepared for more snow days before the spring thaw.

Finally, you may want to check with your district to see if they provide some sort of e-mail or telephone notification when schools are closing. Some districts allow you to sign-up for this service on their Web sites. For a complete list of links to Kentucky's school and school district Web sites, visit <http://www.kde.state.ky.us/shared/schooldist/> on the KDE Web site.

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.

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

A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment. The center is currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for students who will enter the 6th grade in the upcoming school year, kindergarten entrance exams and TD boosters for sophomores. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These nursing services are available to anyone in the

community.

The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Clark Elementary School building and can be reached by calling 886-0815.

DUFF ELEMENTARY

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

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

Floyd Co. Health Dept. is at the school each Wednesday. Services include 6th grade physicals and immunizations; WIC; well-child physicals; Kindergarten and Head Start physicals; blood pressure checks; and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment. Donna Samons-Bartrum, FRC Director.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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

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

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

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

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

Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

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

Jan. 10 - First aid and safety classroom presentations.

Jan. 14 - Epidemics classroom presentations.

Jan. 21 - Nutrition classroom presentations.

Jan. 24 - Genetics and Heredity classroom presentations.

Jan. 28 -Peer pressure/conflict resolution classroom presentations.

Jan. 31 - Drugs and Addiction Prevention & Awareness classroom presentations.

Walking track open to public (except during special event).

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

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

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

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

STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Jan. 6 - "DARE" program, 5th and 6th grades - 1-3 p.m.

Jan. 8 - "Animal, Vegetable, Mineral" program, K-1 - 8:30-10:30 a.m.

Jan. 9 & 10 - "Hygiene" program, K-4 - Quality Kids.

Jan. 21 - Advisory Council Meeting (school library) - 4 p.m.

Jan. 23 - "What is it Made Of?" program, 2nd and 3rd grades - 8:30 a.m.

Jan. 28 - "Rain Forest," K-1 - 8:30-10:30.

Jan. 29 - "Rain Forest," 2nd and 3rd - 8:30-10:30.

Jan. 30 - "Smokeless Tobacco," 5th and 6th - 1 p.m.

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

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

THE DAVID SCHOOL

Adult Education Class Schedule - Fall 2001:

*Monday McDowell Family Resource Center, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. Call 377-2628. Instructor: Theresa.

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Eyes

took one look at that smiley-face sun and I thought, "This has to be a joke."

Alas, it is not. Of all the many, many logo possibilities that the slogan, "Kentucky, it's that friendly" could inspire, someone, somewhere, chose a smiley-face sun?

They could at least offer some credit to the pre-schooler who pointed its chubby little finger and said, "I like dat one."

Well, by now you must be deciding that I must have had a most horrible Christmas this year. I mean, how else could I possibly be in such a foul mood?

Actually, nothing could be further from the truth. As a matter of fact, I had one of the most pleasant Christmases I've had in years. My children and I celebrated the wondrous holiday in our new home and I think everyone managed to get most of what they had asked for.

In addition, our extended family members were around to help make sure that our day was as perfect as possible. Thanks to my children's great-aunts on the Baldrige side of the family, our house was filled with countless goodies, beautifully wrapped gifts and lots of warm embraces.

And, my younger brother, Barry, his wife, Donna, and their youngest daughter,

Sarah, even managed to squeak in a weekend visit. My siblings are pretty spread out, so a visit from "baby brother" did much to make the holiday a good one. I even received a long telephone call from niece, Lailie, who now lives in sunny L.A. Lailie says she's coming for a visit in early spring - I haven't seen her in two years, so that's certainly something to look forward to.

And, I guess I just got to the gist of this column - it is a new year and each day is a new beginning, for the young as well as the "old," so I think I just better get my attitude realigned and stop feeling so sorry for myself. After all, "old" is certainly much better than the alternative.

Pageants



Little 'Snow Angel'

Destiny Tiara Elliott, the three month old daughter of Michelle and David Elliott, of Martin, was named "Most Adorable," and "Best Dressed," in the KY Glamour 2002 Snow Angel Pageant, held November 9, at the Allen Convention Center. This "little angel" received two trophies and a crown.

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everything, then he could do a few things, and, finally, he couldn't walk, he couldn't eat, and he couldn't even think clearly.

When my dad lost his hair, he didn't want to go out in public and when he did, he always wore a hat. He used to tell Mom that he didn't want to embarrass Steven and me, but he could have never embarrassed me unless he told everyone who I liked. When we went out, I used to wear a hat too, because I wanted to be just like him. Sometimes I would wish cancer on myself, so my dad wouldn't be the only one going through it. I never did get it and now I don't think I ever want to.

On November 2, 2001 my dad turned 46 years old. All of our family came to our house that Friday night to spend what little time he had left with him. A couple of days later, Dad started to piece his life together (just like the doctor had suggested to him), and I knew he was going to die soon.

The next Friday, he became very sick and began gasping for breath. In the beginning, he told everyone that he didn't want the paramedics to be called when he began to get close to death, but Mom called them anyway. I really think it was because she didn't want Steven or me to be there when the end finally came.

The paramedics came and their work managed to give Dad a couple of more days with us. The very next day, Dad was sitting in the living room watching T.V. when all of a sudden he up and said, "Afghanistan." I thought it was so strange of him to say that at that time.

That Sunday I went to church with a friend, Tiffany. After church I went to Tiffany's house but for some reason I ended up feeling like I just wanted to go home. The same thing happened with Steven, who had gone to the golf course earlier that morning. When I got home my mom was on the porch - crying. I saw my cousin and my aunt rush into the house. My neighbors took me to their house and I had to stay there, because my dad was dying.

I called Cindy, my

mom's good friend and neighbor, and told her what was happening. Then I tried to call Megan, my best friend, but she had gone to the mall. I thought to myself, "Of all the times to need my best friend, and she has to be gone." I walked back to my house and I just sat there.

My dad died that day.

My dad's casket wasn't opened at the funeral home, because an autopsy had been done. When I first got there, I was very depressed. A couple of my friends came to visit and when they got there I started to act as if I was having fun. I don't really know what got into me. I was snapping my fingers and acting like a silly child. I not only showed a lack of respect for my family, but I also showed a lack of respect for my dad. It wasn't really the way I felt inside, though. Looking back, I think that I was just trying to forget. To deny what had actually happened, that my dad had suffered and died. A lot of people told me later how childish I acted.

On the second day of visitation, I didn't cry, but I also didn't act like a child. I just remember that I wanted my best friend, Megan, to be with me. I stayed with Megan most of that week. The day of the funeral, I didn't even fix my hair or try to look pretty. I didn't want to.

The funeral service was beautiful. So many kind words were spoken about Dad and everyone was crying. I didn't cry much until my friends came up to hug me. I rode to the cemetery with my friends, but now I wish I had rode with my mom. When we arrived at the cemetery I didn't cry, but I think that was because I couldn't see my dad's face. After the service was over, we all went to my house and the one thing I felt I wanted to do was take my mom's friend's dog, Dino, for a walk. Walking Dino gave me some time to think. I realized that I knew it would take a while, but eventually everything was going to be okay again.

My hope now is that everyone who reads this

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Family Medicine

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



Happy New Year, it's time to lose weight — again

Every New Year's I make a resolution to lose weight. I usually do lose some, but by the next New Year I've found it again. Why does this keep happening?

It makes good sense to keep your weight within 20 percent of the ideal for your height and build. This will help minimize your risk of such disorders as high blood pressure, heart disease and diabetes.

Being overweight is almost always a matter of overeating. This is because the human body is very efficient. Fuel for the body's vital needs

— breathing, blood circulation, thinking and the additional demands of physical activity (as well as muscle and bone growth in children) — is usually supplied by the day's intake of nutrients. If you eat more food than is necessary for these daily functions, the extra is converted into fat and saved for later. This, of course, produces weight gain. When consumption and energy expended are equal, the weight stays the same. In short, this means that the only way to lose weight is to eat less than is needed for each day's work. The body will draw upon the stored energy — that unwanted fat — to make up the difference.

Q I know that I need to eat less and work out more often. What is the best diet for weight loss?

A Successful weight loss takes more than following a simple diet sheet. P. M. Warwick, of Australia's University of New England, found that diet counseling was effective in changing the types of food eaten one year after the end of counseling, but it was unsuccessful in bringing about weight reduction. Researchers at the Marshall University School of Medicine in Huntington, W.Va., studied a "behavioral approach" to dieting. They helped people identify when they ate because of habit, anxiety or stress and then taught them a better method of dealing with each of these emotions. Two years later, 65 percent of the participants had maintained a weight loss.

There are more types of diets than could be counted in a day. That should

tell you something. There is no one "correct" diet for healthy but overweight individuals. The body needs vitamins and minerals every day. Fruits and vegetables provide these nutrients. We also need some protein, which can come from meat, fish, eggs or cheese. These foods also tend to have fat with them, and fat is something you don't need in abundance when you are dieting; you want to use up the fat you have already stored in your body. Sweets only have calories for energy. They contain none of the essential vitamins, minerals or proteins. So, it is logical to eliminate sweets from your diet when trying to lose weight.

Regardless of the diet you choose, there are a few suggestions that may help you lose those extra pounds and keep them off. Eat at least two meals, and preferably three meals, per day. Put an adequate portion of each food on your plate then remove the serving

bowls — and the temptation — from the table. Eat slowly so that you feel full by the end of the meal. Exercise regularly but set realistic goals.

Measure and record your weight once each week at the same time of day. For instance, Wednesday morning when you first step out of the shower. It is time to eat less if your weight is up two weeks in a row. You'll find it's easier to trim off a pound or two when necessary than to face the prospect again next New Year of having to take off another 20 pounds.

"Family Medicine" is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701. You can also send questions of general interest to Dr. Simpson at simpsonm@ohio.edu. Past columns are available online at www.fhradio.org/fm.

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-MSU Prestonsburg Campus, 12:30-3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405. Instructor: Chrissy.

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WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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

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

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W.D. OSBORNE RAINBOW JUNCTION FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ TBA- Recycling program, all grades.

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

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

Ponder

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tion is part of the process of life, some good-byes were sure tough. But it was a good opportunity to say some of those things that I wanted individuals, who are important to me, to know. In a way, it was an opportunity for me to give myself another kind of a gift.

Now, that the physical and emotional rush of the holidays are past, what needs to be covered in your assessment of your holiday season? Are there other activities that you would rather do, that you haven't been doing over the years? Are you placing too much of an emphasis on the "buying" of Christmas, worrying about what other people expect of you, and, after it is all said and done, not feeling content about your choices? What would be your present to yourself emotionally this year, and will you wait H more months to go and get it?

Postscript

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... into whites, on and on in soft waves.

I highly recommend this new-fangled whatchamacallit.

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I've been a big fan of the magazine Kentucky Explorer for years. Like many of its readers across the country, I generally read each edition from cover to cover.

A southwest Virginian with whom I work has introduced me to another publication for history buffs in the region. It's called Appalachian Quarterly and, although it is published by the Wise County Historical Society in Wise, Va., it's definitely regional in scope.

For instance, the special focus of the December edition is an article on Talt Hall, who was hanged at Wise in 1892. Hall was a native of Letcher County with hosts of relatives in Knott and Floyd coun-

ties. Some claimed he killed scores of people throughout the region.

There's also an article on "Bad" John Hall, whose exploits are legendary on Left Beaver.

If you're interested in getting a copy without driving to Pound or Wise, write to the historical society at PO Box 368, Wise, Va. 24293, or visit the web site at <http://www.wisevahistorical-soc.org>.

Life

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story not feel bad for me. I also hope that by sharing my experience, it will help other kids to understand that our emotions can be very complex.

I have lots of wonderful memories of my dad and I have learned how important a gift life truly is.



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THE FINDING OF THE BOOK OF LAWS!

IN THE EVENTFUL LIFE OF JOSIAH, KING OF JUDAH, ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS TO BE THE FINDING OF THE BOOK OF LAWS, EARLY IN HIS REIGN, JOSIAH BEGAN TO SUPPRESS THE IDOLATRY THAT WAS RAMPANT THROUGHOUT THE LAND. HAVING DONE SO, THE KING NEXT TOOK ENERGETIC STEPS TO REPAIR AND ADORN THE TEMPLE, SO ENTHUSIASTIC WAS HE THAT EVEN THE WORKMEN WERE MOVED TO GREATER AND MORE PERSEVERANT EFFORT IN THE REPAIRS. IN THE REPAIRS OF THE TEMPLE, WHILE THE REPAIRS OF THE TEMPLE WERE BEING EXECUTED, HILKIAH, THE HIGH PRIEST, FOUND THE BOOK OF THE LAW IN THE WISE OF THE LORD. THIS WAS SAID TO BE THE AUTOGRAPHED COPY OF THE LAW, WRITTEN BY THE HAND OF MOSES, WHICH HAD BEEN DEPOSITED BESIDE THE ARK OF THE COVENANT IN THE SANCTUARY. IT WAS HANDED OVER TO JOSIAH, THE SCRIPES, WHO READ IT TO THE KING. JOSIAH WAS DEEPLY IMPRESSED BY THE PROPHECIES THAT IT CONTAINED, AND HE ORDERED FROM GOD DREADFUL CONSEQUENCES WOULD ENSUE IF HE RENT HIS CLOTHES AND HUNGED HIMSELF BEFORE GOD (1 CHRON. 24:32). GOD WAS PLEASED TO GIVE HIM THE GRACIOUS ASSURANCE THAT THE THREATENED CALAMITY SHOULD NOT COME IN HIS TIME (1 CHRON. 22:8-20, 11 CHRON. 34:15-26).



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First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Inez 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.
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Garrett Community Christian, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Hackworth, Minister.
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Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek; Martin; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.
First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.
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Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.
Little Point First Church of God, 671 Little Point Road, East Point; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charter Heater, Jr., Minister.
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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5341, Renewal

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Czar Coal Corporation, HC 64, Box 915, Debord, Kentucky 41214, has applied for renewal of a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 2.7 miles south of Odds in Floyd, Martin and Johnson Counties. The proposed operation will disturb 42.50 acres of surface area, and will underlie 123.00 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 165.50 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 2.70 miles southwest from Daniel's Branch. Road's junction with KY State Route 3, and located 0.1 mile south of Dick's Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Pocahontas Development Corporation. The operation will underlie land owned by Pocahontas Development Corporation.

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, objection or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

LEGAL NOTICE

This is to notify certain unknown defendants of the nature and pendency of a certain Complaint filed on or about August 10, 2001. The Defendants, James and Patsy Griffith, shall have 50 days from the date of the Complaint to file an Answer with the Floyd County Circuit Court Clerk, if they desire to do so. If the

vs. Ricky Johnson and Unknown Defendants. The basis of this suit is a personal injury action filed against the Defendants by Michael Dwayne Shortridge and Jodie Shortridge arising out of an automobile accident which occurred August 12, 2000, along KY RT 1428 in Prestonsburg, Floyd County, KY. The Plaintiff's are seeking damages as the result of medical expenses, impairment to earning capacity, pain and suffering, loss of use of motor vehicle and loss of consortium by Jodie Shortridge.

The Unknown Defendants shall have 50 days from the date of the filing of the complaint to Answer with the Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, if he/she desires to do so. If the Defendants do not appear in the lawsuit and present a defense, then a Judgment may be entered against them, at the Court's discretion.

Sue Ellen Prater
Warning Order
Attorney
120 North Front
Avenue,
Prestonsburg, KY
41653

LEGAL NOTICE

This is to notify Defendants James and Patsy Griffith of the nature and pendency of a certain Complaint filed on or about October 10, 2002. Said lawsuit has been filed in Division II of the Floyd Circuit Court, and is styled as Civil Action Number 02-CI-01065, Conesco Finance Servicing Corp, FKA Green Tree Financial Servicing Corp. vs. James Griffith and Patsy Griffith. The basis of the suit is a foreclosure action filed against the Defendants by the Conesco Corporation. The complaint alleges that the Defendants have defaulted on their obligation to pay per the terms of the finance contract. The Plaintiff is seeking to foreclose on the mobile home which is the subject of this action, and damages in the amount of the entire balance due under the finance contract.

The Defendants, James and Patsy Griffith, shall have 50 days from the date of the Complaint to file an Answer with the Floyd County Circuit Court Clerk, if they desire to do so. If the

Defendants do not appear in the lawsuit and present a defense, then a Judgment may be entered against them, at the Court's discretion.

Lana Gresham
Warning Order
Attorney
120 North Front
Avenue
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41653

LEGAL NOTICE

This is to notify Defendant Kristin Nicole Dotson of the nature and pendency of a certain Complaint filed on or about November 15, 2002. Said lawsuit has been filed in the Floyd Circuit Court, and is styled as Civil Action Number 02-CI-01193, Greenwich Capital Financial Products, Inc. vs. Rhonda Clay et al.

The basis of the suit is a foreclosure action filed against the Defendants by Greenwich Capital Financial Products, Inc. The Complaint alleges that the Defendants have defaulted on their obligations to pay per the terms of the finance contract. The Plaintiff is seeking to foreclose on the home and property which is the subject of this action, and damages in the amount of the entire balance due under the finance contract.

The Defendant, Kristin Nicole Dotson, shall have 50 days from the date of the Complaint to file an Answer with the Floyd County Circuit Court Clerk, if she desires to do so. If the Defendant does not appear in the lawsuit and present a defense, then a Judgment may be entered against her, at the Court's discretion.

Lana Gresham
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Tex Mitchell, 42 Mitchell Drive, Harold, Kentucky 41635, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct a fill. The property is located approximately 1.6 mile southwest of the community of Harold on Route 979, on Mud Creek, in Floyd County. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be

directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410

NOTICE OF BLASTING SCHEDULE
PERMIT NO. 836-0289

This is notice that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, Pikeville, KY 41502, (606) 874-9003, Permit Number 836-0289, will be blasting in the Coolwater Branch and Salltick Creek area of Floyd County, Kentucky, Latitude 37° 29' 16", Longitude 82° 51' 46". Blasting will be done daily. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least ten (10) minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by company personnel.

Before each blast is detonated, the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of three (3) long sounds of an air horn or siren. One (1) minute prior to the blast, a series of three (3) short sounds of an air horn or siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) long sound of an air horn or siren. All warning and all-clear signals will be audible within one-half (1/2) mile from the point of the blast.

or public safety requires unscheduled detonation. Prior to these detonations, the following audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to blast, a one (1) minute series of three (3) long sounds of an air horn or siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast, a series of three (3) short sounds of an air horn or siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: One (1) long sound of an air horn or siren. Also prior to detonations in emergency situations, the permittee, using audible signals, shall notify all persons within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site. The all clear-signal(s) after blasting will be one (1) long sound of an air horn or siren. All warning and all-clear signals will be audible within one-half (1/2) mile from the point of the blast.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5423, Amendment No. 3

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located approximately 3.1 miles southeast of McDowell in Floyd County. The amendment will add 50.69 acres of surface disturbance and will

underlie an additional 40.43, all of which overlies permitted underground acreage, making a total area of 3,299.19 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area begins at the intersection of KY Route 1929's junction with Buckhorn Fork Road, and is located within Buckhorn Fork of Frasure Creek and also at the head of Frasure Creek.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, McKinley Osborne Estate, Pink Osborne Estate, Charles T. and Janet G. Vance, and Laura Caudill Estate. The amendment will underlie land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, McKinley Osborne Estate, Pink Osborne Estate, Charles T. and Janet G. Vance, and Laura Caudill Estate.

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.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application Number 836-0295 Amendment No. 1

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for an amendment to a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located at Craynor in Floyd County. The amendment proposes to add 74.08 acres and delete 2.52 acres of surface disturbance, and add 28.10 acres and delete 21.21 acres of auger

area for total of 288.28 acres within the total permit boundary. The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 mile southwest from KY 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 Ivallee McKinney. The operation will use the area, contour, and auger methods of surface mining. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, 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.

Walker Tackett et al., Robert or Marlene Howell, and Frank and Ivallee McKinney. The operation will use the area, contour, and auger methods of surface mining. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, 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.



EDWARD B. HATCHETT, JR.
AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

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Dana Mayton, Secretary, Revenue Cabinet
Honorable Paul Thompson, Floyd County Judge/Executive
Honorable John Blackburn, Floyd County Sheriff
Members of the Floyd County Fiscal Court

The enclosed report prepared by Berger & Ross, PLLC, Certified Public Accountants, presents the Floyd County Sheriff's Settlement - 2001 Taxes and 2001 Unmined Coal Taxes.

We engaged Berger & Ross, PLLC, to perform the financial audit of this statement. We worked closely with the firm during our report review process; Berger & Ross, PLLC, evaluated the Floyd County Sheriff's internal controls and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Respectfully submitted,
Ed Hatchett
Edward B. Hatchett, Jr.
Auditor of Public Accounts

Enclosure

The above transmittal letter accompanied the audit report presented to the fiscal court. KRS 43.090(2) requires that this letter be published in this newspaper. Copies of the complete audit report, including the accompanying financial statements and additional information, are available in the reports section of the Auditor of Public Accounts' website at www.kyauditor.net or upon request by contacting the Auditor of Public Accounts, 144 Capitol Annex, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

The following property will be offered at public sale at WORLDWIDE EQUIPMENT, HIGHWAY 1428 EAST, PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653, on 1/09/03, commencing at 10:45 a.m.:

2001 Kenworth W900L Tractor 1XKWDBOX81J877276

The property may be inspected by appointment prior to the sale at WORLDWIDE EQUIPMENT, HIGHWAY 1428 EAST, PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653.

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Friday, January 3, 2003

ROLLIN'

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

Don't be a hothead — leave the battery alone

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

At a safety class, the instructor told us that we could be electrocuted while jump-starting a car if we touched the battery terminals. I found this very difficult to believe, especially since I had touched both battery terminals at the same time many times before. I bet the instructor \$1,000 that I could walk out to the parking lot, touch the terminals on a car battery and live to take his cash. He declined dismissively (as if he was certain to be saving my life). Then a



co-worker, who happens to be a nuclear physicist, sided with the instructor, insisting that he had read accounts of people being electrocuted by a car battery. But then again, he thought car batteries were 24 volts. I know that car batteries can be dangerous because of the heat associated with a high-current short circuit and a chemical explosion, but do we really need to worry about a life-threatening shock from them? — Rob

RAY:

Well, I have tried — many times — to get my brother to electrocute himself on car batteries, but I've never had any success.

TOM:

He's always telling me, "Put one finger here and one finger there, and let me know if you feel anything." So THAT'S what you were up to!

RAY:

Well, based on my years of observation and, obviously, failure, I don't believe you can electrocute yourself by touching both terminals of a 12-volt car battery. Twelve volts just isn't enough electrical pressure to overcome the resistance of the human body. So, in my opinion, the instructor and the physicist are both wrong. And I'm surprised about the instructor.

TOM:

HOWEVER — and this is a big however — batteries are dangerous for other reasons. If you connect the two terminals together with a metal object, like a wrench, you'll short out the battery, melt the wrench and likely cause sparks to fly. Then you'll basically recreate the Hindenburg disaster in your driveway (note for younger readers: kaboom!).

RAY:

Plus, there are lots of other things under the hood that CAN hurt you. Power from the battery travels to the coil, where it is boosted to 50,000 volts or more and then sent to the spark plugs. And 50,000 volts is enough to give you a zap you won't soon forget.

TOM:

So while batteries (and things under the hood in general) need to be respected because of the power they transmit, we don't think that simply touching the battery terminals is enough to electrocute you. But don't try it at home, Rob (or anyone else). Remember, we're wrong a lot.

If you can't take the heat, get a lighter-color car

Dear Tom and Ray:

I desperately need your help. My dear husband of 40 years has given me the privilege of choosing a brand-new car. Everything was going so well, until it came to my choice of color. I chose an Accord EX in black with a gray leather interior. My husband flipped and said that the leather is too hot and the color is far too hot for our Southwest climate. Has anyone ever done a study of light vs. dark colors and heat? I agree that the black might be a smidgen hotter, but I think the leather will be just as cool. My husband also thinks I will look like a drug dealer, but with a license plate that reads "MOM 11." I don't think that will be a problem. The youngest of our 11 children is off to college soon, and I need your approval so I can get my black Accord EX! — Nancy

TOM:

Well, Nancy, first of all, congrats!

(See CLANK, page two)

TEST DRIVE by Greg Zyla



2002 Audi A4 Quattro MT6

This week, we test drive Audi's popular A4 Quattro MT6, which is powered by a 3.0-liter V-6 coupled to a six-speed manual transmission. Since its debut seven years ago, the A4 line has become a formidable competitor for cars like the BMW 3-series, Infiniti G-series, Lexus I300 and Mercedes-Benz C-Class.

The A4 is Audi's entry-level sport sedan, offering sexy looks and powerful engines. Audi's A4 is now larger than preceding models, and owners find more luxury built-in as standard fare. Currently, two models are available: the four-cylinder 1.8 Turbo or the 3.0 V-6. Our tester came

with the V-6 and a six-speed manual transmission. Both the 1.8T and the 3.0 are available with Audi's Quattro all-wheel-drive system, which our tester came equipped with. Also available is the new CVT automatic transmission, which eliminates many of the internal mechanicals of chain-driven automatics, resulting in better fuel efficiency and durability. However, we love the six-speed manual and its more controlling aspects when driving the open roads.

New to the A4 line, which carries over into 2003, are bigger overall dimensions — from more legroom in the back to a larger

wheelbase. Our A4 included the \$750 optional 17-inch sport alloy wheels and tires as part of a performance-handling package, making this A4 look sexy and sleek.

The new DOHC aluminum 3.0-liter (182 cubic-inch) V-6 puts out an impressive 220 horsepower and has 30 total valves in operation. The result is very good acceleration and passing abilities, and EPA numbers of 18 mpg city and 25 mpg highway. This engine redlines at 6,400 rpm and is smooth and powerful throughout the torque band. There are also standard four-wheel ABS disc

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Do these rear wheel bearings need to be pressed on the axle? If I delay the repair, will the defective bearing ruin the axle or other parts? Will the noise get louder? Does the rear axle use the oil from the differential for lubrication? Thanks. — Jack, via e-mail

A: Jack, get your Toyota fixed right away. A bad bearing

can go at any time, resulting in tremendous heat buildup and causing much damage to the axle. It also could lead to an accident. I've had friends who neglected to get a bearing fixed and actually broke the axle, damaged the wheel beyond repair, ruined the brakes and so on.

As for the bearing being pressed on, the answer is yes. There is a lock ring collar that comes with the bearing replacement pack, meaning it has to be pressed on. Also, the bearing is a sealed type of bearing, which means it does not receive the lubrication from the rear differ-

ential, nor does the axle. My own personal experience with sealed bearings are that they were packed in bearing grease prior to insertion, and because they are sealed they cannot receive lubrication from

the rear-end assembly in any manner via the axle. However, it may be different with the 1986 Toyota, so double check with your mechanic on this point. As for the bearing noise, it can get louder, but it may not.

Don't hesitate. Get it fixed as soon as possible by a certified mechanic (or yourself if you have the right tools) and happy motoring to you. You don't want to put off the repair and be driving along one day and see your

rear wheel pass you by!

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tions on getting that 11th brat out of the house. Good work!

RAY:

There have been studies on car colors, and here's what they've found. Black cars do get hotter than light-colored cars because the darker colors absorb heat rather than reflect it. So you can expect a black Accord to be a

little hotter inside than a white Accord.

TOM:

And while we don't know of any studies on this per se, in our experience leather seats do get a lot hotter than cloth or velour seats when exposed to the sun. In fact, on hot summer days, if you're wearing shorts, you might hear a

brief sizzle when you sit down. That would be the backs of your thighs browning.

RAY:

But if that's what you really want, Nancy, who cares how hot it gets? So you keep a towel in the car and toss it on the seat when it's really hot out. Or you wear long pants. Or you wear some asbestos

thigh flaps.

TOM:

After 40 years of marriage and 11 kids, you have an absolute right to get any car, in any color and with any kind of interior you want. And if your husband gives you any guff, remind him that there are going to be a lot of grandchildren's diapers that need changing.

RAY:

So you have our complete approval, Nancy. Enjoy your car. And the house. And having your refrigerator back ...

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brakes, which were flawless, and a full-size spare tire.

The A4 interior is well-done, featuring wood, leather and leatherette. The instrumentation is finished in red hues, and all controls, sans the too-low-mounted climate controls, are easy to activate. Luxury continues with standard features including a fine-working dual-zone climate control, all the powers, cruise, three-spoke leather-wrapped steering wheel, 12-way power front seats and a 150-watt sound system with six-disc in-dash CD changer. Also noteworthy is a novel selective locking system that allows unlocking one or all the doors using only the key inserted into

the driver's-side door lock. The key can also raise or lower the windows and even close the optional \$1,000 sunroof, which was included on our tester.

On the road, the A4's ride is level and stable. Its handling is superb with the Quattro All-Wheel Drive, respected by automotive journalists as a high-tech wonder that offers the finest traction control in all driving situations. The details may be explained further at the dealer, but ask anyone who owns a Quattro of any style, and they'll quickly admit to the car's spectacular performance.

Important numbers include a wheelbase of 104.3 inches (1.3-inches larger than 2001), gross

weight of 3,462 pounds, 16.6-gallon fuel tank and cargo capacity of 13.4 cubic feet. The A4's turning radius is 36.4 feet.

Additional options featured leather interior (\$1,320), Bose Premium Sound (\$650), a Premium Package (\$550), heated front and rear seats (recommended in cold climates, \$525), powerful Xenon High Intensity Headlamps (\$500) and destination (\$575). That brought the A4 Quattro MT6 from a base of \$32,090 to \$37,960.

It's hard not to recommend a quality car like the Audi A4 Quattro. We even got to drive it a bit in a snowstorm, and, as expected, our Audi was a pleasure and a safe car to drive.

Wheel

North America offering Chrysler's shift-it-yourself AutoStick automatic transmission.

But sporty drivers who don't mind using a clutch pedal, need not worry. A Getrag five-speed manual is available, too.

To be sure, the GT is a pricey PT with a starting manufacturer's suggested retail price, including destination charge, of \$23,005. This is nearly \$5,700 more than a 2003 base PT with more lowly, 150-horsepower engine.

And the test car, with options including aluminum wheels, topped out at nearly \$25,000.

Still, the newfound power — torque is 245 foot-pounds at 3,600 rpm with the turbo vs. 162 at 4,000 rpm without — is immediately noticeable and satisfying.

According to auto buff book estimates, the turbo powers the gangster-styled, compact PT from standstill to 60 miles an hour two to three seconds quicker than previous production PTs, which only had an aspirated engine.

Note that both turbo and naturally aspirated PT engines are four cylinders with 2.4 liters of displacement.

But Chrysler engineers did more than bolt an intercooled, high-output turbo onto the GT.

To help ensure durability, the GT's engine comes with new cylinder block, connecting rods, valves, crankshaft and new pistons cooled by racing-style oil jets. Maximum boost is 14 pounds, and engine compression ratio is down to 8.1:1.

Listen carefully as the turbo quickly spools up. The tester — with four-speed automatic with AutoStick — seemed to have no turbo whine, thanks to special acoustic dampeners on the intake system.

Pressing the accelerator, I found the GT quickly rushed off, but in a surprisingly smooth way, without noticeable turbo lag.

I merged easily into traffic and kept up with bigger vehicles with bigger engines, even on uphill highway runs. Gosh, was my GT tailgating that pickup in front of me? Guess so, since its driver suddenly was in a rage.

As expected, the turbo model isn't the most fuel-thrifty PT.

Specifically, the test GT with automatic transmission is rated by the federal government at 19 miles a gallon in city driving and 25 mpg on the highway if the premium gasoline is used.

In comparison, a base PT with manual transmission using regular unleaded is rated at 21 and 29 mpg, respectively.

The suspension, specially

tuned for the GT, and larger, 17-inch tires give a well-planted feel, even as the vehicle dodges obstacles in the road.

Still, the front-drive tester provided a pleasant, not harsh, ride, with road bumps felt mildly. There was road noise from the performance tires, however.

Traction control is standard on this powered-up model. So are antilock brakes.

Most folks don't seem to notice the minor appearance changes that differentiate the GT from other PTs.

For the record, the grille is lower to help accommodate the needs of the turbo intercooler, and front and rear fascias are body-color monotone.

Inside, Chrysler says the GT has performance front seats with increased lateral support and unique fabric. Using the manual lumbar support adjuster all the way on a 200-mile, nonstop trip, I found they were quite comfortable.

As in all PTs, all five riders sit up nicely from the floor, with legs able to extend down instead of outward as in traditional cars. Everyone has a decent view.

The pull-down center armrest for each front seat is appreciated.

But it takes a while to get used to the position of window buttons in the PTs. In the front seat, they're all congregated at the middle of the dashboard and in the back, they're clustered near the floor, at the back of the front center console.

The back seat is noteworthy as it accommodates both short and tall riders with ease.

Likewise, the back cargo area, with 19 cubic feet of space behind the rear seats, has commendable room, and closing the tailgate doesn't crush grocery bags because the roofline is high.

Keep in mind those rear seats are removable, too, to allow maximum cargo-carrying capacity of a sport utility-like 64.2 cubic feet.

Still, unlike some other small, five-door competitors like the Pontiac Vibe, Toyota Matrix and Suzuki Aerio, the PT is not available with all-wheel drive.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration gives the PT four out of five stars for driver and front-passenger protection in a full frontal crash test. This is for models with and without side airbags. The bags are optional on all but the 2003 PT Limited model.

In side crash testing, the PT with side airbags received four out of five stars for front-seat occupant protection and five out of five stars for rear-seat protec-

tion. The government does not report a side crash rating for PTs without side airbags.

The PT's rollover resistance rating is four out of five stars, according to NHTSA.

Though on the market for just two model years, the PT has been involved in a number of safety recalls, several in the past six months.

Most recently, the PT was recalled to address a possible fuel leak at the fuel pump mounting flange during a rollover crash. Some 345,436 vehicles built from October 1999 to June 2002 were in the recall, the government reported.

Another recall the same day in August 2002 of 97,779 vehicles came because a fuel supply line could be in contact with an air conditioning component. There was a possibility the fuel line would chafe and leak fuel, the government said.

Two months before, in June 2002, another 77,000 vehicles were recalled to check the right rear seat anchors used for child seats. NHTSA said some may not conform to standards.

Meantime, a November 2000 recall of 1.2 million Chrysler vehicles built from June 1999 to October 2000, including some PTs, was prompted by incomplete owner manual instructions on how to attach child seats, the NHTSA said.

Lastly, in September 2001, 43,000 vehicles built that summer were recalled because a software error could cause instrument gauges and lighting to malfunction, the NHTSA said.

Because the GT is a new model, Consumer Reports has no owner trouble reports. But non-turbo PTs have rated better than average in reliability and the PT is a recommended buy of the well-known consumer magazine.

Chrysler spokeswoman Beth Ann Bayus said GTs are 15 percent to 20 percent of orders.

She added the automaker looks to the new turbo model to help maintain overall PT sales in the 85,000 range annually. It's also expected to help boost sales among younger buyers, ages 25 to 35, she said.

Thus far, the median age of PT buyers has been 51 to 52 years of age, with about half of the buyers being women, Bayus said. About 75 percent are married, and some 40 percent are college graduates.

The competing 2003 Pontiac Vibe has a starting MSRP, including destination charge, of \$16,995, while the 2003 Toyota Matrix starts at \$15,155. The 2003 Suzuki Aerio starts at \$15,519.

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