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briefs

Photocopied prescription nets charges

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

SOUTH WILLIAM-SON - A Forest Hills man, Robert E. Marincil, 46, has been charged with falsely obtaining a controlled substance for allegedly copying a prescription blank and writing his own prescription.

According to court documents, Marincil was arrested on May 29 at the Appalachian

Regional Hospital Clinic Pharmacy at 3:30 p.m. after the pharmacy called and advised police that he had a forged prescription from D.H. Webb in Huntington, W.Va.

The arresting officer reported that after being his Miranda rights were read, Marincil admitted to copying another prescription blank and writing in a different pre-

Marincil is scheduled to be arraigned on June

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Reward offer leads to break in case, arrest

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

Member AP, KPA, NNA

PRESTONSBURG-For Martin man, placing an advertisement offering reward for the return of his stolen property paid off Monday afternoon when the man accused of the theft saw his case waived to the grand jury during Floyd District

On May 2, Martin business owner Taylor Harris placed an advertisement in The Floyd County Times offering a \$500 reward for the return of various fishing equipment stolen from his boat in late April.

Harris initially contacted the Floyd County Sheriff's Department

asked if there was anything else he

"He (Harris) asked me what else he could do and I told him he could put a reward in the paper," said Deputy Sheriff B.J. Caudill. "The ad for the reward lead a break in the case and then the arrest."

According to Caudill, Harris about his missing gear and then later received a phone call from a man named Thomas Gibson who said he had purchased various fishing equipment from 28-year-old Spradlin Branch resident Burnis Newsome at one of several flea market stands just off Route 680 at Eastern.

Gibson told police he had then sold the items to another, who had

(See ARREST, page three)



Burnis Newsome

Government seeks to move vote fraud case

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

PIKEVILLE Prosecutors, saying they may not be able to get convictions in Eastern Kentucky, want to move an election fraud case to Frankfort.

"The concern is that the defendants are so influential and well known in that area that the prospect for improper influence on prospective jurors is great," Assistant Attorney Kenneth R. Taylor in a document unsealed Tuesday.

Among nine people charged in the case were John Doug Hays, a former state senator and judicial candidate, and Ross Harris, a wealthy coal operator and attorney who has held or conducted fund-raisers for many candidates.

Taylor told Judge Karen Caldwell that he is seeking a new indictment in the case from a federal grand jury that's meeting Friday in Frankfort. If that grand jury issues indictments, the case would move from Pikeville to Frankfort.

Defense attorneys for Pike County residents now

(See TRIAL, page three)



photo by R.C. Wildlife Rehabilitation Refuge These three pups were left to die near the German Bridge area, but were discovered and nursed back to heatlh by local wildlife professionals who are currently searching for prospective and loving owners.

Abandoned pups discovered, rescued by wildlife workers

by KATHY PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

Even in the face of newly implemented laws against animal abuse, the age-old practice of abandoning animals continues.

Local wildlife professionals recently discovered three puppys left to die near a Floyd County camping area.

The pups were found dumped on the side of the road near Floyd County's German Bridge recreation area.

According to Robin Branham, of R.C.

Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation, the pups were "nearly starved to death and almost eat up with the mange." She says that, increasingly, small animals are being abandoned in this area.

"People are just dumping them out and leaving them to die, it's awful and it's wrong and it is against the law," Branham

The pups are currently being treated by the center for a malady of ailments and if

(See PUPS, page three)

Suspect accused of burglarizing storage facility

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE - A Pikeville man has been arrested and charged in relation to the burglary of several storage compartments at Pikeville Mini Storage.

Court documents show that Christopher Eugene Parsons, 19, was arrested on May 30 at 5:38 a.m. and charged with possession of burglary tools and receiving stolen property, after police located a crowbar "lying in plain view" in the back floor board of a vehicle

(See SUSPECT, page three)

KSP probing fight that sent one to hospital

Times Staff Report

SITKA - State police are investigating possible assault charges after an altercation between two Johnson County men that resulted in one being airlifted from the scene Sunday evening.

According to reports from Kentucky State

Police Post 9 in Pikeville, B. Branham, whom police have yet to fully identify, went to Lowell Fairchild's home at Sitka, at which time the two men became involved in a verbal disagreement.

Police said the dispute soon turned into a physical altercation at which time Branham fell into a nearby culvert. He was airlifted

(See FIGHT, page three)

Hatfields, McCoys to bury hatchet

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

PIKEVILLE — While hostilities between the Hatfields and McCoys ended long ago, no truce was ever officially signed.

That will change next week when descendants of the nation's most famous feuding families

gather in this Eastern Kentucky town to formally declare an end to the fighting and proclaim that they stand together against any

common foe to the United States. Reo Hatfield, the Waynesboro, Va., man who proposed the truce, said he wants to send a broader message to the world that when

national security is at risk,

Americans put their differences aside and stand united.

"We want the world to know that you can't come over to our country and attack us and it go unnoticed, even by the Hatfields and McCoys," he said.

The more than a century of

(See FEUD, page three)



Three counts of wanton endangerment first charges against Edgar Tackett, 58, of Betsy Layne, left, were referred to the grand jury on Monday.

Wal-Mart awards scholarships



Shane Allen



Henry Hicks

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

The Floyd County recipients of the 2003 Sam Walton Community Scholarship have been named. Shane Allen, of South Floyd High School, and Henry Hicks, of the Piarist School, are this year's scholarship winners. Both Allen and Hicks

plan to attend the University of Kentucky as incoming freshmen this fall. Allen, a member of his school's Beta Club, TAG program, Student Council, and 4-H program, is also Hal Rogers Scholar, a WYMT Mountain Student Achiever, and a Who's Who All-American

(See AWARDS, page nine)

Judge refers hit-and-run allegations to grand jury

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG

Although a Betsy Layne man accused of leaving the scene of an accident could not be tested for intoxication, the testifying

officer asserted that the fact that he left the scene warrants wanton endangerment charges.

Appearing for a preliminary hearing in Floyd District Court on Monday, Edgar Tackett, 58,

(See HIT-AND-RUN, page three)



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Odds & Ends

ARMAGH, Pa. -Although they aren't going to the prom, officials say these motorists need chaperones.

Following two tractor-trailer crashes in less than a week, state transportation officials have taken the unusual step of providing motorists with chaperones through complicated construcareas in western Pennsylvania.

Pittsburgh-based contractor Dick Corp., which is widening U.S. Route 22 from two to four lanes, will escort drivers through a 1 I/2-mile road project near East Wheatfield Township, about 50 miles east of Pittsburgh. The contractor is providing cars to lead all vehicles through the construction, officials said.

"These are extraordinary measures," Pennsylvania Department of Transportation spokesman Jim Struzzi said. "People need to understand they're traveling in a work zone. They have to take it upon themselves to slow down."

The road was shut down April 30 after being open for only five hours when a speeding tractor-trailer wrecked. Three days later, the road was closed again when another tractor-trailer's brakes failed and it slammed into a utility pole.

The construction is expected to be finished in a year.

■ RUSSELL — Even Hell's Angels are invited to this church service.

The Ashland Plaza Church of the Nazarene has invited area motorcyclists to this Sunday's service for Biker Sunday. The day includes a worship service, lunch and an afternoon procession through Russell and

member of the congregation and an event organizer.

The church also will give every biker a commemorative Tshirt, he said.

"It's just another way we can reach out to the community. So many people own motorcycles, and many of them don't attend church," said Rev. Rob Hale, pastor of the church.

Bikers are expected to start showing up around 10 a.m and sign up for any prayer requests before attending the service. Following lunch, the bikers will saddle up for a parade at 3 p.m.

"This is a way for us to minister to them. We want them to know the church cares for them," Hale said.

MOUNT PLEASANT, Mich. - Roy Bauman didn't think much of it when he gave two girls a ride home decades ago. But he has been married to one of them for the last 80 years.

Bauman, 102, met his wife Minerva, 96, when he gave her and a friend a ride into the small Kansas mining town where they

"I guess it was love at first sight, as far as I can see," Minerva Bauman said in a recent interview.

Roy Bauman already had a girlfriend at the time, but he said

Flatwoods, said Homer Rose, a he "started going with her (Minerva) the next Saturday

Minerva's mother made them wait about a year and a half, until her daughter turned 16, before the couple married on Oct. 5, 1922.

Minerva Bauman said people always ask the secret to their relationship lasting so long, but she can't explain why they've been happy so long.

"We've had our ups and downs, like everybody else has," she said. "I guess we never did fight. We talk it over instead of fighting."

The couple offers this advice for people getting married these

"Be honest with each other, that's the biggest thing,' Minerva Bauman said. And Roy Bauman added, "Don't do too much fighting - that'll ruin any marriage."

■ SANTA FE, N.M. — The Devil's Highway is no more.

The American Association of Highway State Transportation Officials has changed the number of U.S. 666 to U.S. 491, the New Mexico Highway and Transportation announced Department Monday.

(See ODDS, page six)

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, June 4, the 155th day of 2003. There are 210 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On June 4, 1942, the Battle of Midway began during World

On this date:

In 1812, the Louisiana Territory was renamed the Missouri Territory.

In 1878, Turkey turned Cyprus over to the British. In 1892, the Sierra Club was

incorporated in San Francisco. ■ In 1896, Henry Ford made a successful pre-dawn test run of his horseless carriage, called a 'quadricycle," through the streets of Detroit.

In 1940, the Allied military evacuation from Dunkirk, France, ended,

In 1944, the U.S. Fifth Army began liberating Rome during World War II.

In 1947, the House of Representatives overwhelmingly approved the Taft-Hartley

In 1954, French Premier Joseph Laniel and Vietnamese Premier Buu Loc initialed treaties in Paris according "complete independence" to Vietnam.

■ In 1986, Jonathan Jay Pollard, a former Navy intelligence analyst, pleaded guilty in Washington to spying for Israel. He is serving a life prison term.

■ In 1989, hundreds, possibly thousands of people died as Chinese army troops stormed Beijing to crush a pro-democracy movement.

Ten years ago:

The U.N. Security Council agreed to send up to 10,000 more U.N. peacekeepers to six Bosnian cities. Rejecting allegations she was a "quota queen," Lani Guinier expressed regret President Clinton had dropped her nomination to head the Justice Department's civil rights

Five years ago:

A federal judge sentenced Terry Nichols to life in prison for his role in the Oklahoma City bombing. Americans aboard the shuttle Discovery arrived at the Russian space station Mir to pick up up U.S. astronaut Andrew Thomas, who'd spent four months in

One year ago:

President Bush said the CIA and FBI had failed to communicate adequately before the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks; Congress began extraordinary closed-door hearings into intelligence lapses. A panel of U.S. Roman Catholic bishops called for a zero-tolerance policy against priests who molest children in the future and a twostrikes-you're-out policy for those guilty of past abuse. Japan ratified the Kyoto Protocol, aimed at cutting emissions of heat-trapping gases.

Today's Birthdays:

Former Sen. Howard Metzenbaum, D-Ohio, is 86. Opera singer Robert Merrill is 84. Actor Dennis Weaver is 79. Actor John Drew Barrymore is 71. Actor Bruce Dern is 67. Country singer Freddy Fender is 66. Musician Roger Ball is 59. Jazz musician Anthony Braxton is 58, Singer Gordon Waller (Peter and Gordon) is 58. Rock musician Danny Brown (The Fixx) is 52. Actor Parker Stevenson is 51. Actor Keith David is 47. Actress Julie Gholson is 45. Actor Eddie Velez is 45. Singer-musician El DeBarge is 42. Tennis player Andrea Jaeger is 38. Actor Scott Wolf is 35. Actor Noah Wyle is 32. Rock musician Stefan Lessard (The Dave Matthews Band) is 29. Comedian Horatio Sanz is 29. Actress Angelina Jolie is 28.

Thought for Today: "When you betray somebody

else, you also betray yourself." Isaac Bashevis Singer, Polishborn American Nobel Prize-winning author (1904-1991).

"Fitness and Fresh Air"

"In the woods is perpetual in Weddington Plaza at 9 a.m.) youth," said Ralph Waldo Emerson. Indeed, because so many health benefits can be gained by walking along wooded paths, the American Hiking Society has chosen "Healthy Trails, Healthy People" as the theme of the 11th annual National Trails Day.

Hikers and would-be hikers are invited to celebrate National Trails Day locally on Saturday June 7 with a short but informative hike along the Pine Mountain Trail. Phillip Meeks, co-owner of Trail Dog Outfitters in Pikeville, will be guiding a three-mile trek that will begin at the junction of US 23 and VA 667 at 10 a.m. (Those who wish to carpool or those who'd like to follow a group to the trailhead can meet at Trail Dog Outfitters In addition to introducing participants to Kentucky's newest state park, Phillip will teach hikers how to identify several species of trees and other plants and will discuss the health benefits associated with hiking. Such benefits, according to

the American Hiking Society, include Weight Loss. A 150pound person will burn 240 calories an hour by hiking at a 2mph pace. Heart Health. Hiking can

(See AIR, page eight)



Used cars to be sold for \$5.00*

Walters Automotive Group, Eastern Kentucky's largest volume new and used car dealer, just announced plans to hold a five-dollar used car and truck sales event on Saturday, June 7th, 2003.

Recent record sales no bidding. Its the perfrom the last few months have resulted in good quality used car at an overstock of trade-ins. According to the Walters family, sales have been at a tremendous rate. A spokesman for the family said, "Now we must reduce the number of our used cars and trucks to a more manageable level." During this five-dollar sale, cars and trucks will be sold for thousands below their original price. In fact, there will be cars that normally sell for five to eight thousand dollars sold for three to five thousand, "Our customers will find these prices even lower innovative approach to than at wholesale auctions." Auction bidding often inflates the true value of a car, so you pay more. Here, every car is on sale, first truck at a very low price,

come, first served, and

the lowest price possible, including cars family member, "There for only five dollars. The used vehicles from all Walters Dealerships will be on display at Walters Mazda-Mitsubishi, next to K-mart in Pikeville. At 9:00 a.m., all vehicles will be opened so the buyers may inspect the vehicle for one hour before the sale begins at 10:00 a.m. Whoever

wheel at 10:00 a.m., when the prices are posted on the windshield, will be given the first opportunity to purchase this vehicle at the sale price. This selling used vehicles will make it easy for anybody in the market for a good used vehicle to get a great car or

is sitting behind the

be represented to take fect opportunity to get a trade-ins during this sale." According to a will be six business managers who will help buyers arrange low-cost financing. We've got over 5 million dollars in inventory to choose from. Our total inventory will be close to 400 used cars and trucks. We want to remind everyone that this is a one-day only sale. When our inventory has been reduced, we will remove the sale prices and return to normal operations. Since we are a local business, we would like to give back community." The whole Walters family feels that they would rather allow local people to buy these overstocked vehicles than wholesale them at an auction.

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"Limited quantity of vehicles at this price. All vehicles subject to tax, title, tags and processing fee. This is an advertisement.

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Correction

Knott Co. man pleads guilty to election fraud,

Johnson had been indicted on

four counts of vote buying, one

count of making false statements

to the FBI, and two counts of

obstructing justice. Under the

agreement, he pleaded guilty to

one count of vote buying and one

U.S. District Judge David

count of obstructing justice.

was charged.

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE - A Knott County man pleaded guilty Monday to a federal election fraud

Under a plea agreement, Newton J. Johnson, 40, of Brinkley, will testify on behalf of prosecutors in a vote-buying case charge in U.S. District Court in in which Knott County Judge-

State expects to lose millions because of Tennessee lottery

by JOE BIESK ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky is expected to lose more than \$35 million in lottery proceeds - money that goes to fund scholarships - by 2006 because of the coming Tennessee lottery, officials told a legislative panel Tuesday.

Next year, officials predict, Kentucky could lose about \$4.2 million, followed by about \$12.6 million in 2005 and \$18.6 in 2006, officials said. To help close that gap. lawmakers could expand the Kentucky lottery to include new games such as Keno or video lottery terminals, Arch Gleason, president and CEO of the Kentucky Lottery, said.

"Unfortunately right now, it looks like we are going to take a pretty good hit from it," Gleason said.

Tennessee lawmakers last week passed legislation that would create a state lottery to fund college scholarships. Tennessee Gov. Phil Bredesen was expected to sign the legis-

It's expected that the state

While Kentucky won't

would sell its first tickets by

immediately feel the full

effects of Tennessee's lottery.

Kentucky lottery officials esti-

mate between 10 to 12 percent

of the state's yearly sales come

hurting from neighboring

states that have already, or are

considering, expanding gam-

bling, Gleason told a joint

Plus, lottery officials are

Many people still do not

know revenue from the state

lottery goes for education,

Gleason said. A 2002 market-

ing study found 63 percent of

former lottery players said they

would play again if the profits

went toward education,

While Gleason did not

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trying to offset an image prob-

Postsecondary Education.

Kentucky's lottery is also

from people in Tennessee.

early next year.

Subcommittee

Gleason said.

Bunning scheduled sentencing for Sept. 2. paid \$50 to a woman to vote for

Johnson told Bunning that he Newsome in the May 1998 Democratic primary election, and later asked her to tell a grand jury that she didn't remember the inci-

Executive Donnie Newsome also

Newsome defeated three-term incumbent Homer Sawyer in the race and won re-election last

Newsome, 52, and Willard Smith, 54, both of Hindman, and Keith Pigman, 45, of Garner, are charged with one count of conspiracy to pay voters to cast absentee ballots in the primary. They pleaded innocent.

Newsome, the first Kentucky elected official in at least five years to be indicted on vote-buying charges, also is charged in two counts of a six-count indictment with paying and aiding the paying of between \$50 and \$100 to two two counts of paying voters and aiding the payment of voters. The three men, who were

indicted in April, are scheduled for trial July 21 in U.S. District Court in Pikeville.

Six other men were indicted in March on federal charges that they paid people to vote in the same primary election. Five of the six also are charged with lying to the FBI about alleged vote-buying.

They were Ronnie Neal Slone, 55, and Brady Warren Slone, 57, both of Pippa Passes; Phillip Slone, 53, and Jimmy Calhoun, 33, both of Hindman; Patrick Wayne Madden, 45, of Littcarr, and Jimmy Lee Conley, 33, of Lackey. All six have entered innocent pleas.



At the time of printing, no photo of Prestonsburg High School graduate Jamie L Slone was available for the "Graduation 2003" section in the May 30 Floyd County Times. It is being reprinted



In "Graduation 2003", Betsy Layne High School graduate Joe Dustin Taylor was incorrectly identified as Joe Dustin

Suspect

that Parsons had been driving at the time of the incident, which allegedly occurred at 2:56 a.m.

Pikeville City Police Officer Phillip Reed reported that there were five cut pad locks lying in the floor of the vehicle and that Pikeville Mini Storage buildings had been broken into by having the locks cut off the doors.

After receiving consent to search Parsons' residence at Peachtree Apartments, police found items, which Parsons stated Donnie Epling stole from the

Continued from p1 storage facility.

The items, a box of antique glasses and a Sharp VCR, matched items stolen from the storage complex.

Parsons was later charged with first-degree burglary and theft by unlawful taking pursuant to a criminal complaint in which he was accused of taking over \$300 in household furniture belonging to David Scott from the storage facility.

A \$10,000 full cash bond was set after arraignment on May 30.

Feud

feuding between the McCoys of Kentucky and Hatfields of West Virginia is believed to have its origins in a dispute over a pig. A court battle over timber rights escalated the tension in the 1870s. By 1888, as many as a

dozen lives were lost.

For the past three years, descendants of the two families have put aside their differences for a lighthearted reunion in which they compete in games of softball and tug-of-war. At this year's reunion, slated for June 12-15, the families will sign the

The truce declares "an official end to all hostilities, implied, inferred and real between the families now and forevermore."

Reo Hatfield said the families.

■ Continued from p1 by signing the truce, will commit all the injuries and injustices from the feud to history, and that the Hatfields and McCoys stand united forever in support of the

United States.

"We decided it is important to our country that we do this," Reo Hatfield said. "We believe in the unity of our country and the love of our country, and we want to show that nobody is going to mess with America."

Bo McCoy of Waycross, Ga., said descendants of both families feel a kinship because of their common history.

"Even if there were any lingering tensions," he said, "I think they have been dealt with through our annual reunion."

Fight

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from the scene to Cabell-Huntington Hospital, where it was found he had suffered a number of injuries.

Medical response teams were able to conclude that Branham had suffered wounds to his stomach and back, but police have yet to conclude whether the injuries were sustained during the altercation or as a result of his fall.

Branham is listed in "good" condition at Cabell-Huntington.

The incident remains under investigation by Kentucky State

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Trial

under indictment claim that federal prosecutors want to move the case to central Kentucky because cultural bias against Appalachians will play in their favor.

Earl "Mickey" McGuire, a Prestonsburg attorney representing two of the defendants, said he opposes moving the case out of the mountain region.

"The government wants to move this case to a region that has a strong cultural bias against mountain people," McGuire said. "If you have a black defendant, you don't want him tried by an all white jury. We're talking about the same situation here."

Larry Webster, a Pikeville attorney representing another of the defendants, said each of the people charged in the case should be tried in the mountains to avoid prejudice against them.

Taylor said motions by defense attorneys suggest they will defend their clients by saying "everybody does it up here." Taylor said the defense attorneys hope that would play well in Pike County.

Taylor said he candidly admits intentionally making an allegation from Frankfort the lead count before the grand jury so that the trial could be held outside eastern

Kentucky. "The United States is concerned that it cannot receive a fair trial in this matter with a jury picked from the citizens of Pike and surrounding counties," he

Taylor said in the court document that the new indictment is expected to expand the conspiracy charges the defendants currently face. He said he also is presenting evidence of alleged mail fraud to

the grand jury. Caldwell had scheduled a hearing to consider whether defense attorneys in the case have conflicts of interest, as Taylor had alleged in a previous court document. Caldwell postponed that hearing until after the grand jury meets.

If the case is moved to Frankfort, a different judge may be assigned to preside over it. Caldwell said the judge assigned Continued from p1

hear arguments on pending motions, which is why she postponed Tuesday's hearing.

That hearing would have involved Taylor's claim that Harris hired attorneys for several co-defendants in the election fraud case to effectively prevent them from cooperating with prosecu-

Taylor said in a previous motion that Harris "has become somewhat of a political boss in the mountains of eastern Kentucky. He wields great power and influence by funding candidates of his choice in local elections."

Defense attorneys, Taylor said, may have a joint defense agreement, which could mean "the best interest of one man is being advanced at the expense of the

others." Harris has contributed to and helped conduct fund-raisers for many political candidates, including U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky.; Democratic gubernatorial candidate Ben Chandler; Gov. Paul Patton; state Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Drift; and Knott Judge-Executive Donnie Newsome, who recently was indicted on federal vote-fraud charges in a separate

Arrest

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sold them to another.

The case was difficult to track, Caudill said, but when the dust settled Newsome was arrested and charged with one felony count of theft by unlawful tak-

The end result of the investigation alleges that Newsome took a fish finder, a tackle box and fishing tackle and at least 10 rods and reels from Harris' boat while it sat outside his auto parts store in Martin. The total cost of the property, according to Caudill, rests at about \$1,800.

During District Court proceedings Monday morning, District Judge Eric Hall waived the case to a grand jury for further consideration.

Hit-and-run

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faces charges of driving on a DUI-suspended license, three counts of first-degree wanton endangerment, failure to render aid, leaving the scene of an accident and DUI/aggravating circumstances.

The charges stem from an April 14 incident in which Tackett is accused of pulling from a driveway and hitting a vehicle, slamming the auto into a telephone pole on Toler Creek. The three occupants were taken to Pikeville Methodist Hospital, where Thomas Gearheart, KVE, reported that one suffered open lacerations, while another sported a black eye.

Witnesses to the accident said to he case should be the one to that Tackett was driving the vehi-

cle and walked around for a short period of time before taking an alcoholic beverage bottle from the car and leaving. Gearheart stated that a records check showed that this would make Tackett's second driving on a DUI-suspended license charge.

as to whether tests were given to support the DUI allegations. which Gearheart conceded that he could not be located to test, but asserted that he knew the victims were hurt and that the still left. Gearheart stated that witnesses also said he was intoxicat-

Judge Eric Hall referred the case to a grand jury.

Ernestine Hall, daughter of Albert Junior and Hester Hall, of Hi Hat, and employed by Mary Hall, M.D., of McDowell, is not the same person as the Earnestine Hall listed under "Charges Filed" in the May 30 edition of The Floyd County





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Pups

you are interested in adoption, call either Branham or her associate, Cora Coleman.

"We aren't in the business of caring for domestic animals," Branham said, "but we just couldn't drive past these poor pups. This is a problem that has got to be stopped."

If you have information leading to the identification of those responsible for the abandonment of these, or other, animals, are

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urged to call the R.C. Wildlife Rehabilitation Center. For information about these

pups or other abused or abandoned animals, please call your local Sheriff's Department or local animal shelter. You may also contact R.C. Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation about injured wildlife at 874-1950 or 874-3793.

Tackett's attorney questioned

"He pulled out and hit someone and left the scene," said Gearheart in reference to regard for safety.



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— Henry David Thoreau

Worth Repeating ...

"I believe that the mind can

be permanently profaned by

the habit of attending to trival

things so that all our thoughts

shall be tinged with triviality."

Guest View

Forget SARS; obesity is epidemic in U.S.

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall. Humpty Dumpty grew round as a ball. And all of his doctors

And even his nurse

Couldn't spare Humpty a ride in the hearse.

In case you weren't following recent events, Humpty is fat and growing fatter. So is Mrs. Dumpty. Whereas 20 years ago 46 percent of Americans were overweight and 14 percent obese, today 65 percent weigh too much. A whopping please excuse that - 30.5 percent of us are obese, and nearly 5 percent severely so, carrying at least 100 pounds too much. Further proof that people are heftier: the Federal Aviation Administration recently ordered airlines to add 10 pounds to the weight of the average adult passenger and his carry-on when they calculate a plane's ability to get off the ground.

Americans' health is suffering as a result. A study published in the April New England Journal of Medicine found that obesity plays a much larger role in causing cancer than previously believed. The increased risk for people weighing 75 to 100 pounds above the recommended maximum is 30 percent. A few weeks ago the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released a study confirming that babies born to overweight moms are at significantly greater risk for heart and other abnormalities.

Nonetheless, the percentage of obesity-linked cancers and birth defects still remains small. This is not the case for several other diseases. Weight is a key factor, and in some cases the most important factor, in heart and arterial disease, arthritis, stroke and diabetes. The number of diabetics in America grew by 49 percent in the 1990s.

"If you can control your weight, then these problems will diminish," says Hla Phone, epidemiologist with the Peoria City-County (Ill.) Health Department. Echoing the words of Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson, Phone says obesity "is an epidemic" that deserves more attention than it gets.

Another recent Centers for Disease Control study says it is a costly one. Health care for the typical obese American costs \$732 more a year than for the typical American of normal weight. The nation's bill? Nearly \$93 billion last year, or about 9 percent of all medical expenditures. The financial burden now rivals that of smoking, said the authors, who urged employers to come up with incentives to encourage weight control.

That's a struggle, says Rebekah Bourland, marketing manager for the Central Illinois John Deere Health Care. While it is possible to offer health-insurance discounts to non-smokers, employers may run into legal problems if they try to do

(See VIEW, page six)



Put a candle in the window, or hold your breath

Something stinks in Prestonsburg. Actually, I'm sure that more than a couple people would agree that several things stink in Prestonsburg, but this one REALLY STINKS.

In the past week, at least in this fice, the hateful stench of sewer has floated unabashedly across our desktops, into our beloved breakroom and attached itself to our very clothing. The smell, apparently weary of restricting itself to the streets of Prestonsburg, has now decided to make itself very known in our

I suspect we're not alone in this. In the past week, when I haven't been busy taking on this horrible assault against my senses, I have been made to

watch my coworkers twist in misery, light one scented candle after another, curl their noses and hold their breath for dangerously long periods of time while city workers fight in vain to purge the fecal enemy from below.

But is this the true enemy? The question is, of course, rhetorical. The subterranean mass of stench and foulness beneath our city streets is natural. Better out than in, they say. It is the human condition, nothing more. The true culprits in this are those who have allowed the problem to

get this far. Sure, work is being done to correct the problem, but the city exists with a sewer system constructed through

efforts of the Works Progress Administration. This welfare program was started in early January ... of 1935.

Would city officials leave their own plumbing unattended for this long?

Again, rhetorical.

Our current administration is to blame, our past administrations are to blame and we are to blame.

We are to blame? You bet. The best way to get our city officials to do something is to ask them, repeatedly.

> We've complained and moaned around the water cooler but done little more in the way of challenging the status quo. We've been promised solutions during elections and watched hope dwindle after the polls closed. Still, we

> > generally accept that during the summer months or when it rains for more than 20 minutes, the world around us becomes soaked in an odor that is not only stomach-turning, but also an undeniable health hazard.

It might make things worse for a short while, but probably the best thing we can do for the future is stir things up a little now.

I can't imagine things could stink

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Enjoyed visit to newspaper

The members of Prestonsburg Tiger Cubs Pack 802 would like to thank all the nice people at The Floyd County Times for giving us a tour of the newspaper on May 22 as part of our "Go See It" activity. We appreciate the time you took to show us how the newspapers were made, and answering our questions about your business (even on a busy

Tiger Cubs use these and other activities to learn about the world around us, the way things work and how they are made. These lessons increase our knowledge, and give us an appreciation of the hard work involved in the things we use.

Special thanks to Mr. Ralph Davis for guiding the tour (you should get a patch for that), and to Kim Frasure for setting up the event. You were great hosts.

Tiger Cubs 802 Austin Bailey, Cory Conley, T.J. Hager, Logan Hall, Jordan Marcum, Chris Mullins (and Olivia), C.J. Ousley, Stratton Rorrer (and Tanner), and Leaders: Robert Conley, Gary Ousley and

Norm Marcum

Dog show to be held

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Riverview Healthcare will be hosting their first annual dog show on June 14.

Registration forms can be picked up in the business or

admissions office. The cost is \$2 per do.

We invite everyone to bring his or her dog for a day of fun. If you have any questions, please contact Becky Williams at 886-9178.

Becky Williams Riverview Healthcare



OLD-BOYS-GONE-WILD CLUB

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Health Extra

'Cornea 'fingerprint' aims for better laser eye surgery

by LAURAN NEERGAARD AP MEDICAL WRITER

WASHINGTON - Consider it an ocular fingerprint: A new generation of laser eye surgery is beginning that maps subtle irregularities in the cornea before it's zapped - in hopes of crisper vision and fewer side effects.

Just how much better this new "wavefront-guided LASIK" works isn't proven yet, but it's causing excitement among eye

The following is the second

in a series of three stories deal-

ing with suicide. Next week, the

series concludes with a look at

the problem of suicide among

Graduation season is a time of

year when many young people

experience the greatest pres-

sures from academic perfor-

mance to young romance. These

added stressors may lead to

depression and ultimately sui-

cide, the second leading cause of

death in Kentucky for young

people, ages 15-24, according to

information gathered by the

Kentucky Department of Public

Health. This statistic is the same

that affect young people during

this time of year, especially

those in high school and college,

suicide from an inability to cope

with the pressures of academic

and social expectations;

to improve grades is gone;

There are specific risk factors

■ Increased thoughts about

Anxiety due to realization that the year is ending and time

Additional pressures with

finals, papers due, and more

studying resulting in increased

coffee consumption, ampheta-

mine use, alcohol overindul-

gence, and decreased sleep;

for Kentuckians ages 25-34.

the elderly.

FRANKFORT

surgeons who say the threedimensional maps let them customize treatment in a way never before possible.

Still, it comes with an important consumer warning: This new surgery isn't risk-free, making it crucial to undergo proper exams to determine if you're a good candidate.

That includes a key measurement to be sure your cornea's thick enough to withstand zapping - wavefront-guided LASIK

Suicide is second leading cause of

death for young people in Kentucky

employment or senior job panic

related to lack of career opportu-

nities and worries about

Separation anxiety for cou-

ples who will be apart during the

Mountain

Comprehensive Care

operates a crisis botline

serving Floyd, Johnson,

Magoffin, Martin and

Pike counties. The num-

ber is 800-422-1060.

Depression over leaving

Concern about returning

"These feelings do not dis-

friends once the school year is

home after having lived inde-

criminate; they affect boys and

girls, who come from all races,

cultures, and economic back-

grounds," said Bruce Scott,

director of the state's Mental

Health Division. "Families often

don't recognize signs and symp-

pendently for the past year.

finished; and

Panic about summer

more tissue than regular LASIK

"This is a significant development that will allow us to have better outcomes than we have had in the past," says Dr. Doyle Stulting of Emory University, who oversees laser developments for the American Society for Cataract and Refractive

But consumers must understand "there is never a 100 per-

toms of possible depressive

problems shown in their chil-

dren and, consequently miss the

chance to addressing this issue

that may lead to teen suicide are:

Some of the warning signs

Abrupt changes in person-

Giving away possessions;

■ Use of drugs and/or alco-

Change in eating or sleep

patterns with a significant

weight change - loss or gain,

insomnia, or excessive sleeping;

■ Talk of wanting to die;

and/or personal appearance; and

people or activities.

■ Neglect of academic work

■ Withdrawal from favorite

"Suicide is a serious public

issue

Kentuckians, especially teens.

We are currently working to

address this growing problem

with the formation of the

Kentucky Suicide Prevention

Planning Group," said Scott.

The group consists of over 50

diverse members from across

the state, who are working to

increase public awareness, iden-

tify and coordinate resources,

provide training, and evaluate

the impact of the group's efforts.

Prevention Planning Group, contact Barbara Kaminer at

Kentucky

For more information about

suicide

among

Suicide

Previous

before it's too late."

attempt(s);

hol;

health

perfect result," cautions Dr. Douglas Koch of Baylor College of Medicine, who helped test a wavefront system developed by Visx Inc.

a million LASIK procedures a year, mostly to correct nearsightedness. Doctors use a laser to zap away tissue from the cornea, reshaping it for sharper sight.

before.

LASIK can't help the dry-eye problem, but the hope is that it will lessen other side effects and perhaps help salvage vision in patients harmed by earlier

adds a measurement of more subtle corneal distortions, called higher-order aberrations. Based on technology that helps astronomers see twinkling stars more clearly, they send waves of light into the eye and measure how they bounce back, forming a 3-D map of each person's unique

blur fine detail enough that someone whose quantity of vision measures a perfect 20/20 on an eye chart still has trouble driving, especially at night. LASIK itself can cause or worsen those distortions, essentially leaving a little ridge where the laser treatment ends.

before surgery allows doctors to adjust, shaving off a little more

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Americans undergo more than

The vast majority of patients get better vision. But a small proportion - nobody knows just how many - suffer side effects, such as glare and other night-vision trouble, and painfully dry eyes. Some people can't see as well even with glasses or contact lenses after LASIK as they could

The new wavefront-guided conventional LASIK.

Regular LASIK is based on the person's glasses prescription.

Wavefront-guided LASIK wave patterns.

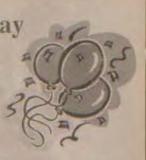
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But seeing the aberrations

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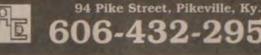
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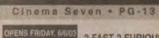
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Good Luck! Always follow your dreams.

We're so proud of you!

> Love. Mom and Dad



Trish Robinson

502/564-7610 or barbara.kaminer@mail.state.ky.us For more information about suicide and its warning signs, www.suicidology.org http://www.suicidology.org, http://www.yellowribbon.org/W arningSigns.html, http://dmhmrs.chr.state.ky.us/m h/suicideprevention/.

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Obituaries

Cornealis Ousley

Cornealis Ousley, 67, of Martin, died Sunday, June 1, 2003, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center at Prestonsburg.

Born August 4, 1935, in Risner, he was the son of Rosie Campbell Ousley of Martin, and the late Oscar Ousley. He was a retired coal miner; and a member of U.M.W.A. Local Union 1741 at Wayland.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Emma Johnson Ousley.

Other survivors include three sons, Donnie Ousley and David Randell Ousley, both of Prestonsburg, and Danny Ousley of Martin; one daughter, Phyllis Gamel of Prestonsburg; four brothers, Miley Ousley of Warsaw, Indiana, and Delano Ousley, Beecher Ousley, and Dormal Ousley, all of Martin; three sisters, Mavis Hicks of Eastern, Alma Jean Kost of Cleveland, Ohio, and Bonnie Condors of Winchester; five grandchildren. Rachael. LaDonna, David Lee, Shawn and Danielle; and four great-Austin. grandchildren, Savannah, Chase and Abigail.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, June 4, at 1 p.m., at Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin, with Rev. Jerry Manns and others officiating.

Burial will be in the Johnson-Hubbard Cemetery, Spurlock Road, Prestonsburg, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral

Active pallbearers: David Lee Ousley, Shawn Ousley, Blackburn, Clyde Shepherd, Oscar Wallenm, Harmon Johnson and Matt Floyd,

shown our family.

(Paid obituary)

Card of Thanks

The family of Bee Baldridge wishes to sincerely thank all those who

shared in the sorrow we felt with the loss of our loved one. We greatly

appreciated the many expressions of sympathy, which included cards,

flowers, food, prayers, and kind words. We offer a special thank-you to

Clergymen Sterlin Bolen and Mitchell Shepherd, for their comforting

words, the Ball Branch Regular Baptist Church for opening their doors

and hearts to our family, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in

traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and profes-

sional care. We will always remember the kindness each of you has

THE FAMILY OF BEE BALDRIDGE

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Card of Thanks

The family of Jerry Harold Ousley would like to extend

their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors, and loved

ones, who helped to comfort us during our time of sorrow.

Thank-you to all those who sent flowers, or just spoke kind

words. All your acts of kindness will never be forgotten. We

would like to send a special thanks to the Regular Baptist

ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's

Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the

THE FAMILY OF JERRY HAROLD OUSLEY

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Card of Thanks

The family of Tina Hamilton wishes to gratefully

acknowledge the kindness of friends, relatives, and neigh-

bors in the loss of our loved one. Thanks to all who sent

food, flowers, prayers, or spoke comforting words. We

greatly appreciate you all. A special thanks to Pastor Edgar

McKinney for his comforting words, the Sheriff's

Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the

Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service.

THE FAMILY OF TINA HAMILTON

Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

Denver Spurlock

Denver Spurlock, 61, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, June 2, 2003, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center emergency room in Prestonsburg.

Born February 18, 1942, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Frank and Ruth Johnson Spurlock. He was a disabled coal miner, a former deputy sheriff, and a U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors include his best friend, Darlena Wright; two daughters, Crystal Akers of Allen and Melissa Rodger of Prestonsburg; six brothers, Spurlock, Spurlock, and A.C. Spurlock, all of Columbus, Ohio, Charles Spurlock of Prestonsburg, Woodrow Spurlock and Marvin Spurlock, both of Allen, and Arnold Spurlock of Kilbuck. Ohio; two sisters, Ethel Mae Spurlock of Millersburg, Ohio; and Juanita (Edith) Humble of Allen; two grandsons, Kobe Alan Akers and Braden Seth Howell; and ex-wife, Janice Sue Conn of Printer.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sons, Stevie Dwayne Spurlock and Brian Douglas Spurlock; a brother. Kenneth Ray Spurlock; and a sister, Bonnie Sue Roberts.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, June 5, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Halbert Memorial Park. Cemetery (Mouth of Spurlock), at Printer, under the direction Nelson-Frazier Funeral

Visitation is at the funeral

(Paid obituary)

Loretta (Hall) Hardy

Loretta (Hall) Hardy, age 63, of New London, Ohio, died Sunday, June 1, 2003, at her home, following an extended ill-

She was born February 5, 1940, in Honaker, the daughter of the late A.B. and Nora (Stumbo) Hall, She had lived in the New London area since the early 1950s and was a 1958 graduate of New London High

She was a former dental assistant for Dr. Taylor in Norwalk, and had worked 24 years at Thomas Creative Apparel in New London, as a service representative.

She is survived by a son, Mark (Christy) Hardy of New London; a grandson; six sisters, Ivellea Risner, Magalene Hall and Melva (Eldon) Anderson, all of New London, and Irene (John W.) Brown of Ashland, Betty Jo (Ray) Pettit of Elvria, and Inez Gasser of Waco, Texas; and two sisters-in-law, Marylin Hall of Ocala, Florida, and Vernice Hall of New London.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Theodore Hardy, February 11, 1982, and brothers, R.J. Hall in 1987, and Clyde Hall in 1976.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, June 5, at the Eastman Funeral Home, 200 W. Main St., New London, with Rev. Daniel Bogre, pastor of the Fitchville United Methodist Church officiating, and burial will follow in Ashland County

Memorials, if desired, may be made to the American Cancer Society, Northeast Ohio Region-Western Area, Lorain Area Office, 43099 N. Ridge Rd., Elyria, Ohio 44035.

Visitation is at the funeral (Paid obituary)

Agnes Newsome

Agnes Newsome, 82. of Weeksbury, died Sunday, June

1, 2003, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born September 13, 1920, at Weeksbury, she was the daughter of the late Dee and Susan Bryant Mullins. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Newsome.

Survivors include five sons, Newsome, Doug Newsome, Daryl Newsome, and Tommy Dean Newsome, all of Weeksbury, and Buddy Newsome of Georgia; 11 grandchildren, and 20 greatgrandchildren.

In addition to her husband, and parents, she was preceded in death by one son, Lonnie Gene Newsome; four brothers, Milford Mullins, Romey Mullins, Virgil Mullins, and Shorty Mullins; and two sisters, Mary McCloud and Cloye

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, June 4, at 11 a.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, with three states applied for a name Johnson officiating.

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

Visitation is at the church with 7 p.m. services nightly.

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We, the family of Eddie Rowe, would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. We appreciate all the flowers, food, and any kindness that you may have shown to our family. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church for all the kindness shown to our family, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home of Martin, Ky., for the wonderful job, and as always, the professional, courteous service.

THE FAMILY OF EDDIE ROWE

Lucy Setser

Lucy Setser, 98, of East Point, passed away, Saturday, May 31, 2003, at the Mountain Manor Nursing Home at Paintsville, following an extended illness.

She was born August 31, 1904, at Edgar, a daughter of the late William Jackson and Mary (Burchell) Setser. She was a member of the United Baptist Church.

She is survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 3, at 11 a.m., at the Burke Funeral Home, Prestonsburg, with Brother Bruce Howard officiat-

Burial followed in the Government Relocation Cemetery, on Auxier Road, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Burke Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral (Paid obituary)

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University, who helped test Alcon Laboratories' system.

The Food Drug Administration recently approved both Alcon and Visx's wavefront-guided LASIK systems after studies showed about 80 percent of patients treated saw 20/20 without glasses. It adds \$350 to \$1,000 to LASIK's \$1,000- to \$2,000-per-eye cost.

"It is life-altering," says Beth Matthews of Gulfport, Miss., who had the surgery two weeks ago. "Can you tell I'm giddy?"

Her longtime eye doctor wouldn't let her have regular LASIK. Matthews had so many higher-order aberrations that, even with strong contact lenses, she squinted at road signs and could barely see at night through the glare, After wavefront-guided surgery, her vision measures a crisp 20/16 - better than perfect, with no glare or

wavefront-guided LASIK still causes new aberrations, just fewer of them, cautions FDA's Everette Beers.

And it doesn't eliminate the need for careful screening - not everyone's a candidate, adds Ron Link, who runs a Web site, www.surgicaleyes.com, for LASIK-injured patients.

Take David Dutton of Canada. He can barely see out of his left eye at night after wavefront-guided LASIK November, and suffers dry eyes so painful he must insert eyedrops in the middle of the night.

Dutton, a teacher in British Columbia, now knows he wasn't a good candidate for any type of LASIK. His corneas were so thin originally that surgery left less than the required 250 microns of thickness needed for good vision.

Check the latest LASIK guidelines at www.eyesurgeryeducation.org - and check out the surgeon's track record.

"So much of the outcome has to do with patient selection ... and physician experience and competence," says FDA's Beers.

Odds

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Transportation officials from Rev. Louis Ferrari and Vernon change to the highway, which runs 194 miles from Gallup north through southwestern Colorado west to and Monticello, Utah.

In the Bible, the Book of Revelations says 666 is the "number of the beast," usually interpreted as Satan or the Antichrist, and the highway was often called "the Devil's Highway."

"I'm pleased after years of controversy, this issue which has plagued ... northwestern New Mexico has finally been resolved," Gov. Bill Richardson said in a statement Monday.

Highway and Transportation Secretary Rhonda Faught had said earlier this year that the number's "negative connotation" was one officials didn't want associated with the state because it discouraged tourism and area economic development.

the same for thin people. Federal disability law prohibits discrimination against the obese, while state law says insurers can't penalize people for a medical condition. Then there is the issue of privacy; no employer wants to monitor calories.

"It's a very tender issue," she says. "I don't know any carrier that has anything in place." Yet that could change, given what obesity is doing to the nation's health bill. Bourland said John Deere has been talking about incentives to minimize the demand for gastric bypasses, a costly surgery wholly driven by obesity and growing in number.

Caterpillar Inc. gets around the legal concerns with a program it calls Healthy Balance. Employees who participate - and 93 percent of those who are eligible do, says spokeswoman Lori Porter - pay less for health insurance than do non-participants. The program helps them identify health risk factors they can control, such as obesity, and methods for doing so, such as diet and exercise. Periodic selfassessments can spot slip-ups.

Porter says that while there are no conclusive findings about the six-year-old program, weight levels have remained flat at the same time most Americans have gotten heftier. There is some evidence, she says, that participants are exercising more. In the works is increased assistance to those at risk of diabetes, and that includes people who are overweight.

Sometimes being healthy is incentive enough. Choice Point Precision Marketing is among a small number of companies that offer their employees a chance to participate in Weight Watchers at Work. The programming is fairly standard - nutritional information, diet, weighins and peer motivation - but the location encourages participation. "It's definitely becoming

part of the corporate structure,'

says Nancy Besas, Weight

Watchers public relations man-

ager for the central United

Meanwhile, Congress is looking at allowing businesses to deduct employee health-club membership dues from their taxes. At a recent hearing, members of the Senate Committee on Aging discussed how Medicare might encourage recipients to eat better, stay slim and exercise more. Spending on chronic illnesses accounts for a substantial portion of Medicare costs.

Obviously, the obesity epidemic has the nation unprepared, and that goes for those who pay its health bills as well as those who eat too many brownies. As for Humpty Dumpty, he may have met a happier fate if he'd spent fewer hours sitting on that wall and more time pumping a bicycle.

- The Peoria (Ill.) Journal

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The family of Sophie I. Lands wishes to thank all of those who were so kind and considerate during our time of grief. We want to thank those who sent flowers, gifts of love, or just spoke kind words. We deeply appreciate you all. A special thanks to Ronnie Samons for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service. The TOM of the TOM I TOM I TOWN TOWN

THE FAMILY OF SOPHIE I. LANDS

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The family of Arvle Spears would like to thank everyone who sent food, flowers, cards, or sat with us in our time of sorrow. We appreciate the kindness shown to us by the staff at HRMC and McDowell ARH. We thank Respond Ambulance, Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, all the ministers, and the Floyd County Sheriff's office for their kindness.

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The family of Bill Hackworth wishes to thank all those, who supported him and us, during his illness. The countless prayers of many, even those who may not have known him well, enabled him to stay with us as long as he did. For that we are truly thankful.

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THE FAMILY OF BILL HACKWORTH



Doctor gets lighter sentence after prosecutors cite cooperation

federal judge has cut in half the prison sentence due to a physician convicted on prescription drug charges, after Dr. Steven Snyder gave information that led to the convictions of four other doctors.

Snyder, 52, of Louisville, was sentenced to 35 months in prison on Monday after Assistant U.S. Attorney Patrick Molloy told Judge Henry Wilhoit that Snyder had been "open and candid" in providing investigators with information about the flow of prescription pills from a South Shore medical clinic in 1999 and 2000.

Snyder would have been sentenced to 70 months, according to federal sentencing guide-

"That was our initial break in a case that really focused on Dr. David Procter," the owner of the Greenup County medical clinic where all the doctors had practiced, Molloy told Wilhoit.

Snyder and his then-wife, Jodee Bowles Snyder, said they were both drug addicts when he arrived at Procter's clinic in



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ASHLAND, Ky. (AP) - A February 1999, Procter later fired Snyder.

> Snyder pleaded guilty in April 2001 to one count of conspiring to fraudulently obtain controlled substances and to one count of illegally distributing narcotics. He also pleaded guilty to three firearms counts.

> Snyder told Wilhoit on Monday he was thankful for the judicial system, which had probably saved his life. He also apologized to his former patients in eastern Kentucky.

"I would change it if I could," he said.

The judge appeared sympa-

"I don't know what it is about South Shore, Kentucky," said Wilhoit, that has attracted the kind of doctors who prey on drug addicts. "I'm certain you've slowed it down, especially in South Shore."

Snyder was one of the first of about 15 physicians hired to work temporarily at Procter's South Shore clinic after November 1998 when Procter claimed a head injury in an auto accident left him unable to practice medicine.

Snyder had been scheduled to testify against Procter in U.S.

District Court in April before Procter struck a plea-agreement with prosecutors. Procter is scheduled to be sentenced by Wilhoit on Aug. 18.



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Lawmakers question backlog in background checks for airport screeners

by JIM ABRAMS ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON - Lawmakers asked Tuesday why the Transportation Security Administration has yet to complete background checks on half the 55,000 federal workers screening passengers and bags at the nation's airports.

They also noted that several airports have discovered screeners with criminal backgrounds.

"These reports are, to say the least, very disturbing," said Rep. Hal Rogers, R-Kv., chairman of the House Appropriations homeland security subcommittee.

The TSA administrator, retired Coast Guard Adm. James Loy, rejected the idea that the hiring process has serious problems. "This is a very, very thorough effort that we undertook," Loy told the panel. Charges of disarray "are simply not true."

After the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks, Congress ordered the government to take over screening duties from private companies at more than 400 airports. It gave the TSA a Nov. 19, 2002, deadline for putting the passenger screening force in place, and a deadline of Dec. 31, 2002, for screening all checked bags. Both deadlines were met.

Loy said the TSA received more than 1.7 million applicants and interviewed around 340,000 people over a 10-month period. based criminal history records private company, ChoicePoint, checks credit, criminal and employment histories. The federal Office of Personnel Management then carries out a given to workers receiving secret clearances.

Loy said the agency has fired 1,208 screeners, almost half for providing false information on applications, others on revelations of drug or other felony

"One mistake or one unsavory character and you have one huge, potentially fatal circumstance on your hands," Rep.

But Loy said almost every screener has undergone the FBI background inquiry ChoicePoint's first phase investigation, which includes credit

(See CHECKS, page ten)

Stephen

The FBI conducts a fingerprintcheck on each applicant, and a final investigation similar to that

OPM's The Benowitz said of 55,000 screeners already employed at airports, the OPM still is working on more than 12,000 cases and has yet to receive completed documents for another 17,500.

convictions or other crimes.

Rogers said.

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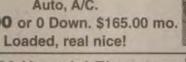
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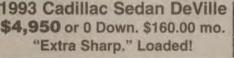
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FREE BODY RECALL CLASSES

Free Body Recall Exercise Classes will be held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30, at the Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, at 11 a.m. at the old R & S Building. Classes are offered by the Floyd County Health Department. Call the health department, 886-2788, for more information.

MEN'S HEALTH DAY

To be hosted by the Floyd County Health Dept. on June 11. All men encouraged to come out and have the following checks: Blood pressure, cholesterols, PSA test, and others. Call 886-2788 for an appointment.

GOSPEL SINGING

Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church will hold a gospel sing on Saturday, June 7, at 6 p.m. Special group is Palmer Slone and family, and church singers will sing also. Come and have a good time in the name of the Lord.

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free and open to all. Call 886-2788 for more information.

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DRUG USE

Program on illegal drug use and prevention to be held on Thursday, June 5, at 10 a.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville.

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. For more info., call Johnson County Extension Service at 789-8108.

PIKEVILLE ARMY RESERVE REUNION

A reunion of the Pikeville Army Reserve Unit will be held on June 14, at 4 p.m., at the Volunteer Fire Department. Meal will be served at 5 p.m. The meal will be catered and must be paid for in advance. Contact Ellis Osborne at 478-5151 for more information. You may also write to: Ellis Osborne, 739 Akers Branch, Banner, Ky.

WILDFIRE PREVENTION PROGRAM

To be held on Saturday, June 7, from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m., at the Prestonsburg Community College Pike Technology Bldg., Room 203. Free breakfast and lunch. Register by calling 1-866-463-6486 (toll-free), or online at: www.itminfo.com/wildfire. Teachers: Participants receive 6 hours of technology professional development credit.

'FIREWISE' COMMUNITY WORKSHOP

This free, one-day workshop geared to helping community members learn how to reduce fires in their areas will take place on June 11, at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. You do NOT need to be a fire professional in order to attend. Call 1-800-325-0142 to register. Deadline to register is May 10.

FLEMING-STAMBAUGH REUNION

Descendants of a.m., at the Clintwood Elementary School. Bring family photos, keepsakes, handcrafts, instruments, food and drinks. For more info., call Karen Adams at 276-926-8414 or email: kadams@robertfleming.org. You may also contact

June 26, at 1 p.m. Meeting is Annette Damron at 606-832-4951, or email annetted@tgtel.com.

MILITARY SALUTE SERVICE

To be held on June 8, at 2 p.m., at the Bays Branch Cemetery, Bays Branch/Dickie Town Road. Presented by the Sons of Confederate Veterans, Pvt. William Ripley Hall Jr., Company C, Tenth KY Calvary, Confederate States Army. Friends and family cordially invited. Contact Atlas Hall at 889-9827 for more information.

BLHS CLASS REUNION

The Betsy Layne High School classes of the 30's, 40's, 50's and 60's will hold a reunion on Saturday, June 28, at 12 p.m. Call Marvin Williamson at 478-3310 for more information.

KY JR. HOME RUN DERBY

To be held on June 21, beginning at 9 a.m., at Stumbo Park, in Allen. For girls and boys ages 9-10, 11-12, and 13-14. Free registration to be held at Century 21 American Way Realty office until June 16. Office is located on Arnold Avenue, Prestonsburg. Call 886-9100 for more information.

RED LIGHT DINER CAR WASHES

The Red Light Diner will be happy to help host your organization's car wash fundraiser. The Diner will furnish water, plus a dozen hot dogs and drinks for your busy crew. Each group must supply their own soap, sponges, buckets and people to do the work. The Red Light Diner will not be responsible for damage to vehicles or accidents involving people. Call 886-2786 or 886-9117 for more

NICKELS-ELAM REUNION

The Nickels-Elam Family Reunion will be held on Sunday, June 8, at the Twin Springs High School near Nickelsville, Va., in Scott County. Descendents of James Nickels Sr. and Robert Elam Sr., as well as friends of the family, are welcome to Fleming and Elizabeth attend. Registration will begin Stambaugh will hold a reunion at 10 a.m. Bring a picnic lunch on June 21, beginning at 10 to share at the noon meal and drinks for your family. For more info., contact Edwin E. Nickels, at 423-323-2009 or email to: ednickels@aol.com.

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reduce some types of backache. For more information on the June 7th hike, on the American Hiking Society or on National Trails Day events, please contact Trail Dog Outfitters at (606) 437-6717 or at

pmeeks@peoplepc.com.

15, beginning at 10:30 a.m., at the Sardis Association Building on Brushy Creek (formerly Brushy Elementary School). Bring covered dish for luncheon meal that will be served at 12:30 p.m. For more info., contact Betty Howard at 432-1601; Bertha Blackburn at 631-1005; Donna Taylor Morrison at 631-1763; or Marquietta Deskins at 631-1811.

4-H SPRING NEWS

4-H Summer Camp will be held at Feltner 4-H Camp on July 21-25. Applications can be obtained by calling Floyd County Co-op Ext. Office at 886-2668. Registration deadline is July 1.

4-H Shooting Sports - All interested in the 2003 Shooting Sports Educational program should call 886-2668. Must be between 9-18 years of age. Disciplines include: .22 rifles, archery, and Trap (.20 and .12

ATTN: HOME GARDENERS

The Floyd County Farmer's Market is looking for home gardeners who grow fruits and vegetables to participate in the Floyd County Farmer's Market. This year's demand is anticipated to be even greater than last year's, so we need lots of participants! This is an excellent opportunity for local gardeners to make extra money. There is no participation fee involved. For more info., call Ray Tackett at 886-2668.

T-GIFT AWARDS BANQUET

Banquet will be held Friday, June 6, at 6 p.m., at May Lodge. Noted authors, David and Lalie Dick, to speak. Also, "Silent Auction" will be held. For ticket info., call 886-2513 or 886-

FAITH FREEWILL CAR WASHES

The Sunday School classes of the Faith Freewill Baptist Church will hold car washes on June 7, July 19, and August 9. Car will be washed for donation only. Car washes will be held at Advance Auto Parts. call 889-9403 or 358-9209.

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN'

The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.



NOTICE

Bertha Wright of Emma, her name was in the Friday Edition of the Floyd County Times - May 30th. She was trying to collect an outstanding debt, from another party. The matter has been taken care of.

HALL REUNION

JESSE HALL, ANTHONY HALL, AND MASIAS HALL REUNION Saturday, June 7, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. Fish Pond Lake in Letcher County on Rt. 15. Bring own food and drinks. For more info, call Mike Hall-452-2440

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Area residents caring for a family member suffering from Alzheimer's Disease now have access to needed information 24 hours a day, seven days a week from the Alzheimer's Association Greater Kentucky and Southern Indiana Chapter. Those calling the Chapter's toll free number, 1-800-272-3900, will reach a live person whatever time or day they call. "To offer families in our communities the most up-to-date information through the latest in technology is a wonderful opportunity." said Tonya Tincher, vice president of programs and education at the

Greater Kentucky Southern Indiana Chapter.

During business hours, callers throughout the Greater Kentucky and Southern Indiana Chapter's 125-county service territory are routed to the nearest regional office for support. After hours and on the weekends, callers are routed to the Alzheimer's Association's National Contact Center for immediate assistance and staff at the Chapter's Kentucky and Southern Indiana offices follow-up with these callers on the next business day. The system enhances the Chapter's ability to provide information and assistance to the more than 74,000 family caregivers residing in its service territory.

In addition to the expanded hours of service, the Chapter's Helpline now has access to translation services for over 140 languages and dialects and callers have access to care consultation services that provide decision making support, assistance in times of crisis, guidance through periods of transition, and referrals to local services.

Long distance caregivers also benefit from the new toll-24/7 Helpline. Caregivers in Indiana and Kentucky with an affected loved one residing out-of-state can be connected free of charge to the Alzheimer's Association office nearest their loved-one for information about services in that area. Callers from out-ofstate can contact the Greater

Indiana Chapter for help with affected loved-ones residing

The Alzheimer's

The Mountain Arts Center presents Kentucky Opry **Summer Season 2003**

Tickets on sale now...season opens Saturday, June 14. at 8 p.m.

The Kentucky Opry Summer Season will officially open on Saturday Night, June 14, at 8 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. It's a show built around lively, family-style entertainment that will please kids of any age...up to grandparents!!!

All your favorite Opry Stars will be struttin' their stuff on the Mt. Arts Center stage! Munroe is guaranteed to have new chuckles of his knee slapping humor...and he'll no doubt be needling Keith, the emcee, about giving him his own share of the spotlight. He's well on his way to being a "star"...he just has to have a chance to prove it. There will probably also be a sighting of "Munroe and the Mud Dobbers Plus One Girl." the best bluegrass this side of the Ohio River...the Junior Pros will also be making appearances during each show...and you know, they're all so talented.

Of course, all your favorites will be at each show...just remember...the Kentucky Opry Junior Pros is the very place Rebecca Lynn Howard got her start in the music business...and now she's one of our returning stars for the Kentucky Music Trail this summer! Kentucky Opry is a great way for excellent, local performers to perform while they're waiting for their "big break." Don't forget to make plans now to see one of the Opry's summer shows.

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Ticket sales are non-refundable. Dates and times are subject to change.

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Association is the premier resource of information and support for the 4 million Americans with Alzheimer's disease. The Association's mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research and to enhance care and support for individuals, their families and caregivers. Locally, for more information, you may contact Eugenia Tackett. Executive Director, Eastern KY Regional Office, at 886-

Lose

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advocate a new Keno game, he said it was one way Kentucky could help recoup some of the lost money for scholarships, Lawmakers would not have to pass new legislation to add the game, Gleason said.

Keno is a type of drawing game, with multiple drawings per day, Kentucky Lottery spokesman Rick Redman said. Currently, 10 other states, and Washington D.C., have a form of the Keno game, Redman said.

Committee chairman Sen. Jack Westwood, R-Erlanger, said he would consider the idea. He said he would first want to find out if Keno is considered addictive.

"I don't know what the impact is yet. I want to find out, you know, what Keno really does," Westwood said. "Why it is such a popular thing, and it boosts the revenue so much."

Other lawmakers said they may be willing to push legislation that would allow the lottery to advertise where the proceeds

Rep. Kathy Stein, D-Lexington, said she would seek year. She said Tennessee's major in history.

looming lottery is very frightening," and could be a significant loss to the state.

"In the past, I have been very opposed to expanded gambling in Kentucky...." Stein said. "But now that I see what a you know, human needs being very severely cut, I'm rethinking my position on the whole

Awards

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Scholar. He has won awards for math and is a member of the South Floyd High School basketball, baseball, golf, track, and cross-country teams. He was voted "Best All Around" by his senior class constituents. He plans to study mining engineering at U.K.

Hicks, the salutatorian of his senior class, also served as captain of the Piarist School Academic Team, co-president of the school's Computer Club, and vice president of the Beta Club. He is a Harvard Prize Book Award winner, a Presidential to push such a proposal when Excellence Award winner and a the legislature meets again next Governor's Scholar. He plans to



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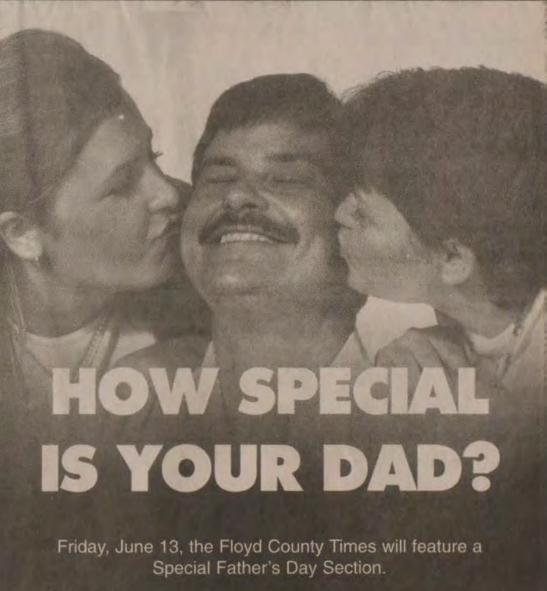
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Archbishop attends opening negotiating session

LOUISVILLE, Ky. Archbishop Thomas Kelly attended the opening round of negotiations Tuesday aimed at settling hundreds of lawsuits accusing the church of concealing decades of sexual abuse by priests.

Attorneys for the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Louisville and nearly 250 alleged victims met in a downtown office for the first of several scheduled mediation sessions aimed at reaching an outof-court settlement.

Archdiocese spokeswoman Cecelia Price said Kelly attended the session to "demonstrate his concern and support of the negotiations." Attorneys for both sides made opening presentations, and the archbishop particularly wanted to sit in on remarks by the plaintiffs' attorney, Price said.

Before entering the session, Kelly said that "we're full of

In the past 14 months, the archdiocese has been inundated with lawsuits filed by people who claim they were sexually abused as children by priests or others connected with the church. The suits, many of them containing decades-old revelations, claim the archdiocese knew of the alleged abuse but concealed it and did nothing to stop it.

Plaintiffs' attorney William McMurry said Kelly's attendance at the mediation session was "a very historic moment." He said the mediation gives the archdiocese a chance to put the scandal behind it.

"It gives the archdiocese an

Checks

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and criminal database checks and cross-checks with selected terrorist databases.

He said some delays have occurred because of a switch in contractors, but he expects that all OPM checks and TSA decisions would be completed by Oct. 1.

"Recent media reports may create the perception that we haven't done enough background checking: to the contrary, in fact we have done more than is necessary," Loy said.

OPM's Benowitz said his agency believes "that TSA is working diligently to clear any backlog of investigation requests and submit them to OPM."

Rogers cited recent reports that 50 screeners at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport, 24 in Los Angeles and another 38 in Miami, among other cities, were discovered to have had criminal backgrounds.

Loy said any person found to have been convicted of any one of 28 criminal offenses within the past 10 years is disqualified from working as a screener. He said problematic employees are immediately taken off the job and either fired or cleared within 72 hours. He said some, who may have been arrested but not convicted for one of the 28 offenses or have had a record in such other areas as driving or tax violations, might be retained.

opportunity to resolve the conflict in this community once and for all and to move on with the business of being a church," McMurry said.

Price said the archdiocese was "very hopeful" that a settlement could be struck. A judge has given the two sides until early August to try to reach a settlement to avoid hundreds of separate court

"We believe that a resolution is in everyone's best interest, and the willingness of everyone to sit down and talk is a very hopeful sign," Price said.

No monetary figures had been raised by either side heading into the negotiations, Price said. She said the "challenge" for the archdiocese is to balance "the concerns of the plaintiffs while maintaining the mission of the church.'

McMurry said he would strive for a settlement amount that would "fairly and adequately" compensate the victims and would demonstrate the archdiocese's "complicity and accountability and guilt over the last 50 years.'

The archdiocese has said it expects to spend more than \$1 million on legal, settlement and counseling costs by June 30, the end of its fiscal year. It recently announced it was cutting 34 jobs, or about 12 percent of its work force, as well as freezing salaries and slashing its budget by about \$2 mil-

Hundreds of people have signed petitions calling for Kelly's resignation for his handling of allegedly sexually abusive priests.



Last week, the Rev. Louie E. Miller, a retired priest at the center of the sex-abuse scandal, was sentenced to 20 years in prison for decades of sexually abusing children. Miller was the first of four priests or former priests who faced criminal charges in the state.

The mediation sessions are scheduled to continue Wednesday and Thursday and then resume for two days next week, Price said.

A half-dozen lawsuits against the archdiocese have already been settled.

In our June 1 edition, Betsy Layne senior Jacki Shell was incorrectly referred to as the son of Jack and Joycie Shell, Jacki Shell is actually the daughter of Jack and Joycie Shell.

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Arab leaders back roadmap. agree to fight terror that **Bush says 'must be defeated'**

by TOM RAUM ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

SHARM EL-SHEIK, Egypt (AP) - Arab leaders, meeting with President Bush as he plunged into the labyrinth of Mideast peace talks, pledged on Tuesday to fight terror and violence and called on Israel to "rebuild trust and restore normal

Palestinian life." "We will continue to fight the scourge of terrorism against humanity and reject the culture of extremism and violence in any form or shape - from whatever source or place. regardless of justifications or motives," Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said, reading a statement on behalf of the leaders of Jordan, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia — all U.S. allies - and the Palestinian

"We will use all the power of the law to prevent support reaching illegal organizations including terrorist groups," Mubarak said.

Bush, at the edge of the Red Sea, with Mubarak at his side, said: "We meet in Sinai at a moment of promise for the cause of peace in the Middle

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Terror threatens the United States, Israel and the emergence of a Palestinian state, he said.

"Terror must be opposed and it must be defeated," Bush said.

Bush, making his first major foray into Middle East peacemaking, made clear that both Arabs and Israelis bear respon-

"Achieving these goals will require courage and moral vision from every side from every leader. America is committed and I am committed in belping all the parties to reach the hard and beroic decisions that will lead to peace." says Bush

sibility for achieving peace. "Israel must deal with the settlements," he said. "Israel must make sure there's a continuous territory that the Palestinians can call home.'

Tuesday's meeting served as a prelude to face-to-face talks Wednesday among Bush, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and his counterpart, Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas, in Jordan.

The Arab leaders embraced the internationally crafted "road map" for peace, which calls for an independent Palestinian state

"We support the determination of the Palestinian Authority

to fulfill its responsibilities to end violence and to restore law and order," Mubarak said as Abbas looked on.

At the same time, Mubarak added: "Israel must fulfill its own responsibilities to rebuild trust and restore normal Palestinian life, and carry out other obligations under the road map."

The Arab leaders' statement, however, contained few specifics in terms of what Arab leaders were willing to do to advance the peace plan. Mubarak did not expressly voice strong support for Abbas as the Palestinian leader and he did not say other Arab nations were willing to follow his nation's lead in recognizing

Israel's right to exist — a key step of the peace plan.

"If all sides fulfill their obligations, we can make steady progress on the road towards Palestinian statehood, a secure Israel and a just and comprehensive peace," Bush said. "We seek true peace, not just a pause between more wars and intefadehs, but a permanent reconciliation among the peoples of the Middle East."

Mubarak said they would help the Palestinian Authority fight terrorists "to allow it to consolidate its authority in democratic and accountable institutions" and would make sure that all aid to Palestinians goes to solely to their official

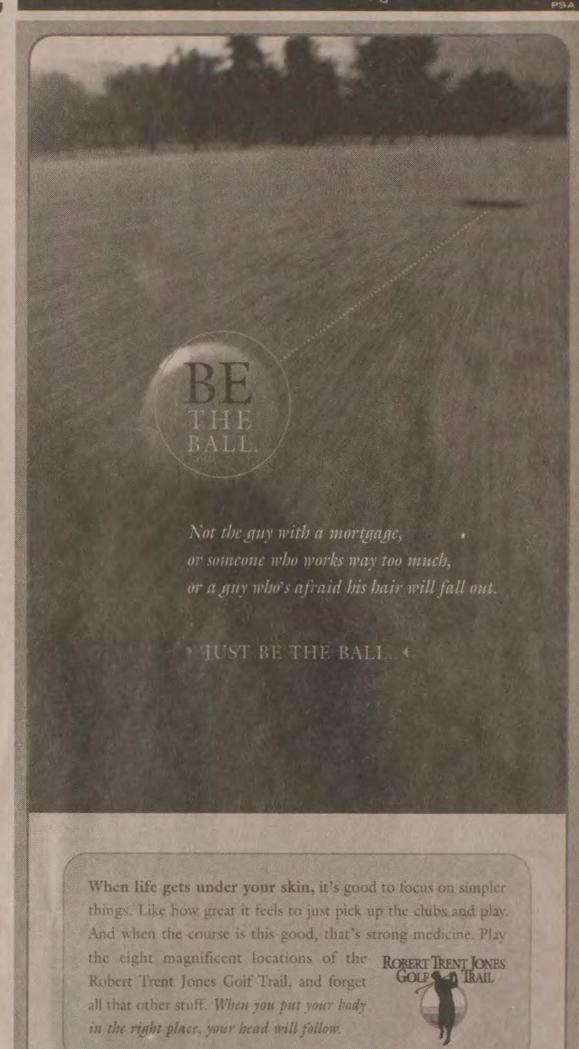
Bush, who initiated the summit here, was in the driver's seat. He took the wheel of a large golf cart to ferry the leaders to their joint appearance at podiums set up with the sea as their backdrop, Mubarak, his eyes hidden by sunglasses, was his co-pilot.

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Also attending were Saudi

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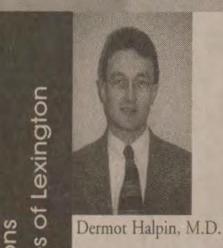
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Agree

went through the motions of marching into a meeting room, briefly took their seats around a large octagonal table in front of a stand of participating nations, then broke for lunch.

Sitting at the table, Bush said: "We must not allow a few people, a few killers, a few terrorists, to destroy the dreams and hopes of the many.'

Pointing directly at Abbas, Bush said, "You, sir, have got a responsibility, and you've assumed it. I want to work with you and so do the other leaders here."

U.S. officials expect the Arab leaders to express support for Abbas; not longtime Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, as the

■ Continued from p11 Palestinian representative in nego-

tiations with Israel. briefings afterward, Secretary of State Colin Powell sought to further sideline Arafat. He said that although the United States still recognizes Arafat as an elected president who has standing with the Palestinians, "his leader-

ship has failed." "We are on a path to create a state for the Palestinian people," Powell said, "For Mr. Arafat to serve as a spoiler or attempt to be a spoiler, I hope will be met by resistance from all of the Arab leaders who are here today."

While Mubarak stopped short of endorsing the new Palestinian leader by name, he expressed support for his call for ending violence and maintaining law and order.

"We will ensure that our assistance to the Palestinians goes solely to the Palestinian Authority and we will continue to support efforts to improve the quality of life of the Palestinian people," he said.

Syria on Tuesday slammed the Sharm El Sheik summit, accusing the United States of being onesided in its desire to combat Mideast terrorism.

It seems that the terrorism the United States wants to fight is 'martyrdom operations against the Israeli occupation," the state-run Damascus Radio said. "In the meantime, Israeli occupation, crimes of mass punishment, killing women, children and youngsters and destroying houses, farms and crops come in the framework of self-defense."

The United States is promising to increase its presence in the region. Bush was expected to name John S. Wolf, assistant secretary of state for nonproliferation and a longtime Foreign Service veteran, to head a new U.S.-led monitoring team that will track whether Israeli and Palestinian officials keep their obligations.



Otter Creek golf tournament funds scholarships

Center held its ninth annual Tim Salver Memorial Golf Scramble Tournament at Beaver Valley Golf Course in Stumbo Park at Allen on May 23. The proceeds from the event funded college scholarships to two area college-bound gradu-

One \$800 scholarship is awarded to a college-bound senior who has a family member who is an Otter Creek employee. The second \$800 scholarship is awarded to a worthy eligible senior from

Otter Creek Correctional a Floyd County high school. To select that student, names are submitted by principals from each of the four high schools. The choice is then made by a blind draw.

The 2003 scholarship winners are Tara Sword of South Fløyd High School and Ashley Fish of Prestonsburg High School.

Otter Creek extended congratulations to the winners and all 2003 graduates, and expressed appreciation to businesses and individuals who contributed to the tournament.

Patton appoints members

Times Staff Report

man was including in a list of new appointments yesterday.

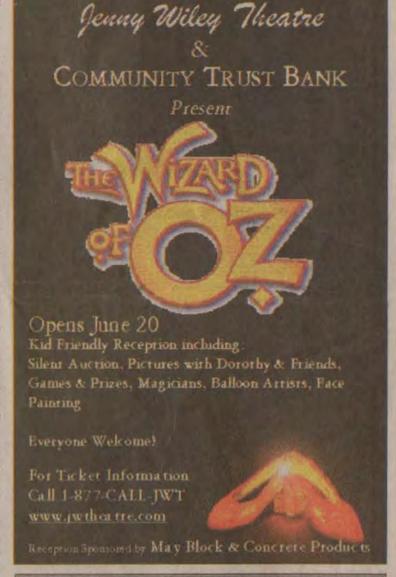
Ricky L. Baker, of Hazard, representing the Kentucky Appalachian Advisory Council. has been appointed to replace Joe David Sutton, of Middlesboro, whose term has expired. He will serve for term expiring November 1 of 2006.

Others appointed yesterday Regional Education Board.

 Lindsay M. Freeman, FRANKFORT-A Hazard Hopkinsville, and Donna G. Brown, Brandenburg, to the Kentucky Commission on Military Affairs.

Kristin V. Paul, of Hardinsburg, Teresa M. Turner, of LaGrange, and Robert D. Gray, of Owensboro, to the Advisory Council for Medical Assistance.

David K. Karem, of Louisville, to the Southern







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- Tackett to sign with ALC -

PRESTONSBURG - Prestonsburg High School softball player Amanda Tackett will sign with Alice Lloyd College on Thursday in a ceremony scheduled for noon, Coach Harold Tackett announced Tuesday afternoon. ALC Coach Tim Rice has already signed five Floyd County players - three from Betsy Layne and two from Allen Central.

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COMMENTARY

Waiting to exhale: Conference changes possible

by BILLY REED TIMES COLUMNIST

At this point it's obvious that big-time college athletics is poised on the brink of another historic upheaval in conference



affiliations. And for that, you can thank Howard Schnellenberger's work at the University of Miami. When

Schnellenberger, an All-American end at the University of Kentucky in 1954, took over Miami's program in the late 1970s, it was on life support. Miraculously, however, Schnellenberger developed it to the point that the Hurricanes were able to upset Nebraska to

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H.S. BASKETBALL Hall named new coach at Breathitt

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

JACKSON - Breathitt County High School has decided on a new head boys' basketball coach and he just happens to be a Floyd County native. After not renewing Chris Baker's contract several weeks ago, Breathitt County went on a search to find a new coach. Friday afternoon the search ended when Brian Hall was introduced as the new Bobcat head coach. Hall has spent a lengthy amount of time as an assistant coach at Johnson Central High School.

Hall is a 1987 graduate of McDowell High School where he played for current State Senator Johnny Ray Turner. He joins for

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GOLF

Locals qualify for state golf event

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - A recent qualifying round for the 2003 BellSouth State Amateur Championship held at StoneCrest Golf Course resulted in some area golfers qualifying for the next stage, the state level.

Those qualifying for the state event included State Senator Johnny Ray Turner, Tony Branham, Ryan Martin, Chris

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BIGWN

Boggs became the sixth different winner in six races this season on Kentucky's premier dirt Late Model touring group.



photo by Steve LeMaster

Grayson driver Jackie Boggs was victorious for a second time this season at Thunder Ridge, beating Eddie Carrier Jr. and others to the finish in Friday night's Battle of the Bluegrass feature event.

30GGS RULES THUNDER RIDGE

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG - In a race that saw three different leaders, in the end it was Jackie Boggs Grayson coming home the winner on Friday night as the STARS Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series presented by Arizona Sport Shirts rolled into Thunder Ridge Raceway in Prestonsburg for the Spring Thunder at the Ridge.

Saturday night's \$5000 to win event was called off when intermittent rain showers forced the event to be postponed until July 3.

Boggs became the sixth different

(See BOGGS, page two)



Slone to sign with **King College**

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - Another Allen Central High School senior student-athlete will sign to play at the next level this morning. Mike Slone is scheduled to sign with King College in a ceremony at 2 p.m. in the ACHS

King College is a member of the AAC (Appalachian Athletic Conference) and the NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics). One of the conference rivals King faces is nearby Alice Lloyd College.

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HARNESS RACING

Locals have success at The Red Mile

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - Harness racing action continues to heat up at The Red Mile. Brooklets Rock, a 5-year-old gelding owned by Joe Javne of Prestonsburg and trained by Maurice Westfall who stables year-round at Thunder Ridge,

won over the weekend. The harness horse is driven by Dwayne Minor. Brooklets Rock set a new lifetime mark pacing the mile in 155.0. The race was an \$8,000 claiming event. Other winning connections from the area over

(See HARNESS, page three)

photo courtesy of Eddie Blair

Brooklets Rock, a 5-year-old gelding owned by Joe Jayne (right) of P'burg and trained by Maurice Westfall (left), finished first over the weekend.



H.S. SOFTBALL

Lady Rebs advance with win

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - The Allen Central Lady Rebels put the ball in play and after two innings of no runs on the board, scored in four of the final five innings to beat Johnson Central 10-1 in the first round of the 15th Region Softball Tournament. Betsy Layne, the other Floyd County representative in the tournament out of the 57th District as the champion, fell 7-0 to Shelby Valley.

Terri Mullins doubled and Megan Harris singled to get on base for Allen Central in the second inning. Both players scored to give the Lady Rebels the first two runs of the game. Allen Central led 6-0 after

(See WIN, page two)

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Yankees owner calls interleague schedule unfair

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK - Yankees owner George Steinbrenner criticized baseball schedule makers and complained that his team is treated unfairly, The New York Times reported Tuesday.

The Boss is unhappy about New York's road trip this week, when interleague games begin. His problem: While the Yankees are in Cincinnati and Chicago, the rival Boston Red Sox play Pittsburgh and Milwaukee — two of the three worst teams in the National League.

"I just hope we play well against the National League clubs," Steinbrenner told The Times in a telephone interview. "I don't think the schedule is fair."

The Yankees play three games each against the Reds and Cubs, who lead the NL Central. New York doesn't face the Pirates or Brewers this season.

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Vicars awarded Late Model win via DQ

TIMES STAFF REPORT

COEBURN, Va. - It was a long wait, but for Stacy Vicars the wait ended in a bittersweet success. Vicars and the other Morgan-McClure Late Model Stock Car competitors have waited since Saturday, May 24 to hear the results of their 100

Vicars started his number 24 Chevrolet from the Double Kwik 2 Kwik pole position and took off to a commanding lead. The 02 Chad Harris trailed Vicars for the first half of the race before gaining the lead on a restart. Vicars maintained a strong second as Harris took the checkered flag.

Post race inspections later revealed a questionable cylinder head in the engine of the 02 Chevrolet Monte Carlo. After

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Boggs

winner in six races this season on Kentucky's premier dirt Late Model touring group. Boggs' third career STARS Battle of the Bluegrass win was behind the wheel of the Steve Cascio Racing out of Maysville owned, McDonald's, Miller Brothers Coal, Hawkeye Trucking, Graphic Impressions, Richard A. Mitchell Inc., Pro Topline

Golf

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Cornette, Georgetown College golfer Jonathan Scalf and Tyler

The championship will be held June 17-19 at the London Country Club in Laurel County.

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KPGA Match Play Championship June 30 - July 2 Traditions GC

four innings and 9-0 before 56th

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Central, the six-time defending

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Turner got the win for the

Lady Rebels, Johnson Central

senior Brianne Daniels was

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Win

first run.

Cylinder Heads, Cropper Racing Engines, and Swartz Chassis number 4B Monte Carlo. The 34-year-old second generation driver earned \$3000 for the win. Finishing in second was 2002 STARS Battle of the Bluegrass Series Champion, Eddie Carrier Jr. of Ona, W.Va. driving the Carl Grover Motorsports Rocket Ford Taurus. Third place went to Shannon Thornsberry of Martin behind the wheel of his Miller Brothers Coal Rocket Monte Paul Harris of Prestonsburg took his Miller Brothers Coal Warrior Ford Taurus to fourth at the payoff and David Smith of St. Albans, W.Va. finished in fifth driving his David Smith Frame and Body Shop Rocket Dodge Intrepid. A total of 40 cars from five states were on hand for the

Kentucky speedplant. Thornsberry would be the early race leader as the 30 lap main event would unfold. The first caution of the race occurred on the second circuit when a car spun in turn four resulting in a multi car pileup and the track being blocked. The red flag came out to clear the track and Wayne Hughes was the only car who went pit side out of the race. When the race resumed it was still Thornsberry on the point with Carrier Jr. running in second followed by the fourth place starting Jackie Boggs. Just when Carrier had passed Thornsberry

Central.

a walk.

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Harris scored three times

for Allen Central. Mullins,

Kristie Howard and Jackie

Martin each scored twice.

Jessica Isaac scored once in a

Johnson Central's only run of

the game after reached base on

Region Baseball Tournament

was scheduled to get underway

at Johnson Central. Results

from the first-round games

were unavailable at press time.

Ashleigh Meek scored

At press time, the 15th

four-run fourth inning

third ever visit by the Battle of

the Bluegrass to the Eastern

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for the lead a yellow flag would

come back out negating Carrier's pass. Boggs would then put on a charge from his third place restarting position taking the high side to get by both Carrier and Thornsberry to take over the lead. Thornsberry, who won the week prior at Thunder Ridge, would fall to second with Carrier slipping to third. Carrier then would be able to get by Thornsberry on the seventh circuit putting his car into second place. The race for first then would heat up between Boggs and Carrier. The two drivers with famous last names in the state of Kentucky would then put on a duel to the fans delight. Carrier would pass Boggs on one circuit but Boggs would come right back to retake the point soon thereafter. The two drivers kept the pressure on each other flying around the semi-banked 3/8ths mile track. It would get dicey a few times as the approached traffic, but only two drivers would end a lap down in the final results which helped the cause of the frontrunners who had a lot of clear race track in front of them to do battle. Carrier would try several times to overhaul Boggs but it was not good enough on this night as Boggs would go on to take the

Carrier would equal his best BoB finish of 2003 as he also recorded a second place at Ponderosa on May 2. A strong effort by the Eastern Kentucky duo of Thornsberry and Paul Harris would see the mountain drivers grab an impressive third and fourth place in the final results. Mountaineer State driver David Smith would also have a strong showing taking the fifth

Completing the top ten were David Powers, Michael Chilton, Raymond Nichols, Aaron Hatton and current STARS Battle of the Bluegrass Points leader, Scott James who finished 10th.

In preliminary events Eddie Carrier Jr. was the Racing Optics Fast Timer at 17.87 seconds. Heat race winners were Carrier, Jr., Boggs, Nichols and Thornsberry. Brandon Kinzer and Scott James were AFCO Bmain victors.

AUTO RACING

Stoic Newman wins at Dover

by DICK BRINSTER ASSOCIATED PRESS

DOVER, Del. — Ryan Newman sat upright in his chair, his steely blue eyes offering nary a hint of celebration.

Those who hadn't watched him muscle an ailing 3,400pound stock car around the track or heard his description of how he won Sunday at Dover International Speedway would have had every right to believe they were listening to an also-

But Newman is much more than that. He's a budding star in NASCAR, where toughness can be as important as talent. On this damp and windy day, it proved decisive.

"I wouldn't say the toughest of my career, but it was definitely tough," he said when asked about the difficulty he overcame.

Newman lost the power

steering in his Dodge, but not his determination, and held off Jeff Gordon to win the MBNA 400.

"I'm definitely tired," Newman said. "My arms hurt, my back hurts, my neck hurts, and I'll be really sore tomorrow

and probably Tuesday.
"But we had a fast race car,
and I wasn't about to pull into
the garage and say, 'That's it,

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DIRT TRACK

Powers, Kinzer do battle

TIMES STAFF REPORT

SITKA – On a night where good money would have been bet on racing action being canceled due to rain, 201 Speedway outlasted. Mother Nature through a couple of brief gentle showers and got off the season's best races with over 100 drivers filling starting positions for the evening features.

Allen's Brandon Kinzer just missed a feature win in the Late Model division, finishing behind race-winner David Powers. The same scenario played out just one week earlier at the track with Powers edging Kinzer.

Kinzer finished in the runner up position in 18 car ahead of Jim Lemaster in 97J. Rodney Davis finished a respectable fourth in a Limited Late Model, ahead of Ashland's Josh McGuire, Tom Hall and Willard's Terry Hicks.

The night's main event, the \$1000-to-win Super Bomber feature had the A85 of Billy Hutchinson of Teaberry on the inside, with the 00 of Paintsville attorney Mike Osborne on the outside pole. Hutchinson and Osborne traded paint as they took the green flag with both looking to get to the bottom and win the race into the first set of turns.

Osborne built up a six car length advantage over the battle between Lemaster and Patton. The last lap would see Patton make one final bid for the runner up spot off turn four to the outside, while Lemaster kept to the inside rail, an at the finish line, he would take second by only a couple of inches. But when the check was wrote, for the \$1000 Super Bomber feature, it would be the number 00 of Osborne taking the victory. Early race leader, Billy Hutchinson finished fourth ahead of Salyersville's Michael Paul Howard, Bobby Daniels and Don

David Kelly took the lead on the last lap of the Open-Wheel Modified feature after race leader Mike Wilson was slowed by a lap machine to take the win in the 24K. Wilson was second ahead of Todd Robinson, Prestonsburg's Chris Prater, Walt Mayabb and David Anderson.

Inez driver Charlie Jude led

the 1st 4 laps of Sat. night's Bomber feature, took the lead again with three to go and held on for the win in his Wildcat Tire, Power Machinery- sponsored

1984 Buick Regal, finishing in

front of former champions

Bannie Blair, George Meade, and

the 36 of Davey Hamilton.

Scott Pennington drove Paul Craft's patriotic Road Hog with the American flag paint scheme to the Road Hog checkers, finishing ahead of Robbie Pigg in Robbie Ratliff's R33, Wes Bailey's number B4U, Walt Castle, Rick Baker, and Michael Marcum.

The final feature had the US 43 of Hueysville's Leroy Akers holding back all challengers in the Four-Cylinder feature to take the win in front of James Faulkner, 14-year -old Trenton Frasier, in only his third time in a race car, Jack Clevenger and Jacob Ross.

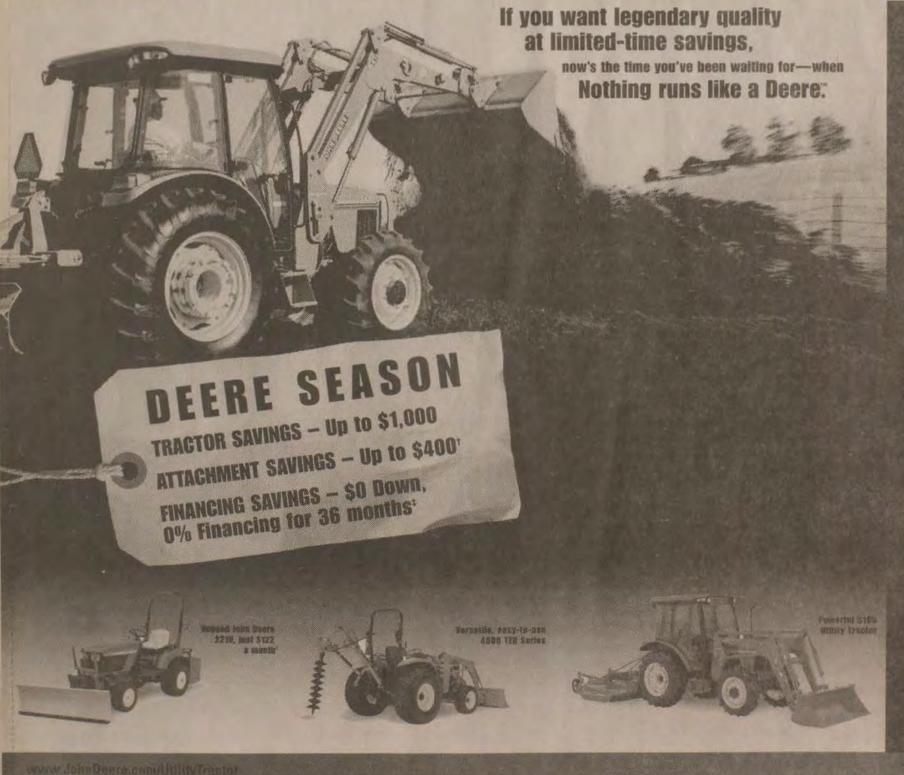
Racing continues Saturday night at 201 Speedway.

Vicars

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reviewing the part and consulting with NASCAR officials, the part was demeaned illegal, disqualifying Harris from his victory.

Vicars therefore claimed the race win with the 99 of Matt Wolfe in second. Finishing third was the 11 of Doug Price followed by the 22 of Prestonsburg driver Steve Blackburn. Rounding out the top five was the 15 of Kres VanDyke.



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guys.""

Instead, he fought on, oblivious to the discomfort challenging his stamina and strength. At 5-foot-11 and 207 pounds, Newman bears a closer resemblance to a football player than a race driver.

So, he wasn't fazed by the loss of his power steering, something not to be taken lightly on a track they call The Monster Mile.

"I knew I could overcome that," he said.

He also overcame three Winston Cup champions -Gordon, Bobby Labonte and Tony Stewart - who wanted a piece of him in the final six laps of the race.

Second-year driver Newman knew exactly what to do. When Gordon dived his Chevrolet to the bottom of the high-banked

win the 1983 national title.

Since then, Miami has

become National Championship

U. Coaches Jimmy Johnson,

Dennis Erickson, Butch Davis,

and Larry Coker have each

brought at least one title to the

university in Coral Gables,

linchpin in the upcoming game

of high-stakes musical chairs.

The Hurricanes, along with fel-

low Big East Conference mem-

bers Syracuse and Boston

College, are being avidly

recruited by the Atlantic Coast

decide will have a direct impact

on several programs, most

notably the University of

need to get out of Conference

USA, which isn't a member of

the cash cow known as the Bowl

Championship Series, so they

can compete for the national

football title and received the

annual financial windfall -

around \$4 million - that goes to

BCS members even if they don't

all bolt the Big East for the

ACC, you can bet that Big East

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Petrino), outstanding facilities,

and strong commitments to

diversity, Title IX, academics,

first move, U of L and every

limbo, its future uncertain, Everybody in college athletics is

hurt the most isn't the Big East,

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The Cardinals desperately

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concrete oval on the final restart. He wasn't in position to take it. Newman cut him off. Earlier, he realized controlling Stewart could be the key to victory.

Stewart was dominating the early part of the race, but NASCAR put him a lap down by penalizing him for an infraction on pit road. Stewart charged through and came within a few feet of getting back on the lead

But Newman didn't give him a break, and sensed the wrath of the temperamental series champion seconds after the caution flag slowed the field.

"He tried to bump me," Newman said. "I had to run clear up the race track. He was pretty upset.

"We did what we could to keep him a lap down knowing he had a fast race car. You can give it to him or they can take it.

TCU - all may be interested in

opportunity for conferences to

cut costs by getting back to their

geographic and historic roots.

The following isn't going to

for the ACC, but Syracuse and

Boston College stay put. The

Big East replaces Miami with

Penn State, which hasn't

enjoyed a happy experience in

the Big Ten, and the ACC adds

South Florida and East Carolina.

East: Syracuse, Boston College,

Penn State, Rutgers, West

Virginia, Virginia Tech, UConn,

Pittsburgh, Temple, Louisville,

Vanderbilt from the SEC and

Missouri from the Big 12. The

SEC replaces Vandy with

Tulane, and the Big 12 replaces

into a new league of Catholic

universities that include Notre

Dame and other members that

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John's, Seton Hall, Villanova,

DePaul, Marquette, Saint Louis,

Bonaventure, Saint Joseph's,

Duquesne, Notre Dame, and

league would be formed consist-

ing of Fordham, George

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Island, Richmond, UNC-

Charlotte, James Madison, UNC Wilmington, Old Dominion,

grow from 10 to 14 teams.

Commonwealth,

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play

■ Conference USA evolves

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Memphis, and Cincinnati.

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So this would be the new Big

Miami leaves the Big East

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happen, but it should:

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"We weren't over the line, we were on the line by an inch," he said. "What are you going to do?

ing body was nitpicking.

A rule's a rule.' The victory gave Newman what he hopes will be the

momentum to move into contention in the points race. But he was cautious in his assessment of the future.

"You can feel the momentum, but all it takes is one of those things," he said, alluding

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Owner

Newman said.

to him.

There are five teams in the AL East and six in the NL Central - plus, the Yankees play six games against the crosstown rival Mets.

> "I can assure you, I do not, and the other schedule contractors certainly do not, purposefully think, 'How can we make life more difficult for the Yankees?" Feeney said.

She said the interleague schedules were made 1 1/2 years ago, and the Yankees would play Milwaukee and Pittsburgh in 2005:

Steinbrenner said he would be at Wrigley Field on Saturday, when Roger Clemens is scheduled to make his third bid for his 300th win against Cubs ace Kerry Wood.

The Boss also talked about the state of his team in interviews with the New York Daily News and New York Post.

The Yankees are 15-20 following an 18-3 start and have a 1 1/2-game lead over Boston.

"I'm not satisfied with the team and neither are they,' Steinbrenner told the Daily News. "I don't think we're playing as well as we're supposed to, or as well as we're going to be

The Yankees blew a 7-1 lead against Detroit on Sunday, costing Clemens his 300th victory, before winning 10-9 in 17

"I didn't like it at all," Steinbrenner told the Post. "But I predicted in spring training that when a team has a player going for any record it can lead to distractions. They are all trying too hard for Roger."

Layne; Tasha Rice, Betsy Layne; Brandy Bentley, Betsy Layne; Amanda Tackett. Prestonsburg; Whitney Parsons, Prestonsburg: Brittany Carey, Prestonsburg; Lisa Fannin, South Floyd; Brandy Anderson, South Floyd: Megan Ousley, South Floyd; Terri Mullins, Allen Central; Amber Scott, Allen Central; Laura Gibson, Allen Central; Jackie Martin,

Amanda Robinette, Betsy

Layne: Natasha Stratton, Betsy

Floyd County All-

Conference

Allen Central. Conference MVP Tiffany Turner.

All-57th District

Tournament Amanda Robinette, Betsy Layne; Natasha Stratton, Betsy Layne; Tasha Rice, Betsy Layne; Brandy Bentley, Betsy Layne; Kim Clark, Betsy Layne; Amanda Tackett, Prestonsburg; Whitney Parsons, Prestonsburg: Tabatha Tackett, South Floyd: Carla Hall, South Floyd; Tiffany Turner, Sharee Hopkins, Allen Central; Jenni Spurlock, Allen Central.

Harness

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the weekend included Friday night winner Noble Krissy, a 5year-old mare owned by Eddie Blair of Paintsville. Noble Krissy has three wins and a second at the Red

Mile meet in four starts. Deadly Dynamite owned by Floyd Countian Roger Webb and trained by Russell Newman posted a third-place finish Saturday night.

Sign

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Slone ended his high school career at Allen Central as both an all-district and all-conference selection. He joins senior classmates Kristie Howard and Tiffany Turner as recent college signees. Both Howard and Turner have signed to play college softball at Alice Lloyd.

Scott Polsgrove recently completed his 11th season as the head coach of King College. Polsgrove has named him conference coach of the year twice during his tenure at King.

The son of a basketball coach, Polsgrove's introduction to coaching began early. He enjoyed great success as a player at Riley High School in South Bend, Indiana an then at Taylor University in Upland, Indiana. The teams he played on at Taylor made three NAIA National Tournament appearances including a Sweet Sixteen finish during his senior campaign.

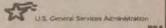
Polsgrove graduated from Taylor in 1987 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Systems. His coaching career

began at Mobile College in Alabama as a Graduate Assistant Coach. During his three-year stint at Mobile, Polsgrove gained valuable experience in a very successful program. Mobile College's 80-22 record while he was there included the 1988-1989 team that recorded a 31-3 record and made an NAIA National Tournament appearance. Also during his time there, he completed requirements for a Master's Degree in Physical Education.

After Mobile College, Polsgrove returned to Taylor University where he was an assistant under his former collegiate coach, Paul Patterson. Polsgrove assisted Coach Patterson from 1990-1992.

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"Katy Feeney makes the schedule, and she has never been a favorite of mine or a favorite of the Yankees," Steinbrenner said. "We play Cincinnati, which is a fine, fine ballclub; they're going to be in the middle of it. Then we play the Cubs.

and I wasn't in position to give it

owed Stewart anything, noting

that he violated the rules by pit-

ting slightly out of his assigned

"That's his own screwup,"

Stewart, easily the fastest in

But crew chief Greg

the field, recovered to finish

fourth. He had no comment after

Zipadelli thought the sanction-

Newman didn't think he

"Now who is the other guy playing? They're playing against Milwaukee. Now what's right about that? They're playing Pittsburgh and Milwaukee while we're playing Cincinnati and the Cubs. I think they got the best of that deal.

"Bud Selig told me personally that he was overseeing the schedule, and that he'll see to it that it's fine. I used to be for it. but I'm not for it anymore. It's too easy for discrepancies, Steinbrenner said.

Feeney, a major league baseball vice president, told The Times it was impossible for every AL East team to play every NL Central team this year.

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mer McDowell teammates Henry Webb (South Floyd), Brent Rose (Betsy Layne) and Stacey Hall (Mercer County) as head coaches in the high school

2002-03 season as the 55th District Champion, The Bobcats (22-7), under Baker, finished second in the 14th Region, losing 75-74 to Powell County in the regional championship con-

Breathitt County finished the

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Kentuckian Perry vaults to top of PGA

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DUBLIN, Ohio -Kenny Perry releases tension by stomping on the accelerator in his dragster and hitting a top speed of 165 mph while doing the quarter-mile in 8 seconds. It's the way he gets away from the stress of his day job as a professional golfer. 36

On Sunday, he almost went to the emergency chute a little too soon. Perry won for the second time in two weeks, building a six-shot lead with six holes to play and then leaking oil down the stretch to beat Lee Janzen by two strokes at the Memorial

'My arms felt real heavy," Perry said after bogeying five of the last six holes in an even-par 72. "I felt like the weight of the world was on my shoulders."

The final six holes didn't really matter, however, because of the way the 42-year-old Perry played the previous 66. He piled up 14 birdies during a 50-hole span without a bogey until calamitous weather hit in the third round.

He stared down the field in the first 12 holes of the final round, posting four birdies with pars on the other eight holes to all but end any speculation that anyone else might win.

"He wasn't quite on top of his game coming in," Janzen said. "But he had a big enough

SOFTBALL

14th Region Softball

Whitesburg 11 - Lee Co. 1

Perry Central vs. Breathitt Co.

Fleming Neon vs. Powell Co.

15th Region Softball

Belfry 13, Magoffin Co. 3

Pikeville 11, Pike Central 0 Allen Central 10, Johnson

Belfry vs. Shelby Valley Pikeville vs. Allen Central

Shelby Valley 7, Betsy Layne 0

Tournament at

Hazard 10 - Cordia 0

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Last night

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lead it didn't matter."

When Perry was asked if he was worried about falling apart at the finish, tournament founder and host Jack Nicklaus jumped to his defense.

"You did what you had to do coming home to protect the lead," Nicklaus said. "You knew you couldn't lose the tournament unless you did something stupid."

Prior to his two-week winning streak, Perry has been content to stay in the shadows for most of his 17-year PGA Tour career. That may be increasingly difficult to do after his backto-back wins.

The six-time tour winner climbed to fifth on the tour money list and could move into the top 10 in the world rankings. A country boy from Kentucky, he said he doesn't believe the past two weeks will change

"I think it was just my time," he said. "I always knew I could win out here. I always felt like my game was good enough. I wasn't pushing the right buttons at the right time.'

Deeply religious and a devoted family man, he said he has become calmer than when he was a young player.

"I just feel relaxed for some reason," he said. "I feel like when I get into the heat of the shot I'm able to slow down - my heart rate slows down. I slow down everything. I slowed my swing down and started hitting

terrific golf shots."

Woods paid the ultimate compliment to a blue-collar player who had never before won twice in one year, let alone twice in two weeks.

"That was a joke to shoot that at Colonial," Woods said. "To do it here back-to-back weeks with the wind blowing as hard as it has, he has put up some pretty good numbers."

CINCINNATI REDS

Kearns, Dunn not showing signs of youth

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - Sean Casey marvels at the two young players leading the Cincinnati Reds' surge. Austin Kearns hit a bases-loaded double and Adam Dunn had a three-run homer last Wednesday night, astonishing their teammates during a 9-3 victory over the Atlanta Braves.

"They're 23 years old," Casey marveled. "The way they go about their business, they seem like they're 33 instead of 23. Every night they have quality at-bats, and every night they do something special.

The longtime roommates are starting to convince Cincinnati fans that something special could be in store for the first season at Great American Ball Park, which is turning into a real home-field

Just ask the Braves, who hate

the mound and what it's done to their pitching staff. They hadn't lost consecutive games since April 11-12. They'd won 10 consecutive series when they arrived in Cincinnati with the best record in the majors.

Manager Bobby Cox complained about the mound before the first pitch of the series - he said it seemed awfully short - and hasn't had many happy moments

He was ejected for questioning ball-and-strike calls in each of the first two games, leaving him with five ejections this season. Plate umpire Kerwin Danley threw Cox out after he changed pitchers in the fourth.

Cox spent the rest of his 62nd birthday furning about the umpiring and the mound, which was once again checked and approved by baseball officials on Tuesday, May 27.

BASKETBALL

Betsy Layne camp announced for July

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - The annual Betsy Layne High School Basketball Camp will be held July 9-11 at the Dome. The camp will be split into two age divisions. Players in grades 5-8 will attend camp from 9 a.m. to

noon each of the three days. Early Times | Doral Cigarettes \$16991/2-gal. | Carton \$1649 - tax J&J Liquors Betsy Layne = 478-2477 ON GENERAL'S WARNING: Convette sinc

Campers in grades 1-4 will attend camp from 1 p.m. to 3

The Camp is free to all students and is being sponsored by the Family Resource Centers at Betsy Layne Elementary and Betsy Layne High School.

The camp is under the direction of Coach Cassandra Akers and Coach Brent Rose as well their coaching staffs and play-

Basketball fundamentals will be taught. Individual and team competitions will also be held. All campers will receive a T-



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Last night

Hazard vs. Lee Co. Whitesburg vs. Knott Central

15th Region Baseball Tournament at Johnson Central

Last night

Pike Central vs. Johnson Pikeville vs. Betsy Layne

Today

Allen Central vs. Belfry, 5 p.m. Sheldon Clark vs. East Ridge, 7:30 p.m.

Sports Calendar -

Golf

Belfry Golf Scramble

The Belfry High School football team will hold a golf scramble June 6 at the Mountain Pub Links. Registration will be at noon and the scramble starts at 1 p.m. The fee is \$50 per person and \$200 per team and includes a free meal after the event. For more information, call 606/353-7239 or 606/353-7230.

Basketball

Runnin' Rebel Basketball Camp

Runnin' The Basketball Camp will take place June 9-13 at Allen Central High School. The camp will run from 8:30 a.m. until noon, daily. Cost of the camp is \$60. The camp is for children in kindergarten through eighth grade.

The camp will cover all aspects of the game and include many contests.

Free breakfast and lunch will be served daily. Each participant will receive a T-shirt, basketball and trophy. For more information, call 358-9217.

Coach Crisp Blackcat Basketball Camp

The second annual Coach Crisp Basketball Camp will be held today through Friday at the Prestonsburg High School Fieldhouse from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost of the camp is \$40 per player or \$70 for two players in the same family. The camp is for ages 5-12. The camp will include contests, drills, game and prizes. Each participant will receive a camp T-shirt. Concessions will also be available each day.

For more information or to pre-register contact Kim Compton by calling 886-1206.

And 1 Skills Camp

Pikeville College will host the And 1 Skills Camp, directed by former University of Kentucky star Rex Chapman, June 30-July 2. The camp runs from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day lunch is included. Registration coasts \$220 and includes lunch daily, instruction by former NBA and UK players, three-point and freethrow contests, gift packs and T-shirts. For more information, call 859/231-1244.

Pike Central Basketball Camp

Pike County Central High School will host the annual Hawks Basketball Camp June 9-12. The camp is co-ed and will run from 9 a.m. to noon each day. Registration costs \$60; each additional child from the same family can register for \$30. To pre-register or for more

information, contact David Rowe at 606/432-7044 or 606/432-5137.

Cheerleading

UCA Camp

A UCA camp is scheduled for Pikeville and Pikeville High School. Any student is grades K-8 looking for a camp to attend this summer can attend the UCA Youth Individual Cheerleading Camp. Attending campers will learn the basics of cheerleading from America's best cheerleaders. The camp will be held July 21-23 at Pikeville High School, beginning at 9 a.m. and running through 3:30 p.m. The cost of the camp is \$100. For more information or to register,

call 1-800-238-0285. Locally, contact Wheeler by calling 606/-432-

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

17 finalists selected for U.S. team Pan Am games

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLORADO SPRINGS. Colo. - Kentucky, Connecticut and Missouri each had two players selected as finalists Sunday for the U.S. team for the Pan American Games.

The 17 finalists will be whittled to 12 after training camp July 15-29 in Orlando, Fla. The

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games are Aug. 2-6 in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

Center Emeka Okafor and forward Ben Gordon were named as finalists from Connecticut, guard Gerald Fitch and forward Chuck Hayes represented Kentucky, and guard Rickey Paulding and forward Arthur Johnson are from Missouri.

Hakim Warrick made the finals, two months after winning the NCAA championship with

"It's great just coming off the national championship, and then to be selected for this, it's just another great thing to add to this year for me," the 6-foot-8 for-

The U.S. has not won the gold medal at the Pan Am 9 Games since 1983.

Other finalists were Josh Childress, F, Stanford; Ike Diogu, F, Arizona State; Andre Barrett, G, Seton Hall; Chris Hill, G, Michigan State; Julius Hodge, F. North Carolina State; Luke Jackson, G. Oregon; Brandon Mouton, G. Texas; Steve Novak, F. Marquette; Lawrence Roberts, F. Baylor;

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to the kind of problems that have plagued him this season.

After making a charge that carried him late last season to a sixthplace finish in the series and rookie of the year status, Newman has had a difficult start in 2003. No one had failed to finish more races, and that was costly.

This time, he overcame adver-

The victory was the first by a Dodge at Dover since Richard Petty in 1976. Dodge was out of the sport for 16 years before returning in 2001. After the Chevys of Labonte

and Stewart came the Pontiac of Johnny Benson. Even with his victory, Newman is 18th in the title chase

and trails points leader Matt Kenseth by 569 after 13 of 36 races. Newman has acknowledged he needs to pick up the pace to live up to expectations that he would be one of the favorites to win the champi-Gordon and Labonte thought

Stewart would have won had it not been for a one-lap penalty from NASCAR for pitting slightly out of the box.

Tony was by far the class of the field," Gordon said.

But Newman didn't think that was necessarily so. "It's just too hypothetical to

say," he explained. "If we had power steering the whole race, I might have lapped the field."

and Blake Stepp, G. Gonzaga.

Tom Izzo of Michigan State.

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- T-gift host annual banquet -



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Linda Keathley received a laptop computer from T-GIFT last spring which she said greatly reduced the stress and pressure of trying to do her schoolwork in accordance with public computer access hours.

Promoting education through technology

Join both the Dick's and
T-GIFT members as they announce
the 2003 recipient of their technology award this June 6, at 6 p.m., at
May Lodge. Banquet tickets may
be purchased from any T-GIFT
member or by calling 886-2513 or
886-3082 at a price of \$25/person.
Table donations may be purchased
at a price of \$150 or more. Donor
name will be displayed on table. A
"Silent Auction" will be held immediately prior to the event.

by KATHY J. PRATER FEATURES EDITOR

group of Floyd County citizens traveled to the Berea College campus in September, 2001 to attend the Brushy Fork Leadership Development Program workshop and seminar conducted by the Brushy Fork Institute, an outreach program of Berea College committed to promoting the development of local leader-

ship in the Appalachian region.

From this workshop, the T-GIFT
(Technology Gift Incentive Foundation
Team) was born. This grassroots initiative
is devoted to the mission of promoting a
better-educated Floyd County through a
self-sustaining technology gift program that
will serve to enhance the educational opportunities of deserving non-traditional (adult)

This June 6, the team will hold its second annual spring banquet at which time they will announce the name of the student who will receive the 2003 T-GIFT award.

Linda Keathley, of East Point, was the recipient of the 2002 award, a brand-new laptop computer. Keathley, now a member of the technology gift team, will be present at this year's banquet also.

Keathley, a high school drop-out and mother of three, returned to school in 1995, after a twenty-two year absence, to study the field of social work. "Being awarded a computer by T-GIFT was a wonderful blessing," she said. "While attending school, I was also working for a home health agency which required me to travel most of the day. With the laptop, I was able to do schoolwork in between visits and during breaks. Before, I had to go to the college computer lab and sometimes by the time I could get there, the lab would be closed, or the wait line would be long or the computers would be down. Having the laptop changed my life dramatically and made it so much easier for me to get my school work done."

Keathley, who received a bachelor's degree in Social Work from Morehead State University this spring, says she is interested in working with disabled persons and has recently become employed by Community Connections in a position in which she will be working on a daily basis with persons who are mentally challenged.

"I have a brother who became paralyzed at a very early age and although he has continued on with his life, even to the point of

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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

**If your child has lost a coat or any type of clothing this year, you or your child may come to the Youth Service Center to look for it. All coats that are left in the Center by the end of the year will become the property of the Youth Service Center.

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

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

**School now holding KINDERGARTEN registration. Please call the school at 874-2165

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POISON OAK Believe nothing you hear...

Although I was born too late to know much about Will Rogers—except what I've read about him—I do know that he is attributed with the saying, "All I know is what I read in the paper."

What with all the advancement in communication, had he been living in today's world, he might



Clyde Pack

have said something like, "All I know is what I read in the paper or see on TV." But unfortu-

nately, as we've found out lately, the only thing we really know about what we read e actually read

or watch, is that we actually read or watched it. Whether we know any of that as fact is questionable at best.

Take for example, the story of Pvt. Jessica Lynch. The part where she fought until she ran out of bullets, then was shot and stabbedall of which was reported on TV and in the newspapers-apparently didn't happen at all. Although I've yet to hear exactly who fabricated the story in the first place, apparently she was the only one to survive in her group because her attackers thought she was already dead. She was unconscious after the vehicle she was in had wrecked, broken her legs and one of her arms.

.Kim's Korner: Attitude matters



Kim Little Frasure

by KIM LITTLE FRASURE

Wow! It seems like it's been forever and a day since being in print.

Where do I begin? Reflecting back on the seminar the ad staff and I attended in Lexington a couple weeks ago and then watching and listening to a young pastor's sermon this past Sunday morning it dawned on me how the word "positive" is such an important part of our vocabulary and life.

The lady speaking at the seminar had some hilarious ways and stories she shared about our attitudes with our jobs, how they come across to the public, and

the major difference a smile could make not only from sight but even hearing one through the phone. Yes, it sounds a little peculiar but true. Haven't you ever called up a place of business and feel as though you've just had your head bitten off, chewed up and spit out? Most of us have at one time or another.

The sermon heard was of the same nature. When we wake up in a bad mood, do we choose to do something about it, or let it continue with us throughout our day? Take it to work, and take out our frustrations on anyone who dares come in contact with us!

Our emotions play with and, Lord for-

bid, sometimes rule our lives. We choose to be victims or victors! It's true, we can either "waller" (that's Eastern Kentucky lingo for wallow), in our "bad" moods, bad situations, or pick ourselves up by the bootstraps, and refuse the nasty now and now, and move on to head toward the sweet bye and bye! You've seen the bumper stickers, "Let Go and Let God"! Well, try it, I promise you'll like it.

One member of the sales staff phoned just before the writing of this column took place. As ad manager, one of my utmost responsibilities is to motivate the staff.

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to schedule an appointment.

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

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

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.

BETSY LAYNE HIGH SCHOOL

June 4 - Last day of school. June 4 - GRADUATION, 7:30 p.m.

■ June 5 - SBDM Council meeting, 3 p.m.

■ BLHS Alumni Association is offering a 2-volume set pictorial history book featuring seniors and faculty members of the BLHS classes from 1937-2003. Cost - \$30 per set. To order, write to: BLHS Alumni Association, P.O. Box 25, Stanville, KY 41659. Numbers are limited, so order early. For more information, contact Betsy Layne High School at 478-2233.

CLARK ELEMENTARY

SUMMER CAMP available for month of July. Call the Family Resource Center for more information or to enroll your child for camp.

All SBDM Council meetings open to public. All are welcome to attend.

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

June 14 - "Fun Fair for Expectant & New Parents," at the MAC, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. FREE for all Floyd County expectant parents or parents with babies up to 1 year of age. Door prizes, exhibits, refresh-

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

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

Scholarships to Camp Shawnee still available. Please contact the family resource center if interested.

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

■ Lending Library available for use of students, parents and teachers. Videos on a variety of topics are available.

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

MCDOWELL **ELEMENTARY AND** FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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

meets on the first Thursday, every other month, in FRC office at 4 p.m.

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.

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

■ The McDowell FRC, in collaboration with many other area organizations, will sponsor several summer activities. Among them:

June 14 - "Fun Fair for

Expectant & New Parents" (babies up to 1 yr. old): To be held at the Mountain Arts Center, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. July 14-18 - Nutrition

Camp: To be held at the McDowell FRC, from 9 - 11 a.m., in collaboration with Our Lady of the Way Hospital. ■ July 21-25 - Physical &

Health Activities Camp: To be held at the McDowell FRC, from 9 - 11 a.m., in collaboration with McDowell ARH.

■ July 28-30 -Environmental Camp: To be held from 9 - 11 a.m., in collaboration with the Floyd County 4-H program.

July 11 - Athletic Physicals for South Floyd High School and it's feeder schools will be conducted at Our Lady of the Way Hospital's Wheelwright

Floyd County Health Clinic on this day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please stop by the FRC office to pick up form.

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July 23 - Our Lady of the Way Hospital's 5th Annual 'Back to School' Health Fair for ALL Floyd County students will be held on this day from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The fair will be held this year at Allen Central High

Applications for Camp Shawnee may be picked up at the FRC office.

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ June 11 - Kindergarten Registration, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., in school auditorium.

June 14 - "Fun Fair for Expectant and New Parents," at the Mountain Arts Center. FREE for Floyd County expectant parents and for those parents with babies up to 1 year of age. Door prizes, exhibits, refreshments and more.

■ 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.

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

Ten Years Ago,

(June 9, and June 11, 1993)

An attorney representing the company which did the site preparation work for South Floyd High School called a state Department of Education report on the project inaccurate and one-sided. Phillip Damron, representing Triple Corporation, which won a civil lawsuit against the school board last year, told Floyd County school board members, Thursday, that the report written by Gary Griesser, associate commissioner for district support services, was "short on brains and long on title." Griesser was asked by state Education Commissioner Thomas Boysen to prepare a chronological report of the problem-plagued South Floyd High School project which has been active since 1986. Griesser released his report last month to members of the State Board for Elementary Secondary Education. Griesser's report blamed much of the problems and delays on the South Floyd project on Triple B, former architect James Ellis and the local board of education...Upon hearing testimony from Kentucky State Police officers Detective Joel Newsome and Trooper Earl Gorrell, Floyd District Judge Danny Caudill found that there was probable cause to hold accused murderer Larry Robinson over for grand jury deliberation without bond. Robinson is accused of deliberately running over and killing William Kent "Bucky" Rose, at Banner, on Saturday, May 29...Jeannie Jacobs Fouts and her sister, Betty Thomas, pleaded guilty, Monday, in Floyd Circuit Court to charges relating to the theft of items for Fouts' wedding to Danny Fouts last year. Fouts, 19, of Knott County, and Thomas, 23, of Prestonsburg, pleaded guilty to one count each of misdemeanor theft. They were arrested March 14, 1992, after Prestonsburg Police officers Anthony Castle and Herman Morris discovered approximately \$1,500 worth of merchandise, believed to be stolen, in the trunk of the vehicle in which they were passengers...A fired Floyd County high school principal won a battle to keep his teaching certificate earlier this month when a state hearing officer ruled that the charges against him be dismissed. Lewis G. "Spike" Berkhimer, 47, was accused last year of touching a 15-year-old female student in a sexual way, and of filing a false employment application. Berkhimer, former principal at Wheelwright High School, was suspended from his post after the student accused him on two different occasions of improperly touching her. He was later rehired as principal by former superintendent Ron Hager, but was fired

by interim superintendent Eldon Smith,

when Hager was ousted by the State

Board for Elementary and Secondary might be persusaded to hold its Final Education...Two well-known Civic activists, and one of Floyd County's leading employers, were recognized for special awards, Thursday, during the annual meeting of the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce. Sheriff Paul Hunt Thompson, who has spearheaded efforts to construct a new state prison at Wheelwright, and who has directed a popular drug abuse awareness program for county school children, was named Floyd Countian of the Year by the Chamber, O. Sam Blankenship, executive officer for Bank Josephine in Prestonsburg and a leader in area economic development efforts, was selected Floyd County Businessperson of the Year. Worldwide Equipment, one of the county's top three manufacturers, was named Floyd County Business of the Year...According to a press release issued Monday, by the Kentucky State Police, 19-year-old Shawn Patrick Prater was a passenger in a vehicle driven south on U.S. 23, near Betsy Layne by his brotherin-law, Billy Ray Craft, who was following a vehicle occupied by Darnell Williams, 32; William Blackburn, 24; and Jerry Michael Martin, 22, all of Gethel. KSP Detective Joel Newsome said Tuesday, that Craft was allegedly pursuing the three men after an incident in which he found them in a small marijuana patch near his home. Martin allegedly fired a slug from a 12-gauge shotgun into the passenger side of the Craft vehicle, Newsome said, striking Prater in the left side of his chest. Prater was pronounced dead at the scene. All three men are currently charged with capital murder...117 Allen Central High School seniors will receive their diplomas on Wednesday, June 23, in the high school gym...The graduating class of 1993, will be the last to "walk the aisle" at Wheelwright High School. On Friday, June 18, at 7 p.m., in the school gym, 143 seniors will be granted their diplomas...Floyd Superintendent Steve Towler doesn't seem to be too disappointed about being passed over for the job of superintendent of the Russell Independent school system. He said he's glad it's over with, and he's not overly disappointed. He's accepted it. Ronnie Back, an assistant superintendent in the Russell district had been offered the job...Former Governor Julian Carroll and Eastern Kentucky Racing Incorporated, haven't closed the betting window on live racing at Eastern Kentucky in 1993-yet. Carroll is wagering that, with a little luck, the once adversarial Kentucky Racing Commission will decide to conduct its annual end-of-season celebration at Kentucky Downs itself, this year. Carroll had met with racing commissioner Nate

Sholer prior to Wednesday's commission

meeting at Churchill Downs in Louisville.

Sholer suggested that the commission

Fairgrounds race meet at Kentucky Downs, thus making the facility eligible for intertrack wagering dates later this year...Despite previous allegations of double-dealing and mishandling, Tuesday's marathon recanvass of the ballots cast in the May 25 primary revealed no major changes in the election's outcome, Floyd County Clerk Carla "Robinson" Boyd said this week. The recanvass was requested in May by outgoing Commonwealth's Attorney Jerry Patton; county judge/executive candidate Dale McKinney and jailer candidate Junior Joseph, after multiple mechanical malfunctions at polling places around the county prompted cries of fraud and negligence...Three Floyd County school administrators have filed a lawsuit against the board of education to prevent the implementation of central office reorganization plan. The administrators are also asking the state's attorney general to declare void, actions taken by the board to approve the plan which, they claim, was discussed during three "illegal" closed sessions...Martin City Council agreed, Wednesday, to ask Our Lady of the Way Hospital representatives to repair damages to a city street after several residents raised concerns about the hospital's expansion project. Rita Laferty and Beecher Scutchfield alleged that engineering plans were in error, and hospital officials had deceived the council and citizens about the design of the project...Proceedings continued, Thursday, in the apparently drug-related death of an Auxier teen. Darrell Williams, 32; William Blackburn, 24; and Jerry Michael Martin, 22, all of Grethel, were arrested near Mud Creek, early Tuesday morning, less than an hour after 19-yearold Shawn Patrick Prater died of a gunshot wound to the chest...There died: Bertha Click Flanery, 85, of Martin, Saturday, at her residence; Henry Hamilton, 70, of McDowell, Saturday, in the Veterans Hospital, Lexington; Shawn Patrick Prater, 19, of Auxier, Sunday, at US 23, Stanville; Anna "Alice" Harris, 87, of Prestonsburg, Thursday, at her residence; Mary (Stacy) Lowe, 88, of Prestonsburg, Sunday; Ernest Gibson, 77, of Lackey, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Leona Sturgill, 87, of Thealka, Thursday, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center, Paintsville; Martha Shepherd Nelson, 81, of David, Saturday, at the Good Samaritan Hospital, Lexington; Paul David Wiley, 47, of Meally, Thursday, at his residence; Emogene O. Hamilton, 68, of Langley, Sunday, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Herman Tackett, 49, of Banner, Monday, at the Veterans

Hospital, Lexington; Eulah Osborne, 90,

Wheelwright, Monday; Connie

McFarlan Conn, 43, of David, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; William "Bill" Edward Elliott, 54, of Topeka, Kansas, May 15, at Nashville Memorial Hospital; Madeline Stumbo Schmitz, 60, of Lexington, formerly of McDowell, Friday, at her residence; Dolores Ilene Conn, 60, of Leesburg, Florida, formerly of Betsy Layne, May 28; Arlene Meade Akers, 43, of Martin, Monday, at her residence; Lora Vanderpool, 74, of Jackson, Michigan, formerly of Hueysville, Wednesday, at Foot Hospital, Jackson, Michigan.

Twenty Years Ago

(Wednesday, June 15, 1983)

\$1,968,000 awarded, last Wednesday, by the U.S. Department of Transportation, to the Big Sandy Regional Airport, may make possible site preparation work by the end of the summer on the hilltop site...A 16-year-old youth, David S. Bradford, of Gastonia, North Carolina, attempted to save an older friend, Reginald R. Hunter, 19, of Greensboro, North Carolina, in trouble while swimming in Dewey Lake, Sunday afternoon, but resulted in the drowning of both boys. Both were students at the Prestonsburg Job Corps...State police continued their search for a man suspected of shooting 22-year-old Rosetta Hall of Lackey, in the back, killing her unborn child...A citizens group called the Floyd County Citizens Education Council, gathered at the board office, to ask Raymond Barber, state superintendent of public instruction, to oust Superintendent E.P. Grigsby Jr., and members of the school board...There died: Tom E. Martin, 60, of Martin, Friday, in Lexington; Susie Mae Justice Lafferty, 58, of Water Gap, Monday, at Highlands Regional Medical Joe Williams, 63, Center; Wheelwright, Wednesday, in Lexington; Cynthia Fitzpatrick, 89, of West Prestonsburg, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Bruce Clark, 69, of Honaker, Tuesday, June 7, at his

Thirty Years Ago

(June 13, 1973)

The village of Emma will soon see the beginning of a modern highway-type bridge, to take the place of the 45-yearold "swinging bridge" which spans the Big Sandy there, to connect the town with US 23...Congressman Carl D. Perkins announced in Washington, last week, that the House Education and Labor Committee, which he heads, will hold

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CRITTER CORNER: Animal vaccinations



beautiful chocolate Pomeranian is named "Bear." Bear is 20-months old. His owner, Sheila Griffith, of Allen, says that Bear is "a real loy." "I can't imagine my life without him!," she said.

By Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

You may have been reading lately about the controversy that surrounds how often animals should be given their vaccinations. So what's all the fuss about?

This is one of the hottest topics of debate in Veterinary Medicine, and it has no clear-cut answers. Vaccines and vaccination schedules are getting complicated. The old D-H-L (Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis) vaccine for dogs has turned into a DA2PLPC (Distemper, Adenovirus2/Hepatitis, Parainfluenza, Leptospirosis, Parvovirus, Coronavirus) or something similar. Cats routinely vaccines against receive Calicivirus, Rhinotracheitis, Panleukopenia, Pneumonitis and Feline Leukemia. As we develop more vaccines to more diseases, we are reaching a point where we have to ask whether we are doing more harm than good.

A vaccine is, after all, a foreign substance, injected into the body in order to stimulate an immune response to a particular disease. They are generally safe and effective, but when you confront the body with too many foreign substances too often, it can start to have adverse effects. The ideal situation would be to only vaccinate against those diseases that the dog or cat is at reasonable risk of contracting, and only when the animal's immunity to each disease drops below protective lev-

We accomplish the first goal by taking each animal's lifestyle into consideration, and only vaccinating against those diseases to which he/she is likely to be exposed. For example, an indooronly dog in eastern Kentucky probably doesn't need to be vaccinated against Lyme Disease. It doesn't mean he is at zero risk. just that the odds are against him being exposed to it. The diseases that are very common (such as

Parvo) or very dangerous (i.e. Rabies) form a "core" or group against which most animals are vaccinated.

Determining each animal's level of immunity to a particular disease at any given time is possible; it just isn't very practical. Blood levels of antibodies to a particular disease can be measured in a laboratory. These levels are called "titers". A protective titer is one that is believed to be high enough to protect the animal from a particular disease. This doesn't always correlate exactly with how that animal's body will respond to the disease in the real world. They are also relatively expensive to perform, and a separate titer must be determined for each disease.

It is my understanding that manufacturers of human vaccines have to determine just how long the immunity to their products lasts ("duration-of-immunity studies"). Veterinary product manufacturers are only required

to determine the minimum duration of immunity. In other words, if a vaccine label says that Vaccine A should be boosted annually, they know for sure that immunity lasts for a year. They have not necessarily gone to the expense of conducting studies to show that it might be effective even longer.

Although most experts feel

that some, if not most, vaccines protect dogs and cats for longer than a year, we don't know which vaccines, or how long the protection lasts. In addition, if a veterinarian recommends a vaccine be used less often that the product manufacturer recommends, it becomes an "off-label use". In that case, if the animal developed the disease, the manufacturer would assume no responsibility-even if it could be proved that something was wrong with the vaccine-because it was not used according to label directions. (Don't take that as gospel, I'm not a lawyer, but that is my take on

Have I ever used vaccine offlabel? You betcha! That sevenyear old Yorkie that never goes outside except to be carried to the car and back for a trip to McDonald's, but whose head swelled to the size of a tennis ball the last time he got a Leptospirosis vaccine? I'm going to talk it over with the owner, but I'm not going to be insistent on yearly revaccination! given his low level of risk.

To sum this up, discuss your dog's vaccination schedule with your vet. If you have good reason to think that the makeup or schedule might need to be altered, he or she may agree. Don't be surprised or offended if you are asked to sign something saying you have been informed of potential risks from going against standard protocol. Vets and pet owners are both in a gray area here that requires working together to determine the best health care for the animal.

School

■ Call 886-7088 for additional information regarding the Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center or its programs.

PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL

June 6 - SUMMER SCHOOL begins, 8:15 a.m. (students who have pre-registered need to be at school by 8 a.m.). No transportation provided on the first day, but will be available thereafter. First session: Mon.-Fri., June 6-19; Second session: Mon.-Fri., June 20-July 3. (2 weeks=1/2 credit; 4 weeks=1 credit) *Applications available in the counselor's office. Space is limited and placement is firstcome, first-served.

Yesterdays

hearings in this county, June 22, and pos-

sibly on the following day, to hear the tes-

timony of black lung applicants who have

been denied benefits by the Social

Security Administration...Retirement of

ing both the Floyd and Martin county

Health Departments, became effective

May 10... A single car accident, early

Sunday morning, near Bonanza, claimed

the life of the vehicle's only occupant, 22-

year-old Billy Monroe Howell, of Abbott

Creek...Miki Jane Little, daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. Mike Little, of Melvin, will rep-

resent Floyd County in the Miss

Kentucky Pageant, to be held July 12-14

in Louisville...Timmy Crawford, son of

Mr. and Mrs. Manis Crawford, of Melvin,

and Mike Armour, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Henry Armour, of Wheelwright, will

attend the 30th annual convention of Key

Club International in Chicago, July 1-

4...There died: Mrs. Hattie R. Reynolds,

73, of Dayton, O., formerly of Pike

County, Sunday, in a Dayton hospital.

SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

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

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

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

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

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

STUMBO **ELEMENTARY/MUD** CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ July 10 - Our Lady of the Way Hospital will be performing FREE Athletic Physicals at the Betsy Layne Clinic from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Please call the Resource Center if you plan to

•Resource Center hours are 8 a.m. to 4 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.

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Schedule

Monday and Wednesday Betsy Layne High School, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Call 478-3389 for more information.

Morehead State Prestonsburg Campus, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Call 886-2405 for more info.

■ Tuesday and Thursday

St. James Episcopal Church, 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Church is located on University Drive, Prestonsburg, between PCC and the BP station.

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

WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

■ Weekly Chapel Services, each Wednesday morning, 10

For information on the development of the new Wesley Christian High School, please contact Gary Frazier at 874-8328.

W.D. OSBORNE RAINBOW JUNCTION FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

"Lost and Found" located in the Center. Parents need to pick up their children's items within two weeks. Any items not claimed within two weeks,

becomes the property of the 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.

Korner

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During our conversation, the word attitude, consistency, and something we learned as tots was shared, "Keep repeating to yourself just like the little engine that could, 'I think I can, I think I can, I think I can!' And before you know it you will conquer your goals.'

Yes, our emotions can dictate our lives! But only if we choose to let them. Our emotions can wreak such havoc in our lives its amazing. They can cause us to spend money on un-needed items just because we're blue. They can cause us to snap or be short with someone who has no idea why they just got snapped at. Just think how wonderful life would be if we could all master the art of being "positive"!

Oh yeah, emotions can cause a world of hurt. Wisdom always waits, wisdom always thinks. Here's hoping you're a victor, not a victim, of emotions that is! Be positive, speak positive, and watch your world turn around and may God bless you for it!



SOUTH FLOYD HIGH SCHOOL

Summer School will be held June 2-6 and June 9-13, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Second session will be held July 7-11 and July 14-18, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Summer Feeding Program

will be available June 2-6, June 9-13, July 7-11, July 14-18, and July

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■ Summer Basketball Camp will be held July 21-23, from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Registration will be held on July 9, from 8-9

Birthdays



Нарру Birthday, Amanda!

Amanda Rose Bellamy celebrated her eleventh birthday on May 13, 2003 with a party held at Gatti Land. Friends and family also joined her in a trip to the movies. Amanda is the daughter of Janet Sue Prater Bellamy, of Mud Lick. She is the granddaughter of Harold and Josephine Prater, of Martin. Amanda's special day was made even happier when her mother's of Mud Lick, joined everyone for the festive

Wedding Engagements

Cooley-**Fitzpatrick** to wed

Januari Annelle Cooley and Franklin Kyle Fitzpatrick are pleased to announce their upcoming wedding, to be held on Saturday, June 7, 2003, at half past six o'clock in the evening, at the Fitzpatrick Farm, Little Paint. The couple are the children of Cynthia Ann Woodrow, Mr. and Mrs. Timothy C. Cooley, and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Delano Fitzpatrick. The happy couple extend a gra-

cious open invitation to all friends and relatives to join them on this special day of celebrating their love. A reception will be held immediately following the marriage ceremony.



Owens-Skeens

The parents of Miss HerShell Owens. bride-elect, along with the parents of Mr. J.P. Skeens, groom, graciously extend an open invitation to all to attend the wedding of their children, to be held Saturday, June 14, at six o'clock in the evening, at the First Church of God, University Drive, Prestonsburg. Immediately following the exchange of marriage vows, a reception will be held in the couple's honor at the Holiday Inn. Prestonsburg.

Forty Years Ago

(June 13, 1963)

The Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad, following a search of the lakeside, and a dragging operation in the lake itself, Monday, failed to find Hillard Music, 18, who has been missing since Sunday afternoon, shortly after he jumped from a car driven by Fred McCoy, of Gap...Undersecretary Commerce Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., will head a task force of federal representatives who will confer with Governor Bert Combs, other state officials, and area leaders at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park, in an all-day meeting, next Thursday...American Legion Post 129 will sponsor the Fourth of July celebration in Prestonsburg this year...Wedding vows were exchanged, Saturday, June 8, in the First Methodist Church, Pikeville, by Miss Jeri Mahan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Mahan, and Mr. William Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Allen, of Prestonsburg...Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Blackerby, of Lexington, announce the birth, on Sunday, June 9, of their first child, a daughter, Elizabeth Lea. Mrs. Blackerby is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Burchett, of Sugar Loaf...There died: John C. Wells, 59, former principal of three Floyd County schools, Sunday, at

Pennsylvania Hospital in Philadelphia; Merida Brown, 75, former Prestonsburg Police Chief, Saturday, at the McDowell Hospital; Robert Thurman McCoy, 52, of Romeo, Mich., native of Gulnare, last Dr. Russell L. Hall, as health officer head- Thursday; Mrs. Hattie Webb, 74, of Auxier, at her home, Friday; Mrs. Melda W. Bionchi, 33, of Price, June 5, at the home of her mother, Mrs. Mousie Moore: John S. Meade Sr., 67, of Weeksbury, last Wednesday, at the McDowell Hospital; James Saunders, 68, Sunday, at his home at Grethel: Mrs. Lavada Osborne, 85, native of Floyd County, Friday, at an Ashland Hospital; Ned Akers, 69, June 7, at his home at Justell; Mrs. Aline Haywood, 58, Thursday, June 7, at her home at Martin; Adam Watson, 65, of Raven, Wednesday, June 6, at the home of his daughter at Printer; Mrs. Jane Johnson, 63, of Melvin, last Wednesday, en route to a hospital; Mrs. Martha W. Smith, 63, of Gallipolis, O., Friday, in a hospital there: Francis Sturgill Howell, 91, June 1; John Wesley Wallace, 53, of Hamilton, O., last Friday, in a hospital

Fifty Years Ago

(June 11, 1953)

Floyd County's school system, which has been counting heavily on an equalization fund, materially in excess of the current year's \$254,000, may be considerably weakened by the \$5 million slash in the coming year's budget, ordered by Governor Weatherby this week...More destruction from a fire which destroyed the McDowell theatre and an adjacent building at McDowell, early Saturday morning, was prevented by C. and O. Railroad engineer, Belve Turner, who spotted the flames from the theatre, and began blowing his locomotive's whistle, alerting the town to the blaze...The office of County Judge Henry Stumbo was burglarized last Thursday night, and a state police investigation of the break was underway, this week...Release forms for the procuring of flowage easements to deepen Dewey Lake by five feet have been obtained by E. R. Burke, seventh district conservation supervisor...Coal production, through May, has continued to gain, with an increase of 541.5 cars of 50 tons each over the corresponding period last year...Larry Allen Whittaker, five

(See YESTERDAY, page four)

Business/Professions

'Papa John' to receive 2003 Kentuckian Award

Schnatter, founder and CEO of Papa John's Pizza, will receive the

Foundation.

John ed by he A.B. "Happy" Chandler an individual for outstanding service to Kentucky. And while many The Kentuckian Award was distinguish themselves through 2003 Kentuckian Award, present- established in 1992 to recognize service, the Kentuckian Award

From left to right are Erin Majakey, ACHS student, Sarah Smith, ACHS student, Dr. Paul Fanning,

Superintende nt, Floyd County Board of Education. Kathy Stumbo, Our Lady of the Way Hospital. and Rita Osborne,

teacher,

ACHS.

symbolizes service as a way of

Past award recipients include Tom Hammond, William DeVries, Cawood Ledford, Loretta Lynn, Charles T. Wethington, William T. Young, the Clooney family, Ted Bassett, Jim Host and Ward

"John is very deserving of this tribute. He is a remarkable businessman, he works hard for many worthy charities, and he has made Kentucky a part of the international community," said Rob Bromley, president of the Foundation. "In each area, he represents a shining

Award symbolizes."

The Chandler Foundation is a non-profit agency whose mission is to provide scholarships to Kentucky students attending a college or university located in the Commonwealth.

"We are building future leaders," said Bromley "and we want to keep the riches of our state in Kentucky to help every community grow and prosper.'

Since 1992, the Foundation has awarded nearly \$300,000 in scholarships. Currently there are nine students under the scholarship pro-

example of what the Kentuckian gram and three new scholarships will be presented at the banquet.

Sponsors for the Kentuckian Award event include Ernst & Young and William G. Wilcox, Louisville. and Gaunce Management, Inc., Glasgow, Kentucky.

The Kentuckian Award will be presented on July 26 at the Hyatt Regency in Lexington, Kentucky. Reception begins at 6 p.m., banquet at 7 p.m. For more information or to make a reservation, call Mary Kay Roark at 859-278-5550 or e-mail to ChandlerFdn

Oak

The part about her dramatic rescue was reportedly all made up. too. Why whoever it was that made all this up felt compelled to do so, has yet to be disclosed. Likely as not, we'll never know.

Then there's the case of Michael Moore who won an Oscar for his documentary about gun control. You'll recall his outburst during his Academy Awards acceptance speech about President Bush's "fictitious war" in Iraq. There are those who are now criticizing Moore, because he reported staged certain segments of his film while presenting them as spontaneous and unrehearsed.

So who knows anymore? For that matter, who ever knew?

I mean, early reporters-those who covered presidents like Roosevelt, Eisenhower and Kennedy, for example-covered up, or simply did not report, what

they knew about our leaders' indiscretions. Although the country may have been better off not knowing, some feel that we did indeed have a right to know, and that those responsible for telling us, let us down.

Now we have those responsible for telling us the truth, making things up as they go. It's gotten to the point that whenever you pick up the paper or watch TV, you really don't know for sure if you're

hearing the truth, or just what some spin master wants you to think is

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For all we know, that could have been the case all along, and what ole Will Rogers "knew" from reading the papers, might not have been factual at all.

Another old saying, although not credited to Will Rogers, makes a lot more sense these days: "Believing nothing you hear, and only about half of what you see."



'Business After Hours'

By REGINA BECKNELL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FLOYD COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The business community met with local high school students during the "Business After Hours" event held May 22 at Allen Central High School. Ms. Rita Osborne, her Career Options Class and the Floyd County Board of Education welcomed Chamber members with ood and refreshments, a tour of he ACHS campus and the ACHS student bank which is operated in conjunction with US Bank.

The featured "Business After Hours" event also served to host business card exchange that illowed members to share business cards with fellow Chamber nembers. If you are a Chamber nember interested in hosting a 'Business After Hours' social gathering to expand network

Yesterday

opportunities or to highlight your products and services, call the Chamber office. This type of event is a great way to promote invaluable one-to-one marketing of your business opportunities.

Now networking with the

Chamber is a double win. Make sure you attend the Chamber "Business After Hours" events and get your ticket to enter our business give-a-way drawings. Allen Central High School and the Floyd County Board of Education event offered members a chance to win a Jenny Wiley State Resort Park Overnight Package. Congratulations to our winner, Retha Shepherd, from US Bank. Remember, you must ATTEND to win. Watch for our next

The Chamber would also like to remind the business community that the Annual Chamber Golf Tournament will be held on June

"Business After Hours" event.

3 at StoneCrest Golf Course. This event is open to the business community, so if you are interested in sponsorship for promotion or in golfing with Chamber member businesses, call 886-0364 for more information. One-to-one marketing is the most economical and effective way to promote your business.

coaching sports from a wheelchair, I have seen the struggles he has had to encounter in daily life. People with disabilities struggle with so many more things than many of us could ever realize. I've seen disabled students struggling to get from their cars into classroom buildings in the rain...I've seen them struggle with their books in

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class...though a lot of strides have been made to make things more accessible, there is still a lot to be done," Keathley said.

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"Seeing my brother's courage has been a real inspiration to me," she continued, "it's definitely been a factor in my wanting to work with disabled

"The people who are involved with T-GIFT are wonderful, they're so wonderful to be around that I asked them if I could join," she said with a grin, "I wanted to be a part of this good work."

Members of the current T-GIFT team are: David and Delora Kraus, Joyce and Gary Mitchell, Theresa Scott, Regina Becknell, Sr. Kathleen Weigand, Jean Rosenberg, Elizabeth Bishop, Gwen Hall, and Linda

The team will play host to noted Kentucky authors, David and Lalie Dick, this Friday evening at May Lodge when the Dick's will appear as featured guest speakers. The Dick's, who together founded Plum Lick Publishing, live in Bourbon County on land first purchased by David Dick's great-greatgreat grandfather. Before residing in Kentucky, David Dick worked as a correspondent for CBS news. Lalie Dick formerly worked for International.

Both David and Lalie serve as columnists for Kentucky publications, "Kentucky Living," and Farm Bureau's "All Around Kentucky." Their most recent book, "Rivers of Kentucky," was nominated for the 2002 Non-Fiction Book of the Year by the Southeast Booksellers Association.

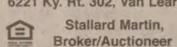
Join both the Dick's and T-GIFT members as they announce the 2003 recipient of their technology award this June 6, at 6 p.m., at May Lodge. Banquet tickets may be purchased from any T-GIFT member or by calling 886-2513 or 886-3082 at a price of \$25/person. Table donations may be purchased at a price of \$150 or more. Donor name will be displayed on table. A "Silent Auction" will be held immediately prior to the event.

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Allen Baptist Church...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Bob Vanhoose, of Cliff, a son, Robert Michael, June 10, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Roy S. Martin, of Garrett, a daughter, Peggy Irene, May 24...There died: William Brown, 61, at home in Prestonsburg, Tuesday: Mrs. Minerva Jane Short, 75, at the home of a daughter, at Russell, June 6; Thomas Joel

years old, of Pyramid, is Floyd County's first

polio sufferer of this year...The purchase for

\$150,000, by a group of Floyd and Perry

county citizens, of the Hazard Gas

Distribution System was consummated June

1...Married: Miss Lillis Serena DeRossette,

of Prestonsburg, to BM 3 Bernard George

Jansen, St. Matthews, May 31, at the First

Baptist Church, Bremerton, Washington;

Miss Roberta Flannery, of Martin, and

Johnny Hill, of Prestonsburg, June 9, at the

Sixty Years Ago

Martin, 71, former Johns Creek resident, at

home at Fallsburg, Friday.

(June 10, 1943)

Tom Raney, Pikeville international board member, United Mine Workers of America, said Wednesday, that representatives of approximately 20,000 eastern Kentucky miners have adopted resolutions defending their leader, John L. Lewis...Last vestiges of the depression-born food relief to the poor, which later rendered assistance to the aged, and to the public schools through school lunch programs, will be completely gone by June 20, Henry McCown, Floyd County commodity supervisor, said Tuesday...The long-planned Johns Creek dam was one of six reservoirs listed for Congressional approval last week as an after-the-war protection program for the Ohio River valley...Two more Floyd County soldiers-Herschel Hamilton, of Ivel, and Malcolm Layne, of Langley-have been killed in action in North Africa...Prestonsburg was declared, Monday evening, by the City

Council, "open territory" for carnivals-if the carnivals pay a license fee of \$250 a week...Auto use tax stamps in the denomination of \$5 were placed on sale in all postoffices and offices of Collectors of Internal Revenue, Thursday...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Lon Hill, of David, a son, Joseph, June 8, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; to Mr. and Mrs. John Herald, formerly of Prestonsburg, a son, William Jefferson, June 3, at Georgetown...There died: Frank Lee Hughes, 57, of Garrett, Friday, at the Martin General Hospital; Joseph Edward Harris, 71, at the home of his daughter, at Betsy Layne, Friday; Mrs. Pearl Samons Click, 46, of Martin, at the home of her son on Arkansas Creek, Monday; Dorothy Virgnia Clark, two years old, of Wonder, Friday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville.

Seventy Years Ago

(June 9, 1933)

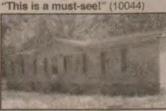
The new Kentucky Consolidated Gas

Company has acquired the holdings of a number of local gas companies on which it has held options for several months. The company plans to drill 200 gas wells within a period of five years...The Elk Hom Coal Corporation, last week, announced a 10 percent wage increase, along with a six-day-aweek work schedule...The Reconstruction Finance Corporation, spent \$39,000 in Floyd County, during May, furnishing employment for 7,000 persons... Hayburn Neeley, 21 years old, of Licking River, Magoffin County, was killed, Sunday afternoon, during a gun-fight with officers on Brush Creek...Members of the Woman's Club here, accompanied by Charles Tatum, of the American Friends' Service Committee, Tuesday, visited the feeding stations at Emma, Eureka and Prestonsburg, where a total of approximately 175 undernourished children are being fed lunch daily. There died: Olga Pinson, 15, of German, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin, Tuesday.

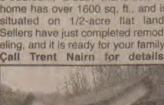


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2003, at 11 :30 a.m.

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The Prestonsburg Zoning Commission will be conducting a hearing for a zone change request on Thursday, June 12, 2003, at 11:30 a.m. The meeting will be held in the council room of city hall, at 200 North Lake Drive. The request is for the property at the northwest corner of South Lake Drive and Friend Street, for the purpose of maintaining the present use of the property as an auto service station. The request is from zone C-3 to Zone C-Tackett Fork road of 2. The public is invit-

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COMMONWEALTH bearing OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT **DIVISION NO. 1** C A. NO. 01-CI-00674 LORETTA CAROL TUSSEY, ET AL. **PLAINTIFFS** VS. LARRY A. PITTS AND GLENDA PITTS. HIS WIFE **DEFENDANTS** NOTICE OF SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Order of the Floyd Clerk's Office. Circuit Court, entered on the 29th day of property, I shall pro-County Courthouse claim deed Door, South Central May Avenue Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the Floyd County Court new Floyd County Clerk's Office. Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on sale, the successful

described as follows: Several tracts or bidder less, lying in Floyd unpaid Pitts Fork of Spurlock if any, bearing interand being bounded twelve percent (12%)

and more particularly

Alan Pitts by Deed Judgment. from Maggie and recorded in Deed

recorded in Deed 426.530. Book 197, Page 131, Office.

property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed erty taxes for the year Houchins, et al., bearing date of September 3, 1945, and recorded in Deed Book 196, Page 558, Floyd County Clerk's Office

property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed from Maggie date of February 26, 1966, and recorded in Deed Book 191, County Office.

BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed from Darvis Pitts, et dence over printed al., bearing date of matter October 16, 1937, and recorded in Deed Book 108, Page 420, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed from Hobert Pitts, et al., bearing date of August 9, 1941, and recorded in Deed Book 130, Page 186, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed bearing date March 16, 1946, from Elzie Ousley, et al., and recorded in Deed Book 129, Page 630, Floyd County Clerk's Office

BEING THE SAME property conveyed to Alan Pitts by Deed from Jim Cecil Pitts

date October 10, 1935, recorded in Deed Book 108, Page 419, Floyd County Clerk's Office.

The above stated deeds are referred to for a more particular description of the property conveyed herein.

The above described property being the same property of which the party of the first part inherited the interest of his deceased wife. COMMISSIONER'S Goldia Pitts, by reason of a Will probated and recorded in Will Book H, Page 148, Final Judgment and Floyd County Court

EXCEPTION There is hereby April, 2003, in the excepted from the Floyd Circuit Court, in above described and the above styled referenced property action, to determine that said property the divisibility of said conveyed by Alan Pitts, et al., to Larry ceed to offer for sale Pitts and Glenda at the Old Floyd Pitts, his wife, by quitdated 14. 1988.

recorded in Deed

Book 341, Page 489,

TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of Thursday, the 5th day bidder, if the other of June, 2003, at the than the Plaintiff, hour of 9:30 a.m., the shall either pay cash following property, or 10% of purchase located in Floyd price, with the bal-County, Kentucky, ance on credit for

thirty (30) days. (b) The successful shall parcels of land, con- required to execute a stituting approximate- bond with good surely 191 acres, more or ty thereon for the purchase County, Kentucky, on price of said property, Fork of Middle Creek, est at the rate of and described as fol- per annum, from the date of sale until BEING THE SAME paid, having the force property conveyed to and effect of a

(c) The property widow, shall be sold subject bearing date of to any easements December 24, 1965, and restrictions of record in the Floyd Book 196, Page 559, County Clerk's Office Floyd County Clerk's and such right of redemption as may BEING THE SAME exist in favor of the property conveyed to United States of Alan Pitts by Deed America and/or the from Bill Jack Pitts, et record owners thereat., bearing date of of, pursuant to 28 April 4, 1955, and U.S.C. 2410 or KRS

(d) The purchaser Floyd County Clerk's shall be required to assume and pay all BEING THE SAME Floyd County,

Kentucky, real prop-Edith Pitts 2003, and all subsequent years

> which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County,

Kentucky. real estate taxes will be BEING THE SAME paid from the sale proceeds.

(e) If the successful bidder is a party to Carol this action, he shall Ousley, et al., bearing be given credit on the balance of the purchase price to the extent of his/her own-Page 514, Floyd ership interest in the Clerk's above described real property

Any announcements made on date of sale take prece-

contained herein.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 02-CI-01120

BANK ONE,

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE (ASSIGNEE OF SOURCE ONE MORTGAGE COR-PORATION) PLAINTIFF VS.

TREVOR BREW-ER; THERESA BREWER: **FIRST GUARANTY** NATIONAL BANK OF MARTIN; FIRST GUARANTY NATIONAL BANK; COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, **COUNTY OF**

FLOYD, BY AND ON BEHALF OF F. MICHAEL HAYDEN, SECRETARY OF REVENUE DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S

SALE

BY VIRTUE OF In

Rem Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 24th day of April, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$35,517.44, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central venue, Prestonsburg

Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 5th day of June, 2003, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 606 Steels Creek Wayland, Floyd County Kentucky, and more

as follows: A certain tract or parcel of land, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on the waters Beaver Creek, containing 20 acres more or less, and being more particularly described as fol-

Beginning at the

particularly described

branch on left hand side of the branch at the lower end of the garden; thence up the hill with Martha Collins' line to the top of the hill to the Elkhorn Coal Corp. line; thence with the Elkhorn Coal Corporation line to the Farris Collins' line to a marked black gum; thence with Farris Collins' line down the hill to the branch; thence running down the branch with the old water course back to the

beginning. Being the same property conveyed to Trevor Brewer and Theresa Brewer, husband and wife, by Deed Book 445, Page 403, in the Floyd County Clerk's

Office TERMS OF SALE: sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the bal- Prestonsburg, ance on credit for unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of the twelve percent (12%) described real estate, per annum, from the date of sale until County, paid, having the force and more particularly

Judgment. (b) The property property conveyed to shall be sold subject to any easements and and restrictions of Stamper, his wife, record in the Floyd from

County exist in favor of the poration, by deed delinquent

shall be required to Clerk, and being ceeds. County, described as follows: Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years which delinquent real estate taxes will

Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, first lien, it shall take point on intersection real estate. a credit against said of Main Street; the bid, and no bond the Plaintiff, and it beginning. Being a lot matter shall only be obligat- fronting on Main herein. ed to pay court costs, the fees and costs of Master

Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the sale, the successful real estate.

announce- than the Plaintiff, Any ments made on date of sale take prece- or 10% of purchase dence over printed price, with the balcontained ance on credit for

PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL: Hon. Eric S. Deskins Andrews & Gault P.O. Box 2220 Lexington, Kentucky 40588-2220

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 03-CI-00170 FIRST COMMON-**WEALTH BANK**

OF PRESTONS-BURG, INC. **PLAINTIFF** VS. REED STAMPER,

JR.: **GENEVA STAM-**PER (HIS WIFE); FLOYD COUNTY, KY; CITY OF PRE-

STONSBURG, KY; **ELLIS BLACK-**BURN; AND TERESA BLACKBURN **DEFENDANTS**

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order

of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered deed dated March on the 29th day of 23, 2000, of record in April, 2003, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$19,020.36, together with interest, (a) At the time of costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Kentucky, (behind the thirty (30) days, and new Floyd County required to execute a Justice Center), to bond with good sure- the highest bidder, at ty thereon for the public auction on Thursday, the 12th day of June, 2003, at the hour of 9:15 a.m. following located in Floyd Kentucky, and effect of a described as follows: Being the same

Reed Stamper, Jr.,

The

Geneva

Clerk's Commonwealth Bank quent years which Office, and such right of Prestonsburg, Inc., are not yet due and Wildlife of redemption as may a state banking cor- payable. Any and all United States of dated 4/10/97, which County and City of Floyd, America and/or the is recorded in deed Prestonsburg, Johnson, record owners there- book 404, at page Kentucky, real estate Lawrence, 376, in the office of taxes will be paid Letcher, Magoffin, of (c) The purchaser the Floyd County from the sale proparticularly

(d) In the event the Beginning at the chaser of the above June 17, 2003, 7:30 corner of Stanley described property Avenue and Main for an amount equal Street of the City of to, or less than, its High are not yet due and West Prestonsburg, first lien, it shall take Hindman, Kentucky, (behind the shall be required to payable. Any and all KY; thence in a a credit against said (located one mile new Floyd County assume and pay all Floyd southerly direction lien for the amount of southeast approximately 67 feet the bid, and no bond Hindman, to a point on Stanley shall be required of Highway 160 East, at public auction on erty taxes for the year be paid from the sale. Avenue; thence in a the Plaintiff, and it 95 Perkins-Madden Thursday, the 12th 2003, and all subsewesterly direction shall only be obligat-(d) In the event the approximately 66 feet ed to pay court costs, Main the fees and costs of Street to a point; the Master thence in a northerly Commissioner, and for an amount equal direction approxi- any real estate taxes have for each of the County, to, or less than, its mately 67 feet to a assessed against the past two consecutive and more particularly be paid from the sale

Any thence following the Main Street right of of sale take preceshall be required of way to the point of dence over printed eligible to participate. County, Kentucky, as described property contained

> COUNSEL Hon. Larry D. Brown 143 North Arnold Avenue Prestonsburg. Kentucky 41653

PLAINTIFF'S

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KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE **RESOURCES** COMMISSION NOMINATION MEETING

A meeting will be Clerk's held to nominate indi-Office, and such right viduals interested in serving exist in favor of the Kentucky United States of Department of Fish America and/or the and Wildlife record owners there- Resources Commission repre-(c) The purchaser senting the Seventh Wildlife District. Up to shall be required to assume and pay all five names will be Floyd County and submitted to the City of Prestonsburg, Governor for appoint-Kentucky, real prop- ment to serve on the erty taxes for the year Commission, for a 2003, and all subseterm of four (4) years.

The District includes the following Floyd counties: Breathitt, Knott, and Pike.

The meeting will be Plaintiff is the pur- held on Tuesday, p.m. Eastern Time, at Knott County Central School, Road).

the counties compris- the ing the Seventh Wildlife District who located in Floyd years legally hunted described as follows: proceeds. announce- or fished, or regiscompliance with KRS

> C. Tom Bennett, Commissioner

Section 150.022.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 02-CI-1080 FIRST NATIONAL **BANK AND** TRUST PLAINTIFF

VS. JOSEPH C. **MULLINS AND** PENELOPE MULLINS **DEFENDANTS** AND COUNTY OF FLOYD INTER-

VENING **PLAINTIFF** VS. JOSEPH C. **MULLINS AND** PENELOPE **MULLINS AND** FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY **DEFENDANTS** NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Default Judgment and Order of Sale of

Seventh the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on Judgment. the 22nd day of April, Martin, Owsley, Perry together with interest, costs and fees, I shall Avenue, of Prestonsburg. of Justice Center) to the Floyd

described real estate, Being Lots Nos. 37

ments made on date tered a boat in the and 37A in the Village Plaintiff is the purstate of Kentucky, are of Auxier, Floyd chaser of the above This meeting is in shown by a map of for an amount equal County description.

> Joseph C. Mullins the Crisp, Jr., and Billie real estate. Crisp, husband and wife, by and through described property is their attorney in fact, sold subject to a con-Thurman Lafferty, by demnation December 21, 1998, by Floyd County, recorded February Kentucky. 18, 1999, in Deed Book 430, Page 498, records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's dence over printed Office.

TERMS OF SALE: (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the purchase unpaid price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until

paid, having the force

and effect of a

(b) The property 2003, in the Floyd shall be sold subject Harlan, Circuit Court, in the to any easements above styled action, and restrictions of Leslie, in the principal sum record in the Floyd \$26,257,43, County Clerk's Offfice and such right of redemption as may proceed to offer for exist in favor of the sale at the Old Floyd United States of County Courthouse America and/or the Door, South Central record owners there-

(c) The purchaser on highest bidder, at Kentucky, real propday of June, 2003, at quent years which Persons residing in the hour of 9:00 a.m., are not yet due and following payable. Any and all delinquent County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will

(d) In the event the said village filed in to, or less than, its Deed Book 126, first lien, it shall take Page 637, Floyd a credit against said Clerk's lien for the amount of Office, to which refer- the bid and no bond ence is hereby made shall be required of for a more particular the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligat-Being all that prop- ed to pay court costs, erty conveyed to the fees and costs of

Penelope Commissioner and Mullins, husband and any real estate taxes wife, by Kendall assessed against the (e) The

> action dated affecting same, filed Any

ments made on date of sale take precematter contained

> PLAINTIFF'S COUNSEL Hon. Kenneth H. Gilliam 333 N. Main Street London, Kentucky 40741

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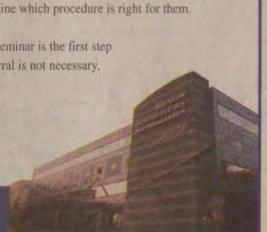


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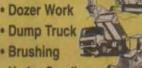
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