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Escapes caught after short, long hunt

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — Two men on work release from the Pike County Detention Center led police on a chase that ended with the arrest of one in 10 minutes, while the other took three hours.

According to court documents, Truman Stone Jr., 28, of Pikeville, and John Wesley Wright, 23, of Dorton, were on work release on April 30. The citation states that the two men escaped in a vehicle and were involved in a car chase that lasted for over 10 minutes and seven miles, before being stopped at the head of Raccoon Creek.

Stone was reported to be arrested after a foot chase, but Wright allegedly bolted from the driver's side and ran into the woods, where he was arrested three hours later.

Stone was charged with second-degree escape, second-degree fleeing and

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P'burg police step up detective work

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Under a newly developed pilot program, Prestonsburg residents looking to file a criminal complaint will no longer find themselves heading to the county attorney's office.

That will be the case for at least the next

year or so, which is how long the Prestonsburg Police Department says they will give their new approach to monitoring crime in the city.

Prestonsburg Police Chief Mike Omerod and Assistant Police Chief Stan Farler announced Tuesday that their department will provide full criminal investigative services to the public and the

criminal justice system.

The program, which will involve all reported crimes within Prestonsburg city limits, was established in cooperation with the Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley and Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner.

Under the program, all calls of a criminal nature or allegation will now be fully

investigated and documented to determine whether there is evidence a crime has been committed.

Prestonsburg police say that based on these investigations, recommendations will be made to the appropriate prosecutor's office, with a criminal case being

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Charges target cocaine trafficking

One case involves over \$500,000 of cocaine

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — Two indictments from the Eastern Division of U.S. District Court show drug busts covering a three county area that alleges the sale of over half a million dollars in cocaine.

According to court documents, Curtis Hall and Bobby F. Mobelini are charged with five counts relating to the possession and distribution of 5 kilograms of a substance containing cocaine from Nov. 2001 to April 12, 2003, in Knott and Perry counties. The approximate street value of that amount is around \$500,000.

The men's indictment alleges that the two are accused of conspiring with others to possess the substance with intent to sell between the dates stated above. However, the indictment states that Hall distributed the amounts, presumably to an undercover agent, on March 15, March 22 and April 12, while Mobelini allegedly distributed on April 12.

In a separate indictment, Nancy and Anthony Potter, facing a combined 11 counts, are charged with conspiring with others to possess with intent to distribute 500 grams of cocaine from June to Nov. 21, 2002 in Letcher County.

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photo by Loretta Blackburn

Welding was demonstrated by KCTCS faculty John McKenzie and his students at the Survival Skills for Parents Making Career Choices held Wednesday. The "do-it-yourself" workshop was sponsored by several agencies including the Education Pay\$ Career Development Center. More coverage of the event will appear in Sunday's Floyd County Times.

Mail missing from local post offices

by LORETTA BLACKBURN STAFF WRITER

WAYLAND — It appears that residents in the Wayland, Garrett and Bosco areas will have to file complaints with the Consumer Affairs Division concerning the loss of articles through the U.S. Postal Service.

One resident, who asked that she not be identified, said that her company had paid

bills via the U.S. Postal Service, but the checks failed to reach their destination. However, bank statements show the checks have been cashed, presumably with forged signatures.

The woman reported that other residents of the three communities had informed her that they had experienced similar problems.

Complaints from citizens, whose mail failed to reach their intended destinations, have been reported to the postal service's

Kentucky Consumer Affairs Office, said Bill Johnson, Eastern Kentucky manager of post office operations.

Johnson said that his office had informed the citizens to go through the formality of filing a PS Form 1510 for the items.

Johnson said the situation is under investigation but refused to provide specifics, as the allegations are under investigation. He did say, however, that the appropriate steps had been taken.

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Local stores gear up for Free Comic Book Day

by SHELDON COMPTON STAFF WRITER

Big Sandy area stores taking part in Free Comic Book Day.

Read-A-Lot Bookstore, Mayo Plaza, Paintsville, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Page 3 Comics, 236 Second St., Pikeville, starting at 10 a.m.

received shipments of several comics that publishers have made available for Saturday, including such notable titles as X-Men and Transformers, as well as some of the lesser known but increasingly popular Japanese titles. Henson said he bought the copies he plans to give out Saturday at discount prices because he hopes to bring comics back to the popularity they enjoyed in the 1990s. "I'd just like people to give it a try again," Henson said. "During the early 1990s,

Henson said he has already

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photo by Sheldon Compton

Clayton and Jessie McKenzie leafed through a few comic books Thursday at Read-A-Lot Bookstore in Paintsville. The Stambaugh couple said they would likely drop in for Free Comic Book Day, which the store is taking part in Saturday.

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# Odds & Ends

■ **GAYLORD, Mich.** — State conservation officials may ruffle a few feathers when they trot out their latest enforcement tool.

A robotic turkey that rotates its body and fans its tail is being used in some northern Michigan counties as an anti-poaching device.

Department of Natural Resources officials are planting the bird - nicknamed Robo Turkey - during turkey hunting season to see if poachers gobble the bait.

Authorities put the lifelike bird into service in response to property owner complaints about roadside hunting, said Sgt. Greg Drogowski, of the DNR's law enforcement division in Gaylord.

Robo Turkey saw duty over the weekend, but wasn't shot at, Drogowski said. The bird attracted more than one curious onlooker, though.

"We've had them stop and

start using turkey calls," Drogowski said.

One driver spied the bird, stopped, roared off and came back with a friend. Drogowski expected to see a gun barrel poke out the window; instead, the occupants shot photos.

The bird cost about \$1,000 and was donated to the state by the National Wild Turkey Federation. The fake turkey isn't

bulletproof, though a replacement head came with it.

■ **CARLSBAD, N.M.** — A teenager who recently enlisted in the Army decided he wasn't going to let his long hair go to waste.

Instead of waiting for the Army to give him a buzz cut, Kevin Berg, 18, got his hair cut a few weeks early and donated the

hair to Locks of Love, a nonprofit organization that provides hairpieces to children across the United States who have lost their hair.

The organization uses donated hair to create high-quality wigs. The wigs help restore self-esteem and confidence in the children that helps them face the world and their peers, the organization says.

Berg, a 2002 Carlsbad High School graduate, is to ship out May 21 to become a health care specialist with the Army.

Berg's Army recruiters, Sgt. Jose Hernandez and Sgt. Pilar Saucedo, accompanied him for the haircut.

"This is the first time we've had someone donate their hair before enlisting," Hernandez said.

they arrived.

"The water was extremely cold," Thorn said. "By the time we got to school, we were shaking."

■ **PITTSBURGH** — A man who hunted deer on his own property will spend 15 years in federal prison because he was a convicted felon, and therefore not allowed to possess a gun.

Jack C. Altsman, 43, of Beaver Falls, received the mandatory sentence Friday from U.S. District Judge Terrence McVerry.

McVerry said he had "great difficulty" in imposing the mandatory sentence after Altsman said he didn't realize hunting was illegal for him.

"I wasn't in a bank with an automatic weapon. I wasn't car-jacking someone ... I wasn't in a bar with a gun," Altsman said. "I was hunting."

Prosecutors said Altsman had two felony burglary convictions before he was seen by deputy state game commissioners hunting on property he owned in Hovey Township on Nov. 26, 2001.

Altsman had pleaded guilty in November to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. He said he didn't challenge the charges for fear that he would spend more time in prison if he was convicted at trial.

Under the guidelines, a sentence of at least 15 years was mandatory.

## Audit alleges spending improprieties in Knott

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Investigators from the state auditor's office released a report on Wednesday alleging several instances of improper spending and conflicts of interest in an eastern Kentucky county government.

The investigators questioned the spending of more than \$785,000 for projects awarded in Knott County without using a competitive bidding process.

"We investigated allegations of improper purchasing activities, conflicts of interest, misuse of county assets and inadequate safeguarding of county assets," state Auditor Ed Hatchett said. "Unfortunately, all of those allegations proved accurate."

The investigators said some federal funds were paid to Judge-Executive Donnie Newsome's son-in-law and a campaign contributor for cleaning up roadside dumps.

The investigators allege that Newsome made frequent trips to riverboat casinos in his official

vehicle, running up county credit cards for fuel and hotel stays and reporting professional training hours for time he actually spent in casinos.

Newsome couldn't immediately be reached for comment. He didn't return a call made to his office in Hindman.

The findings from the investigation are being passed on to the Knott County commonwealth's attorney and the inspector general in the U.S. Commerce Department.

Hatchett said the investigation was completed in 2002, but the public disclosure was delayed to accommodate a federal investigation that resulted in the indictment of Newsome and three others on charges of election fraud.

The indictments were returned last week by a federal grand jury that charged them with conspiring to buy votes in the 1998 primary election.

Newsome, 52, and Willard Smith, 54, both of Hindman, and Keith Pigman, 45, of Garner, were charged Thursday with one count of conspiracy to pay voters to cast absentee ballots in the primary election in which Newsome was running for judge-executive.

Newsome, the first Kentucky elected official in at least five years to be indicted on vote-buying charges, also is charged in two counts with paying and aiding the paying of between \$50 and \$100 to two voters in the primary.

Smith is charged with four counts of paying voters. Pigman is charged with two counts of paying voters and aiding the paying of voters.

The grand jury also charged Newton J. Johnson, 33, of Brinkley, with four counts of vote-buying, one count of lying to the FBI, and two counts of attempting to obstruct justice.

In March, six other men were indicted on federal charges that they paid people to vote in the 1998 primary election in Knott County. Five of the six also are charged with lying to the FBI about alleged vote-buying. All six

have entered innocent pleas.

In addition, a federal grand jury charged nine people in Pike County with conspiring to buy votes under the guise of paying people to transport voters to the polls in lawyer John Doug Hays' unsuccessful race last year for Pike County district judge. Hays, his wife, Brenda, and lawyer and coal operator Ross Harris are among those facing charges.

All nine have pleaded innocent.

The investigation began in March 2001 and ended in January 2002.

## Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, May 2, the 122nd day of 2003. There are 243 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On May 2, 1863, Confederate Gen. Thomas "Stonewall" Jackson was accidentally wounded by his own men at Chancellorsville, Va.; he died eight days later.

### On this date:

■ In 1519, artist Leonardo da Vinci died at Cloux, France.

■ In 1670, the Hudson Bay Company was chartered by England's King Charles II.

■ In 1890, the Oklahoma Territory was organized.

■ In 1932, Jack Benny's first radio show made its debut on the NBC Blue Network.

■ In 1936, "Peter and the Wolf," a symphonic tale for children by Sergei Prokofiev, had its world premiere in Moscow.

■ In 1945, the Soviet Union announced the fall of Berlin, and the Allies announced the

surrender of Nazi troops in Italy and parts of Austria.

■ In 1957, Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy, the controversial Republican from Wisconsin, died at Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland.

■ In 1960, convicted sex offender and best-selling author Caryl Chessman was executed at San Quentin Prison in California.

■ In 1965, the "Early Bird" satellite was used to transmit television pictures across the Atlantic.

■ In 1972, after serving 48 years as head of the FBI, J. Edgar Hoover died in Washington at age 77.

### Ten years ago:

Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic approved a plan to end the Bosnian war (however, the Bosnian Serb assembly rejected it four days later). Authorities said they had recovered the remains of David Koresh from the burned-out Branch Davidian compound near Waco, Texas.

### Five years ago:

In separate radio addresses, President Clinton and congressional Republicans lambasted the Internal Revenue Service and promised more reforms to prevent abuses by the tax-collecting agency in the future. "Real Quiet" won the Kentucky Derby.

### One year ago:

Yasser Arafat emerged from his West Bank headquarters, hours after Israeli troops withdrew from his compound and released the Palestinian leader from months of confinement. The Rev. Paul Shanley, a priest at the epicenter of the clergy sex abuse scandal, turned himself in to authorities in San Diego to face charges in Massachusetts of raping boys during the 1980s (Shanley has pleaded innocent, and is awaiting trial).

### Today's Birthdays:

Actor Theodore Bikel is 79. Actor Roscoe Lee Browne is 78. Rock musician Link Wray is 74. Bianca Jagger is 58. Country singer R.C. Bannon is 58. Singer Lesley Gore is 57. Singer-songwriter Larry Gatlin is 55. Rock singer Lou Gramm (Foreigner) is 53. Actress Christine Baranski is 51. Singer Angela Bofill is 49. Actress Elizabeth Berridge is 41. Country singer Ty Herndon is 41. Wrestler-actor The Rock (Dwayne Johnson) is 31. Actress Jenna Von Oy is 26. Olympic gold medal figure skater Sarah Hughes is 18.

### Thought for Today:

"Have you ever observed that we pay much more attention to a wise passage when it is quoted than when we read it in the original author?" — Philip G. Hamerton, English artist and essayist (1834-1894).

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## Two weeks remain to apply for disaster aid

RICHMOND — Only two weeks remain for residents of Kentucky's 30 disaster counties to register with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the Commonwealth of Kentucky for disaster assistance. So far, 4,722 families and businesses have applied for help.

Kentucky's Division of Emergency Management (KyEM) and FEMA have granted more than \$11 million in assistance to individuals, businesses, and local governments recover from the winter storms that blew into Kentucky in March.

By federal law, the 60-day registration period closes May 13.

"If you suffered any damage as a result of the storms and have uninsured or underinsured losses, you should call," said Gracia B. Szczech, the federal official leading Kentucky's recovery. "That documents your situation should hidden storm related damages surface in the future."

Registering is fast and toll-

free. Simply dial 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The TTY number for those with speech or hearing problems is 1-800-462-7585.

"May 13 is merely an application deadline," said Malcolm Franklin, director of Kentucky's Division of Emergency Management. "We will continue processing cases, but we can't accept new applications after May 13."

Those who have already applied can make changes or get information about their applications by calling FEMA's Helpline at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362). Those with speech or hearing impairments may call the TTY line at 1-800-462-7585.

The disaster counties are: Anderson, Breathitt, Carter, Clark, Clay, Elliot, Estill, Fayette, Fleming, Floyd, Greenup, Johnson, Knott, Knox, Lawrence, Letcher, Leslie, Lewis, Magoffin, Martin, Mason, Menifee, Morgan, Nicholas, Owsley, Perry, Pike, Powell, Rowan and Woodford.

**Allen Central High School**

Parent Organization members will be accepting nominations for parent members of the School Based Decision Making Council, until 3:00 p.m., Friday, May 16. All nominations must be turned in to Brenda Turner, in the school office. The election for parent representative will be held on Monday, May 19, from 7:15 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and then again, at 6 p.m., in the school library.

Oh, my Goodness, it's time to let everyone know. Poor ol' Buddy's hit the big **4-0!** Gotcha — Happy Birthday Love, Tammy, Bud and family.



# Pike grand jury indicts 21

by LORETTA BLACKBURN  
STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE — A Pike County grand jury handed down 21 indictments Wednesday, including two for inmates who are facing considerable consequences for an alleged jailhouse "high".

According to the indictments, Johnny Shane Brown, 31, of Pikeville, is charged with promoting contraband, drugs, into the Pike County Detention Center on March 31.

Brown had previously been convicted on second-degree escape, second-degree burglary and theft by unlawful taking in a

1992 case, receiving stolen property and persistent felony offender charged in a 2001 case, as well as third-degree burglary and theft by unlawful taking in a 2002 case. He was indicted on a persistent felony offender charge, which is a class C felony that carries a possible sentence of 10 years.

Another inmate facing a charge of persistent felony offender is Timmy "Dog" Smith, 35, of Zebulon, who is also charged with promoting contraband on April 23, when a bag of pills fell out of his shorts during a routine search.

Smith was previously convicted on third-degree burglary and theft by unlawful taking from a

2002 case.

In other action by the grand jury:

■ Indicted on two class B felonies, Kermit Ray Williams, 39, of Hellier, is charged with first-degree burglary and kidnapping, for allegedly entering the home of Tammy Bartley on March 5 and holding Mary Easton hostage.

■ Michael A. Zarotney, 24, and Matthew Cain, 23, both of Pittsburgh, Penn., were both indicted for first-degree trafficking in a controlled substance for allegedly dispensing LSD, trafficking in less than eight ounces of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia, all on April 19, 2003.

■ Samuel Myre Casey, 49, of Freeburn, was indicted on charges of third-degree sodomy, for allegedly engaging in deviate sexual intercourse with a person less than 16 years of age on Nov. 29, 2002.

■ Roberta Hatfield, 38, of Ragland, W.Va., was indicted on two counts of obtaining controlled substances by fraud for allegedly attempting to obtain Vicodin ES, butalbital, diazepam, hydrocodone and alprazolam, by misrepresenting information on Dec. 8.

■ Rick Newsome, 43, of Virgie, was indicted for first-degree perjury for allegedly making a material false statement while under oath on April 17, during a trial for a drug offense, denying that he had ever been involved in drug use when he had previously been convicted of a drug offense.

■ Sabrina J. Hughes, 23, of Pikeville, was indicted on two counts of theft by deception for allegedly obtaining vehicle parts and services from Bevins Body Shop on Jan. 18, and Feb. 16, 2002, by using worthless checks in the combined amount of \$1,540.

■ Charles McClanahan, 28, of Jamboree, was indicted for theft for allegedly taking computer games and electronic equipment on Jan. 1.

■ Teddy Blankenship, 19, of Belfry, was indicted for theft for allegedly taking cash from Economy Drug on March 15.

■ Shawn Scott, of Mike's Branch, and Adam Deerhart, of Island Creek, were both indicted on charges of theft for allegedly taking sound equipment belonging to Renee Tackett in December.

■ Timmy Rich was indicted for receiving stolen property for

allegedly receiving on June 16, 2002, a motorcycle stolen from Brenda Deskins.

■ Shawn Taylor Francis, 26, of Forest Hills, was indicted for receiving stolen property for allegedly receiving on Dec. 11 a firearm that had been stolen from Elmer Vermillion.

■ Roy D. Sullivan, 43, of Feds Creek, was indicted for receiving stolen property for allegedly receiving on Dec. 13 a saxophone, videotapes and other items which had been stolen from Donna Darnell.

■ Tara Watkins was indicted a charge of first-degree criminal mischief for allegedly destroying a mobile home belonging to Loretta Boyd on Sept. 1.

■ Michael S. Bartley, 27, of Elkhorn, was indicted on the class C felony of first-degree possession of a forged instrument for allegedly possessing a counterfeit \$20 bill on April 12.

■ Brian K. Hunt, 36, Kimper, was indicted for driving under the influence for allegedly driving while intoxicated on June 6, 2002, after being convicted three times in the past five years.

■ Randall L. Champlin and Patty C. Champlin, 33, both of Powell's Creek Road, were indicted for first-degree possession of a schedule II controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia on April 10.

## Cocaine

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The indictment states that both Potters allegedly sold cocaine and methamphetamine on different dates and that Anthony Potter is accused of possessing a firearm after being convicted of a previous crime.

A .380 caliber handgun and over \$15,000, belonging to Nancy Potter, were confiscated in the investigation.

All those indicted face up to 30 years in prison and \$4 million in fines.

## Comics

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*Uncanny X-Men* printed a million copies, now that number is down to 50,000."

Henson says the drop does show positive signs for comic book trends.

"When things went bust is was because there was a concentration on collectibles. They mostly consisted of splash covers like 3-D and hologram artwork," said Henson. "The market was just saturated with speculators."

But Saturday will be about more than just bringing in new readers, says Shannon Ferrell, manager of Page 3 Comics in Pikeville.

"It's mainly for the kids and to promote reading in the kids," Ferrell said yesterday. "We're dipping into our own comics and we hope to pick up a few customers, but we'll stay open as long as the kids want some books ... Kids just don't read that much anymore."

Ferrell said his downtown store saw over 1,000 visitors for last year's Free Comic Book Day and that they have ordered about 1,200 for this year.

Page 3 Comics will open their doors at 10 a.m. Saturday morning, while Henson said Read-A-Lot will be open from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m.



photo by Loretta Blackburn

Lee Harris, left, Lindy Risner and Bobby Baldridge, were sworn in by Judge Julie Paxton, right, on April 16, as the latest members of the Court Appointed Special Advocate program.

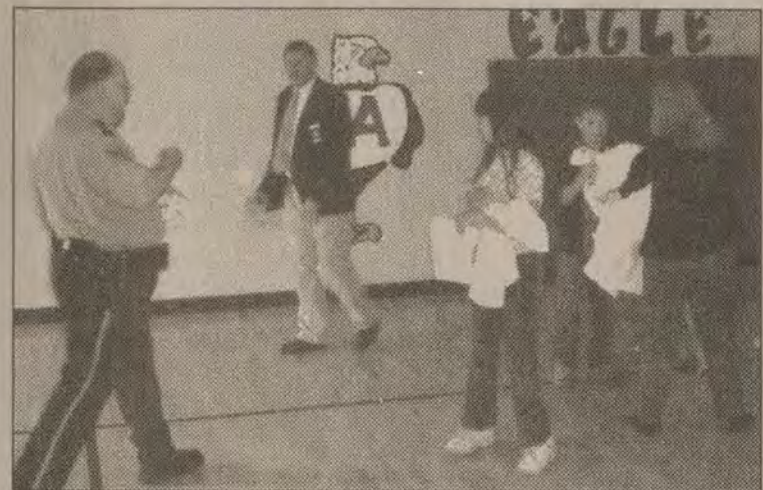


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Deputy Sheriff Terry Chaffins addressed a group of Allen Elementary students during a drug dog presentation last week, with some help from Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn and "Nitro's" handler Bobby Caudill.

## Police

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opened if an officer determines that a crime has been committed.

Warrants will be obtained by the investigating officer through the county attorney's office, or by the victim only after the officer contacts that office with the results of the investigation, police say.

Farler says that if things go well over the next year, the program could be adopted for good. "If successful, the project could be extended and possibly expanded," said Farler.

Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley says the new approach could work to boost effectiveness.

"The ultimate result," said Bartley, "should be better, more involved police investigations, better cases for prosecution purposes and stiffer penalties for criminals."

Prestonsburg police are quick to point out that any other means

of obtaining a warrant through a criminal complaint sought at the county attorney's office would be redirected to their department, with only a couple exceptions.

Exceptions will be made for bad check cases and violations of domestic violence orders, according to the Prestonsburg Police Department.

## Complaint

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However, Allen says in his complaint that his "estranged wife" was successful in securing McGuire as counsel in the couple's divorce proceedings, even after the attorney declined to represent him.

"It is my belief that he (McGuire) has breached a confidential relationship," Allen wrote, "and is using information which I related to him against me."

Beyond this claim, Allen also

alleges in his April 18 complaint that McGuire was having a "romantic relationship" with his wife, which he says he believes was underway when he sought McGuire as an attorney.

Karen Allen, a former Floyd County school principal who is currently employed through the Kentucky Department of Education as a highly skilled educator, says the complaint is entirely fabricated.

"It is absolutely, 100 percent false," Karen Allen said yesterday. "I have never spoken with Mr. McGuire until the divorce, until I obtained his services for the divorce."

Karen Allen claims that about a month after the divorce was filed, she and McGuire were attending ballroom dancing classes at the Prestonsburg Community College campus at Pikeville when Brent Allen followed her, or had someone follow her, and take pictures of she and McGuire dancing.

"He's trying to allege that there's something more than that, which is not true," Allen said yesterday. "Mr. McGuire is an excellent attorney and has obviously been doing a good job, which has prompted Brent to react out of desperation."

McGuire said yesterday that he could not respond to the complaint because he was unable to determine how much he could say in regard to the case, considering he is bound by regulations as a Bar Association member. However, he did say he had prepared a formal response.

A letter from the Kentucky Bar Association dated April 24 verifies that the complaint was received by that office and says that after an investigation is completed, the matter will then be turned over to an inquiry commission to determine if the complaint will be dismissed or if a charge of professional misconduct should be issued.

## Escape

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evading police, possession of an open alcohol beverage container, alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest and disorderly conduct. The arrest warrant states that Stone said he drank 12 beers and smoked two joints.

Wright was charged with second-degree escape, possession

of an open alcohol beverage container, reckless driving, speeding 15 mph over, DUI, improper passing, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, operating on a suspended license, no insurance, two counts of failure to wear seat belt and fleeing and evading police.

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# Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

"Something you consider bad may bring out your child's talents; something you consider good may stifle them"

—François René de Chateaubriand

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## Guest View

# Editorial roundup

Journal Star, Peoria, Illinois, on North Korea:

When two partners engage in argument with the potential to bring mutual destruction, it helps if one keeps his sanity. In the battle that erupted Wednesday with a threat from North Korea to use nuclear weapons, the partner who must remain sane is the United States. We can't be sure about the North Koreans. ...

The U.S. is in a difficult position when bargaining with the North because submitting to nuclear blackmail sends the wrong message worldwide. But neither does it want to see nuclear weapons get into more irresponsible hands than those that already hold them. Furthermore, a nuclear attack of any kind would be devastating, not just to its victims but to hopes that the world will have the sense not to destroy itself.

That's why the United States has to be careful to stay sane and to avoid turning to bluster and retaliation when diplomacy still may lead to resolution. ...

Fortunately, there was another party present for cocktails and chitchat on Wednesday: China, the hosts. While China is the North's best friend (a term used loosely), its interests are much more closely aligned to our own. And the Chinese message has been the same as ours: the Korean peninsula must be nuclear-free.

Tulsa (Okla.) World, on budget deficits:

To make ends meet, the federal government borrowed a record \$111 billion in the January through March quarter. With a government burdened with war costs, explosive health care spending and plummeting tax receipts, the public can expect chronic deficits.

Most business leaders, lawmakers and budget analysts believe that only dramatic policy shifts could reverse the deficits. But the greatest drama coming from the White House is President Bush's plan to cut taxes, which could cost the Treasury nearly \$1.6 trillion through 2013.

If Bush's proposals for the budget do come to pass, the deficit could rise to \$287 billion this year and \$338 billion in 2004. At this rate, the Congressional Budget Office predicts, the government would remain in deficit for the next decade, racking up \$2.7 trillion in debt. ...

Bush, like President Reagan before him, believes passionately that cutting taxes will rejuvenate the economy. History doesn't bear that out but hope, in the form of trickle-down economics, springs eternal.

In the meantime, let's hope the government doesn't drown in a sea of red ink.



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## In the moment

### Above media basics

When working in the mass media arena, it is often easy to pay attention to little more than the basics of your job as a mass communicator. In the hurried world that we live in, people are faced with multiple tasks accompanied by crouching deadlines and all too often, fail to examine the substance of their output.

I can relate ever so well, as I am constantly juggling a bag of responsibilities that sometimes have little in common, thus each requiring a significant amount of time for reflection. However, while some messages are routine and will suffice, others require the mass communicator to explore a range of ethical questions, as

well as dedicate himself or herself to challenging his or her audience to think.

When I look around at my community, now more aware of various ways that public officials, organizations and people in general attempt to manipulate the media for personal use, I have noticed not only how we tend to just skim the surface, but also how we are detoured from digging any deeper.

There are organizations and agencies in our area that welcome exposure and are helpful in uncovering the issues and information from which the community would benefit. However, there are others who do everything within the law in order to detour media attention. Still others, either through ignoring or ignorance, break laws in order to keep things hidden. Often they are simply following orders from someone in authority, who has given them instructions to avoid media

representatives. At other times, it is simply a case of an office employee enjoying a power trip. Regardless of reasons, it is ultimately a manifestation of an attitude of mistrust.

I can't possibly detect the source of each individual's reluctance to contribute to society's knowledge, thus awareness, because we cannot know our world if we are not informed.

However, when looking at our community's collective coverage, I see that there is either a lot of trivial "lets fill the page, hour, segment" stuff, or chaotic "let's shock them into reading, listening, watching" stuff. Whether this is a result of stonewalling or a contributor to the general avoidance, I don't know.

In simple terms, I believe the purpose of media as stated in the First Amendment, is to keep things balanced.

Triviality and chaos, although necessary at times, will not do that. Media has to rise above the basics and challenge the public to think about

social issues, political agendas and unfair policies, to name a few. This is hard to do in a society that is for the most part closed-minded and closed-lipped. But it is the media's job and organizations and agencies must remember that it is "our job". We are not there to hassle, trick, manipulate or threaten. We are simply doing our jobs.

In order to understand things on a deeper level, one has to ask questions to gather information on a particular subject, paying attention to the person speaking. One has to work a little harder and longer on a story, knowing that it is sometimes better to hold it for a day or so. One has to search deep within self and separate that from the story. If a communicator can do these things, they rise above the basics and send a true message.

I am by no means an expert at this process, but I understand the importance of it and I am striving to put every story through the process. My goal is to have every mass communication send my audience a meaningful message.



LORETTA BLACKBURN

## Letters

### Marijuana better than painkillers

We don't understand why the government disapproves of marijuana so much when more and more people are dying every day due to the effects of prescribed painkillers, such as OxyContin, and other prescribed drugs.

Research companies use people as human lab rats while the drug companies and the government get rich. Compare the pros and cons of medical marijuana use as opposed to some of the widely

prescribed drugs of today.

The government needs to wake up and admit to what's really going on. We, as the people of the U.S., are seeing the real truth.

Charles Byrnes  
Chairman, U.S. Marijuana Party  
Taylor Mill

### Keeping up appearances

Most Americans think they live in a free, democratic society. They have been taught all through their lives that we have a representative democracy in which the elected representatives go to

Washington or Frankfort to look out for the welfare of the people who elected them. They believe the politicians who say they care about the health and safety of our men and woman in uniform. They become angry and belligerent if anyone questions the integrity of this government and call them unpatriotic.

Let me share with you a dose of reality. After Desert Storm, there was much controversy about the use of depleted uranium munitions. Depleted uranium is a hazardous waste. It is the heaviest metal known, which makes it the best possible material to use ballistically. This dense metal allows for longer ranges on the battle-

field. In short one of our tanks can sit back and hit an enemy tank while out of range of the enemy.

Depleted uranium has another advantage in that is pyrorhetic. When it slams into its target it burns at 3,000 degrees and instantly burns to death anyone occupying the vehicle hit. Depleted uranium is also available in large supplies at no cost because it is a hazardous waste.

Our neighbor and traditional ally to the north, Canada, declined to participate in this latest war with Iraq and one of the reasons besides this war being a violation of international law

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At the Movies:

# 'X2: X-Men United'

by DAVID GERMAIN  
AP MOVIE WRITER

"X2: X-Men United" is sure to satisfy most fans of the first "X-Men" movie, including the zealous devotees of the comic books that spawned the flicks.

With his new installment, director Bryan Singer is able to

leap in without the cumbersome character and situation setups needed for the initial film. So "X2" rips along at a faster pace, pulsing with wilder action sequences and more dazzling visual effects.

Comic fans miffed at the first movie's exclusion of some favorite superhero mutants



"X2: X-Men United," a 20th Century Fox release, is rated PG-13 for sci-fi-action violence, some sexuality and brief language. Running time: 134 minutes.

Two and a half stars out of four

## Letters

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was that they did not want to expose their troops to radioactive contamination that is the result of the use of depleted uranium on the battlefield.

The Pentagon says there is no evidence that the use of these munitions poses any health problems. They are correct in that statement, since they have refused to do any real scientific investigation of the dangers of depleted uranium. The Department of Veterans Affairs fired a colonel, a doctor in their employ, who blew the whistle on the many cases of our veterans whose number now totals 210,000 that have applied for disability with the VA.

Our Congress, the body that is supposed to look out for the American people and our men and woman in uniform, is also part of the cover-up. I was watching a Congressional hearing where Congress, after deliberating on the subject of the possible hazardous of using these munitions, passed a law that before our troops are deployed again to fight another war, they would be given a complete physical so that a baseline could be established. Our Congress vaguely worded this legislation and left, I believe deliberately, a loophole, so that the Pentagon could again avoid its responsibility to look after the health and safety of our troops.

During the congressional hearing it was revealed that the physical carried out did not include drawing of blood and collection of urine to analyze the amount of uranium contamination before deploying the troops. Instead they handed out a health questionnaire, much like the ones we have all filled out when we go to a new doctor.

What our Congress did was "keeping up appearances". They can go home to their constituents and claim they did their duty to protect the health and safety of our troops. These politicians are all lawyers for the most part. They knew exactly what they were doing when they passed this legislation. They knew full well they were leaving a loophole you could drive a truck through.

The Pentagon is run by bureaucrats who are also former executives from the military-industrial complex, the same military-industrial complex that wine and dine and pour hundreds of millions of dollars into political campaigns that insures that their financial interests are what is look after.

I know you say we passed campaign finance reform which outlaws corporations and unions from giving to political campaigns. Wrong. They just form bogus PACs, political action committees, and the buying and controlling of Congress goes on.

There are many examples of the control of our government by vested interests. The Sarbanes Security Exchange Reform Bill is another example of a failure to really reform a completely corrupt stock market. While it appropriates money to prosecute corporate crime, the president has the control over actually hiring the prosecutors and carrying out the directives of the legislation, and President Bush, who himself is a corporate criminal going back to his days with Harken Oil, and his buddy Dick Cheney have simply held back on executing law. Yes, he will prosecute a few cases to "keep up appearances".

These politicians tell us and the Iraqi people they are there to liberate them, to give them the same kind of freedom that the American people enjoy. God help the Iraqi people. These cor-

porate heads of state told our soldiers they were liberators and they would be welcomed in Iraq just as our troops were welcomed marching into Paris when we did liberate the French from the Nazis.

When the war started, we got reports from the corporate press that Iraqi soldiers in the southern towns of Iraq were wearing civilian clothes. There was a reason they were wearing civilian clothes. They were civilians. They were Shiites. They are glad we have driven Saddam Hussein underground. He and his Republican Guard have blended in with the civilian population and are still lying in wait.

But while they are grateful for our help in ridding them of Hussein, a dictator we supported in the past, they do not believe for one minute our forces are there as liberators.

I find it hard to believe myself. Especially since the neo-conservatives have position papers on record going back before the first Gulf War that the goal is the strategic control over the world's oil prices — a market goal, which throughout history has always been the reason for war. Yes, even the crusades were fought for market control.

Politicians always give to the public noble reasons based on noble ideas and mix with religious fervor. The crusades were the result of merchants who were tired of their caravans to the Far East being attacked or having to pay tolls as they moved through each Middle Eastern nation of the day.

Politicians know you cannot inspire a people to go to war over market goals. You have to give them an ideological reason to fight and die.

I live in a corporate, socialistic, militaristic state that has the appearances of a Democracy. Wise up, America. Defend the Constitution. Join the Green Party and put the people back in control.

John Burgess  
Louisia

from the crowded "X-Men" pantheon will be happy to see a handful of fresh genetic freaks on hand for "X2."

All that said, the inherent goofiness of leather-clad adults with weird hairdos and skin pigmentation using their special powers to zap one another is somehow more pronounced this time.

Maybe it's the drastic geopolitical shifts since summer 2000, when "X-Men" came out - Sept. 11, conflicts in Afghanistan and Iraq, continued fears of terrorism worldwide. While the "X-Men" notions of tolerance vs. unreasoning hatred are more relevant than ever, the silly superpowers, dorky costumes and other pubescent trappings of "X2" trivialize those serious themes.

In combination with that, generally more commonplace villainy is afoot in the sequel than in the original. Ian McKellen's Magneto, who made for a richly conflicted bad guy in the first film, is declared for much of "X2," in which he becomes an unlikely ally for the benevolent mutants against a human foe.

Brian Cox is the main antagonist in "X2" - William Stryker, who heads a renegade military unit that assaults the school for young mutants run by Professor Xavier (Patrick Stewart) in a plot to rid the world of these genetic mutations. Rather than mutant Magneto's nuanced enmity toward humans, Stryker is motivated by a rather shallow personal hatred of mutants.

All the mutant heroes of the first movie suit up against Stryker: Wolverine (Hugh Jackman), with super-healing abilities, metal claws and a hair style somewhere between Elvis and Lon Chaney Jr.'s Wolf Man; Jean Grey (Famke Janssen), who, like Xavier, possesses telepathic and telekinetic powers; Storm (Halle Berry), able to whip up climatic disturbances on a whim; Cyclops

(James Marsden), whose eyes blast deadly energy beams; and Rogue (Anna Paquin), a junior X-Person who can fatally swipe others' life essences with a touch.

Joining the veterans are Alan Cumming as the blue-skinned Nightcrawler, an ex-circus freak able to teleport himself from place to place; Shawn Ashmore, reprising his bit role in "X-Men" as teen mutant Iceman, who can put the deep freeze on anything; and Aaron Stanford as Pyro, who can control fire. A handful of other teen "X-Men" make cameos.

Also back is Rebecca Romijn-Stamos as cinema's hottest blue-tinted femme fatale, Magneto's shape-shifting Gal Friday, Mystique.

Kelly Hu plays Deathstrike, Stryker's bad-girl flunky who possesses Wolverine's healing powers and a variation on his retractable claws.

With so many characters, "X2" suffers from big, fat, ensemble-cast syndrome: Perils and obstacles sometimes are awkwardly presented so the mutants' various skills can be showcased.

Performances are solid

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# For the Record

## Marriage Licenses

Angela Rena Kidd, 23, to Joseph Lee Newsome, 25, both of Printer.  
 Jennifer Nashae McKinney, 22, of Harold, to Chad Ashley Fleenor, 25, of Honaker.  
 Angela Maria Rae Bryant, 16, to Charles Jason McGuire, 23, both of Langley.  
 Traci Brettina Bolden, 29, to Shig Edward Hunt, 33, both of Allen.  
 Stephanie Lynn Howard, 18, of Hueysville, to Jamey Lee Kidd, 18, of Dema.

## Civil Suits Filed

Betty L. Falany vs. Jodi Jones; petition for health care insurance.  
 Rella Jarrell vs. Vincent Jarrell; petition for health care insurance.  
 Brandon Slone vs. Angelena Slone; petition for health care insurance.  
 Direct Merchant Credit Card Bank vs. Bonnie Collins; complaint.  
 Kentucky Employers' Mutual

Insurance Company vs. Danny Meade; complaint.  
 Ford Motor Credit Company vs. Craig Ousley; complaint.  
 Wendall and Lotressa Stephens vs. Linda K. Ousley and State Farm Insurance Company; motion to amend complaint.  
 Stacy Bryant vs. Allstate Insurance Company; complaint.  
 Stephen Moore and Larry McKinney vs. Kyle Hall; complaint.  
 Sabrina Jarrell vs. Clifford Jarrell; joint petition for invalidation of marriage.  
 Department of Highways vs. Elisha Branham; order appointing commissioners.  
 Sarasota CCM Inc. vs. Tommy Sparkman and Susie Fay Sparkman; complaint.  
 State Farm Mutual Insurance vs. Charles Perry; complaint.  
 Household Finance Corporation vs. Sheldon Barnett; complaint.  
 Kathy Jones vs. Gordan Lafferty; motion for temporary restraining order and temporary injunction.  
 Margaret Holbrook vs. Thomas Holbrook; complaint.

Charles Ratliff vs. Diane Ratliff; divorce.  
 Kentucky Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company vs. Willie Delong and unknown spouse, Estate of Eula Ann Delong, Brian Delong and unknown spouse, unknown spouse of Bill Delong, unknown spouse of Connie Reffett and First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg; complaint.

## Small Claims Filings

Gopal Majmudar vs. Amanda Collins; debt collection.  
 Lois Adkins vs. Cathy Hunt; debt collection.  
 Lois Adkins vs. Ronnie Kidd; debt collection.  
 Lois Adkins vs. Jeremy Collins; debt collection.  
 Lois Adkins vs. Brent Kidd; debt collection.  
 Kelly Grubb vs. Shirley Innes; debt collection.

## Charges Filed

Sheila Akers, 27, Teaberry, fourth-degree assault.  
 Trina Branham Lawson, 29, Betsy Layne, public intoxication.  
 Loretta A. Perkins, 34, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.  
 Caleb Tackett, 22, Paintsville, public intoxication, theft by unlawful taking.  
 James M. Conley, 44, Charleston, W.Va., alcohol intoxication.  
 Scott Michael McColloch, 35, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest.  
 Allard E. Newsome, 49, Beaver, harassment.  
 Rodney Darrell Bentley, 22, Garrett, intimidating a participant in legal process.  
 Edward George Stanley, 24, Allen, two counts of fugitive/governor's warrant.  
 Don Hill, 19, Wheelwright, alcohol intoxication.  
 Krystal Walker, 20, Prestonsburg, disorderly conduct.  
 Chester Akers Jr., 32, Dana, alcohol intoxication.  
 Thurma J. Caudill, 25, Salyersville, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, menacing.  
 John Dotson, 51, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.  
 Bryce Kidd, 25, Honaker, fourth-degree assault.  
 Malcolm Scarberry, 42, Maytown, alcohol intoxication.  
 Eldon e. Taylor, 40, Carrie, Ohio, alcohol intoxication.  
 James Spencer, 37,

Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.  
 Ronnie Howard, 42, Van Lear, alcohol intoxication.  
 Kathy L. Young, 33, Garrett, alcohol intoxication.  
 Rodney Hall, 39, Wheelwright, third-degree criminal trespassing.  
 Sue Hall, 42, McDowell, third-degree criminal trespassing, harassment.  
 Glen Ripkoski, 47, Salyersville, menacing.  
 Mary Hill, 30, Grethel, parent failure to send child to school.  
 Chris Bryant, 38, Wheelwright, harassing communications.  
 Denver Slone, age unknown, Hi Hat, criminal trespassing.  
 Wanda Elste, age unknown, Prestonsburg, theft by deception.  
 Brenda Reil, 39, West Van Lear, theft by deception.  
 James R. Rister, 27, Garrett, alcohol intoxication, third-degree criminal trespassing, disorderly conduct.  
 Virgil S. Cross, 26, Hi Hat, terroristic threatening, harassment.  
 Amanda Guess, 18, Salyersville, receiving stolen property.  
 Johnathan Guess, 21, Salyersville, receiving stolen property.  
 Loretta Reed, 35, Prestonsburg, forged prescription.  
 Aaron Bradley Dasner, 23, McDowell, theft by unlawful talking.  
 Ruben Davis, 44, Banner, first-degree criminal mischief, third-degree criminal trespassing.

## Inspections

Holiday Inn, Prestonsburg, pool inspection. Violations noted: Flow meter not working properly, water quality solution low. Score: 96.  
 Osborne's Restaurant and Pizza, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not present in all refrigeration and freezer units, restroom door not self-closing, floors in disrepair, walls and ceiling in disrepair, several lights not working in back storage area and upright refrigerator unit has no light. Score: 94.

## Property Transfers

Troy B. Samons to Hezzie Samons Jr., property location not listed.  
 Linda Samons to Troy B. Samons, property location not

listed.  
 Jennifer Caudill (now Newsome) and Phillip Newsome to Colin Vanderpool, property located on Rt. Ky. 550 on the Reed Branch side of Hueysville.  
 Keith E. Parsons and Denise Parsons to Jack Osborne and Aileen Osborne, property located, Right Fork of Bull Creek.  
 Thoroughbred Development Inc., to Sharon Mitchell, Newsome Jarvis and Larry D. Jarvis, property located, Mud

Creek.  
 Serena Lynn Pitts, also known as Serena L. Slone, et al., to George R. Banks Sr., property location not listed.  
 Andy Lee Hamilton to Lesli Hamilton, property location not listed.  
 Mike D. Caldwell on behalf of First Calvary Pentecostal Church, to Della Marsillett Hackworth, property located on Middle Creek, on Kentucky Route 114.

## Criswell to graduate

ANGOLA, Ind. — On Saturday, Andy Criswell will graduate from Tri-State University in Angola, Ind., with a bachelor of arts degree in social sciences.  
 Criswell is the son of Michael Criswell and Ada Sue (Ramey) Criswell and the grandson of Gerald (Bolen) Ramey and the late Tandy Ramey, and the late Allen and Vera B. (Ackerman) Criswell. He is the great-grandson of the late Reece and Nancy (Conley)

Bolen and the late Sam and Hannah (Conley) Ramey. He is the namesake of the late Andy Bolen, previously of Prestonsburg.  
 Graduation will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, at the General Lewis B. Hershey Gymnasium at Tri-State University with a reception to follow at Pretty Lake, Ind.  
 Cards and wishes may be sent to Andy M. Criswell, 8805 East 560 South, Wolcottville, Indiana 46795.



Jerome Greathouse, rear, happily accompanies Brian Ray Clouse, foreground, on his Dream Factory shopping spree to the Prestonsburg Wal-Mart. Brian also received an extra \$50 gift card from Wal-Mart, along with a limousine ride provided by Enchanted World Travel.

## Making dreams come true - locally and with the help of "Pinocchio"

**Times Staff Report**  
 Brian Ray Clouse, 9, is the latest lucky recipient of a Dream Factory of Eastern Kentucky dream, having recently been treated to a Prestonsburg Wal-Mart shopping spree, along with a courtesy limousine ride provided by Enchanted World Travel.  
 Brian, the son of Gordon and Joyce Clouse, of Thelma, attends Central Elementary in Paintsville. He has two siblings, Tiffany, 14, and Justin, 17-months.  
 Brian has been diagnosed with Noonan Syndrome, a genetic condition that can affect the heart, growth, blood clotting capabilities, and mental and physical development. Affected individuals may have learning difficulties as well. Brian has been diagnosed with Dyslexia, a learning disability.  
 Brian's dream of a big time shopping spree to Wal-Mart occurred on March 22, when he literally had the run of the store as well as the time of his life traversing the aisles for favored items. Additionally, Wal-Mart of Prestonsburg, also added a \$50 gift card to Brian's special day.  
 Jerome Greathouse, President, Dream Factory of Eastern Kentucky, said that he was very happy that Brian had such a wonderful day. Greathouse also informed our staff that everyone can help make Dream Factory dreams come true by purchasing the movie, "The New Adventures of Pinocchio," on either VHS or DVD.  
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## United

throughout, with the actors managing to straight-face their way through some truly inane dialogue ("The last thing we need to see is the body of a mutant kid on the 6 o'clock news," the stern-faced president tells advisers).  
 The first film intellectualized and moralized more about human bigotry, whereas "X2" is the cinematic equivalent of a comic, thin on the sociological conflict, heavy on gunplay and hand-to-hand combat.  
 Granted, this is comic-book violence, executed with superb

skill by Singer and company. But there's still cause for uneasy reflection when an audience of peaceable people at a critics screening breaks into cheers and applause when Wolverine extends his claws to skewer the torso of a bad guy as though he were a cocktail wiener.  
 "X2: X-Men United," a 20th Century Fox release, is rated PG-13 for sci-fi-action violence, some sexuality and brief language. Running time: 134 minutes. Two and a half stars out of four.

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## PHS Class of '53 to hold reunion May 31

The Prestonsburg High School Class of 1953 will hold their 50th class reunion on Saturday, May 31, 2003, at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. The reunion organizers are requesting that each attendee send \$5 each (\$10 per couple) to cover the cost of the Social Hour drinks and hors'douvres. The Social Hour will be held at the May Lodge from 3-6 p.m. Dinner will follow at 7 p.m. in the main dining room. Each person/couple will be responsible for their own meal. The 1953 High School Reunion Committee is comprised of the following individuals: Nancy Spurlock Basart, Yvonne Stumbo Jones, Evelyn Sammons Goble, Margie

Neeley Osborne, Nancy Patton Tackett, and Carlos Horn Wells.  
 To contact, please call 606-889-0264. To send payment for the Social Hour, please address to: Nancy Spurlock Basart, 704 Riverside Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653.  
 Also, the committee would like to note that they have been unable to contact the following class members: Bobby Brown, Ruye Cavins, Buford Gibson, Mary E. Gibson, James Harless, Billy Hicks, Glenda Robinson, Anna Ruth Walker, Angeline Perry, James M. Branham, and Avonelle Perry. We would like to hear from these class members and hope that they will attend our reunion.

## Obituaries

**Jan (Chaffins) Thompson**  
 Jan (Chaffins) Thompson, 80, of Minford, Ohio, died Thursday, May 1, 2003, at Southern Ohio Medical Center, in Portsmouth, Ohio.  
 Born June 23, 1922, in Garrett, she was a daughter of the late Gilbert and Froncy (Collins) Chaffins. She was a member of First Methodist Church in Prestonsburg, for many years. She was manager at the Parisian in Raleigh, North Carolina; attended Alice Lloyd College in Pippa Passes; she received additional nurses training in Huntington, West Virginia; and was a member of P.E.O. in Prestonsburg.  
 She is survived by one son, Clyde Gilbert (Debra) Thompson of Gallatin, Tennessee; two grandchildren, Holly

Thompson of Nashville, Tennessee, and Heather Yockey of Memphis, Tennessee; three sisters, Oretta (Alvin Jr.) Meade, Sylvia (Jack) Burchett, and Carmel N. Martin, all of Lucasville; and several nieces and nephews.  
 In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Byron M. "Rig" Thompson on March 6, 1991, and one sister, Orpha Akers.  
 Funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m., Saturday, March 3, at Erwin-Dodson-Allen Funeral Home in Minford, with Pastor Major Montgomery officiating.  
 Burial will be in Salisbury Cemetery.  
 Visitation will be Friday, May 2, from 5 to 8 p.m., and one hour prior to the service on Saturday.

(Paid obituary)



# Community Calendar

## Calendar items will be printed as space permits

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

### HOME REPAIR PROGRAM AVAILABLE

The Low Income Housing Coalition of East Kentucky

## May House Photo Fair to be held May 17

The Friends of the Samuel May House are sponsoring their 2nd annual Photo Fair, to be held on Saturday, May 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Samuel May House, in Prestonsburg. The public is invited to bring old photos to display. Also on display will be pictures contained in the Floyd County Photo Archive Project. For further information, call 432-3528. Admission is free.

(LINKS) is now accepting applications from residents in Floyd County, for its 2003 Summer Volunteer Program for Home Repair. Applicants must be homeowners, and should be able to supply some materials. Volunteers will supply the labor. If interested, call the LINKS office at 606-886-0152 for more information.

### 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.

### ATTN: RETIRED TEACHERS

The Floyd County Retired Teachers will hold a meeting on Thursday, May 1, at 10 a.m., at May Lodge. Please attend.

### 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 886-3082.

### PHS SBDM MEETING RESCHEDULED

The PHS Site Based Decision Making Council meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 1, has been canceled. A special-called meeting will be held on Monday, May 5, at 5 p.m., in the school library.

### SONGWRITER'S WORKSHOP

Saturday, May 17, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. Top industry professionals will conduct workshops discussing

basic songwriting tips, locating a publisher, and packaging your material. For more info., or to pre-register, call the MAC at 889-9125, or Richard Sexton at 874-2172.

### FAITH FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Is now conducting youth services each Friday night at 7 p.m. Church is located on Old Allen Road. For questions, call 358-9209, 874-8762, 358-2010, or 874-2193.

### FAITH FREEWILL CAR WASHES

The Sunday School classes of the Faith Freewill Baptist Church will hold car washes on May 17, June 7, July 19, and August 9. Car will be washed for donation only. Car washes will be held at Advance Auto Parts, Prestonsburg. For more info., call 889-9403 or 358-9209.

### BLHS PICTORIAL HISTORY

The Betsy Layne High School Alumni Association currently has for sale a two-volume set of books containing a pictorial history of BLHS seniors and faculty members from the years 1937-2003. For order info., call 478-2233, or write: The BLHS Alumni Association, P.O. Box 25, Stanville, Ky. 41659. Limited sets are available.

### HRMC MAY CALENDAR

■ May 6, 7 - Sr. Advantage. Meeting Place A&B, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

■ May 8 - National Anxiety Screening Day. Meeting Place B, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

■ May 13 - Mended Hearts. Meeting Place A&B, 6-7 p.m.

■ May 15 - Laryngectomy Support Group. Meeting Place B, 5-7 p.m.

■ May 16 - AARP meeting. Floyd County Chapter. Meeting

Place B, 6-7 p.m.

■ May 17 - Childbirth Education. Meeting Place A&B, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

■ May 20 - Highlands S.H.A.R.E. Martin Room, 7-9 p.m.

■ May 29 - Living Well with Diabetes. Floyd Room, 5-6 p.m.

(See CALENDAR, page eight)

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## Dreams

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film, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Dream Factory, Inc., a volunteer-based non-profit organization that makes dreams come true for children between the ages of 3 and 18 who have been diagnosed with critical or chronic illnesses.

Additionally, families may receive a 25% discount on their video purchase by ordering online at the following web address: [www.pinocchio-newadventures.com](http://www.pinocchio-newadventures.com).

The film combines live action, puppetry and animation in a film that is destined to become a family favorite. Martin Landau, award-winning actor, stars as "Geppetto," the gentle puppet-maker.

Santa Barbara Home Video founders, Jeffrey Sneller and Charles Fries, have released a statement saying that "The New Adventures of Pinocchio" is a "natural match with the objectives and spirit of the Dream Factory."

"We were extremely impressed that Dream Factory is an all-volunteer organization and that 90% of all funds raised go to benefit children. We're happy to be a part, in some small way, of helping to make the wishes of children come true," said Fries.

In order to be eligible for a Dream Factory dream, children must meet four criteria: Have a critical or chronic illness, be between the ages of 3-18, have not received a wish from another wish-granting organization, and the wish must be the wish of the child, not the wish of another concerned party.

Dream Factory CEO Anne Burger said, "Like Pinocchio's wish to become a little boy, some of the requests submitted to the Dream Factory might seem unrealistic, but because of donors across the country like Santa Barbara Home Video, the impossible becomes the possible."

For more information on The Dream Factory of Eastern Kentucky, contact Jerome Greathouse at 886-0556, or write to the following address: The Dream Factory, P.O. Box 47, Auxier, KY 41602.

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# Feds claim lawyers in election fraud case may have conflicts

The Associated Press

PIKEVILLE — A federal prosecutor claims that Ross Harris, a prominent Eastern Kentucky political fund-raiser, hired lawyers for several co-defendants in an election fraud case to effectively buy their silence or stop them from coop-

erating with prosecutors.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Kenneth Taylor said he has no specific proof, but asked U.S. District Judge Karen Caldwell to consider his concerns during a May 12 hearing about possible conflicts of interest among attorneys representing the nine defendants in the case.

"That's a very hotly debated litigation issue that Taylor's getting into," said Ned Pillersdorf, a Prestonsburg defense lawyer. "It goes back to the Mafia days, when the Mafia hired all the lawyers to represent all defendants and all witnesses, so as to prevent anyone from cooperating with the government."

Using the Mafia analogy in a Pike County vote-fraud case is far-fetched, Pillersdorf allowed, "but they're treading in dangerous constitutional water because there's a constitutional right to choose your own attorney."

Bill Fortune, a University of Kentucky law professor, agreed. "The point is, a lawyer has an obligation to a client, not to somebody who's paying the fee," Fortune said. "What the government thinks is that the lawyers have conflicted loyalties and wants it explored by the judge."

In his motion, Taylor notes the government has no proof that any attorney violated legal or ethical duties, but "the concern is that the individual attorneys

might not be aware of the big picture or the pressures that will be applied in the future."

Nine of the defendants have hired eight attorneys. "It is believed that some or all of the defense attorneys have entered a joint defense agreement, which only increases the concern that the best interest of one man is being advanced at the expense of the others," Taylor wrote.

The government's motion contends that any joint defense agreement is "a relatively new, yet uncharted course of defense practice."

In a written response, however, Harris' attorney Michael Mazzoli of Louisville opposed an inquiry, accusing the government of "advancing claims without basis in fact."

The joint-defense privilege has been recognized for more than 100 years, Mazzoli said. "The sole fact that Mr. Harris is now, or may be, a party to a joint defense agreement does not oblige the court to undertake any

inquiry or impose any special protections," Mazzoli wrote.

Central to the big picture, Taylor's motion suggests, is Harris, a wealthy Pikeville lawyer and coal operator.

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 case.

Harris, the motion said, "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."

"He has boasted of owning several counties, translated to mean that he has in place his candidates in the courthouses, sheriff's offices and other important posts."

Prestonsburg lawyer Earl "Mickey" McGuire, who represents two defendants in the case, said in a written response that the government's attempt to

"smear" Harris and, by innuendo, other defendants, was not proof of anything.

"From the government's perspective, it appears based upon allegations unsupported by any fact that Harris has tried to buy the silence of co-defendants," McGuire said. "To the co-defendants, it appears the government is trying to delve into attorney-client privilege."

## REWARD

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#### BIG SANDY AREA QUILT, ART & ANTIQUE SHOW

Friday, May 2, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, May 3, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, Paintsville. Antique appraiser will be on hand to appraise your personal items. Civil War presentations also will be a featured highlight. If you would like to display your work, please call the Johnson County Extension Service at 789-8108. Quilts will be registered at the Ramada on April 30, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

#### PIARIST SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAM

Saturday, May 3, at 9 a.m. at the school. To register, or to request more info., call 285-3950 or email: piarist@bell-south.net.

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## Betsy Layne church will host "Book of Life" play

"The Book of Life" will be presented by the Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist Church on Friday, May 2, Saturday, May 3, and Sunday, May 4, at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 6 p.m. The church is located behind the Velocity Market on U.S. 23, at Betsy Layne. The Rev. Tracy Patton, pastor, invites and welcomes all to attend.

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# FLOYD COUNTY Sports

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## Kentucky Derby 129: Saturday, 6:04 p.m., NBC

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### COMMENTARY

To: Caroline  
Ruth Frederick  
From: Granddad

by BILLY REED  
TIMES COLUMNIST

You are almost a year old now, and watching you grow has made my heart soar. Others have told me about how becoming a grandparent can change your



life, but I never knew what they were talking about until now.

Let me tell you about the Kentucky Derby.

In 1967, when I was engaged to marry your maternal grandmother, I was a young sports writer for The Courier-Journal. I was earning, oh, \$100 a week. Somehow I managed to get a Derby ticket for the woman who was to become your grandmother.

It was a rainy and cool day. Because I had done a story about the last workout of a horse named Proud Clarion, I decided to bet \$2 on him to win. And guess what? Here he came, roaming out of the gloaming, to pay \$62.20 to win.

You won't believe this, Caroline, but in those days \$62.20 was virtually a small fortune for a guy who was worry

(See REED, page two)

### DERBY NOTEBOOK

More history than strategy in two post picks

by CHRIS DUNCAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — First-time Kentucky Derby trainers Patrick Biancone and Tom Amos didn't use much strategy when they picked their post positions.

They just followed two of the race's most famous champions.

Biancone chose post No. 2 for Brancusi because that's where Affirmed started his run to the Derby and eventual Triple Crown in 1978.

"I was watching Derby films the other day," Biancone said Wednesday night. "I saw Affirmed was No. 2. I do like Affirmed, so I said if I could be No. 2, that would be fine."

Amos, who trains Lone Star Sky, opted for the No. 10 —

(See HISTORY, page three)

### H.S. TENNIS

## P'burg tennis serves up wins

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Prestonsburg High graduate Jeremy Clark left his high school as one of the most successful individual tennis players the area has seen in quite some time. Prestonsburg has quietly developed a strong tradi-

tion in the sport of tennis over the years. This season, Prestonsburg is again very competitive.

Veteran coach Bobby Hamilton guides a girls team which ranks near the top in the area.

Major contributing players are Taryn Harris,

(See TENNIS, page two)



photo by Steve LeMaster

Sophomore Molly Burchett is one of the members of the Prestonsburg High School girls tennis teams.

## — 15TH REGION BASEBALL —



photo by Steve LeMaster

Betsy Layne's Patrick Stapleton ran to first base during the first inning of Tuesday night's game against Knott County Central.

# BOBCATS TURN BACK KCC, 12-3

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN — Betsy Layne withstood a two-run first inning and had back-to-back big, run-scoring innings in the fourth and fifth frames to beat visiting Knott County Central 12-3 Tuesday

night at Allen Park.

Knott Central got two runs off Betsy Layne pitcher Lance Collins in the opening inning to lead 2-0 after one complete frame. Jordan Case walked and eventually came around to score Betsy Layne's first run in the bottom of the second.

After a somewhat shaky first inning of play, Collins settled down to hold Knott Central to just one addition run which came in the fifth inning.

The Bobcats scored six runs in the fourth inning and five more in

(See BOBCATS, page two)

### H.S. SOFTBALL

## Allen Central 16, South Floyd 6

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

MINNIE — South Floyd scored six runs in the second inning, but could produce no more scores in a 16-6 loss to visiting Allen Central

Tuesday night.

Allen Central starting pitcher Tiffany Turner walked and eventually scored to get the Lady Rebels' first run of the game on the board. Turner was also the game's winning pitcher.

Terri Mullins followed Turner with a triple, plating the AC leadoff hitter. Mullins scored one batter later when senior Amber Scott connected.

(See SOFTBALL, page two)



photo by Steve LeMaster

Prestonsburg first-baseman Joey Willis eyed the pitch.

### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## W.Va. all-stater signs with Pikeville College

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FORT GAY, W.Va. — A first-team all-state selection from West Virginia has agreed to play women's basketball at Pikeville College.

Heather Dillon, a 6-1 senior from Tolsia High School, signed with the school earlier this week. Dillon was named a first-team Class A all-stater this season after averaging

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### Heather Dillon, 6-1

Dillon was named a first-team Class A all-stater this season after averaging a double-double, coming in with 13.6 points and 11.3 rebounds per game, and helping her team to a 20-5 record last season.

### H.S. BASEBALL

## Blackcats split twinbill with Belfry

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — With carnival rides being set up nearby, Prestonsburg hosted Belfry in 15th Region baseball action Tuesday night at Archer Park. The two storied football rivals played two on the baseball diamond with each team winning a game.

Prestonsburg, with Thomas Nelson pitching, beat Belfry 5-1 in the first game. The Pirates took the second contest 3-1. Senior Josh Colmenares, who batted cleanup at the designated hitter in the

(See BLACKCATS, page two)

### COLLEGE BASEBALL

## Alice Lloyd baseball season comes to a close

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES — The 2003 Alice Lloyd College baseball season is officially over.

ALC finished the season with a 22-28 record and a 7-20 conference worksheet.

The ALC baseball program is headed in the right direction.

Nicholas Perkins will be playing in the Southern Collegiate League for the Carolina Chaos. The SCL is a wood bat league

with teams in Tennessee, and North and South Carolina. The league features players from all over the nation. The league is sponsored by Major League Baseball and the NCAA. The Carolina Chaos team is based in South Carolina. The team will be living in an apartment complex in South Carolina.

Perkins is a senior-to-be and hails from from Mountain City,

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ing how he was going to make his next car payment. (I once had a 1959 white Chevy convertible with a red interior and a black top, but ...that's a story for another day.)

On this gloomy Derby Day in 1967, I go into the winner's circle with Proud Clarion's trainer, Loyd "Boo" Gentry. We watch as the garland of roses is placed over the winner's shoulders.

I don't know why, because I can be as cloddish and insensitive as any man, but I got the idea of asking if I could have a single rose from the Derby garland.

I carried it back through the gloomy day and gave it to your maternal grandmother. She was, and is, a beautiful girl whose smile was sunshine on a cloudy day. We were so excited and happy as we more or less danced our way through the parking lot.

We had \$62.20, a small fortune.

We had a red rose on a special day.

We had each other.

The next time I felt that emotional was on Jan. 16, 1972, when your mom, Amy, was born. To me, she was another rosebud, much like the one I had given her mother in 1967. So lovely. So precious.

Sometimes, Caroline, life doesn't always work out the way we want, because we humans tend to have flaws, a

condition that someday you, too, will have to think about.

So here we are, all these years later. Your grandmother and I have been divorced. Yet because we both love our daughters, your mom and your Aunt Susan, so much, we have been able to love each other again, in a different way.

The first time I saw you, less than an hour after you had been born, my life changed. And one thing I thought about was this: What can I leave her that perhaps someday, on the first Saturday in May, might make her think one kind thought of her Grandad Reed.

A book. I started on the Kentucky Derby trail in 1964. I've known all the heroes and villains, the winners and losers, the good folks and the jerks.

But the Derby, more than any

other event in the career to which I've devoted my life, is special to me.

The roses. The mint juleps. The playing of "My Old Kentucky Home."

The incomparable beauty of Thoroughbreds. I'm sorry, Caroline, but your Granddad is a sentimental fool, hopelessly in love with what happens at Churchill Downs late in the afternoon of the first Saturday in May.

So because of you and my desire to leave you something that would give you some small sense of the better part of me, I put together a collection of Derby stories that I've written for Sports Illustrated, The Courier-Journal, and The Lexington Herald-Leader.

My friend, Bill Butler, agreed to publish it, for which I will be eternally grateful. In the process

of doing book signings in Lexington and Louisville, I have encountered many friends, young and old. I have been able to laugh and cry, to swap old stories and tell old horse-racing lies.

This, Caroline, is what the Kentucky Derby means to me.

Your Granddad is a shameless, hopeless romantic. He loves history and tradition. He loves the possibilities of what might happen on the first

Saturday in May. Because of what may take place in two minutes, give or take a few seconds, lives are changed, literally.

These are the stories that your Granddad has attempted to capture over more than 40 years. Most of the time, I feel that I've failed miserably. Other times, perhaps I have succeeded.

This is the timeless nature of journalism. As my dear friend Red Smith said, "The best thing about the business is that when you fail, you know you have another chance to get it right the next day."

This book is my gift to you and any other grandchildren I may have. I hope you can take it for what it's worth. I certainly don't mean to suggest that I've been the next coming of

Faulkner or Hemingway.

But the stories in the book are why I cheated your mom and your Aunt Susan out of the time they deserved as children. To

this day, I'm not sure how I feel about the decisions I made. I should have done better.

But here is this book. It's my gift to you.

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# Allen Central 11, Prestonsburg 7

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — The visiting Allen Central Rebels got to Prestonsburg and sophomore pitcher John Mark Stephens early on in Wednesday's meeting between the two teams. The Rebels plated seven runs in the opening inning and held an advantage throughout the contest en route to an 11-6 win.

Stephens took the loss for the Blackcats. Joey Willis and Greg May also saw time on the mound for Prestonsburg.

Allen Central began its scoring in the first when senior Alex Paton, the team's leadoff hitter, reached base on a single and later came around to score. Six

other Rebels, including fellow seniors Dustin Hammonds and John Hall also scored in the first at-bat for Allen Central.

Hall was the winning pitcher for Allen Central. Another multi-run inning for the Rebels came in the fifth when two Rebels scored.

Prestonsburg had two runs in the first inning, two in the fourth, and two more in the fifth.

The Blackcats gave a last effort for a rally in the bottom of the seventh inning, but came up with just one run.

Allen Central scored its 11 runs on 14 hits. The Rebel committed three errors in the field.

Prestonsburg's seven runs came through on 10 hits. The Blackcats had four errors.

## Blackcats

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first game for the Blackcats, took the loss in the second game.

In the first game, Prestonsburg scored its five runs on six hits. The Blackcats made it through the game defensively with no errors. Belfry banged out five hits in the game, but got the lone run out of it. The Pirates committed three fielding errors.

With the game still scoreless, Prestonsburg scored its first runs of the game in the fifth inning when four Cats, Thomas Nelson, Joey Willis, Jared McGuire and John Hunt came across.

Prestonsburg third baseman John Mark "Moose" Stephens was hit by a pitch and later came around to score in the sixth inning. Stephens, McGuire and Hunt, the seventh, eighth and ninth-place hitters in the Prestonsburg order, were all hit by a pitch, back-to-back-to-back.

Belfry's only run of the first game came in the sixth inning.

The visiting Pirates placed few different faces on the field in the second game of the twin-bill. Prestonsburg, in contrast, had all new players on the field. Colmenares, the DH in the first game, was the only holdover in the second contest, pitching for the Blackcats.

## Softball

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Jackie Martin singled and scored on a Laura Gibson groundout in the second inning to put Allen Central up 3-0.

Megan Ousley, Carla Hall, Brandy Anderson, Tabitha Tackett, Ashley Johnson, Leighann Tuttle and N. Tackett all scored for the Lady Raiders to put South Floyd ahead 6-3 in the bottom of the third.

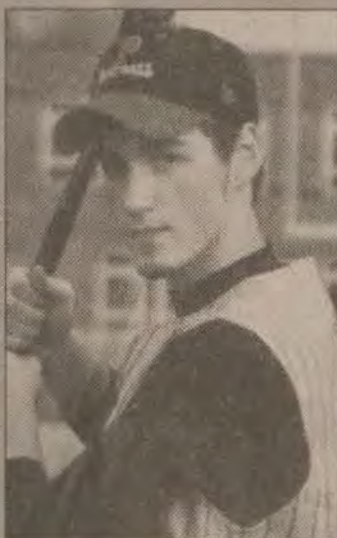
Allen Central scored four runs in the fourth inning, three in the fifth, and five more in a productive sixth on its way to the victory.

Brandy Anderson took the loss for South Floyd.

## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Amanda Robinette, Betsy Layne Softball



Greg May, Prestonsburg Baseball



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## Where have all the crowds gone?

by ED TAYLOR  
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

America's favorite pastime! Baseball. Used to be we could not wait for a new season to begin. We would always end the previous season with, "Wait until next year! We'll get them then!" We would then hope we were right.

The game has dropped in fan appeal and that is very clear at the turnstiles in 2003. Most of the major league teams are playing before half filled stadiums and ownership is scratching their heads and wondering why.

Last season, 2002, major baseball saw a drop of just over six percent in attendance from the 2001 season. This year, already, attendance is down nearly five percent and we are just in the second month of the season.

Once Turner Field in Atlanta was always sold out with the

beloved Braves, winners of 11 straight division titles. Today the Braves are one of those teams who are playing in front of a half-filled ballpark. Players have come to admit that ticket prices are too high for a family to come

to the ballpark anymore. Wonder why the prices have to be raised every season?

The players need to come to grips with another issue: big contracts. I first lay the blame at the feet of ownership for the escalating prices and

then the players followed by the fans.

Ownership wanted to win at any cost and set out to buy the best players the game had to offer when the free agent market came into being. The players saw the greed of the owners and thought they would be a little greedy along with and started demanding more money, skyrocketing salaries. The fans, so gullible, went along with the

other idiots of the game and paid the price of a ticket.

Then came the cry for bigger and better ballparks. It had to be better than the one in Milwaukee, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Atlanta and Cincinnati. So new parks began to spring up and they are used for more than just baseball.

Give me the old parks like Wrigley Field in Chicago and Yankee Stadium in New York the last of the old time parks. They are still the symbol old time baseball.

Major league baseball reports that 21 of the 30 major league teams are in deep trouble this season and the other nine are on the edge. I believe we will see some big time dealing, if a team find someone to deal with them, before the trade deadline ends in June. But big salaries will soon be the thing of the past as most clubs will try and play with the lesser-name player who requires a less of a salary — for right now.

Wow! The St. Louis Cardinals and Florida Marlins played all night in a 20-inning marathon which the Cards won. I remember a game between Cincinnati and New York Giants (now San Francisco) going 21 innings. I was not at the game but past old Crosley Field on I-75 heading from Indiana to Kentucky. It was 1:30 in the morning when we past it and saw them still playing baseball. There were not many in the stands at the time.

I attended a game at Wrigley Field in Chicago to watch the Reds play. The game went 16 innings. That is the longest game I have personally seen. I saw two games in one that day. The final score? 3-1, Cincinnati. Jim O'Toole got the win (and he was a starter) in relief. Amazing!

Until Friday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

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## ALC

Tennessee where he was a 1999 graduate of Johnson County High School. "I feel that playing this summer against competition from top NCAA and NAIA schools will help me to continue to take my game to the next level and prepare me to have the big senior season at Alice Lloyd that I expect from myself and my team needs me to have if we are going to continue the growth of our program," Perkins commented.

K.W. Sexton, Grayson, was named an all conference outfielder for the Appalachian Athletic Conference. It was the second time in Sextons career that he has been named to the all conference team. He led the Eagles in homers, runs batted in, runs scored, doubles, walks, on base percentage and slugging percentage during the 2003 season. Sexton finished his Alice Lloyd career as the school's most prolific home run hitter. He owns the record for home runs in a single season with nine, and the most home runs in

a career with 25.

Doug Clark, Mt. Orab, Ohio finished the 2003 season with a team leading .417 batting average. This is only the eighth time in school history that the .400 mark has been topped. Clark, who most felt deserved to be on the all conference team, did his best to show the coaches who did the voting that they made a mistake. Clark went 4-5 in the Eagles play-in game victory versus UVa-Wise the day after the voting took place. Clark was the Eagles most consistent hitter and clutch player during his four year career.

## Bobcats

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the fifth en route to the win.

Collins helped himself while on the basepaths in the fourth inning, walking and eventually coming around to score. Derek Case, Steven Conn, Brandon Thacker, Ryan Lawson, CJ Newsome, Patrick Stapleton,

Brandon Combs and Jordan Kidd would also add runs over the next two innings.

Collins picked up the win for Betsy Layne. R. Prater was the losing pitcher for the Patriots.

Betsy Layne (6-5) was scheduled to host Allen Central last night. Results were unavailable at press time.

Betsy Layne is at Magoffin County today for a 15th Region game.

### Other remaining games for the Bobcats include:

May 5 South Floyd; May 8 at Shelby Valley; May 9 at East Ridge; May 12 at Knott County Central; May 13 Pike County Central; May 14 Jenkins; May 15 Sheldon Clark; May 16 Belfry; May 19 Johnson Central; May 20 at Phelps; May 22 at Fleming-Neon; May 23 at Belfry.

## Tennis

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Franca Cavaleri, Stephanie Webb, Molly Burchett, Megan Patton, Ashley Fish, Ashley Evans, Tiffany Blackburn and Amanda Morgan. Another key player for the Prestonsburg girls, Tiffany Pack, is injured and out of action for the season.

The girls team is 8-1, only losing to Lawrence County.

Teams the Prestonsburg girls recently beat include Paintsville, Rowan County, Magoffin County, Knott Central and East Carter.

Hamilton confides that the

boys team is improving but still inexperienced.

"We have several young players, including a sixth-grader, Nathan Ousley, who seems to have a lot of potential.

Chris Kidd and Jon Mark Tackett are each having good seasons and make for a very competitive doubles team. Other key players for the boys include Josh Kinzer, Kevin Jervis, Evan McNutt and Nick Francis. This year's boys team is composed mostly of seniors.

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# Kyle Busch finally turning 18, ready for debut

by JENNA FRYER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Kyle Busch is finally turning 18, and all he wants is a new stock car and to establish his own identity. He'll get both wishes — a year and a half behind schedule.

NASCAR put the brakes on his career in December 2001 by implementing an age minimum of 18 for competitors in its top

three series. Busch, the younger brother of NASCAR sensation Kurt Busch, will get the green flag to go racing again on Friday, when he celebrates his birthday.

"It's been a long time coming," Kyle Busch said. "Ever since I got kicked out of trucks I have been counting down the days until my birthday. Now that it's finally here, I couldn't be more excited."

He'll still have to wait to make his Busch Series debut, though.

His first race isn't until May 25 at Lowe's Motor Speedway when he'll drive a car owned by Winston Cup driver Joe Nemechek — his new teammate at Hendrick Motorsports.

"I could have run this weekend at Richmond on my birthday," he said. "But since I don't turn 18 until the day of the race,

I wouldn't have been able to practice or get ready. So Charlotte is real close and I'll just have to wait a little longer."

Kyle Busch was a budding talent whom most car owners had their eye on two years ago. Jack Roush, who fields Kurt's Winston Cup car, had him under contract in 2001 and planned to have him run the entire 2002 season in the Craftsman Truck Series.

But the agreement was voided in December when the age requirement was passed.

"That was pretty devastating for him, for our entire family,"

Kurt Busch said. "Here he was ready to go, he'd done everything he needed to race full-

(See **DEBUT**, page four)

## BOWLING

### Pikeville bowler named All-American

TIMES STAFF REPORT

TULSA, Okla. — The success of the Pikeville College women's bowling program continues to amaze, with the team's second national-tournament appearance in as many seasons of existence culminating in one of its players named an All-American.

Jackson, Tenn., product April Ellis was one of only five players named to the All-American team. Ellis is a sophomore majoring in communications.

Ellis finished in the Top 25 in all 11 events she bowled in this season, with eight Top 10s, seven Top 5s and the championship of the Brickyard Classic.

In 95 games this season, Ellis averaged 200.579, which was 11th in the nation. Also, in the

other major category by which college bowlers are judged, she had an average differential of 25.185, which was 12th nationally for the season.

Average differential is the difference in a player's average when compared to the rest of the field. In this case, Ellis' average score was more than 25 pins better than the average score in the tournaments she participated in.

"April had a tremendous season for us and was a real leader for our team," said Coach Ron Damron. "She's an incredible bowler who is never intimidated or overwhelmed, and is never bothered by pressure. She's as good as any bowler in the country and is a big part of the success our team had all season

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The Prestonsburg AAU 12-year-old team celebrated a recent victory over Louisville Eastern.

## COLLEGE

### PC players honored

LOUISVILLE — The final postseason tournaments of the 2002-03 season were held last weekend in the Mid-South Conference, and in conjunction with them, nine Pikeville College student-athletes were honored.

Three baseball and two softball players were named to the all-conference teams while four softball players were named Academic All-Conference.

On the baseball side, Arturo Alicea and Chad Roberts were named first-team all-conference, while teammate Jensen Erazo was picked for the second-team.

Alicea, a freshman from Ponce, P.R., was named as the utility infielder after leading the team with a .416 batting average. Alicea hit eight homers and drove in 28 while posting a .489 on-base percentage and an .805 slugging percentage.

Roberts was one of four starting pitchers named to the first team. A junior from Pikeville, Roberts posted a 5-3 record with a 3.36 earned run average. Roberts led the team with 59.0 innings pitched and tied for team honors with 45 strikeouts.

Outfielder Jensen Erazo was picked to the second-team, hitting .355 with three homer runs and 16 RBIs. The freshman from Baymon, P.R. led the team in at-bats (141), runs (27), hits (50) and doubles (nine).

Meanwhile, during cere-

monies to honor the softball teams, six Lady Bears were honored.

Amanda Fields was named first-team all-conference for season that saw her lead her team with a .378 batting average, 135 at-bats, 51 hits and a .408 on-base percentage. Fields started at shortstop for the Lady Bears this season and is a sophomore from Church Hill, Tenn.

Pitcher Jeanie Hamblin was named honorable mention all-conference. A freshman from Hazard, Hamblin was 8-12 with a 4.26 earned run average. She had 56 strikeouts in 135.1 innings this season and completed 20 of her 21 starts.

In addition, Hamblin was effective at the plate, hitting .328 with 18 RBIs and 16 runs scored. She led the team with 13 doubles.

Four Lady Bears were named to the academic all-conference squad. They were senior Amber Simpson, juniors Randi Mullins and Teresa Westray and sophomore Sara Ratliff.

Simpson, of Church Hill, Tenn., and Westray, of Louisville, major in secondary education/math. Mullins, of Neon, is majoring in Business Administration emphasizing accounting and management. Ratliff, of Elkhorn City, is a history/political science major with a minor in Spanish.

### Allen Central, Adams advance to finals

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — Middle school volleyball teams from Allen Central and Adams made it to the finals of the county tournament last night at Adams Middle School.

Allen Central made it into the county finals by defeating defending champion Allen. Allen Central scored the win, thanks in huge part to the serving of Ariel Robinson, Tiffany Owens, Candice Halbert and Courtney Martin.

"They put in a fantastic team effort and played their game — together," said Allen Central head coach Larry Maynard. "The win can only be summed up with one word — Teamwork."

Allen Central beat Allen in three games (4-15, 15-3, 15-11), taking the last two after dropping the initial contest. Results from last night's championship match will appear in Sunday's edition.

## PROFILE

### Kelley makes adjustment for Alice Lloyd College

by ROCKY STANLEY  
THE DAILY INDEPENDENT

A freshmen-laded roster and new head coach didn't bode well for Andrea Kelley's senior basketball season at Alice Lloyd College.

Kelley made the best of a difficult situation, however.

A former point guard at East Carter High School, the 5-foot-10 Kelley wrapped up her college career at center.

Not to be pushed around, Kelley finished in the Top 10 of the Appalachian Athletic Conference in both rebounding and blocked shots as a senior.

"It turned out pretty well," Kelley said. "We were such a young team with nine freshmen and only two seniors. It was rocky at times, but I just tried to play hard and do everything I could."

Kelley blocked 27 shots and averaged 6.72 rebounds for the Lady Eagles, who won nine games.

Alice Lloyd's team banquet was Wednesday and Kelley received the Best Defensive Player and Top Rebounder awards.

"She led us in steals and charges taken, too," said Lady Eagles coach Tim Rice. "Andrea is a real hard-nosed player with a lot of heart. I really hate to lose her."

Kelley played three years at Alice Lloyd — the last two as a starter — after transferring from Cumberland College.

Her junior season, Alice Lloyd finished the season with only eight players.

"When I got here, we only had four people coming back,"

Rice said. "We started two freshmen this year and brought a lot of freshmen off the bench. It's a hard situation for a senior, but Andrea accepted it and played rather well."

Kelley posted double-doubles with 16 points and 10 rebounds against Montreat, and 13 rebounds and 10 rebounds against Bryan College.

She pulled down 16 rebounds and blocked six shots in a win over King College.

In the season opener, Kelley pulled down 14 rebounds as Alice Lloyd defeated Kentucky Christian.

One of her most difficult assignments was going up against former high school teammate Tecco Gallion, a standout at Pikeville College. Gallion scored 36 points in Pikeville's 79-60 victory on Nov. 5.

"We played pretty physical with each other," Kelley said. "It was funny talking to each other going up and down the court. She's hard to stop."

Kelley plans to finish her college requirements at Alice Lloyd in the fall. Her major is sports and fitness programs management.

Erica Webb, a junior from Louisa, also had a solid season for Alice Lloyd.

## HORSE SHOW

### Locals travel to Booneville for show

The Rocky Mountain Horse Association assembled this past weekend in the small Lee County community of Booneville for the first in a series of Saturday horse shows.

While all day it threatened rain, the Booneville Fair Show grounds remained dry, and a very pleasant and a well-groomed facility.

The show was well planned with over 24 classes in which the participants could exhibit

their horses.

The honorable Ms. Yvonne Henson from Mt. Sterling, was in charge of the judging activities. She moved the show on at an exciting pace.

The ring was filled with many local horses and the ring-side crowd had plenty of local favorites to cheer on.

Some of the winners included Dr. Andy Elliott of Prestonsburg

(See **SHOW**, page four)

## DIRT TRACK

### Racing at the Ridge on tap for Saturday

PRESTONSBURG — JD Racing presents the season-opening race at Thunder Ridge Raceway Saturday with all five classes taking to the 3/8th mile dirt track.

Late Models will be chasing a \$1,500 to win feature checkered flag, the Limited Late Models will be after a \$1,000 to win feature top prize, Street Stock drivers will have their eyes focused on a \$600 to win feature top prize, Bomber drivers will want to take home the \$500 to win feature top prize, and the 4-Cylinder drivers will battle all night for a \$400 to win feature top prize.

This will be the one and only chance for the Late Models to prepare for the May 10 special

MACS race that will be the series season opening event with several drivers from surrounding states making the trip to Thunder Ridge for the first big paying event of the season in Eastern Kentucky the event will pay \$5,000 to the winner of the 50-lap feature.

To date, eight drivers have told the MACS series that they plan on running for Rookie Of The Year in the series and these eight drivers will begin their season long points battle at Thunder Ridge on May 10. Joining these eight rookies will be a stellar field of cars from all across the region looking to get the MACS Racing Series season off to a fast start and get in position to contend for the season points title.

## History

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where 1973 Triple Crown winner Secretariat started the Derby.

"My all-time favorite horse," Amoss said. "He wore the 1A, but he broke from 10."

The No. 1 post has produced the most Derby champions (12), although none since Ferdinand in 1986. The No. 1 — the closest stall to the rail — was the last one remaining for the 17-horse field. It went to Supah Blitz.

Five of the last eight Derby winners have started from either the No. 15 or the No. 16 posts, the first two stalls in the auxiliary gate. On Saturday, Outta Here will break from the No. 15 and Ten Most Wanted, the second choice in the morning line at 6-1, will leave from the No. 16 position.

Last year, War Emblem became the 11th Derby champion to break from the No. 5 post. The Bobby Frankel-trained Peace Rules, the third choice in the morning line at 8-1, will start from there this year.

The No. 17 and 19 posts are the only ones never to have produced Derby winners.

Scrimshaw, trained by D. Wayne Lukas, will start from the No. 17 post on Saturday.

Lukas might not consider that so unlucky — he's won three of his four Derbies from the auxiliary gate.

Thunder Gulch started from the No. 16 hole in 1995, Grindstone came out of the No. 15 post to win in 1996 and Charismatic won from the No. 16 post in 1999.

## MEN AT WORK:

Construction workers are racing against the clock to put the finishing touches on 23 luxury suites perched atop the grandstand at Churchill Downs.

The suites are the first at the 129-year-old track, the most visible changes in an ambitious, \$121 million renovation.

Even the track's famous Twin Spires got reinforced structural supports, new interior walls and a fresh coat of paint.

"This is a reinvigoration and a modernization, while maintaining the rich tradition and the architectural integrity that people recognize us for," track president Steve Sexton said.

The first phase of construction started last summer and is scheduled to be finished in time for Churchill's fall meet. Churchill will soon have 81 suites priced from \$68,000 to \$97,000 a year, on three- to five-year leases.

The \$95 million second phase, to start after the spring-summer session, will include construction of the remainder of the luxury suites, plus a new and expanded Turf Club and a new Skye Terrace, which includes Millionaire's Row, where the rich and famous mingle on Derby Day.

The track will add simulcast facilities plus more dining facilities, kitchens and a new press box. A large section of the clubhouse section of the track will be removed and rebuilt.

**BLOWING KISSES:** Rosemary Homeister Jr., the only female jockey in Saturday's Derby, will continue a family tradition if she wins aboard Supah Blitz.

Homeister, 30, is based at Calder Race Course near Miami.

After every victory, she finds a camera and blows a kiss to her grandfather, Frank Sangi, who watches all of her races on simulcast monitors at the Meadowlands.

## SIDELINED:

The Bob Baffert-trained Kafwain, who strained a tendon Tuesday, will miss four-to-six months before racing again.

"It's just a tiny spot, not bad at all, and it can be treated," Baffert said.

The three-time Kentucky Derby-winning trainer is down to one entry in Saturday's race, Indian Express.

Associated Press writer Bruce Schreiner contributed.

## Signs

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ing a double-double, coming in with 13.6 points and 11.3 rebounds per game, and helping her team to a 20-5 record last season.

"Heather is physically what we need to compete in the Mid-South Conference," said Pikeville College Coach Bill Watson. "She has the potential to have an immediate impact on our basketball team."

Dillon will come in with the Lady Bears replacing two tremendous players in the post. Amanda Collins, the school's third all-time leading scorer, and Tecco Gallion, fifth on the list, scored 3,933 points in their career and combined for four All-American and six all-conference selections between them.

Dillon is a member of the 1,000-point club at Tolsia, and is the all-time leading rebounder with 798. Not only was she all-

state, but also she was named to the All-Tournament team after leading the Tolsia Runnin' Rebels to the semifinals of the Single-A state tournament in March.

She was first-team All-Cardinal Conference and first-team All-Wayne County as well. This season, she will play in the Scott Brown Memorial All-Star Game and the Twin Rivers All-Star Game. Dillon's team won the Cardinal Conference title this season and was sectional and regional champions all four seasons, playing in four state tournaments.

The Lady Bears won a school-record 24 games this season, making their second appearance in the NAIA Div. I national tournament. For his efforts, Watson was named Co-Coach of the Year in the Mid-South Conference and national coach of the year by the WBCA.



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## Big Blue Caravan

In May and June, the Big Blue Caravan, which features

Kentucky's head coaches including Tubby Smith, Rich Brooks and Mickie DeMoss, as well as top administrators, will visit seven cities in the region. The fan friendly event will include visits to local charities, golf outings and barbecue dinners. For more information on the Big Blue Caravan, contact Amy Terry in the K-Fund office at 859/257-8000.

The dates for the inaugural caravan are as follows: May 12 - Louisville; May 13 - Cincinnati; May 19 - Nashville; May 20 - Somerset; June 16 - Madisonville; June 17 - Bowling Green; June 18 - Prestonsburg.

## Golf • Scramble

The Prestonsburg High School Touchdown Club Golf Scramble will be held Saturday, May 24 at Beaver Valley Golf Course in Allen. The tourna-

ment is a four-team scramble. Entry fee is \$200 per team. First-place will play \$1,000. Second-place- \$700 and third-place \$500. Closest-to-the-pin, longest drive and longest putt will all pay \$100.

Tee-off is 8:30 a.m. To pre-register, or for more information, call Coach John DeRossett, 886-6639; Rodney Ousley, 874-0317; Gerald DeRossett, 886-6090; Ronnie Slone, 886-0006; Kim Compton, 886-1206.

## Horse show • Jenny Wiley Stables, Betsy Layne team up for horse show

Jenny Wiley Stables and the Betsy Layne High School boys' and girls' basketball teams have joined together to present their third annual horse show. The show is scheduled for Saturday at 7 p.m.

Proceeds from the horse

show will benefit the Betsy Layne High boys' and girls' basketball programs.

For More Information, contact any of the following people:

- Brian Akers (606) 587-2463 or 478-5550;
- Malisa Collins (606) 478-2326 or (606) 874-9743;
- Cassandra Akers (606) 478-9138 or 478-2233.

## OUTDOORS

# KDFWR offers boater education course

State wildlife and boating enforcement officers with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) have begun conducting educational courses statewide for watercraft operators. Memorial Day weekend is the traditional opening of the Kentucky boating season, which brings thousands of watercraft to state waterways each year.

Kentucky law requires persons ages 12-17 to pass a state certified test before operating any watercraft over 10 horsepower by themselves on Kentucky waters. The six-hour, free course and test is offered twice a month April through September in each of the state's nine wildlife law enforcement districts. No pre-registration is

necessary and all course materials will be provided.

During the course officers will provide instruction on safe operation of various watercraft and boating laws. At the conclusion of the course participants will be given the test. Those that pass will be issued a safe boating certificate (card) as proof of complying with the law.

Boater Education Courses and tests are given at various locations throughout the commonwealth. Boaters may check class availability on the KDFWR website at [fw.ky.gov](http://fw.ky.gov), under "Boating" on the Calendar of Events page, or call the KDFWR Information Center weekdays 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern at 1-800-858-1549 for details.

## Show



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Floyd County's Dr. Andy Elliott came out a winner.

riding the five-year-old Chocolate Stallion, Kentucky Traveler to the Blue in the Men's Amateur class.

Another local claiming wins in the 11 and under class was Ms. Whitney May daughter of Ocie and David May of Allen aboard the World Champion gelding Hershey's Chocolate Kisses. Allison Adams was not to be outperformed by her father Harry who had earlier

Ridden the Allen Bond entry Semi Hershey's Twister to the Winner circle in the novice class. She rode the Ann Reigling entry Harry Potter in a blue ribbon ride in the 12-17 Juvenile trail pleasure class. Allison Adams is the daughter of Harry and Jamie Adams of Prestonsburg.

The show concluded just as

the fog began to roll in to give the ring a nice backdrop and make the viewing a bit difficult for the judge and spectators.

These horses all washed, well groomed and shining, while awaiting their turn in the ring do not resemble the horses of our grand parents as they toiled to help provide them some comfort, horse power and companionship. But they still are playing a valuable role in providing pleasure and entertainment and companionship to the modern horse enthusiast.

Particularly the children and young adults that learn to ride, handle, display and control these animals. This product of the Mountains of Eastern Kentucky continues to serve, in other but in no less important ways.

## Debut

time, and then NASCAR said he couldn't.

"We hoped he could get grandfathered in, but he wasn't allowed to race and it was a difficult pill for him to swallow."

So Kyle, who graduated with honors from his Las Vegas high school a year early so he could focus on racing, was stuck waiting for his birthday while running in low-level series.

He finished eighth in the American Speed Association championship points as a rookie in a car Roush helped fund, and the plan was for him to re-sign with Roush this year and finally run the truck schedule.

But he raised eyebrows across the garage in February by choosing not to join Kurt at Roush Racing and instead sign with rival car owner Rick Hendrick.

"We talked to Kurt about it and he kind of stepped back and didn't want anything to do with it," Kyle said. "He said, 'It's your decision, it's your career. You are either going to help it or hurt it.'"

Ultimately, it was idea of establishing his own identity that helped him make the decision.

"I needed to step out of the shadow of Kurt and say, 'Hey, I'm my own person out here. I'm Kyle Busch,'" he said. "Everything Kurt has ever driven, I've followed his steps right into that car. It was kind of like Kurt was leading my way and I was going to follow him up into a Roush Cup car."

"I need to be own person and make my own way and show everybody that I can drive."

Kyle is already proving he can drive, setting a track record in qualifying at Nashville during qualifying for an ARCA race in April then following it

by winning the event in his first race in a Hendrick car.

Now Hendrick, who fields cars for Winston Cup champions Jeff Gordon and Terry Labonte, as well as Jimmie Johnson, Nemechek and a Busch Series ride for 19-year-old Brian Vickers, thinks Kyle Busch is going to be the next NASCAR superstar.

He had heard stories about Kyle "setting a blistering pace" when he was 16, but actually didn't meet him until last November at a race in Phoenix when he sat down with the youngster and his father.

Hendrick was immediately impressed.

"He was mature way beyond his years," Hendrick said. "He handled himself so well, and I already knew he had tons of talent, so he seemed a lot older than he was."

Kyle Busch has been training for this day his entire life. He grew up racing and teaming with Kurt to dominate the local ranks with his eye on the ultimate goal of following Kurt into Winston Cup racing.

But the one area where Kyle truly wants to break away from his brother is in attitude. He's seen Kurt hit many speedbumps on his way to stardom and wants to learn from those lessons.

"I always copied him from how he was racing, he's always been my role model and I always learned from him," Kyle said. "But he's had a couple of off track occurrences, had some ups and downs."

"My dad will tell you we both have had the same temperament, so I need to learn from how Kurt has done things to handle myself better and avoid some of those ups and downs he's had."

# Collins wins Douglas Lake bass tourney

Over the weekend, the Tug Valley Bass Anglers fishing club held its second tournament of the 2003 season at Douglas Lake in Tennessee. This event was also the first of two two-day tournaments, the other event will be the Club Classic in November.

This tournament was one to forget. At every turn there was something to test one's resolve. All Fishermen knew there was going to be several other tournaments on this weekend, but many had no idea it was going to be as crowded as it was. First thing Saturday morning the Dandridge ramp filled up quick and while some were sitting on the bridge waiting to get into the lot the police came by and told us the lot was full and to find another place to put in. Some of the fishermen were already in the Dandridge lot and couldn't get out so they put in there. The remaining anglers went back toward the dam and put in across the lake from the mouth of Muddy Creek and ran back down to Dandridge to meet the othes and start the tournament there. By the time all of that took place the group had missed the 6:30 a.m. scheduled start time and ended up blasting off at 8 a.m. When the first day was over, anglers checked back in at Dandridge, then went back to the other ramp loaded boats and trailed back to Dandridge for the weigh in. This made for a very long day. Sunday was better, everyone was able to launch out of the same ramp but it was still very crowded. It took over an hour to get all the boats out of the water for the weigh-in.

The weather for the tournament weekend was great with

partly sunny conditions on Saturday and sunny all day on Sunday with temperatures in the high 70s.

The lake was up to just below summer pool, which is unusual. Usually when we are there in April the water is still down 10 to 20 feet. The lake was clear to stained with a temperature in the mid 60s.

The fishing for the tournament was deemed good with most everyone weighing in at least a few fish. The fish were in a pre spawn/spawn pattern depending on where one was on the lake. The majority of the fish were caught in the main back end of creeks and pockets in the newly flooded bushes and lay downs. The main pattern was to flip soft plastics at any wood cover.

The club brought 102 legal fish to the scales, weighing 105.32-pounds.

## The top finishers are as follows:

- Donald Collins - Sat. -5 bass; Sun - 3 bass - 17.18 lbs
- Kevin Runyon - Sat. -5 bass; Sun - 5 bass - 16.58 lbs
- Brian Smith - Sat. -5 bass; Sun - 5 bass - 15.61 lbs
- Withheld - Sat. -5 bass; Sun. - 2 bass - 13.69 lbs
- Withheld - Sat. -3 bass; Sun. - 4 bass - 11.56 lbs
- Jimmy Kirk - Sat -4 bass; Sun - 0 bass - 11.21 lbs (Big Bass - 4.67 lbs)
- Mark Compton - Sat. -3 bass; Sun - 3 bass - 10.16 lbs
- Tim Robinson - Sat. -3 bass; Sun. - 2 bass - 9.89 lbs
- Johnny Webb - Sat. -0 bass; Sun. - 4 bass - 8.65 lbs
- Brian Compton - Sat. -2 bass; Sun. - 4 bass - 8.52 lbs

## Bowling

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long as well as in the post-season."

Ellis won the Brickyard Classic in Indianapolis with an average of 186.167. Ironically, she averaged more than that in all but one tournament this season. Her top average came in the Collegiate Shoot-Out, where she averaged 227.444 with a differential of 42.935 and finished fourth.

She also finished second in the Bearcat Hoinke, averaging 210.333 over nine games, and finished no lower than 19th in any over the tournaments she participated in this season.

Ellis wrapped up the season by being named to the all-tournament team in the Intercollegiate Bowling Championships at Riverlanes in Tulsa, Okla.

Postseason play uses the Baker System, which involves five players rolling two frames each for a true team score. In the national tournament, teams began play last Thursday by rolling 32 games, using those scores for seeding in the 16-team, double-elimination tournament to determine the national champion.

After the first 16 games, Pikeville was tied for 12th with a score of 2910, standing 322 pins behind leader Wichita State. But Thursday evening went much better for the Lady Bears: Their 3097 was second only to Wichita State's 3129,

and resulted in them finished fourth heading into the double-elimination tournament on Friday.

Pikeville met West Texas A&M in the first round of the tournament, and fell in the best-of-seven format four games to one. That dropped them into the loser's bracket, where they fell to Nebraska 4-2 to end the season.

"We can't complain about the season we had," said Damron. "We've only had a women's team for two seasons and not only have we been in the national tournament both years but also we've won the sectional championship both seasons."

"For a school our size to compete against major universities with a lot of success is just tremendous. I'm very proud of all of our bowlers. It's been a great season."

Pikeville College was one of only two schools in the national tournament that competes on the NAIA level in other sports. The other is Lindenwood, Mo., College.

In the finals, Central Missouri State won the final match in the best-of-three series to knock off Florida State 2-1 and claim their first national championship.

In the men's finals, Wichita State knocked off Morehead State 2-1 to win the title for the seventh time.

The Floyd County Times, in honor of Armed Forces Day will publish a 'Special Section' on Friday, May 16th

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### THROUGH MY EYES

## 'Luck' isn't always enough

If you, like me, often find yourself feeling less than serene with life's daily frustrations, why not do yourself a favor, as I did this week, and stop in at the Wesley Christian School one



**Kathy Prater**  
 Lifestyles editor

Wednesday morning. The school conducts weekly chapel services each Wednesday at 10 a.m. Students and staff, of course, are in attendance, as well as several

parents and nearby community members who visit, they say, "just because it makes them feel so good when they leave."

Since I've been spending the last couple of weeks trying to get together a feature story on

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### POSTSCRIPT

## Sharing an idea

When you write a regular column and you have serendipitous interests, you're seldom at a loss for words, but sometimes you run into something written by someone else that needs to be shared. A friend emailed me a column

written by a fellow named Mike Bryan for an online publication called CommonDreams.org.

Since I had never heard of this writer or this publication, I figured most of you probably had not heard of them either. So, I want to share the writing with you. I hope you appreciate the sentiment.

### Please Attack Appalachia

by Mike Bryan

Mr. President, please attack Appalachia.

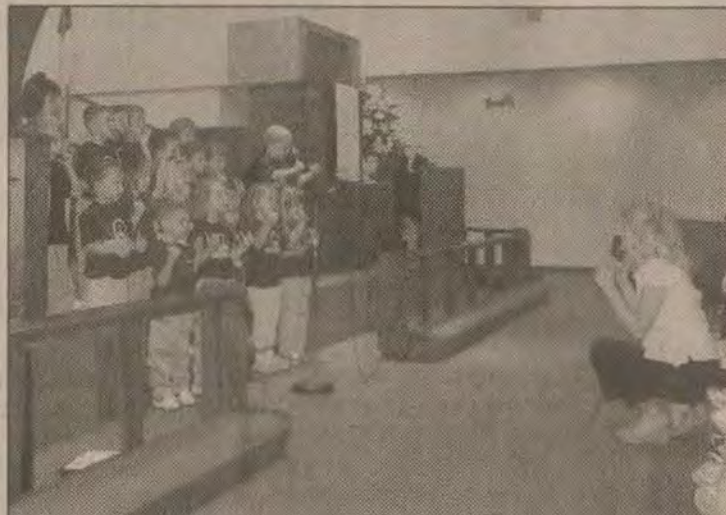
You have promised the Iraqis that they will share in the wealth of their oil. We could use some of

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## WESLEY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL



Architectural rendering of the new Wesley Christian High School. Plans are currently underway to have the building constructed by fall, 2004. photo by Steve LeMaster



Mrs. Dannette James, music teacher, leads Wesley Christian students in song during Wednesday morning chapel services. photo by Kathy J. Prater



Children reserve time each Wednesday morning to attend chapel services at the Christian-based school. "We consider our school to be a ministry of the Christ United Methodist Church and we want to impart good, Christian morals and values to our children," said Pastor Lemaster. The school, however, operates on a non-denominational basis. "We don't teach doctrine," Lemaster said. photo by Kathy J. Prater

# A shared vision - 'the Wesley Christian way'

by KATHY J. PRATER  
 FEATURES EDITOR



Dr. Kenneth R. Lemaster, Pastor, Allen Christ United Methodist Church, and Gary Frazier, Director of Development, unveiled an artist's rendering and floorplan layout of the new Wesley Christian High School that will be built on the existing Wesley Christian School campus in Allen this past Tuesday evening. photo by Kathy J. Prater

Amid one of the most picturesque settings in our county, good things are happening - very good things. Tucked away on the outskirts of Allen, lying alongside the meandering Big Sandy, lies Wesley Christian School, home of the "Circuit Riders."

Taking their team name and mascot from the traveling Methodist preachers of days long ago, the school and its directors, much like the hardy "saddlebag preachers" that came before them, carry before them a vision. A vision that entails the precepts of fundamentalist "old-fashioned" basic education combined with Christian morals and values.

"We view our school as a ministry of the Christ United Methodist Church. We don't teach doctrine, our school is non-denominational, but we do wish to impart good morals and team work," said Dr. Ken Lemaster, pastor of the Allen Christ United Methodist Church.

In an informational meeting held Tuesday evening in the school's gymnasium, both Lemaster and Gary Frazier, Director of Development for the school, unveiled an artist's rendering of the school's

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### THIS TOWN, THAT WORLD

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

If a peg-legged man had ventured into this office, Monday morning, he might have lost some timber. Our termites took a notion to swarm, just at that time.

We have an idea that more money than harmony, will result from this so-called Harmony Dinner the Democrats are planning.

Let the sun dare to peek from behind a cloud and the temperature to rise to 60, and the boys will be sporting short-sleeve shirts and the girls will gambol forth in shorts.

### WHERE SUPERMAN IS

The noble Cincinnati Redlegs in losing their opener, Monday, to Houston, appeared to be in need—as what team isn't—of somebody who could play every position faultlessly, smash a homer every trip to the plate and hurl hitless ball, inning in and inning out. Where would you find such a superman? Up there in the stands, but you'd have trouble getting him to lay down that hotdog or bottle of beer he's nursing.

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## Please, keep 'em coming!

Our pet photos file is slowly emptying, folks, so please, send us some more pics of those precious mugs A.S.A.P! And while you're at it, help Dr. Carol with her wintertime bout of writer's block by sending along a few questions aimed at giving her a good jump start out of her creative doldrums. You can send both pictures and questions to: Kathy Prater at the Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or you may e-mail to: features@floydcountytimes.com. You may also send questions only to Dr. Carol at: 1768 KY Rt. 7, Estill, KY 41666, or e-mail to: carolbac@iusa.net. We'll be waiting!

# Things to Ponder: Caught in the middle

A routine part of obtaining basic information about a person has to do with questions about family members and their history. Some of the questions have to do with the "gene pool," or is there a possibility that the person might inherit some personality characteristics.

Examples would be the appearance of depression, anxiety, tendency to become addicted, "nervous breakdowns," mood swings, and suicide.

However, because a family member has a problem does not mean that others will definitely have the same problems. They are just more likely to than others who do not have family members with these difficulties.

Birth order within the family sometimes provides a better understanding of the potential for the environmental influences upon individuals, and how he will function with others, in and out of the home. Anyone who

can call himself or herself a sibling, has a part of them which developed from their position in the family. How do you think your birth order affected you?

There have been some probably "safe" generalizations about children of certain birth orders. The first child is frequently labeled responsible, anxious, quiet, helpful, a surrogate parent to the younger ones. "Why I was the oldest of six, and I was like a mother to my brothers and sis-

ters." Also, parents want their first child to be perfect, to be the best. As a result, the older brothers or sisters are apt to be more ambitious, since they tend to bear the task of their parents' expectations and dreams.

While the older child is bigger, stronger, and more knowledgeable, he is more likely to be blamed and reprimanded for not controlling himself, exactly. He might go between being nasty to his siblings, and feeling protec-

tive of them.

The youngest child, on the other hand, is often viewed as sweet, spoiled, babied, and indulged. It is not unusual for the "baby" to use the fact that he is younger to an advantage, such as get the help of his parents, when quarreling with an older sibling.

He might also be amazed by his older siblings' power and

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**Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.**



# School Happenings

## ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

**\*\*Nominations for Site Based Council**  
Parent Representatives/PTO officers are currently being accepted in school office. Nominations may be made up until May 7. Elections will be held on Monday, May 12, at 6 p.m., at the school.

■ May 2 - CKBC Blood Drive, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., in school library.

■ May 5 thru 9 - Teacher Appreciation Week. Parents interested in participating may contact the center at 886-9812.

■ May 6 - Red Cross Blood Drive, begins at 12:00 p.m.

■ May 8 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," 8:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. Guest speakers and door prizes. Lunch will be provided. All parents are cordially invited

to attend.

■ May 15 - Youth Services Center Advisory Council meeting, 4:00 p.m. All are invited.

\*\*CPR classes for 8th graders will be offered in May. Interested students may sign up for the classes in the Youth Services Center office.

■ May 5 thru May 16 - CTBS and CATS testing window. Please be sure that all students are at school and prepared to test.

■ May 22 - 4-H projects will be judged at 9 a.m.

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

■ Center distributes school activity calendars and newslet-

ters 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 any type of clothing, please check at the Youth Service Center office.

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

## ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

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

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

## BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

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

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

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

## BETSY LAYNE HIGH SCHOOL

■ 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

■ May 3 - PANCAKE BREAKFAST - 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. Pancakes, sausage, drink - \$3 per plate. This is a fundraiser for the Family Resource Center. Public cordially invited to attend.

■ May 8 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," 8:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. FREE parent workshop. Sponsored by Floyd County Family Resource and Youth Services Centers.

■ May 1, 15, 16, 29 - Floyd Co. Health Dept. nurse at center. To schedule a school entrance

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## Ponder

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achievement, to the point of wondering if he will ever reach their level of excellence. Young ones are also likely to develop the habit of being dependent and having things done for them, which can contribute to his being less independent and confident.

He should be given responsibilities, based on his capabilities. Although the older kids might bully him, he will probably learn how to "steal" attention from others, and make a place for himself within the family. He is prone to become the "pet" of the family, and often gets by with murder!

Then there are the difficulties of the middle child, such as "It's not fun at all because all of my accomplishments were overshadowed by my older sister and my younger sister requires a lot of attention... this has frustrated me for years." The typical middle child is frequently described as mean, difficult, quirky, independent, lonely, or just different in some way. He arrives at his place in the family, since he knew life as the youngest, and then only to be replaced by a newer version. He is just plainly shoved in the middle. The bottom line is that the middle child will often feel that he was neither here nor there. He feels that the roles of the older and younger brothers and sisters are more clearly defined. Furthermore, he feels cheated of parental attention that is given to the first-born and the dependent youngest child. All of these feelings and frustrations become known as the "mid-

dle-child syndrome."

Birth order definitely makes a difference as to how children are treated by their parents and siblings. It influences their experience and perception of the world around them. Parents need to make sure that the middle child does not feel neglected, that he does not have to battle for survival within the family. The middle child needs to understand that his thoughts and opinions are as important as those of his siblings.

He needs also to know the advantages of being the middle child, such as understanding his siblings best, as he is both an older child and a younger one.

One writer gave five suggestions regarding how parents can maximize the positive parts of position in the family, and minimize the negative ones: (1) celebrate the differences among the children. Don't forget that each child is unique, so he needs to be treated as such; (2) avoid constant comparisons of your children. Encourage other family members to enjoy each developmental stage for what it is, instead of trying to recall who was doing what at a specific age; (3) attempt not to overcompensate for the arrival of a new sibling; (4) check your children when they have given each other cruel labels; and (5) acknowledge your children's feelings about their brothers and sisters. It is not unusual for siblings to really love and really hate each other. Listen to what they have to say.

## Vision

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newest vision, the soon-to-be Wesley Christian High School. The high school, which will hold approximately 180-200 students, should be fully constructed by the fall semester, 2004.

"We had a bit of a dilemma," said Frazier in an earlier meeting, "we were faced with rushing ahead to construct the new school by the end of this summer, or taking more time and planning to complete construction by fall, 2004. We're looking at going with 2004. We want this thing done right, because it's going to be a very big thing and a wonderful thing. I think people will be amazed when they see what we are going to accomplish here in this field."

Both Frazier and Lemaster were quick to point out, though, that the school will accommodate a beginning freshman class this coming fall. "We have a building that has been designated for our use near our existing campus. It's a wonderful building, quite adequate for our needs and we think it will work out very well for us in the interim as we construct our new high school," Frazier said.

In Tuesday's meeting Lemaster informed attend-

ing parents and visitors that they could "rest assured that we are not going to rock the boat." "We will not do anything to hurt our existing program or students...we do not intend to have your children feel as though they are in transition at all. This is where it all started and we will not take the stance of informing our parents that they have no options. You do have options and we are eager to discuss them with you," he said.

Future meetings are planned throughout the coming weeks in which parents and interested parties may attend to help aide the school's leaders in seeing their vision of expansion of their school program come to fruition.

"The school we have now just didn't happen," Lemaster said, "it was a vision, my vision, a dream that took a 10-year process to complete. We began with only 17 students and have grown now to the point that we have a waiting list. We think the people of eastern Kentucky are looking for options and there are not a lot of options of this nature in eastern Kentucky," he said.

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## Birthdays

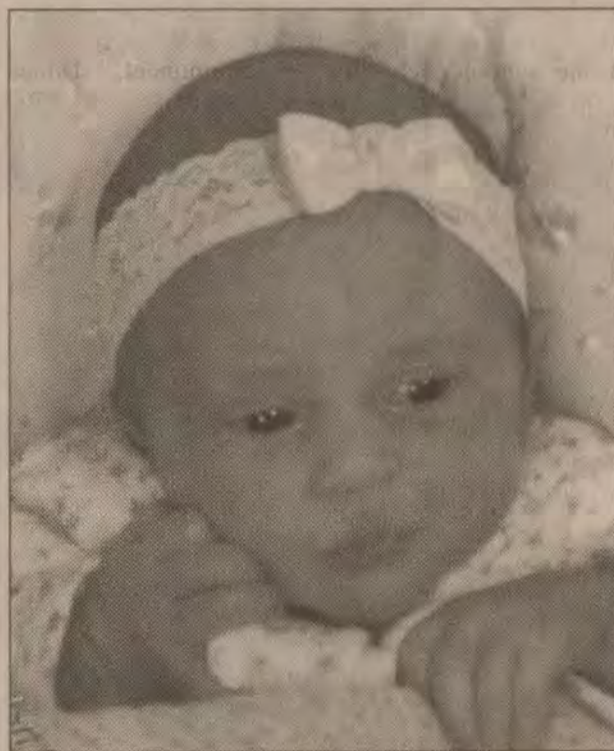


### It's a Boy!

Barrett Christian Hall was born on Monday, March 31, 2003, to Barry and Jada Hall. He is the grandson of Carl C. and Dottie Hall, of Betsy Layne, and Teresa Jones, of Langley, and Patrick Stanfield, of Topmost. He weighed 7 lbs., 14 oz. at birth.

### Madeline is here!

Brad and Leigh Ann Hamilton, of Harold, are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Madeline Brooke. Madeline was born on January 27, 2003, at Paul B. Hall Medical Center, Paintsville. She weighed 6 lbs., 7 oz., and was 19 1/2 inches in length. She is the maternal granddaughter of Keith and Julia Hannah, of Leander. Her maternal great-grandparents are Gloria Blair, of Paintsville, and the late Kenneth Blair, and the late Myron T. and June Hannah, formerly of Leander. Her paternal grandparents are Palmer and Joyce Hamilton, of Harold. She is the paternal great-granddaughter of Mona Hall, of Teaberry, and the late Bill Hall, and the late Anthony and Octavia Hamilton, formerly of Grethel.



## New Arrivals

### Pikeville Methodist Hospital

#### March 2:

A son, Gracin Garrith Smith to Michele Leigh Wallace and Davin Garrith Smith; a son, Tyler Kenneth to Rebecca Jo and Kevin Shane Robinson; a son, Elijah Lee to Kenetha Renee and Jamie Lee Rose.

#### March 3:

A daughter, MacKenzie Faith to Stacey Lynne and Randall Dewey Smith.

#### March 10:

A son, Cody Lee Price, to Misty Dawn Anderson; a son, William James to Michele and Derek Gooslin; a son, William Ely to Crystal and William Hall Jr.

#### March 11:

A daughter, Eva Marie, to Teresa and Richard Thacker; a son, Ty Abram to Brenta and Timothy Barb; a son, Benjamin Reeves to Nicole and Timothy McNamee; a son, Andy Joshua to Angela and Andy Anderson.

#### March 13:

A daughter, Makayley Breann to Courtney and David Smallwood Jr.; a daughter, Hailey McKenna

Helton to Tiffany Fields; a son, Raiden Lee to Misty and Richard Murphy; a son, Luke Sherman to Brittany Leigh and Aubrey Odell Onkst.

#### March 14:

A daughter, Abbigale Louise to Jessica Louise and Shane Erie Hall; a daughter, Morgan Jade to Christina and Eddie Goad; a daughter, Savannah Grace to Christi and Jeffery Kilburn..

#### March 15:

A daughter, Maggie Elizabeth to Angela and Kevin Hall.

#### March 16:

Twin sons, Rodney Blake and Ethan Mane Hunter to Trista LeAnn Click and Maynard Lee Hunter; a daughter, Kaylee Reanna Grace to Robin Ashley Howell; a daughter, Lorin Grace to Pamela Sue and Mark Allen May.

#### March 17:

A daughter, Lee'Anna Faith Elkins to Amanda Rose; a daughter, Diamond Alexandria to Angelina and John Jefferson Keathley.

#### March 18:

A son, Kyle Steven to Linda and Arnold Sturgill; a

son, Lucas Richard Allen to Rose and Jimmy Conley; a son, Caleb Ash to Anita and Jeff Adkins.

#### March 19:

A daughter, Angelina Marie to Chastidy and James Howell.

#### March 20:

A son, Xavier DeWayne Adkins to Cynthia Mullins and Eddie Dewayne Adkins; a son, Isaac Thomas to Jeri Lynn and Christopher John McNamee.

#### March 21:

A son, Kaleb Brady to Kimberly Maynard.

#### March 22:

A son, Michael Brett to Regina Gail and Dana Michael Fraley; a daughter, Charley Danielle to Carly Dannelte and Jason Todd Slone.

#### March 23:

A son, Jordan Cody to Kelly Chivon and George Edward Frazier; a son, Joshua Terrence to Jamie and John Terrence Hall; a son, Jacob Nathaniel Thomas to Michelle and William Rainey.

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## Postscript

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that same sharing here. We have coal and timber that is being extracted, yet very little of the profits remain in our area. If the Iraqis are to share in the profits from their natural resources, we would like to share in the profits from ours.

You have promised healthcare for all Iraqis. We could use the same thing here. Far too many of us are without health insurance and adequate access to good healthcare facilities. You have also promised to rebuild the schools in Iraq. We too have schools that need rebuilt and that need more funding.

Certainly you can find a justification for attacking us. We have weapons of mass destruction. Just go inspect the former uranium enrichment plant near Piketon, Ohio. You will still find all sorts of radioactive waste on and around that site. Test our waters. Test our ground. Test our air. You will find an abundance of chemical and biological agents that could be used as weapons. We literally live among them.

After all, Appalachia is America's third world. Terrorists are breeding everywhere. Where there is poverty there is unrest. Where there is poor education there is suspicion. Where there is neglect there is anger. As far as potential dangers go, Appalachia should be near the top of your list.

Stomp out the bad before it turns thoroughly evil. Pre-emptively strike us now before it becomes too late. Do it before we make something else out of our fertilizer ingredients.

Since Appalachia is a highly religious area, an attack could easily be explained as the fulfillment of prophecy. Many here would even agree with your need to attack us. In fact, we would probably help supply the troops.

Without any long-term energy strategy or alternative planning, once the oil is gone the US will become increasingly dependent on coal and wood.

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## Eyes

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the school's newest project, the Wesley Christian High School, slated for completion by fall semester, 2004. I thought I'd take up Mr. Gary Frazier's invitation to attend one of the school's mid-week, mid-morning services.

And am I glad I did. To say that the service, conducted primarily by Mrs. Kay Lemaster and Mrs. Dannelte James, with full student participation, was heartwarming is like saying that you feel "a little warm" on a muggy, 98-degree day.

The service went far beyond what mere words can adequately express. It was joyful, it was uplifting - it gave me hope.

In a time when more and more of the beliefs on which this country was founded are increasingly being pulled out from under our feet and being replaced with either that which is politically correct, or nothing at all, it gave me great hope to see school children assembled together for the express purpose of offering their prayers to God as well as their allegiance to our country's flag. They even offered a pledge to the Christian flag. Could that be done today in any of our public schools?

I began first grade in 1963, during a time when we began each school-day morning by repeating the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Lord's Prayer. The Ten Commandments were posted on the walls of our school-rooms, as well as paintings of Jesus Christ.

It wasn't long, however, before the Ten Commandments and the paintings of Jesus came down and we were no longer reciting the Lord's Prayer. At least the Pledge of Allegiance remained, for in

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# Family Medicine

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



## As a 'Fomite' dog's fur may be source of poison ivy

**Q** My daughter gets poison ivy very easily. I try to keep it out of the yard, but she seems to get it anyway. Could she be catching poison ivy from our dog? If so, how can I prevent this?

**A** Only about 15 percent of adults in the United States do NOT have an allergy to the Rhus plant group. This group poison ivy, found mainly east of the Rockies; poison oak, found primarily west of that mountain range; and poison sumac, found mostly

in Florida and the Northeast. If you are allergic to one plant, you are allergic to them all.

When these delicate and easily damaged plants receive even light trauma, an oil known as urushiol can leak out on to the plant surface. Contact with this oil causes the allergic reaction. Your dog's tail whacking one of these plants would certainly be enough to cause urushiol to ooze out.

If your dog then carried the urushiol back to your house and your daughter touched his contaminated fur, she could, indeed, contract poison ivy. In this example, your dog's fur would be

what's called a "fomite." This is a technical term for any inanimate object that can carry a disease causing substance or organism. Fomites can also include shoes, clothing, tools, even the ash in smoke from burning the leaves.

Regardless of how the oil gets on your skin, within 15 minutes it can bind to skin proteins, and the allergic reaction begins. If you wash the oil off before this binding occurs, you may be able to prevent the reaction. However, the oil on fomites or dead plants can still be active for up to five years.

Once the allergic reaction has started, it can range anywhere from mild to severe. Itching is the first symptom, followed by a blister like, vesicular rash and finally oozing, weeping sores. The rash is often in streaks that form lines in the affected area. It can be widespread or localized, depending on where the oil contacted your body.

Some people are highly allergic to urushiol oil and within four to eight hours develop a debilitating rash and facial swelling. This is a true medical emergency and should be referred to the nearest emergency room without delay.

Treatment is aimed both at relief of the itching and at calming down the body's overreaction to the urushiol itself. Steroids are used to calm down the immune system. These may be either topical ointments applied at the site of the rash or a more systemic approach using pills or shots. If the lesions have become infected, than an antibiotic is also indicated.

Contrary to popular belief the oozing fluid from the blisters will not spread the rash either to another part of your body or to another person. If you break your blisters, however, it does make them more prone to infection.

The number one treatment for poison

ivy is prevention. If you come in contact with the plant oil, wash it off within 15 minutes. Hot soap and water is preferred — but solvents such as acetone, gasoline or rubbing alcohol poured over the affected areas can dissolve the oil. If a solvent is used, it should be washed off immediately. All contaminated clothing should be washed and non-washable items treated with solvents. Pets should be washed. There are products available for use prior to exposure that offer some protection to the skin. Wearing protective clothing is highly advisable.

*"Family Medicine" is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701. Past columns are available online at*

### School

exam, 6th grade entrance exam, immunizations, or WIC services, call 886-0815 for appointment. Services available to ALL community members.

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

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

■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment. The center is currently scheduling Hep B 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

■ April 28 thru May 4 - "Volunteer Appreciation Week." School will host a volunteer appreciation luncheon on Wednesday, April 30, from 11:30 - 12:30. We appreciate all our school volunteers, so come on out and "have lunch on us!"

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

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each

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

#### MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

■ April 28 thru May 4 - "National Volunteer Week." May Valley thanks all their volunteers for their assistance.

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

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

Classes are FREE. Please bring paper and pencil. Instructor, Teresa Allen, David School.

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

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

#### PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ May 5 thru May 16 - Testing window.

■ May 5 - SBDM Council meeting - 6 p.m.

■ May 8 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," 8:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. Door prizes, free food and a great time! All parents invited to attend.

■ May 9 - Summer Camp Child Care Registration. In order to qualify, parents must be working full-time or attending school during the month of July. Summer camp session will run from July 1 - July 31. For more info., call the FRC.

■ May 16 - Kindergarten

Registration. 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in school library.

■ May 19 - Advisory Council meeting, 3:30 p.m.

■ May 20 - PTA meeting, 7 p.m., school auditorium. Election for SBDM parents and PTA officers will be conducted at this time.

■ May 23 - Hot Air Balloon Ride - 5th grade students. 8:30 a.m. Weather permitting.

■ May 29 - School Picnic. Parents are invited to attend and enjoy having lunch with your child at his/her designated lunchtime. Sponsored by the FRC and Food Service Dept.

■ June 14 - "Fun Fair for Expectant and New Parents," at the Mountain Arts Center.

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### World

#### RUN—DON'T WALK!

This clipping comes our way, and somehow it seems apropos: "Nowadays they spend \$10,000 on a school bus to pick up the kids right at the door, and then they spend \$100,000 on a gym so they can get exercise."

#### "LOVE THY NEIGHBOR..."

I am reminded of something that smacks of the ridiculous. It relates to court decisions. For example:

The courts have held that the owner of a tract of land is without recourse against a coal company which comes in, under

authority of an ancient mineral deed, and strips his land bare of topsoil, tears down growing trees, uproots the sod and spills poisonous waters over the landscape. There's naught to do but moan and try to keep from cussing.

Yet the Court of Appeals in a recent decision holds that if the same strip-mining operation causes sedimentation, stream-clogging and poisoning and other damage to this man's neighbor's farm, the owner of the land—who has no rights in the matter, to begin with—is responsible for the damages to the neighbor.

### Arrivals

**March 24:**  
A son, Austin Joel, to Rebecca Jane and Joseph Adam Mounts; a son, Dillon Joseph, to Gwendolyn and Keith Joseph Paige; a son, Andrew Maddox to Beverly Jane and Lenville Charles Martin; a son, Jacob Reed, to Beverly Jane and Lenville Charles Martin.

**March 25:**  
A daughter, Kaily Brooke, to Judith Ann and Wesley Aaron Davis; a son, Bradley Allen, to Jennifer and Christopher Allen Akers; a daughter, Gracie Breanne, to Amy Alice Thacker and Quenten Earl Chapman; a daughter, Erin Delynn, to Ashley Nicole Akers; a daughter, Summer Lynn Harvey, to Monica Lynn Adkins.

**March 26:**  
A son, Brody Mack, to Janet Elaine and Rodney Miller.

**March 28:**  
A son, Sebastian Thomas Ismael, to Colita and Juan Ramon Rodriguez; a daughter, Hailee Brooke, to Donna Darlene and James Russell Simmons; a daughter, Cassidy Cheyanne, to Lisa Renee and Carson Akers; a daughter, Alyssa Marie, to Samantha and Shannon Dale Elswick.

**March 29:**  
A daughter, Lillie Lashae, to Lamarsha and Patrick Hall.

**March 30:**  
A son, Devin Morgan, to Alisia D. and Paul Robinson; a daughter, Alexis Rhae, to Lisa and Dwayne Smith.

**March 31:**  
A son, Jacob Don, to Edna Mae and Johnny Gilliam; a son, Zackary Ryan, to Rebecca Lynn and Steven Lockhart.

**April 1:**  
A son, Nicholas Price, to Kristen and David Garrett; a daughter, Cheyanne Snow, to Christina and Chad McIntyre; a daughter, Allie Denay, to Elizabeth and Glen Akers; a son, Tyler Lee, to Mahaylee and Delmar Kendrick.

**April 2:**  
A son, Jacob Ryan, to Stephanie Lynn and Jason Ray Hall; a daughter, Hannah Elizabeth, to Carla Renea Dudley.

**April 3:**  
A son, Joshua Keith, to Elizabeth Ann and Jason Keith Taylor; a son, Paul Clark Wesley, to Crystal and George Frazier; a son, Deron Cade, to Donita Michelle and Anthony Ray Slone.

**April 4:**  
A daughter, Nicolle Dawnielle, to Jeanna and Rodney Johnson; a daughter, Cecelia Marie Brooke Crittenden, to Patricia Bonnie Caudill and Charles Jason Crittendon; a daughter, Lindsay Erin, to Pamela Joy and Paul Darwin Caudill; a daughter, Jonna Brooklynn, to Dera Kay and John Henry Mitchell.

**April 5:**  
A daughter, Lauren Renee, to Serena and Allen Todd Elswick; a son, Zachary MacCade, to Tina Renee and Joseph Elmer Belcher.

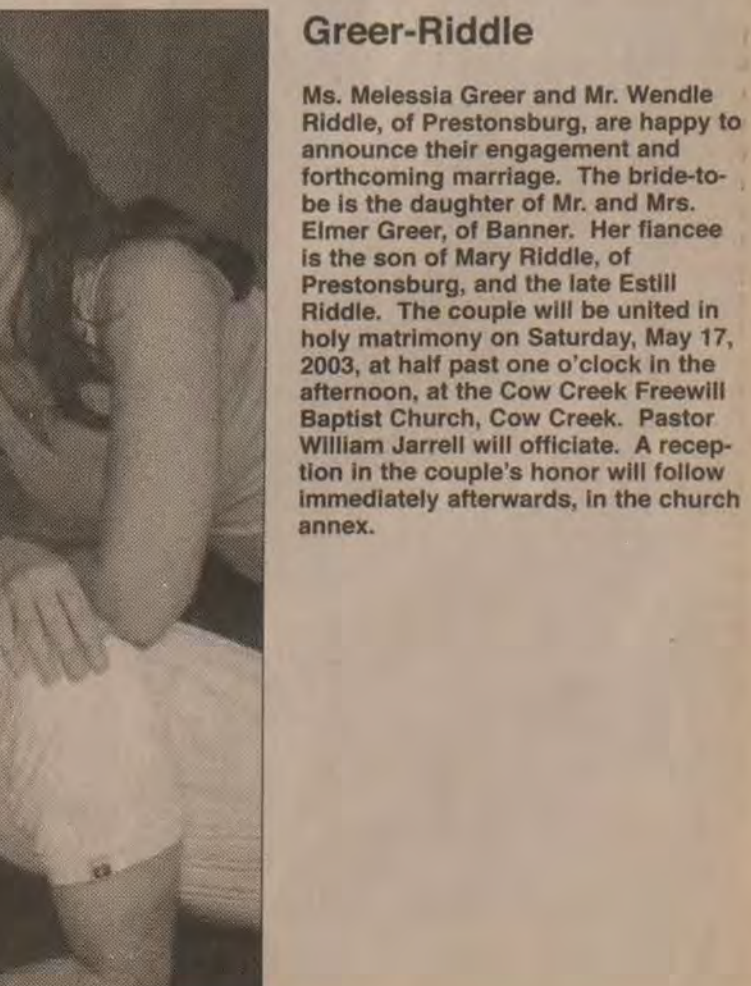
**April 7:**  
A daughter, Jesse Cameron Abrams, to Pauline Slone and Michael Abrams; a daughter, Chloe Madison Fain, to Janice Gonzaley and Dustin Fain.

**April 8:**  
A son, Cameron Scott, to Bridgette and Steve Brashear; a son, Austin Blake, to Teresa Ann Patton.

**April 9:**  
A daughter, Hailey Renee Pease, to Tonya Lynn Kiser and Timothy Scott Pease.

### Wiley-Buck

Miss Jenny Wiley and Mr. Joshua Buck were married on Saturday, March 8, 2003, in Nassau, Bahamas. A reception was held on March 14, following the couple's return, at the Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. The newlyweds will reside in Lexington.



### Greer-Riddle

Ms. Melessia Greer and Mr. Wendle Riddle, of Prestonsburg, are happy to announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Greer, of Banner. Her fiancée is the son of Mary Riddle, of Prestonsburg, and the late Estill Riddle. The couple will be united in holy matrimony on Saturday, May 17, 2003, at half past one o'clock in the afternoon, at the Cow Creek Freewill Baptist Church, Cow Creek. Pastor William Jarrell will officiate. A reception in the couple's honor will follow immediately afterwards, in the church annex.

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**Vision**

Lemaster stressed that the Wesley Christian School's basic beliefs will not be altered with growth. "We believe in bringing children into a setting in which they can receive a good education and be taught good morals in a Christian environment. We believe in bringing them into a place where they can be safe, where parents can leave them and know that they will be safe...and in today's world, that means a lot. We believe that in doing these things, we can help to cure a lot of society's evils and ills," he said.

Plans for the new Wesley Christian High School include a "complete and full curriculum, a competitive sports program, competitive academic programs and academic teams. We will be competing in academic competitions, the Science Olympiad, whatever. Our kids will be judged based on national standards and they will be 'ready to roll' upon graduation," Frazier added.

"We want to see our students receive a solid education. We want our students to be moral and to love God and country. For this, we make no apologies. That's what Wesley Christian is all about," he further added.

Frazier said that several community members, businesses, and corporations have already risen to the fore to offer their support in the construction of the new school and in the continuation of the Wesley Christian School ideals and programs.

"Thanks to Willard Kinzer, who shares this dream with both Ken and I, land for our high school is not a problem...we have set a \$600,000 capital construction goal. Through generous donations of supplies, time, work, and cash donations, some of which we already have commitments for...this building will be built. We will have a new high school, a competitive program, tennis courts, track, football and baseball fields...Ken and I share a tenacity that will see us through the completion of this dream," Frazier said.

"My primary role in all of this," he said, "is to be calling on folks to let them know that they can be a part of all of this. Assisting in funding is one way

in which to help, but there are many other ways to be a part of this dream, also. That's what I'm going to be busy doing, showing folks how they can help," he said. "Both Ken and I want to ensure that long after we're gone, once we're both lying somewhere pushing up daisies, that the Wesley Christian School will be here and functioning long after we are gone."

For further information on either the existing Wesley Christian pre-school, kindergarten, or elementary programs, or to seek further information on the Wesley Christian High School Project, please call Gary Frazier at the Wesley Christian School at 606-874-8328.



Mindy Tackett, of Floyd County, and James Davis, UK Coordinator, Robinson Scholars Program, at Buckhorn Lake on March 29-30.

**School**

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.

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

**PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL**

May 16: DEADLINE - \*\*Time to Elect PHS 2003-4 Parent SBDM Council members!\*\* Parent members are elected by parents, they receive training and will serve a term from July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004. Nominations for parent members are due in to Mr. Butcher or the PHS office no later than 3:30 p.m. on May 16. The election will be held on May 19, at 6 p.m., in the school lobby. If you will have a child that will be enrolled at PHS next year, you are eligible to vote in this election. This includes parents, step-parents, and foster parents. Legal guardians are eligible to vote if the student lives in their home. Results will be announced the same evening the election takes place. Contact Don Compton, PHS P.T.O. President, at 886-1206, for further information or questions.

**SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER**

■ May 2 - CKBC Blood Drive, 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**THE DAVID SCHOOL**

Adult Education Class Schedule

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

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

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

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

**WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL**

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

**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.

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**Eyes**

many schools today that is no longer the case.

Though God remained in our lives, thanks to grannies, grandpa's and parents with strong Christian roots, it wasn't long before our young ears and eyes were drawn to the attention of the Vietnam War, bra-burnings and slogans like, "Make Love, Not War." Folks like Timothy Leary were out there experimenting with psychedelic drugs

and the development of "the Pill" helped make pre-marital sex a little easier for everyone.

Now, please, don't get me wrong. I truly believe a lot of very good things came from this era - I can find no fault whatsoever in the notions of peace, love and harmony, as well as the end to segregation. "Flower Power" stickers adorned my school books and I still remember that image of a young girl

inserting a long-stemmed daisy into the barrel of a soldier's gun.

Give me flowers over guns any day.

But, as I grow older, it seems I find myself more and more turning to the basic beliefs that my grandparents adhered to. Though I grew up in a time of increasing unrest within our nation, I was also one of the lucky children who happened to grow up in, yes, I'm proud to say it - Floyd County.

I had good parents, good grandparents and good role models. I attended "Sunbeams" class at the Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church, as well as Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. I met once a week with schoolmates at the First United Methodist Church in Prestonsburg for Brownie Scout, and later, Girl Scout meetings. I had teachers who cared enough to teach my classmates and I what it meant to be a good citizen and how important it was to develop a personal moral code of beliefs and values.

Despite Madeline Murray O'Hare's work to cause our nation's Supreme Court to remove prayer from all public schools, I still grew up relatively unscathed by the decision.

Not so for today's students.

As we continue to hear about school shootings and wayward youth, it feels really good to witness children singing God's praises and learning to love one another, as I did this week at the Wesley Christian School.

Keep up the good work, Wesley Christian, and don't forget to let your students know how "lucky" they are.



Howard named All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Stacy Howard, the daughter of Jackie and Kathy Howard, of Hueysville, has been named an All-American Scholar. The USAA established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school instructor, counselor, or other qualified sponsor are accepted. These scholars are also eligible for other awards given by the USAA. Stacy attends Allen Central High School, and was nominated for this award by Laura Kidd. She will appear in the All-American Scholar Yearbook, a national publication. Stacy is the granddaughter of Ollie Howard, also of Hueysville.

**Postscript**

Appalachia has lots of that. Even today, the profitability of many US businesses would be threatened if Appalachia refused to supply them with electricity, coal, and other resources.

Can America afford to wait until a crisis is at hand before attacking Appalachia? The decision is yours. You do not even have to involve the United Nations since we are within US borders. You can go it alone.

The rest of the country will be fairly easy to convince about the need to attack us. The national news media will surely rise to your side. Prejudice against hillbillies already devalues our lives in comparison to those in the rest of the country, so our devastation and casualties would have to be nearly as high as in Iraq before anyone from outside Appalachia complains too loudly. Besides, people here have lived as second-class citizens for so long we now thoroughly expect to be treated as second-class citizens

- and the rest of the nation expects to treat us that way. How else could you explain the relatively small outcry currently raised by our exceedingly high unemployment rates, poor education, high pollution, poor healthcare, high poverty, and poor leadership?

In fact, attacking us will probably help cement your reelection.

You might experience some local militia counterstrikes, but those will probably be disorganized and minor. After all, Appalachia lacks any central command, what with its being comprised of the parts of twelve states and only the whole of one state. West Virginia could be your focus. Find someone evil there to target, such as Jay Rockefeller.

He asked the FBI to investigate those forged documents you used to help justify your war against Iraq. How embarrassing that must have been: International Atomic Energy

Agency Chief Mohamed ElBaradei addressed the UN and publicly humiliated you by showing your assertion that Iraq was trying to import uranium from Niger was based on crudely faked information. Someone should pay for such an embarrassment and who better than a Democrat who is a Rockefeller?

So Mr. President, you have all the elements you need: weapons of mass destruction, a nearly third world enemy, potential terrorists, someone to call evil, and an easy path to victory. Now all you have to do is attack.

And please, do it soon. We need the reparations, better schools, better infrastructure, universal healthcare, and a fair share in the wealth of our own resources.

You also promised Iraq democracy. We could use that here as well.

Please, Mr. President, attack Appalachia next.

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*May 26th*

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A BIBLICAL "EFFICIENCY EXPERT", PAR EXCELLENCE!

WHEN PHARAOH WAS ADVISED BY JOSEPH TO STORE UP ALL THE FOOD GROWN IN THE LAND DURING SEVEN YEARS OF PLENTY, AGAINST THE TIME WHEN THERE WOULD BE SEVEN YEARS FAMINE, ALL OF WHICH JOSEPH HAD PREDICTED BY INTERPRETING PHARAOH'S DREAM (GENESIS 41:25-44), PHARAOH WAS SO PLEASED HE MADE JOSEPH RULER OF THE ENTIRE LAND, SECOND ONLY TO PHARAOH, HIMSELF!

JOSEPH IMMEDIATELY HAD HUGE STORE-HOUSES BUILT TO HOARD EGYPT'S PRODUCE AND WHEN THE FAMINE SET IN THERE WAS FOOD APLENTY—BUT JOSEPH DIDN'T GIVE THE FOOD TO THE PEOPLE—HE SOLD IT TO THEM AND, WHEN THEY RAN OUT OF MONEY, HE TOOK THEIR ANIMALS IN PAYMENT ON THE GRAIN THEY NEEDED FOR FOOD AND TO PLANT AS SEED.

AFTER THAT, JOSEPH GAVE THE PEOPLE FREE GRAIN WITH WHICH TO PLANT MORE CROPS BUT THEY HAD TO GIVE TO PHARAOH ONE-FIFTH OF ALL THAT THEIR LAND PRODUCED, FROM THEN ON / WITHOUT A DOUBT, THIS WAS THE MOST EFFECTIVE TAKE-OVER OF A LAND BY ONE MAN THAT HISTORY HAS EVER RECORDED—"EFFICIENCY EXPERT" IS A MILD TERM FOR A MAN OF JOSEPH'S CALIBER WHO HAD COME INTO EGYPT AS A SLAVE AND, IN LITTLE TIME, ENSLAVED THE ENTIRE NATION—ALL BY HIMSELF!

FINALLY WHEN THE FARMERS NEEDED MORE FOOD AND GRAIN, THEY HAD NOTHING LEFT BUT THEIR LAND WHICH JOSEPH TOOK TITLE TO IN THE NAME OF PHARAOH IN PAYMENT FOR MORE FOOD AND GRAIN—SO THE PHARAOH WOUND UP OWNING ALL THE LAND OF EGYPT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THOSE LANDS OWNED BY THE PRIESTS (LEVITICUS). THE PRIESTS, WHO BY TRADITIONAL LAW, WERE FED FROM PHARAOH'S STORES, HENCE THEY HADN'T HAD TO BUY ANY FOOD OR GRAIN AND KEPT THEIR LANDS!

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Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist, Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m.; Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.  
United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.  
Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferris, Minister.  
Mother's Home Church, Toler Creek, Harrod, 9:30 the 2nd Saturday and Sunday of every month; Moderator, Kennel Newsome.
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Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E., Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherm Williams, Minister.
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First Church of God, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.  
Garrett Church of God, Garret, Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Dragg, Minister.  
Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.  
Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Port; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Hester Jr., Minister.  
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The FLOYD COUNTY TIMES does not knowingly accept false or misleading advertisements. Ads which request or require advance payment of fees for services or products should be scrutinized carefully.

**AUTOMOTIVE**

**120-Boats**

**BOAT FOR SALE:** 1994 Mirada Inboard, white with burgundy and gray stripes. Excellent condition. Garage stored. Very low hours. Call: Mobile 424-2828 or 606-289-9704 after 6p.m.

**130-Cars**

**1986 SUBARU XT TURBO COUPE** 81,000 actual miles, blue exterior, power windows, power locks, sunroof, digital dash. Asking \$1800. Call 874-0467 after 5 p.m. or leave message.

**140-4X4s**

**1952 WILLYS JEEP**, all original Army surplus. \$5200 478-5173.

**FOR SALE OR TRADE** 1984 Jeep CJ 7, V6, auto, ps, pb, Good condition. \$3500 874-2930.

**180-Trucks**

**FOR SALE** 92 Toyota truck: 4x4, V-6, 5 Speed, 109,000 miles. Looks great. 606-358-3357

**FOR SALE:** 1977 F100 pick-up, green ext., new tires & battery. Good condition. Call 874-0467 after 5 or leave message.

**EMPLOYMENT**

When responding to Employment ads that have reference numbers, please indicate that entire reference number on the outside of your envelope. Reference numbers are used to help us direct your letter to the correct individual.

**205-Business Opp.**

**ATTENTION: Work from home** up to \$25.00-\$75.00 hr. PT/FT. Internet/Mail order. 877-226-0153 www.generateincome.com

**VENDING ROUTE** 100 Charity sponsored locations. Net \$36,000 and help find missing children. Cost \$5000 1-800-853-7155 or www.webdesign199.com \*

**FOR SALE:** Candle & Gift Shop with 10 minute tanning bed. \$20,000 Call 349-4328 for more info.

**Classified ads Work!**

**TURNKEY HOME BASED BUSINESS** Experiencing explosive growth. Call or visit (888) 237-3622/www.enjoylifeforever.com. Order your personal FREE informational booklet.

**210-Job Listings**

**PHARMACISTS & PHARMACY TECHNICIANS NEEDED.** Eastern Kentucky Locations, Full or PT. Salary commensurate with experience. Low pressure environments. Relief inquiries OK. Call (888) 651-3353 days or (606) 789-6231 nights. 789-6231 nights.

**AVON**

Make your own money, sign up for \$10, for limited time. Call Jancy at 886-2082.

**220-Help Wanted**

**TAKING APPLICATIONS** for general laborer, experienced mobile home movers & truck drivers. CDL's required. 606-886-6665.

**FEMALE LIVE-IN MENTOR** needed for adult female with special needs. Training, room and board, and generous stipend provided. Call Jay Shuck at 606-666-7591 or Gary Stach at 606-439-6730 to schedule an interview.

**ADULT FOSTER CARE HOME OPERATOR** needed to serve adult females with special needs. Adult foster home operator will receive a generous daily fee to assist with caring for adults with special needs. Call Jay Shuck at 606-666-7591 or Gary Stacy at 606-439-6730 to schedule an interview.

**LOOKING FOR TRUCK DRIVERS**

with Class A CDL and warehouse workers for Big Sandy Wholesale. Apply in person. \*

**WANTED** Live-in caretaker for elderly female. Room & board provided plus weekly salary Call 859-266-5481 for more information. K

References required. \*

**IN HOME BABY SITTER NEEDED** Allen area. Non-smoker only. 874-9349 leave message.\*

**FINANCIAL**

**350-Miscellaneous**  
3 STEEL BLDGS. 28X30 was \$8900, sell \$3890. 36X48 was \$14900, sell \$5950. 48X100 was \$26900 was \$26900, sell \$12900. Can deliver! Wait (800) 392-7803.

**380-Services**

**BECOME DEBT FREE!** Cut payments without new loans. It's easy! 1 hr. approval. Call 1-800-517-3406.

**MERCHANDISE**

**410-Animals**

**HIMALAYAN, PERSIAN, SIAMESE** Kittens for sale. \$125 ea. 886-2087

**FREE TO A GOOD HOME:** Mixed breed pups, Call 478-5853. Leave message.

**440-Electronics**

**FOR SALE: PIONEER HOME STEREO** Includes CD player, cassette player & recorder, 2 large speakers, turntable and stand \$400 but will negotiate. 874-4604 after 5:30 p.m.\*

**445-Furniture**

**LARGE CLAYTON MARKAS SOFA** Like new! Also, 2 used coffee tables and 2 lamps. Like new! Call 889-9184 if no answer leave message

**ALLEN FURNITURE ALLEN, KY** Furniture, used appliances, living / bedroom suits, bunkbeds, and lots more!  
Call 874-9790.

**RAY'S BARGAIN CENTER** New & Used Furniture & Appliances @ unbelievable prices. Come in today for incredible savings. Shop At The Little Furniture Store & Save! RT. #122, McDowell. Call 606-377-0143.

**GIANT YARD SALE:** May 2 and 3, 5 and 6, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., St. James Episcopal Church, (between PCC and the BP Station).

**5-FAMILY YARD SALE:** May 1st, 2nd. Name brand adult, children clothing, motorcycle parts, tools, household items, etc. Prestonsburg Fire Station No. 2. Lancer. 889-0005.

**460-Yard Sale**

**YARD SALE MAY** 3rd, 2nd house on left, Slick Rock Road at Cow Creek. Different items. 8 to ?

**2-FAMILY YARD SALE:** May 2nd and 3rd. Furniture, dishes, clothes, home interior, Avon and much more. Beside C & C Diesel repair. 886-2082.

**2-FAMILY YARD SALE:** May 2, 3rd. 2 miles up Wilson Creek, located in Maytown. (5/2 wf)

**4-FAMILY CARPORT SALE:** Rain or shine. May 1, 2, 3, Cardinal Drive, Lancer Bottom, Prestonsburg. Household items, adults and children's clothing, and wedding occasions.

**3-FAMILY YARD SALE:** May 1-3, 8:30-5. 2 1/2 miles on Daniels Creek Road at Banner. Boys and girls name brand clothing, Disney and jump start, software, dishes, Home Interior, Barbie, bike, lots more. Follow signs. Rain date—May 15 and 16.

**SPRING CLEANING YARD SALE:** Friday May 2nd, 9:00 to 4:00. Church Dresses & misc. 187 Cardinal Estates. Turn off 23(4 lane) on to Abbott Creek, immediately turn right on to Cardinal Estates. First driveway on the left. Rain Cancels.

**MOVING SALE:** Clothing all sizes, stereo, lamps, T.V., fishing pole, household items, Barbie car. Items to numerous to mention. April 30-May 2. Daniels Creek at Banner Watch for signs.

**YARD SALE:** Friday 2nd and Saturday, 3rd. Couch, loveseat, marble top tables, pictures, mirrors, lamps, computer and much more. 1/2 mile off 23 on Town Branch Road, Prestonsburg. 886-2710.

**2-FAMILY YARD SALE:** Clothes, appliances and home furnishings. White house on hill on Ashley Lane behind Woods Grocery on Rt. 1428 at Allen. Friday and Saturday, May 2 and 3, beginning at 9.

**HUGE YARD SALE/RAIN OR SHINE** Behind Velocity Market, Betsy Layne. May 5-6.

**YARD SALE:** Huge 4 families. May 2 and 3, 9-5 p.m., 124 Central Avenue, Allen, Ky. Extra low prices. 874-2606. 874-2802.

**YARD SALE:** Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Frasure Furniture Building and parking lot. Rain or shine.

**4-FAMILY YARD SALE:** At 242 S. Front St., Prestonsburg. Follow the signs. Friday and Saturday, 8-7

**ATTENTION:** On Saturday, May 3rd beginning at 8:00 a.m. there will be a large yard sale held at Action Petroleum Co. in West Prestonsburg. All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society.

**INSIDE YARD SALE:** at Riverview HEALTH CARE May 1, 2 & 3, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**480-Miscellaneous**

**METAL TIN,** different lengths from 8 to 12 ft long. \$1.00 a sheet, about 40 sheets total. Call 358-4524.

**DISCOVER Wonders** of Waterless Cookware—Stopped doing dinner parties! Beautiful, 17-pc., 7ply surgical stainless steel sets left! Lifetime Warranty Were \$2000, now \$695! First 7 callers buy set for 1963 price of \$368! 40th anniversary! 1-800-434-4628!

**FOR SALE:** 4X18 ft. round Muskin swimming pool. 3/4 h.p. pump and sand filter, cleaning accessories, deck, solar blanket and lots more. Call: 377-2286.

**ROYAL BRAND COMMERCIAL VACUUM CLEANER,** excellent condition, used very few times. Call 874-0467 after 5 or leave message.

**For Sale:** 3 Horse slant horse trailer goose neck, also 3 show horses 886-3313 or 886-3314.

**TAN AT HOME Wolff Tanning Beds** Flexible Financing Available Home Delivery FREE Color Catalog Call Today 1-800-939-8267 www.np.etstan.com

**460-Yard Sale**

**Want To Buy-40-50 acres** or more. 4-5 acres level land with or without house. In Prestonsburg or Paintsville Area. 606-642-3388.\*

**REAL ESTATE**

**510-Comm. Property**

**FOR SALE:** 2 office trailers. 886-3467.\*

**530-Houses**

**FOR SALE:** New model house in town, \$60,000 or best offer. 606-889-9821.\*

**1980 SQ. FT. BRICK HOUSE** 3 BR 1.5 BA., Living room w/fireplace, inground pool inside city limits. Asking 88,000 Call 886-0299\*

**FOR RENT 2 BD** house for rent at Garrett. For more info call 358-9695

**FOR SALE: 7 ROOM COUNTRY HOME,** aluminum siding, Approx. 35 acres. Big Barn. Free gas, central heat/AC. City water, out of flood range. Just out of Martin, Ky. city limits, on old Rt. 80. 8 miles from Jenny Wiley State Park. 606-285-3437 evenings. \*

**550-Land/Lots**

**60 ACRES** older farmhouse, above ground pool with deck, new barn. Copperas Lick of Abbott. Call evenings at 606-478-2799.

**For Sale: 3 year-old Doublewide,** in excellent condition, blocked, on over one half acre lot with nice yard, septic & city water in Prestonsburg near Allen. 606-874-1684.\*

**FOR SALE: 2 LOTS ON STONECREST GOLF COURSE,** also lots near StoneCrest for Sale, 886-3313 or 886-3314.

**570-Mobile Homes**

**TRAILER FOR RENT** in the Hueysville area. \$300 dep., \$300 rent plus utilities. Completely furnished. 358-3073 or 358-0179.

**EXCELLENT CONDITION 3 BR 2 BA MOBILE HOME** for rent Located on Stephens Br., 2 miles from Prestonsburg Comm. College. New roof w/ 2: enegy saving insulation. Good neighborhood. Water, sewer, garbage provided. \$435 mo./\$300 dep. Call 606-874-2162 or 606-874-9852 evenings.

**FOR RENT:** 2 BR, 2 BA 14X70 mobile home. Call 606-946-2159.\*

**FOR SALE** 1978 model mobile home. In need of repairs but could be used for storage or parts includes underpinning, steps, central ac unit. 874-4604 after 5:30 p.m.

**RENTALS**

**530-Houses**

**3 BR Apartment** /Triplex, central air, new appliances & carpet, utility rm. Excellant for working man or woman. No Pets. Located at Harold 886-9158!

**2 BR DUPLEX** central heat/air, excellent condition on US 23, 1 mile north of Prestonsburg. No Pets 886-9007 or 9008.

**FOR RENT 2 Br** Apartments, 1 upstairs available June 1st. 1 downstairs available now. Central heat/air. Located at Harold. 478-1510 or 478-9075.\*

**UPSTAIRS APT. 3 BR, 2 BA** w/d stove & rfrig, microwave talbe & chairs, ch&a, city water, utilities not included. No pets. \$500 mo. located at lvel 478-9682

**2 BR Apartments** For Rent newly remodeled. Located between Boldman & Green Meadows. No Pets. \$500/mth, \$250 deposit. 606-437-7992.

**FOR RENT:** Nice one BR apartment semi-furnished \$350 mo. \$150 security deposit 886-2239. (4/30 all)

**DUPLEX FOR RENT** near Highlands Hospital. 285-0742

**1 BEDROOM APARTMENT** new central heat and air. Call 886-1032

**1 Bedroom furnished apartment** for rent. Utilities paid. \$410 285-3641 anytime.

**1 BR APARTMENT** on 1428 874-9174 or 874-2674

**SPRING MOVE-IN SPECIAL at PARK PLACE APARTMENTS** in Prestonsburg Free processing & first months rent FREE with paid security deposit. 1 bedroom/\$305 mo.; 2 bedroom/\$325 mo. Section 8 welcome. Call (606) 886-0039 E.H.O

**GREETINGS FROM LIGHTHOUSE MANOR,** Terry & Sharon Smith. We have apartments for rent that are efficiency apartments, all utilities paid. For more info call 606-886-2797.

**FURNISHED 1 BEDROOM APARTMENTS:** Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$350 month, + \$300 deposit. Located near HRMC. 889-9717.\*

**630-Houses**

**3 Bedroom House For Rent:** (rent negotiable) and 2 Bedroom Apartment \$275 month. Located at Auxiers Heights off Route 3. 886-3552.\*

**HOUSES, APARTMENTS, & TOWNHOUSES,** No pets. Call B&O Rental Properties 606-886-8991.

**3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH** house at Ruff & Tuff. \$600 rent, \$600 deposit. 606-478-5173.

**HOUSE FOR RENT:** D o w n t o w n Prestonsburg \$ 4 5 0 / m o n t h , \$200/deposit. plus utilities. 874-8596 or 874-1366.

**640-Land/Lots**

**Lots at W. Prestonsburg.** Public utilities available Also lots at Jenny's Creek and Abbott Creek. Call 606-478-5173\*

**650-Mobile Homes**

**2 BR MOBILE HOME** \$300 mo \$250 dep. References required. Call 1886-0040.

**2 BR MOBILE HOME,** total electric. 3 miles from Prestonsburg. No Pets. 886-9007 or 889-9008.

**FOR RENT:** 2 BR mobile home or 1 BR house Prestonsburg area. 886-9460

**FOR SALE:** Trailer in Garrett area. 606-886-0097.

**FOR RENT:** Nice, 2 bedroom trailer for rent near Prestonsburg. Also, have 2 bedroom trailer for sale. Call 874-0011.\*

**RENT:** Very nice 2 BR 2 BA, 16 x 72 No pets, couples only. 886-2288

**MOBILE HOMES, HOUSES AND APARTMENTS:** 2 & 3 Bedroom available. References and Deposits required. No pets. 889-9747 or 886-9007

**TRAILER FOR RENT** 874-9790.

**B.R. 1 BA. Mobile Home,** located at Ruff & Tuff. Appliances included. \$350 rent, \$350 dep. Also Two, 2 B.R. 1 BA. Mobile Homes, \$350 rent, \$350 dep. 606-478-5173.\*

**670-Comm. Property**

**FOR RENT OR LEASE:** 2000 sq. ft. office space across from new Social Security Office Ky. Rt. 321. Will remodel to suit tenant. \$9.00 sq. ft. plus utilities. Call 886-1416 or 886-3680.\*

**690-Want to Rent**

**NEEDED:** Lot suitable for doublewide mobile home for rent. Must include septic & utilities. Call Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers. 606-437-0022.\*

**SERVICES**

**705-Construction**

**ALL TYPES:** Remodeling & additions, garages, decks, etc. Also concrete work. Robie



**770-Repair/Service**

**Need Computer Support???**  
Available evenings & weekends. Call for an appointment. 424-4886.

**NOTICES**

**805-Announcements**

**C.N.A. CLASSES-** Mountain Manor of Paintsville is now taking applications for Certified Nurse's aide classes. Apply in person at 1025 Euclid Avenue, Paintsville, Ky between the house of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.\*

**812-Free**

**FREE PALLET:** Can be picked up behind The Floyd County Times.

**850-Personals**

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**ADOPT: ACTIVE HAPPY COUPLE** promises your baby love, laughter and a wonderful, exciting life with stay at home artist mom and devoted generous dad. All expenses paid. Financially secure. Please call Mary and Fred toll free: 1-866-211-6121.\*

**900-Legals**

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Brass Ring Mining Co., Inc., P. O. Box 989, Ashland KY 41105, has applied for Phase III bond release on Permit No. 836-5035 which was last issued on Sept. 28, 1998. The permit covers an area of approximately 2.00 surface acres, and underlies an additional 340.08 acres. The operation is located approximately 0.1 mile south of Blue Moon in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.75 mile west of the junction KY 2030, and the Mud Creek Road, and is 0.1 mile north of Morgan Fork.

The current bonds (Certificate of Deposit) is \$2,800.00. 100% of the original bond amount of \$10,800.00 is included in the this application for release.

Reclamation work thus far performed includes: backfilling and grading, sampling and testing, liming, fertilizing, seeding and mulching, and was completed in fall 1996. Results thus far achieved include: establishment of vegetation in accordance with the approved post mining land use plan, and the post mining land use plan.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference, must be filed with the director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, KY 40601, by June 9, 2003.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for June 10, 2003, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining and Enforcement's Regional Office, 3140

South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no requests for a hearing or informal conference is received by June 9, 2003.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

I have been appointed by the Circuit Court Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky, in Civil Action No. 03-CI-00394, now pending in Floyd Circuit Court, Division No. II, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, styled:

Mr. Elwood Six, The Executor of the Estate of Eva Six vs. Dr. Tausif Sayied; Highlands Regional Medical Center, a/k/a Consolidated Health Systems, Inc.; and Other Unknown Defendants.

The nature of this action is a malpractice suit for personal injury to Eva Six, which occurred on April 13, 2002.

If you are an unknown defendant in this action, you are hereby warned and notified that you have thirty days from and after April 16, 2003, in which to file an answer to the complaint. If you fail to do so, the relief demanded in the Complaint may be awarded to the Plaintiff. This may be a matter for which you may want to consult an attorney at law.

NED PILLERSDORF  
WARNING ORDER  
ATTORNEY  
124 WEST COURT STREET  
PRESTONSBURG, KY 41653  
(606) 886-6090  
Facsimile (606) 886-6148

41256. The name of the proposed business of entertainment is Vito's. The nature of the business will be Lounge. Pursuant to KRS 231.070, the Floyd County Attorney shall investigate whether the applicant lacks good moral character, or whether the applicant will obey the laws of the Commonwealth in the operation of the business, or whether the applicant, within the last two (2) years prior to the date of filing the application has been convicted in Kentucky of maintaining a public nuisance. Pursuant to KRS 231.080 any person desiring to oppose the permits shall file with the County Clerk, no later than May 15, 2003, in writing, allegations that show cause as to why the application shall not be granted. Said written information shall be signed, dated, and reflect the current address of said person providing the information.

Pursuant to KRS 231.080, a hearing has been scheduled for May 15, 2003, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as same can be heard before the Floyd County Judge/Executive, at the Floyd County Justice Center, 2nd floor, in Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Judge/Executive shall hear evidence in support of, or in opposition to, the granting of the permit.

HON. KEITH BARTLEY  
FLOYD COUNTY ATTORNEY

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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS INSURANCE COVERAGE**

The Southern Water & Sewer District seeks bids from qualified insurers to provide the District with a comprehensive package

of liability coverages, including Commercial General Liability, Public Officials Liability, Commercial Automobile Liability/Physical Damage, and Property/Inland Marine. Interested firms may obtain a Request for Proposal packet at the following address: Southern Water & Sewer District, 245 KY Route 680, P.O. Box 610, McDowell, KY 41647.

Proposals must be received no later than 4:00 p.m., May 23, 2003, at the above address, in order to be considered. Proposals must clearly indicate on submittal envelope, "Insurance Proposal, Attn: Hubert Halbert, Chairman." Any questions or concerns related to this request may be addressed to Bob Meyer at (606) 377-9296. The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

The Floyd County Health Department is soliciting proposals from independent certified public accounting firms to conduct OMB Circular A-133 audit for the health department and the public health taxing district. The deadline to request the proposal package is May 9, 2003. Any CPA firm wishing to receive a proposal, should contact Thursa Sloan, Director, Floyd County Health Department, at 606-886-2788, extension 232.

**ORDINANCE GRANTING ELECTRIC FRANCHISE TO KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY D/B/A AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER**

Ordinance No. 03-

05, March 25, 2003  
The City Council of the City of Martin, Floyd County, Kentucky, does ordain as follow:

**SECTION 1**

The Kentucky Power Company d/b/a American Electric Power, its successors and assigns, hereinafter called grantee, is granted the franchise, privilege, right and authority to acquire, maintain, construct and operate in, above, under, across and along the public ways other public places (as the same now exist or may hereinafter be laid out) of the City of Martin, Floyd County, Kentucky, lines, poles, and equipment for the transportation, transmission and distribution of electric energy, either by means of overhead or underground conductors, with all the necessary or desirable appurtenances for the purpose of supplying electric energy to said City and the inhabitants thereof, and the persons and corporations beyond the limits thereof, for light, heat, power, and any other purpose or purposes for which electric energy is now or may hereinafter be used, and for the transmission of the same within, through or across said City.

**SECTION NO. 2**

Said lines and appurtenances shall be constructed so as to interfere as little as possible with the traveling public in its use of the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and public places.

**SECTION NO. 3**

The franchise, privilege, right and authority shall be in full force and effect for a period of twenty (20) years from the date of the passage of the ordinance granting it.

**SECTION NO. 4**

The grantee of this franchise shall save the City harmless from any and all liability arising in any way from negligence of the grantee in the erection, maintenance, or operating of said lines and appurtenances.

**SECTION NO. 5**

The grantee of this franchise shall have the right and privilege to take up such portion or part of any pavement and make such excavation in the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places of the City of Martin, as may be deemed necessary for the construction and maintenance of its lines, wires, or cables, but whenever the grantee of the franchise shall begin the erection of any lines or other equipment, it shall promptly and diligently prosecute the work until completion and leave the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places where such work is done in as good condition of repair as before such work was commenced.

**SECTION NO. 6**

Wherever in this franchise either the City of Martin or the grantee thereof is referred to, it shall be deemed to include the respective successors and assigns of either, and all rights, privileges, and obligations contained in this franchise shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the respective successors and assigns of said City and said grantee, whether so expressed or not.

**SECTION NO. 7**

The grantee of this franchise to be offered for sale may make such rules and regulations, covering the furnishing of said electric energy, as may be fair and reasonable and consistent with the standard

practice of the grantee. Said grantee may charge such rates for electric services as shall be fair and reasonable. The said grantee shall render service under said franchise of like quality, that is, adequate, efficient and reasonable, to that now being rendered to said City.

**SECTION NO. 8**

The consideration paid by the successful bidder for the franchise, privilege, right and authority provided for herein shall be complete compensation and consideration for the sale of said franchise, privilege, right and authority and for the use and occupancy of the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places of the City, in lieu of any street or alley rental or of any charge for the use and occupancy of said streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways, or other public places of the City, and in lieu of any pole tax or meter tax.

**SECTION NO. 9**  
This Ordinance granting this franchise shall be accepted by the grantee thereof within sixty (60) days from the date of its passage.

**SECTION NO. 10**

All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith, to the extent of such conflict only, are hereby repealed.

**SECTION NO. 11**

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage by the City Council.

Thomasine Robinson, Mayor  
City of Martin,  
Floyd County,  
Kentucky

Attest:  
Pamela Justice,  
Clerk  
City of Martin,  
Floyd County,  
Kentucky.

Introduced and first reading: 3-25-2003  
second reading: 4-22-2003

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Jamie and Emily Hamilton, mailing address 11313 Ky. Rt. 979, Teaberry Ky. 41660, hereby declares intentions to apply for a Retail Beer license no later than May 1, 2003. The business to be licensed will be located at 11313 Ky. Rt. 979, Teaberry, Ky. 41660, doing business as D's Grocery. The owner(s) are as follows:  
Owner, Jamie Hamilton, of 11301 Ky. Rt. 979, Teaberry Ky. 41660.  
Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Suite A-2, Frankfort, KY 40601, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.  
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Free Estimates  
Lawns • Cemeteries Businesses  
Floyd-Pike County

**Mine Safety & First Aid Training**  
Newly Employed  
24 hr. Class (surface)  
40 hr. (underground)  
8 hr. refresher (surface & underground)  
Also Electrical Classes  
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