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briefs

No jail time given for six guilty pleas

by JOYAL FRAZIER STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Prestonsburg woman will spend no time in jail after pleading guilty Friday to all six counts with which she was charged.

Jessica Jervis, 29, was arrested in August after she nearly collided with Deputy Tim Clark near the Mountain Comprehensive Care greenhouse.

Clark reported that he was preparing to turn to respond to a complaint when he saw a truck, driven by Jervis, heading toward him down Route 321. The truck barely missed Clark, but crashed through the fence and into the greenhouse.

Jervis was charged with driving under the influence, two counts of wanton endangerment, criminal mischief, hindering prosecution and complicity to escape.

Jervis accepted an offer from the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office and pleaded guilty to all the charges. Circuit Judge John David Caudill sentenced Jervis to five years for each on the complicity to escape, criminal mischief and wanton endangerment charges. She was given 12 months for hindering prosecution and six

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Judge keeps Kinslow's bond at \$250K

by JOYAL FRAZIER STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Cheryl Lynn Kinslow was back in court Friday asking Judge John David Caudill to reduce her bond.

Kinslow, 56, was arraigned on one charge of criminal solicitation to commit murder, a class B felony punishable by 10 to 20 years in prison, after she allegedly tried to hire an undercover police officer to murder her son-in-law.

Kinslow's attorney, David Tapp, asked

Judge Caudill for a reduction in bail and asked that she be able to placed under home incarceration in Eubank, where her husband is currently residing. Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor reiterated the seriousness of the charges against Kinslow. After some consideration

Judge Caudill ordered that her bond stand at \$250,000.

A second motion that was made by Kinslow's attorney that he be removed as counsel in the case. Tapp said that because

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HOMECOMING WELCOME



Mark Branham, who just returned from Army service in Iraq, addressed the Prestonsburg High School Blackcats, his old team, after football practice Friday.

photos by Tom Doty

War veterans come home with stories, gratitude

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Veterans returning from action in the Middle East were welcomed home Friday during events in court and in school.

Floyd Circuit Court got off to a pleasant, albeit unusual, start on Friday when Judge John Caudill began the proceedings by recognizing a local man who has returned from service in Iraq.

"Before we call the docket I have a special occasion to mark," Caudill said. "We wish to welcome back Jordan Compton. He's one of our heroes. He's been in Iraq and, thank goodness, he's made it back home."

It was a brief moment but was followed by every attorney assembled rising to cheer the young man.

Afterwards, in the hallway of the

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Airman Jordan Compton was recognized in circuit court by Judge John Caudill and received a round of applause from the attorneys present.

Drugs, theft are bulk of indictments

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County grand jury handed down 16 indictments this week, most of which concerned theft and drug charges.

Two Prestonsburg residents, Gwendolyn A. Crace, 18, of Weddington Lane, and Trevor L. Harris, 20, of Cow Creek Road, were indicted on felony counts of cultivating marijuana.

The pair were arrested March 18 by Kentucky State Police Trooper Shawn Little, who cited them with growing 21 marijuana plants and for possessing "numerous" items of drug paraphernalia.

The couple was picked up at the Crace residence, the citation says.

Both pleaded not guilty during their arraignments in district court and were later released on \$5,000 partially-secured bonds.

The grand jury also indicted against a Hager Hill resident, Christina M. Lewis, 26, for 23 counts of second-degree forgery and one count

of theft for allegedly forging the name of Robert Legg on various credit card transactions.

Eight other people were indicted for theft charges:

■ Brian Neal Delong, 26, Prestonsburg; second-degree forgery.

■ Denver Stewart, 27, Pikeville; third-degree burglary.

■ Billy Joe Hunter, 26, Prestonsburg; seven counts of theft and one count as a persistent felony offender.

■ Rick Case, 46, Harold; theft.

■ Frank Campbell, 22, Jenkins; theft.

■ Thomas J. Beauriant, 20, Jenkins; theft.

■ Bradley Lester Jenkins, 21, Jenkins; theft.

■ Rudolf J. Peinhaupt, 33, Millard; theft.

Six other people were indicted for various offenses. They include:

■ Donald Eugene Leckrone, 45, Prestonsburg; two counts driving under the influence, two counts driving

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Two dismissed from Otter Creek lawsuit

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A civil suit against two Otter Creek Correctional Facility employees was dismissed this week, following an order filed in circuit court.

Judge John David Caudill issued a summary judgment Thursday dismissing the complaint against the employees, Randall Stovall, the prison's warden, and George Hale, a

maintenance supervisor. The complaint against the prison itself, however, was not affected.

Attorney G. Edward Henry II, acting on behalf of the employees, filed a motion for summary judgment in circuit court last month, requesting that the case against them be dismissed because they were not negligent in their duties, as alleged in the suit, filed pro se

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UK's Appalachian Center staying out of Appalachia

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIKEVILLE — The University of Kentucky won't move its Appalachian Center to Appalachia, opting instead to leave it in the flatland of central Kentucky's bluegrass region, miles from

the nearest mountain.

Some critics questioned the rationale of having an Appalachian Center outside of Appalachia, the region it was established to help. University administrators, however, believe the center can most benefit the mountain region from its current headquarters in Lexington.

"Having it here makes it a better connector between Appalachia and the university," said Wendy Baldwin, the university's executive vice president for research.

"That's all right," Hazard Mayor Bill Gorman said in jest. "We're going to start a center for the bluegrass region, and we're going to put in Appalachia."

Joe Fink, a University of Kentucky vice president and interim director of the Appalachian Center, held public hearings in two mountain towns, Pikeville and Hazard, to gather suggestions on ways the Appalachian Center might better serve

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Odds and Ends

■ **PAYSON, Utah** — Somebody who has a way with words has a chance at walking away with a sweet deal.

The owners of Roe's Bake Shoppe on Main Street are sponsoring an essay contest and the winner gets their business.

"We wanted to keep it going, it's really the heart of this little town," said Paul Penrod, 39. "So we thought, how could we keep it going without having to have all the overhead? And we thought, 'Let's give it away.'"

Penrod, a former accountant, and wife Lolly bought the 60-year-old bakery with its brick facade, high ceilings and oak floors in 2002 and remodeled it, but the stress of full-time baking "wasn't what we expected."

The couple tried to sell the store but didn't have any luck. That's when they settled on the

more unconventional approach.

Aspiring bakery owners have to get at least 2,000 entries to be able to pay off their loans and give someone else the opportunity to "carry on the tradition" in this small community about 30 miles south of Salt Lake City.

"They'll end up with a beautiful historic building, a bakery, and priceless recipes that have been around for years," Penrod said.

Penrod acknowledges he and his wife don't have a backup plan in case they don't hit that magic 2,000 number. He'll just

keep on baking until the morning when he can sleep in.

"We'd have a mob if they didn't get their doughnuts in the morning."

■ **STATE COLLEGE, Pa.** — Put your hands in the air, and put down ... your phone?

Derek W. Laubach, a Penn State University student, faces criminal charges for allegedly threatening partygoers with his cell phone.

Laubach, 18, pulled the phone from his belt and waved it in the air after another man at the off-campus party punched Bradley W. Laubach Jr., 20, also a Penn State student. The Laubachs are related, but are not brothers.

Someone at the party called police to report that a man was waving a gun, said Sgt. Dana Leonard.

"It was an outdoor party, and it was night so the lighting wasn't very good," Leonard said. "It was a huge party, and it caused a great deal of concern among those at the party, as well as among the officers, because we responded as though it were a gun."

Laubach faces charges of disorderly conduct and making terroristic threats.

The man who allegedly hit Bradley Laubach is also in trouble. Joshua M. Fennell, 20, an Indiana University of Pennsylvania student, is charged with simple assault and disorderly conduct.

■ **EAST NASSAU, N.Y.** — The Pledge of Allegiance didn't incite arguments over the separation of church and state. It was simply too long.

Officials in this village just east of Albany decided to forgo reciting the 31-word pledge before board meetings because it took too much time.

"Given the fact people are pressed for time, my whole goal is to move the meetings along and try to remove things that are duplicative and generally not really necessary," said Mayor Robert Henrickson.

Henrickson and the trustees told the Troy Record the omission was not a political protest - they merely felt the minutes could be better spent working on town problems and projects.

"We are not a bunch of godless communists," the mayor said. "We just want to get some work done."

Trustee Frederik Rusch said reciting the pledge is not necessarily a sign of patriotism.

"I think it routinized patrio-

tism and thus becomes meaningless to many people," he said.

But Raymond Phillip Schwartz, a member of a local Veterans of Foreign Wars post, doesn't agree and thinks the omission "stinks."

"We should ship all of them right over there to Iraq," he said.

■ **SAN FRANCISCO** — When workers at San Francisco's pound tracked down the owner of a newly arrived stray cat, they couldn't believe where they found her - in Bradenton, Fla., some 3,000 miles away.

Pamela Edwards had adopted black, short-haired Cheyenne in the summer of 1997. Just a few months later, Cheyenne disappeared. Edwards put up flyers and ran ads in the local paper to try to locate the cat, but had no luck.

Earlier this month, she received a call from her local shelter: Cheyenne had been found, in San Francisco.

"I figured, there's no way

that's my Cheyenne," Edwards said. "I told them, 'I had a cat named Cheyenne, but I've never lived in San Francisco.'"

Cheyenne was dropped off April 1 at Animal Care and Control on April 1 by someone who found her wandering down a street. When workers found out she had been lost in Florida seven years ago, they wondered if it was a joke.

"Maybe she came here on vacation because she wanted to see the wine country, and decided to stick around because it's not so muggy," said Deb Campbell, spokeswoman for Animal Care and Control.

Animal officials think a former neighbor of Edwards' probably found the cat, decided to keep her and then moved to San Francisco.

They're trying to find a way to return Cheyenne, who is now 10 years old, to Edwards. The agency can't afford to ship her to Florida, so workers there have been searching for a traveler to carry her on a plane trip.

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The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, April 25, the 116th day of 2004. There are 250 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 25, 1792, highwayman Nicolas Jacques Pelletier became the first person under French law to be executed by the guillotine.

On this date:

■ In 1859, ground was broken for the Suez Canal.

■ In 1898, the United States formally declared war on Spain.

■ In 1901, New York became the first state to require automobile license plates; the fee was \$1.

■ In 1945, during World War II, U.S. and Soviet forces linked up on the Elbe River, a meeting that dramatized the collapse of Nazi Germany's defenses.

■ In 1945, delegates from some 50 countries met in San Francisco to organize the United Nations.

■ In 1959, the St. Lawrence Seaway opened to shipping.

■ In 1983, Soviet leader Yuri V. Andropov invited Samantha Smith to visit his country after receiving a letter in which the Manchester, Maine, schoolgirl expressed fears about nuclear war.

■ In 1983, the "Pioneer Ten" spacecraft crossed Pluto's orbit, speeding on its endless voyage through the Milky Way.

■ In 1990, Violeta Barrios de Chamorro was inaugurated as president of Nicaragua, ending 11 years of leftist Sandinista rule.

■ In 1990, the Hubble Space Telescope was deployed from the space shuttle Discovery.

Ten years ago:

Terrorist bombers struck twice on the eve of South Africa's first all-race election, killing about a dozen people. Conservative Tsutomu Hata became prime minister of Japan, succeeding Morihiro Hosokawa.

Five years ago:

On the third and final day of their Washington summit, NATO leaders promised military protection and economic aid to Yugoslavia's neighbors for standing with the West against Slobodan Milosevic. More than 70,000 mourners gathered in Littleton, Colo., to remember the victims of the Columbine High School massacre. Lord Killanin, former president of the International Olympic Committee, died in Dublin, Ireland, at age 84.

One year ago:

The Pentagon announced that Army Secretary Thomas White, whose tenure as civilian chief of the military's largest service was marked by tensions with his boss, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, was leaving office. Georgia lawmakers voted to scrap the Dixie cross from the state's flag.

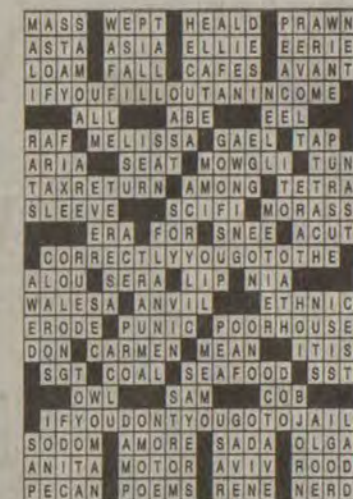
Today's Birthdays:

Country musician Vassar Clements is 76. Movie director-writer Paul Mazursky is 74. Songwriter Jerry Leiber is 71. Actor Al Pacino is 64. Rock musician Stu Cook (Creedence Clearwater Revival) is 59. Singer Bjorn Ulvaeus (ABBA) is 59. Actress Talia Shire is 58. Actor Jeffrey DeMunn is 57. Rock musician Michael Brown (The Left Banke) is 55. Rock musician Steve Ferrone (Tom Petty & the Heartbreakers) is

54. Country singer-songwriter Rob Crosby is 50. Actor Hank Azaria is 40. Rock singer Andy Bell (Erasure) is 40. Rock musician Eric Avery (Jane's Addiction) is 39. TV personality Jane Clayson is 37. Actress Renee Zellweger is 35. Actor Jason Lee is 34. Actor Jason Wiles is 34. Actress Emily Bergl is 29. Singer Jacob Underwood (O Town) is 24.

Thought for Today:

"Prophecy is the wit of a fool." — Vladimir Nabokov, Russian-born author (1899-1977).



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Veterans

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Justice Center, a humble Compton seemed overwhelmed by the attention.

"I would definitely like to thank the judge for inviting me down," Compton said.

Compton's mother was much less shy about her enthusiasm for having her son back and stated, "I was glued to CNN. I don't watch it anymore now that he got back to the states."

The staff at the Justice Center was a constant reminder to Compton of the support he got from home, which was expressed by care packages.

"They sent Dinty Moore foods, Skoal, cookies and Judge Caudill shipped me a cake," Jordan said.

Compton is an airman and was stationed at Balad in the Sunni triangle. He is now back with his family, which includes

his parents, Jean and Jimmy Williamson, and his brothers, Jimmy Mack and Brady.

Caudill revealed that he wore a yellow ribbon the whole time Compton was in the Middle East and pledged, "I will keep my yellow ribbon on until we get everyone back."

Later that afternoon, the Prestonsburg Blackcats football team got a visit from ex-teammate Mark Branham, who is back home after a tour in Iraq.

Branham, who survived a helicopter crash over Fallujah, stopped by towards the end of football practice to give his old team a boost. "The most amazing thing was the support we got from home," Branham said, noting what helped him get through tough times. "People would send us packages all of the time. Many

were from people we didn't even know. They just wanted to show their support and would send items that we needed, like shaving kits and food and all kinds of things."

Branham's speech was brief, and he apologized for being a little nervous, but he held the team's attention with his words.

"I wish you guys the best," Branham said. "I learned a lot about teamwork here."

Branham will probably be going to back to Iraq, but only asked one thing of the team should that happen: "I want you guys to do one thing for me while I'm over there in Iraq — beat Belfry."

The Blackcats actually get inspiration every time they get together from assistant coach Bryan Combs. Combs also served in Iraq, as a Marine, and has brought his experience in

meeting many of life's challenges to bear on his coaching.

Combs has overcome several obstacles to get to where he is now and was frank about them.

"I am back in college and probably will be done inside of two years and want to teach," Combs said. "Iraq and the Marine Corps taught me a lot about teamwork. You are only as fast as your slowest guy. Over there we learned to value each team member for what they bring to the table. If you're not the strongest guy there, maybe you're the fastest. The important thing is to learn what you're good at and be proud of it."

Combs is proud of the team at Prestonsburg and was quick to praise the players' work ethic.

"Today is Friday," Combs said. "Most kids are out starting their weekend, but these guys will be here till practice is over and they always give it everything they have."



Mark Branham, left, and Bryan Combs, right, posed together after talking with the Prestonsburg Blackcats. Combs is also an assistant coach and Branham parlayed for the Cats. Both are now veterans of the War on Terror.

Dismissed

by former inmate Henry Miles.

Miles filed a civil complaint in 2003, following an incident which occurred in March 2002.

Miles alleged that both Stovali and Hale were responsible for injuries he sustained when a table at which he was dining fell on him and pinned him to the floor.

He was eating with five other inmates at the time, the suit says, and when four of them got up from the table, it became "unbolted" and the table collapsed, sending Miles and another inmate backward. Miles, removed from the dining area in a wheelchair, also alleged that he did not receive appropriate medical attention following the incident.

Henry, who denied accusations of negligence brought out by Miles, claimed that the anchor bolts, which were embedded in concrete with irreversible nuts, "snapped without warning," which negated Miles' claims regarding the negligence of Stovali and Hale.

Henry further argued in his motion that Miles, who complained of back injuries, received medical attention in March 2002. An x-ray taken of his back indicated "no evidence of acute fracture, dislocation or other abnormality." When he continued to complain of back pain, an MRI was ordered in December 2002, the motion says, and it came back "normal with the exception of some degenerative changes

indicating no need for surgical intervention."

Caudill sustained the motion in the order for summary judgment this week, dismissing the case against Stovali and Hale with prejudice, meaning no further proceedings can be brought against them at a later date.

Miles provided no opposition to the motion, which was considered in court April 9, Caudill said in the judgment, a decision he made after reviewing the record on file in the case.

Miles was scheduled to be released from the Indiana Department of Corrections on March 16 and could not be reached for comment.

He has the right to appeal Caudill's verdict in the case.

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Center

people in the mountains.

In those hearings, Appalachian residents repeatedly called for the center to be moved to the mountains.

The Appalachian Center was created 25 years ago as a means for the university to help improve the quality of life in eastern Kentucky and the central Appalachian region.

One past role of the Appalachian Center was to challenge stereotypes of the

region and to raise awareness of various issues people in the mountains wrestle with, such as unemployment.

The center challenged the accuracy of the state's system for calculating unemployment rates. By adding discouraged workers who no longer receive jobless benefits and who no longer are seeking jobs, researchers found that the "real unemployment rate" in some counties came close to 50 per-

cent.

Gorman said he has pushed for the University of Kentucky to move the Appalachian Center to Appalachia since it was first established. He said the center has no visibility in eastern Kentucky. Many people don't even know it exists, he said.

"If we're going to do things to help people, we have to be where we can help them," Gorman said Friday. "I just don't see that happening, and I'm disappointed in that."

Fink said the university has created a new mission statement that will allow the Appalachian Center to enlist experts from every field of study to help solve problems in the mountains.

With the new mission drawn up, Fink said a search soon will begin to find a permanent director to implement it.

"The center will focus on taking the full-range of knowledge skills and abilities of people at the university to bring them to bear on issues of importance in Appalachia," Fink said.

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Kinslow

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of "professional differences and other circumstances" he felt he needed to be released from this case.

Judge Caudill sustained the motion and released Tapp from his obligations to the case. Kinslow was then appointed public advocate Michael Studebaker under the condition that she pay \$1,000 based on her income.

Caudill set a pretrial date for June 10.

No Jail

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months for driving under the influence. Each sentence is to run concurrent with each other and was suspended with Jervis receiving five years of supervised probation.

Caudill ordered that Jervis enter a 90-day substance and alcohol abuse program as well as ordering her to seek employment. He gave her 90 days to find a job or she would have to do 25 hours of community service each week until she did.

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— Felix Frankfurter

Guestview

A good start for business

The legislature's failure to approve a budget hangs over the 2004 session like a dark cloud, but some rays of light did break through the gloom in Frankfort.

In a session marred by contentious partisanship, lawmakers still managed to approve several bills that will help Gov. Fletcher deliver on his promise to improve the state's business climate.

During his election campaign, Fletcher stressed the need to make Kentucky more "business-friendly." Fortunately, it appears that lawmakers from both parties share this general goal, even though they may disagree on some of the specifics of how to achieve it.

The legislature rose above partisanship on two key bills that should benefit entrepreneurs and small business owners: House Bill 650, which is designed to repair some of the damage caused by the disastrous 1994 health insurance reform law; and House Bill 609, which will give small businesses relief from onerous state regulations.

House Bill 650 represents the legislature's latest attempt to deal with the fallout from the health insurance reform law. The reform legislation was intended to protect the rights of consumers and control the cost of health insurance. But the burdensome law drove 45 insurers out of the state, leaving only two companies to provide insurance for individuals and small businesses.

Not surprisingly, the reform law increased the ranks of the uninsured and caused health insurance costs to rise. Since the mid-1990s, the legislature has approved several measures aimed at restoring the individual and small-group insurance market, but these laws have had little impact. Just four insurers have returned to the state in the past six years. Fletcher administration officials believe House Bill 650 will attract at least 10 more health insurers, The Courier-Journal of Louisville reported.

The bill imposes a three-year moratorium on mandates that require insurers to cover certain illnesses and treatments. This should mitigate the impact of the fatal flaw of the 1994 reform bill: its misguided attempt to force health insurers to provide uniform coverage for everyone, the sick and the healthy alike, at similar rates.

Somehow, the legislature missed the point that insurance companies are in business to make a profit. If an irrational state law requires companies to lose money, the targeted companies will make an economically rational decision to leave the state.

House Bill 650 also eliminates the requirement that all insurers offer a standard benefit plan.

The state's standard plan is so costly that most small

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— Jim Davidson

A great 'washroom' reminder

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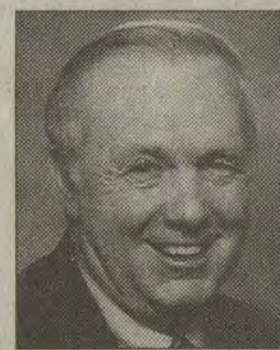
To be sure, everything is relative. We don't appreciate the sunshine until it's rained or been cloudy for several days in a row, we don't appreciate good health until we have spent several days in the sickbed or a hospital and we don't appreciate having enough money to pay all our bills until we have been through some really hard times.

And to add one more, a housewife does not really appreciate a washer and dryer unless she's had the experience of a Kentucky grandmother that I read about a few days ago. This grandmother had written down some washday instructions for a new bride. As you will soon see, this was many, many years ago before we had any of our time-saving, labor-saving appliances that most of

us take for granted today. If for no other reason, what I want to share with you will give you a new appreciation for what you do have. As I share these instructions, keep in mind that this was not only many years ago, but these instructions are in the original wording and spelling and they even contain a little philosophy.

The central theme is "Honey, it's wash-day and you better be up early."

1. Bilt fire in backyard to heat kettle of rainwater.
2. Set tubs so smoke won't blow in eyes if wind is pert.
3. Shave one hole cake of lie soap in billin water.
4. Sort things, make 3 piles, 1 pile white, 1 pile colored, 1 pile work britches and rags.
5. To make starch, stir flour in cool water to smooth, then thin down with billin water.
6. Take white things, rub dirty spots on board, scrub hard, and then bile. Rub colored don't bile, just rinch and starch.
7. Take things out of kettle with broomstick handle, then rinch, and starch.
8. Hang old rags on fence.
9. Spread tea towels on grass.



10. Pore rinch water in flowerbed.
11. Scrub porch with hot soapy water.
12. Turn tubs upside down.
13. And here is the kicker ... Go put on clean dress, smooth hair with hair combs. Brew cup of tea, sit and rock a spell and count your blessings."

Well, that's the end of it and I want you to know that the spelling in these instructions drove my computer spell-check crazy. However, I love to read things like this because it reminds me of how very blessed we are to be alive in these exciting times.

Why not tape this column up in your washroom and the next time you get to feeling a little low, take a moment and reread it. As I said earlier, it could change your perspective for that day.

The people who lived back in the pioneer days of our nation had it much harder in many ways, but they did not have the distractions and the stress that pervades our society today. I might also add that my father was from Kentucky, the 15th state to enter the Union, and this gives me a special feeling for the people of the Bluegrass State.

If you will allow me, I would like to take the balance of this space to just

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— beyond the beltway

Congress gets Rice pudding

by DONALD KAUL

National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice (Condi for short) testified before the 9/11 Commission (the Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States, for long) earlier this month, defending the administration's action before, during and after the attacks.

It was an historic moment in our nation's history. It is not often that a national security adviser speaks in public under oath, perjury laws being what they are.

If you missed it, fear not. As a public service, I took nearly legible notes during her testimony and stand ready give you a brief synopsis of what she said.

It went like this:

"I would like to thank the commission for this opportunity to clarify the administration's position concerning the 9/11 attacks. Despite rumors to the contrary I do so willingly and eagerly. There was no need to have federal marshals bring me here handcuffed.

"Needless to say, all of us at the White House, from the president on up to Dick Cheney, are very, very sorry that the attacks happened, even though we

were in no way responsible for them.

"Who could have imagined that terrorists would hijack airliners and crash them into buildings? Yes, of course, a few people did, but they were largely holdovers from the disgraced Clinton administration and who was going to believe them?

"I know that my former colleague, Dick Clarke (who was one of those Clinton people, incidentally), has said that he warned me repeatedly about the threat posed by al Qaeda, but I have no recollection of it. And even if I did, he certainly never came to me with a recommendation for what we should do about that threat. If he had I could have stamped it 'Top Secret' with my rubber stamp and made sure it didn't fall into the wrong hands, like Congress.

"I hate to say this, but Mr. Clarke was a great disappointment as chief of counterterrorism. Despite repeated urging he never came up with information that Saddam Hussein was a terrorist threat and he refused to believe that terrorism could be defeated with a missile defense system that would create jobs in northern Alaska.

"A lot has been made of the President's Daily Brief of August 6, 2001. Some partisan critics have gone

so far as to suggest that it was a warning that we ignored.

"Just because its title was 'Bin Laden Determined to Attack Inside the U.S.' doesn't mean it was a warning. It didn't tell us where the attack was going to take place, when it was going to take place or how.

"I can assure you that if we'd been told hijackers were going to fly airplanes into the World Trade Towers and the Pentagon on the morning of Sept. 11 and if we'd been given their names and addresses, with proper ZIP codes, we would have moved Heaven and Earth to get the FBI to assign an agent to the case, which is never easy.

"Instead we were blind to the danger.

"Yet all that summer President Bush had us at our battle stations. His happened to be at his ranch in Crawford, Texas. Vice President Cheney's in an undisclosed duck blind somewhere in the mountain states. I slept on a cot at the foot of the president's bed.

"Which reminds me of another unfair charge by Mr. Clarke. He accused the president of de-emphasizing terrorism by not holding cabinet meetings on the subject.

"Easy for him to say, but have you ever tried to get cabinet members to

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Faith Extra

Minister's Moment: Christ's response to fear ... peace

by PASTOR STEVE PESCOSOLIDO

COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Two weeks ago, the Church gave focused celebration to the resurrection of Jesus Christ — widely known as Easter Sunday. The day was enjoyed by Christians and probably many non-Christians with new dresses, large church crowds, egg hunts and meals with family. The somber days of Holy Week turned to the victorious white pageantry of Christ's resurrection from the grave!

We know the story. The ending is a great one! Yet the disciples of Jesus did not know the ending on that first day of His resurrection. Although Jesus

appeared to Mary Magdalene in the morning near the tomb, no one believed her testimony. Although Jesus appeared to two men on the road to Emmaus, no one believed them either. It was not until Jesus physically appeared to 10 of the disciples (plus others in the upper room) that they accepted the reality of His resurrection.

What kept them from believing? At least four emotions could have blocked their perception of the truth: grief, guilt, confusion and fear. They felt grief at losing their Lord. Peter felt the guilt of having denied knowing Jesus. All of them felt the confusion of the resurrection testimonies. And they were still afraid that the Jewish authorities might arrest them next. Have

you ever tried to tell someone experiencing these emotions something that you know is true? Persons under a dark cloud have difficulty accepting what you say.

We find Jesus entering the upper room and offering a counter experience to these troublesome feelings. In John 20:19, Jesus says to His fearful disciples, "Peace be with you." NKJV He says this again when He appears to unbelieving Thomas eight days later (John 20:26). Peace in simple terms is a condition of calm, the absence of danger, or the absence of conflict. In ancient understanding, the word means wholeness of body, mind and soul. In contemporary slang, Jesus was saying to His disciples, "Pull your-

selves together, I have won the victory!"

In our modern and even post-modern world, there are ever-increasing circumstances and powers that cause our souls guilt, grief, confusion and fear. Do you think that Jesus appears today with the same soul-changing ministry — bringing peace to troubled hearts? The answer is YES. He does bring peace today. Although He doesn't appear in bodily form, Jesus does reveal Himself in many ways having the same powerful effect. Some people seek Him in earnest prayer. When they have "prayed through" (felt Jesus take the burden off of their heart) they have the peace that only He can give. Other folks are unexpectedly touched by the presence of the

Living God. At first they are unsure what is happening, as they experience His love and power. As they open their hearts — peace from heaven enters and brings a profound change.

Some folks say that all religions can lead to this kind of peace. Yet Jesus teaches that this kind of peace can only be found in Him. In John 16:33 Jesus says, "These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." One world religion strives for Nirvana, a condition described as a "passionless peace". I have found when Christ's peace comes to me, my

desire to serve Him and make Him known comes to life. Passion seems to come along with Christ's peace.

His appearing made the difference then. His appearing in Spirit makes the difference now. If you are troubled by guilt, grief, confusion or fear, ask Jesus Christ to come to you and help you. See if He doesn't answer you in a life-changing way. Be patient and watch for His work. For the skeptic ... Thomas was highly skeptical too ... until he experienced Christ. Do you dare to try Him? You will be glad you made contact with the source of true peace, the Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6).

'Left Behind' and 'The Da Vinci Code': Facts conveyed through fiction, or fictional facts?

by RICHARD N. OSTLING
AP RELIGION WRITER

The lesson from this week's best-seller list is simple: God sells. But what worries some scholars is that the hottest religious books depart from traditional Christian teaching or distort the faith's origins.

The latest pulse-pounder in the "Left Behind" series about the end of the world — "Glorious Appearing" — couldn't have appeared more gloriously, at No. 1 among Publishers Weekly's fiction best sellers. It edges out another religion-themed novel, "The Da Vinci Code," which has ranked among the top three for 54 straight weeks.

American's fiction market

has never seen such a juxtaposition, says Publishers Weekly religion editor Lynn Garrett. Combined with the success of Mel Gibson's film "The Passion of the Christ" — now eighth on the U.S. all-time box office list — it makes an obvious statement.

"Whether they feel negatively or positively about religion, people in American culture think about and care about it," Garrett says.

Jerry Jenkins, co-author of "Glorious Appearing" with Tim LaHaye, calls the phenomenon "God hunger — people looking for something beyond themselves."

Yet the success of the books troubles some critics, largely because the authors have made

unusual claims that — though they employ fiction — what they're writing is true.

Dan Brown's "Da Vinci Code" is a thriller whose characters malign traditional Christianity as fraudulent. But both liberal and conservative writers say it's rife with errors.

Among inaccuracies they list: The characters' claims that belief in Jesus' divinity appeared in the 4th century rather than the 1st century; that the four New Testament Gospels became authoritative in the 4th century rather than the 2nd century; and that the Dead Sea Scrolls and Gnostic writings (deemed heretical by the church) contain the earliest Christian records — though one Gnostic text does have some

scholarly promoters.

"Da Vinci" also supposes that Jesus married Mary Magdalene and sired a royal Judeo-French bloodline that still exists — and that sinister Christians suppressed this. That plot comes from the 1982 book "Holy Blood, Holy Grail," which a New York Times reviewer called "rank nonsense."

At first, "Da Vinci" drew little religious opposition because people "didn't subject it to the same kind of scrutiny they would a nonfiction book," Garrett says. But when Brown told NBC that "absolutely all of it" is true, the Rev. Darrell Bock of Dallas Theological Seminary decided the novelist wasn't just

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Regional Obituaries

Floyd County

Brook Allen, 27, of Garrett, died Sunday, April 18, at Minnie, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 21, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Kimberly Wright Branum, 45, of Kodak, Tennessee, died Saturday, April 10, at Appalachian Regional Medical Center, McDowell. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 14, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Oliver Hall, 74, of Stanton, formerly of Grethel, died Wednesday, April 21, in Stanton. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 24, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Sarah Leann Dudleson Lowe, 25, of Hueysville, died Sunday, April 18, at Minnie, the result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 22, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Gordon Moore, 55, of Garrett, died Saturday, April 17, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Rebecca Turner Moore. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 20, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Glenn B. (G.B.) Spears, 81, of Harold, died Saturday, April 17, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Louise Hall Spears. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 20, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Margaret Mayo Spradlin, 91, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, April 18, at Highlands Regional

Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 20, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Melpha Newsome Tackett, 93, of Waverly, Ohio, formerly of Martin, died Wednesday, April 21, in Waverly, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 24, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Perry Ward, 73, of Hi Hat, died Tuesday, April 20, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Margaret Ann Hunter Ward. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 23, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Pike County

Jimmy L. Casebolt, 69, of Newark, Ohio, died Monday, April 19, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Thelma Hall Casebolt. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 22, under the direction of Criss-Schoedinger Funeral Home.

Kevin Howell, 39, of Island Creek, died Monday, April 12, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 18, under the direction of Lucas and Hall Funeral Home.

Jonah Evans Johnson, 47, of Virgie, died Friday, April 16, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 19, under the direction of Hall and Jones Funeral Home.

Charlie Jones, 82, of Rockhouse, died Friday, April 16, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 19, under the direction of Lucas and Hall Funeral Home.

Larry "Playboy" King, 35, of Ashcamp, died Saturday, April 17, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Leslie Baker

King. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 19, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Hiarm Richard McCoy, 52, of Regina, died Monday, April 12. He is survived by his wife, Barbara McCoy. Arrangements, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

James "Jim" Carroll Morton, 79, of Pikeville, died Saturday, April 10, at Pikeville Health Care Center. He is survived by his wife, Arlene Powers Morton. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 21, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Everett Carl Prater, 84, of Pikeville, died Monday, April 19, in Pikeville. He is survived by his wife, Frankie J. Prater. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 22, under the direction of Thacker Funeral Home.

Madeline Ratliff, 70, of Shelbiana, died Saturday, April 17, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, April 21, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Myrtle Osborne Ray, 86, of Parkersburg, West Virginia, formerly of Virgie, died Friday, April 16, following an extended illness. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, April 18, under the direction of Hall and Jones Funeral Home.

Sgt. Michael Raymond Speer, 24, of Kingsport, formerly of Redfield, Kansas, died Friday, April 9, in Al Ambar Province, Iraq. He is survived by his wife, Eliza Davenport Speer, formerly of Pikeville. Services were conducted Monday, April 19, under the direction of Hamlett-Dobson Chapel.

Knott County

Berna B. Smith Morgan Blair, 82, of Mallie, died Thursday, April 5, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, April 8, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Stella Thomas Conley, 96, of Mousie, died Wednesday, April 7, at Appalachian Regional Medical Center, Hazard. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, April 10, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Ollie James Mullins, 78, of Amburgey, died Sunday, April 11, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Geneva Fannin Mullins. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 13, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Sim Patrick, 50, of Blackey, a Knott County native, died Thursday, April 8, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 12, under the direction of Hindman Funeral Services.

Sarah Ritchie, 87, of LaGrange, Indiana, a native of Handshoe, died Friday, April 9, at her home. She is survived by her husband, Andrew Ritchie.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 13, under the direction of Hutchins Funeral Home.

Martin County

Corinne Cassady Hamilton, 88, of Inez, died Monday, April 5, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Arrangements are under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Lucian Thomas (L.T.) Hardin, 73, of Inez, died Saturday, April 10, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 13, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Kathleen Maynard Mills, 61, of Beauty, died Saturday, April 10, at King's Daughters Medical Center, in Ashland. She is survived by her husband, Claude R. Mills. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, April 13, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Hazel Christine Stapleton, 71, of Tutor Key, died Monday, April 5, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Curtis Stapleton Sr. Funeral services were conducted Friday, April 9, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Lawrence County

Marion Terry, 76, of Louisa, died Monday, April 5, at Three Rivers Medical Center, in Louisa. No services were conducted.

Johnson County

Opal Castle, 86, of Paintsville, died Friday, April 9, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Monday, April 12, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

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employers can't afford it, Mark Birdwhistell, state undersecretary for health, told The Courier-Journal.

Clearly, it's irrational for the state to force all insurers to offer a plan that few, if any, potential customers are willing to buy.

The state does poorly on national surveys of entrepreneurship in large part because state government weighs small businesses down with taxes and regulations.

House Bill 609 seeks to ease that burden by giving small businesses a role in the regulatory process. Under the law, the Kentucky Commission on Small Business Advocacy will review administrative regulations and assess their impact on small businesses. The commission's views will be considered when decisions are made on regulations.

These new laws give substance to the term "business-friendly state." The legislature needs to do much more to improve the business climate, but Gov. Fletcher and lawmakers from both parties deserve credit for making a good start in the 2004 session.

— The Paducah Sun

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having fun but was undermining Christianity.

Bock wrote the first of several Protestant attack books, "Breaking the Da Vinci Code."

Roman Catholics will soon pile on with "The Da Vinci Hoax." In the foreword, Chicago's Cardinal Francis George says Brown's history is "preposterous" but must be countered because it misleads credulous readers. Brown is declining interviews.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America has issued an adult education guide warning against Brown's plot about Christianity founded upon "lies, cover-ups and political intrigues." But one of that denomination's Bible professors, the Rev. Barbara Rossing, believes the "Left Behind" novels are a far worse threat, and explains why in "The Rapture Exposed."

Brown's assertions are easily checked and refuted, Rossing says.

Meanwhile, the "Left Behind" authors think their 12-book series depicts events of the sort predicted in the Bible for Jesus' Second Coming in the near future. ("Glorious Appearing" centers on Jesus' return.)

Rossing charges that the series preaches despair, and distorts biblical teaching about the future, Mideast politics and social responsibility. To her, it "glorifies violence and war," exploits "Americans' love for disaster films and survivalist plot lines" and in general "attacks the heart of Christianity."

Rossing notes that the "Left Behind" books rely on what's called Dispensationalist theology, which links prophecies from various biblical books into a complex sequence of End Times events. It's a modern innovation rejected by many Protestant denominations, Eastern Orthodoxy and Catholicism, whose U.S. hierarchy just issued a publication that assails the novels as "subtly and overtly anti-Catholic."

Jenkins, however, dismisses the criticism. He reports some "Left Behind" readers have become new followers of Jesus based on the books.

"A lot of people know this story, believe it and are encouraged by it," he says.

Philip Jenkins, a Penn State University historian (and no relation to Jerry) thinks the "Left Behind" series affects mostly readers who already hold apocalyptic beliefs, while "Da Vinci" has considerable potential to alter and subvert Americans' faith in Christianity.

His own book, "Hidden Gospels," says radical efforts to rewrite early church history play upon Americans' ignorance and gullibility.

To him, such books provide little solid history but reveal much about mass media sensationalism, the yearnings of present-day writers and what they "would like to find about the first Christian ages."

Obituaries

Dock J. Newsome

Dock J. Newsome, age 65, of 2469 Harding Highway W. Marion, Ohio, died Saturday, April 17, 2004, at 8:47 a.m., at his residence.

He was born January 6, 1939, in Grethel, the son of the late William and Martha Newsome. In December of 1978, he married Jean Williamson, and she survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Terry (Robin) Newsome of Bellefontaine, and Kevin (Melinda) Newsome of Marion; daughter, Sherree (Sam) Barbey of LaRue; seven grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; three brothers: Andy Newsome, William Newsome Jr., and Bill Ray Newsome, all of Floyd County; six sisters: Fannie Hall of Peebles, Ohio, Melvina Akers, Mearl Clark, Sola Akers, Emogene Hall and Pauline Green, all of Floyd County.

Two brothers: Tolva Newsome and Duran Newsome; half brothers: Charles Newsome, Anthony Newsome; half sisters: Armina Newman, Cora Moore, Martha Newsome and Golda Tackett are deceased.

He worked for Ryder-Heil Bronze as a foundry foreman for 44 years. He was a life member of the Hardin County Coon Hunters Club; he loved gardening, hunting and fishing.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 20, at 11 a.m., at the Stofcheck Funeral Home in LaRue.

Burial was in the LaRue Cemetery. Visitation was at the funeral home.

Those who wish, may make contributions to the charity of the donor's choice. (Paid obituary)

Freddie Daniels

Freddie Daniels, 53, of Garrett, died Thursday, April 22, 2004, at the Central Baptist Hospital, in Lexington.

Born June 8, 1950, in Garrett, he was the son of the late Guy E. and Mary Hicks Daniels. He was a heavy equipment operator.

Survivors include five sisters: Charlotte Holbrook of Kendallville, Indiana, Cloytene Conley of Lackey, Doralene Whitehead of Warrensburg, Missouri, Naydene Hackett of Goldsboro, North Carolina, and Priscilla Poling of Lima, Ohio, and many nieces, nephews, and friends.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Leon Daniels; and three sisters: Glenna Brown, Violet Layne, and Beulah Lawson.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, April 25, at 11 a.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Jerry Manns, and others, officiating.

Burial will be in the Ewing-Scott Cemetery, at Stone Coal, in Garrett, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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The Prestonsburg Women's Club prepared box lunches for a fundraiser. Pictured from left to right are Lois George; Elizabeth Ramey, President; Christine Page; Mable Brown; and Drema Miller.

Club raises money by fixing lunch

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg Women's Club delivered box lunches Wednesday to local businesses and residents. The proceeds from the sales will go towards their annual "Christmas in the Park" event which donates toys to families in need.

The group was founded in 1919 and began a handful of women who met at each other's houses and raised money for indigent families. It was founded in 1919 and became federated, joining the national organization in 1920.

The group currently meets in a bungalow adjacent to the staff office at Archer Park.

The group will also begin its "Yard of the Month" project in May. Members will drive through town and compile a

list of the best-kept yards by using an established criteria. The winner, who will have a picture of their yard published in the paper, will get a large display for their yard which will remain there till the next month's winner is announced.

President Christine Page is proud of the organization and pointed out that it is a help organization first and not primarily a social group.

"Our public library grew from the donations collected by the club and we have created a scholarship available to a female student at Big Sandy Community and Technical College," Page said, noting the group's accomplishments.

Page was also quick to give credit to the other contributors for the Christmas project and listed the city of Prestonsburg and Archer Park as chief contributors.

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come to Crawford, Texas, in the middle of summer? Every time we tried, half of them would call in sick. Crawfluenza we called it.

"And so, in closing, I'd like to reiterate the complete lack of guilt that members of this administration feel about the 9/11 attacks. It just wasn't our fault.

"It was the FBI's fault.
"It was Bill Clinton's fault.
"The dog ate our homework."

And that's the way it was, more or less.

Donald Kaul recently retired as Washington columnist for the "Des Moines Register." He has covered the foolishness in our nation's capital for 29 years, winning a number of modestly coveted awards along the way.
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photo by Ralph B. Davis

Fifth-grade students at Stumbo Elementary received t-shirts and trophies from the Floyd County Sheriff's Department for graduating from the anti-drug "DARE Program." Sheriff John K. Blackburn said his department offers the program to 500 students in eight Floyd County schools. Sgt. Terry Chaffins, shown above presenting the shirts, is the program instructor.



photo by Tom Doty

Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson signed a proclamation declaring the week of April 25 to May 1 as Infant Immunization Week in Floyd County, while Thelma Lafferty, a registered nurse with the Floyd County Health Department, looked on. National Infant Immunization Week is an annual observance that attempts to raise awareness of the need to vaccinate children under 2 years old.

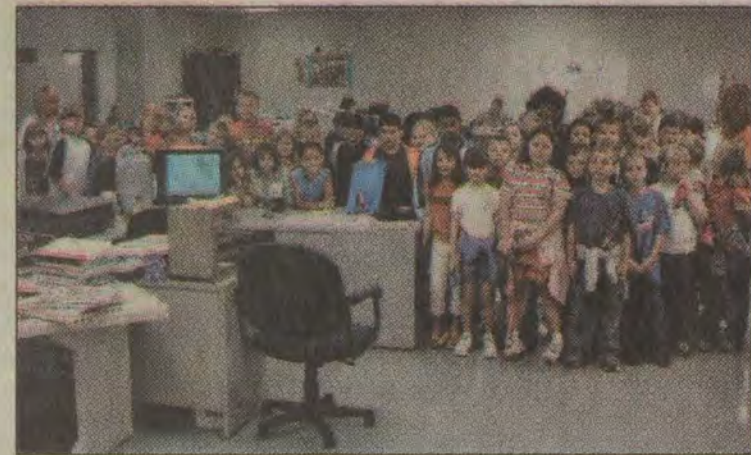


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Fifty-one second-grade students from Prestonsburg Elementary toured The Floyd County Times Thursday to learn about how a newspaper is made and the different types of jobs available at a newspaper. The Times welcomes class tours, with fifth-grade students from Prestonsburg and fourth- through eighth-grade students from Knott County also visiting in the past week. To schedule a tour, call managing editor Ralph B. Davis at (606) 886-8506. Because of constant production deadlines, slots are extremely limited, so reservations should be made as early as possible.

Charges

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on a suspended license, failure to wear seat belt and public intoxication.

■ Jason Randall Estep, 21, Paintsville; driving under the influence, first-degree possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana.

■ Johnnie Gilliam, 41, Wheelwright; driving under the influence, driving on a suspended license, fleeing or evading the police and no insurance.

■ Douglas E. Castle, 39, Prestonsburg; driving under the influence and first-degree possession of a controlled sub-

stance.

■ Cecil David Ousley, 52, Martin, intimidating a confidential informant with the Floyd County drug task force and two counts of first-degree trafficking.

■ Rachell Salisbury, 19, Prestonsburg, fourth-degree assault, a charge stemming from an allegation that she struck another female in the head with a flashlight.

An indictment is an allegation, not a judgment of guilt against an individual.

Davidson

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offer you a word of encouragement. Even the most self-sufficient among us gets discouraged and depressed from time to time. It's just human nature for our emotions to do things to us when things are not going right.

A good place to start is to sit down and count your blessings. If you are down, what do you have going for you that can help to get you back up? I've found that when I'm discouraged, having a good friend to talk with helps me greatly. There are people who care about you and me and that's one of the greatest blessings any of us could ever have.

The best antidote for discouragement has always been intelligent action. Begin now to make plans for a brighter future. What can you do to serve and help other people? After all, this is where most of our rewards come from. Change your attitude toward others, if that's something that is holding you back.

Other than health reasons, most of our discouragement comes when we have failed to

do something or someone else has failed us. Several years ago I developed a personal philosophy that has helped me tremendously and I want to share it with you.

Every once in a while I will have someone treat me rudely, fail to keep a promise or not live up to my expectations. When this happens, here is the course of action that I take.

First, I forgive them, because if I don't it will just keep me upset and my mind occupied in a nonproductive way for days or even weeks. Here is the thought that really helps. If someone has done something to me and it's undesired, I realize they already have more problems than they need. So, I don't want to do or say anything that will add to them. I always try to leave others in a better frame of mind than the way I found them.

Jim Davidson is a motivational speaker and syndicated columnist. You may contact him at 2 Bentley Drive, Conway, AR 72034.

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FLOYD COUNTY BASEBALL BATTLE

Stewart wants to beat friend Earnhardt at Talladega

by MIKE HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Tony Stewart wants to put aside his close friendship with Dale Earnhardt Jr. and beat him at his own game — restrictor-plate racing.

That isn't going to be easy.

Earnhardt has won six of the last 13 races at either Talladega Superspeedway or Daytona International Speedway, the tracks where NASCAR requires the horsepower-sapping carburetor plates to keep the Nextel Cup cars under 200 mph.

Meanwhile, Stewart, the 2002 series champion, has four runner-up finishes at the two big tracks — three of them losses Earnhardt. And none of Stewart's 17 career victories has come in a plate race.

The most recent second-place finish was in February at the Daytona 500. Stewart views Sunday's Aaron's 499 at Talladega as an opportunity to finally reverse that result.

"Everybody is beatable on the right day," Stewart said. "But you can't do any of this restrictor-plate racing without a partner. You've got to have someone you can work with and someone you can trust."

"That's what Dale and I have with each other. That doesn't mean that either one of us is going to lie down for one another, because we're both here to win. But we know we need each other to get into a position to win."

Of course, it's not just Earnhardt who seems to have an edge on Stewart

(See STEWART, page two)

PC cheerleaders named all-conference

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — The Mid-South Conference recently announced its all-conference cheerleading honors for the 2003-04 school year. Nanette Fithugh of Cumberland University and Lisa



Haydu

Warmath of Lambuth University shared the top coaching honor as co-coaches of the year. Lambuth University's Katie Finnern was named Cheerleader of the Year. Pikeville College cheerleaders Karen Haydu and Haylee Combs were named all-conference. Haydu, Tristan Clark and Beth Joseph were named Academic All-Conference.

Jamie Fields is the Pikeville College Cheerleading Sponsor

A complete list of the honorees follows.

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photo by Jamie Howell

Members of the Allen Central High baseball team gathered during Thursday's game against Prestonsburg.

REBELS SLUG WAY PAST PRESTONSBURG

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN — Allen Central got off to a fast start Thursday against the visiting Prestonsburg Blackcats. The Rebels followed a 9-0 win over the Blackcats from earlier in the week up with a 12-7 win triumph.

Eighth-grader Scott Little, the winning pitcher, went six innings on the mound for Allen Central before giving way to Nick Music. Little and Music gave up four and three runs, respectively.

Junior John Mark Stephens took the loss for Prestonsburg. Stephens allowed eight Allen Central runs. Jason Hughes came on in relief of Stephens.

Allen Central scored five runs in the opening inning and led 5-1 at the end of the first frame.

Prestonsburg pulled within two runs of Allen Central in the second inning after scoring two runs. The second great offensive outburst for the Rebels came in the sixth inning when four runs were plated.

Allen Central got its 12 runs on 16 hits. Prestonsburg scored seven runs on nine hits.

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photo by Jamie Howell

Allen Central pitcher Scott Little went to the mound Thursday and pitched six strong innings in a win over Prestonsburg.

Floyd native awaits announcement of new head coach

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Kalen Harris, a member of the Lexington Catholic High School boys' basketball coaching staff, is now left awaiting the announcement of a new head coach. Harris, a native of Floyd County, who played, and later

coached at Prestonsburg High School, was a member of the Lexington Catholic staff this past season.

Bart Flener will not be back as head coach of the Lexington Catholic boys' team.

No specific reason was given for Flener's dismissal.

Flener, who came to Catholic from Glasgow High School, compiled a 53-12 record in two seasons as the Knights' head coach. The former Glasgow coach inherited the team that won the 2002 state title, but LexCath wasn't able to get out of the regional tournament under Flener, losing to Henry Clay in the

2003 regional semifinals and losing to Lafayette in this year's championship game.

Both of Flener's Lexington Catholic teams ranked among the best in the state.

A new head coach could be in place as soon as early-May.



The 2004 Harold-Allen-Prater Little League season is underway. More photos from Opening Day appear inside today's edition.

ALC baseball team splits doubleheader

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES — The Alice Lloyd College baseball team split a double-header with West Virginia Tech College on Tuesday. Alice Lloyd dropped the first game as West Virginia Tech took a 9-2 victory. The only bright spot for the Eagles was junior first baseman Byron Hall hitting a solo blast over the left field wall. Hall is a graduate of South Floyd High School.

Joey Hager made sure the Eagles avoided a sweep by pitching six magnificent innings on his way to leading ALC to a 8-4 victory in the second game. Hager hit as high as 94 on the radar gun. The Eagles bats backed Hager up with extra base hits.

Hall played well in game two as he hit another monster homer over the left field wall. Hall now has four bombs on the

(See TEAM page two)



Robbins



Hall

Coaches still optimistic 5/8 rule will be abolished

by ED TAYLOR
SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

If all goes well later this month, Kentucky basketball coach Tubby Smith may get just what he has been wishing for, an abolishment of the 5/8 rule that limits colleges to just five scholarships in one year and no more than eight in two years.

Smith and the Wildcats are hot on the recruiting trail of seven-footer Randolph Morris of Georgia. But NCAA runner-up Georgia Tech seems to have the inside track on Morris. Kentucky already has their limits of 13 scholarships for this coming season and would have to fanagle a little to sign Morris.

Adam Williams, West Virginia's Mr. Basketball, will attend prep school next year allowing the Cats to ink Joe Crawford. Morris, who says he plans to play one year of college ball before making the jump to the NBA, will make his decision next month when the early signing period ends.

CASEY AT BAT

Cincinnati's Sean Casey is off to one of his best starts as a major leaguer batting nearly .400 this season. The lefthanded hitter clubbed two home runs in a 9-5 loss to the Atlanta Braves last Wednesday night.

However, the Reds bullpen was not able to protect a one run Reds lead in the top of the ninth and failed to score the winning run in the bottom of the inning when Jason LaRue opened the Reds half with a lead off double.

NBA PLAYOFFS

The NBA (National Brats Association) playoffs are

underway and I have tried to get interested in the game once again. Once again, I cannot stand the attitude of the group of players who are making the millions while at the same time ruining the game.

MSU'S ROBERTS TO THE NBA?

Mississippi State's Lawrence Roberts has indicated he will test his chances of being drafted in the June NBA draft. If Roberts is picked in the first round, he will have played his final season for the Bulldogs.

Roberts was named the SEC's Player of the Year after leading the 'Dogs to the SEC regular season championship.

FINALLY...

I spent last week back home in the hills of Kentucky and it

was great.

Although we had to endure the three days of rain (Monday through Wednesday) still we had some beautiful weather after that.

It is always good to come back to Floyd County and see some old friends.

I met Kookie Dingus and his daughter at Wal-Mart while in town and he does not look like he has aged any. Kookie has been a good friend for many years.

I had a phone conversation with Delores Dingus Thursday and we talked

about the upcoming Memorial Day Martin School Reunion. Delores works hard at these things and still is a diehard Purple Flash.

Until Wednesday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

Kelly chooses Western Kentucky; Lofton opts for Tennessee

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Sacred Heart star Crystal Kelly will continue her career at Western Kentucky, while Mason County star Chris Lofton will play at Tennessee.

The 2004 Associated Press girls' and boys' high school basketball players of the year announced their college choices on Thursday.

The 6-foot-3 Kelly triggered an intense recruiting war between Kentucky, Louisville

and Western Kentucky. Louisville men's coach Rick Pitino and Kentucky men's coach Tubby Smith made pitches to Kelly along the way.

Kelly anchored one of the most successful runs in state high school basketball history. The Valkyries won 139 of 148 games and 111 of their last 114 with Kelly on the roster. Sacred Heart has won the last three state championships and 95 consecutive games against in-state opponents.

In her career, Kelly finished with 2,377 points, 1,478 rebounds, 370 steals, 366 blocked shots, 349 assists, 926 field goals and 524 free throws and shot 65 percent from the field.

The 6-3 Lofton guided Mason County to its first state championship in 2003 and to a runner-up finish in 2004. Lofton said he called Tennessee coach Buzz Peterson on Wednesday night to tell him he was going to become a Volunteer.

Lofton said he won't sign his national letter of intent until Mason County coach Kelly Wells recovers from kidney-transplant surgery.

Lofton scored a school-record 2,763 career points. He averaged 26.8 points per game this season and shot 46 percent from 3-point range (353-of-764) and 84 percent from the free-throw line (354-of-424) in his career.

Stewart

and everyone else at the plate tracks. Earnhardt's DEI teammate, Michael Waltrip, is just about as strong.

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It's only appropriate. "We, as a company do that for Dale," Gilmore added, referring to team founder Dale Earnhardt, a six-time plate-race winner who was killed three years ago in the Daytona 500. "We feel it keeps his legacy going."

Stewart would love to stop the DEI juggernaut — or at least slow it down. To do it, though, he'll probably contin-

ue working with Earnhardt on the track.

"We both know that we run really well together," Stewart said. "I guess, to a certain degree, we are unofficial teammates. It seems like Junior and I somehow always find each other and get with each other and have the confidence in one another."

"Our view is that if we get together, then we can go by everybody. As long as we end up getting grouped together, we always get back to the front — no matter what."

Rebels

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Justin Jacobs and Wilfredo Dominguez each had three hits apiece. Jacobs had a pair of doubles and a single. Dominguez tapped out three singles.

Little, Brock Kidd and Ramon Spurlock each had two hits. Tyler Turner, Nick Music, Ryan Hammonds and Alex Hammonds each had a hit apiece.

Little drove in three runs for the winning team.

The Blackcats rallied to score

three runs in the final inning before running out of offensive answers.

Jarred McGuire and Josh Rodebaugh led the Prestonsburg offense with a pair of hits each. Stephens, Brandon Campbell, Jason Hughes, Ed Osborne and Nick McGuire each collected a hit for the Blackcats.

Both teams had fielding trouble. Allen Central committed five errors and Prestonsburg three.

Team

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2004 season. Junior third baseman Jeff Robbins hit a line drive bomb over the left center field fence accounting for his third home run of the season. Sophomore utility man David Hatfield got a start at second base and went 2-for-4 including a screamer off of the left field wall in his first at-bat. Freshman catcher Matthew Toney hit the first triple of his short college career. Adam Blevins made his first career start in center field and roped a double. First baseman Noah May went 1-for-4 and recorded his first stolen base of the season on a delayed steal.

Freshman Blake Howard beat out an infield hit with his hustle down the line. Alice Lloyd is in a weekend series this weekend with Brevard College

Macy withdraws from coaching search

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOREHEAD — Morehead State basketball coach Kyle Macy withdrew his name Thursday from the search for a new coach at Tennessee-Chattanooga.

Jeff Lebo resigned at Chattanooga two weeks ago to take over as the coach at Auburn.

Earlier this month, Macy also turned down an offer to become the head coach at Loyola of Chicago. Macy, a former University of Kentucky star, is 91-105 in seven seasons at Morehead State, his only head-coaching job. The Eagles finished 16-13 last season and were 20-9 with an Ohio Valley Conference co-championship in 2002-03.

"I enjoyed my visit to Chattanooga and wish them the best of luck in their search," Macy said in a statement. "However, I feel we are in the final stages of bringing in an outstanding recruiting class to Morehead State University, and that group needs to know who their coach will be."

One of those signees is Jonathan True, a 6-foot-11 center from Stanford, Ky. The Lincoln County High School standout averaged 16.5 points, 9.8 rebounds and 6.5 blocked shots per game as a senior.

True is the third player in Morehead State's current recruiting class. He joins Chris Holmes from South Lakes High School in Reston, Va., and Quenton Pryor of Eupora, Miss., a transfer from Jackson State (Tenn.) Community College. Macy said additional signees are likely during the current signing period.

Reds claim Romano, demote Olmedo

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The Reds claimed outfielder Jason Romano off waivers from Tampa Bay and sent shortstop Ray Olmedo back to the minors on Thursday.

Romano, 24, went 1-for-8 in four games for the Devil Rays, who acquired him from Los Angeles on April 3 for shortstop Antonio Perez. Tampa Bay designated him for assignment on Tuesday.

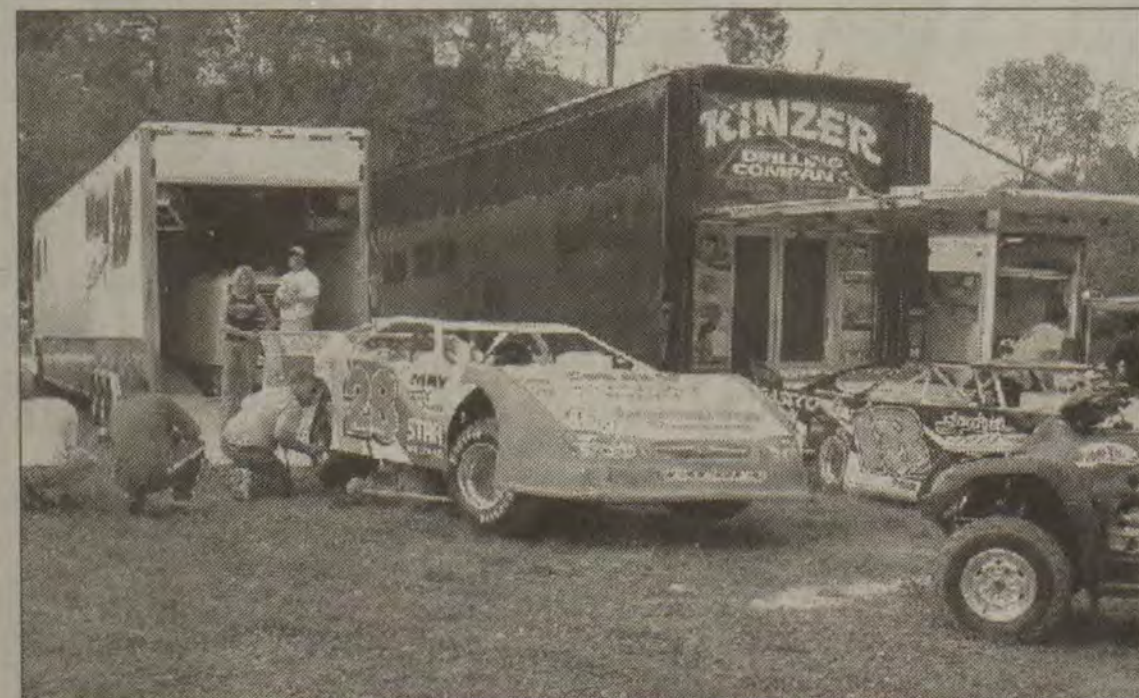
The Reds think that Romano will give them a little more speed and flexibility off the

bench.

Olmedo, 22, got his first promotion to the majors last season. He was the only position player on the roster who didn't start a game this season.

Olmedo had only one at-bat and got into seven games as a defensive replacement. He was optioned to Triple-A Louisville.

"We all know Ray Olmedo needs to get everyday at-bats, and that was not happening here," general manager Dan O'Brien said. "It seemed like a good opportunity to make that move."



Floyd County Late Model drivers Chuckie May (28) and Brandon Kinzer (18) ventured to Half Mountain Speedway last year and will likely do the same some in 2004. Half Mountain located in Royalton, was scheduled to open its 2004 race season last night.

Bengals keep helmets, change rest of uniform

by TERRY KINNEY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — The striped helmets stay. Marvin Lewis isn't messing with those. But the Cincinnati Bengals are making other sartorial changes this season for only the second time in franchise history.

Fans who buy the expensive seats in Paul Brown Stadium got a look at the new uniforms Thursday in an invitation-only fashion show.

"We've been trying to get new uniforms ever since we opened up the stadium," said linebacker Brian Simmons, one of several players who modeled the new look.

Combinations of predominantly black, white and orange jerseys and black and white pants give the Bengals six uniform options, all with black shoes.

"It's important that we kept the tradition of the stripes and colors," Lewis said. He said the new uniforms give a feel of "energy, movement and speed."

When the Bengals took the field for the first time in 1968, they wore uniforms similar to the ones worn by the Cleveland Browns when Bengals founder Paul Brown coached there. The main difference in the orange helmets was that Cincinnati's had "Bengals" stenciled on the sides.

When the team made a radical change before the 1981 season, going for striped helmets and pants, players joked that they would have to play well so opponents wouldn't poke fun at the new, gaudy design.

They made it to the Super Bowl that season, losing to San Francisco.

Only minor changes were made for the next several years, such as adding a leaping tiger logo to the uniform sleeves.

Players lobbied for a different look last season, their first under Lewis, and he got the NFL's permission for the team to wear black pants for the first

and last games.

It was the first time the Bengals wore black jerseys and pants, and the games were disasters — lopsided losses to Denver and Cleveland at home.

The season-ending loss to the Browns eliminated Cincinnati from playoff contention, and the Bengals finished their 13th straight season without a winning record.

"I think it will be good for us," defensive end Justin Smith said of the change. "We're coming off an 8-8 season and hopefully that will be the worst one we have."

VanSickel named to All-America Strength Team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Nate VanSickel, a senior offensive lineman on the 2003 Kentucky football team, has been named to the 2003 All-America Strength Team as chosen by the National Strength and Conditioning Association.

Each year, the NSCA recognizes football players whose exceptional dedication and performance in the weight room enables them to maximize their performance on the field.

VanSickel came to UK as a walk-on lineman. He earned his first varsity action as a junior in the 2002 season, playing in 11 games as a reserve defensive tackle. He moved to the offensive line in the spring of 2003 and quickly adapted to his new position. He played in 11 games last season, including starting assignments in the win over Murray State and against Florida.

"Nate's work in the weight room gave him a chance to play major-college football," said UK Strength Coach Marc Hill, who nominated VanSickel for the award. "From walk-on to a player who started in the Southeastern Conference, Nate is what a strength coach hopes to have out of each player."

Since 1976, UK has had 22 players named to the NSCA All-America team. This is the third consecutive year that UK has had a player honored, including VanSickel, linebacker Ronnie Riley (2002), and safety Patrick Wiggins (2001).

Kentucky head coach Rich Brooks will be featured on a live chat session on uakthletics.com on Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. Fans may submit questions in advance or during the chat session by clicking on the link on the front page of uakthletics.com.

Sifford breaks another barrier

by DOUG FERGUSON
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Charlie Sifford broke another barrier Thursday.

Sifford, who cracked the PGA Tour's Caucasian-only clause in 1961 and was the first black member to win on tour, is the first black chosen for the World Golf Hall of Fame.

Sifford will be inducted Nov. 15, along with 1992 U.S. Open champion Tom Kite, Japanese star Isao Aoki and Canadian amateur Marlene Stewart Streit.

"This is very wonderful," Sifford said from the ceremony in Savannah, Ga. "I thank all these wonderful players for accepting me. I know I had some bad days and tough days. But it looks like everything worked out fine."

Streit is the first Canadian in the Hall of Fame. She won the U.S. Senior Women's Amateur title last year at 69, her sixth decade of winning an elite amateur title.

Kite, a 19-time winner and seven-time Ryder Cup player, was elected through the PGA Tour ballot. Aoki was elected through the International ballot.

That brings membership in the World Golf Hall of Fame to 104. No one from the LPGA Tour will be inducted unless Laura Davies wins two tournaments or a major this year.

Sifford was a true pioneer, along with Teddy Rhodes, Pete Brown, Lee Elder, Bill Spiller and other blacks who kept playing with hopes of getting a chance on the PGA Tour.

Tiger Woods paid tribute to them when he won the '97 Masters for his first major, and he spoke in October about the absence of blacks in golf's Hall of Fame.

"They never had a chance to play," Woods said. "Whether it's pioneers like Teddy Rhodes or Bill Spiller or Charlie, they fought all those years just to get on the tour. It's going to be very difficult for them to gain acceptance because of the fact they had no playing record on tour."

"One person who should get in, without a doubt, is Charlie."

Sifford was elected through the Lifetime Achievement category and said he was stunned when PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem called with the news.

"It's a wonderful honor, one I've been waiting on a long time," he said.

Sifford was among the stars on the United Golf Association tour, where blacks could compete for small purses on public courses. He was able to play a couple of PGA Tour events that allowed blacks, although he paid a price.

In the 1952 Phoenix Open, Sifford and his all-black foursome found excrement in the cup on the first hole, and waited

nearly an hour for the cup to be replaced.

Sifford won the 1957 Long Beach Open against a field that included Gene Littler, Jack Fleck and Tommy Bolt, although it wasn't an official PGA Tour victory because it was only 54 holes.

As pressure increased on the PGA Tour, Sifford was granted a tour card in 1960, and the

Caucasian-only clause was lifted a year later.

Still, Sifford's homecoming to North Carolina to play in the 1961 Greater Greensboro Open included a telephone death threat and racial slurs hurled at him as he walked the fairways. He tied for fourth.

In his book, "Just Let Me Play," Sifford wrote, "I hadn't won the tournament in

Greensboro, but I felt a larger victory. I had come through my first Southern tournament with the worst kind of social pressure and discrimination around me, and I hadn't cracked. I hadn't quit."

Sifford won the 1967 Greater Hartford Open by closing with a 64 for a one-shot victory over Steve Oppermann. Two years later at Rancho Park, he birdied

the first hole of a playoff to beat Harold Henning in the Los Angeles Open.

Kite was one of the steadiest players of his generation. He finished in the top 20 on the PGA Tour money list 15 consecutive seasons and twice won the money title.

His most productive year was

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Gordon, all others chasing team DEI

by MIKE HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Jeff Gordon is racing for more than third place at Talladega Superspeedway.

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Gordon would like to at least slow DEI this weekend.

Last September, he was running third on this track on the final lap as the lead pack entered the turn three. Instead of staying in line and virtually guaranteeing himself a third-place finish, Gordon made a move to try to win.

"I don't race to finish third," Gordon said. "I had some help behind me as we entered turn three and got a run on Dale. Michael pulled high to block me and I left too much room on the inside. Kevin (Harvick) pulled alongside and it just stopped my momentum."

"I just had to fight for the best finish possible after that, which was fifth."

Talladega, wider and more steeply banked than Daytona's 2.5-mile oval, lends itself to three- and sometimes four-wide racing at speeds hovering in the 190s. Thanks to the plates, the cars all have about the same power and it's hard for anyone to break away.

Somehow, though, Earnhardt Jr. and Waltrip always seem to be at or near the front at the end.

"DEI has hit on something in their restrictor-plate program and we're all playing catch up," Gordon said.

Gordon struggled early on at Talladega, posting no top 10s and leading only 10 laps in his first four events at the track. Since then, he has two victories (1996, 2000), nine top fives and 12 top 10s. He has led 464 laps in 18 races.

"This track isn't physically demanding, but my eyeballs seem to hurt after each race," Gordon said. "Your concentration level is so high for such an extended period of time."

NASCAR IN CAR receives Emmy Award

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

NEW YORK — NASCAR IN CAR, television's first enhanced multi-channel digital sports package, received its second Emmy. The George Wensel Outstanding Innovative

Technical Achievement Award from the National Academy of Television, at the 25th Annual Sports Emmy Awards black-tie dinner ceremony at the Marriot Marquis Hotel in New York City. The innovative package features technology that lets viewers switch from car to car with their digital cable remote, and allows them to feel the rush, adrenaline and power of NASCAR Nextel Cup Series racing from the driver's seat.

"We are very pleased by the reaction of fans, by the praise received from within racing circles and from television sports business in general to this very unique, digital cable package," said Stacie Gray, vice president, executive creative director, iN DEMAND and executive producer of NASCAR IN CAR. "This prestigious award from the National Television Academy also reflects the extraordinary team effort by my colleagues at iN DEMAND and NASCAR and those of all our outstanding partners who collaborated on the creation of this package."

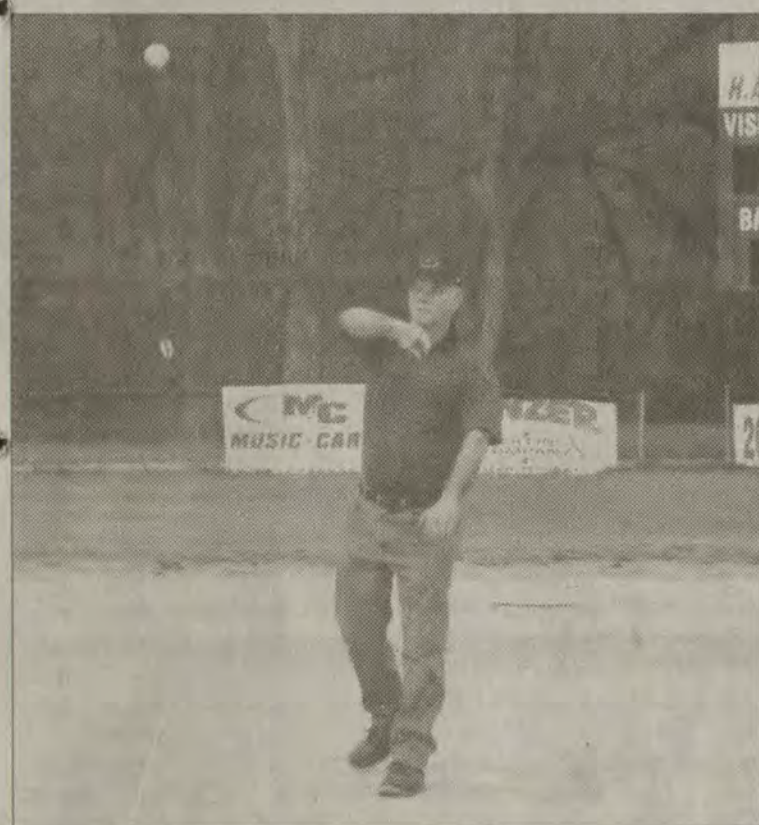
"This is a complete thrill for us," said Jeffrey Pollack, managing director of broadcasting and new media for NASCAR Digital Entertainment and executive producer of NASCAR IN CAR. "It's an honor to be recog-

nized by the best minds in sports broadcasting for our work on this show. On behalf of everyone at NASCAR, and all of our drivers, teams and tracks, we're appreciative and grateful to the National Television Academy and we are proud to share this award with our talented, dedicated partners at iN DEMAND."

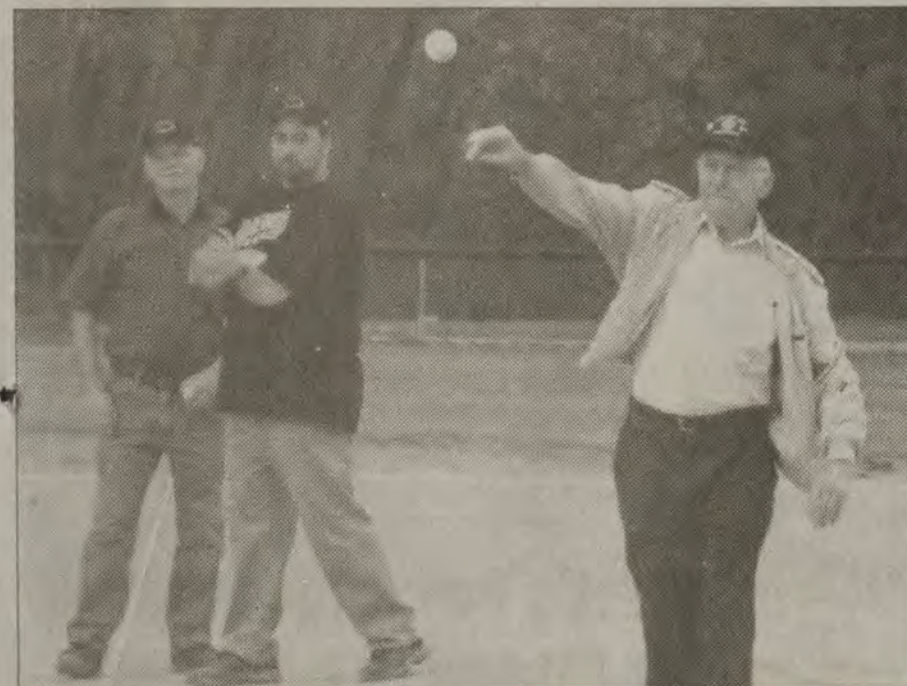
Presented by the National Television Academy, The Sports Emmy awards were created to inspire and further the pursuit of excellence in sports broadcasting. The honor recognizes outstanding achievement in sports television reporting and other coverage.

iN DEMAND Networks and NASCAR Digital Entertainment first enjoyed accolades for their joint effort from the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences last October, when the first full-season of NASCAR IN CAR won the 2003 Emmy Award for Outstanding Achievement in Interactive Television for a Single Program.

NASCAR IN CAR offers seven channels of flag-to-flag in-car camera coverage featuring live team audio communications and real-time in-car data displayed on virtual dashboards. The package features three cameras in each of the seven cars — one facing out the front of the car, one facing out the rear and one inside the car capable of rotating 360 degrees.



Vaughn Watson, a Vietnam War veteran, was one of the veterans throwing out first pitches early this week at HAP Little League games. Jeff Watson, son of the Vietnam Vet, coaches the Diamondbacks.



Dennis Kidd, a World War II veteran, has had 27 children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren play in Harold-Allen-Prater Little League. Kidd was among the vets throwing out first pitches.

HAP Little League held Opening Day ceremonies Monday, at which time war veterans shared in throwing out the first pitches.



Midway Road wins Ben Ali in record time

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Midway Road, with Robby Albarado aboard, set a Keeneland record in winning Thursday's featured Ben Ali Stakes for 3-year-olds and up.

The 4-year-old son of Jade Hunter covered the 1 1/8 miles on a sloppy track in 1:46.78 and won by 11 1/4 lengths over Evening Attire. The previous track record for the distance was 1:46.87, set by Good Command in 1987 and matched by Grand Jewel in 1993.

Midway Road, who finished

second to Funny Cide in last year's Preakness, paid \$12.20, \$3.20 and \$2.10. The Neil Howard-trained colt won for the 11th time and increased his career bankroll to \$418,085.

Evening Attire, the 1-2 favorite, paid \$2.20 and \$2.10.

Sir Cherokee, winner of the 2003 Arkansas Derby, was another half-length back in third and paid \$2.10.

Midway Road gave Albarado, Howard and owner Will Farish their second straight win in the Ben Ali. The trio won last year with Mineshaft.

NASCAR, Reader's Digest partner on youth books

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

PLEASANTVILLE, N.Y. — Reader's Digest Children's Publishing on Tuesday announced an agreement to publish and distribute books in the United States and Canada based on the popular NASCAR auto racing brand, bringing the exciting world of NASCAR racing to younger fans.

"We are delighted that we will be creating books based on America's second most-watched spectator sport," said Harold Clarke, vice president and publisher, Trade Publishing, for the Reader's Digest Association, Inc. "With 75 million fans, NASCAR is a hit with both children and adults and fits well into our strategy of developing book products 'driven' by America's strongest brands."

Mark Dyer, vice president of licensing and consumer products at NASCAR, said "As the popularity of NASCAR continues to grow, especially with younger fans, we're partnering with the best publishers to sate our fans' thirst for information

and entertainment. More than half of all kids 7-12 years old are NASCAR fans. In this age group, NASCAR is now the No. 2 televised sport. We're excited to collaborate with Reader's Digest to bring quality books to this growing market of passionate fans."

Reader's Digest Children's Books are distributed by Simon & Schuster, and can be purchased through retail and online bookstores nationally. Beginning in June 2004, Reader's Digest Children's Publishing will release the initial three NASCAR-related titles:

NASCAR CarryAlong Book: Cars/Drivers/Races (\$14.99) will serve as the perfect introduction to the NASCAR line.

With colorful photographs and simple text, this book will give youngsters an inside look at the drivers and their cars, plus offer behind-the-scenes information about NASCAR races, tracks, pit crews and more. Brightly colored tabs on every page help young readers find their favorite subjects easily. The handy clasp

and sturdy rubber handle — which looks just like a racing tire and has the NASCAR logo on it — will let kids take this book, and the action of NASCAR auto racing, with them wherever they go.

NASCAR Middle Grade Books: Speedway Superstars and The Greatest Races (\$4.99): With 8-page photo inserts and 16 black and white photos throughout, these books will grab the attention of any 8-12 year old. Speedway Superstars focuses on NASCAR'S greatest drivers — all the greats from Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt, to today's top drivers, will be included, along with fascinating fact-filled sidebars about the tracks, cars and pit crews.

The Greatest Races covers the most memorable events in NASCAR history including the first Daytona 500 in 1959, the 1974 Firecracker 400, 1984 Winston 500, and the 2003 Darlington race when Ricky Craven edged Kurt Busch by a fraction of an inch in the closest-ever NASCAR race finish.

HBO documentary shows grueling demands of being a jockey

by BETH HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — They're the little people who hop on the backs of 1,100-pound thoroughbred horses for a 40-mph ride around a racetrack up to 10 times a day.

What jockeys go through to prepare for those rides is some-

thing the public rarely sees. Many abuse their bodies trying to reach riding weights that range from 110 to 117 pounds.

The effects of the self-induced vomiting, lengthy sauna sessions and use of diuretics, laxatives and stimulants is shown in "Jockey," a 90-minute documentary debuting on HBO's "America Undercover"

series at 8 p.m. EDT Monday.

"I had a hunch there was a dark side of racing that hadn't been exposed," director Kate Davis said about her reason for making the film.

The film follows the careers of jockeys Shane Sellers, Randy Romero and 23-year-old Chris Rosier, three Louisiana natives and friends who succumbed to

the same damaging weight-loss habits.

Sellers will ride The Cliff's Edge in the Kentucky Derby on May 1; Romero, 46, is retired and awaiting kidney and liver transplants after years of bulimia; and Rosier is planning a comeback after being injured in a racing accident.

Sellers said he was speaking out in the hope racetracks nationwide will raise the minimum weights for jockeys, which vary from track to track.

"You're asking grown men to maintain that kind of weight and it's dangerously low," he told The Associated Press. "The majority of us have 2 percent to 3 percent body fat. Any doctor will tell you that under 5 percent body weight, you're doing permanent damage to your organs."

Filmed mostly in Kentucky in 2002, the documentary takes viewers into the private world of jockey rooms, where riders take desperate measure to reduce weight in time to ride.

No one is shown vomiting, but Sellers provides a look at the "heaving bowl" next to the toilet stalls at Churchill Downs.

"It sounds gross and it is gross, but it's reality," Sellers says in the film.

He points out the room's 105-degree whirlpool and sauna, saying, "This is what I call a jail."

Sellers says other riders taught him how to vomit, which he did routinely for 15 years. He has capped teeth because stomach acid ate the enamel off his own. Romero's teeth are false for the same reason.

Still photos show the extensive burns Romero suffered when he caught fire after a light bulb exploded in a sauna while he was smeared with alcohol and oil for maximum weight loss.

In the film, the seemingly

skinny Rosier is told profanely to get into the sauna and lose weight before his next race.

"Eating is the hardest thing in the world to quit," he says in the documentary.

Since filming ended, Rosier learned he's diabetic, a condition his doctor said was likely caused by the stress of constant weight reduction.

"When you have to get down to 114, 115 pounds every day, that's when it really starts putting a stress on you," Rosier in an AP interview. "You're so wore out and tired. You tend to have mood swings."

The film also shows Romero's horrific accident in the 1990 Breeders' Cup Distaff, when his mount, Go For Wand, broke her front leg. Romero was thrown headfirst to the ground and the horse later was destroyed. The jockey got up and rode again that day.

Rosier is seen in a similar accident that caused a concussion.

"Some of the footage that

appears in the documentary might make the casual viewer at home wince," said Keith Chamblin, senior vice president of marketing for the National Thoroughbred Racing Association.

HBO's decision to air the film in the week leading up to the Kentucky Derby isn't ideal for the NTRA, the sport's New York-based marketing arm. The group doesn't set jockey weight limits; officials at individual tracks determine them.

Chamblin took issue with the various replays of Romero's accident.

"We would have preferred that footage not be utilized, but nonetheless, the events did occur," he said. "There's no forsaking the fact that jockeys put their life on the line as many as 10 times a day when they climb on those horses."

Most jockeys don't like to talk about their weight-loss methods or dwell on the dangers

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Supreme Court blocks Clarett's effort to enter NFL draft

by GINA HOLLAND
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The NFL draft will go on this weekend without Maurice Clarett.

The former Ohio State running back's bid to enter the draft was turned down by the Supreme Court on Thursday, delaying his

attempt to bypass the league's eligibility rule.

Clarett filed separate emergency appeals with Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Justice John Paul Stevens. But both were rejected Thursday, and the player's lawyer said he will not make a third try.

Neither justice ruled on the

merits of Clarett's claim that the NFL rule that bars him from entering the draft because of his age is arbitrary and anticompetitive, robbing young players of an opportunity to enter the multimillion-dollar marketplace.

But the justices refused to consider a lower-court decision that put the lawsuit on hold, leaving Clarett's name out of the NFL draft that begins Saturday.

Ginsburg said Clarett could still get to the NFL this year since the league has expressed a willingness to promptly hold a supplemental draft if Clarett prevails in his lawsuit.

Clarett, who is two years out of high school, is challenging the NFL's requirement that players wait three years after high school before turning pro.

His attorneys cited a court ruling that allows major league baseball players to move among teams, and other court decisions that opened the NBA, the NHL and the now-defunct U.S. Football League to younger players.

The issue is pending before 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New York, which put on hold a lower-court ruling that said the NFL can't enforce its three-year rule.

Clarett lawyer Alan Milstein declined to comment Friday on what his next legal move might be.

The NFL contends younger

Tug Valley Bass Anglers hold tournament on Barren River Lake

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

GLASGOW — The Tug Valley Bass Anglers held its second tournament of the 2004 season April 17-18 on Barren River Lake. This was also our first of two, two-day tournaments. Fourteen boats competed in the tournament.

Barren River is basically a highland type reservoir. It resembles Yatesville Lake, but it is about twice as big. The water ranged from lightly stained in the middle part of the lake to stained and muddy in the rivers. The water had warmed up to the high 60s the weekend before the tournament and the fish were

up and feeding. Early in the week a cold front came through dumping several inches of rain and up to four inches of snow on the Glasgow region. This cooled the water back down and kept the fish in a prespawn pattern for the tournament. The water temperature during the tournament days ranged from 55 to 62 degrees in most areas of the lake. The winner of the tournament found a bay with water temps in the high 60s to 71 degrees.

The fishing for this tournament was slow. The fish were still in prespawn mode but they

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photo by Jamie Howell



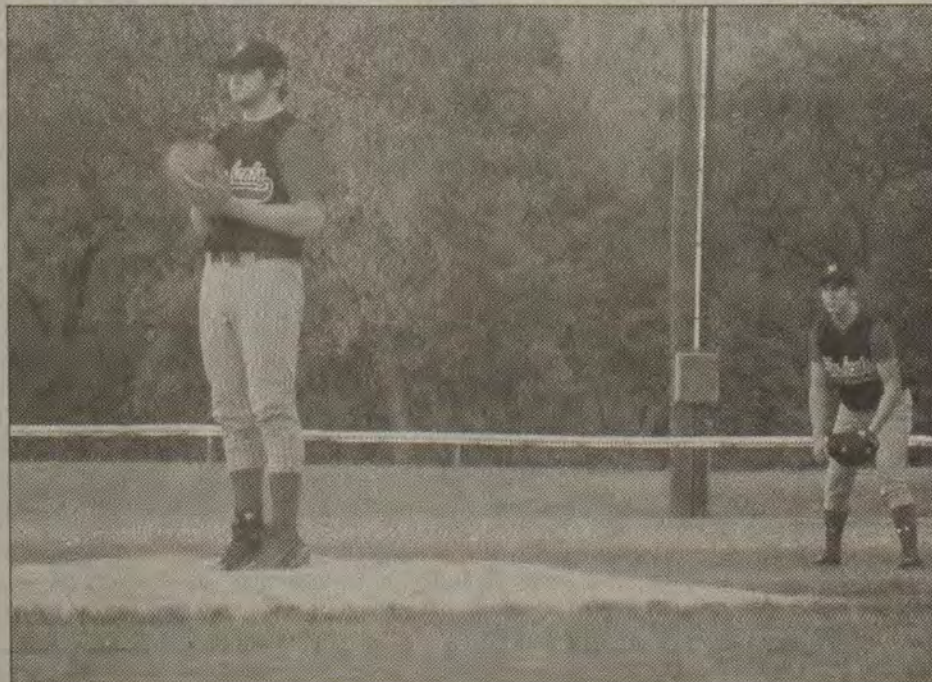
Nick Music squared around to bunt during Allen Central's win over Floyd County rival Prestonsburg.



photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg High senior Jarred McGuire stood in against Allen Central pitcher Scott Little (not pictured).

photo by Jamie Howell



John Mark Stephens got the nod Thursday as the starting pitcher for Prestonsburg.

NBA: Warriors promote Mullin

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OAKLAND, Calif. — Chris Mullin was introduced as the Warriors' executive vice president of basketball operations.

Mullin averaged at least 25 points per game each season from 1988-93. He played 13 of his 16 NBA seasons with Golden State, making the All-NBA first team in 1992.

PORTLAND, Ore. —

Portland Trail Blazers forward Zach Randolph won the NBA's Most Improved Player award.

Randolph, who became a starter this season and averaged double figures in points and rebounds, easily beat Cleveland Cavaliers forward Carlos Boozer in voting by sports writers and broadcasters.

Randolph averaged 20.1 points, 10.5 rebounds and 2.0 assists for the Blazers.

One year later, Funny Cide owners still riding high

by JOHN KEKIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACKETTS HARBOR, N.Y. — Mark Phillips still marvels at it all.

He and his partners in Sacketts Stable were severely strapped to pay \$75,000 for a chestnut gelding nobody else seemed to want. Then this horse, Funny Cide, went out and won last year's Kentucky Derby and Preakness, coming tantalizingly close to capturing the first Triple Crown in a quarter century.

"We're just a little five-horse stable," said Phillips, a retired math teacher who umpires baseball games on the field behind his high school alma mater along the eastern shore of Lake Ontario. "We can't compete with those millionaires that are out there purchasing horses for \$2 million apiece."

"I think we're all very understanding that we'll probably never, ever have a horse run in the Derby again," Phillips said. "This was a once-in-a-lifetime thing."

A year ago, Funny Cide stunned the world of thoroughbred horse racing — and transformed the everyday lives of the six high school buddies who each own a share in the horse. Only a third-place finish in the Belmont kept Funny Cide from the first Triple Crown since Affirmed in 1978.

"The impacts have certainly been significant," said Harold Cring, who operates a construction company. "I can't hardly go anywhere without somebody remembering that we were part of the Kentucky Derby."

"I'm just happy all the time it seems," said J.P. Constance, an optician. "This horse thing is just so much fun. It hasn't taken over my life, but it certainly has enhanced it."

About the only downer for the Sacketts Six these days is not having an entry this year in the great American horse race, to be run next Saturday. It's not something they dwell on.

"This year we're thrilled," said Jack Knowlton, a health care consultant who nine years ago prodded his good friends to put up \$5,000 apiece to start the stable. "We did great just to get tickets."

Funny Cide, the first New York bred to win the Derby, opened his 4-year-old campaign for trainer Barclay Tagg by winning an optional claiming race at Gulfstream Park in January, then finished third in the Donn and New Orleans handicaps.

Jockey Jose Santos guided Funny Cide back to the winner's circle April 3, capturing the \$200,000 Excelsior Breeders' Cup at Aqueduct after a spirited duel with Evening Attire on a muddy track. It was Funny Cide's first race in New York since Empire Maker foiled his Triple Crown bid last June at Belmont. The win boosted his career earnings past \$2 million.

Knowlton said Funny Cide is being pointed at the Pimlico Special in May and the Massachusetts Handicap in June. And although Funny Cide will be at the Saratoga meet in July and August, whether he makes his debut on the nation's oldest racetrack is up in the air. That decision is up to Tagg, who chose not to run him in the Travers Stakes last summer and doesn't want him to run if it's extremely hot.

"The nice thing about him this year is we're not under any intense pressure to do anything in particular," Knowlton said.

"We'll see how he comes out of that last race."

"My dream is for Funny Cide to stay healthy, sound and fast for four to five years," Knowlton said. "That will allow us to be at the top of the game for an extended period, go to big races, and enjoy the sport. That's rare for somebody in our circumstance."

Nine of the 10 partners in Sacketts Stable now have their sights set on returning to Churchill Downs, and not only to watch the Kentucky Derby. They will be signing copies of their new book — "Funny Cide: How a Horse, a Trainer, a Jockey, and a Bunch of High School Buddies Took on the Sheiks and Blue Bloods ... and Won."

"With the book out, we kidding say our 15 minutes of fame has been extended," Knowlton said. "It'll be a lot of fun."

The ride to the track on Derby day might not be as memorable, though. Unlike last year, there will be no huge entourage, so no need to rent another yellow school bus.

"We're not going to worry about school buses," Knowlton said. "Tell everybody we graduated."

Baffert's Preachinathebar out of Derby

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Preachinathebar was declared out of the Kentucky Derby by trainer Bob Baffert, who called the colt's Thursday morning workout "not good enough to win the race."

Following a seventh-place finish in the Blue Grass on April 10, Baffert hoped Preachinathebar would rebound with a few solid breezes at Churchill Downs.

But after watching the gray colt owned by Mike Pegram work five furlongs in 1:01 3/5, Baffert said the son of Silver Charm wasn't at the top of his game.

"Mike doesn't want to run

unless he has a shot to win, and to my standards the work wasn't good enough to win the Kentucky Derby."

Baffert, a three-time Derby winner, still has Wimbledon for next Saturday's Derby.

The defection allows Song of the Sword to get into a race that will have a maximum field of 20 starters. If more than 20 are entered, graded stakes earnings will determine the starters.

Preachinathebar was ranked 21st but was expected to get into the field because trainer Todd Pletcher said Value Plus — ranked 18th — was doubtful.

Song of the Sword is currently stabled at Keeneland after finishing third in last week's Lexington Stakes.

Dillon's replacement hopes to stay in Cincinnati

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Rudi Johnson's agent says the Bengals haven't made a serious effort to discuss a long-term contract even though his client is now the unquestioned starter at tailback after the trade of Corey Dillon.

"Rudi has instructed me he loves the city, he loves the organization, and he wants to play for (coach) Marvin Lewis," agent Peter Schaffer said Thursday. "The Bengals know this. But we can't force them."

The Bengals do not comment on negotiations with players, team spokesman Jack Brennan said Friday.

Johnson, whose contract has expired, is yet to sign the \$1.8 million, one-year tender offer Cincinnati gave him on March 1. Johnson had been a restricted free agent until that status expired April 16 under NFL rules. The Bengals now hold the exclusive rights to him for 2004.

Johnson rushed for 957 yards and nine touchdowns in 2003 despite sharing time with Dillon, who was hampered by

injury, then chafed at his reduced role and said he wanted out of Cincinnati. The Bengals traded Dillon this week to New England for a second-round draft pick.

Without a long-term agreement, Johnson will play this season for Cincinnati and then become an unrestricted free agent, Schaffer said.

Johnson, who modeled a redesigned Bengals uniform for fans Thursday at Paul Brown Stadium, said he hopes the Bengals keep him for years.

"I hope so. All I can do is just hope and just go out and play," he said.

Draft

players are not physically ready to play professional football and may harm themselves by over-training or resorting to steroid use.

"From the NFL's perspective, this was never really about Maurice Clarett," NFL attorney Gregg Levy said. "It was about a rule that has served the NFL well, served fans well and served players well for many years."

Clarett led Ohio State to a national football title as a freshman in 2002, but he was ruled ineligible as a sophomore for accepting money from a family friend and lying about it to NCAA and university investigators.

A victory by Clarett at the Supreme Court would have helped another college player as well: wide receiver Mike Williams of Southern California, who also is seeking to get into the draft in violation of the three-year rule.

"The NFL may have been suc-

cessful in keeping them out of Saturday's draft, but there's always the possibility of the supplemental draft," said Williams' agent, Mike Azzarelli.

While Williams would've been a first-round pick, Clarett was expected to be a late second-round or third-round choice. Clarett hasn't played since the 2002 season at Ohio State, showed up out of shape at the NFL scouting combine, and had what most scouts

considered a mediocre workout in Columbus, Ohio, earlier this month.

NCAA spokesman Jeff Howard said the schools also could appeal for reinstatement of Williams and Clarett, and such issues would be determined on a case-by-case basis.

"I think it would be premature to decide one way or the other where the membership will ultimately come to rest," he said.

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KDFWR investigating Kentucky's first boating fatality of 2004

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — Officers with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources Division of Law Enforcement are investigating the death of a New Liberty, Kentucky man after the canoe he was riding in capsized at about 3:15 p.m.

Tuesday on Lower Thomas Lake in Owen County.

William A. "Tony" Otter, 21, was canoeing with a friend when the craft overturned. The friend, also ejected from the canoe, communicated with Otter shortly after it capsized, but upon swimming to shore discovered Otter was missing.

Otter's body was recovered in about 15 feet of water shortly after 4 p.m. Tuesday. The victim was pronounced dead at the scene by Owen County Deputy Coroner Larry Perry. An autopsy was scheduled for 11 a.m. Wednesday.

There were no life jackets (PFD's) on the boat at the time of the accident.

"You can't help but think that if there had been a PFD available to this man that this tragedy could have been averted," said KDFWR Law Enforcement Colonel David Casey.

This is Kentucky's first fatal boating accident of 2004. Last year 10 people died in boating accidents in the Commonwealth. According to Casey, at least one personal flotation device for each passenger is required on board any boat while on the water.

The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) manages, regulates, enforces and promotes responsible use of all fish and wildlifesppecies, their habitats, public wildlife areas and waterways for the benefit of those resources and for public enjoyment. KDFWR, an agency of the Commerce Cabinet, has an economic impact to the state of \$4.8 billion annually. For more information on KDFWR, visit our web site at fw.ky.gov.

Sifford

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1989, when his three victories included The Players Championship and the Tour Championship, and Kite was voted player of the year.

But the season that mattered was 1992. Kite was responsible for the label now known as "Best Player to Have Never Won a Major," and he got rid of it with a gutsy final round in strong wind at Pebble Beach to win the U.S. Open.

"It's been a longtime dream and hope of getting inducted into the Hall of Fame," Kite said. "It's quite a thrill."

Aoki was not as prolific a winner in Japan as Jumbo Ozaki, but his game traveled well. He became the first

Japanese player to win a PGA Tour event in 1983, when he holed out for eagle on the last hole to win the Hawaiian Open. He also finished second to Jack Nicklaus in the 1980 U.S. Open.

Streit's first major title was the Canadian Ladies' Amateur in 1951, which she went on to win 11 times. She won the U.S. Women's Amateur and the British Ladies' Amateur in 1953, and continued to win big titles throughout her career.

"I played golf all my life for the love of the game," Streit said. "This is very huge for Canada, and I'm just proud. My greatest thrill in golf has been playing for my country."

MSU signs 6-11 True

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Jonathan True, a 6-11, 235-pound center from Stanford and a senior at Lincoln County High School, has signed a national letter-of-intent to play basketball at Morehead State University.

True was all-region and honorable mention all-state for Lincoln County. He was coached by Jeff Jackson. True played in the Ohio-Kentucky All-Star Game and was invited to the tryouts for the Kentucky-Indiana All-Star Series. True averaged 16.5 points, 9.8 rebounds and 6.5 blocked shots as a senior.

"Jonathan has great size, excellent hands and unlimited potential," said MSU Coach Kyle Macy. "I am excited by the thought that his best basketball is still ahead of him as we develop his skills. I believe Jonathan is the sleeper of this year's Kentucky senior class."

True is MSU's third signee of 2003-04. Chris Holmes from South Lakes High School in Reston, Va., and Quenton Pryor of Eupora, Miss., and Jackson State (Tenn.) Community College inked a national letters-of-earlier. Macy indicated that additional signees are likely during the spring period.

The Eagles finished 16-13 in 2003-04 and ranked third in the Ohio Valley Conference. The 2002-03 MSU squad finished 20-9 and shared the OVC Championship.

Cheer

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2003-2004 ALL CONFERENCE TEAM

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Debralee Farrell, Georgetown College
Paige Priest, Georgetown College
Katie Finnerm, Lambuth University
Emily Brewster, Lambuth University
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Kirby Saltzman, Lindsey Wilson College
Karen Haydu, Pikeville College

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Matt McCoy, Cumberland College
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Gretchen Morris, Cumberland University
Megan Stacy, Cumberland University
Tandi Poindexter, Cumberland University
Michelle Staed, Georgetown College
Paige Priest, Georgetown College
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Fans can attend UK cheerleading tryouts

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The University of Kentucky cheerleading squad will hold tryouts today at 3 p.m. ET in Memorial Coliseum. Fans are encouraged to come out and watch these Kentucky cheerleader hopefuls trying to earn a spot on the championship team. Admission is free.

"This is always an exciting time for Kentucky cheerleading," Coach Jomo Thompson

said. "We need to make sure we get the highest caliber athletes so we can continue our success on the national level. It's going to be a great event."

The Kentucky cheerleaders have been dominant at the UCA National Championships. They have won 13 overall national titles including nine of the last 10. For more information on the UK cheerleading squad, visit www.ukathletics.com/cheerleading.

Tug

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were in transition to full blown spawn. Most of the fish were caught on the main lake. The fish were staging on the flats near the ends of channel banks and on rocky points of pockets and bays. The fish seemed to be moving a lot. It was hard to stay on them two days in a row because they were moving from their staging areas to the spawning areas, but they were not there yet.

Brad Taylor finished first in the tournament followed by Brandon Staten.

Most of the fish were caught on crankbaits and jigs with spinnerbaits and soft plastics also accounting for a few fish.

The weather for the tournament was stable with sunny skies all weekend. The wind however blew quiet hard at times making fishing difficult.

For more information about the Tug Valley Bass Anglers check out the club's website at www.se-tel.com/~tugvalleyanglers.

Results from the Barren River Lake follow.

TOP FINISHERS

Brad Taylor: Total — 24.63 lbs.
Brandon Staten: Total — 13.00 lbs.
Brian Compton: Total — 9.89 lbs.
Kevin Runyon: Total — 9.70 lbs.
Johnny Webb: Total — 8.61 lbs.

Mike Hackworth: Total — 7.55 lbs.
Joe Crockett: Total — 6.03 lbs.
Name withheld: Total — 5.70 lbs.
Ralph Taylor: Total — 4.74 lbs.
Doug Green: Total — 4.62 lbs.

TVBA accepting new members

The Tug Valley Bass Anglers is in its 14th year of existence and is one of the largest bass clubs in The club will be near 50 members before its next tournament.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 6 at the Johns Creek Elementary School. For more information call 606/237-5907.

HBO

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of race riding. Davis, the director, has shown the film at a handful of festivals.

"The general audience response has been one of real shock and outrage that these guys are at a starvation level from day-to-day," she said. "On the other hand, audiences are feeling they're seeing an enormous amount of courage, too."

On the Net: <http://www.hbo.com>

H.S. SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

Scores from Thursday, April 22

Barbourville 17	Pineville 2
Belfry 19	Williamson, W.Va. 2
Breathitt County 11	Knott County Central 3
Corbin 9	Clay County 1
Greenup County 2	Ashland Blazer 1
Hazard 21	Buckhorn 1 (5 innings)
Hazard 16	Buckhorn 3
Jellico, Tenn. 10	Williamsburg 8
June Buchanan 5	Riverside Christian 0
June Buchanan 3	Riverside Christian 0
Leitcher 1	Evarts 0
Lynn Camp 11	Whitley County 7
Middlesboro 14	Knox Central 4
Perry County Central 8	Leslie County 7
Pike County Central 9	Betsy Layne 1
Powell County 6	Owsley County 0
Pulaski County 7	South Laurel 0
Shelby Valley 12	Sheldon Clark 10
Somerset 7	Pulaski Southwestern 3
Whitesburg 10	Fleming-Neon 0

FAST-PITCH SOFTBALL

Boyd County 10	Magoffin County 0
(Boyd County Pre-Derby Classic)	
(5 innings)	
Boyd County 8	Rowan County 2
(Boyd County Pre-Derby Classic)	
(6 innings)	
Clay County 13	Corbin 3
Cordiam 10	Jenkins 3
East Ridge 16	Prestonsburg 0
Fleming-Neon 18	Johnson Central 14
Greenup County 3	Lawrence County 2
(Boyd County Pre-Derby Classic)	
Harlan 11	Evarts 1 (6 innings)
Leslie County 5	Knott County Central 4
Middlesboro 5	Cawood 3
Pikeville 2	Belfry 1 (9 innings)
Rowan County 14	Magoffin County 2
(Boyd County Pre-Derby Classic)	
Shelby Valley 11	Pike County Central 0
South Laurel 2	Somerset 0
Williamsburg 7	Whitley County 5



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SPECIAL COLUMN

**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.

Only God can make a tree—and only He knows what will make one jump out in the road in front of a woman driver.

THE OLD GRAY MARE, ETC.

If the streams and lake would only clear up as fast as the sky does! Here it is April 21, the hour is 2:40 p.m. and I haven't wet a line. While I'm waiting for clear water, almost anything could happen.

But the truth of the matter is, we who are waiting for the right conditions in water and weather just aren't in proper condition ourselves. A few years back, I went fishing on January 1, and in muddy water, and knew when I went that my chances were pretty slim. But, back then, No. 1 consideration was the fact that the opportunity to go fishing had arrived. And that was sufficient. Opportunity never had the chance to knock more than once.

It says here: "Some people talk so much they say things they hadn't thought of."

BREAK THE NEWS GENTLY

Heard the story of the fellow who inherited \$100,000 while he was in the hospital recuperating from a heart attack? His folks kept the news from him, fearing it might bring on another seizure. After several weeks and when the patient had returned to his home, his pastor was assigned the job of breaking the news to him.

The minister approached the subject by saying "What would you do if you inherited \$100,000?" The man said, "I would give half of it to my church."

Whereupon the preacher had a heart attack.

OF WORDS AND SUCH

My knowledge of Greek is absolutely nil, but even if they are Greek to me, some words of the language are interesting when explained in plain English. There, for instance, is that word for man, anthōpos. Now, at this late date, I learn that its literal meaning is, "the one who looks upward."

If I had known only a few men, I would be inclined to argue the matter with the old boys.

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MEET APPALACHIA



photo by Mary Music

Randy Lawson rearranges one of several of his paintings, now on display at the Mountain Arts Center. The artist, who says he feels he "enters" his paintings as he works on them, strives to preserve a piece of history for future generations.

Artist,
RANDY LAWSON

by **MARY MUSIC**
STAFF WRITER

A 12-year-old boy whose father recently picked up a hobby of taxidermy found his calling in a desk drawer. It was the same paint his father used to touch up colors of fish he mounted, the same paint his brother used on his battery light to catch night crawlers on a damp, spring evening, the same paint this boy used to create his masterpieces on an old piece of sheet rock in his parent's bedroom closet.

Meet Randy Lawson, local artist and instructor of art, whose life story is currently hanging in homes and businesses throughout the county. At least, that's what his wife, Mandy, says. She has a theory that Randy uses his art as a vehicle to express the most personal parts of his life story.

"He paints the simplistic beauty of the world around him and tells his own story of Kentucky," she said. "He uses the simplest things to explain his own

(See **LAWSON**, page seven)

**Larry Randal
Lawson**

Age: 31
Occupation: Artist, part time teacher
Education: BA, Studio Art, Morehead State University
Life quote: "The eyes are the window of the soul."

**About 'Meet
Appalachia'**

The people portrayed in this section are people I've met as I walk along the road of my life. They were on a street, in a store or restaurant. They were recommended by a friend, or the friend of a friend, as the old trend goes. All of them see life as they see it. I am only here to tell their stories as I see them. These are their hopes and challenges. These are their dreams and accomplishments. These are what they allow them to be.

— MARY MUSIC



photo by Mary Music

Randy visited the old Town Branch Bridge on the day the wrecking ball tore it down. He wanted to capture its history as a favor to one of his students.

**MOVIES FROM THE
BLACK LAGOON**

**BLOODFEAST
2: ALL U CAN
EAT - 2003,
Not Rated**

In 1963 a low budget filmmaker named Herschel Gordon Lewis invented the splatter film. Despite a limited budget, stiff acting and a soundtrack that consisted of some guy banging on a tom-tom this film went on to make a killing on the



Tom Doty
Staff Writer

drive-in circuit. The secret ingredient was the gory effects that, though cheesy by today's standards, were a big draw for audiences. The story was simple - an Egyptian caterer, Fuad Ramses, must

put together a cannibal feast to please and bring forth his goddess Ishtar. The recipe calls for using body parts from different women to create the feast. So he begins stalking Miami models like a pride of lions on a limping llama. Meanwhile he is catering a wedding where the bride just happens to be engaged to the dimwitted cop assigned to Ramses' killing spree. Despite all of these coincidences nobody figures out Ramses is the killer until the very end that sees him killed when he tries to hide in the back of a garbage truck.

This new film picks up the story a whopping 40 years later and is once again directed by Lewis. Now we meet the grandson of Ramses who has inherited the business from his grandfather and actually plans to be a legitimate restaurateur. Unfortunately he falls under the spell of grandpa's Ishtar statue and is soon stalking models. This time they all belong to the same wedding party and by the time the wedding party occurs there is nary bridesmaid in sight. There is also another pair of dimwitted cops investigating the case. It all comes to a head at the wedding where Ramses goes postal and just about everyone in the cast doesn't make it to the final credits.

This film actually works much better than the original. Director Lewis doesn't have to rely solely on gore effects this time. The film is laced with intentional humor this time and all of the actors are right on the mark. You get the trigger happy younger cop, the "human vacuum" older cop who never appears on screen without some food product jammed into his mouth, the younger Ramses comes off as channeling John Belushi and John Waters, the director, steals the movie as a very

(See **LAGOON**, page seven)

Chicken Soup For The Soul: My Mother's hands



A few years ago, when my mother was visiting, she asked me to go shopping with her because she needed a new dress. I don't normally like to go shopping with other people, and I'm not a patient person, but we set off for the mall together, nonetheless.

We visited nearly every store that carried ladies' dresses, and my mother tried on dress after dress, rejecting them all. As the day wore on, I grew weary and my mother grew frustrated.

Finally, at our last stop, my moth-

er tried on a lovely blue three-piece dress. The blouse had a bow at the neckline, and as I stood in the dressing room with her, I watched as she tried, with much difficulty, to tie the bow. Her hands were so badly crippled from arthritis that she couldn't do it. Immediately, my impatience gave way to an overwhelming wave of compassion for her. I turned away to try to hide the tears that welled up involuntarily. Regaining my composure, I turned back to tie the bow for her. The dress was beautiful, and she bought it. Our shopping trip was

over, but the event was etched indelibly in my memory.

For the rest of the day, my mind kept returning to that moment in the dressing room and to the vision of my mother's hands trying to tie that bow. Those loving hands that had fed me, bathed me, dressed me, caressed and comforted me, and, most of all, prayed for me, were now touching me in a most remarkable manner.

Later in the evening, I went to my mother's room, took her hands in mine, kissed them and, much to her surprise, told her that to me they

were the most beautiful hands in the world.

I'm so grateful that God let me see with new eyes what a precious, priceless gift a loving, self-sacrificing mother is. I can only pray that someday my hands, and my heart, will have earned such a beauty of their own.

Be a part of Chicken Soup's 10th Anniversary. Look for our 10th Anniversary Edition, "Chicken Soup for the Soul: Living Your Dreams." Visit www.chickensoup.com for more details.

Conservation scholarships available

The Floyd County Conservation District is now accepting scholarship applications from graduating Floyd County high school seniors and undergraduate college students for the upcoming 2004-2005 school year. Priority will be given to those students majoring in agriculture or the conservation of natural resources.

This is a one-time scholarship awarding \$500 with proof of college enrollment. Eligible students must have at least a 3.0 GPA, verified by a high school counselor.

Completed applications must be returned to the Floyd County

Conservation District Office by May 1, to be eligible. Applications are available from any Floyd County high school counselor, the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Office, or from the Floyd County Conservation District Office, located at Mayo Branch of Brandykeg (approximately one-half mile from the Lancer-Watgap intersection traveling toward Jenny Wiley State Resort Park).

For more information, contact the Floyd County Conservation District at 889-9800, or email to: conserve@mikrotec.com.

Lagoon

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inappropriate reverend who officiates at the wedding. Waters had a lot to do with keeping the cult of Lewis films alive and has always called him one of our best talents. Okay so this is coming from the guy who made PINK FLAMINGOS so take that for what its worth to you. Lewis is definitely on the comeback trail with another remake of one of his own films on the way. The next one will be a remake of 2000 MANIACS. The original film found four northerners trapped in a southern town that was destroyed 200 years earlier by the Union Army. They get invited to the town's bicentennial but soon discover that their elaborate deaths will serve as the entertainment.

Robert Englund (Freddy Krueger) will star. Meanwhile dig the return of Fuad Ramses in this remake which is way better than the original and must set a record for the longest wait between

remakes by the same director.

Best Line: "I always carry my gun baby. Its the coolest thing about being a cop."

Horror fans might want to head to the executive West Hotel in Louisville for the May 15-16 WONDERFEST CONVENTION. Its the only area event of its kind and this year the theme will be appropriately, CREATURE FROM THE BLACK LAGOON. Besides the normal dealer tables (a great place to find rare horror films) there will be a screening of the BLACK LAGOON in its original 3-D format. Ben Chapman (who played the monster) and Julie Adams (who starred) will be on hand. Other guests will be Bob May (who played Robot on TV's LOST IN SPACE) and sci-fi interviewer and author Tom Weaver. Find out more about it at www.wonderfest.com where you can get hotel info and the latest guest additions.

Lawson

life experiences."

Though it's how he earns his living, painting isn't a job for Randy Lawson. He more clearly defines it as a means to fulfill a need in his life, a vehicle that outlines his purpose.

"A lot of times, it's something you kind of get lost in," the Lancer resident said. "Sometimes, just any little thing can click you out of it. It's really weird. I guess you kind of enter them. You enter that place, the scene or the mood you're painting...I can really get so focused that I don't even feel like I'm painting..."

"I feel like it would be, well, it's the same as this student I have whose wishing on Wednesday that it would rain so that he can come to art class instead of playing baseball. To me, I could have been anything. I'm sure I could set my mind to do anything, but it wouldn't have been right. It wouldn't have been the right thing for me to say 'I can make money at something else if I study and get the grade.' This is just what I've done for so long, it's something that I have to do."

Randy's ability to "enter" his paintings could explain why they appear so alive on canvas. The personalities of his subjects are as real as the paint he uses to create them. In fact, he says he can see a painting when looking at a hillside, noticing how the sun drips down through the leaves.

In order to capture such moments, Randy researches his subjects thoroughly. He was there the day the wrecking ball demolished the Town Branch Bridge, sketching and capturing the right colors to mark the

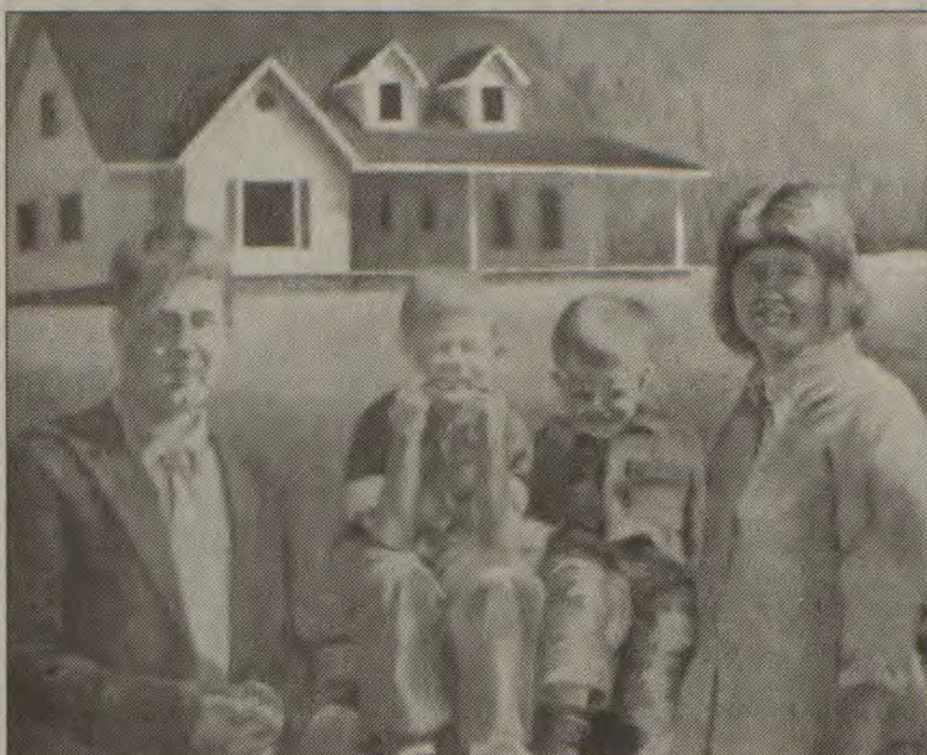


photo by Mary Music
An unfinished portrait of a family (the Williams') that Randy is currently working on.

change historically. He and his wife went on elk tours to research another painting. When he paints portraits, he spends time with the family, searching for those little details to add to their painting so that, as a piece that will become a part of their history, it becomes more than just a picture hanging on a wall.

"If somebody looks at this 200 to 250 years from now, the structure, the landscape will be totally different, but it will provide some type of visual history of whatever they are looking at," Randy said, pointing to a portrait he is currently working on for one family, "especially when you think, at some point in time, someone is going to put this on their wall in their home. It's something that's going to be around long after they're gone. It's going to be around for another generation of people to tell their story. Right now, this is a very important painting to these people. It's got their home, their kids, their property. Their kids may have grandchildren later in life and that painting's going to be something I'm sure that they will take care of. To them it's a treasured piece and it'll be there long after I'm gone. So, to me, that's something I am obligated to do... It would be a rip off to those people if I would have took a photography backdrop behind them with blurred colors. They would have sacrificed their presence and their history if I would've done that."

Born and raised at Drift, Randy moved to Prestonsburg in 1998 and married Mandy, whom he met in their respective "art circles" at Morehead University, in 2002 - eight years before they were married.

While attending Morehead, Randy took a semester off to try his hand in the sign and billboard business. Upon graduating, he expanded that strategy into his own business, Hockeye Signs, a business, contracted through Unisign

and Tri State Outdoors, that he suffered with for five years. He says it wasn't his "cup of tea."

"I thought it was what I had to do in order to grow into this," he said. "But it just wasn't my cup of tea. I was dealing with business transactions and deadlines. ...I couldn't be creative with any of it. It was just more or less taking orders and doing artwork that other people already had laid out for me. For those five years, as far as my artwork was concerned, I was totally stagnant."

Randy expressed his need to get out of the sign business to a friend he had met at Morehead, a man, who with a masters degree in art, is currently strapping trucks in Lexington. "I'm sure if I was to get a calculator out and do the numbers, he probably makes more money than me," Randy said. "Maybe if that's the case, that's the only reason I'd think somebody with a masters of art would strap trucks for a living, but a lot of times I think you ought to consider what you're doing and try to bypass that whole, 'Here's my yearly income' or whatever... It's troubling to me that somebody would sacrifice their talent and their education, and what they know and love to make a dollar."

"Why have wings if you don't bother to fly?," his wife further explained.

When someone made a reasonable offer on his building, Randy sold his business and settled into a part-time teaching position at Wesley Christian School, where he currently remains, teaching a new generation of artists. He also instructs art education classes at the Roy F. Collier Community Center in Inez and at the Mountain Arts Center, where several of his pieces are currently being displayed.

Randy, who wasn't "lucky" enough to have art classes in school as a child, loves teaching these classes because it allows him the opportunity to see progress in his students. Conferences with parents also satisfies his desire to be a "blabber mouth," of sorts.

One of his biggest obstacles in teaching is transforming the "I can't" mindset of today's students.

"Confidence overrides skill, that's what I always tell my students. I find myself teaching the students more about confidence, you know, because everybody wants to be able to

paint or draw, say, that elk," he said, pointing at one of his paintings. "They look at it and they try to paint it, but they're focusing so much on trying to make it look like an elk, they want to jump into getting that, moreso than believing they can do it. They feel like they can't. That's one of the biggest obstacles in teaching these children - because when you try to get them to draw something, paint something, or whatever, it seems like the first thing they say is, 'I can't do that.' Their confidence totally overrides what they're capable of really doing. ...They can develop a lot of skills by totally bypassing the whole 'I can' or 'I can't.'"

Randy says he learned a bit about confidence when he was learning the skill of lettering in the sign company. He's always been confident in pleasing himself as an artist, he says, but at one time worried about how other people viewed his work.

Art, he says, is something that anyone can learn to do, but he doesn't dismiss the fact that he believes some people were born with gifts, or talents, which could possibly be hereditary.

His grandmother, who has quitted all her life as a "way to stay warm" knew just how to place complementary colors with her fabrics, he said, and his brother is multi-lingual when it comes to the art of music.

"I feel like anybody can draw," he said. "Of course, it takes a lot of discipline. ...but maybe it is hereditary, who knows?"

Randy, who describes himself as a "seasonal painter," says living in Appalachia has taught him to live out his dreams and that artists would not be able to make it without the support of family and friends, gifts he's been fortunate to have in his own life.

Randy, who paints 4 to 5 hours each day in his studio when he's not teaching—and wishes he could paint more—will be illustrating murals on the stairwells around the walking track at the Roy F. Collier Community Center in Inez this summer. One of his murals is currently located at Dr. Lee Boyd's dentist office in Allen.

Randy and his wife, a writer, are currently expecting their first child.

"I want to name it Whitman," Mandy said, "He wants to name it Rembrandt."

Anniversary



Celebrate 40th wedding anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Birchel Sexton, of Langley, will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary on Sunday, April 25, 2004. They are the parents of Stacia (Mike) Hall, of Bardstown, and Stephanie Sexton, of Langley. They have two grandchildren, William Clay and Michael Clark Hall, of Bardstown. They are wished a wonderful day of happiness and love by their children, grandchildren, family and friends!

World

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ONE DAY NOT ENOUGH

While I am setting down here matters about which I know little, let me repeat the story told of Napoleon. The Corsican was approached by a group of his officers who petitioned him to give a young captain a promotion. Asked why, they told of the heroism and ability the captain had showed in battle, a few days earlier. Then Napoleon asked:

"And what did he do, the next day?"

OFFICIAL REPORT

The Courier-Journal is doing a series on Coroners, with the hope of replacing the office with that of medical examiner and having a medical man do the work. Reporter George Gill has built up a strong case for a change, and while doing so, has pointed to instances where grave

mistakes were made.

This doesn't concern coroners, but it's a classic example of an official boo-boo:

Two young men who had been out on the town most of the night and had slept not long enough to shake the redevye, arose in their hotel room. Each downed a stiff drink and threw on his clothing. One was so befuddled that he put his shirt on, hinder part before, with the buttons running down the back. They piled into their car, scratched off, and within a few minutes piled into the end of a bridge.

Two deputy constables rushed to the scene, and this was the official report written by one of them:

"One of the two men was dead when we arrived, and by the time we got the other's face around to where it should have been, he was dead, too."

Please, keep 'em coming!

Our pet photos file needs replenishing, and we know that you have lots of precious pics to share with us, so, please, send them along! And while you're at it, help Dr. Carol get her creative thoughts jumpstarted by sending along a few questions about "pet things you've always wanted to know but have been afraid to ask"! 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: carolbcac@tiusa.net. We'll be waiting to hear from you!

Diabuddies Corner

Tip of the Week (from www.diabetes.org)

Calorie-free sweeteners like aspartame, saccharin, sucralose and acesulfame-K won't increase your blood glucose level. The sugar alcohols - xylitol, mannitol, and sorbitol - have some calories and do slightly increase your blood glucose level. Eating too much of any of these can cause gas and diarrhea.

Recipe of the week (from www.equal.com)
Apple Streusel Pie-8 Servings
Ingredients:

PIE FILLING:
Pastry for single-crust 9-inch pie
3/4 cup Equal® Spoonful*
2 tablespoons cornstarch
2 tablespoons lemon juice
3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
6 cups peeled, cored, sliced Granny Smith apples (about 6 medium)

STREUSEL TOPPING:
1/2 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 cup Equal® Spoonful**
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon salt
4 tablespoons stick butter or

margarine, melted
1/2 cup chopped nuts
* May substitute 18 packets Equal sweetener
** May substitute 12 packets Equal sweetener

Preparation:
For Pie Filling, roll pastry on floured surface into circle 1 inch larger than 9-inch pie plate. Ease pastry into plate; trim and flute edge. Set aside.

Combine 3/4 cup Equal®, cornstarch, lemon juice, 3/4 teaspoon cinnamon, 1/4 teaspoon salt and nutmeg; sprinkle over apples in large bowl. Toss to coat. Spoon apples into piecrust.

For Streusel Topping, combine flour, 1/2 cup Equal®, 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon and 1/4 teaspoon salt. Stir in melted butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Stir in nuts. Sprinkle over apples. Bake in preheated 375° F oven 45 to 55 minutes or until apples are tender and crust is golden. Cool on wire rack. Serve warm or at room temperature.

Calories: 275
Protein: 3g
Carbohydrate: 33g
Fat: 16g
Cholesterol: 20mg
Sodium: 223 mg
Food Exchanges: 1 Starch, 1 Fruit, 3 Fat

Appalachian Star Search set for May 1

More than 40 people have registered to compete in the first ever Appalachian Star Search which is scheduled for Hazard Community and Technical College on Saturday, May 1 at 7 p.m. in the First Federal Center, Room 123, at the Hazard Campus. Two student organizations, Phi Theta Kappa and Student Government Association, are organizing the event.

Dean Osborne and Bernie Faulkner will perform a duet as an added feature of the Star Search but they won't be competing. The contest will have seven categories: comic act of all ages; best singer, ages 1-12; best female singer, age 13 and older; best male singer age 13 and older; best group or ensemble;

instrumental category (all ages); and non-singing category, (all ages) which can include magic acts or dance.

Prizes will be awarded in each category and a grand prize will be donated by Kemper Furniture. Applications can be obtained by e-mail HCTCSTARS@hotmail.com, or calling Helen at 800-246-7521, ext. 73077.

Tickets will be sold to the public at the door for \$3.

"We're excited about the interest we've already seen in this Star Search and we hope to see a big crowd to cheer on our local talent," noted Cindi Osborne, who is helping to organize the event.

Sunday Comics

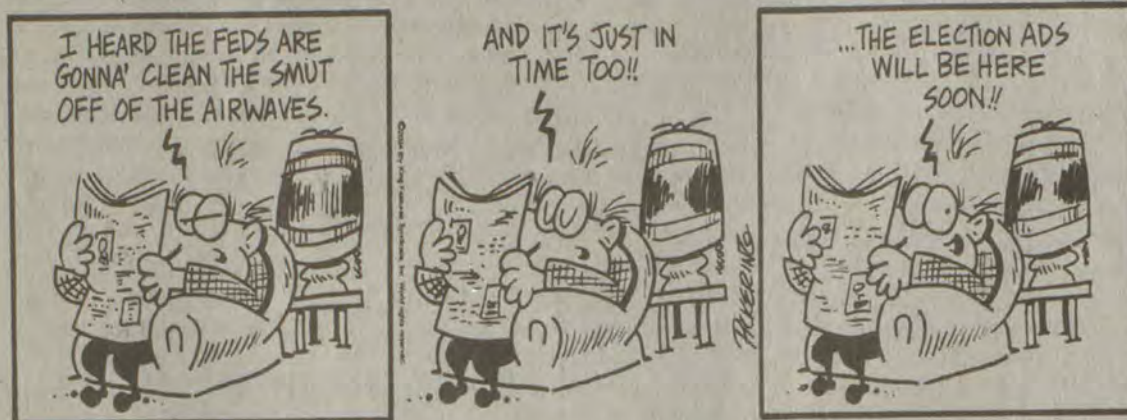
Amber Waves



MAMA'S BOYZ

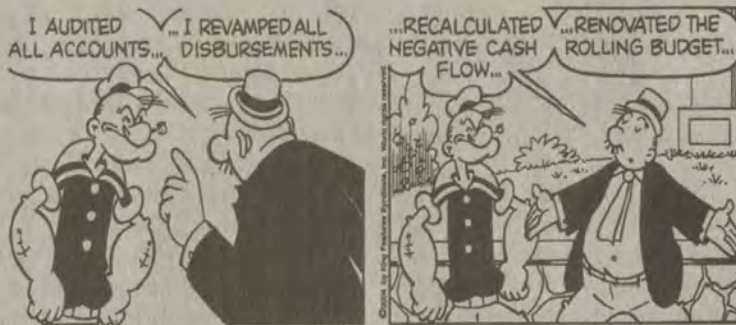
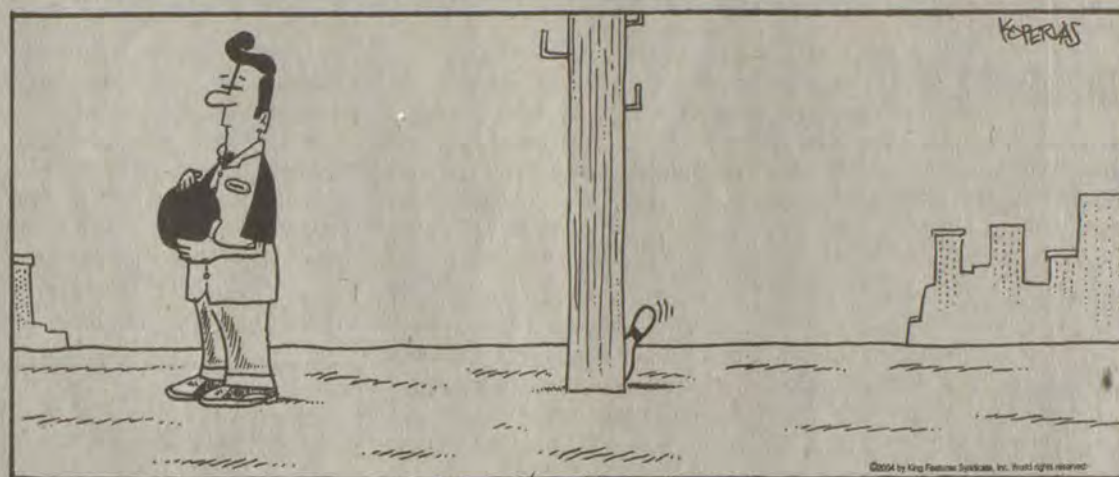
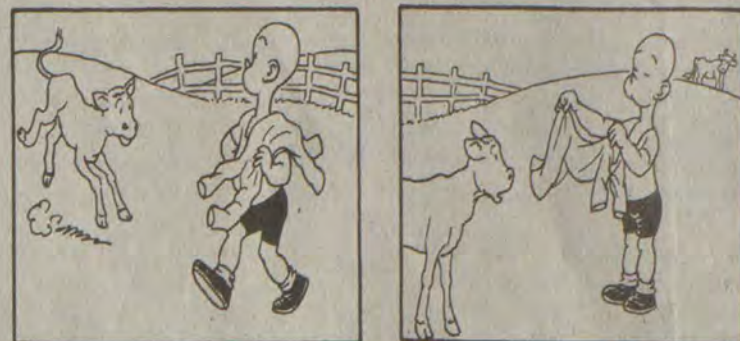
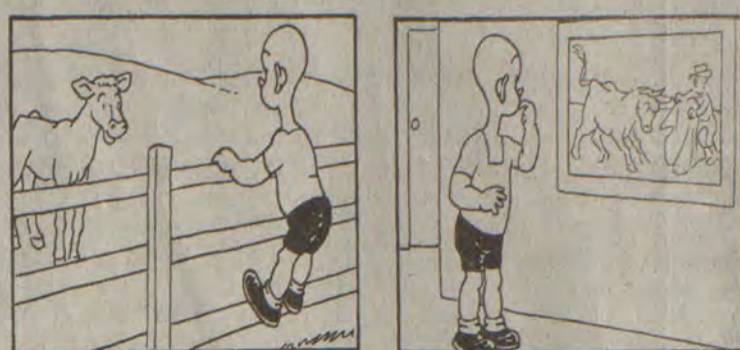
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FIND AT LEAST 6 DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PANELS.
Differences: 1. Bench is shorter. 2. Ball is missing. 3. Coach logo is missing. 4. Neckline is changed. 5. Chest protector is smaller. 6. Post is missing.

Answers to Crossword Puzzle and Magic Maze can be found on page A2

Super Crossword

APRIL DILEMMA

- ACROSS**
- 1 Lump
 - 5 Showed sorrow
 - 9 Anthony of "Boston Public"
 - 14 Jambalaya ingredient
 - 19 Hammett hound
 - 20 Where to find an onager
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