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### briefs

## Foul play suspected in fatal fire

Times Staff Report

**TOMAHAWK** — An arson investigation was instigated yesterday into a fire that killed an elderly couple Tuesday in Martin County.

The fire began around 4 a.m. at the home of Jane F. Allen, 82, and Robert L. Allen, 86. Neither was able to escape the inferno, which began with a loud noise that neighbors reported hearing. When neighbors looked outside for the cause of the noise, they saw that the Allen residence was already engulfed in flames.

Martin County Coroner Mike Crum pronounced the couple dead at the scene.

Crum's autopsy was completed Thursday and the discovery of injuries to the couple was turned over to investigating detectives, who now suspect foul play.

Investigators Don Parker and Dwayne Price are asking anyone with information about the incident to contact Kentucky State Police at (606) 433-2711. Callers can also use a toll-free number at (800) 222-5555.

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#### 2 DAY FORECAST

**Today**

Partly cloudy

High: 74 • Low: 54

**Tomorrow**

Partly cloudy

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# Redistricting to be tough task

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — Redistricting, though obviously needed, is a touchy subject with Floyd County Board of Education members. So touchy, in fact, that they spent the majority of the time during a meeting Wednesday bickering about the fine lines between the districts.

"You all care about your districts. You all have a sense of ownership to your districts, but honestly, this is like a couple of people

divorcing," said Carol Stumbo, who acted, more or less, as the moderator for board members. At one point, Stumbo called a 10-minute recess when tensions mounted to the point of aggravation between Glenna Slone and Dr. Chandra Varia, who both want to keep the John Possum precinct in their districts.

One concern emphasized by members was keeping students in their respective precinct districts. When she was campaigning, Slone said she realized that people "don't know whose district they're in,"

especially since her district borders with Dr. Varia's.

"I think children and parents should be able to vote where their children go to school," member Jeff Stumbo said. "I don't like split precincts. No split precincts ... I'm not worried about the election or anything like that. My concern is the parents. If their kids are in District 3 they need to stay in District 3."

Jeff Stumbo was concerned about losing the Little Mud

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Board members began exploring ways to redraw their districts during a work session Wednesday. A lack of progress during the meeting showed that a consensus will be difficult to reach.

photo by Mary Music



photo by Mary Music

The Floyd County Long-Term Recovery Committee is up and running. Members gathered Wednesday to discuss how best to meet the county's unmet needs from the Memorial Day flood.

## Long-term flood relief effort gains momentum

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — Though Floyd County is "a little behind the ball" in organizing long-term recovery plans for flood victims, the county's Long-Term Recovery Committee members are more optimistic this week about community involvement.

The group, which previously voiced concern about the lack of participation in Floyd County, gathered around a full table

Wednesday to hash out plans to assist approximately 48 local families with unmet needs.

Those in tune with the discussion included various representatives of area Red Cross Chapters, Floyd County Emergency Management, the Low Income Housing Association, the Floyd County Health Department, the Cabinet for Families and Health Services, St. James Episcopal Church, and Dan Chauncey, the head of the Maytown Community Center who will be donating facil-

ities to house volunteers working in the area.

"It sounds like all of you guys have something to give. It looks like we just formed a committee," Red Cross representative Mary Hickey said.

The 48 families with unmet needs stand at the top of the priority list, members say, and several others are expected to be added in coming months.

They need new or reconstruct-

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## Class change leaves out tech students

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

**EASTERN** — Lawyers for the Kentucky Department of Education and the Kentucky Association of Schools are currently looking into a "Catch-22" situation that is currently affecting Allen Central High School juniors.

The students may miss an opportunity to take classes at Kentucky Tech because of a new ruling which forces them to take an arts and humanities class in their junior year.

The review by education lawyers came about because one parent has challenged the

rule.

Theresa Hall wants her daughter, Tiffany, to be able to take health services courses which she needs to go into a nursing program directly from high school.

"My daughter has been on this track since her freshman year, when her file was created," Hall said. "She is motivated to do this and the school is standing in her way. As a parent I have a duty to my child to see that she gets the best educational opportunities available."

The real problem, though, is that everyone involved wants

(See STUDENTS, page three)

## Second burglary suspect caught

by JOYAL FRAZIER  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — A second arrest was made this week in the burglary of the Med-Zone Pharmacy, which occurred on July 27.

Larry Blackburn, 44, was arrested by Kentucky State

Trooper Chris Roberts and charged with criminal mischief, burglary and theft of a controlled substance for allegedly removing an overhead garage-type door and then prying open another door to gain entry into the building. He

(See SUSPECT, page three)

## After James retires, tourism board rehires

by JOYAL FRAZIER  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — The Prestonsburg Convention and Visitors Bureau met in a regularly scheduled meeting Wednesday evening at the tourism office. The agenda was simple with only a few items listed and most of the commission's time was spent in closed session to discuss legal action the commission may need

to take and personnel issues regarding the retirement of former Executive Director Fred James.

When the commission came out of executive session, David Tackett, chairman of the board, announced that they would rehire Fred James as executive director on a contract basis from Sept. 1 through Feb. 28.

Tackett and the full member-

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A new age groundbreaking ceremony was held at Prestonsburg Utilities while the rain came down in sheets Thursday to celebrate a PRIDE grant which will extend sewer lines to 65 homes near Clark Elementary and Dewey Lake. Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, left, and Mayor Jerry Fannin, right, received cubes filled with official Prestonsburg soil from PRIDE Executive Director Richard Thomas.

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# Odds & Ends

■ **ALBUQUERQUE** — It was sweet sleuthing for cops casing a candy crime.

They quickly caught the sweet tooth who made off with a box of Fifth Avenue candy bars early Monday.

A trail of candy bars led police to the front porch of a home in southeast Albuquerque, where they found Lawrence Jordan.

Jordan, a 20-year homeless man, faces commercial burglary charges for stealing a box of candy bars from a convenience store, according to a criminal complaint.

When officers responded to an alarm at the store, they noticed a broken window and a trail of Fifth Avenues in the direction Jordan had fled.

Witnesses saw Jordan running from the store, clutching the candy, the complaint said.

The owner of the store said several candy bars were recovered from the street and the rest were with Jordan in the box. Jordan apparently didn't eat any of the candy.

The complaint said Jordan told police he broke into the store "because he needed help." He refused to elaborate.

■ **HONOLULU** — Buddha said, "Everything is changeable." And some Waikiki Buddhists would like to see the name of a local watering hole changed.

The famed Buddha Bar in Paris has imitators all over the world, but it's one in Waikiki that's running into opposition.

Local Buddhists have launched a letter-writing campaign to city and state government agencies to protest the name of the new Buddha Bar.

"In my letter, I said a Christian would find it offensive to see a Jesus Bar," said Poranee Natadecha-Sponsel, president of the Hawaii Association of International Buddhists.

Buddhism is estimated to be the second largest religion in Hawaii after Roman Catholicism.

The bar opened last week in the space formerly occupied by the House of Hong, one of the city's premium Chinese restaurants for 40 years before it closed earlier this year.

Bar owners and promoters said they did not mean to offend anyone, noting that the concept of using Asian influences in a bar's interior decorations is popular all over the world. The Waikiki bar is not affiliated with other Buddha Bars.

"I'm at a loss how to handle it," said Les Hong, president of

Hong's Enterprises, which owns the bar property. "It never crossed my mind that this would upset people. We are sensitive to the concerns of some people and will try to address it."

■ **ORLANDO, Fla.** — A judge axed Doug Guetzloe's plan to use his nickname on the primary ballot for the Republican state committee.

Circuit Court Judge Janet Thorpe ruled Tuesday that Guetzloe hadn't demonstrated a legal right to get the nickname "Ax the Tax" printed on the ballot in the Aug. 31 election.

Guetzloe never produced any evidence to indicate that people really call him by the name of his private corporation and two political action committees he chairs, said an attorney for Orange County Supervisor of Elections Bill Cowles.

"In essence, he's asking the county to endorse his campaign by printing a campaign slogan on the ballot," said Assistant County Attorney Woody Rodriguez.

Orange County would have had to reprint tens of thousands of Republican ballots to include the nickname.

"The statutes have been violated today," Guetzloe said. "A lot of people approach me whom I do not know and say, 'It's Ax the Tax Guetzloe,' or 'It's the Ax the Tax man.'"

■ **RICHMOND, Va.** — She's been praised for her punctuality and gets kudos for not complaining, but Ms. Downsize is no model employee: She's a mannequin.

It was about 10 years ago when two city architects acquired the mannequin from a downtown department store that closed in 1990s.

They named her Ms. Downsize because their office had lost a female receptionist to another department during a downsizing process. The two men still wanted someone to greet visitors, so they placed her on a seat in the foyer.

Since then she's been pondered by unwitting passersby.

One bureaucrat blasted her for loafing in Room 602 of City Hall.

Another city worker asked why no one was helping the customer, who was patiently waiting in the foyer for what seemed like forever.

Some strangers strike up conversations with Ms. Downsize, who sits in a chair with her legs crossed in the division of architecture office.

"I've watched some rather fascinating dialogue," said Don Charles, a former administrator of architecture and engineering for the city and now the executive director of the Historic Richmond Foundation.

Delivery men who have caught on to Ms. Downsize leave architectural drawings in her lap.

"She has been a great employee. She never complains. She's always on time," joked Richard C. Morse, a senior city architect.

## Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Aug. 13, the 226th day of 2004. There are 140 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 13, 1961, Berlin was divided as East Germany sealed off the border between the city's eastern and western sectors in order to halt the flight of refugees.

### On this date:

■ In 1521, Spanish conqueror Hernando Cortez captured present-day Mexico City from the Aztec Indians.

■ In 1624, French King Louis XIII named Cardinal Richelieu his first minister.

■ In 1704, the Battle of Blenheim was fought during the War of the Spanish Succession, resulting in a victory for English and Austrian forces over French and Bavarian soldiers.

■ In 1846, the American flag was raised for the first time in Los Angeles.

■ In 1910, Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing, died in London.

■ In 1932, Adolf Hitler rejected the post of vice-chancellor of Germany, saying he was prepared to hold out "for all or nothing."

■ In 1934, the satirical comic strip "Li'l Abner," created by Al Capp, made its debut.

■ In 1946, author H.G. Wells died in London.

■ In 1960, the first two-way

telephone conversation by satellite took place with the help of Echo One.

■ In 1981, in a ceremony at his California ranch, President Reagan signed a historic package of tax and budget reductions.

### Ten years ago:

In his weekly radio address, President Clinton put Congress on notice that he wouldn't give up an assault weapons ban as the price to revive a crime bill stalled on Capitol Hill. NATO Secretary-General Manfred Woerner died at age 59.

### Five years ago:

Gunmen shot to death Colombian humorist Jaime Garzon in a killing that authorities later blamed on the leader of the country's right-wing paramilitary. Tennis player Steffi Graf retired from the sport she had dominated for two decades.

### One year ago:

Iraq began pumping crude oil from its northern oil fields for the first time since the start of the war. Libya agreed to set up a \$2.7 billion fund for families of 270 people killed in the 1988 Pan Am bombing.

Today's Birthdays: Television evangelist Rex Humbard is 85. Cuban President Fidel Castro is 78. Actor Pat Harrington is 75. Singer Don Ho is 74. Former U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders is 71. Blues singer-musician Son Seals is 62. Actor Kevin Tighe is 60. Actress Gretchen Corbett is 57. Opera singer

Kathleen Battle is 56. Singer Dan Fogelberg is 53. Actor Danny Bonaduce is 45. Actress Quinn Cummings is 37. Country singer Andy Griggs is 31. Country musician Mike Melancon (Emerson Drive) is 26.

### Thought for Today:

"You should avoid making yourself too clear even in your explanations." — *Baltasar Gracian, Spanish philosopher (1601-1658).*

## Drug roundup begins in Johnson County

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — The Johnson County Sheriff's Office teamed up with UNITE this week to bring about the largest drug bust in the history of Johnson County.

Acting on warrants that were submitted by Commonwealth's Attorney Anna Melvin, the roundup netted eight individuals with more to come from the 37 indictments that were handed down.

Currently incarcerated are:

■ Darren Davis, 33, of Staffordsville.

■ Robert Laney, 53, of West Van Lear.

■ Woody DEan Estep, 43, of Hager Hill.

■ Mark Fannin, 30, of Paintsville.

■ James Baldwin, 23, of Paintsville.

■ Kevin Earl Rice, 29, of Oil Springs.

■ Charles Banks, 37, of Van Lear.

■ Jeff Jenkins, 20, of Oil Springs.

All eight are charged with trafficking and some face additional charges.

Sheriff Bill Witten began the

investigation in May and it was termed "Operation T.N.T." The effort soon expanded out of the county, so Witten called in aid from Operation UNITE and Kentucky State Police.

"I am very pleased with the results of this interagency cooperative effort," Witten said. "The UNITE organization and the KSP were very helpful."

The arrests began on Wednesday and will continue until all of the arrests are made. The department is still seeking:

■ Curtis Rowe, 29, of Paintsville.

■ Michael Young, 23, of Nippa.

■ Phillip Dewayne Lafferty, 37, of Van Lear.

■ Kathy Conley Puckett, 21, of Paintsville.

■ Elbert Williamson Jr., 27, of Staffordsville.

■ Barbara Laney, 44, of West Van Lear.

■ Shannon Ross, 27, of Staffordsville.

■ Renae Borders, 43, of Oil Springs.

Anyone with information as to there whereabouts of the remaining suspects is asked to call the Johnson County Sheriff's Office at (606) 789-3411.

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## Redistricting

District. Mickey McGuire, who remained rather quiet during the meeting, said his only concern was that he keep Rough and Tough residents in his district. Dr. Varia wanted to tour the districts.

Throughout the meeting, Carol Stumbo routinely broke up chattering across the tables, telling members to "focus" on what the goals of the project really mean.

"I need some direction from the board," she said, prior to calling the recess.

Redistricting is indeed a touchy subject, especially since the county school system hasn't faced this type of change for several years. Neil Parsons, a Big Sandy Area Development District development and technology associate, said the current district plans are the same used in the 1990 census. The last attempt at redistricting, he said, probably took place in the 1980s. Since that time, community and board members are wound around the traditional lines carved through and by schools. Such an equation makes for a hefty debate, one touted with personal attach-

ments and commitments to those traditions, board members explained.

So, why redistrict with all the fuss?

State law mandates that public school districts equate their population numbers across the board in order to have better representation from their school board members. The running suggestion from the state is that school districts carry no more than 100 in population variance, a stipulation that is tough to match, particularly if it must also calculate board member preferences into the equation. Matthew Lemaster, a Big Sandy ADD GIS specialist said.

"The objectivity is so stringent," Lemaster said. "I think you're going to be looking at a huge population gap if you look at all of these different issues (concerns brought up by the members). Just looking at the numbers alone, it's hard to get within 500."

Currently, the populations in the five districts strongly differ, with three districts considerably under par. Districts 4 and 5, represented by Carol Stumbo and Glenna Slone, respectively, each

show population lacking by 337 to almost 700, when compared to the other three districts. District 3, represented by Jeff Stumbo, has a population of more than 9,000, higher than the populations in Districts 1 and 2, represented by Mickey McGuire and Dr. Chandra Varia, respectively.

Lemaster presented three different proposed models for redistricting, all of which were formed with the goal of keeping the population variance in line. That goal, however, should be weighed with several other measures, board members decided.

After recess, Carol Stumbo, aided by Supt. Dr. Paul Fanning, chalked up a criteria plan for redistricting. She said board members should realize that there will be a lot of "give and take" with the redistricting process, which is expected to be a "long and tedious" process. Board members decided that the final plans should consider the following:

- Population variance between the districts;

- Keeping related schools (those that "feed" into each other) in the same districts;

- Keeping districts in their respective voting precincts; and

- Considering the towns current board members live in.

To successfully achieve all four goals, the board will have to bend, Carol Stumbo said.

"To meet the criteria you may have to give up something you don't want to give up and take something that you don't want to be taking," she said.

Fanning agreed to check with Frankfort to see if the stipulated variance of 100 persons could be changed, acting on a suggestion made by Carol Stumbo, who said the state would probably be "lenient." Lemaster said redistricting — and standing with board member preferences — would go much smoother if the state would allow a larger variance number.

What does that mean for the community?

Jeff Stumbo says it means a lot. He's convinced that the divorce-like scruffy atmosphere surrounding the work session table during the meeting Wednesday will only escalate when the community gets involved. He requested that the board have a public hearing on

the matter for community input.

Prior to the meeting close, Mickey McGuire, the board member who suggested the possible need for redistricting several meetings ago, suggested that the board not make definite changes until after the November election.

"I think we're bordering on great legality issues if we do this before the election," he said. "If we voted to change precincts, it will affect the next election."

The board decided to return

to the issue in a September meeting.

They asked Lemaster to recalculate the redistricting models with their defined criteria in mind.

They hope to have recommendations ready after the November election, a means to prevent the newly elected board from getting "weighed down."

The board hopes to complete redistricting by Feb. 2005.

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## Long-term

ed homes, appliances, cars and various other items to return their lives to pre-flood status. According to Hickey, the 48 cases — handed to the committee by the Federal Emergency Management Agency — are flood victims who were denied Small Business Administration loans. Many of them received assistance through FEMA, but in most cases, it just wasn't enough.

Hickey specifically pointed out one family whose home was "totally destroyed" by a mudslide. They received \$10,000 from FEMA, hardly enough to cover the purchase price of a new home, she said.

Now that it's up and running, the Long-Term Recovery Committee will work with these and other families to tie them to available resources. They're working under an umbrella group, the Eastern Kentucky Long-Term Recovery Committee, made up of representatives in Floyd, Pike,

Martin, Magoffin and Johnson counties. When the Floyd County chapter runs out of resources, they'll take their plight to the umbrella committee, which then dictates the disbursement of additional resources or funds.

The Long-Term Recovery Committee is currently looking for case workers — specifically those already familiar with the case work process — who will investigate claims and connect families with the assistance they need. Suggestions made during the meeting tossed the ball to local retired teachers associations, social workers, organizational clubs or retired state employees "looking for something to do."

The bulk of the organizational meeting handled discussion of joining the recovery committee with the arms of the United Way, whose director, Pamela Compton, also works with the committee (East Kentucky Churches and Organizations for

Relief) that helped 79 flooded families with unmet needs paddle out of their disasters three years ago.

Currently, the recovery committee is utilizing the nonprofit status of the Big Sandy Community Action Program as a means to obtain and redirect donated funds and resources. The United Way, a nonprofit organization already affiliated with the surrounding counties, could provide an added bonus in obtaining resources, Compton said, especially since they begin their annual donation drive next month. The plight of the flood victims could be added to that campaign, she said.

"I've said it time and time again," Compton said, "our interest is to the clients. Whatever we can do to help. The offer is still on the table."

The United Way received a \$100,000 grant during previous floods to pay for two full-time case workers, Compton said, but that money is not readily available. Johnny Ross, representing

St. James Episcopal Church, said he'd check to see if his church could fund at least one case worker.

Andrew Dinsmore, the current recovery committee chairman, said he'd take the suggestion of filtering resources through United Way to the umbrella committee, which meets in various counties on a regular basis.

The group will meet again Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Prestonsburg. The public is invited, and urged, to attend.

Those wishing to donate or who still have unmet needs can contact the Big Sandy Community Action Program for more information by calling (606) 886-2929.

Though the deadline for FEMA applications has passed, the lines are still open at (800) 621-FEMA. Flood victims dissatisfied with their assistance, or those who were turned down, can still call to appeal their cases.

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## Students

help but is being hamstrung by rules set down from Allen Central's site-based council, which is only trying to improve overall test scores. Students are not tested on humanities until their junior year, the committee moved the class from its previous position on the sophomore curriculum.

Principal Lorena Hall is currently waiting on the lawyers' findings, but says she hopes to fix the glitch, which will affect a host of students who wish to take technical and trade courses at the vocational facility at Garth.

"Everyone wants to do good here," Lorena Hall said. "The fact is that many students are highly motivated to take tech school offerings and you don't want to stifle that. It can be frustrating as an administrator when you are only given the power to enforce rulings."

Lenville Martin, principal of Kentucky Tech, says he wants to help, too.

"I haven't gotten over there yet but will try to do so tomorrow [Thursday]," he said. "We have a lot of students here. I wouldn't want to see any turned away."

Theresa Hall is prepared to take her child out of Allen Central if need be. The cost of bussing Tiffany could be picked up by the school system, now that Allen Central has not met, by preliminary estimates. No Child Left Behind Act guidelines.

But changing schools is not Tiffany Hall's first choice.

"My daughter loves it here, but if it's the only way to get her what she needs, I'll do it," Theresa Hall said.

The legal experts are expected to have an answer for Supt. Paul Fanning sometime today.

## Suspect

then allegedly proceeded to steal approximately 11 different types of drugs and other controlled substances valued at over \$300.

Brian W. Burke, 31, was the first to be arrested for the burglary. He was involved in a car accident on U.S. 23 several hours after the burglary. Prestonsburg Police Detective Brian Hall recovered more than 300 pills at the accident scene.

Burke was taken to Cabell Huntington where he spent five days recovering from his injuries. He was arrested after he returned home and allegedly told Trooper Brian Layne that he was at Med-Zone and what he had done.

Burke, Blackburn and possibly one other individual wore ski masks to protect their identities. However, Burke was identified on the pharmacy surveillance tape, without the disguise, on the outside of the building, accord-

ing to Trooper Jimmy Stratton.

There is still one more warrant that has been issued for the burglary. The alleged third participant has not yet been found.

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## Tourism

ship of the commission agreed to re-employ James, full time, as a temporary employee on a month-to-month basis for a probationary period of six months. After consulting with the State Retirement System, James will not be participating in a new retirement program during this period.

"Our members looked at every statute and city ordinance before making this offer to Mr. James," Tackett said. "We were satisfied we are in full compliance and considering his record and qualifications the choice was easy to keep Fred on board."

James will be volunteering his time in the month of August

to serve as a representative for the city of Prestonsburg at the Kentucky State Fair and Michigan Motor Coach Market Place.

"I am honored that the commission is giving me the opportunity to serve as director again," James said. "We have made so many accomplishments and many opportunities exist for continued tourism development in Prestonsburg and Floyd County. We won't skip a beat. I will be working to continue to promote leisure travel, vacationing, meetings and conventions and group travel to Prestonsburg."

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# Viewpoint

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— Samuel Butler

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Guest View

## Editorial roundup

York (Pa.) Daily Record, on creating a national intelligence director:

First of all, let's stop calling it a czar. Wrong country. Wrong connotation. But let's do call the proposed new position a Cabinet member. Probably the most important suggestion from the bipartisan 9/11 Commission's exhaustive and unanimously endorsed study of anti-terrorism efforts was that we need one person in charge of America's 15 intelligence-gathering agencies.

One person to coordinate the spy efforts of the CIA, the FBI and the Defense Department, which controls the majority of the intelligence budget. One woman or man who can sift through the mountains of information collected, make sure the various agencies are sharing and cooperating, and find the terrorist needles in the haystack before they find their targets. ...

He or she would be in charge of the CIA, the FBI and various other agencies — or at least the intelligence aspects of their budgets. That person would have budgetary control, the ability to hire and fire certain directors. In other words, the juice to get things done. ...

What good is a national intelligence director who doesn't have the power to make turf-guarding bureaucrats work together? Isn't that what we already had with Richard Clarke?

President Bush should open up his Cabinet, rearrange some of the canned goods, and make room for an intel chief.

The Denver Post, on terror "chatter" intensifying:

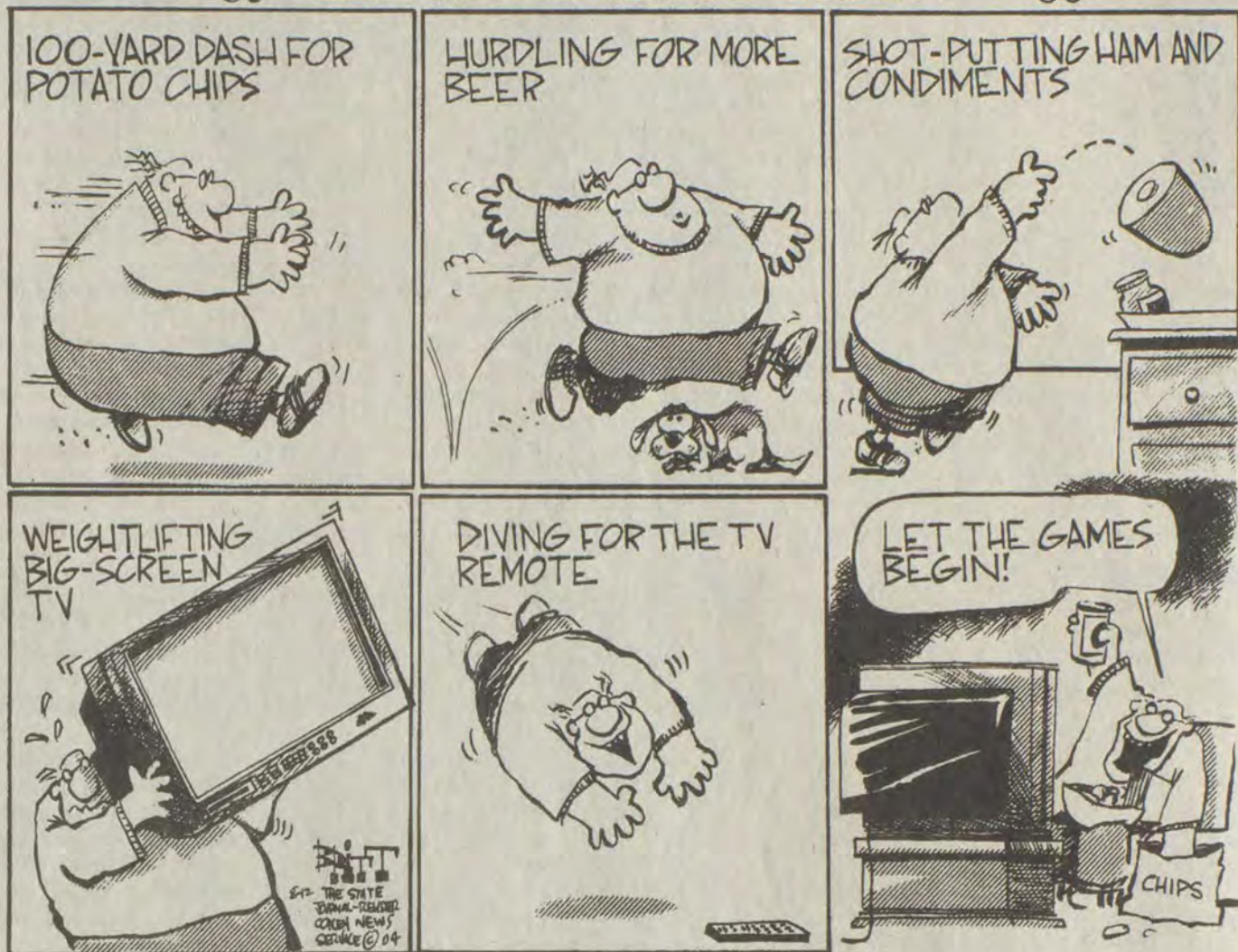
A string of raids and arrests across the world may signify welcome progress in the war on terrorism — and simultaneously indicate the ongoing nature of terrorist preparations. ...

Americans and their allies can also hope that the arrests demonstrate improved cooperation and communication among intelligence operatives — a key recommendation of the Sept. 11 commission's report.

The report emphasized the need for intelligence and law enforcement agencies to share information and coordinate efforts. The failures before Sept. 11 are now well documented. Prior to that, cooperation wasn't a priority for the agencies — but "the attacks of 9/11 changed everything," the report noted.

Anti-terror units should be applauded for their recent actions, for it is an ominous time and the arrests underscore worldwide dangers. With the Olympics beginning this month and the U.S. elections growing closer, the public has reason to be vigilant even as law enforcement personnel are making progress.

LAST-MINUTE OLYMPIC TRAINING



Guest Column

## Quality of life index shows importance of better schools

by ROBERT F. SEXTON  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
PRICHARD COMMITTEE FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The way I read a new report from a state research center, Kentucky made more progress between 1990 and 2001 than at any other time in its history. The relationship between educational improvement and economic well-being is also made strikingly clear in the recent report from the Kentucky Long-Term Policy Research Center. "The State of the Commonwealth Index" is a new measuring tool developed by the center to gauge Kentucky's performance compared to its own history and the performance of other states. The index compares states' 1990 ranking on 26 indicators to their 2001 position to quantify their overall quality of life. Kentucky has made steady progress, the report shows, and much of it is the result

of the state's commitment to better schools. The research center pulled data from national surveys and studies. The indicators it used included measures of: community attributes such as crime, home ownership and the teen birth rate; education - high school and college attainment, ACT and other national test scores; economy - per capita income, the poverty rate and business start-ups; environment - air and water quality; government - state and local efficiency and voter participation.

The researchers compared Kentucky to the 49 states and, in a separate index, to 16 peer states that are similar demographically, geographically and economically to the Commonwealth. Here is what they found: Kentucky's quality of life and well-being climbed six places nationally, from 46th to 40th, between 1990 and 2001. "In terms of progress, Kentucky ranked among the top ten, with only seven other states climbing more places in rank than did the Commonwealth." Michigan increased the most in rank nationally, moving from 24th to 7th, while Utah declined the most, falling from 8th to 20th.

Kentucky improved the most in rank compared with its peer states, moving from 12th in 1990 to 10th in 2001. Kentucky made progress in 15 of the 26 indicators, held steady on three and lost ground on eight. Most of the indicators where Kentucky declined or held steady were in the areas of communities, the environment and government. Where did Kentucky's progress come from? From improvements in education and the economy. As author Dr. Amy Watts described it: "Improvements in Kentucky's historically weak performance areas of education and the economy account for the majority of the progress shown here. The net growth in Kentucky's education and economy subindex scores from 1990 to 2001 represent approximately 70 percent of the growth in the state's overall index score among all the states and 80 percent among the peer states." In education, Kentucky improved its national position from 47th to 42nd and its rank among its peer states from 14th to 10th. Economic improvements moved Kentucky's ranking from 44th to 37th in the nation and from 13th to 9th among its peer states.

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## Letters

### No special laws for homosexuals

John Burgess is a product of false teaching of evolution in our schools. Evolutionists try to explain all deviant behavior with some off-the-wall explanation, such as his hypothalamus hypothesis (Letters to the Editor, August 4). Hypothesis and theory are nothing more than a wild guess. I will say right off I am not impressed by Mr. Burgess being a mental health professional. The reasons, I won't go into. I am also not going to refer to homosexuals as gay. Why? Because I have met many former homosexuals who were delivered out of homosexual lifestyle by giving their lives to Jesus. One thing they all say is homosexuals are far from being gay, because deep down they know homosexuality is just plain wrong. Right and wrong have been programmed out of people due to the teaching

in schools that nothing is either right or wrong. The church has never conceded to science. Why should it? God created things of science. It is nonbelievers who distort scientific facts, but that's another story. We are all born into this world with a sinful nature. We make our choices into sin. Homosexuality is an acquired addiction, like any other addiction. God calls these actions sin, and we need to call them what they are while we can. Many European countries, as well as Canada, have passed laws making it a crime to call any deviant behavior sin. Quoting Bible scriptures condemning homosexuality is punishable by fines and prison time. We'll be next if the Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act makes it all the way through Congress. It has already passed the Senate. Somewhere I read that homosexuals make up 1.5-to-2 percent of the total population. Apparently, I don't read the same medical articles as Mr. Burgess who says there is an estimated 10-to-12 percent of the total population. This small percentage makes most of the noise to force their

homosexual choice on the rest of us. The biggest push is to try to get the hate crime bill passed. "Hate crime bill" sounds good at first, until you realize that it is geared to force us to accept their deviate lifestyle. For example, if the bill were to pass, churches and businesses that do not approve of homosexual lifestyle would be forced to hire a homosexual. That's just one danger. There are far more scary consequences of the hate crime bill. We do not need special laws for homosexuals. Our laws are for the protection of every single person, whether they are heterosexuals or homosexuals. This law has no place in our nation, where our greatest asset is freedom and speech and religious expression. Mr. Burgess goes on about persecution by churches and Republicans and religious right causing homosexuals to commit suicide. Rubbish! Non-homosexuals are far more likely to commit suicide than homosexuals. The major part of Mr. Burgess' letter is

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# 'Toolbelt Diva' empowers women with power tools

by DERRIK J. LANG  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — If Oprah Winfrey and Bob Villa had a kid, their offspring could be Norma Vally, the Discovery Home Channel's "Toolbelt Diva" who wants to empower women — with power tools.

She became familiar with unwieldy weapons of mass construction while renovating 100-year-old homes for her cousin's contracting business.

On her show, Vally guides a female homeowner — sometimes knowledgeable, usually not — in painting, sawing, nailing and demolishing in the name of home improvement.

Typically, the first pull of the nail gun's trigger incites a cathartic squeal in the homeowner.

Unlike the "Trading Spaces" troop of revolving designers and carpenters, Vally is the sole on-camera craftswoman (although she does have off-camera help).

"Toolbelt Diva," whose 12-week run began last week, is more do-it-yourself than surprised-by-strangers. And that's the way Vally likes it.

"It's not a design show," the 39-year-old Brooklyn native declares in her chunky New York accent. "This is real stuff. There is a design element to it, but it's more practical."

The show's projects are small and manageable. Each is doable with a free weekend and a trip to the local home improvement warehouse. In one episode, Vally helps a soldier's wife transform a backyard ditch into a peaceful pond. In other outings, she constructs a fence and

builds a desk. "We really get the job done in two days and take it from start to finish," says Vally, who peps up the otherwise dull projects with her zesty personality.

She's not afraid to goof off, either. In one show, Vally slides into a white sequin gown found in a closet she's remodeling. Such foolery seems natural, not forced.

"I'm a New Yorker," Vally says. "There's no hiding that. People tell me they love my straightforward approach. I have a little bit of an edginess to me."

Vally pushes her girl power doctrine every chance she can — on the show and off — transforming the home improvement term do-it-yourself into a Xenalike war cry for women. There are other female-friendly home improvement shows like

Lifetime's "Merge" and WE's "She House." But none are as feminist-friendly as "Diva." Vally says "Toolbelt Diva" is much more than just another home improvement show. This one's got a message.

"Say goodbye to 'honey-do lists,'" Vally screams in the "Diva" promo, "because on my show, honey, you do it yourself."

In true Amazonian spirit, men are nowhere to be seen on "Toolbelt Diva" until the end when Vally and the female homeowner show the man of house what they've been up to for the past two days. Sometimes, the men barely react to the transformations. But a man's approval is hardly important.

Vally says "Toolbelt Diva" is her "destiny," but she didn't come up with the name herself. That credit goes to the show's producer, Liza Keckler.

The road to "Toolbelt Diva," which airs Fridays at 9 p.m. EDT with replays throughout the week, goes something like this: After 10 years in and out of the construction business, Vally's cousin told her she could bring to home improvement shows what Emeril Lagasse brought to cooking shows. So Vally made a demo tape and got an agent who landed her auditions for Discovery's "Trading Spaces: Boys vs. Girls" and "Rally Round the House." Vally became the construction expert on the latter.

For 50 episodes, Vally worked outdoors with a designer and landscape expert, making over yards while the homeowners were locked inside. For Vally, "Rally" was an excellent "Diva" training ground. She tackled outdoor construction — Vally's experience was mostly interior — and learned how to act in front of the camera.

Vally, who's been a lingerie model, personal trainer and English instructor, hopes "Diva" is picked up for more than the 12 finished episodes and is peddling her fix-it book "Chix Can Fix" to publishers.

And after that? This diva wants to create her own for-woman-by-woman toolbelt.

"I'm sick of toolbelts that don't fit right," Vally says. "Women have hips."

# Rental Central

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

The second week of August shaped up as a fine one for fans of classic horror films as well as recent comedies.

The big release of the week, though, was Quentin Tarantino's "Kill Bill, Volume 2." Uma Thurman returns in what is essentially the second half of the Kill Bill saga that was turned into two movies when Miramax Studios decided that it was (A) way too long for an action movie, and (B) an opportunity to make some serious cabbage since series films are currently big box office ("The Matrix," "The Lord of the Rings" trilogy, etc.).

This time the battles are more intimate, with one-on-one brawls, as opposed to the last film, where Thurman took on an entire Yakuza gang and cleaned house like an atomic vacuum cleaner. David Carradine toplines as Bill and Michael Madsen (Mr. Blonde from "Reservoir Dogs") turns in a good low-key performance as Bill's morally fixated brother.

"Johnson Family Values" is a hip-hop comedy from Cedric the Entertainer ("Barbershop") and details a family road trip that is meant to restore a fractured family but turns into a total catastrophe that involves hitchhiking hookers and a night in jail.

"National Lampoon's Dorm Daze" is just another nail in the

coffin for the Lagoon franchise, which got off to a good start with "Animal House" but has gone downhill ever since. In this one, sophomore hijinks ensue when a foreign exchange student and a prostitute with the same name are met by the wrong parties.

Your best bet for entertainment this week comes with the DVD release of several classic horror films. First up is a "Predator" two-disc special edition which arrives just as "Alien vs. Predator" (or "AVP") hits local screens. The extras include a deleted scene, several featurettes on the making of the film, a documentary and a free ticket to AVP. You get some footage here of the original Predator design that was deemed unscary and too cumbersome. It also was too much for the actor, Jean Claude Van Damme, underneath who couldn't take the combination of the heavy costume combined with the South American heat.

The sci-fi classic "Village of the Damned" makes its DVD debut on a two-disc set that includes the inferior sequel "Children of the Damned." George Sanders stars in this exercise in paranoia wherein all of the women of a small English village give birth, on the same day, to an army of blonde-haired, blue-eyed and decidedly evil kids. The ending is a knockout.

In a similar vein is 1956's "The Bad Seed." Patty McCormack stars here as an evil 10-year-old who totally manipulates all of the adults in her orbit. Despite a tacked on happy ending, this is a mostly faithful adaptation of Maxwell Anderson's classic Broadway play.

The real treat this week is the DVD debut of Tod Browning's "Freaks." This one was deemed so creepy upon its release in 1932, it was banned in England for the next 30 years. It's a chilling story

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# Ballot order selected

The Floyd County Clerk's office held a drawing yesterday to specify the order that candidates will be placed on the ballot for the November 2 election.

They will be listed as follows:

### Prestonsburg City Council

- Danny Hamilton
- Phillip Chaffins
- Donna Wells
- Harry Adams
- Diana Fish
- Kay Ross
- Kelly Moore
- Gorman Collins

### Wheelwright City Commission

- Lowell D. Parker
- Danny Ray Bates
- Tracy Gilliam
- James H. Butler
- Andy Wayne Akers
- Rodney Hall
- Lonzie Tackett, Jr.
- Don Hall
- Bruce Johnson
- Shelvie Boyd
- Ruby Johnson
- Hubert Farmer

### Wayland City Council

- Tim Stephens
- Curtis Tufts
- Tommy Robinson
- Mary Murphy

### Martin City Council

- Deborah Bentley
- Mark Judd
- Michael Robinson
- Eulene Ratliff
- Mehendra Varia
- Charles Justice

### Allen City Council

- Ernestine Hall
- Judy Parsons
- Larry Castle
- Jerome Kinzer
- Cindy Parsons
- Raymond Parsons

### School Board District #3

- Jim Mike Harris
- Clyde Johnson
- Jeff Stumbo

### School Board District #4

- Mike Vanderpool
- Carol Stumbo

### School Board District #5


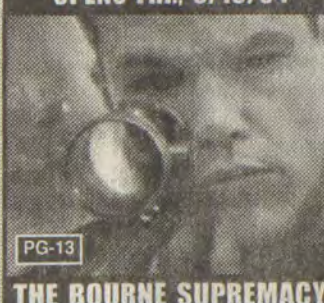
- Glenna Howard Slone
- Sherry Robinson
- Jody Mullins

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## Marriage Licenses

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 Tasha Nicole Harris, 20, of Prestonsburg, to Eric Dean Fleming, 22, of Whitesburg.  
 Alyssa Fawn Sheward, 22, of Erie, Pa., to Jeffrey Allen Hunter, 25, of Knott County.  
 Crystal Lynn Carroll, 20, of Martin, to James Michael Rowland, 19, of Paintsville.  
 Judy Carol Newsome, 53, of Pikeville, to Gregory Dean Hall, 40, of Floyd County.  
 Anna Maria Clark, 29, of Martin, to Zeb Edward Ousley, 32, of Indiana.  
 Danika Kemi Perry, 24, of Oklahoma City, Okla., to Glen Adam Beverly, 22, of Paintsville.  
 Rebecca White Noger, 43, of Ashland, to Jeffrey Lynn Riley, 46, of Pikeville.  
 Amanda Marie Blackburn, 24, of Detroit, Mich., to Bobbie Douglas Hall, 32, of Pikeville.  
 Elisha Renee Slone, 16, of Pikeville, to David Hall, 20, of Floyd County.

## Small Claims Filings

Alberta Spears vs. Recca Sexton, monetary damages.  
 Ronnie W. Diddle vs. Steve Graves, monetary damages for rent.  
 Bruce Lee Jarrell et al vs. Lois Adkins, monetary damages.  
 Yvonne Burkett vs. Gold Slone, monetary damages.

## Charges Filed

Carolyn J. Stricklin, 45, Allen; criminal trespassing.  
 Luther Russell Maynard, 23, Delbarton, W.Va.; failure to wear personal floatation device.  
 James M. Blakenship, 47, Pikeville; drinking alcoholic beverage in a public place.  
 Earl B. Bevins, 20, Betsy Layne; failure to wear personal floatation device.  
 Mark W. Clay, 18, Grayson; failure to wear personal floatation device.  
 Matney Peters, 36, Coal Grove, Ohio; failure to wear personal floatation device.  
 Donna J. Holbrook, 48,

Harold; riding on bow while motorboat underway.  
 Sherry Robinson, 35, David; alcohol intoxication.  
 Glen Ray Kidd, 46, Martin; alcohol intoxication.  
 Kenya Conn, no age listed, Pikeville; fourth-degree assault.  
 Nathaniel A. Stanley, 20, Wheelwright; alcohol intoxication.  
 Tony Lee Hill, 19, Wheelwright; alcohol intoxication.  
 James Bryan Arnett, 20, Salyersville; alcohol intoxication.  
 Gary Martin Coffey, 36, Salyersville; alcohol intoxication.  
 Kevin Howard, 34, Salyersville; alcohol intoxication.  
 Brenda Bailey, 45, Wittensville; alcohol intoxication.  
 Gregory A. Adkins, 50, Regina; alcohol intoxication.  
 Sherry L. Robinson, 35, Martin; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest.  
 Barry R. Sizemore, 38, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.  
 Margarita L. Boyd, 21, Pikeville; public intoxication, disorderly conduct.  
 Janet D. Conn, 25, Martin; disorderly conduct.

Clayton E. Holland Jr., 44, Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault.  
 Jennifer Salyer, no age listed, Prestonsburg; theft, resisting arrest.  
 Amanda L. McKenzie, 26, Salyersville; public intoxication, criminal trespassing.  
 Shane Eric Brown, 32, Langley; terroristic threatening, public intoxication, disorderly conduct.  
 William Douglas Howard, 32, Ivyton; public intoxication, criminal trespassing.  
 Bobby D. Hamilton, 49, McDowell; alcohol intoxication.  
 Timmy G. Robinson Jr., 28, Inez; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.  
 Cliff Dye, 34, McDowell; alcohol intoxication.  
 Ted P. Carroll, 38, Minnie; alcohol intoxication.  
 Brian W. Burke, 31, Prestonsburg; criminal mischief, burglary, theft of a controlled substance, persistent felony offender.  
 Roma Annette Charles, 40, McDowell; forgery.  
 Christopher T. Miller, 21, Drift; possession of a controlled substance, public intoxication.

Bill David Hagon, 26, Langley; burglary.  
 Phillip M. Hagon, 20, Langley, burglary.  
 Clifton Curtis Boyd, 25, Harold; forgery.  
 James Gregory Goines, 21, McDowell; first-degree possession of a controlled substance.  
 Danny Ray Blackburn, 46, Lowmansville; DUI, fleeing/evading police, two counts of wanton endangerment, third-degree assault, no insurance, no operators license, failure to wear seat belt, driving on wrong side of road, possession of an open alcoholic beverage container in a motor vehicle.  
 Jessica Dawn Stumbo, 19, Martin; possession of a controlled substance, use/possession drug paraphernalia.  
 Edgar Tackett, 79, Prestonsburg; no/expired other state registration receipt, operating on a suspended operator's license, DUI, no insurance, harassment.  
 Kathleen Holbrook, 24, Hueysville; forgery of a prescription, possession forged prescription for legend drug.  
 Larry Blackburn, 44, Pikeville; criminal mischief, burglary, theft

of a controlled substance.  
 Danny Ray Blackburn, 46, Lowmansville; criminal mischief.

## Inspections

Hobart's Pizza, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Shelves in walk-in made of raw wood — not protected, hair restraints not in use, microwave needs cleaning, unable to locate all thermometers. Score: 92.  
 Drive By Exxon, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Cooler unit not working properly, unable to locate thermometer in ice cream freezer, proper hair restraints not in use, dumpster not properly covered, microwave needs cleaning. Score: Food service 91, retail 90.  
 Dairy Cheer, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Unable to locate all thermometers, proper hair restraints not in use, shelves in walk in some disrepair. Score: 93.  
 Double Kwik, Ivel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Walk-in refrigerator has no thermometer, food items observed  
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## Civil Suits Filed

Garnet Likens vs. George Likens; divorce.  
 Arlie Miller vs. Arinda Miller; divorce.  
 Bobbi and Jimmy Iricks vs. Barnette Jones & Garrett, doing business as Smoke Shack, and Medicaid Services; complaint.  
 Kenneth Hall vs. Nathan Hoskins, Motorist Mutual Insurance, Secretary of State; complaint.  
 Dean Hall vs. Virginia Drilling Company and Frasure Creek Mining LLC; complaint.  
 Eric Hamilton vs. Harry Fogle and the Kentucky Oil and Refinery Company; complaint.  
 U.S. Bank vs. Greg Goble; complaint.  
 Randolph Allen vs. Belinda Jerrell; complaint.  
 Rhea Necessary vs. Kenneth Necessary; 1999 divorce transferred from Martin County.  
 Citibank South Dakota vs. Sandy Sheffield; complaint.  
 BCG Trust vs. Ralph King, Shirley King, Appalachian Wireless, Attorney General Greg Stumbo, Floyd County, Legal Recoveries Inc., Chrysler Credit Corp., Automotive Finance; complaint.  
 Methodist Hospital of Kentucky vs. Clinton Coleman; complaint.  
 Rosemary Hall vs. Donna Rollins, Jimmy Rollins, Shirley Caudill, Eddie Caudill, Raymond Hall, Kenneth Hall, Gabriella Hall, Kimberly Harmon, Charles Harmon, and Everette Newman; petition for sale of jointly owned property.  
 Matt/Co. Inc. vs. Ramona Burchett, Jimmy Burchett, Rhonda Goble Ousley, Charles Ousley, James Wells Jr. and his unknown spouse, Grace Ellis, Irma Hager, Anthony Griffith and his unknown spouse; petition for interpleader.  
 Angela Spencer vs. Bobby Spencer; divorce.

# Obituaries

### Peggy Jo Bentley

Peggy Jo Bentley, 52, of Wayland, died Wednesday, August 11, 2004, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.  
 Born March 23, 1952, in Martin, she was the daughter of the late Albert and Lakie Hamilton Stephens. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church, at Estill.  
 She is survived by her husband, Larry Bentley.  
 Other survivors include four sons: John Paul of Garrett, Larry Jr., of Roundhead, Ohio, Daniel of Lexington, and Charles of Wayland; one brother, Delbert Stephens of Langley; five sisters: Bossie Kidd of East Point, Bernice Westfall of Ivel, Bonnie Stephens of Emma, Rose Melinda (Betty) Humble of Printer, and Barbara Parsons of Eastern; and five grandchildren.  
 Funeral services will be conducted Friday, August 13, at 1 p.m., at the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church, at Estill, with Freewill Baptist ministers officiating.  
 Burial will be in the Hamilton Cemetery, at Printer, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.  
 Visitation is at the church.  
 (Paid obituary)

### Reda Endicott Reynolds

Reda Endicott Reynolds, 56, of Cracker Bottom, Martin, died Tuesday, August 10, 2004, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, in Martin.  
 Born March 3, 1948, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Krüger and Nora Belle Roberts Martin. She was a former general manager of Pic-Pac Grocery, and a homemaker.  
 She is survived by her husband, James Reynolds.  
 Other survivors include a daughter: Mischa Endicott, (Steven Layne) Endicott of Lexington; a sister, Cheryl Johnson of Los Angeles, California; a grandson, Bradley Layne; and an aunt, Lucy Kinzer of Allen.  
 Funeral services will be conducted Friday, August 13, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Randy Osborne and Renee Thornsby officiating.  
 Burial will be in the Roberts Family Cemetery, in Martin, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.  
 Visitation is at the funeral home.  
 (Paid obituary)

### Kenneth (Kenny) Ray Goble

Kenneth (Kenny) Ray Goble, 60, of Prestonsburg, died Sunday, August 8, 2004, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.  
 Born January 28, 1944, in Lancer, he was the son of the late Chester Arthur Goble, and Edna Mae Burchett Goble. He was self employed as a telecommunications technician.  
 He is survived by his wife, Wilma Bailey Goble.  
 In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Kenneth Jason Goble of Prestonsburg; two daughters: Mary Louisa Goble of Prestonsburg, and Melissa Goble Ousley of Williamstown; two brothers: Billy Raymond Goble of Prestonsburg, and Douglas Eugene Goble of Allen; one sister, Mary Ann Wood of Shawnee Hills, Ohio; one grandson, Chris Woods, and one granddaughter, Kayla Ousley.  
 Celebration of Life services were conducted by friends and family members on Wednesday, August 11, at 11 a.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel.  
 Interment was at Gethsemane Gardens, Prestonsburg.  
 Visitation was at the funeral home.  
 Pallbearers: David Wilson, Greg Ousley, Keith Bailey, Doug Goble, Lonnie Fleenor, Dennis Adams, Mark Woods, and Shawn Porter.  
 The family has entrusted arrangements to the Carter Funeral Home.  
 (Paid obituary)

## Rental

of greed, murder and revenge which takes place in a traveling circus. The film details the eerie events that transpire when a femme trapeze artist marries and murders a circus midget for his

fortune. The denizens of the circus' sideshow don't take kindly to this outsider and plot a brutal revenge which will give you the chills.  
 Next week look for the DVD

debut of Steven Spielberg's television classic "Duel," wherein Dennis Weaver stars as a traveling  
 (See RENTAL, page eight)

## Letters

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## Homosexuals want more rights

In your online poll, you asked if we are in favor of a constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriage. My issue is with the

second option that is listed. It states "No, gays should have the same rights as heterosexuals."  
 This is not a valid option, because homosexuals already have the same rights as everyone else. Homosexual males can already marry consenting females, and homosexual females can already marry consenting males.  
 It isn't that homosexuals want the same rights as us. They want MORE rights than the average American. It is just selfish if you ask me.  
 Anna Sanchez  
 Martin  
 (Submitted via floydcounty-times.com.)

## Revival

**Victory Assembly of God**  
 West Prestonsburg  
 August 15-18  
 Sunday, 15th — Minister from Pikeville, 6 p.m.  
 Monday, 16th — Minister from Hazard, 7 p.m.  
 Tuesday, 17th — Minister from Salyersville, 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday, 18th, Minister from Martin, 7 p.m.  
 For more information:  
 Call 606-285-3051

## Remembrance

By Nancy Davis



Papaw, it was difficult to let you go. You always seemed so strong, no one knew when you were sick.  
 Mother was so sad as you always prayed for her. She knew that cancer would never enter her body again, after your prayer.  
 But we still had Granny. She always tried to be strong, but she was only living day-to-day; waiting for God to call her away, so she could be with you.  
 Mother was so sad at the loss of both of you. But you had raised her in the Christian way. We celebrated the twins' birthday every year after Granny's death. It was good to have the family together, as many as could come.  
 The last night at the funeral home with Mother, Sister said that she knew that you and Granny were glad to have your oldest daughter back with you. She felt that you missed her a lot.  
 It has been hard giving Mother up, but there is comfort knowing she is home with you, and just waiting for the children and grandchildren she dearly loved, to join her.  
 Please watch over us and pray for us, as you watched out for us and prayed for us on earth.  
 By your loving granddaughter.

**\*\*A remembrance of Ted and Rebecca Miller,**  
 Ghost written for Minnie Warrix

The Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad was organized on April 27, 1958, as a result of the tragic school bus disaster on February 28, 1958. Twenty-six children and the driver lost their lives.

On August 18, 19, and 20, from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., on WDOC 1310 AM and Q95 WQHY; and August 21, from 12:00 noon to 10:00 p.m., on WDOC 1310 AM, and Q95 WQHY, we will be conducting our

## 38th ANNUAL



## RADIO AUCTION

This is the Squad's primary means of funding

All personnel serve entirely as volunteer members. The squad does not receive a tax base. We rely heavily upon people like you, who realize the importance of a strong, well-equipped rescue squad.  
 The Floyd County Emergency and Rescue Squad would like to encourage everyone to listen in, and bid, and buy, on this 38th Annual Radio Auction. We thank you for your support.



# Floyd County Devotional Page

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

**First Assembly of God, Martin;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Lorie Vannucci, Minister.  
**New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.  
**Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Stooz, Minister.

**BAPTIST**

**Allen First Baptist, Allen;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.  
**Auxier Freewill Baptist, Auxier;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.  
**Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Filch, Minister.  
**Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.  
**Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.  
**Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Com Fork;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.  
**Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne;** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.  
**Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.  
**Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.  
**Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.;  
**Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Jim Fields, Minister.  
**Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.  
**Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Egopt. on Rt. 1428;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Buddy Jones, Minister.  
**First Baptist, Garrett;** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.  
**First Baptist, Martin;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.  
**First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial);** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, minister.  
**Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.  
**Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
**Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
**Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Brancham's Creek Rd.);** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

**Facts About The BIBLE** BY JOHN LEHTI

**THE GIDEONS**

A HOTEL ROOM...  
 ...A PRISON CELL...  
 ...MILITARY INDUCTION CENTER...  
 ...AN AIRPLANE!

WHAT DO THESE DIFFERENT PLACES ALL HAVE IN COMMON?  
 ...WHY A GIDEON BIBLE, OF COURSE!

IN 1908, AT THE SUPERIOR HOTEL, IRON MOUNTAIN, MONTANA, THE FIRST GIDEON BIBLE WAS GIVEN AWAY. SINCE THEN, GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL HAS PLACED THROUGHOUT THE WORLD 211 MILLION BIBLES FOR THE TRAVELER TO READ!

WHY DO THESE DEDICATED MEN, ALL VOLUNTEERS, CALL THEMSELVES GIDEONS? IN JUDGES 6:12, THE BIBLICAL GIDEON WAS CALLED UPON BY AN ANGEL OF THE LORD. TODAY'S GIDEONS BELIEVE THEY HAVE BEEN CALLED TO DISTRIBUTE THE WORD OF THE LORD AS IT IS FOUND IN THE BIBLE!

SAVE THIS FOR YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL SCRAPBOOK

**NEXT WEEK: FIVE FEISTY DAUGHTERS!**

This devotional and directory is made possible by these businesses who encourage all of us to attend worship services.

**Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist;** Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.  
**Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinville;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Barrett, Minister.  
**Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.  
**Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.  
**Lancer Baptist Church; 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg;** Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening Woshop, 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter  
**Liberty Baptist, Denver;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.  
**Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon;** Sunday School, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.  
**Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill;** Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.  
**Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.  
**Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Varney, Minister.  
**McDowell First Baptist, McDowell;** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Gene Bracken, Minister.  
**Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Eugene Cook, Minister.  
**Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg;** Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 285-3385  
**Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.  
**Prater Creek Baptist, Banner;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; J.B. Hall, Pastor. Phone: (606) 874-3222.  
**Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J 102;** Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; French B. Harmon, Director; Ella C. Goble, President; 874-9468/478-2978.  
**Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.  
**Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett;** Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Earl Stone, Minister; Jerry Manns, Assistant Minister.  
**Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville;** Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 4th Sunday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.  
**Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Shane Powers.  
**Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch;** Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.  
**The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
**Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers);** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.  
**Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist, Cliff Road;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.  
**Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist;** Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.  
**United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville;** Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.  
**Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrai, Minister.

**Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.  
**Weeksbury Church of Christ;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mike Hall, Minister.

**CHURCH OF GOD**

**Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.  
**Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin;** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.  
**First Church of God; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.  
**Garrett Church of God, Garrett;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.  
**Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.  
**Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point;** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heaster Jr., Minister.  
**The Church of God of Prophecy, Hi Hat;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Don Fraley, Jr., Minister.

**EPISCOPAL**

**St. James Episcopal; Sunday Service, 9:45 a.m.;** Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Study Group 6:00p.m., Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:30 p.m. Father Johnnie E. Ross, Rector.

**LUTHERAN**

**Our Savior Lutheran, Sipp Bayes Room Carriage House Motel, Paintsville;** Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; WKLV (600 am) 12:05 p.m.; Roland Bentrup, Minister.

**METHODIST**

**Auxier United Methodist, Auxier;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Doug Lawson, Minister.  
**Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.  
**Christ United Methodist, Allen;** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.  
**Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neeley St.);** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pecosoldo, Minister.  
**Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.  
**Ernie United Methodist, Emma;** Sunday Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Jack Howard, Minister.  
**First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue;** 9 a.m. Contemporary Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMYS Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.  
**Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier;** Sunday Morning Service, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.  
**Martin Methodist;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.  
**Maytown United Methodist, Langley;** Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.  
**Salisbury United Methodist, Printer;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.  
**Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.  
**Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.  
**Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold;** Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.  
**Drift Pentecostal, Drift;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.  
**Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.  
**Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John 'Jay' Patton, Minister.  
**Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton;** Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.  
**Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton;** Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sarlan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.  
**Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David;** Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcom Stone, Minister.  
**Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line;** Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister. 297-6262  
**Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

**CATHOLIC**

**St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass:** Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Damron, pastor.

**CHRISTIAN**

**First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.  
**Garrett Community Christian, Route 550, Garrett;** Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Hackworth, Minister.  
**Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.;** Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Serm Williams, Minister.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.  
**Church of Christ, South Lake Drive;** Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Benny Blankenship, Minister.  
**Harold Church of Christ, Harold;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.  
**Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
**Hueysville Church of Christ;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.  
**Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meado, Minister.  
**Mare Creek Church of Christ, Stanville;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.  
**Martin Church of Christ, Martin;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Gary Mitchell, Minister.

**PRESBYTERIAN**

**Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift;** Worship Service, 11 a.m.  
**First Presbyterian, North Lake Drive;** Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; George C. Love, Minister.

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**

**Seventh-Day Adventist, 5 miles West on Mountain Parkway;** Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; Gary Sheph Minister.

**THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS**

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society/Presthood/Primary;** 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Sacrament Mtg., 11:20 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m. Church Meeting House address, Hwy. 80, Martin, KY 41649; Meeting House telephone number: 285-3133; Ken Camere, Bishop.

**OTHER**

**Pastor Atha Johnson** welcomes everyone to attend services at the **CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY,** Sunday school 10 a.m., Worship Service 11 a.m.  
**Drift Independent, Drift;** Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.  
**Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale;** Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 6 p.m.; William Jamel, Minister.  
**Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg (next to old flea market);** Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.  
**Faith Bible, Martin;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.  
**Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg;** Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.  
**Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Hagans, Minister.  
**Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville;** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.  
**Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lavonne Lafferty, Minister.  
**Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.;** Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.  
**Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.;** Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.  
**Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin;** Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.  
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stored on floor of cooler, wiping cloth use unrestricted, wall and ceilings in disrepair, wet mop head stored on floor. Score: Food service 94, retail 97.

Jet's Pizza, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers broken and missing, butter needs a cover, proper hair restraints not in use, microwave needs cleaning, oven needs cleaning, garbage left outside dumpster, lights not properly shielded in food prep area. Score: 85.

Speedway, Martin, regular

inspection. Violations noted: Bread not covered while waiting for oven, utensils left in handsink, small amount of standing water on floor, lights not shielded in reach-in unit, motor oil not stored properly. Score: Food service 95, retail 93.

Tobacco Max, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Beef jerky display too close to floor, restroom door not self-closing. Score: 96.

Family Inn Pizza and More, 11795 Route 80, regular inspection. Violations noted: Handles on

refrigerator need repair, shelves in disrepair, single service items not stored properly, restroom doors not self-closing, paper towels missing from restrooms, mop head stored on floor. Score: 90.

Cardinal Mart, Wheelwright, regular inspection. Violations noted: Container in walk-in not properly labeled, food items stored on floor, proper hair restraints not in use, foam cups stored on floor, restrooms have no soap, ceilings in bad repair. Score: Food service 90, retail 94.

Vance Quik Mart, Hi hat, regu-

lar inspection. Violations noted: Not all units have thermometers, no towels at food prep sink, floor tile in disrepair, wall in food prep area in disrepair, proper hair restraints not in use. Score: Food service 93, retail 97.

**Property Transfers**

James R. Wells and Brenda Sue Wells to Albert Devon Scalf, property located at Mare Creek.

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property located at David.

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Hackworth to Jody Hackworth, property located at Cane Branch Road.

Coyet Bolen to Colene Hall, property located at Bolen Branch Road.

Yvonne Yonts and Tommy Yonts to Brenda Hall, property located at Left Beaver.

Clifford Hall Jr. and Barbara Hall to Donna Faye Mitchell, property location undisclosed.

Betty J. Bentley to Sammy G. Bentley and Sheila Bentley, property location undisclosed.

**Guest**

Certainly, Kentucky's position is in continuing need of improvement. It maintains a below-average status both nationally and compared to its peer states. But "the considerable improvement in these two index scores over the time period strongly suggests that commitments made to improving the social and economic well-being of citizens of the Commonwealth are achieving their desired result," the researchers noted.

Chief among those commitments is the one Kentucky made to elementary and secondary education in 1990 and to improvements in postsecondary education in the 1997 reforms. The relationship between those commitments and the state's improving quality of life is

inescapable.

"The economic situation (in Kentucky) waxed and waned with fluctuations in the business cycle, but the state did not waver from policy initiatives taken to provide high-quality education for all Kentuckians," the index concluded. "Vibrant communities, a beautiful environment and honest participatory government remained characteristic of the quality of life found in the state but showed little to no growth, while dramatic growth occurred in the area of education and, in turn, overall quality of life."

The progress that Kentuckians have seen in test scores and academic performance is now being illustrated in the day-to-day impact it is having on their quality of life. That makes it more important than

ever that the state sustain its commitment to providing a high quality education for each of its citizens.

The report can be obtained from the Center at <http://www.kitprc.net/news1.htm> or by calling 502-564-2851.

**Rental**

salesman who is menaced on a road trip by a mysterious truck. The big studio release for next week will be the modern horror/science tale "The

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## South Floyd flag football signups set

Signups for the South Floyd flag football league will be held Saturday morning at the South Floyd High School football field. Signups will run from 10-11 a.m. The signup fee is \$10 per player. Each player will need to provide proof of insurance.

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## ESPN – Old School style

by RICK BENTLEY  
 TIMES COLUMNIST

I grew up playing sports and watching sports. I love it; it's a passion of mine that is surpassed by few things I've ever been a part of.

As a result, I've watched a lot of sports on television, and that has meant one thing for me – for 20 years now, SportsCenter has been a part of my life on a daily basis. As a part of ESPN's 25th Anniversary celebration, this week the network has taken its signature program back in time, bringing back some of its more recognizable anchors to sit behind the desk once more and allow viewers a chance to stroll down memory lane.

In watching the nightly sportscasts, I have wonder about the selections and the pairings they used.

Old School Week began Sunday with the return of the most egocentric anchor in ESPN's history – and that, my friends, is quite an undertaking – when Craig Kilborn made what I'm sure he'd call a triumphant return.

The host of a late-night show on CBS was paired with one of ESPN two most familiar faces in Dan Patrick. That brought up my first question of the week – for how long did they consider bringing back Dan's old tag-team partner, Keith Olbermann?

Keith is ESPN's most controversial alum, which is a main reason he has bounced around like one of those vending machine rubber balls since leaving "The Big Show." Olbermann has never been one to hold his tongue, and it has cost him many jobs – including the one that made him famous, sitting alongside Patrick on SportsCenter.

I wonder if they considered it at all, or if the egos that be wouldn't allow it to hap-

(See BENTLEY, page two)

## Bobcats to entertain Abingdon (Va.) in final tuneup

by JAMIE HOWELL  
 CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BETSY LAYNE – Another season of high school football has arrived and with that comes renewed hope for the Betsy Layne High School football program. Former coach Glen Ripkoski returns for a second stint as head coach of the Bobcats. New assistant coach John Parsons is noticeably excited about the upcoming season.

"We have several kids that have impressed me during practice," said Parsons. "I think this team will win ball games this year."

Bill Collins, Jordan Case and Brad Adams will anchor a Betsy Layne backfield that could surprise teams this year. Quarterback Sean Hamilton will get the nod as the starter for Ripkoski in 2004. One player that the Bobcat staff has been happy with is Jim Bradley. The sophomore tight end has shown flashes of brilliance in the pre-season following a 2003 season that saw him get varsity playing time. One of the problems that has plagued the Bobcat program in recent years has been the low number of players that suit up each week, but that may no longer be a problem as the Bobcats have 25 players that have arrived to play for this year's team.

Betsy Layne will take on Abingdon, Va. tonight at 6 p.m. in a final scrimmage, before entertaining Allen Central in the opener the following Friday in a game in which the Bobcats will host the rival Rebels. Abingdon is a small school in Virginia that dresses only 16 players and has an enrollment of approximately 160 students.

## Allen Central to host Letcher

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – There's a new varsity high school football team in Letcher County. Letcher, in its final year as a high school, has a football team. Letcher joins Whitesburg, Fleming-Neon and Jenkins as the other high schools in Letcher County to field a prep football team.

On Friday night, Allen Central will play host to Letcher, hosting the Eagles in a final pre-season football scrimmage for both teams.

Many Letcher student-athletes are still discovering and learning the sport of football. Under first-year head coach Jeremy Hall, Allen Central finished 1-9 in 2003. Hall, who previously coached the Allen Central Middle School football team, took over for Robert

Mayton. Heading into a second season as the starting quarterback, three-sport athlete Ryan Hammonds, who stars in football, basketball and baseball, is set to lead the Rebels into battle during the upcoming season. Allen Central plays in Class A, Region 4, District 8.

Hammonds returns to the Rebel offensive backfield along with sophomore David Slone and junior Charles Robinson, an accomplished running back who made huge strides during the 2003 campaign.

Robinson also doubles over and plays on defense, lining up at a linebacker position. The Allen Central offensive line returns junior guard Joe Brown, junior tackle Gordon Lafferty and senior tackle Jeremy Slone.

Kickoff for the Allen Central-Letcher scrimmage is scheduled for 6 p.m.



file photo  
 Allen Central High senior quarterback Ryan Hammonds and teammates will return to the gridiron tonight in a scrimmage game against Letcher.



photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg took on rival Paintsville in its first scrimmage of the pre-season. Boone County, a Class 4A opponent, awaits the Blackcats next in an exhibition game slated to be held at Morehead State University.

## Morehead State grid to include Belfry, P'burg

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

MOREHEAD – Area high school football fans yearning for all of the football they can handle should consider a trip to Morehead, either today or tomorrow. Maybe even both for the diehard Kentucky high school football fan or fans.

Locally, several teams are involved in a six-game grid hosted by Morehead State University.

The Morehead grid will get underway today with Belfry taking on Montgomery County in an opener. Belfry, the defending Class 2A state champion, features a dynamic one-two running punch in seniors David Jones and Doug Howard. A Division-I recruit, Jones has already given a verbal commitment to attend and play football at

the University of Kentucky. Montgomery County, once coached by former Prestonsburg head coach Bill Letton, finished the 2003 season a dismal 1-9.

In the nightcap tonight, Rowan County is scheduled to take on Phelps. The Phelps-Rowan County game is scheduled to kickoff at 8 p.m.

Four games will make up a full slate of games Saturday. In the first game of the day at 1 p.m., Western Hills will take on Casey County. In the second game, Lawrence County, with Billy Goldsmith back calling the shots at the head of the program, will take on Pulaski County.

In the third game of the day, and a game that holds much local interest, Prestonsburg has a tall

(See MOREHEAD, page two)

## Parker breaks femur; out for season

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – South Floyd was held out of the endzone in its first scrimmage game of the pre-season, but the Raiders suffered an even bigger loss in an exhibition game against Morgan County. Senior fullback/linebacker Kenny Parker was lost for the season Saturday when he broke a femur in the scrimmage game held at Pike Central.

Parker now faces a senior year without the gridiron sport and a final season of prep football on the sidelines. As a junior, Parker contributed greatly on both sides of the football, both offensively and defensively.

"It's just a terrible injury," said South Floyd Coach Donny Daniels. "Kenny has at least three months of rehab ahead of him."

Parker, who was set to enter the 2004 season as South Floyd's starting fullback, also started and starred on defense. During the 2003 season, a campaign in which the Raiders made the State Playoffs and upset perennial district rival Paintsville en route to a third-place finish in Class A, District 8, Parker provided strong play on both offense and defense.

## Raiders to host Magoffin in scrimmage

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – With the rain steadily coming down Thursday, South Floyd High football coach Donny Daniels was hopeful the wet weather would ease on out of Floyd County.

Daniels and the South Floyd High football team are scheduled to host Magoffin County in a scrimmage game Saturday evening. Kickoff is set for 6:30 p.m. The concern Daniels had was how the field would hold up as the start of the regular-



Donny Daniels

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## ACHS to host invitational/referee clinic

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – The Allen Central High School volleyball program will host an invitational/referee clinic Saturday. The invitational/referee clinic will include teams from the 14th and 15th regions. The invitational/clinic is scheduled to

get underway at 9 a.m. Games will immediately follow one another. All game times are subject to change. The warmup format is 2-2-1. Varsity teams will play 20 minutes, with a one-minute break, and Junior varsity teams will play 12 minutes. All games will be held at Allen

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THE 2004 ALLEN CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL TEAM – Front row, left to right – Captains Yumekia Hunter, Amanda Mills and Brandi Meade. Second row, left to right – Brandy Jarrell, Christina Blevins, Tiffany Owens, Elizabeth Moeley, Brittany Frasure, Courtney Martin and Brittany Hodge. Third row, left to right – Brittany Jarrell, Kimberly Meade, Alesia Hall, Erica Osborne, Melissa Noble and Natalie Gilme.



# Golden Eagles set to host East Ridge

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PAINTSVILLE — Jim Matney will have his young Johnson Central Golden Eagles ready to take on East Ridge tonight in the final

scrimmage of the year at Eagle Field in Paintsville. Johnson Central had the look of a much improved team in its first scrimmage against defending Class 2A State Champion Belfry. The Golden Eagles and Pirates played to a 0-0 tie and new coach Jim Matney was impressed by the play of his defense.

"Right now, I would say our defense is ahead of our offense," stated Matney. "I was really excited about the play of our linebackers."

Johnson Central is expected to be led in part by quarterback Sean Music and running back Ron Blume. Scotty McCoy is a senior who will provide leadership for Johnson Central. The East Ridge Warriors come in off a 2-8 season last year, and second-year head coach Mike Davis is expecting a big improvement in the upcoming season.

"We had a good spring practice and are looking to show improvement this year,"

Davis admitted. East Ridge is led by Derrick SESCO who returns at the defensive end spot. SESCO a senior was an all-state honorable mention player last year for the warriors. Offensively, East Ridge returns plenty of talent in the backfield. Senior Josh Sanders returns at tailback and Willie Collins will be at the fullback slot. Paul Deese will run the East Ridge offense in this his senior year. East Ridge will open the 2004 season at Shelby Valley in the Pike County Bowl on Friday, Aug. 27 against county rival Phelps, game time is set for 9 p.m.

Johnson Central will open the 2004 season on the road at Pineville against Whitesburg in the Laurel Bowl in a game slated for a 7:30 p.m. kickoff.

## Morehead

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task ahead of it in an exhibition game against Boone County, a team that will take the field nearly 30 seniors strong. Boone County plays in Class 4A, Region 3, District 6.

Prestonsburg and Boone County are slated to be playing at 6 p.m.

The sixth and final game of the Morehead State grid has nearby Boyd County paired up against Harrison County. Kickoff for the Boyd County-Harrison County game is set for 6 p.m.

Many area high school football squads got in final scrimmage games this week. Many will also be in action both today and tomorrow. Nearly every team in the state begins regular season play within the next seven to 10 days.

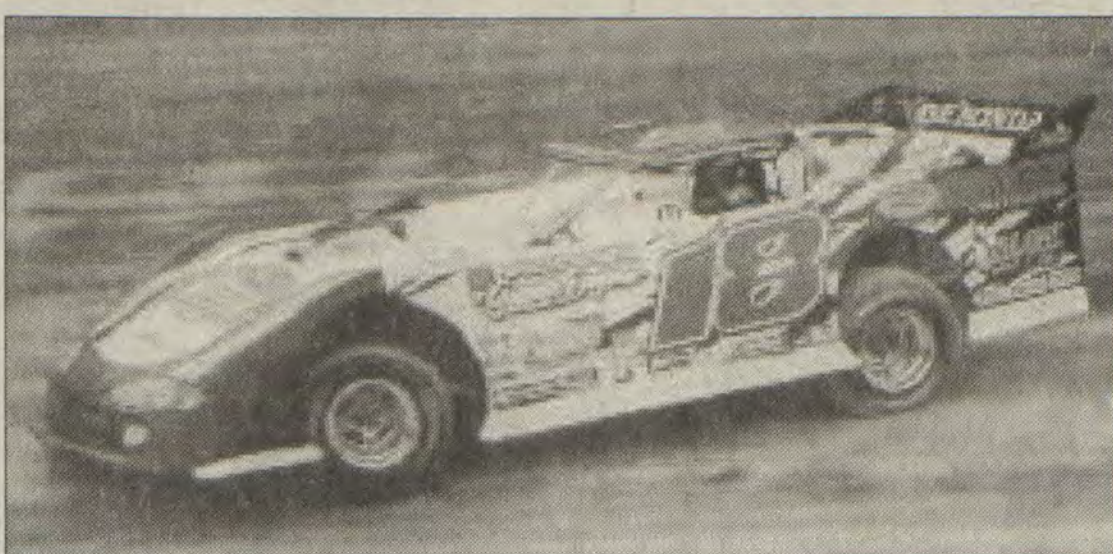
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season looms.

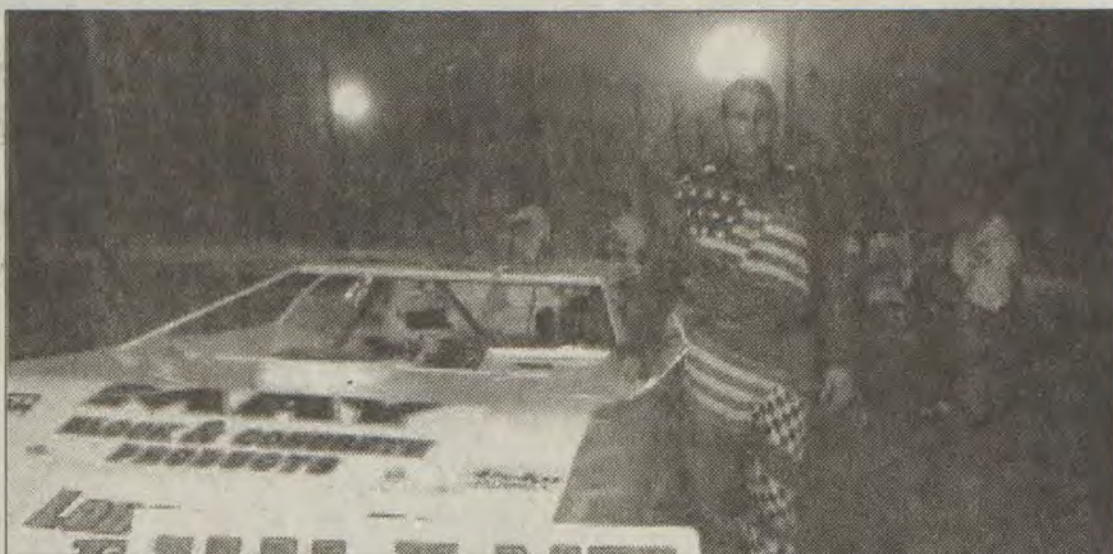
"The last thing we want to do is to get out there and tear our field up," said Daniels.

Earlier in the week, Tuesday, Magoffin County, coached by Dayne Brown, hosted Paintsville in a scrimmage. Following a 4-6 season in 2003, Magoffin County makes its way back to the high school gridiron expecting even better results in the season ahead.

Against Paintsville, Magoffin County, a Class 2A team, held



Brandon Kinzer, after a pair of top-10 finishes, is scheduled to compete in the North/South 100.



At press time, Chuckie May was to compete in the North/South 100.

# May, Kinzer among drivers headed to North/South 100

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN — Local dirt track Late Model racers Chuckie May and Brandon Kinzer are both headed to the 22nd Annual North/South 100, a \$50,000-to-win Late Model feature race scheduled for Saturday. Practice for the race was held last night. Qualifying is scheduled for today with the feature to follow

Saturday.

In the well-known Late Model feature race, Florence Speedway rules will apply with the Battle of the Bluegrass series tire rule in effect.

The North/South 100, which got its start in 1983, has much history behind it. Past winners of the race include Pat Patrick, John Mason, Jack Boggs, Jeff Purvis, Scott Bloomquist, Mike Head, Rodney Combs, John

Gill, Donnie Moran, Rick Aukland, Bob Pierce, Chub Frank and Dan Schlieper. The most recent winner of the race was Schlieper, who raced to a feature victory in 2003. The feature race was rained out in 2001.

For more information on the 22nd Annual North/South 100, go online to [www.florence-speedway.com/ns100.html](http://www.florence-speedway.com/ns100.html).

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its own.

The Magoffin County High School Class of 2003 took with it five seniors.

The Hornets have offensive weapons. The Magoffin County offense is led by quarterback Robert Bailey and wide receiver Bradley Marshall. A versatile athlete, Marshall also doubles as a defensive back in the Hornet defensive secondary.

Running back Brandon Shepherd, wide receiver Wesley Helton, wide receiver Dan Russell and fullback Shane Prater also return to the Hornet offense.

Adam Smith, John Howard and Justin Howard are leaders along the Magoffin County defensive line.

Daniels acknowledged that 25 players currently made up the

2004 edition of the South Floyd High football team. Tailbacks Joe Osborne and Wes Hall, valuable contributors from one season ago, give South Floyd pop out of the offensive backfield. Currently, Ryan Johnson and Anthony Thornberry are split-

ting time at quarterback. The loss of Kenny Parker to injury leaves a void at fullback. Daniels said offensive lineman/linebacker Robert Mullins could get carries from the fullback spot out of the Raider backfield.

## ACHS

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Central High School.

Beginning with the 2004 playing season, National Federation rules have changed to include "rally" scoring in volleyball for all regular and post season play. Matches will consist of the best three out of five games to 25 points by two with no cap. The fifth game, if needed, will be played to 15 points by two with

no cap. The Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA), by state Association adoption, will play under a modified scoring format permitted by the NFHS. Varsity matches will consist of the best two out of three games to 25 points by two with no cap. The third game, if needed, will be played to 25 points by two with no cap.

## Bentley

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pen, or if they just feared what the Outspoken One may say into a live microphone on a live network. I also wonder if he was offered and refused.

I know one thing: it would have been nice to see the two of them back in the saddle again.

As it was, Kilborn opened the week just as he left it years ago, screaming clichés and catch-phrases for all to hear.

In the interest of full disclosure, I should admit to you that a fan of Kilborn I'm not. His love of self rubbed me wrong when his late-night stand began, but it was the night he made fun of the death of pro wrestler Owen Hart that I vowed to never watch again.

Late night hosts walk a thin line all the time; it has become expected of them, I suppose. But just because Kilborn did not approve of Hart's profession, he chose to crack wise about his death on national television.

That is unacceptable. To begin with, nobody has debated the reality of pro wrestling for ages, so Kilborn and his ilk need to get over it. But furthermore, fake or no fake, a man died in the ring that night, a real flesh-and-blood human being, and there is not one thing humorous about that.

That said, Kilborn was hilarious, but I was reminded that his

style and catch phrases often covered his lack of in-depth knowledge of the sports he covered.

The next night brought out the smooth Charley Steiner, who picked up right where he left off three years ago. Teased constantly for his memorable outbursts of laughter — most of which left him out of control — and his new job as voice of the Yankees, Steiner teamed with Bob Ley to form an entertaining, professional and a solid pair.

It was as if Steiner — who worked a Yankee game that same afternoon before hustling to Bristol for the show — had never left the desk.

Tuesday night brought one of the most anticipated returns, one which was spoiled by the horrible selection of co-hosts.

A lot can be said for Gayle Gardner, but let's sum it up at this — every woman who makes a career in sports, from the modern-day version in Linda Cohn to those sideline reporters and right on down, owes her a debt of gratitude.

She paved the way for them, and will always be larger-than-life as a result.

But matching her with the off-the-wall Stuart Scott was an abomination. I have nothing against Scott, one of the most talented anchors on the current ros-

ter. But his style is loud and ultra-hip — Gardner once said on the air Scott scared her with one of his outbursts — was the polar opposite of Gardner's understated approach.

Cohn would have been the perfect selection here, and I'm a little disappointed that pairing wasn't used.

Greg Gumble, the host of NFL Today on CBS, and Reds television play-by-play man George Grande were also brought back as the week progressed. The two of them, as guys who still work in sports on a regular basis, were better matched for this task than, say, Kilborn, or Gardner, whose unlucky breaks has caused her to hope the one-nighter would land her a more permanent position somewhere in today's television.

There are many former anchors I'd like to see back. Some are still on the network in other slots — here's to you, Kenny Mayne — or have recently departed (a la the NFL Network's Rich Eisen). But to see these five come back has been fun, an experiment that has easily made the grade.

ESPN has proven once again that it truly is the worldwide leader in sports, and is still running away from those who claim to be its competition.



# KHSAA NOTEBOOK: Fall sports get underway

## TIMES STAFF REPORT

Golf was the first sport to begin competition on Aug. 2, kicking off the 2004-05 school year. Volleyball's first official play date is Monday, Aug. 9 while Soccer and Cross Country begin competition Aug. 16. Football rounds out the fall sports, with its season opening on Friday, Aug. 20.

For the fourth consecutive year, KHSAA staff will be conducting a New Athletic Administrators' Workshop. The program is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 13 at the KHSAA Office in Lexington. The workshop will help introduce programs and procedures for those who have entered an athletic administrators' role within the last year.

Last year, over 55 individuals attended. Over the past three years, some 200 administrators have attended the one day seminar.

The 2004-05 KHSAA Event Calendar is now available for purchase. The calendar includes sports specific important dates as well as Board of Control and Advisory Committee meetings and other KHSAA related information. Calendars are \$8 each by mail or \$6 if purchased at the KHSAA office. Orders can be made by contacting Marilyn Mitchell at the KHSAA office or purchased online through the KHSAA website.

Orders are now being taken for 2004-05 KHSAA Handbooks. Those may also be ordered online or by contacting Ms. Mitchell. Handbooks are \$15 each by mail or \$10 if purchased in person for the bound printed version. The three-ring binder insert version will again be available by mail for \$20 or \$30 for the binder and insert. In-person, the insert is \$15 or \$25 for the binder and insert.

Handbooks, as in the past, will be mailed the first full week of September.

The Athlete magazine, the quarterly publication of the Association, is available for a one-year subscription price of \$15. The subscription includes the popular "Year-End" championship results issue.

The 2003-04 Year-End results issue will be available in late August.

Schedules for boys' and girls' soccer, volleyball and football have been posted on the Riherd's/KHSAA scoreboard. Member schools are reminded to make sure all games have been entered through the "Member School Only" link on the KHSAA website.

The KHSAA Board of Control approved in November of 2003 a revised soccer alignment for the 2004 and 2005 seasons. The alignment is now consistent for boys and girls teams with regard to teams in the same district.

The preseason poll as compiled by the Boys' Soccer Coaches Association has been posted on the KHSAA website. To view see the following link: <http://www.khsaa.org/soccer/boyspoll.pdf>

The preseason poll as compiled by the Girls' Soccer Coaches Association has been posted on the KHSAA website. To view, see the following link: <http://www.khsaa.org/soccer/girlspoll.pdf>

Following is a listing of high school cross country meets scheduled through Sept. 4 as published by the Kentucky Track and Cross Country Coaches Association. To view a complete season schedule listing, check out the coaches association website at [www.ktccc.org](http://www.ktccc.org).

Aug. 24 Comcast Knoxville Track Club XC Series  
Aug. 28 Dayton Devils Distance Relays; Bernard Keene Inv. at Neslon County HS; Fort Campbell Invitational; Daviess County Classic; All-Corners at Masterson Station Park, Lexington; Bell County Hokem Karem.

Aug. 30 Danville All-Corners  
Sept. 2 Tomcat Invitational at Ashland Blazer; Model All-Corners; Comcast Knoxville Track Club XC  
Sept. 4 Madisonville-North Hopkins Invitational; Tiger Run at Seneca Park, Louisville; Pendleton Invitational Meet; Hancock County Invitational

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Board of Control is scheduled for Sept. 16-17 at the KHSAA Office in Lexington. The Board will hold a special meeting on Aug. 23 in Lexington to review appeals.

## Lengthened fall squirrel season looks promising for hunters

### SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — Kentucky squirrel hunters now may chase their quarry for an additional month during the 2004-2005 fall squirrel seasons.

The fall season opens August 21 and will close after February 28, 2005 (except closed the first two days of the modern gun deer season, November 13 and 14). Previously, squirrel season closed after January 31. The lengthened season corresponds with high expectations for one of the best squirrel seasons in years.

"This squirrel season is expected to be the best in 20 years," said John Morgan, upland game biologist with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR). "We are expecting hunters to see more than two squirrels per hour."

The reason for the optimism for the fall squirrel season is excellent production of mast such as acorns, hickory nuts and walnuts. "The last three years were good mast years," Morgan said. "Last fall was the best mast year in 20 years according to our hunter-cooperator survey. Hickory production last fall was phenomenal. Walnut production was way up last year as well." Squirrel numbers increase from

good mast production in the preceding fall because the greater quantities of food boost reproductive success. Female squirrels are in better physical condition during the late winter breeding season and tend to have healthier litters.

Morgan prefers to look for squirrels in hickory stands in the early season. Hunters may consider using a shotgun during this time as a way to overcome the dense foliage. "The problem with hickory trees is the leaves are so large that is hard to see the squirrels," Morgan said.

As the season progresses, Morgan changes where he looks for squirrels. "I like to start the season working hickory stands, but then I switch to oaks Hickory and oak stands are not the only places to prospect for squirrels. Walnut trees attract squirrels, especially in the early season. Beech trees are good food producers for squirrels, as are soft mast producing trees like dogwood, hackberry and black gum. Pre-season scouting helps eliminate unproductive squirrel areas. Look for green cuttings at the bottom of trees, especially hickories. Green cuttings show squirrels are still eating in those trees and reveals a good place to set-up opening day.

Those hunters who rise with

the chickens enjoy an advantage squirrel hunting. "Squirrel hunting is best in the first few hours of the morning," Morgan said. "I've always done best in the early morning. Squirrels loaf in trees during mid-day and don't move much. Evening is also good, but not as good as morning."

Squirrel hunters who want to help provide for good hunting in the future can do so by being a KDFWR hunter-cooperator. To participate, fill out the squirrel hunting log on page 69 of the Kentucky Hunting and Trapping

Guide. Logs are also available on the internet at [fw.ky.gov](http://fw.ky.gov). Keep this log in a convenient place and record the results of each hunt. Send the squirrel hunting log to Upland Game Program, Attn. Squirrel Survey, 1 Game Farm Rd., Frankfort, KY, 40601 when finished hunting for the season.

The daily bag limit is 6 squirrels. For more information about squirrel hunting, call 1-800-858-1549 or consult the 2004-2005 Kentucky Hunting and Trapping Guide.

## Wilson wants to make most of opportunity

by MURRAY EVANS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — After enduring three mostly injury-plagued years at Kentucky, second-team cornerback Warren Wilson already was determined to make a major impact this football season.

Now the Wildcats need him to.

Starter Bo Smith suffered a fractured skull last month, increasing Wilson's chances of starting and the role he will play on the team.

When the Wildcats visit Louisville on Sept. 5 for their season opener, it is likely that either Wilson, a 5-foot-11, 175-pound junior from Texas City, Texas, or junior Antoine Huffman will start.

"I'm healthy. I'm not in trouble. I'm not hurt. I'm not having any off-the-field problems. I'm ready," Wilson said Tuesday during Media Day activities at the Wildcats at Commonwealth Stadium.

"Sometimes you've just got to wait and take your turn, and when your turn comes, when you do get that opportunity, you don't look back. You keep going," said Wilson, who was listed as Smith's primary backup after spring practice. "I'm going to take advantage of my opportunity, because it's the best one I have. I've got a lot to prove."

Smith, a junior from Owensboro, did not attend Media Day activities. He is recuperating injuries he sustained from being hit in the head with a baseball bat last month during a fight in Oldham County. Kentucky coach Rich Brooks said Smith will take a redshirt year this season. Defensive coordinator Mike

Archer said it will be six months before any determination can be made about Smith's playing future.

"We were relieved he was all right," senior cornerback Earven Flowers said of Smith.

After the July 10 fight, which also involved walk-on linebacker Ryan Schumm, Archer said a team meeting was held to discuss off-the-field behavior. At that meeting, he challenged his cornerbacks to fill the void left by Smith.

"I didn't point those two guys out," Archer said of Wilson and Huffman, "but they knew. They both had great summers in the weight room. Warren is healthy for the first time."

Wilson said he's ready to meet Archer's challenge after a sophomore season in which knee and hamstring injuries and a three-week suspension for what Brooks called "conduct detrimental to the team" limited Wilson to reserve duty in five games. He redshirted in 2002 after suffering a knee injury in preseason practice and saw only sporadic action as a freshman in 2001.

While the starting job won't automatically go to Wilson —

both Brooks and Archer mentioned Huffman as another candidate to replace Smith — Wilson thinks he'll see a lot of playing time if he simply can stay healthy.

"I felt like my role was going to change ... because I'm healthy and I'm tired of taking a back seat," Wilson said. "Bo getting hurt just means I've got to be more of a leader. My leadership role changed."

Flowers, the other projected starter at cornerback, sees no reason why there would be any drop-off in production from across the field with Wilson in the lineup instead of Smith.

"Warren has stopped relying on his athletic ability and started becoming a football player," Flowers said. "Everybody knows Warren is very fast, he can jump and he's an athlete. But Warren didn't have the experience on the field because he's been hurt. This summer, we've worked hard on the field and in the film room, reading receivers and reading quarterbacks, seeing what they like to do."

"We're going to surprise a lot of people this year with our secondary."

## PFL coaches pick Morehead State in South Division

### TIMES STAFF REPORT

Defending Pioneer Football League South Division Champion Morehead State University and perennial North Division power Dayton have been picked by league coaches to win their respective divisions in 2004.

MSU picked up six of the nine first-place votes in the South. Jacksonville was picked

second, followed by Davidson and Austin Peay. Dayton also received six first-place votes in the North. The Flyers were followed in order by San Diego, Drake, Valparaiso and Butler.

The 2004 MSU Football Eagles began reporting to campus on Tuesday with the freshmen first to arrive. The veterans arrived Wednesday.

The past two seasons have been memorable ones for Coach

Matt Ballard and the Eagles. They have won back-to-back PFL South Championships, and Ballard has become the all-time winningest coach in Eagle football history.

MSU returns 38 letterwinners, including 15 starters from last season's 8-3 team. Heading the list of offensive returnees are tackle Justin Farrar (6-3, 270, Jr., Oak Hill, Ohio), halfback Eli Parkes (5-11, 215, Sr., Portsmouth, Ohio), fullback Jabari McGee (5-10, 205, So., Evansville, Ind.) and receiver Chris Ginter (6-3, 185, Jr., Morehead).

Key defensive returnees are tackle Ryan McKenzie (6-0, 270, Sr., Crescent Springs), end Dean Anderson (6-2, 245, Sr., Orlando, Fla.), linebackers Craig Unger (6-2, 225, Sr., Greenfield, Ohio) and Assamee Asad (5-10, 210, Sr., Pittsburgh, Pa.) and defensive backs Charlie Byrd (5-11, 202, Sr., Oxford, Ohio), Jahmaine Wells (5-10, 180, Sr., Hamilton, Ohio) and Kwesi Williams (5-10, 175, Jr., Louisville).

Placekicker Adam Jones (5-9, 185, Jr., Dayton, Ohio) and punter Aaron Charles (6-2, 205, So., Indianapolis, Ind.) return. MSU must find replacements for PFL South Division Offensive Player of the Year, quarterback David Caudill, linemen Peter Wagner, R. Akorli and Charles McGowan on offense. Defensively, lineman Luigi Lombardo, end Joel Wainscott and linebacker Odi Anyanwu are the key losses.

McGee had an outstanding freshman season, averaging 5.3 yards per rush and scoring four touchdowns. He has the potential to be a 1,000-yard rusher. The all-purpose Parkes averaged 4.9 yards per rush and caught 32

## Team makes small payment to city

FLORENCE — Owners of the Florence Freedom minor-league team paid a fraction of the rent that they owed Tuesday to the city.

Northern Kentucky Professional Baseball LLC paid \$5,000 of the \$197,617 that was due. The payment was the first due under the lease that allowed the team to build its stadium on city-owned land.

A letter from the group's attorney accompanied the check.

"The purpose of the payment is to demonstrate the intention of NKPB to move forward with the Florence Freedom," attorney Dennis Buckley of Cincinnati wrote. The owners "remain committed to baseball in the city of Florence and appreciate your support and cooperation."

The city leased the team 30 acres of land, where the team built Champion Window Field. Under the lease, the team is supposed to make semi-annual payments for 30 years.

The ownership group has a 30-day grace period to pay the rent before it is in default on the

lease.

Mayor Diane Whalen said she would meet with city attorneys this week to decide what to do about the partial payment.

The city could negotiate with the team, give it an extension for payment, or declare the lease invalid and evict the team from the stadium, Whalen said. However, the team's season in the Frontier League will be over before the grace period ends.

"They showed in the letter that they are committed to it and I think the letter says what we are all looking for," Whalen said.

In addition to the \$192,617 the team still owes to the city, the owners also face \$3.7 million in liens filed by contractors who say they were not paid for work done on the stadium. The liens also violate the lease and the team has until Aug. 23 to pay the first of the liens or face being evicted from the stadium.

— The Associated Press  
Information from: The Cincinnati Enquirer, <http://www.enquirer.com>

## Warner over Manning — for now

### THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kurt Warner will start ahead of Eli Manning in the New York Giants exhibition opener.

Coach Tom Coughlin made that announcement Wednesday, but added that the competition for the starting job between the two-time MVP and the No. 1 pick in last April's draft remains tight.

"Are they even? I would say 'Yes,'" Coughlin said is designating Warner to start Friday night against Kansas City at Giants Stadium.

"Whoever has the opportunity to play with the starters, that's who usually has his better practices. From that standpoint, they are. Now we will see how they separate out."

Warner will play into the second quarter, with Manning running the offense until at least the middle of the third quarter. Jesse Palmer, television's "The Bachelor," will finish, meaning the Giants will put three celebrity QBs on the field against the Chiefs.

"I've been a backup before so it won't be hard," said Manning, who signed a six-year, \$45 million contract last month. "Kurt's already played a bunch of

games, and he knows what it's like. It's my job to watch and learn from him and just try to get a feel of the game."

The last time Manning didn't start was at Mississippi as a redshirt freshman in 2001. He played six games as a reserve.

Warner was signed after being released by St. Louis to give the team a veteran to help Manning break in. Kerry Collins, the team's quarterback since 1999, was released after Manning was drafted and signed with Oakland.

In other news from the Giants camp, tight end Jeremy Shockey practiced for the first time since surgery on his right foot June 22.

Cardinals — Wide receiver Anquan Boldin, last season's offensive rookie of the year, had arthroscopic surgery Wednesday after tests found torn cartilage in his right knee.

Coach Dennis Green called the injury "a slight tear" and said Boldin should be able to return within weeks, suggesting he would be ready for the regular-season opener at St. Louis on Sept. 12. The Cardinals start their exhibition schedule Saturday at Minnesota.

"Very relieved," Green said.

"I think Anquan is one of the top receivers in the game. He was a Pro Bowl player last year and a great competitor. Just not having him out here yesterday and today has made a difference in our football team, but we'll be happy when he gets back and we don't anticipate that being very far away."

Another wide receiver, Bryant Johnson, had a boot removed which he wore for more than a month to protect the stress fracture in his right foot. Last year's first-round draft pick planned to return soon.

"As big a competitor as Anquan is, it's frustrating to him," quarterback Josh McCown said. "But he's ready to figure out what he needs to do to get back right and get going, so we'll be fine."

Boldin's knee was sore Monday and he sat out the morning practice. On Tuesday, he was warming up for practice when his knee locked up. Boldin, whose 101 catches last year set an NFL rookie record, was carted from the field.

Colts — Left tackle Tarik Glenn returned to the practice

(See WARNER, page four)



# Woods back in Wisconsin, where it all started eight years ago

by PETE HERRERA  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HAVEN, Wis. — Tiger Woods is back where he started his professional career, this time chasing an end to his slump in the majors.

Woods, playing an official tour event in Wisconsin for the first time since his pro debut in the Greater Milwaukee Open eight years ago, is trying to avoid going two seasons without a victory in a major championship.

His last chance is the PGA

Championship, which starts Thursday at Whistling Straits, the longest course in major championship history at 7,514 yards.

Woods is still No. 1 in the world rankings — he has been for a record-tying 331 consecutive weeks — but that streak, along with his run of five straight PGA Tour player of the year awards could be in jeopardy. He's 0-for-9 in the majors since winning the 2002 U.S. Open at Bethpage Black, with his best finish this year a tie for ninth in the British Open.

"It's never easy to win a major championship," Woods said Tuesday. "I think all of you guys realize that now."

He assumed as much when he joined the tour after two years at Stanford and three straight U.S. Amateur titles.

"I was just praying that I could do well enough not to have to go to Q-school," Woods said. "I was embarking on something I had never been through before and I didn't know what my future was going to hold for me."

He tied for 60th in his pro

debut in Milwaukee and earned \$2,544, then won twice and had three top-10 finishes in only eight tournaments.

A year later, Woods won four tournaments and his first Player of the Year award.

"Boy it does seem like a lifetime ago," said Woods. "A lot has happened in my life since then."

He has 40 tour wins — though just one this season — and his career earnings have topped \$43 million.

But he hasn't been able to return to the form of 2000 and

2001, when he won 14 times, became the first player to hold all four professional major titles at once and set the bar at a height even he hasn't been able to reach.

"I haven't been hitting the ball quite as close to the flags. I haven't been making as many putts," Woods said. "When I'm going out there and shooting 12-under par in the U.S. Open and 19-under par in the British Open, things are going pretty well. You're feeling pretty good about your game and you're riding a high. I shot some great scores on my run there."

The run that ended at Bethpage left Woods stuck on eight pro major wins and suddenly, Jack Nicklaus' record of 18 victories no longer looks so close.

And all those guys chasing him no longer seem so far away.

Vijay Singh is a four-time winner on the PGA Tour this year and leads the money list. He also can move to No. 1 in the world, although it would require a victory at Whistling Straits and Woods missing the cut, something Woods has never done in a major as a professional.

Phil Mickelson is No. 4 in the world and No. 1 in the majors this year, having won the Masters and missing out on a chance to win the U.S. and British Opens by one putt on the back nine of each. Mickelson has a chance to become the first player to finish in the top three in all four majors since the Masters began in 1934.

Mickelson was asked if anyone would ever dominate the majors like Woods.

"I don't think anybody thought there would be another player to dominate the way Nicklaus did in the majors, and then along came Tiger. So, I certainly would not rule it out," Mickelson said. "I would expect

it to happen again. I don't know if it will be Tiger again — it very well could be. I don't know if it will be another player of today's crop or if it will come later on down the line.

"If nobody plays at that level, it's a much more packed leaderboard."

Woods says he can feel his game turning the corner, and his tie for third in the Buick Open two weeks ago seems to indicate that. Then again, Singh won the Buick by playing better golf and making more putts.

"Yes, he looks good," Pdraig Harrington said of Woods. "He looks like he's coming back. There's a lot of other good players who are capable of competing with him."

Woods, along with everyone else in the field, is concerned about Whistling Straits, which with its length, narrow fairways and more than 1,000 bunkers is no place for red numbers. And it gets nastier when the wind blows off Lake Michigan.

"If the wind blows like this, I don't think I've played a golf course this difficult," Woods said Tuesday after a practice round.

"It's going to be a long week," Sergio Garcia said. "This course is so demanding that you know you have to be really on. If you don't, you're going to pay the price."

Mickelson said no one has an advantage on this course, regardless of how far they hit it.

"I don't think that guys who have length will necessarily be able to use it," he said. "The biggest factor on the scores will be the wind. It comes from different directions at different strengths and makes the golf course play totally different as far as what holes you can make birdie on and what holes you're fighting for par."

## Bengals give RB Perry a dose of hard work

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GEORGETOWN — The Cincinnati Bengals immediately put first-round draft pick Chris Perry to work after the running back signed a five-year, \$7 million contract to end an 11-day holdout.

After a news conference Tuesday to announce Perry's signing, running backs coach Jim Anderson began a cram course intended to help Perry catch up on what he has missed at training camp.

"I don't know how long it went," said Perry, a former Michigan standout. "I started to go into a daze after a while. He was going over everything, so I didn't even think about time."

On Wednesday, head coach Marvin Lewis told Perry that he won't play Saturday night in the Bengals' preseason opener at Tampa Bay.

Following the morning workout, Perry ran eight "gassers" — sprints from one sideline to the other — to help with his conditioning. He was the only player

running them.

Offensive coordinator Bob Bratkowski said Anderson's tutoring is just the beginning for Perry.

"J.A. tried to cover the basic things, the meat and potatoes stuff, and we're beyond the meat and potatoes," Bratkowski said. "There are a lot of other things in the stew as well. J.A. would pull him out if he didn't know how to run a play, put him in if he did."

Perry missed 15 practices, an intrasquad scrimmage and mock

game during his holdout. In his first practice Wednesday, he made a few mistakes in assignments.

Perry said he hopes to be ready to play in the team's second preseason game on Aug. 21 at home against Super Bowl champion New England.

"I'll catch up by the second preseason game," he said. "That's my plan. I'm not trying to prolong this process any longer than I have to. I'm trying to get everything down." Notes: Left guard Eric Steinbach practiced for the first time in training camp on Wednesday. The second-year player had surgery to remove some debris in his left elbow on July 28. He will not play this week against Tampa Bay but expects to be ready to play against New England. ... Tight ends coach Jonathan Hayes turned 42 on Wednesday. He received a birthday present on the field after the morning workout from quarterbacks Jon Kitna and Carson Palmer, who doused Hayes with ice water and baby powder.

## Gordon showing signs of old dominance

by MIKE HARRIS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

As Jeff Gordon crossed the finish line the Brickyard 400, team owner Rick Hendrick yelled into the radio: "Have I told you lately that you are the man?"

The four-time NASCAR champion hasn't heard that much the last two years as he struggled through a pair of mediocre — for him — three-win, fourth-place seasons.

Last year, he went through a frustrating 31-race winless streak, the longest since his first two years (1993-94) in NASCAR's premier stock car series.

Gordon has acknowledged that a messy, expensive and very public divorce from Brooke, his wife of seven years, was part of the problem.

There was also a perception that the well-spoken driver with the movie-star looks appeared to be concentrating more on his next career move than getting his No. 24 Chevrolet team back on track. He has hosted "Saturday Night Live" and appeared on a number of other television shows during that

time.

And there was the added distraction of putting together and developing the team he co-owns with Hendrick that fields cars for third-year NASCAR star Jimmie Johnson. Johnson has outshone his boss and teammate with finishes of fifth and second in the points the last two years.

"You know, people don't realize just how competitive Nextel Cup racing is," Gordon said. "When you don't win, they find all kinds of reasons for it. But we just had some rebuilding to do with our team — the cars, the motors and the people."

Whatever the reason, it appears now that NASCAR's "Golden Boy," the driver who won 33 races and two of his championships in a three-year span from 1996 to 1998, is back, better than ever.

His 69th career victory moved him within seven of Dale Earnhardt, whom Gordon replaced as the biggest star in the sport after Earnhardt was killed in the 2001 Daytona 500.

Gordon's milestone Brickyard win, matching the four Indianapolis open-wheel victories by his early heroes, A.J. Foyt, Al Unser and Rick Mears,

was just the latest in a series of strong performances.

Over the last eight races, Gordon has driven to three of his five series-leading wins and has finished lower than fifth only once. That streak has moved him within 97 points of Johnson, who is leading the standings.

Gordon hasn't led the points this season. But he has found momentum at just the right time in a year in which NASCAR has changed the way the championship is determined.

Sunday's road race at Watkins Glen is one of only five more events until the new, 10-race "Chase for the Cup" begins. At that point, the top 10 drivers in the standings will start with a separation of only 45 points and race for the title.

A fifth title would move Gordon within two of the record seven, held jointly by Earnhardt and legendary stock car king Richard Petty, whose final race was Gordon's first.

And, at 33, Gordon could just be reaching the prime of his career.

Nobody is likely to match Petty's 200 career victories or Earnhardt's incredible popularity, but the argument is already raging over which of the three is the best ever in the stock car sport.

The latest win at Indianapolis certainly has given Gordon's backers a little more evidence for their case.

Longtime NASCAR star Dale Jarrett, who finished second to Gordon at Indy, was asked where Gordon stands in the pantheon of stars who have raced at the historic track.

"He's probably as good a driver as ever been here," Jarrett said. "He's beat the very best here because everybody brings their best stuff."

"Aside from Daytona, we prepare for this race as much as any that we do. And for that guy to come here and win a little over a third of them is pretty incredible. It shows they have a great team, but they have a great driver right there, too. You have to consider him one of the best drivers of any kind that's ever been here."

Gordon won't get into the debate about who is best at Indy or in NASCAR.

"I don't think anybody will ever know who the best is because I just don't think there's any really fair way to figure that out," Gordon said.

"I try not to put myself in that category because all I care about is winning races and being behind the wheel of a race car. ... That's what really matters to me."

## Sweet Pea on Lombardi Award Watch List

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — University of Kentucky defensive end Sweet Pea Burns is on the preseason watch list for the Rotary Lombardi Award, which goes to the nation's top lineman, including offensive and defensive linemen, linebackers, and tight ends.

Burns, who was named first-team All-Southeastern Conference by four selectors a year ago, made 72 tackles in 2003 and led the SEC with 18 tackles for loss.

Burns has been named to three preseason national award watch lists, including the Lombardi Award, the Bronko Nagurski Award for best defensive player and the Ted Hendricks Award for best defensive end.

The annual Kentucky Football Fans' Day will be held Saturday at Commonwealth Stadium. Activities begin outside the stadium at 9 a.m. with the "Wildcat Refuge" children's play area. The UK volleyball team will be signing autographs in the Refuge from 10-11 a.m.

Stadium gates open at 10:30 a.m., when Wildcat gift bags and prize tickets will be given away. Posters, schedule cards, meal tickets, and other goodies will be in the gift bags. Meal tickets can be redeemed for free Kroger hot dogs

and Pepsi while supplies last.

Wildcat head coach Rich Brooks and the team will be introduced at 11 a.m., followed by an autograph session with the Wildcat coaches and players. During the autograph session, there will be drawings for grand prizes, such as season tickets, a golf outing, game jerseys, and other memorabilia.

### PFL

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passes for 536 yards and six touchdowns.

Experienced returnees Derek Bailey (6-2, 225, So., Pittsburgh) and Tyler Cvitkovic (6-5, 203, Jr., Clay City), along with several returning squad members and newcomers will battle for the quarterback spot. For the first time in several seasons, MSU will likely use a multi-quarterback system.

Defense will need to carry the team, at least while the quarterback situation is being settled. Unger is a First Team Academic All-American, an NCAA Division I-AA Mid-Major All-American and PFL South Division Defensive Player of the Year. Byrd also earned Mid-Major All-America honors. McKenzie has received All-

The autograph session ends at 12:45 p.m. Fans are invited to remain at the stadium and observe practice, which will begin at 1:20 p.m. Fans' Day will be the only practice that will be open to the general public this season. The remainder of the team practices will be closed to the public.

America mention the past two seasons.

Jones led the Eagles in scoring last season with 63 points. He hit nine-of-13 field goals and 36-of-38 extra points. Charles averaged 38.6 yards per punt and had 22 of his 53 kicks downed inside the 20-yard line.

MSU's 2004 schedule includes home games against Coastal Carolina (Sept. 4, 7 p.m. EDT), Butler (Sept. 18, 7 p.m. EDT) Family Weekend, Valparaiso (Oct. 2, 1 p.m. EDT), Jacksonville (Oct. 23, 1 p.m. EDT-Homecoming), St. Francis (Pa.) (Oct. 30, 1 p.m. EDT) and Charleston (W.Va.) (Nov. 6, 1 p.m. EST).

For ticket information, call 606/783-2088.

## Lennox Lewis makes donation to Muhammad Ali Center

by BRUCE SCHREINER  
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LOUISVILLE — Lennox Lewis has come through with a hefty donation to honor the career and ideals of his idol, Muhammad Ali.

Lewis, a former heavyweight boxing champion, recently pledged \$300,000 over five years for the Muhammad Ali Center, officials said Wednesday.

The \$43.5 million center is being built in Ali's hometown.

Lewis sees the contribution as an expression of gratitude to Ali for influencing him as an athlete and a public figure.

"I want to be part of Muhammad Ali's legacy in helping people — especially children — to find greatness within," Lewis said in a release.

Ali is a former three-time heavyweight champion. Both Ali and Lewis are Olympic gold medal winners.

The six-story, 93,000-square-foot center will overlook the Ohio River in downtown Louisville. It will highlight Ali's humanitarian

efforts with an emphasis on conflict resolution. It also will feature exhibits on Ali's boxing career.

Lewis is the first professional athlete to pledge money to the center, said center spokeswoman Jeanie Kahnke. His pledge also is one of the largest individual donations, she said.

Ali's wife, Lonnie, said they were grateful for Lewis' support. "This gift says a lot about the man," Lonnie Ali said. "Lennox is about giving back and he believes in what we're doing. I'm glad he has taken the lead and I hope he is able to inspire others."

Lewis, Britain's first world heavyweight champion in more than a century, assists various youth and education-focused organizations in the United Kingdom and the United States.

Work has been completed on a ground-level parking garage that will be beneath the Ali Center. Construction of the center began last week, and steel girders are springing up on the site.

The center is expected to open in the fall of 2005.

### Warner

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field Wednesday after missing more than a week of workouts because he was overweight.

Glenn, a starter for six seasons, had missed nine workouts since Aug. 2. Glenn, listed at 6-foot-5, 332 pounds, has been quarterback Peyton Manning's trusted security blanket on the blind side.

Coach Tony Dungy has said Glenn's weight limit had been agreed upon with trainers as a precaution for the long, hot days of training camp. Dungy, however, has not publicly said how much Glenn weighed and the tackle has declined to comment.

Glenn was the Colts' first round pick in 1997 and had a streak of 101 consecutive starts

that ended last season when he missed six games with a sprained left knee.

Defensive end Raheem Brock also returned to practice, his first appearance as he continues to recover from offseason ankle surgery.

Lions — Linebacker Boss Bailey will miss much of the season while recovering from knee surgery.

Bailey injured his right knee in an Aug. 3 practice. He underwent arthroscopic surgery Wednesday in Athens, Ga., where doctors discovered torn cartilage that had not shown up in previous tests.

"The damage was worse than anyone had realized from the

tests," Lions coach Steve Mariucci said. "The doctor immediately repaired it, but Boss will be off the knee for several weeks, and then will be looking at a rehab program on top of that."

Mariucci declined to put a timetable on Bailey's return, but said the Lions hope to have him back this season.

As a rookie in 2003, Bailey won a starting job at outside linebacker and was among the team's leaders in defensive snaps played. He finished with one interception and 1.5 sacks.

Donte Curry is expected to replace Bailey in the lineup.



# Even foul ball earns Dunn standing ovation

by TERRY KINNEY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Adam Dunn's mammoth home run Tuesday night reminded Reds manager Dave Miley of a ball that Dunn hit while they were together at Triple-A Louisville.

It was 2001, when Dunn made the progression from Double-A Chattanooga to Louisville and to the Reds in time to play 66 games in the big leagues.

Dunn showed his power at each stop, but Miley said fans in Louisville were particularly awed by one long foul shot, even though it didn't count.

"He got a standing ovation, the first time I ever saw it on a foul ball," said Miley, who was Louisville's manager at the time.

So how far did Dunn's homer go? Well, it had to be at least 40 feet in the air after it had traveled 424 feet from home plate.

That's because there's a 404 sign on the deepest corner of the center-field fence, and a 20-foot grassy knoll that slopes up to a "batter's eye" that is 32 feet tall.

The ball landed on Mehring Way outside the stadium and bounced onto a piece of driftwood in the Ohio River.

The initial computer estimate of the distance was 501 feet on the fly. Later, an employee of the architectural firm that designed Great American Ball Park revised the estimate to 535 feet.

That made it one of the longest recorded home runs in nearly 40 years, according to baseball historian Bill Jenkinson. The next longest was

a 531-footer by Dave Kingman, according to Jenkinson's research, and a pair of 530-footers by Mark McGwire.

Miley said it was the longest homer he'd seen in a career that goes back to 1980 in the Rookie League at Billings.

"I think that's the longest one I've ever witnessed," said Reds shortstop Barry Larkin.

It was the longest in the two

years the Reds have played in Great American Ball Park. Albert Pujols of the Cardinals hit one over the batter's eye last year that was estimated at 477 feet.

Dunn, who won't be 25 until Nov. 9, led the major leagues with 35 homers after Tuesday's drive and is one of only four Reds players to hit 30 home runs in a season before the age of 25.

The others are Gus Bell (1953), Frank Robinson (1956, 1958, 1959) and Johnny Bench (1970, 1972).

The one to be named later The Reds acquired minor league RHP Elizardo Ramirez on Wednesday to complete Monday's trade that sent RHP Cory Lidle to Philadelphia in exchange for LHP Joe Wilson,

OF Javon Moran and a player to be named.

Ramirez, 21, was 0-0 with a 4.80 ERA in seven relief appearances with the Phillies; 5-1 with a 2.44 ERA in nine starts for Class A Clearwater; and 2-5 with a 6.68 ERA in eight starts with Double-A Reading.

He will be assigned to Double-A Chattanooga.

## Brennaman staying with Reds through 2007

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Hall of Fame broadcaster Marty Brennaman has signed a three-year contract extension that will keep him with the Cincinnati Reds through the 2007 season, the team said Tuesday.

Terms weren't disclosed. Brennaman, 62, joined the Reds before the 1974 season. In July 2000, he received the Hall of Fame's Ford C. Frick Award given annually to broadcasters for major contributions to the sport.

Brennaman and partner Joe Nuxhall are working their 31st season together in the Reds' radio booth doing play by play. Nuxhall, 76, is working a reduced schedule of 80 games this year, sharing time with Reds newcomer Steve Stewart, who is to replace Nuxhall next year.

Nuxhall, who has spent 60

years with the Reds organization, complained last week that he thought the team was forcing him out. The Reds have since said they would welcome Nuxhall back in some capacity for next season and will meet with him to determine what his duties will

be. The Reds' radio network includes 51 affiliates and covers six states.

Brennaman also has broadcast for the defunct Virginia Squires of the former American Basketball Association, the New York

Mets' Triple-A baseball affiliate in Norfolk, football games for Virginia Tech and William & Mary and basketball games for the NCAA men's tournament, including 15 regional events and 11 Final Four competitions.

## REDS NOTEBOOK: Larkin returns to starting lineup

by TERRY KINNEY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Barry Larkin, who hadn't started a game since he suffered a strained muscle in his side on July 31 at Pittsburgh, was back in the Cincinnati Reds' lineup Tuesday.

He said he was ready to go full-speed in the series opener with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

"I'm confident I can make all the plays," Larkin said, then realized he was promising an error-free game at shortstop.

"Confident I'm physically capable of making all the plays," he said.

Larkin made three pinch-hit appearances since his last start. The Reds were 4-9 with him out of the starting lineup.

Wily Mo on a roll

Wily Mo Pena shrugged off leg cramps that forced him to leave Sunday's game at Colorado after driving in five runs in six innings.

"It was nothing," Pena said of the hamstring cramps that resulted from dehydration.

Pena has a career-high 18 home runs this season, including 11 in the past 26 games. He

credits increased playing time, due to injuries to Ken Griffey Jr. and Austin Kearns.

"There's no secret," Pena said. "The secret is more opportunity to play."

Pena has 246 at-bats in 83 games. He had only 165 at-bats in 80 games last season.

Griffey, who had been on the disabled list 15 days in July with a right hamstring tear, has not started since leaving the game in San Francisco last Wednesday with stiffness in his right hamstring.

"Junior is still a little stiff," said manager Dave Miley. "He's getting treatment."

Riedling returns

Right-hander John Riedling was reactivated for Tuesday's game after being on the bereavement list for a week due to the death of his father.

He filled the roster spot vacated by the trade of Cory Lidle to Philadelphia.

Riedling last pitched Aug. 1 against Houston.

Lidle (7-10) had been winless in six starts until getting the win on Sunday at Colorado. He was the Reds' opening day starter, but left with a 5.32 ERA in 24 starts.

## Dodgers 11, Reds 1

by TERRY KINNEY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — After finding out that Ken Griffey Jr. would miss the rest of the season, the Cincinnati Reds were shut down by Jeff Weaver in an 11-1 loss to the Los Angeles Dodgers on Wednesday night.

An MRI showed that Griffey was more seriously injured than originally suspected when he hyper-extended his right leg last week in San Francisco on a play in the outfield. It was his first action in nearly four weeks since tearing his hamstring.

"He had a complete rupture of the hamstring off the bone," said the Reds medical director, Dr. Timothy Kremchek.

Griffey will undergo surgery on Monday to reattach the hamstring and should be able to participate in spring training, Kremchek said.

The NL West-leading Dodgers won for the seventh time in nine games. Jose Hernandez had a bases-loaded triple and a two-run homer, and Shawn Green added a three-run shot as Los Angeles built an 11-0 lead after the top of the fourth.

In recent years, Griffey has been plagued by injuries.

Griffey missed more than a month with a torn hamstring that bothered him throughout the 2001 season. He then spent two long stints on the 15-day disabled list with a torn knee tendon and a torn right hamstring in 2002.

Griffey went on the DL twice again last year for a dislocated right shoulder and torn ankle tendon.

Los Angeles jumped to a 4-0 lead in the first when Reds starter Brandon Claussen walked four, hit a batter and gave up Hernandez's triple.

Claussen (1-3) threw 49

pitches in the first inning, had a 1-2-3 second, then gave up consecutive home runs to Hernandez and David Ross, his 11th, in the third. Hernandez's 17th homer of the season was a two-run shot.

The seven runs scored on just four hits, and Claussen walked five and struck out two in three innings.

Todd Van Poppel didn't fare much better. He took over for Cincinnati in the fourth and gave up an RBI single to Steve Finley and a three-run homer to Green, his 16th.

Weaver (10-10) allowed four hits. He struck out seven and walked none for his third straight win. It was the second time in three starts that the Dodgers scored in double figures.

Duaner Sanchez allowed a double in the ninth to complete the five-hitter.

The Reds only run came in the fourth when Barry Larkin doubled to lead off the inning and eventually scored on a groundout by Adam Dunn.

Notes: With the left-hander Claussen starting for Cincinnati, Hernandez was in the lineup at second base for the Dodgers rather than Alex Cora.

Hernandez was hitting .329 against lefties, and Cora was .267. ... Dodgers RHP Brad Penney will miss a start Saturday with a strained biceps. He is alternating ice and heat treatment and will be able to throw "when the nerve calms down," he said. An MRI showed no structural damage. ... Reds OF Austin Kearns reinjured his right thumb while on rehab assignment with Triple-A Louisville. He was examined by a hand specialist Wednesday in Cincinnati and was told not swing a bat for a few days.

## NASCAR NEXTEL CUP Driver Standings

1. Jimmie Johnson, 3,095
2. Jeff Gordon, 2,998
3. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 2,855
4. Tony Stewart, 2,761
5. Matt Kenseth, 2,738
6. Elliott Sadler, 2,674
7. Kurt Busch, 2,615
8. Bobby Labonte, 2,584
9. Kevin Harvick, 2,562
10. Ryan Newman, 2,542
11. Kasey Kahne, 2,511
12. Jeremy Mayfield, 2,510
13. Dale Jarrett, 2,487
14. Jamie McMurray, 2,433
15. Mark Martin, 2,419
16. Casey Mears, 2,287
17. Rusty Wallace, 2,274
18. Michael Waltrip, 2,268
19. Sterling Marlin, 2,223
20. Terry Labonte, 2,208

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The fee of \$150 covers registration, lodging, meals, materials, instruction, transportation to activity sites and use of demonstration equipment.

Registration is open now through Sept. 10. Workshop space is limited. Participants are assigned sessions on a first come, first serve basis. To register, or for further information, you may access the web site at fw.ky.gov; or call 1-800-858-1549.

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## Ken Griffey Jr. to miss rest of season because of torn hamstring

by TERRY KINNEY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Ken Griffey Jr.'s season-ending injury hit Barry Larkin hard.

"He's my buddy. I hate to see it happen to him, both personally and professionally," Larkin said Wednesday.

"He was doing well. He seemed to be getting his stroke back. And he was happy again. In years past, I don't think he had as much fun as this year."

Griffey will miss the rest of the season because of a torn right hamstring, the latest setback in a long line of injuries for Cincinnati's All-Star outfielder.

Team medical director Dr. Timothy Kremchek said an MRI exam showed Griffey ruptured his right hamstring last week in San Francisco. He will have surgery Monday.

Griffey, who hit his 500th career home run earlier this season, could be fully recovered in time for spring training, Kremchek said.

The Reds said Griffey was hurt while making a sliding catch in right field. He had moved over from his usual spot in center field for the game, his first action in nearly four weeks since tearing his hamstring in Milwaukee.

"He had a complete rupture of the hamstring off the bone,"

Kremchek said. "He knew it wasn't right, and that's why he hadn't really played since he injured it in San Francisco."

"He didn't come back (to Cincinnati) earlier because I think he was hoping he would be able to get over this and pinch hit or he'd be able to do something to help the team."

The injury is similar to one Griffey had on his left side three years ago. But that one was a partial tear that healed without surgery, Kremchek said.

"Knowing he's going to be out for the year, it's a really big blow," Reds closer Danny Graves said after Cincinnati's 11-1 loss to Los Angeles. "Nobody really suspected anything. To find out in the middle of the game was very discouraging."

Catcher Jason LaRue said he was surprised by the news that reached the dugout in about the third inning.

"He said he didn't really feel anything," LaRue said. "But I

guess it wasn't getting better."

Larkin said Griffey often endured pain in silence, or wasn't affected by it as much as some players.

"He's got a tremendously high tolerance for pain," Larkin said.

In recent years, Griffey has been plagued by injuries.

He missed more than a month in 2001 because of a torn hamstring that bothered him throughout that season. He then spent two long stints on the disabled list in 2002 because of a torn knee tendon and a torn right hamstring.

Griffey went on the DL twice again last year for a dislocated right shoulder and torn ankle tendon.

This year, he was voted an All-Star starter for the 12th time, but had to drop out after straining his right hamstring right before the All-Star game.

Griffey has played in 83 of the Reds' 113 games, hitting .253 with 20 homers and 60 RBIs. He had just one homer once since hitting No. 500 on June 20.

Earlier Wednesday, Griffey stayed behind to talk to majority owner Carl Lindner after the team picture was taken.

## Fellowship Hall Golf Scramble set for Sept. 18

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

ALLEN — The Community United Methodist Church will sponsor a golf scramble on Saturday, Sept. 18 at the Beaver Valley golf course. The tournament will be a scramble format and will begin at 8 a.m. on the morning of Sept. 18. Entry fee for the scramble is \$50 per person and includes green fees, cart, food and beverages and a gift for all participants.

All area golfers are urged to form a team or join a team and get in on the upcoming scramble.

Proceeds from the tournament will go toward the building of a new fellowship hall for the church. The facility is needed for greater seating capacity and for handicapped accessibility. For more information, contact Pastor Steve Pescosolido at 606/886-8087 or Bill Branham at 606/886-9087.

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### THROUGH MY EYES

## Crashing hearts

The overhead light fixture, made of heavy, embossed glass, opaque with only the slightest blush of pink, crashed to the floor with a dull thud and shattered in a large circle about the room.

It happened just near the edge of dark, as my daughter lay napping this past Saturday, tired from an out of town shopping trip with her favorite aunt. Perplexed, with beating hearts, we both wondered aloud about why the fixture had fallen as we investigated the room, picking up both large and minute pieces of glass from the floor. It had been months since I could last remember changing a bulb and the house had lain still and quiet all afternoon with the children being away. Neither of us could imagine what had disturbed the fixture leading to its fall. Thinking, as my mind some



Kathy Prater  
Lifestyles editor

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### CO-OP NEWS

## Forest Fires Continue to Damage Trees

Ray Tackett  
FLOYD COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT FOR  
AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

More than 23,000 acres of forest land burned during the first half of this

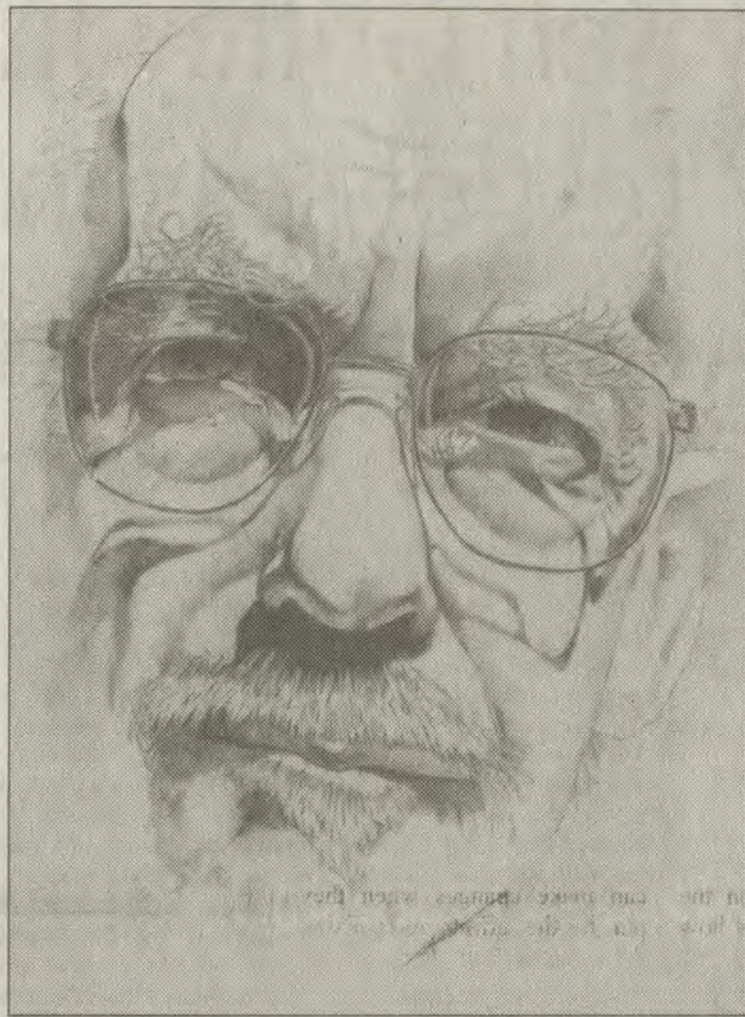
year. The Kentucky economy still faces the fall fire season with the prospect of even more burned acres from intentionally set fires, carelessness or the weather. The costs to suppress forest fires can reach staggering

proportions, not to mention damage to our forest industry.

Since new foliage often appears on burned trees in the spring, damage from Kentucky forest fires is not as apparent and dramatic as the destruc-

tion to pine stands in the southern and western states. These pines are volatile and fire typically burns and destroys the entire tree.

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This magnificently detailed art piece by Alfredo Escobar, a Berea artist, shows the artist's amazing talent as well as the subject's "inner essence."



Drawing by Alfredo Escobar.

### POSTSCRIPT

## Village chatter

No big topic presents itself this week - at least none that I can address without swearing or in less than 10,000 words. So, I'll stick to some assorted observations around my little community of Auxier.



Pam Shingler  
contributing writer

For instance, someone is building four two-story houses, not far from where you come across the bridge to the village. This area, I believe, was once called Crawdad Bottom. It's a big, flat piece of land outlined by a bend in the river. In mining days, people like my grandparents raised gardens here, if I'm remembering the stories correctly.

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# New Art Exhibit at The Mountain Arts Center

Alfredo Escobar  
'Beautiful, Character  
Portraits in Graphite  
& Strong, Colorful  
Acrylic Paintings'

On display now  
through August 30  
Mountain Arts  
Center Gallery  
Hours: 10 am - 6  
pm Mon/Fri & 10  
am - 4 pm Sat

Alfredo Escobar, an accomplished artist and graduate of Eastern Kentucky University's Bachelor of Fine Arts in Design Program, spends most of his time as a full-time graphic and fine artist in Berea, with a client base that spreads from Louisville to Knoxville and overseas. His pencil portraits have gained him international and regional acclaim as an artist who is able "to capture the essence of his subjects," as one satisfied man remarked upon seeing his own portrait.

Alfredo also uses his talents to offer educational activities to students as an artist-in-residence in schools. Since 1997 he has been involved in arts projects in schools across the state, including Harlan Independent Schools, Appalshop, Ashland City Schools, Greenup County Schools, Harrison County Schools, Morehead Youth

Development Center, Madison County Schools and others. Those projects have focused on subjects such as graphic arts in the music industry, mural painting, and folk art. Alfredo wishes to instill in all his students a sense of pride in themselves as individuals, and hopes to arouse their curiosity about their family heritage and identity. One teacher remarked, "Alfredo makes every kid an artist."

Alfredo and his wife, musician Jennifer Rose, have developed a successful partnership both in the educational and touring aspects of their respective careers. They often speak and exhibit together, and have been guest presenters at many Kentucky and International Arts events. Alfredo recently appeared as a guest lecturer at the Ringling School of Art and Design in Sarasota, Florida, and presented a

collaborative seminar with Jennifer at the Bluegrass Association of Early Childhood Educators 2003 Annual Conference. This summer, he will be completing one of Berea's twelve hands, as part of Berea's new Public Art project.

Alfredo is a member of the Berea Arts Council and is a Master Artist with Very Special (VSA) Arts of Kentucky. He is also a Juried Artist of the Kentucky Guild of Artists and Craftsmen and will be working with that organization to present a Latin Pavilion at the next Guild Fair in Berea. Alfredo's major influences in his work as an artist and educator are Diego Rivera, professor John Dewey and Salvador Dali.

Alfredo and Jennifer live in Berea with two lovely daughters Lydia (3) and Isabel (1).

### PROMOTING MENTAL HEALTH

# Things to ponder: Self Esteem

"Self-esteem." What is it all about? Where does it come from and where does it go? What makes it and what breaks it? Frequently, adults seem to try to "explain away" another person's, adult and/or child, feelings and behaviors with the description, "He just does not have any self-esteem!" How would you rate your self and those about you, in regards to self-esteem?

One definition given for self-esteem is

that it is "the experience of being capable of meeting life's challenges and being worthy of happiness." The Merriam-Webster References provided a much simpler version as self-esteem being "a confidence and satisfaction in oneself (or) self-respect." Because of the many ideas and myths around it, the understanding of self-esteem can be confusing. There are folks that think self-esteem has to do with how much you love or like yourself, but it

is really not that simple. Self-esteem is generally viewed as the judgment or opinion that we have about our own abilities, value and worth as a person.

Self-esteem is not one of those things that you can go down to the store and buy. It is something that develops from the time we are small children to becoming adults. Our self-esteem is shaped by the messages we give ourselves and the messages we get from parents, friends,

family members, community and other people with whom we interact. Positive or negative messages about our abilities and worth have more influence when they come from people that we respect. How might a 9 year old boy think of himself, if he hears the following from various family members: "Come on Baby, mother is ready to go." "You never listen to a thing I say. You act like you don't care about



Mable Rowe Lineberger,  
Ph.D.

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# School Happenings

## ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

■ The AMS Youth Services Center is open all year to assist students and families in need. Please drop by or call the center at 886-9812 for more information or to request assistance with a family need. Center is open from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., and later by appointment. Center coordinator, Michelle Keathley, Assistant coordinator, Sheila Allen. Center offers services to all students regardless of income.

## ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center is open each day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. For more information about the center, call LaDonna Patton, coordinator, or Marilyn Bailey, assistant, at 358-0134.

## ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

■ Call Allen Elementary Youth Service Center at 874-0621 to schedule your child's Hepatitis B vaccination, immunizations, and WIC appointments.

## BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

■ The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The goal of the center is to meet the needs of all children and families who reside in the community or neighborhood being served by our school. The center is located in the middle building of the Betsy Layne Elementary School. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

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

■ Contact the center at 478-5550. Contact persons are Brian H. Akers, Coordinator; Charlotte Rogers, Program Assistant; and Debra Hayes, Center Nurse.

## CLARK ELEMENTARY

■ We are currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for 5th grade students. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These services are available to anyone in the community.

■ The FCHD nurse is in the center weekly. Please call to schedule an appointment.

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

## DUFF ELEMENTARY

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and well-child physicals; T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for

all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

## MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

■ Parent Lending Library is available to parents for video check-outs. A variety of topics are available.

■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

## MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and

post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

## MOUNTAIN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

■ Now accepting registration for the 2004-2005 school year. Limited openings are currently available for Preschool thru 8th grade. Call 285-5141 or 285-5142 for more information.

## PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

■ After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

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

## PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL

■ NOTICE - PHS is now holding their regular SBDM Council meetings on the first Tuesday of each month.

## SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

■ Walking track open to public.

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

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

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

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242.

## STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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

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## Ponder

anything or anybody but yourself." "I have to keep telling you the same thing over and over, as if you don't have a lick of sense." Might not the boy feel more positive about himself with the statement, "I'm so proud of how hard you tried to do your best."

There are several factors that are thought to influence children's self esteem - how much the child feels wanted, appreciated, and loved; how your child sees himself, often built from what parents and those close say; his or her sense of achievement; and how the child relates to others. A parent or an adult can help to increase a child's self-esteem in different ways - appreciating your child, telling your child that you love him, spending time with your child, encouraging your child to make choices, fostering independence in your child, giving genuine importance to your child's opinion and listening, taking the

time to explain reasons, feeding your child with positive encouragement, and encouraging your child to try new and challenging activities. Remember that he will be aware of whether or not you are sincere, so if you have time together, you must enjoy it or you've missed the point of sharing time together. Thank him when he does something good and make sure he is often rewarded enough. Children like to please adults, especially their parents. Encourage decision-making that will help lead your child to feel confident and be appropriately independent. Accepting your child, the good and the bad, builds self-esteem and he will accept himself.

Also a child's self-esteem will be higher if you treat him seriously and with mutual respect, such as treating him as an intelligent individual able to understand and reach conclusions. Isn't that how you want to be treated? A child or an

adult that is belittled or put down will suffer lack of confidence, while mutual respect helps to create trust and confidence. It is very important that a child not feel he has failed. It is best to teach him that failure does not exist and that there are only brief setbacks on the path to success. By all means, never tell a child that he failed, let you or another adult down, or cannot be successful. Keep helping your child to believe in his ability to succeed no matter how long it might take him. In the meanwhile, condition yourself to: recognize his unique abilities and talents; reinforce, nurture, and help your child to see what he can do; and see negative behavior in the context of who your child is, focusing on the negative behaviors and not how "awful" your child was. Use the language of building self-esteem. Avoid back handed praise that mixes praise and insult, such as "I'm glad you got

it done," and not "It's about time." Self-esteem is another portion of life that is increased with acceptable discipline and setting limits. The child without discipline tends to feel more dependent and as though he has less control over his world. Since your child cannot be protected from the disapproval and cruelties in the world, he will need the physical emotional protection of rules and limits to develop self-esteem.

Now, what about the adult's self-esteem? Here is a quick-list of characteristics typical of people with healthy or high self-esteem: feeling confident in the face of life's challenges; willing to try new things most of the time; having a sense that they can make changes when they put in the effort; recognizing their personal strengths; giving themselves credit when it's due; realizing their contribution in the larger scheme of things; and having respect for themselves. In contrast, people with low self-esteem often: doubt themselves; have a low opinion of who they are and what they can do; dwell on personal weakness; have negative talk, such as "I'm not good enough" or "I can't do it;" compare themselves to others continually and feel they don't measure up; feel uncomfortable or suspicious of compliments; don't like to try new things; and end up doing things that other people want no matter how uncomfortable they feel. Although a high self-esteem has usually been valued, it has been found that self-esteem is not a plain and simple issue and that high self-esteem does not always protect you from risky situations. For example, experts have found that young people with high self-esteem have taken drugs and that self-esteem has not been proven to be a large part in racist, violent or criminal behavior.

Although many folks believe you only need high self-esteem to be happy, successful and generally have positive mental health, the bottom line is that we all need a wide range of skills and support networks to help us get through life. A few of these include being able to communicate effectively, being able to make and keep friends, having goals, being able to handle conflicts, and learning how to deal with setbacks. Remember to get out there and do your best, take an active part in society, and avoid negative thoughts about yourself. Most of all, remember to accept that NO ONE gets it right all the time and that being continuously happy is impossible.

(There are lots of books and online information about self-esteem, but remember that it isn't all accurate and reliable, since we don't know all about it. Some suggested books include: You are what you think - Self talk; Half full or Half empty - get optimistic; Problems - how to spot them, how to solve them; and If at first you don't succeed...Try...Try...Persistence.)

## Postscript

Today, houses leave little of the original land for farming. And these four houses are an indicator of growth in the community and perhaps how the entire bottom will one day fill up.

What strikes me as interesting, though, is that these new houses appear to be exact replicas of one another - just like the coal camp houses that were built in the village almost 100 years ago, most of which still remain.

May these new houses have as long and as cherished a life.

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The big news in the village these days is that the sewer system is in place, and we're get-

ting ready to hook on.

The day will come very soon, I hope, when I can walk the dogs and not have to hold my breath as we go past certain, ahem, streams, which are nothing more than streams of raw sewage.

Already, some of my neighbors are digging their ditches and laying pipe.

Of course, I've probably got the toughest site in town. It would be simple if I could run a ditch straight from the back of the house to the street behind me. But, no, that street is a couple of feet higher than the base of my house, and sewage, I'm sure, does not flow uphill - at

least not without extreme pressure.

Instead, my line has to go around the house and across an ancient sidewalk, maybe in two places.

But, ah, it will be nice to know that all our sewage is being properly taken care of. I won't have to worry about a deteriorating septic system that overflows with prolonged rains. I won't have to smell the outflow of other people's straight pipes. And our beloved Levisa Fork will be somewhat cleaner.

Sometimes, progress is a good thing.

## Eyes

times does, of stories of otherworldly ghosts and apparitions that sometimes tire of their long wait as they are caught in-between this world and the next, I wondered, "Could there be some unseen force, or entity, responsible for this deed?". Keeping such thoughts to myself, I explained to my worried and frightened daughter that the fixture simply must not have been tightened securely the last time we removed it. "There's really no other answer," I assured her, "what else could it have been?" I said as I gathered the vacuum from its niche in the hall.

As we cleaned the last of the mess, commenting on how lucky she had been to not be hit by any of the flying glass as she lay asleep, we decided to simply dismiss the event as unexplainable as we moved our thoughts ahead, making plans to visit a local home improvement store in the near future to search for a replacement.

But, as things sometimes do, the mystifying occurrence seemed to remain near the fringes of my mind all evening,

accompanied by an uncomfortable feeling of dread. You see, I get like that sometimes - allowing myself to ponder on the possibilities of other worlds, lives beyond the veil, if you will, of what we see each day. The thoughts both alternately intrigue, and terrify, me. It's as though I stand near the edge of intuition, at the very borders of some psychic realm - as though I'm being called from far away and finding that somehow, I want to answer, but yet, I seem to always decide that it's much safer to simply not. So, the thoughts are pushed away, crammed back into the Pandora's box of my inner psyche from whence they came. Tucked away, this door within my mind was closed as our evening continued on. But, you know how it is, even though such thoughts and feelings we dismiss, somewhere around the edges of our consciousness, the memories remain.

Later that evening, much later, as a matter of fact, after staying up half the night with magazines and television movies, I found that I didn't

want to go to bed. It was past one o'clock in the morning and I knew that I needed to turn out the night light in my daughter's room and put our little household to sleep.

As my daughter settled into one of the twin beds in her room, I stretched myself out on the other. "Night, mommy," she said as she reached for the light.

"Don't turn the light out," I could hear myself say, alarmed to realize that I had allowed a frightened tone to be released with my words.

My daughter's look of surprise shamed me as she asked, "Why? What's wrong with you?"

Thinking that my child was going to think me crazy and feeling ashamed to be showing even the slightest hint of human weakness to this child who depends on me to always be strong, I answered, "I don't know, I just don't feel like saying good night, yet. I guess I'm just not sleepy." My eyes wandered to the bare bulb overhead,

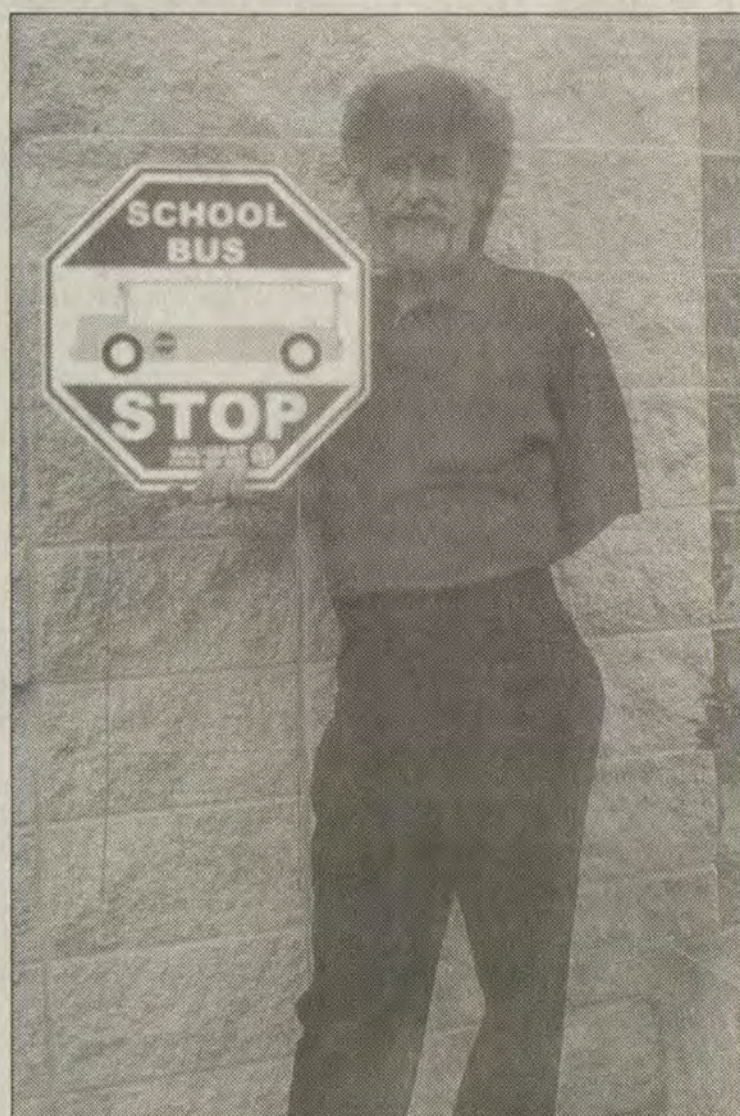
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'STOP' here for kids

photo by Kathy J. Prater  
Devon Scalf, of Phelps, a retired school teacher, has become a bit of an entrepreneur in his retirement, developing the bus alert sign he is shown holding in the above photo. Scalf said that he spent a year driving a school bus following retirement and realized in that time how difficult it can be to know where to stop and pick up a child waiting for the bus. His hopes are that the sign will prove to be an effective tool signaling drivers where to stop to pick up area children. The school bus "STOP" alert sign can be purchased, with stake included, at the Prestonsburg Wal-Mart.

## Co-op

By contrast, fires damage only the base of northern hardwoods like the oaks and yellow-poplars of Kentucky. These fires generate enough heat to create a basal wound that will scar over, produce internal damage throughout a tree's life, and lower total dollar value of the tree at sale time.

Although fire-damaged trees may remain alive for many decades, their monetary value will continue to decline if landowners allow them to remain after a fire.

A responsible land steward would not intently overgraze a pasture or raise row crops on infertile soil. This same stewardship should be applied to timber crops by having a professional forester evaluate a crop of fire-damaged trees. By initiating necessary forestry management operations after a fire, landowners will improve both the future health and potential dollar value of the trees.

Countless acres of Kentucky timber have been burned not just once, but several times, yet the woodlands still are maintained while losing monetary value. In contrast, unburned acres of mature timber likely will return thousands of dollars more to the landowner than those that have been burned. When loggers attempt to identify stands on which to initiate forest operations, they likely will turn away from stands with evidence of fire history and go instead to stands that have not been burned.

For more information, contact the (County Name) Cooperative Extension Service.

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# Family Medicine

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



## Appendicitis can be tricky diagnosis, even for skilled Physician

**Q**: Recently my son had his appendix removed. He was mildly ill for several days before I took him to the doctor. I felt very bad for not taking him sooner. What are the symptoms of appendicitis? Should I have known that's what this was? He didn't have much pain or fever.

**A**: Appendicitis is a relatively common abdominal problem that requires surgery. It can be very difficult to diagnose, however, as you now know. About one person out of every 1,000 suffers from appendicitis each year. The incidence peaks in the teenage years, and males are affected slightly more than females. Appendicitis is less common in countries and cultures with high dietary fiber intake.

The appendix is a small, hollow structure that has been described as having a finger-like appearance. It is located in the lower right abdomen where the small and large intestines connect.

Appendicitis generally follows obstruction of the appendix by feces (fecalith), a foreign body, or rarely, a tumor. Typically, the first symptom is a

cramping or "colicky" pain around the belly button. There is usually a marked reduction in, or total absence of, appetite. In more than 80 percent of cases, the pain migrates to a central location to the lower right side of the abdomen. This area may become tender and develop what doctor's call "point tenderness." Nausea, vomiting and low-grade fever may also be present. However, nausea is more common than vomiting, and the low-grade fever is often absent in the elderly.

Since the appendix is a finger-like structure that "hangs off" the intestines, it can move around a bit. Sometimes it curls up toward the upper right part of the abdomen. If it becomes inflamed when this position, it can cause pain in the back or upper abdomen. The appendix also can be long and lay across the floor of the abdomen. In this configuration, it can mimic bladder or female problems, and even produce

pain on the left side of the abdomen. Commonly, a person with appendicitis will tell you that his or her pain is worse when he or she coughs or goes over a bump in the road on the way to the hospital. Also, if you tap on the abdomen of someone with appendicitis, they will usually tell you it causes pain.

So you can see, the diagnosis of this condition can be difficult even for a skilled and experienced physician. If the symptoms indicate the possibility of appendicitis, your doctor will ask for a blood test to check for an elevated white blood count that can indicate infection. A urine specimen, C-T scan of the abdomen, and ultrasound can also be useful. Very old people and the very young can have very unique presentations of appendicitis.

Timely diagnosis can prevent complications like rupture of the appendix, which before the days of antibiotics meant almost certain death.

Fortunately, today's modern laparoscopic surgical techniques mean that removing the appendix is a fairly uncomplicated procedure in most cases, with a rapid recovery the norm.

Family Medicine® is a weekly column. To submit questions, write to Martha A. Simpson, D.O., M.B.A., Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine, P.O. Box 110, Athens, Ohio 45701, or via e-mail to readerquestions@familymedicine.org. Medical information in this column is provided as an educational service only. It does not replace the judgment of your personal physician, who should be relied on to diagnose and recommend treatment for any medical conditions. Past columns are available online at [www.familymedicine.org](http://www.familymedicine.org).

## New Arrivals

### HRMC New Arrivals

#### July 26, 2004

A son, Keith Dale Caudill to Joyce & Earl Caudill

#### July 27, 2004

A daughter, Savannah Paige Sword, to Danielle Page & Darrin Scott Sword

#### July 28, 2004

A son, Kaden Joel Manns, to Jessica & Ryan Manns

#### July 29, 2004

A son, Clarke Edward Judd,

to Angela Lynn & Christopher T. Judd

#### July 29, 2004

A daughter, Mya Tiffany Mitchell, to Rosetta & Jamie Sylvan Mitchell

#### July 30, 2004

A son, Hunter Bradley Blevins, to Lisa Mae & Rodney Lee Blevins

#### July 30, 2004

A son, Jacob Willie T. Slone, to Brenda Gail & Willie Slone Jr.

#### August 1, 2004

A son, Dalton Andrew Limle, to Jack & Rebecca Limle

#### August 3, 2004

A daughter, Madeline Grace Carty, to Tara Marie & Joshua Herbert Carty

#### August 3, 2004

A daughter, Jude Soukhita-Iskandarani, to Manula & Zaher Iskandarani

#### August 4, 2004

A son, Dalton Kahne Hall, to

Trena & Eric Hall

#### August 5, 2004

A son, Elijah Edison Malachi Castle, to Melissa Francis

#### August 6, 2004

A son, Jacob Allen Hunt, to Elaina Nichole Hunt

#### August 6, 2004

A daughter, Chloe Sharee Cole, to Ashley & Billy Cole

#### August 7, 2004

A daughter, Jayden Elsie Hall, to Mary & James Hall

## Birth/Birthdays



Emily and Katlyn turn 1!

Mary Katlyn and Emily Verna Jones celebrated their first birthdays on July 8, 2004, with a party held at Pizza Hut that was attended by numerous family members and friends. Katlyn and Emily are the daughters of Travis and Angela Jones and the "baby sisys" of Jonathan Tyler Jones, of Grethel. They are the granddaughters of Kenneth and Mary Ann Newman, also of Grethel, and the late Ezra and Verna Jones. They are the great-granddaughters of Nan Newman, of Grethel, and the late Robert Newman and Leonard Kidd, of Grethel, and the late Mildred Kidd.



Celebrates 15th birthday with Disney cruise

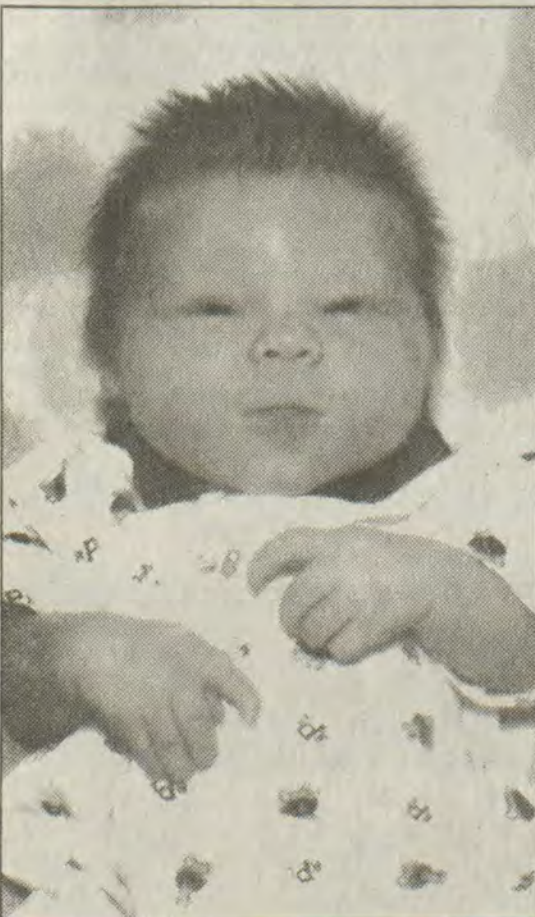
Crandell Lee Slone III ("C.J.") celebrated his 15th birthday and 8th grade graduation with his grandparents, Crandell Sr. and Wanda Slone, with a surprise Disney cruise on the Disney Wonder Cruise Ship. Crandell traveled from Louisville by Delta Air Lines to Port Canaveral, then on to the islands of Nassau and Castaway Cay.

C.J. was treated to a surprise birthday dinner on board the ship, Wednesday night, May 5, by his family and ship crew members who made him a beautiful birthday cake.

Family attending the surprise birthday vacation were grandparents Crandell Sr and Wanda Lou (Crisp) Slone, formerly of Allen, now of Shelbyville (36 years), whom C.J. lives with. Also attending were Maynard and Connie (Branham) Crum, formerly of Allen and Martin, and now living in Woodbridge, Virginia. The Crums were also aboard celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary, accompanied by daughter, Crystal, and grandson, Matthew Consolo, also of Woodbridge.

Once returned to Shelbyville, the family treated C.J. to a trip to O'Charley's in Frankfort, where he received games for his game cube system and Game Boy Advance, clothing, money, and lots of wishes filled with love and affection.

C. J. also visited with his father, Crandell Jr. and stepmother, Janis (Geer), and brother, Coty Slone, in Glasgow. C.J. is an all-star member of his baseball team in Shelbyville and Middletown. He will enroll in the 9th grade at Shelby County High School this August. He is the great-grandson of Lottie (Pitts) Crisp, formerly of Allen, now of Mt. Washington, and the late Gomer Crisp, and Nova (Slone) Conn, of Arkansas Creek, Martin, and the late Miles Slone.



### New Arrival

Benjamin Michael Tackett was born July 23, 2004, to proud parents Kasey Lynn (Craft) and Michael Duane Tackett, of Morehead. He was 8 lbs., 4 oz. and measured 21 inches in length. Benjamin Michael is the grandson of Ruthford and Anna Tackett, of Martin, and Robert and Audrey Campbell, also of Martin.

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Coordinator, or Anita Tackett, Assistant.

### W.D. OSBORNE "RAINBOW JUNCTION" FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center is located in the W. D. Osborne Elementary School. Hours of operation - 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, or later by appointment. Call 452-4553 and ask for Cissy or Karen. Parents/community members free to visit any time.

### WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Christ United Methodist Church 12th Annual Golf Scramble - Sept. 11, Stumbo Park Beaver Valley Golf Course. Proceeds from event to go to Wesley Christian School. First 80 players blind draw, ABCD players shotgun. Event to begin at 9 a.m. First place prize - \$1,000; Second place - \$500; Third place -

\$200 (determined by number of players). Many other prizes, as well. For more information, call Frankie Francis, 358-9417; Lowell Marcum, 874-2917; Ricie Derossett, 874-9514; Dr. Ken Lemaster, 874-2344, or 874-2624; or, Allen Park Clubhouse, 874-2837. Free food and soft drinks.\*\*\*

Currently accepting enrollment for 2004/2005 Kindergarten, and grades 4-8 (some classes already filled).

Wesley Christian Daycare now accepting infants and toddlers up to 4 years old. Daycare hours: 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

For additional information, call 874-8328. Summer office hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

### FLOYD COUNTY ADULT CLASS SCHEDULE

For information about Adult Education class schedules, contact the David School at 886-8374. All classes and materials free of charge.

## Eyes

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exposed and glaring and seeming to see more of my soul than I was comfortable with sharing.

I glanced at the clock near the bedside, it was nearing 2 a.m. and I must be crazy, I thought, to even consider putting off needed rest any longer. "Turn out the light, baby," I said. "We need to go to bed."

Again, I pushed the dread away and allowed myself to sleep. And, as it always does, the day soon dawned brightly again and the eerie feelings of the night before were forgotten as I busied myself with household tasks and readied myself to begin a new work week that lay ahead the next morning.

Another ordinary day, leading into another ordinary week -

or so it seemed.

Until the call came in around 9:30 p.m. A call that proved to alter our lives forever. Call it an omen, call it coincidence, call it anything you want, but know that the shattered glass of the falling fixture in my daughter's room was not the only crash that would affect our lives that night.

For sometime in the hours between 1 and 3 a.m., Sunday morning, glass shattered along the highway and metal twisted into sharp points and shards as the life of someone very dear to both my children and I was wrenched away among the mists and shadows of Middle Creek Road as he succumbed to the demands of an overly long day, falling asleep at the wheel of the automobile he was driving.

Ryan Thomas Yielding, age 17, is gone.

And crashing glass will now disturb our slumber, I fear, for many nights to come.

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@tusa.net. We'll be waiting to hear from you!

## Wildfire

Beware & Prepare Prepare your home, family & community for survival.

- Keep flammable vegetation and leaves at least 30 feet away from your house.
- Keep dry grass and brush cut short.
- Clean roof and gutters of flammable materials and leaves.
- Have an evacuation plan ready.
- Remember backfiring is illegal.

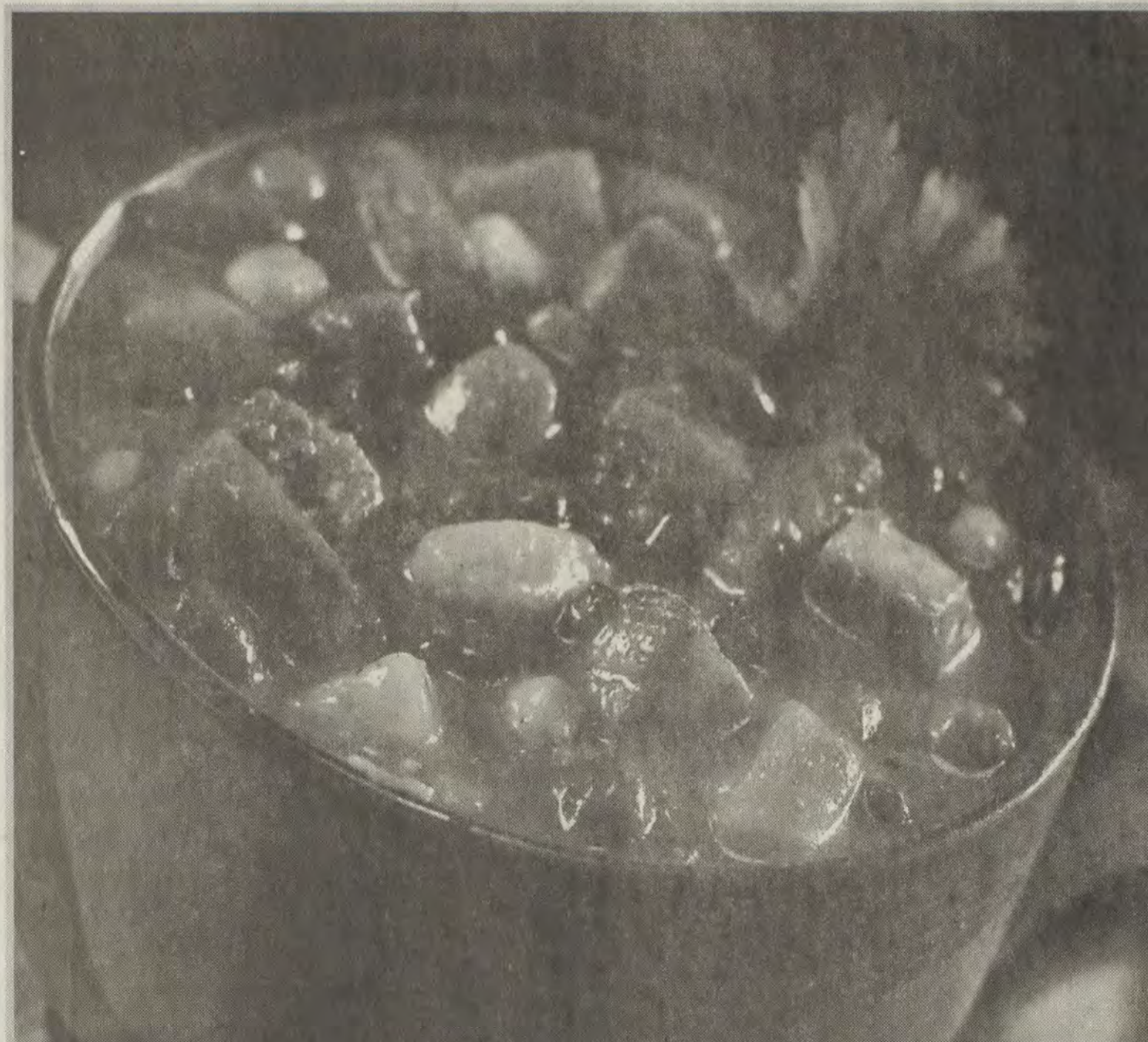
In a wildland fire emergency, call 9-1-1, your local Fire Department, or your local Division of Forestry district office.



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# Sensational Soups



Southwestern  
Chicken Chowder

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## Southwestern Chicken Chowder

- 1 can (15 ounces) Veg•All Original Mixed Vegetables, drained
- 2 cups cubed cooked chicken
- 1 medium sweet red pepper, seeded and chopped
- 1 1/2 cups whole milk
- 1 can (10.75 ounces) condensed cream of chicken soup
- 1 cup mild green salsa, or thick and chunky salsa
- 1 tablespoon fresh lime juice
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) Allens Mexican Chili Beans, undrained
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh cilantro, optional

Combine all ingredients except cilantro in 2- to 3-quart slow cooker. Cook on low 1 to 2 hours, or until heated through. Add cilantro and serve.

Serves 6 to 8

## Classic Chicken Noodle Soup

- 1 chicken (3 to 4 pounds), quartered
- 2 boxes (32 ounces each) fat-free chicken broth
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 3 stalks celery, chopped
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 bay leaf
- 2 cans (15 ounces each) Veg•All Original Mixed Vegetables, undrained
- 1 1/2 cups dried egg noodles
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh parsley

In large soup pot, combine first six ingredients. Bring to boil; reduce heat and simmer 2 hours, or until chicken is tender. Remove chicken from soup and cool.

When chicken is cool, remove meat from bones and add chicken to soup. Discard bay leaf. Bring to boil; stir in mixed vegetables, noodles and parsley. Simmer covered about 8 minutes, or until noodles are tender.

**Timesaver:** Use 4 to 5 cups precooked chicken in place of quartered chicken.

Serves 10

## Minute Minestrone

- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 can (46 ounces) vegetable juice
- 1/2 teaspoon Italian seasoning (more or less to taste)
- 1 can (15 ounces) Veg•All Original Mixed Vegetables, undrained
- 1 can (14.5 ounces) Allens Cut Italian Green Beans, undrained
- 1 can (15.5 ounces) Trappey's Great Northern Beans, drained and rinsed
- 3/4 cup uncooked pasta shells, cooked according to package instructions
- 1 can (13.5 ounces) Popeye Chopped Spinach, drained
- Grated Parmesan cheese

In large soup pot, heat vegetable oil. Add onion and garlic; heat 2 minutes. Stir in vegetable juice and Italian seasoning; bring to boil. Cover, reduce heat and simmer 10 minutes. Add mixed vegetables, beans, pasta and spinach. Cover; simmer an additional 10 minutes.

Sprinkle with cheese before serving.

Serves 8

## Easy Black Bean Soup

- 1 package (14 ounces) smoked sausage, cut into 1/2-inch slices
- 2 cans (15.5 ounces each) Trappey's Seasoned Black Beans with Spices, drained and rinsed
- 2 cans (15 ounces each) Veg•All Original Mixed Vegetables, drained
- 2 cans (14.5 ounces each) Allens Chicken Broth

In large soup pot, lightly brown sausage slices. Add remaining ingredients; cook until hot. Serve immediately.

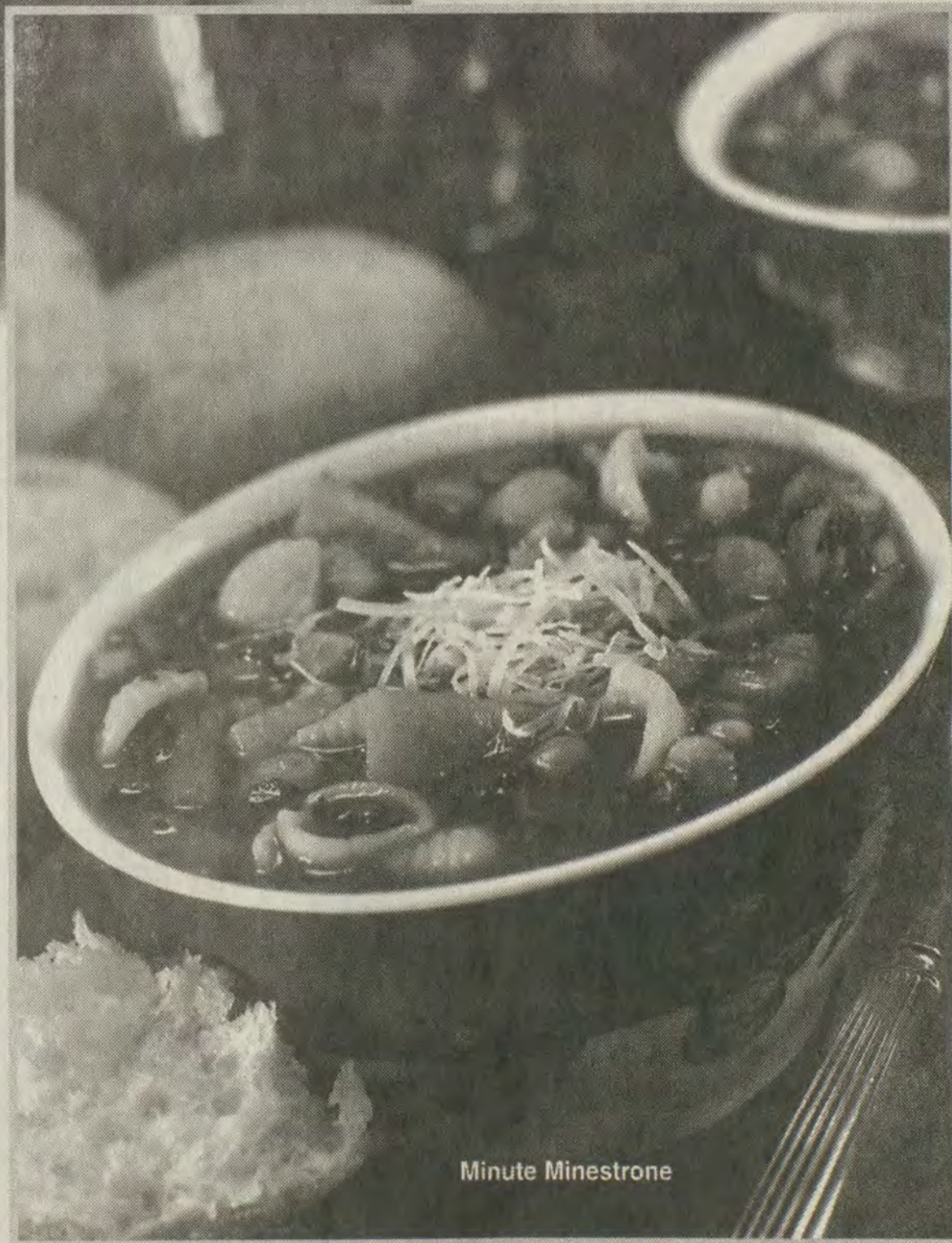
Serves 4 to 6

## Easy Ham Chowder

- 2 cans (15 ounces each) Veg•All Original Mixed Vegetables, undrained
- 1 can (10.75 ounces) condensed cream of potato soup
- 1 cup cubed cooked ham
- 1/2 teaspoon dried basil
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper

In medium saucepan, combine all ingredients. Heat until hot, then serve.

Serves 4 to 6



Minute Minestrone

**A**s an enticing first course, a tantalizing side dish or a hearty meal, nothing fights the chill of a cold day better than a bowl of homemade soup. But who has the time to make soup from scratch?

When you start with canned mixed vegetables, the answer is — you! The next time you crave homemade soup, eliminate the thawing, peeling, slicing and dicing required of fresh or frozen by using canned mixed vegetables instead.

Simply open the can and add the nutrition-packed veggies to your favorite recipe. With such convenience, you can treat yourself to Classic Chicken Noodle Soup or the more adventurous Easy Black Bean Soup in a matter of minutes.

Give these recipes a try and you'll discover that canned mixed vegetables reduce the labor but none of the flavor. Instead of spending your time over a cutting board, you can sit back, relax and enjoy a sensational bowl of soup.

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**So get cooking! Veg•All's Makin' It Easy Recipe Contest begins September 1 and ends November 30, 2004. For official contest rules, visit [www.veg-all.com](http://www.veg-all.com).**



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## AUTOMOTIVE

### 130-Cars

**For Sale 1998 Honda Accord EX**, leather, 1 owner good condition call 606-285-1293

**Hicks Auto Sale**  
 404 David Road  
**SPECIAL 1999 z34 Monte Carlo** 3800 engine 32,000 miles, \$6,500, \*1994 Grand Cherokee loaded \$3,800 call Hicks Auto Sales at 606-791-2845 after hours 886-3451

**For Sale 1994 Camero Z28**, V8, automatic, all power, serious callers only call 606-433-4822

**For Sale 1999 Black Porsche Boxster Convertible**, auto with his/her transmission, Black /Black 41,000 miles Book Value \$25,000 asking price \$22,500 call after 5pm at 886-2030

**For Sale 2002 Corvette Z-06** Red w/Blk interior, 6sp, 405HP All options 7 year/ 75,000 mile extended warranty, car has 13,500 miles This car retailed for over \$57,000 asking \$38,000 OBO Must sell, serious calls only please phone 606-478-4545 or 859-971-7356

**\$500 POLICE IMPOUNDS!** Hondas/ Chevys/ Fords/ Jeeps. Cars, trucks, SUV's from \$500! Listings: 800-366-0124 xA919

### 150-Miscellaneous

**Pop-Up camper** with full bath has comode, shower, and air,TV, DVD asking only \$4,800 call 606-434-5551

### 160-Motorcycles

**For Sale 1995 Honda Shadow 1100**, candy apple red and cream with 15,000 miles bike is in MINT condition asking \$4,000 call 606-785-5114

**1995 Honda CVR 900RR Cobra** and Yoshi pipes-slip on with 2 matching helmets. Runs great call 606-226-1577 or 606-889-9283

**For Sale 1998 YAMAHA YZ80** New tires, pro-circuit pipe. \$1600. Call 606-452-9599 for more info.

### 175-SUV's

**For Sale 1999 GMC Denali Yukon**. Loaded heated seats, Black with Gray interior, it's a must see, 81,000 miles book value 20,000 asking \$17,500, call after 5pm at 606-886-2030

**For Sale 1994 Chevrolet S-10 Blazer** (Khaki color) asking \$1,500, Buy as is call 606-886-2844. Leave message if interested

### 180-Trucks

**For Sale 1999 Toyota** pick-up 2 wd asking \$300.00 or best offer please call 606-874-0835

**Wanted used full size pick-ups** 1998 thru 2003, will pay cash call 800-789-5301

**For Sale 1982 International Sign Boom Truck** with 40 foot Boom in need of repairs. asking \$1,500 OBO Call 606-478-4545

## EMPLOYMENT

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

### 205-Business Opp.

**Candy vending route for sale** 50 all cash high traffic locations. \$18,000 annual income. cost \$3000 call 800-568-1392 or www.vending that works.com

### 210-Job Listings

**Physical Therapy Dept.** has immediate part & full time positions available for pleasant, outgoing applicants wanting to work in a team oriented amothspere ,must have the ability to deal with the public call 606-886-7506

**SULLIVAN UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL**  
 We have an opening for an Accounting instructor in our Graduate School program taught on the campus of Prestonsburg Campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College. Qualifications include a terminal degree and teaching experience. Please submit resume and letter of application to: Jennifer Crisp Distance Learning Coordinator One Bert Combs Drive Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**Legal Secretary** Legal Office experience preferred but not required computer knowledge a plus competitive salary with paid vacations and holidays Send resume to Att.PMB Legal at P.O. Box 390 ,Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

**POSITION OPEN** for a Pharmacy Technician Experience Preferred but will train Send Resume to PO Box 748, Martin, Ky. or drop off at 12554 Main Street Martin Ky. **No calls please!**

**Wanted a couple to manage**, and do routine maintenance at lovely Mayfair Village Apts. in Paintsville, Ky. 2 bed room Apt. including all utilities plus salary call 606-886-2444

**Prestonsburg Health Care Center** has an opening for a full time LPN's and openings for full and part time C.N.A.'s We offer competitive wages and excellent benefits. If interested please stop by or send a resume to 147 N. Highland Ave. Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 (beside Prestonsburg elementary

**Applications are now being accepted** for Full Time Science teacher 4th-8th Part-Time Spanish Teacher Maintenance / House keeping Director Applications may be picked up at Mountain Christian Academy, Hwy. 80, Martin, Ky.

**Help Wanted immediate opening for flower Designer**, New Flower Shop opening soon in Martin, must have experience and references for more information call 606-285-9901 or 606-285-0070

**Receptionist for Dental Office**. Computer experience preferred but, not required. Send resume to North Lake Drive Suite 201 Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653

**AVON**  
 Earn your own money. \$10.00 sign up fee. Free gift. Call Jancy at 886-2082.

### 220-Help Wanted

**RN / LPN**  
 We are currently hiring for open RN / LPN partime positions. We offer an excellent benefits package and competitive wages including a special PRN Rate. Call or stop by for a tour and interview to join our caring team. Salyersville Health Care E.O.E. / A.A.P.

**Nelson's Residential Mobile Home** Hook-ups House wiring Licensed & Insured call 606-889-9883 or 606-791-4210

**Mountain Manor of Paintsville** is now taking applications for RN and LPN positions. Excellent pay and benefits. Apply in person at 1025 Euclid Ave. Paintsville, Ky. between 8am and 4:30 Mon. thru Fri.

**Electroplate Battery** phone 606-377-2032 Needs Truck Driver with CDL and Hasmat and Battery repairman

**THE LEXINGTON HERALD-LEADER** has a morning newspaper route available in the Auxler and Van Lear area. Route takes 3-4 hours daily with an approximate profit potential of \$1,200 monthly. Dependable transportation and ability to be bonded required. Call 1-800-274-7355 (Ext. 3368)

**Baby Setter** wanted after school in the Eastern Garrett area call 606-886-3181 or after 6pm call 606-886-8639

**Help wanted** Position open Child care call for appointment or more information call 886-9291

**Satellite installers needed** Dish Network Company ,no experience necessary, training will be provided potential to make more than \$1000.00 per week call 866-539-2525

### 280 - Services

**T & C Home Improvements**  
 House painting, in or out, drywall, plumbing, electrical, repairs For Free estimates call 606-889-9161 leave message or call 606-434-9102 we also do grass cutting

**Classic Outdoor Wood Furnace** provides safe, clean heat Dealership available call 800-248-4681 or e-mail. central boiler.com

### 290-Work Wanted

**Will do all types of roofing and carpentry** call 606-886-3597

## FINANCIAL

### 330-For Sale

**For Sale White Marble Veneer** approximately 7340 of 2 1/4 & 5 inch Veneer must sell phone 606-874-2212

**For Sale 3 ton outside air-conditioner** unit \$600.00 being replaced by heat pump call 606-285-9368

**FOR SALE CAR WASH EQUIPMENT** 4 BAYS CAT 310 PUMPS, COIN BOXES, LARGE HOT WATER TANK VACUUM, SIGNS DRAINS COVERS \$6,500 OBO 606-478-4545

**Steel Buildings** All must go! Factory Seconds, Freight Damaged & Repos 18x24, 25x30, 32x52 make offer Financing Available Serious inquires only! 800-405-7501

## WINDOW INSTALLER

- \* Experience required
  - \* Year 'round work
  - \* No overnight travel
  - \* Must have truck & tools
- Call Jimmy, at:

**Window World, inc.**  
 Allen, KY • (606) 874-3004

## MERCHANDISE

### 410-Animals

**For Sale Dachshund puppies**, AKC Registered, 6 weeks old, have received 1 st shot and wormed call 606-886-2485 or 606-824-5079

### 445-Furniture

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

### 460-Yard Sale

**Music Yard Sale** consisting of Guitars Musical Equipment and Magic the gathering cards. No calls please Sat. Aug.14 from 11-2pm, location of sale Cracker Bottom road Martin, Ky Last brown brick house on the left do not cross the railroad tracks cash only sales all sales final.

**Yard Sale Fri. & Sat. Aug. 6 & 7**, from 9am to 4pm appliances, house hold items clothing, toys location Rt. 1428 Smith Lane Allen, Ky. call 606-874-2225

**Annual Yard Sale** Yard Sale Fri. & Sat. Aug 6th & 7th from 9am to 4pm, appliances household items, clothing, toys, located Rt.1428 Smith Lane Allen, Ky. call 606-874-2225

**St. Martha Catholic Church**, Water Gap Road, Fri. Aug. 6-Sat.7, 8am to 5pm, household items, baby clothes, children's clothing, toys and much more.

**Giant Indoor & Outdoor Yard Sale** 9-3 Fri - Sat. Household items, Christmas items, girls 12 to 24 months boys 4 to 6 women 14 to 18 located 1938 KY Rt. 321 north at the mouth of Stone Crest

**Yard Sale, Sat. Aug. 7, 8am-3pm**, 1.3 miles up Abbott Creek, work bench, encyclopedias, baby clothes, 2 car seats, paperbacks, good clothes and shoes, knick knacks, ect.

### 470-Health/Beauty

**VIAGRA** 100mg \$5.00. Cialls 20mg \$6.25. Lowest Price Refills. Why Pay More? We have the Answer! Trinity Health Group 1-866-402-5400.

## 475-Household

**For Sale new 3 piece Living Room Suit** original cost \$3,500 asking \$1,500 call 606-37700757 or 606-377-1023

### 480-Miscellaneous

**\$7.99! Stereo Speakers** Seized property TV, Computers & More! from \$10.00! for more information call 800-366-0307 ext. P620

**Airater Septic System**, it has 3 compassator Brand New, installed but never used call 606-297-1454 asking \$1,800. firm..

**CD owners**, where can you get a 12% Bonus annuity .and 3.55 on top of that? We know! Contact Billy Maynard Hurry, this is a month promotion, but locks you into a five year 125 bonus on future deposits call for free info. 606-478-9500

**Wolff tanning beds** affordable convenient, tan at home, payments from \$29.00 per month free color catalog call today 800-781-5173 www. np. etstan.com

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**For Sale 1 Prom Dresses** size 20 80.00 each call 606-886-9305

**For Sale: 3/4 karat diamond ring**, Asking \$500. Call 606-874-4981 or 606-791-2167.

**For Sale: 8 ft' refrigerated dell case**, \$1000, small pizza oven, \$400, small juice cooler, \$150, washer & dryer, \$150 pair. Call 606-886-2367.

**For Sale: 8 ft' dell cooler**, \$950 and Gas convection oven, \$450. Call 606-886-2367.

**Kay's Wallpaper** 205 Depot Road Paintsville, Ky Hundreds of Patterns of Wallpaper & Borders All under \$10.00. Open Tues - Fri. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sat. 10 a.m to 3 p.m. Closed Sun. & Mon. 606-789-8584.

## REGENCY PARK APARTMENTS

**One-, Two- and Three-Bedroom Units**  
 Kitchen Appliances Furnished  
 Water, Sewer & Garbage Paid

For Applications, call or write  
 Regency Park Apartments  
 61 Regency Park Dr., Box 17  
 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

**Phone: 606-886-8318 or 1-800-686-4447**  
 (TDD for speech & hearing impaired 711)

**3 bed foreclosure** only \$6,900! for listings call 800-366-0142 extension. B 183

### 550-Land & Lots

**For Sale Property** located on old Ky.114 behind Mac Arts lot has a Mechanic's Garage call 606-886-1523 or 614-874-4294 and 859-497-2589

**For Sale by owner** Beautiful lot, less than 1/2 mile from route 23 inside city limits, Big Branch of Abbott just before Cedar Trace look for yellow signs, call 704-658-0227 after 6pm

## RENTALS

### 610-Apartments

**Free Processing a \$30.00 value** Park Place Apartments in Prestonsburg, Elderly, Handicapped & Disabled Available for immediate occupancy Rent 1 bed room \$309, 2 bed room \$345 call 606-886-0039

### 570-Mobile Homes

**Trailer for Sale 1999 Fleetwood 16x64** asking \$15,000 call 606-874-8410 before 10pm

**House for Sale 3 bed room 2 bath**, carpet, with storage room, fenced lot, new central heat/air located at Jockey Hollow approx. 2 minutes from Highland Regional call 606-884-7212 or 606-884-7343 leave message

**For Sale 3 bed room brick**, 1 1/2 bath, located right Fork Bull Creek call 606-886-2818

**For sale Beautiful 4 bed room 2 bath**, fenced yard, private hardwood, spacious rooms a real must see call after 5pm asking \$98,721 call 606-889-0525

**House for sale 4343 KY. Route 550** in Hueysville 3 bed room, 1 1/2 bath with eat in kitchen, large living room has full basement storage building carport-fenced yard central heat /air city water 606-358-4065 day 606-358-4369 night

**House for Sale 1 story** located at 2718 Mayfield Road in Jefferson City, Tenn. asking \$89,900, 3 bed rooms 1 full bath Masterbed, lvl. Garage. attached, basement call 865-475-7432 from 8am to 8pm

**For Sale 1993 Red Jeep Grand Cherokee** asking \$3,500 call 606-452-4687

## Lost Dog



• Last seen Sat. Aug.7 at Dewy Dam, in the rear of a dark blue F-150 truck  
 • Answers to Rhodie  
 Call Ned Pillersdorf with any information. Family pet, very friendly.  
**Call 886-6090 or 886-9645**

**Norris with Drywall**, two living areas, customized floor plan and dramatic exterior, Set up for viewing. For details call 606-353-8444 or toll free 877-353-8444

### 590-Sales or Lease

**House for lease** living room & DEN 3 bed rooms 2 baths ,Kitchen in ground pool with pool room ,5 minutes from downtown \$700.00 per month and deposit call 606-886-0812

### 610-Apartments

**Beautiful Apt** near college also Chalet for rent, and House near Elem school, No Pets, references required and Deposit required Air conditioner included call 606-886-3565

**Newly remolded 1 bed room apt** for rent furnished located on Lake road in Prestonsburg, Ky. \$275.00 per month plus 300.00 deposit call 704-824-2034

**Greetings from Lighthouse Manor**, Terry & Sharon Smith. We have apartments for rent that are efficiency apartments, all utilities paid. For more info call 606-886-2797.

**For Rent 2 bed room Apt.** on 321 between Highland Hospital and Porter Elem. has central heat and air, office, utility room, walk in closets \$425.00 per month with \$200.00 deposit call 606-789-5973



**Furnished 1 bed room Apt.** Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$375. month, + \$300. deposit water included. Located near HRMC. 606-889-9717.

**Large 2 bed room Apt.** newly remodeled must have reference call 606-886-8366

**620-Office Space**

**Office Space for Rent** 2866 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Ky. formerly Williams Bottoms CPA. call 606-886-9563 or 606-886-2073

**Office/Retail Space** available Great Location near downtown, in the PHS, BSCTC, and the new Food City area of Prestonsburg. up to 4,200 square feet for lease call Today 886-0111, x16 or 226-2266

**630-House**

**For Rent 2 bed room**, 2 bath, central heat and air with washer and dryer hook-ups, references required, NO PETS, 1 year lease, Rent is 550.00 per month and 400.00 deposit call 606-437-1997

**House for rent** in level \$500.00 per month plus utilities. Deposit and references required, NO PETS call 606-478-2518

**3 bed room House for rent** total electric, central heat and air 1 mile north of Prestonsburg on U.S. 23 No Pets. call 886-9007 or 889-9747

**640-Land & Lots**

**For Rent** extra large Mobile Home Lot call 606-886-8366

**Trailer lot for rent** on old U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville call 606-886-9007 or 889 9747

**650-Mobile Homes**

**For Rent 2 bed room** 2 bath 14x70 \$375.00 2 bed room 1 bath 14x 55 #350.00 renter must pay deposit, electric & water, located at Rock Fork Road, east of Garrett off Route 80 call 946-2159 or 606-454-0970

**For Rent 2 & 3 bed room House** at Bevinville and Buckingham, HUD approved call 606-285-3504 or 606-478-9623

**For Rent 2 bed room trailer** near Prestonsburg call 606-874-4478

**For rent 2 bed room trailer** located near Martin all electric has good yard, call 606-285-3890

**3 bed room Modular Home** with in ground covered pool, nice yard, good neighbors, No Pets \$500.00 per month plus \$200.00 deposit call 606-358-2000

**670-Comm Property**

**For Sale or Lease Large Building** Great for offices spaces call 606-478-5403

**NOTICES**

**805-Announcements**

**Pleasant Ridge Horseback Riding and Kayaking** at Yatesville Lake, Lousia (past the golf course.) Kids rides, Guided trail rides, Horseback riding and kayaking packages, group rates and parties, or plan an over nighter with your friends. call 606-673-1165. Hours 10 to dark

**812 - Free**

**FREE PALLETS:** can be picked up behind The Floyd County Times.

**Free to a good home** 8 puppies Collie mix call 606-285-5003

**900-Legals**

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

Pursuant to Application No. 836-5458

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a permit for an underground mining operation, located approximately 1.5 mile southeast of Banner in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 4.94 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 112.00 acres, making a total of 116.94 acres within the total permit boundary.

The proposed operation is located 0.4 mile east of Hall Branch Road's junction with State Route 1426, and located 0.30 mile east of Prater Creek. The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by the Michael Keith Hall Estate. The permit area will underlie land owned by the Michael Keith Hall Estate, and Hazie Boyd.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE**

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that G & L Energy, Inc., 651 Meade Branch, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for Phase II bond release on increment No. 1, of permit 836-5444, which was last issued on 06/11/2004. The application covers an area of approximately 891.20 acres, located 0.60 mile west of Hueysville, in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.30 mile east from Coolwater Road's junction with KY State Route 7, and located 0.07 mile south of Saltlick Creek.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 1 is a Letter of Credit for \$15,400.00. Approximately 25% of the original bond amount of \$30,500.00, is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed to date includes: backfilling and grading; soil sampling and testing; fertilizing, seeding, and mulching, and tree setting, completed spring 2001; and the establishment of an adequate vegetative cover.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by September 13, 2004.

A public hearing on the application has been scheduled for September 14, 2004, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by September 13, 2004.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

I have been appointed by the Circuit Court Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky, in Civil Action No. 04-AD-00015, now pending in Floyd Circuit Court, Division No. III, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

The nature of this action is an adoption of a male child, born on May 18, 2000, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital. If you are Aaron Michael Svaciha you are hereby warned and notified that you have thirty days from and after July 30, 2004, in which to file a response to the petition. If you fail to do so, the relief demanded in the petition may be awarded to the petitioner. This may be a matter for which you may want to consult an attorney.

Joseph Lane  
Warning Order Attorney  
124 West Court Street  
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653  
(606) 886-6090  
Fax (606) 886-6148

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Division of Permits, with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County.

**MOTTS BRANCH COAL INCORPORATED**  
836-0289  
ISSUED 040625

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5422

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a permit for an underground coal mining operation, located 1.0 mile north of Dana, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 18.27 surface acres, and will underlie 398.87 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 417.14 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.2 mile southeast from Johnson Fork Road's junction with Cecil Branch Road, and located within Johnson Fork. The latitude is 37°33'57". The longitude is 82°41'13".

The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Randy Hayes et al. The operation will underlie land owned by Randy Hayes et al., Green Kidd, Green Kidd et al., B. Rickman, Will Arney Heirs, Wilford & Ruth Boyd, Kate Cade Heirs, Lodestar Energy, Inc., George and Myrtle Lackey et al., Nora Louise Watkins, Paul Justice, Industrial Fuels and Minerals Co., and Sidney Justice.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.

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

**LEGAL NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSURE HEARINGS**

Notice is hereby given that certain landowners residing in the vicinity of the following road have requested that the following roads or portions of roads be

discontinued by the Floyd County Fiscal Court: (1) Abandoned portion of the Old County Road, located adjacent to Bluebird Lane, on Kentucky Route 114/Mountain Parkway; and (2) Johnson Fork Road, also known as Williams Fork, located adjacent to Kentucky Route 1426/Prater Creek. Pursuant to KRS 178.070 and KRS 178.050, it is, therefore, necessary that notice be given and a public hearing on the requests be scheduled for August 20, 2004, to take place following the Floyd County Fiscal Court's Regular Meeting on that date.

Notice is now given by the Floyd County Fiscal Court, pursuant to KRS 178.070 and KRS 178.050, of the following actions: (1) The proposed discontinuance of the road or portion of roadway known as (a) Abandoned portion of the Old County Road, located adjacent to Bluebird Lane on Kentucky Route 114/Mountain Parkway; and (b) Johnson Fork Road, also known as Williams Fork, located adjacent to Kentucky Route 1426/Prater Creek; (2) That the County Judge/Executive has been previously authorized or will be authorized to advertise the proposed discontinuance of the sections of road in question and to appoint two (2) view-

ers for the affected sections of road, in addition to the County Road Supervisor, for the purposes of preparing a report regarding the discontinuance of the road or portion of road in question; and (3) That a final hearing regarding discontinuance of the roads in question be scheduled to take place following the Court's Regular Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 20, 2004 in the County Courtroom, located on the Second Floor of the old Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.

**PUBLIC NOTICE: FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ORDINANCE NO. 04-002, AS AMENDED**

Notice is hereby given that the following proposed Ordinance was given its First Reading at the Regular Meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court held on Friday, June 18, 2004. The proposed Ordinance was amended by motion at the Regular Meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court held on Friday, July 23, 2004. Notice is now given that this proposed Ordinance, as amended, will be considered for passage and given its Second Reading, as amended, at the Regular Meeting of the Floyd County

Fiscal Court to be held on August 20, 2004, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., in the County Courtroom, located on the second floor of the Floyd County Courthouse, 149 South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky.



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is now accepting applications for a full-time position in the composing department. Must have experience in Quark Xpress and Adobe Photoshop. Extensive use of Macintosh hardware a plus. Excellent benefits.  
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**The Floyd County Times**  
P.O. Box 390  
Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41563

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**SHIRLEY THOMPSON LANDSLIDE**  
KY-04-067  
**PRESTONSBURG, FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:  
The United States of America, acting by and through the Department of the Interior, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM), pursuant to Title IV, of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, 30 U.S.C. 1231 et. seq., proposes to undertake the necessary work to protect the public health and safety from the adverse effects of abandoned coal mining activities in the vicinity of Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky. Efforts have been made to obtain voluntary consent to proceed. However not all known owners have consented, additional possible owners cannot be located, and Section 410, 30 U.S.C. 1240, provides for entry by the United States of America, its agents, employees and contractors, notice is hereby given to those persons having a surface or mineral interest in the following described property:

A property depicted as being Parcel 35 on Map 6.02 in the Floyd County Assessor's Office.

Such entry will begin immediately. The OSM's written findings and supporting reasons regarding its determination to enter the above-described property may be inspected or obtained by contacting the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1405 Greenup Avenue, Box 5, Federal Building, Ashland, Kentucky 41101, Attention: John Sefton, Team Leader, Appalachian Team.

Let it stand  
for all Americans still  
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by poverty

Once, she too needed care. And Americans united to restore her — to stand tall once again as a symbol of freedom and new opportunities. Today, nearly 35 million Americans are still working to free themselves from poverty. Answer the call. Join with others to light the way and rekindle a spirit of community with those who are in need. Poverty in America — we can end it. And everyone can do something to help. Find out how at [www.povertyusa.org](http://www.povertyusa.org).

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Catholic Campaign for Human Development  
1-800-946-4243



**FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY ORDINANCE NO. 04-002**

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PUBLIC NUISANCES IN FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, Floyd County, Kentucky, by and through its Fiscal Court, has an obligation to protect its citizens from certain conditions which constitute a public nuisance; and

WHEREAS, certain conditions presently exist within the jurisdictional boundaries of Floyd County, which can only be characterized as public nuisances; and

WHEREAS, these conditions constitute potential dangers to the public health, welfare and safety of the citizens of Floyd County; and

WHEREAS, the following language is applicable to Public Nuisances in Floyd County, Kentucky and can be used, pursuant to KRS 381.770, as the controlling authority for the County regarding this matter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY OF FLOYD, COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, AS FOLLOWS:

**PUBLIC NUISANCES**

Section No. Certain conditions declared a public nuisance

Common law and statutory nuisances

Abatement procedure

Lien on property; costs in enforcing lien; precedence of lien; personal liability of property owner

Statutory authority; effective date

**CERTAIN CONDITIONS DECLARED A NUISANCE**

It shall be unlawful for the owner, occupant, or person having control or management of any land within an unincorporated area of the County to permit a public nuisance to develop on such land. The following conditions are declared to be public nuisances:

Dwellings unfit for human habitation. The erection, use, or maintenance of a dwelling which is unfit for human habitation.

Dangerous and dilapidated buildings. Any building, house, or structure so out of repair and dilapidated that it will, if the condition is allowed to continue, endanger the life, limb, or property of, or cause damage, harm, or injury to persons using the roads or public ways of the County, by reason of the collapse of the building, house, or structure or by the falling of parts or

objects therefrom, or will constitute a fire hazard liable to catch on fire or communicate fire, or which, due to a lack of adequate maintenance or to neglect, will endanger the public health, welfare, or safety of owners or occupants of property in the vicinity.

Accumulation of rubbish and junk. An accumulation on any premises of filth, refuse, trash, garbage, junk, or other waste material which endangers the public health, welfare, or safety, or materially interferes with the peaceful enjoyment by owners or occupants of adjacent property because of the danger that it will catch on or communicate fire, attract and propagate vermin, rodents, or insects, or blow rubbish into any street, sidewalk, or property of another.

Storage of explosive or combustible material. The storage of combustible or explosive material which creates a safety hazard to persons or property in the vicinity.

Open wells, pools and similar areas. The maintenance of any open, uncovered, or insecurely covered well, cistern, cellar, pool, pit, excavation, or vault situated upon private premises in any open or unfenced lot or place.

**COMMON LAW AND STATUTORY NUISANCES**

In addition to those conditions declared in this Ordinance to be public nuisances, those acts and conditions which the common law, statutes, and regulations of the Commonwealth of Kentucky identify as public nuisances may be treated as such by this County.

**00.03 ABATEMENT PROCEDURE**

(A) It shall be the duty of the Code Enforcement Officer to serve or cause to be served a notice upon the owner and occupant of any premises on which any nuisance exists in violation of the provisions of this Ordinance. The notice shall identify the particular condition in question and demand the abatement of the nuisance within five (5) days unless the nuisance constitutes an immediate danger to the health and well-being of the community. If an immediate danger is present, the nuisance shall be abated within twenty-four (24) hours of notice or within such reasonable time thereafter as the Code Enforcement officer may order. Notice shall be served by hand-delivery or by certified mail, return receipt requested, but if the where-

abouts of the person or entity is unknown and cannot be ascertained in the exercise of reasonable diligence, the Code Enforcement Officer shall make an affidavit to that effect, and the service of notice may be made by publication in a newspaper of general circulation for two (2) consecutive issues. A copy of the notice shall also be posted in a conspicuous place on the premises affected by the notice.

(B) If the person or entity so served does not abate the nuisance within five (5) days, the County may proceed to abate the nuisance, keeping an account of the reasonable value of labor and materials used in remedying the situation, and these costs shall be charged to and paid by the owner of the premises in question; provided, however, in cases involving any unfit or unsafe structure, the right to a hearing shall be afforded the property owner before any demolition of the structure may occur. The Code Enforcement Officer shall provide notice to the property owner of the date, time, and place at which the property owner will have an opportunity to be heard before the Fiscal Court regarding the unfit or unsafe structure in question.

**(C) All costs**

incurred by the County for nuisance abatement shall constitute a lien upon the premises. Whenever a bill for these costs remains unpaid more than sixty (60) days after it has been rendered and delivered to the property owner, the Code Enforcement Officer shall file with the County Clerk a statement and affidavit of lien claims. The statement and affidavit of lien claims shall contain a legal description of the premises, the costs incurred, the date the nuisance was abated, and a notice that the County claims a lien for this amount. The affidavit of the Code Enforcement Officer shall constitute prima facie evidence of the amount of the lien and the regularity of the proceedings pursuant to KRS 381.770 and this Ordinance. The lien shall be notice to all persons from the time of the recording and shall bear interest at 12% per annum thereafter until paid. Notice of the lien claim shall also be mailed to the owner of the premises if the address is known.

**00.04 LIEN ON PROPERTY; COSTS IN ENFORCING LIEN; PRECE-**

**DENCE OF LIEN; PERSONAL LIABILITY OF PROPERTY OWNER**

(A) Upon receipt of the statement and affidavit of lien claims set forth in Section 00.03 of this Ordinance, the County Clerk shall:

Add the amount of the lien to which reference is made in KRS 381.770 and Section 00.03 of this Ordinance to the County's tax bill for real estate.

Retain the statement and affidavit of lien claims in his records. Upon the owner's payment of the lien and all costs, including attorney's fees and interest, the County Clerk shall release the lien.

(B) The lien created pursuant to this

Ordinance shall take precedence over all other subsequent liens, except federal, state, county, and school district taxes, and may be enforced by judicial proceedings.

(C) In addition to the remedies prescribed in this Ordinance or any other remedy authorized by law, the owner of property upon which a lien has been attached pursuant to this Ordinance shall be personally liable for the amount of the lien, including all interest and other charges, and the County may bring a civil action against the owner and shall have the same remedies as provided for the recovery of a debt

owed. If so directed by Fiscal Court, the County Attorney is authorized and shall institute the necessary proceedings in the name of the County, in any court having jurisdiction over the matter, against any property for which the costs for nuisance abatement remain unpaid.

**00.05 STATUTORY AUTHORITY; EFFECTIVE DATE**

The statutory authority for this Ordinance is set forth in KRS 381.770 and KRS 67.083 now in effect and as from time to time amended. This Ordinance, Floyd County Ordinance No. 04-002, as amended, shall become effective upon its Second

Reading, adoption and passage, as required by law.

Motion Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

INTRODUCED, SECONDED, AND GIVEN FIRST READING AND APPROVAL at a duly convened meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court held on

this the 18th day of June, 2004.

PAUL H. THOMPSON FLOYD COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE

Motion by: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by: \_\_\_\_\_

GIVEN SECOND READING AND ADOPTED, as amended, at a duly convened meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal Court held on

this the \_\_\_\_\_th day of August, 2004.

PAUL H. THOMPSON FLOYD COUNTY JUDGE/EXECUTIVE

ATTEST: CHRIS WAUGH, FLOYD COUNTY CLERK

BY: \_\_\_\_\_ D.C.

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Kentucky, and one 8 foot wide by 37 inch high 3-line single color message board to be installed at the intersection of KY 114 and KY 1428 in Prestonsburg. The Mountain Arts Center location should have the ability to remotely control each display. Bid prices should include installation, software, and peripherals necessary for the continual operation of each display. Bids will be opened at 12:00 noon on Friday, August 20, 2004. The Mountain Arts Center retains the right to reject any and all bids. The Mountain Arts Center retains the right to re-bid this project. For further details, please contact Keith Caudill at 606-889-9125.

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