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### briefs

## Turner seeks reelection

Times Staff Report

DRIFT — State Senator Johnny Ray Turner announced Wednesday he would run for re-election.

Citing a record that includes work in roads, education, protection for senior citizens and water line extensions, Turner said the past term has been difficult, but marked by progress.

"Although financial times have been very tough, we've made significant progress," Turner said.

Turner, who represents Floyd, Breathitt, Letcher and Knott counties, has also saw approximately 30 road projects completed or underway, said spokeswoman Susan Smith, while more than \$1.6 million has been placed toward water and sewer projects.

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# Democrats to pick candidate tomorrow

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Kentucky Democratic Party will host a special convention tomorrow morning in order to appoint a nominee to fill the vacancy left

behind by former state representative Greg Stumbo.

The meeting, chaired by Judge Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, who heads the Floyd County Democratic Party, will be held at noon at the Floyd County court house.

According to him, two or more representatives from the Kentucky Democratic Party (KDP) including chairman Steve Gold and Political Director Jennifer Hicks, will be on hand during the meeting to certify delegates, count ballots, and announce the winner.

"Myself and the democratic executive committee members were all under the impression that the democratic executive committee were going to make the nomination," said Thompson. "However, this

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A fallen tree now blocks an impassable road leading to rental property belonging to Calloway Realty at Dewey Lake. Owners Clifford Lee and Tammy Branham are suing the county for damages.

photo by Mary Music

## Company blames broken road for loss of business

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County is the focus of a lawsuit filed this week in Circuit court by a Pike County business, who alleges that road problems prevent them

from obtaining access to their property.

Calloway Realty, owned by Clifford Lee and Tammy Branham of Sidney in Pike County, alleges in the lawsuit that an impassable road which leads to their rental property in the Lakeview Village area has

caused lost revenue and a diminution in the value of that property.

"I don't want to cause a public fuss or anything, I just want to get something done," said Pike Attorney Lawrence R. Webster, who represents the Banhams and

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## Civil case against former treasurer dismissed

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A civil case brought against former Betsy Layne Fire Department treasurer Glen Burgess was dismissed Wednesday for lack of prosecution, according to documents filed in

Floyd Circuit Court.

Burgess was found guilty in criminal court this past November and later sentenced on embezzlement charges for writing checks from the department's funds and depositing them into his personal accounts.

The checks alone totaled

approximately \$200,000, while roughly \$8,000 to \$10,000 more was taken through checks for smaller amounts Burgess made out to himself during a six year period of time while he worked as treasurer for the fire department.

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## Dwale man pleads innocent to bribing police officer

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County man arrested for driving under the influence was arraigned Monday on charges that he attempted to bribe the police officer that arrested him.

Rafe E. Lafferty, 59, Dwale,

was released from custody following the arraignment on a \$2,000 surety bond.

Charged with operating a motor vehicle under the influence, possession of an open alcoholic beverage container in a motor vehicle, and bribery of a public servant, Lafferty plead not guilty Monday in District court

under Judge Eric Hall.

According to the arrest citation issued Sunday, Jan. 11 by Kentucky Department of Vehicle Enforcement officer Dennis Hutchinson, Lafferty was passed out behind the steering wheel of his 1994 Chevy when he approached the vehicle.

The citation notes that

Lafferty allegedly had an empty vodka bottle and a half empty bottle of Early Times in his possession.

He failed two sobriety tests, the citation alleges, noting that Lafferty blew a .228 on a breathalyzer test.

Blood and urine tests were not requested, according to the

Hutchinson, who alleged in the citation that Lafferty had a "strong odor of alcohol on his breath."

According to Hutchinson, the bribery charge came about after Lafferty allegedly offered him \$500 to \$1,000 to tell him who "called the law on him so he

(See BRIBE, page three)

## Officials give W'wright two weeks to clean up dump site

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

WHEELWRIGHT — A regular meeting of the Wheelwright City Commission was canceled Thursday when the city failed to seat enough commissioners for a quorum, but there would have been plenty to talk about, according to Mayor Marlee Sammons.

Sammons said Thursday that the city had been given a two-week notice from the Environmental Protection Agency the morning of the canceled meeting, that could

result in fines of \$25,000.

The notice concerned what Sammons referred to as an "illegal dump" near the 79 Hill section of the city.

"They said they would stick a fine to us every day it was up there," he said Thursday afternoon. "That's \$25,000, according to what I've looked at, and that could even be a daily fine."

Sammons said EPA representatives visited Wheelwright earlier this week to check the status of the dump, which was

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## Corps sues Martin property owners

### Complaint concerns flood project plans

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — A long-lasting family dispute has led to the first federal lawsuit filed against Martin residents with interests in the ambitious flood project the city will soon see get underway.

Many home, business and land owners in the city have been involved in negotiations with the federal gov-

ernment as part of the flood project, which, according to plans, would ultimately find the entire city restructured to bring it out of a flood plain that has long thwarted it during times of flooding.

Most with interests in land or homes that exist in areas looked to in planning have agreed without much problem, said Mayor Thomasine Robinson, but that's not always the case.

The government filed a complaint Wednesday against four family members who retain control over an estate which includes a little over 17 acres of land that happens to be situated on the spot where the project's land moving efforts are to begin along Fire Station Hill.

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# Odds & Ends

■ **GAINESVILLE, Fla.** — A suspect was linked to a series of bank robberies by his own bad spelling, police said.

Robert C. Whitney's consistently confused the words "dye" and "die" in robbery notes given to bank tellers, police said.

A note used in a Gainesville robbery read "If a die pack blows, so do you," said police Sgt. Keith Kameg. The same wording had been used on notes in two Volusia County robberies, he said.

"If anything says education is important to your future, this case says that," Kameg said. "As simple as spelling one word wrong was instrumental in solving three bank robberies."

Whitney, 39, was arrested in Leon County last week, and was also wanted in Hillsborough County. Gainesville police issued a warrant on Tuesday.

■ **DALE, Pa.** — Officials in this small borough are playing dirty, refusing to pick up garbage from about a dozen delinquent customers after nearly two-thirds of trash pickup clients failed to pay their bills.

More than half of Dale's 746 customers owe a combined \$16,000. As landfill rates and fuel costs drive up the cost of garbage disposal service, borough officials Tuesday stopped picking up trash for about a dozen delinquents.

"We are not playing games anymore," said Councilwoman Lisa Howard. "Anytime you put garbage out and you have a bill in arrears, you are stealing from the borough."

From now on, customers who are behind by two billing cycles or more will not have their garbage picked up, said officials in the borough 60 miles east of Pittsburgh. If garbage piles up, police could cite residents up to \$300 and court costs for scattering rubbish, police Cpl. Conrad Dill said.

■ **LONGMONT, Colo.** — In just over a month, Sarah Stern's life of solitude was shattered twice - when separate vehicles slammed into her corner house.

For more than two decades, Stern lived here quietly. But that streak came to a screeching halt when a car and a truck crashed into her house within 32 days.

The most recent crash occurred Monday as a pickup truck fled from police after allegedly causing a nearby accident.

As the truck was turning at Stern's corner, it skidded on some ice and crashed through a lilac bush and the pillars supporting Stern's porch canopy. The truck came to a rest in her driveway. Police arrested the driver.

The more serious accident happened Dec. 10, when a car plowed into Stern's living room, destroying a picture window that is still boarded up because workers cannot find a suitable replacement.

"The insurance company can't believe it either," Stern said Monday. "I've lived here since 1981. We've never been hit. Now, we've been hit twice in a month."

■ **ZANESVILLE, Ohio** — A stretch of Interstate 70 was turned into a shallow sea of red sauce, dented cans and broken bottles when a tractor-trailer rig carrying Del Monte tomato products overturned.

The truck spilled 40,000 pounds of ketchup, tomato juice and spaghetti sauce over the eastbound lanes of the freeway west of here on Tuesday.

Traffic had to be rerouted via U.S. 40 while workers spent three hours sopping up the mess.

State troopers said the accident occurred when a car drifted into the left lane and struck the tractor-trailer. Neither driver was hurt.

A food pantry in Zanesville benefited from the mishap. About 1,500 pounds of mixed

vegetables, ketchup and spaghetti sauce salvaged from the wreckage were delivered to Christ's Table.

"It saves us a lot. It's a bunch of stuff we didn't have to spend money to buy," said John Wilhelm, kitchen supervisor at Christ's Table, which serves lunch to about 300 people daily and provides food to needy families.

## Today in History

### The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Jan. 16, the 16th day of 2004. There are 350 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 16, 1920, Prohibition began in the United States as the 18th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution took effect. (It was later repealed by the 21st Amendment.)

### On this date:

■ In 1547, Ivan the Terrible was crowned Czar of Russia.

■ In 1883, the U.S. Civil Service Commission was established.

■ In 1919, Nebraska, Wyoming and Missouri became the 36th, 37th and 38th states to ratify Prohibition, which went into effect a year later.

■ In 1944, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower took command of the Allied Invasion Force in London.

■ In 1964, the musical "Hello, Dolly!" opened on Broadway, beginning a run of 2,844 performances.

■ In 1967, Alan S. Boyd was sworn in as the first secretary of transportation.

■ In 1978, NASA named 35 candidates to fly on the space shuttle, including Sally K. Ride, who became America's first woman in space, and Guion S. Bluford Jr., who became America's first black astronaut in space.

■ In 1979, Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi departed Iran for Egypt; he never returned.

■ In 1991, the White House announced the start of Operation Desert Storm to drive Iraqi forces out of Kuwait. (Because of the time difference, it was early Jan. 17 in the Persian Gulf when the attack began.)

■ In 1998, NASA officially announced that John Glenn, the first American to orbit the Earth, would fly aboard the space shuttle later in the year.

### Ten years ago:

President Clinton held marathon talks in Geneva with Syrian President Hafez Assad, who offered Israel "normal, peaceful relations" in exchange for land. In Moscow, Yegor Gaidar, first deputy prime minister and architect of Russia's market reforms, announced his resignation.

### Five years ago:

Closing three days of opening arguments, House prosecutors demanded President Clinton's removal from office, telling a hushed Senate that otherwise the presidency itself may be "deeply and perhaps permanently damaged." Forty-five ethnic Albanians were found slain near the southern Kosovo village of Racak.

### One year ago:

The space shuttle Columbia blasted off under extremely tight security; on board was Israel's first astronaut, Ilan Ramon. (The mission ended in tragedy on Feb. 1, when the shuttle broke up during its return descent, killing all seven crew members.) The Bush administration urged the Supreme Court to strike down admissions policies at the University of Michigan and its law school, arguing that university admissions programs that gave an edge to minority students were unconstitutional. AOL Time Warner chief executive Dick Parsons was tapped to be the media conglomerate's new chairman, succeeding Steve Case.

### Today's Birthdays:

Author William Kennedy is 76. Author-editor Norman Podhoretz is 74. Opera singer

Marilyn Horne is 70. Auto racer A.J. Foyt is 69. Singer Barbara Lynn is 62. Country singer Ronnie Milsap is 61. Country singer Jim Stafford is 60. Movie director John Carpenter is 56. Actress-dancer-choreographer Debbie Allen is 54. Singer Sade is 45. Rock musician Paul Webb (Talk Talk) is 42. Rhythm and blues singer Maxine Jones (En Vogue) is 38. Actor David Chokachi is 36. Actor Richard T. Jones is 32. Actress Josie Davis is 31. Model Kate Moss is 30. Actress Yvonne Zima is 15.

### Thought for Today:

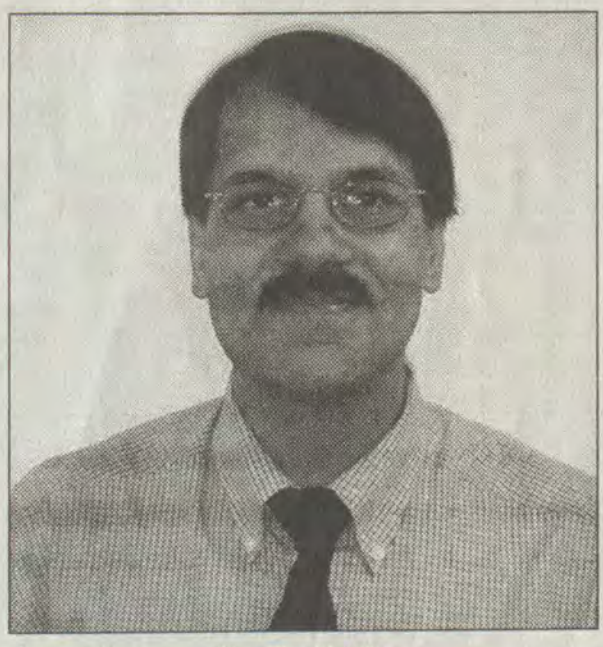
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Democrats

being a state office in the house of representatives, the Kentucky Democratic party lays out the guidelines."

And that they did. The KDP sent Thompson word of the procedures the party will undertake in order to nominate a candidate on Tuesday, stipulating that three executive committee members—one male, one female, and one youth member—in each of the 39 eligible precincts will cast ballots tomorrow morning for their chosen candidate.

The election will be held as a weighted vote election, which means that each of those committee members, chosen by the Floyd County Democratic party every four years, will be able to cast votes according to the number of registered democrats in their respective precincts.

In that regard, a precinct with 1,000 registered democrats, said Thompson, could receive up to 3,000 votes toward their favorite candidate.

Executive committee members from the same precinct do not have to vote for the same individual, he said.

To be considered, prospective candidates must be nominated by

one of the precinct committee members in attendance. Anyone who wishes to be nominated may do so, said Thompson.

In their guidelines, the KDP also stipulated that the vote will be held as a secret ballot only if more than one candidate is nominated. A second vote will be taken in case of a tie.

With a total more than 100 executive committee members to cast ballots, the process could take up to eight hours Saturday, he said.

Though he received word of KDP's procedural changes regarding the election on short notice, Thompson says it's using the weighted vote is the best way to handle the situation.

"It gives everybody a good shot at getting it, so I don't see anything wrong with it," he said.

The only problem currently faced by the Floyd County democratic Party regarding the election is the fact that several executive committee members will be unable to represent their precincts tomorrow.

At least one executive committee member in the Melvin, Toler, and Wayland precincts have either died or moved away since their

appointment by the Floyd County Democratic Party. Executive Committee member Millard Pennington will not be available to represent the Jim Banks precinct because he is currently incarcerated. Two committee members in the Middle Creek/Jack Allen precinct have since died, leaving only one member to represent that precinct.

Thompson said Wednesday that he didn't know how to approach the problem. The party may not have enough time to hold an executive meeting in order to nominate replacement members, he said.

Because they fall under Huby Collins' legislative district, precincts at Rough and Tough, Auxier, and Endicott will not participate in the selection process.

The candidate chosen tomorrow at the meeting must be certified to the Secretary of State by Jan. 20 at 4 p.m.

The special election to fill the vacant State Representative seat will be held on Feb. 17.

The democratic candidate selected tomorrow will face Republican candidate Bobby Stumbo, who announced his candidacy last week.

Following is a list of the Executive Committee members:

- Martin
- James Robinson, Nancy Meade, Brad Dasner;
- Allen/Dwale
- Keith Webb, Vickie L. Childers, Alan Derossett;
- Mouth of Beaver
- Bill Parsons, Sharon Woods, Michelle Blair;
- Beech Grove
- Rodney Isaac, Hattie Owens, Greg Cooley;
- Garrett/Rockfork
- Jerry Case, Charlotte Case, Johnny L. Thornsberry;
- Drift #21
- Tommy N. Adams, Tommi C. Patton, Mark Walters;
- John Ant/Frasure's Creek
- Drexel Hall, Jena Crisp, James Patton;
- Gearheart
- Earnie Moore, Roberta Fugate, Erick Moore;
- Clear Creek
- Glen Rackey, Tillie Jean Gibson, Larry R. Miller;
- Jacks Creek
- Homer Johnson, Barbara Johnson, Vernon B. Johnson;
- Lee Hall
- David Hall, Donna Thompson, Jessica Hill;
- Melvin
- Judy Bartley, Tim Camp;
- Arkansas
- Johnny Adkins, Allison Adkins, Christi Conn;
- Antioch
- Darvene Hamilton, Bogaline Hamilton, Ronda Hamilton;
- Toler
- Scarlett Stumbo, Tammy J. Hatfield;
- Weeksbury #38
- I.B. Johnson, Deanna Hall, Jeremiah Johnson;
- Tickey
- Palmer Frasure, Dollie Williams, Chad Frasure;

- Mouth of Mud
- Ermal Tackett, Nell Tackett, Bradley Roberts;
- Ivel #33
- Malcolm Layne, Cathy Goble, William David Hinchman;
- Betsy Layne
- James C. Daniels, Betty Daniels, Paul Daniels;
- Prater #39
- Herman Conn, Betty Hall, Kim Baker;
- Branhams Creek
- Charles Hall, Loretta Hall, Charlie Hall;
- Head of Mud
- Ray Hamilton, Eva Vance, Logan Tucker, Jr.;
- Bosco
- Arnold D. Prater, Hala M. Hale, Pamela Hale;
- Halbert
- James D. Allen, Donna Allen, James Graden Allen;
- Maytown
- Bill Hagans, Mildred Halbert, Melanie Hagans;
- John Possum
- Stephen Martin, Karon Wireman Lawson, Kevin Patrick Robinson;
- Cliff #245
- Ernest Marsillett, Janet Tackett, Shawn Roop;

- Abbot Creek
- Ronnie Rice, Pamela Blackburn, Tim Clark;
- Jim Banks
- Anna Yates, Stephanie Pennington;
- Porter #6
- Paul N. Thompson, Anita Thornsberry, Ronnie Goodman;
- Cow Creek
- Arthur G. Lewis, Shawnda L. Hall, Micheal Brandon Jarrell;
- Cliff/North Prestonsburg
- #A105
- David Layne, Sally Branham, Kim Crisp;
- Depot
- Bill Marsillett, Joann Marsillett, Renee Marsillett;
- Richmond
- Mike McCormick, Yvonne S. Jones, Micheal McCormick;
- Courthouse/Trimble Branch
- #1
- Tom Dingus, Robyn Bingham, Dana Clifton;
- Little Mud
- Terry Lykins, Joanna Lykins, Dale Kimbler;
- Middle Creek/Jack Allen
- #B106
- Lois Johnson;
- Wayland #17
- Betty Mulkey, Brandon Boling.

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Blame

their reality company.

According to the lawsuit, the road leading onto the property began eroding in Feb., 2003, and has since rendered the road impassable.

During an interview, Tammy Branham said that seepage from a sewage runoff pond adjacent to the road has possibly been "eating the road" that leads to a cabin obtained by her and her husband in 2002.

The cabin, she said, is rented to vacationers by the Calloway Realty company.

"Had they fixed it when they were supposed to fix it, when I called them a year ago, it wouldn't be as bad as it is now," she said.

Branham went on to say that she and her husband had exhausted several avenues in order to get the road repaired, including contacting environmental protection workers who have inspected the problem, but have found no relief as of yet.

The delay in fixing the problem could cause a larger one, she said. "If that pond breaks loose, it's going to go into the lake at Jenny Wiley."

Though unintentional, a fallen tree currently blocks the roadway, preventing people from attempting to pass the breakage in the pavement.

According to Branham, a potential customer who came to look at the cabin last year wrecked his car when he drove over it.

A broken water pipe now protrudes from the ground under the breakage, a result, she says, of that accident.

The Calloway Realty Company is asking for damages and a trial by jury in the case.

The company rents the cabin for \$110 per night or \$660 per week, she said.

Interviews with county officials regarding the case were unfruitful yesterday, as Judge

Executive Paul Hunt Thompson, Assistant Judge Brett Davis, and County Attorney Keith Bartley told the Times that they haven't yet been served with the suit, which was filed Monday in circuit court.

Though Thompson said Wednesday that he wasn't familiar with the lawsuit, he did point out that Floyd County is still owed over a million dollars in FEMA funds from the state, a fact which makes it hard to begin necessary road construction such as is needed on the Lakeview property.

During a separate interview, Davis, noting his unfamiliarity of the case, told the Times that the county has received a partial PRIDE grant that it may use to address the problem.

"I feel quite certain that if there's a problem with a county road, it's on a list to be taken care of," said county attorney Keith Bartley yesterday, who noted that county officials are "working like termites" to complete construction of roads damaged during last year's flooding.

During the interview, Bartley said he, too, was unfamiliar with the circumstances regarding the lawsuit.

Attempts to reach Tom Gabbard, Supervisor of Environmental Field Offices in Hazard, were unsuccessful yesterday.

Case

Burgess pleaded guilty to the criminal charges in connection to the case in October and had offered, prior to sentencing in that matter, to pay \$45,000 and annual payments of \$10,000, as well as forfeiture of his vehicles in order to pay back the more than \$300,000 he embezzled between April, 1995 and August, 2001 in regard to the civil case pending against him.

But the civil case against the 52-year-old owner of East Kentucky Printing was thrown out following an order Wednesday. Documents cited only a lack of prosecution as the reason for the dismissal, but the order may have come in response to an agreed settlement in criminal court between Burgess and fire department representatives.

Floyd Commonwealth Attorney Brent Turner could not be reached Thursday.

Bribe

could hurt or kill them." During the arraignment, Hall scheduled a preliminary hearing to be held in the case on Jan. 16.

Turner

Smith says that one key focus for Turner, a retired teacher, has been education.

"I'm proud that we've been able to move ahead," Turner said. "Teachers pay, staff pay and training in our elementary, middle and high school are better."

Turner said in a statement about his announcement that he's prepared for another term.

"We've had a lot of success, but there's more to do and I look forward to the challenge."

Clarification:

A article printed in Wednesday's edition of the Times regarding cocaine trafficking arraignments of Harold Glenn Thornsberry, Rodney Thornsberry, and Vernon Slone failed to note that brothers Harold and Glenn Thornsberry did not appear in circuit court for their arraignments because they were incarcerated. Harold Thornsberry is currently being held at the Federal Corrections Institution in Ashland. Glenn Thornsberry is being held in Pikeville, awaiting sentencing for Federal charges.

CORRECTION

Based on information given at the time the article was printed, Edgar Tackett, the Toler Creek man arrested in the Floyd County Drug Task Force's most recent drug roundup, was incorrectly referred to as the owner and operator of the Betsy Layne Flea Market. Tackett, who turned himself in on charges of drug trafficking earlier this month, ran a stand at the flea market, but holds no ownership in the business.

W'wright

brought to the agency's attention several months ago after a call from Sammons.

According to Sammons, the dump site began as a legal area approved for the dumping of scrap metal and brush during a city-wide cleanup effort this past summer. The area had been approved as a site for dumping these items, but quickly became a dump site for garbage and other items from both city and area citizens.

Some work was done to get the site cleaned up, but that slacked off after a short while, Sammons said.

"They told us that we had about half of it took care of, but had to get the rest out of there or they were turning us over to the state," he said.

Sammons said he placed the call to EPA officials based on complaints from 79 Hill residents about the dump site, which he says probably consists

of "about 10 or 15 county truck loads" of garbage and various other discarded items.

Sammons believes that some of the problems he recently endured from commissioners, including one meeting questioning him about the disappearance of a chain saw from his front porch, dealt, at least in part, with his call notifying the EPA of the dump site.

"What happened was people up there started complaining," he said. "When I stuck my neck out on that limb, it broke, and nobody was there to catch me."

The dump was photographed and inventoried by EPA officials, Sammons said, and the city now has two weeks to get the site cleaned up.

Sammons says he expects to call a special meeting in the near future to discuss the two-week deadline and begin approaching a method of removal.

Corps

Family members James Robert Akers, of Martin; Lillian Joann Burchett, of Georgetown; Geniece Hamilton, of Garrett; Johnie Ray Hamilton, of Pierceton, Ind.; and Marcella Ramey, of Lexington were named in Wednesday's complaint, filed in U.S. District Court in Pikeville.

The complaint contends that, under Congressional law, the government has the right to condemn the land and retain it as part of the project.

According to city officials, the family has been involved in a drawn out dispute and have been unable to agree on terms during negotiations, but the hitch shouldn't prove to become common, according to Robinson.

"I don't think we'll be running into this again," Robinson said Thursday.

The complaint argues that "the land is necessary to provide for a nonstructural flood control

project" and states that the acreage was selected by Linda D. Garvin, Director of Real Estate for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, who said the land needed to be acquired by condemnation under judicial process for the project.

The government said in its complaint Wednesday that "certain and adequate provisions have been made for the payment of just compensations" to city residents entitled to such attention.

According to Robinson, the 17.88 acres in question, which consists of no homes, according to the city, will prove to be a pivotal section of the city following completion of the project, functioning as the site for the new city hall, the newly constructed school Opportunities Unlimited and a new church, among other community facilities. The section of land is being considered the "redevelopment site," Robinson said.

Times Staff Report

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County man charged in April's drug roundup with drug trafficking saw a motion to suppress evidence from prosecutors turned down Wednesday.

Johnny Owens, of West Garrett, who was indicted and later arrested as part of April's countywide drug roundup and charged with second-degree

drug trafficking saw his motion overruled Wednesday.

Attorneys for Owens had filed motions asking that audio and videotaped recordings of a drug transaction Owens allegedly took part in be tossed out as evidence.

Owens pleaded not guilty to the trafficking charge on April 29.

The commonwealth offered the West Garrett resident a plea deal on Aug. 14.

Court rules drug case video admissable

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# Viewpoint

## Amendment 1

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## Worth Repeating ...

"The maturity of man; to have reacquired the seriousness he had as a child at play."

— Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche

## Guest View

# Editorial roundup

The Patriot-News, Harrisburg, Pa., on a manned-mission to Mars:

Absolutely, the United States should be setting its sights on returning to the Moon, setting up a permanent base there and working out the bugs for a more ambitious manned-mission to Mars, as President Bush [proposed] this week.

But saying it is easy. Doing it costs money. Lots of money, about \$1 trillion by one "guesstimate," which probably is low.

So how do we pay for this? The country is not in a position financially to undertake such a mission, what with huge budget deficits as far as the eye can see.

But this should be, from the beginning, an international quest. We urge Bush to pose the challenge in those terms, that we are going to fly to Mars and beyond, not as Americans, but as a joint venture of the human race. If we act cooperatively in exploring space, we can prevent future conflicts and rivalries that could get out of hand. And by working together to get to Mars, we may well find that we can better work together to address the myriad of serious issues that face us on Earth.

Yakima (Wash.) Herald-Republic, on Pete Rose's Hall of Fame bid:

Pete Rose, unquestionably one of the most accomplished players in Major League Baseball history, has earned his lifetime ban from that sport for not only breaking the rules, but for spending the last 14 years lying about his penchant for betting on baseball as a manager after his playing career was over.

But he still belongs in baseball's Hall of Fame. ...

If the Hall of Fame is reserved for baseball's best, then "Charlie Hustle" has to be considered as among the best of the best.

Unfortunately, he's also being held accountable for his shady activities as a manager, his polished lying about them for so many years, and his unrepentant attitude now that he has finally admitted in his autobiography, out this week, what everyone already knew - that he did bet on baseball, even his own team.

But to our knowledge, no one has ever proved he bet on baseball as a player, and unless or until they do, then the issues of a lifetime ban from baseball for gambling and denial of deserved entry into the Hall of Fame should be separated. If it is ever proved he bet on baseball, particularly his own team, as a player, then all bets are off. ...

Rose was banned for life for what he did while he was a manager, and he richly deserved what he got. But by linking the ban to what would have otherwise been automatic entry into the Hall of Fame, that punishment has effectively been made retroactive to his playing days, when his gambling conduct was not in question. That's essentially double jeopardy, and it's unfair. ...



## Guest Column

### Another large loophole

by JIM HIGHTOWER

Old loopholes never die — they just get loopier and loopier.

One such is a special tax break gouged into federal law back in 1980 by corporate lobbyists. In response to the energy crisis of the time, this loophole was ostensibly created to give companies an incentive to devise marketable alternatives to imported oil. But all it really has done is give companies an excuse to dodge paying the taxes they owe to Uncle Sam.

The loophole is the "synfuels" tax

credit for companies that reprocess coal to create new synthetic fuels. But the law's provisions are so vague that corporations have been able to claim the tax break even if their reprocessing doesn't work, doesn't reduce our dependence on oil, actually uses oil products in the so-called reprocessing, is never marketed ... or is just plain silly.

How silly? So silly that the IRS has given the synfuels tax credit to companies that have done nothing but spray starch or diesel fuel or even Elmer's glue on coal.

Corporations — ranging from utilities to the Marriott hotel chain — have leapt through this loophole like wolves leaping for a lamb chop. The result is that they have dodged about \$2 billion a year in taxes they owe — a wad that the rest of us ordinary taxpayers have to make up, either in increased taxes or reduced services. This scam will soon grow to

\$10 billion a year, for more corporations have spied the lamb chop and are going for it.

Finally, the IRS decided to crack down by reviewing whether the companies' so-called synfuels actually worked. Yet, even this long-overdue step was assailed by synfuel profiteers, their lobbyists, and their puppets in Congress. They went after the IRS, threatening the agency's enforcement budget and hauling the IRS commissioner to the woodshed. Unsurprisingly, the IRS recently succumbed to the corporate pressure.

So the loopiness keeps getting loopier ... and the rich keep getting richer.

Jim Hightower is the best-selling author of "Thieves In High Places: They've Stolen Our Country And It's Time To Take It Back," on sale now from Viking Press.

## Letters

### Is it any wonder?

Christianity could have easily been accepted as our national religion and George Washington could just as easily become our first king. But our Founding Fathers were very unusual men; so at great self-sacrifice they opted for a government of the people, by the people and for the people, with a presupposition of a supreme creator.

You see, a free society cannot prevail, void of a supreme being. Faith in God is the only way man can love his neighbor as himself.

Now we have a sprinkling of all manner of religions and Christianity is the only religion we can't teach in our public schools. What's wrong here? Well, for starters, the Supreme Court became liberal enough to kick God out of all public places and the ACLU showed them how to spin the truth enough to fool the

average citizen, and lured the Court into making two fatal decisions: 1) they removed the Bible and anything else that alluded to Christianity from all public places. 2) They legalized the murder of our unborn.

The pill comes along and rampant promiscuity follows. Homosexuality is accepted as normal and decent and we have an AIDS epidemic. We elected and re-elected Bill Clinton president and he turns the White House into a whorehouse. Is it any wonder we can't even get an election straight? We have people who still wonder who we elected president on our last attempt.

Glenn Fraley  
Prestonsburg

### Church offers thanks

The members of the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church of East McDowell would like to take this opportunity to thank all the friends, neighbors and busi-

nesses that helped make the fifth annual "Christmas Treat for Children" of the McDowell and surrounding areas a huge success.

Over 250 children took part in the activities in which gifts, goodies and fruit were distributed to the children. With the help of these individuals and businesses, the church was able to make Christmas just a little brighter for many children.

While the children had a wonderful time, it would be difficult to say who was enjoying themselves most — the kids or the adults. Christmas really is for kids, but grownups can enjoy the pleasure of seeing the children enjoy themselves.

The church plans to do the program again in 2004. Thanks again for all the help and support.

Clinton Moore, moderator  
Jimmy Hall, assistant moderator  
Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church of East McDowell

### Affair cost Democrats election

Former Gov. Paul Patton said he thought the Democrats' 32-year reign in Frankfort, not just his extramarital affair, probably accounted for Ben Chandler losing the governor's election.

With headlines reading, "I apologize to the people of Kentucky," and "No plans to resign," do you not think this was partially responsible for the outcome of the election? No, former Gov. Patton vowed to spend the rest of his term "to make Kentucky a better place for our people."

Had feelings for the Democratic Party been more objective, his resignation could have changed the outcome of the governor's race. Future's history will record these actions. Think about it.  
Danny Pigman  
Lexington

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# 'At the Movies: Torque'

by CHRISTY LEMIRE  
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

"Torque" apparently aims to do for action movies what "Scream" did for horror flicks.

It's extremely aware of the conventions of its predecessors — including "The Fast and the Furious," "2 Fast 2 Furious" and "XXX," all of which were produced by Neal H. Moritz, the producer of "Torque" — and it has a gratuitous good time making fun of them.

Not that these movies needed to be held up for their innate ridiculousness; they're practically parodies of themselves already.

"Torque" — sort of a beer commercial within a Kid Rock video within an X Games competition — takes it a step further, with fights and motorcycle chases that will simultaneously inspire awe and hysterical laughter.

The most thrilling features



"Torque," a Warner Bros. Pictures release, is rated PG-13 for violence, sexuality, language and drug references. Running time: 83 minutes.

Two stars out of four.

our hero, biker Cary Ford (Martin Henderson), being chased by Trey (Ice Cube), the leader of a rival motorcycle gang, on top of, inside and in front of a passenger train speeding across the Southern California desert.

Later, in a rare moment of introspection, Cary states, "I

live my life a quarter-mile at a time," a regurgitation of one of Vin Diesel's more groan-inducing lines from "The Fast and the Furious."

"That is the dumbest thing I have ever heard," his motorcycle mama girlfriend, Shane (Monet Mazur), responds. (Cue the knowing laughter in the

audience.)

Did somebody ask about a plot? No? Well, here it is anyway: Cary returns home after suddenly leaving town several months ago and finds himself being pursued by the villainous Henry (Matt Schulze), whose motorcycles he stole.

Cary also has been framed for the murder of Trey's younger brother, so Trey is after him, too. And he's trying to elude FBI agent McPherson (Adam Scott), who would have been the popular guy who rejected Molly Ringwald in a John Hughes movie in the '80s.

Meanwhile, Cary is trying to win back the heart of Shane, the woman he abandoned without explanation. It's a wonder he finds time to maintain his perfectly roguish amount of facial scruff.

None of this really matters. It's all a construct for the testosterone-fueled adventures.

Guys will especially enjoy the fight between Shane and Henry's girlfriend (Jaime Pressly as a pierced, tattooed goth queen), in which they kick and punch each other (and seem to be on the verge of making out) while zooming side-by-side on their motorcycles, looking flawless.

Of course, no one expects anything resembling reality in a movie like "Torque." But by the end, director Joseph Kahn — best known for Eminem's "Without Me" video, here making his first feature — divorces "Torque" completely from film and turns it into a video game.

The climactic chase through downtown Los Angeles is a cartoonish blur of computer-generated imagery.

It makes the final battle between Neo and Agent Smith in the third "Matrix" movie look like a Discovery Channel documentary by comparison.

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# Patricia Heaton of 'Everybody Loves Raymond' feels right at home as 'Goodbye Girl'

by BRIDGET BYRNE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — Patricia Heaton understands what it's like to be Paula McFadden, aka "The Goodbye Girl."

Heaton, the Emmy-winning star, of "Everybody Loves Raymond" and a mother of four sons, "lived a lot of what Paula was living" for many years.

McFadden is the no-longer-ingenue, unlucky-in-love Broadway dancer whose struggle to find romance and security is the subject of Neil Simon's "The Goodbye Girl."

In TNT's new version of the heartfelt comedy, which premieres 8 p.m. EST Friday, Heaton plays McFadden and Jeff Daniels co-stars as struggling actor Elliot Garfield, with whom McFadden is forced to share an apartment. Hallie Kate Eisenberg is McFadden's wise-beyond-her-years daughter, Lucy, and Richard Benjamin directs.

Heaton saw the original 1977 movie, starring Marsha Mason and Richard Dreyfuss, who won an Academy Award for his performance.

"I mean I was 3 at the time, but I remember it clearly," jokes the 45-year-old star.

But Heaton believes the romantic tale has a timeless quality because "the theme is extremely universal — people looking to having some loving relationship and a satisfying career."

Only very minor updates were necessary, such as giving Garfield a cell phone, but having it dropped and broken so as to not lose the important scene when he calls McFadden from a pay phone.

Otherwise Heaton notes New York is still "a tough place" to live, especially for those in the arts. "Actors are still struggling and doing bad off, off, off-Broadway things, and women are still getting together with completely inappropriate men!"

"I had eight sublets in nine years," says Heaton, recalling "points in my life in New York where I just didn't think I was going to make it as an actor and didn't know how I was going to make a living."

She took what work she could, including dancing in an industrial shoe show, and eventually landed a role on Broadway in the musical "Don't Get Started."

Now living in Los Angeles

with actor-producer husband David Hunt and their sons, Heaton retains empathy for any struggling actor.

"I was driving my kids home from school and we went by a sandwich store and there's a great big sponge rubber sandwich waving. I told the boys, 'Wave ... because there's an actor inside that costume. That could be you, and it could have been me, too!'"

Over the last eight years, of course, she's become famous and won two Emmys for her role as Debra Barone, the sane wife who's driven half-crazy by husband Ray and his family in

(See HEATON, page seven)

# Fletcher says he can't give the disabled all they want in budget

by CHARLES WOLFE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher on Wednesday warned groups at a rally for the disabled that his upcoming budget may leave them disappointed.

"I probably will not be able to give you everything that you want this year," Fletcher said.

A coalition of advocacy groups wants Fletcher to restore cuts in Medicaid spending former Gov. Paul Patton imposed to avoid a deficit.

Medicaid pays for a range of programs that enable people

with retardation and other disabilities to live outside of an institution. The programs typically have long waiting lists.

Fletcher, who is a physician, cut the General Fund budget to avoid a \$302 million shortfall this fiscal year, which ends June 30. He must send the General Assembly a budget for the next biennium by Jan. 27. He said in his State of the Commonwealth address Tuesday night that the new budget would be a "bitter pill."

A leader of the advocates, Sheila Schuster of the Kentucky Mental Health Coalition, said the disabled "have been taking that bitter pill in Kentucky for a very, very long time."

The state's safety net of mental health and mental retardation centers "is frayed to the breaking point," Schuster told Fletcher. "We cannot withstand additional cuts on top of years of underfunding."

Fletcher said he faced "some tough choices this budgetary year" but sympathized with the disabled and their advocates. He asked them to "work with me over a period of time."

The rally drew hundreds of people, most wearing red and sporting placards that read: "Put People First!" They spent the morning buttonholing legislators before gathering in the Capitol Rotunda.

Bobbie Bradley, who has three mentally retarded sons, came from Hopkinsville with friends Martha Carter, grandmother of a boy with multiple disabilities, and Carol McAskill, who said she also has a retarded adult son.

The three women, all members of the Association for

(See DISABLED, page seven)

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# For the Record

## Marriage Licenses

Beverly Mae Gunnels, 19, to Dean Ernest Hunter Jr., 25, both of Harold.  
 Darkus Melinda Hall, 24, to Dustin Tyler Porter, 25, both of Tram.  
 Kimberly Dawn Lewis, 23, of Prestonsburg, to Michael Brandon Hall, 24, of Ivel.  
 Jackie Hamilton, 20, to Jason Dean Bush, 24, both of Harold.  
 Stephanie Rae Baker, 20, of Lackey, to Christopher Mark Branham, 24, of Fort Stewart, Ga.  
 Jessica Marie Prince, 25, to Marvin Bryan Lafferty, 28, both of Prestonsburg.  
 Linda Sue Porter, 39, to Danny Roy Smith, 55, both of Banner.  
 Sheila Faye Sword, 27, of Martin, to Durand Shepherd, 25, of Hueysville.

## Civil Suits Filed

Althea Hunt vs. Little Boyd Coal Company, Jack C. Hatfield and Kentucky Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company; complaint.  
 Ricky Powers and Donna Powers vs. Tim Crum, doing business as Appalachian Security, Top Cat Liquors and Meade's Stop and Go; complaint.  
 Carol McGlothen vs. Kristie Collins and Grange Mutual Casualty Company; complaint.  
 First Commonwealth Bank vs. Lennix Akers; complaint.  
 Christopher Carroll and Jennie Carroll vs. Derick Dixon and Discount Auto Brokers Inc.; complaint.  
 Joann H. Tackett vs. Glen Yates; petition for health care insurance.  
 Kentucky Farm Bureau vs. Brenda Barnett; petition for declaration of rights.  
 Greg Sparks vs. Davie Mitchell; complaint.  
 Kentucky Farm Bureau vs. Steve Barnett; petition for declaration of rights.  
 Kentucky Farm Bureau vs. Keith Barnett; petition for declaration of rights.  
 Kentucky Farm Bureau vs. Christina Barnett; petition for declaration of rights.  
 Consumer Portfolio Services vs. Jerry Cole and Jennifer Cole; complaint.  
 Statewide Credit Association vs. Anthony R. Jecker; complaint.  
 Joshua Shawn Newman vs. Ashley Newman; divorce.  
 Margaret Collins and Tom G. Dingus vs. Donald Pelphrey Rentals, Inc.; verified complaint for injunction and declaration of

rights.  
 Phillip Newsome vs. Teresa Newsome; petition for health care insurance.  
 Barbara Prater vs. James Prater; petition for health care insurance.  
 Cavalry Portfolio Services vs. Steve Ousley; complaint.  
 Discover Bank Vs. Wanda Woods; complaint.  
 Bank America Housing Services vs. William D. Gregory and Geneva Gregory; complaint to foreclose security interest.  
 Callaway Realty, LLC vs. Floyd County; complaint.  
 Linda Keathley vs. Sloane Onkst; complaint.  
 Teresa Wilson vs. Douglas Wilson; divorce.  
 Tammy Boyd vs. Anthony Tackett and Atlanta Casualty Company; complaint.

## Small Claims Filings

Coalfields Telephone vs. Robert Stevenson.  
 Coalfields Telephone vs. Bill or Kimberly Skeens.  
 Coalfields Telephone vs. Misty Collins.  
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## Charges Filed

Delores J. Bentley, 44, Harold, theft by unlawful taking.  
 Sharon L. Coleman, 25, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking.  
 Ronnie D. Taylor, 37, Stanville, second-degree assault.  
 Malinda Joseph, 25, Hueysville, promoting contraband.  
 Trish Meade, 28, Ivel, theft by unlawful taking.  
 Amanda Guess, 19, Salyersville, theft by unlawful taking.  
 Sandra L. May, 40, Harold, giving false name or title to get controlled substance.  
 Rafe E. Lafferty, 59, Dwale, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol or

drugs, possession of an open alcoholic beverage container, bribing of a police officer or public servant.  
 Darnel L. Preast, 39, McDowell, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.  
 Kevin Lee Woods, 18, Allen, public intoxication.  
 Thomas Bernard, 31, Dayton, Ohio, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.  
 Shirley Dials, 40, Betsy Layne, Layne, alcohol intoxication.  
 Vince Young, 29, Betsy Layne, alcohol intoxication.  
 James Perry, 34, Lansing, Mich., disorderly conduct, alcohol intoxication, terroristic threatening.  
 Jerry R. Turner, 56, Mousie, alcohol intoxication.  
 Frank D. Nelson, 37, Prestonsburg, public intoxication, possession of marijuana, disorderly conduct.  
 Andra Gayheart, 27, East

Point, fourth-degree assault.  
 Jacquelyne G. Palecek, 46, Dayton, Ohio, alcohol intoxication.  
 Timothy Nathaniel Miller, 22, El Paso, Texas, alcohol intoxication.  
 Shannon Dale Moore, 18, Wayland, minor in possession of alcohol, no insurance.  
 Gary L. Jacobs, 30, Wayland, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct, fleeing or evading police.

## Inspections

Kelly's Old Country Home, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Wiping cloth not stored in sanitizing solution, plastic forks and spoons not stored properly. Score: 98.  
 Mama's Kitchen, Wheelwright, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all refrigeration units have easily seen thermometers, facility has no test strips to monitor solu-

tions, three-compartment sink has no drain boards, ceilings not constructed of easily cleanable material. Score: 95.  
 Velocity Market, Betsy Layne, regular inspection. Violations noted: Easily seen thermometers not present in all refrigeration and freezer units, food contact countertop surface in disrepair, nonfood contact surface in disrepair, foam trays stored less than six inches from floor, restroom doors not self-closing, floors in disrepair, walls and ceilings in disrepair, walk-in refrigerator has no light, light not properly shielded in meat processing area, cleaning utensils stored improperly, mop heads stored on floor. Score: 89.  
 Save-A-Lot, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some food items stored on floor in walk-in, shelves in walk-in in some disrepair, single service items not stored properly, paper towels missing from women's

restroom, floor of meat room has food residue, various lights not shielded in walk-ins and reach-in coolers. Score: 92.  
 Hobart's Pizza, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Unable to locate all thermometers in most units, some items left uncovered in reach-in, hair restraints not in use, shelves in back room and walk-in in some disrepair, unable to locate test kits, microwave in need of cleaning, baking pans not stored properly, garbage cans not covered in food preparation area, mop stored on floor. Score: 88.  
 May Valley Elementary, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food discarded on floor of walk-in freezer, service items not stored properly, outside dumpsters not covered. Score: 95.  
 Dairy Queen, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Unable to locate all thermome-

(See RECORD, page ten)

# Obituaries

## Stephanie Leigh Shepherd

Stephanie Leigh Shepherd, age 33, of Stanville, wife of Shannon Shepherd, passed away, Wednesday, January 14, 2004, in the Pikeville Methodist Hospital, Pikeville.  
 She was born August 10, 1970, in Youngstown, Ohio, the daughter of Hobart "Jim" and Sharon Cundiff Baldwin.  
 She was a counselor at John M. Stumbo Elementary. She was a member of the Maytown Baptist Church and the Sidney Baptist Church. She was a secretary for the Kentucky School Counseling Association and a team leader with the counseling group in Floyd County. She was the salutatorian of her senior class and attended Morehead State University on a Presidents scholarship. In 2003, she was named counselor of the year in Kentucky. She taught seven years in Pike County, and three years in Floyd County.  
 In addition to her husband, she is survived by her parents, Hobart "Jim" and Sharon Cundiff Baldwin of Chattooy, West Virginia; one son, Seth Christian Shepherd and one daughter, Sarah Elizabeth Shepherd, both of Stanville; one brother, James Andrew Baldwin of Chattooy, West Virginia and two sisters: Rhonda L. Stanley of Canada and Adrienne S. Buis of Eubank.  
 Funeral services for Stephanie Leigh Shepherd will be conducted on Sunday, January 18, at 2 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, with Bob Varney officiating.  
 Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel.  
 Visitation for Mrs. Shepherd is after 5 p.m., Friday, January 16, at the Sidney Missionary Baptist Church at Sidney, and after 5 p.m., Saturday, January 17, at the Hall Funeral Home, at Martin.  
 There will be a special singing at 6 p.m., Friday, at the church and services at 6 p.m., Saturday, at the funeral home.  
 Pallbearers for Mrs. Shepherd: Eric Stanley, Allen Buis, Jamie Baldwin, Gregory Baldwin, Gregory Baldwin II, Mike Cooley and Shawn Ousley.  
 Arrangements are under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin.  
 (Paid obituary)

## Julius Caesar Bates

Julius Caesar Bates, 71, of Bevsinsville, died Monday, January 12, 2004, at the VA Medical Center in Huntington, West Virginia.  
 Born September 19, 1932, in Dry Creek, he was the son of the late Carl and Viola Salyers Bates. He was a retired Air Force veteran, and a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars.  
 He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Sue Patterson Bates.  
 Survivors include a brother, Charles Wayne Bates of Bevsinsville; and two sisters: Justine Meade of Hi Hat, and Jean Horn of Weeksbury.  
 In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by four brothers: Kenneth Ray Bates, Harold Dean Bates, Jerry Bates, and Carl Bates Jr.  
 Funeral services were conducted Thursday, January 15, at 11 a.m., at the Joppa Old Regular Baptist Church, at Melvin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.  
 Burial was in the Buckingham Cemetery, at Bevsinsville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, at Martin.  
 Visitation was at the church.  
 (Paid obituary)

## Kathleen Hatton

Kathleen Hatton, 81, of Silver Lake, Indiana, died Tuesday, January 13, 2004, at her residence.  
 Born on October 14, 1922, at Garrett, she was the daughter of the late Walter Fitzpatrick and Byrd (Daniels) Fitzpatrick. She was a homemaker, and was retired from Timbercrest Retirement Community, North Manchester, Indiana.  
 She married Alvin Hatton on November 16, 1955. He survives.  
 Other survivors include two daughters: Patricia Garland of Warsaw, Indiana, and Arredia Philips of Winchester; five grandchildren, Frederick (Kathrin) Stewart of Atlanta,

Georgia, Melissa and Brian Middleton of Stamford, Connecticut, Eric Stewart of Claypool, Indiana, Denise Phillips and Paula Phillips, both of Winchester; and two great-grandchildren.  
 In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one son; three brothers; and one sister.  
 Funeral services will be conducted Friday, January 16, at 11 a.m., at the DeLaughter-McKee, Silver Lake Chapel, with Henry Arnett Jr., officiating.  
 Burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery, Silver Lake, Indiana.  
 Visitation was at the funeral home.  
 (Paid obituary)

## Jaycen Douglas Branham

Jaycen Douglas Branham, 18, of Struthers, and formerly of Ashtabula, Ohio, died Sunday, January 11, 2004, at St. Elizabeth Health Center.  
 He was born September 5, 1985, in Geneva, the son of Terry D. and Lisa M. (Connelly) Branham, and had been a Struthers resident since 1999.  
 A student at the Leonard Kurtz School in Austintown, Jaycen had an extensive collection of Hot Wheels and Matchbox cars, and loved NASCAR, the Cleveland Browns and Indians, and watching movies.  
 His survivors include his mother, Lisa Branham of Colorado; his father and step-mother, Terry and Connie Branham of Benton, Illinois; his paternal grandmother, Deanna Jordan of Andover; his maternal grandparents, Richard and Donna Connelly of Colorado; two sisters: Amberly Branham of Andover, and Priscilla Branham of Benton, Ill.; one brother, Cory Branham of Benton, Illinois; his foster parents, William and Maryann Boles of Struthers; three foster brothers, Billy, David, and Ryan Boles; his uncle, William E. (Samantha) Gray of Andover; his aunt, Theresa James of Colorado; one niece, and numerous cousins.  
 He was preceded in death by one brother, Michael Patrick Branham, and his grandfather, James E. Jordan.  
 A service was held at 11 a.m., on Thursday, January 15, at the Saybrook United Methodist Church, 7900 Depot Road, Ashtabula, Ohio, with Rev. Donna VanTrees, pastor, officiating.  
 Burial was in Saybrook Cemetery.  
 Visitation was at the Zaback-Ducro Funeral Home, 500 West Project Road, Ashtabula, Ohio.  
 Contributions may be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, or to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.  
 Available at www.ducro.com  
 (Paid obituary)

## Edgar L. (Ed) Wright Jr.

Edgar L. (Ed) Wright Jr., 78, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, January 15, 2004, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.  
 Born November 20, 1925, in Elkhorn City, he was the son of the late Edgar Lee Wright Sr. and the late Grace Owens Oboroff. He was a retired coal miner, and a member of the Martin Freewill Baptist Church, at Martin.  
 He was preceded in death by his wife, Josephine Wallen Wright.  
 Survivors include four sons, H. Gary Wright (Bertha) of Emma, John B. Wright (Debbie) of Cow Creek, Charles Wright of Martin, and Ricky Wright (Vanie) of Prestonsburg; two daughters, Edna Jo Mollett of Staffordsville; and Ocie Lee Maynard of Prestonsburg; a brother, Fred Oboroff of Flatwoods; six sisters, Wanda Woods and Joan Ireland, both of Pickerington, Ohio, Freda Bartuka of Wheelwright, Elsie Oboroff and Joy Hundley, both of Columbus, Ohio, and Avonell Osborne of Prestonsburg; 15 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren; and children of the heart: Tommy Nelson of Prestonsburg, and Carrie Branham of Melvin.  
 In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Nannie Ruth Wright; daughter-in-law, Jan Griffith Wright; son-in-law, James Harold Mollett; two brothers, Paul Oboroff and Jimmy Turner.  
 Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, January 17, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Johnny Blair officiating.  
 Burial will be in the Richmond Cemetery, at Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.  
 Visitation is at the funeral home.  
 Pallbearers will be his grandsons.  
 (Paid obituary)

## Harry Millard Mace Jr.

Harry Millard Mace Jr., age 74, of Prestonsburg, husband of the late Shelby Jean Shepherd Mace, passed away, Tuesday, January 13, 2004, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.  
 He was born April 6, 1928, in West Virginia, the son of the late Harry Millard Mace and Avis Shawver Mace. He was a retired coal miner, formerly employed by National Mines, a U.S. Korean War veteran, and a member of the Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg.  
 Survivors include two sons, Tommy Compton of Martin, and Harry Keith Mace of Hager Hill; one daughter, Jean Carol Collins of Prestonsburg; one brother, Goble Mace of Mt. Nebo, West Virginia; two sisters: Audrey Greer of Roanoke, Virginia, and Virgie Bell Darby of Elkhart, Indiana; and two grandchildren, Matthew Collins and Kiara Compton.  
 Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, January 17, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home, Martin, with Clergymen Manford Fannin and Youl Altzier officiating.  
 Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.  
 Visitation is at the funeral home.  
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# Community Calendar

## CALENDAR ITEMS WILL BE PRINTED AS SPACE PERMITS

**Editor's note:** To announce your community event, you may hand-deliver your item to The Floyd County Times office, located at 263 S. Central Avenue, Prestonsburg; or mail to: The Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653; or fax to 606-886-3603; or email to: features@floyd-countytimes.com. Information will not be taken over the telephone. All items will be placed on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

### PUBLIC MEETING

The Auxier Volunteer Fire Department will hold a public meeting concerning the lease purchase of a new Fire Apparatus. This meeting will be

held at the Auxier Volunteer Fire Department, on January 30, 2004, at 6 p.m.

### D.A.V. MEMORIAL FLAG

Betsy Layne Chapter 169 of the Disabled American Veterans is accepting donations to erect a memorial flag at Davidson Memorial Gardens at Ivel. The flag will be dedicated to honor all deceased veterans. Donations may be tax deductible. For more information, call Larry Roberts, commander, at 478-9810, or 478-5066; or Shular Hurd at 478-9810 or 478-5631.

### SEPTIC INSTALLER CLASSES

Big Sandy Community and Technical College, Mayo Campus, will offer re-certification classes for septic installers. Classes conducted by a rep. of Zabel Environmental Technology, to

be held in January, February and March only. For information, or to register, call Harold Burton at 789-5321, ext. 4225.

### HRMC "LIVING WELL WITH DIABETES" SUPPORT GROUP

"Get back on track"—review diabetes basics for the New Year.

January 29—Floyd Room 5-6 p.m. Classes free of charge. For more information, contact: Food & Nutrition Services, at 886-8511, ext. 7353.

### 4-H FAMILY PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

The 4-H Photography Workshop will be held on Thursday, January 15, and Thursday, January 29, at the Floyd County Extension Office from 6-8 p.m. Anyone interested in photography is invited to attend. If you are under the age of 18, we ask that a parent/guardian accompany you. There is no fee for these workshops. Call 886-2668 to register.

### 4-H COUNCIL TO MEET

The Floyd County 4-H Council meeting has been scheduled for Monday, January 19, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the UK Cooperative Extension Office, located at 921 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg. This meeting is open, and the public is invited to attend. For more information, contact Chuck Stamper, 4-H Agent, at cstamper@uky.edu or 886-2668.

### 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS COACHES MEETING

The 4-H Shooting Sports Coaches Planning Meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, January 22, at the UK Cooperative Extension Service Office, located at 921 South Lake Drive. The meeting is for current coaches and anyone interested in coaching the 4-H Shooting Sports Club this year. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact Chuck Stamper, 4-H Agent, at cstamper@uky.edu or 886-2668.

### FREEDOM BIBLE CHURCH

Schedules guest preacher On Sunday, January 18, Frankie Bryant will be the guest preacher at Freedom Bible Church on Lower Johns Creek. Everyone welcome!!

### CHURCH CLOTHING GIVE-AWAY

The Town Branch Church will give away good used clothing (mostly adult sizes), on Friday's, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. All are welcome to participate.

### JWT CASTING CALL

The Jenny Wiley Theatre

will hold auditions for the production, "Honk! The Ugly Duckling Musical" on Jan. 30 and 31, at the Mountain Arts Center.

### SPECIAL OLYMPICS MEETING

Organizational meeting for Special Olympics Area 3 Track & Field Games on Tuesday, January 20, at 6 p.m., at the Floyd County Public Library. All interested persons should plan to attend. The games will be held on Saturday, April 17, at Prestonsburg High School. For more information, contact Ed or Linda Selig, at 452-9564.

### CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEET

The Floyd County Conservation District will hold a meeting on Tuesday, January 20, at 10 a.m., at the District office. Office is located near Brandykeg and the entrance to Jenny Wiley State Park. Meeting is open to public. For more info., call 889-9800 or email to: conserve@mikrotec.com

### AGRICULTURAL COST SHARE PROGRAM

The Floyd County Conservation District is taking applications for the 2004-2005 County Cost Share Program. If you have an agricultural or environmental problem that you are need of assistance with, contact the District's office at 889-9800, or email to: conserve@mikrotec.com.

### 4-H NEWS

■ 4-H project books will be distributed this month. If student loses book, student or parent must come to 4-H office for replacement. No project books will be mailed out this year.

■ 4-H Family Photography Workshops will be held on Thursday, January 15 and Thursday, January 29, from 6-8 p.m., at the Extension office. All invited to participate.

■ Anyone interested in becoming a member of the 4-H Shooting Sports Team, contact the office to be placed on

mailing list. First meeting will be held in February - date TBA.

■ Character word for January is Trustworthiness - practice it!

### HRMC CALENDAR

■ Jan. 14 - Highlands S.H.A.R.E., Martin Room, 7-9 p.m.

■ Jan. 15 - Laryngectomy Support Group, Meeting Room B, 5-7 p.m.

■ Jan. 17 - Child Birth Class, Meeting Place A & B, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

■ Jan. 29 - Diabetes Support Group, Floyd Room, 5-7 p.m.

### FREE BODY RECALL CLASSES

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

### 'EARN WHILE YOU LEARN'

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

### "LOOKING FOR A SUPPORT GROUP?"

■ Alzheimer's Association Care-giver Support Group - Meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the First Presbyterian Church (near Jerry's Restaurant), at 7 p.m. For more info., call Dana Caudill at 886-0265.

■ Alzheimer's Association, Eastern KY Regional Office - 24-hour Helpline, call 1-800-272-3900 for emotional support, local resources, and other information.

■ Fibromyalgia Support Group - Meets first Tuesday of

each month at 6 p.m., at the Betsy Layne Senior Citizens Building, on the Pike-Floyd Hollow Road (just above the Betsy Layne Fire Dept.). For more info., call Sharon at 478-5224, or Phyllis at 874-2769.

■ MS Support Group - Meets third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Seton Complex, Martin. Offers group support for MS patients and their caregivers.

■ Overeater's Anonymous (O.A.) - Meets each Monday, at 3:30 p.m., at the St. Martha Catholic Church, Water Gap Road. For more info., call 886-2513.

■ Domestic Violence Hotline - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

■ Kentucky Baptist Homes for Children - Free, confidential assistance for unplanned pregnancy concerns. Talk with someone who cares about you and your baby. Call 1-800-928-5242.

■ Disabled? - You may be eligible for grant money to assist in your daily living. For an application or more information, call 886-4326.

■ A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To meet the 2nd Thursday of each month, at Pizza Hut, in Prestonsburg. For more information, contact Nelva Skaggs, adoptive parent liaison, at Blueboy@foothills.net.

■ East Kentucky S.T.A.R.S. Homeschoolers - Will hold monthly meetings at the Paintsville Recreation Center. For more information, call Trudy at 889-9333, or 297-5147. Everyone welcome.

■ Narcotics Anonymous (NA) - Each Wednesday, from 7-8 p.m., in the Atrium Conference Room, 2nd floor, May Tower, Pikeville Methodist Hospital. For more info., contact Chris Cook at 606-433-1119 or christopher-cook@hotmail.com.

## Stumbo seeks execution dates for two on Death Row

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Attorney General Greg Stumbo on Wednesday asked Gov. Ernie Fletcher to set execution dates for two convicted murderers on Death Row. He later had to rescind the request for one.

Both prisoners — Donald Herb Johnson and David Lee Sanders — have multiple appeals remaining.

Setting an execution date triggers deadlines for filing appeals. But an attorney for Sanders said his client filed a petition to the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in December, 10 months ahead of deadline.

"If we have to go and ask a federal judge for a stay (of execution), it's going to waste everybody's time," the attorney, Christopher Lasch of Louisville, said in a telephone interview.

"All this is, really, is a publicity stunt by the attorney gen-

eral's office," Lasch said.

Stumbo's chief deputy, Denis Fleming, sent Fletcher a second letter later in the day to rescind the request for an execution date on Sanders. In a telephone interview, Fleming said Stumbo was not aware of Sanders' petition to the federal appeals court.

Stumbo, who took office Jan. 5, said in a statement that he was keeping a campaign promise to be "tough on criminals." Fletcher did not say how he would handle Stumbo's requests. He said he has been getting briefed on the appeals process for condemned prisoners. He also said he has supported the death penalty, "but I want to make sure that it's done properly."

Sanders is under two death sentences for murdering two men in a convenience store in Madison County in 1987. Johnson sexually abused and murdered a laundry attendant in Hazard in 1989.

## Heaton

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"Everybody Loves Raymond."

Will the top-rated CBS sitcom be back for a ninth season?

"I guess I hear at the end of January," she says, noting she's trying to be prepared — "just for my own mental health" — for the possibility it might end.

She doesn't think even the show's star, Ray Romano, and creator, Phil Rosenthal, know yet whether it will be back or not.

"Ray's got other projects on the burner. Phil has other projects on the burner. On the other hand, a show like this only comes around one time, so you need to be really sure that you are completely finished with it," Heaton says. "To get another show that comes anywhere near this would be like getting lightning in a bottle — twice. It's not very likely to happen."

She also understands the

quality must remain high. "We don't want to do a ninth year where the alien spaceship lands in the Barones' backyard because they've run out of things to talk about!"

Benjamin, who directing credits include "My Favorite Year," "Milk Money," "Marci X" and the made-for-TV "Laughter on the 23rd Floor," says Heaton was cast as McFadden after Simon told him to watch "Everybody Loves Raymond" because "this girl is great, this girl is fearless, not afraid of anything and doesn't care whether you like her or don't like her, which means you really do like her."

Benjamin watched and agreed.

"There are funny people and not funny people," he says. "She knows where the jokes are without letting you catch her at it."

## Disabled

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Retarded Citizens, said the state does too little to help the disabled live independently and to help young couples with disabled children.

Bradley said one of her sons was institutionalized for years but now lives in a house with his brothers. Once uncommunicative, "he's back to talking and he's happy," she said.

What if his program loses funding? "I shiver to think," she said.

"We are obligated to address those special needs," said Rep. Jimmie Lee, one of 37 legislators of both parties who turned

out for the rally. Lee, D-Elizabethtown, is chairman of the House's influential budget subcommittee for human services. He has opposed making cuts in Medicaid.

"We're at a crossroads," Lee told the audience. "We're going to make a determination very soon about whether you're important or whether you can be cast away."

A Republican, Sen. Julie Rose Denton of Louisville, said Fletcher "hopefully won't have to make cuts." The new governor inherited a budget dilemma, Denton said.

## Drug suspect fatally shot by state police in Letcher County

The Associated Press

JENKINS — Kentucky State Police fatally shot a Virginia man suspected of dealing in drugs Thursday in Letcher County.

The 62-year-old man was shot twice, Letcher County Deputy Coroner Robbie Campbell said. Trooper Tim Kilburn, a public affairs officer at the Hazard post, did not know how many troopers shot the suspect. State police were not releasing the names of any officers involved in the shooting.

The victim's name also was not released pending notification of his family.

The shooting occurred about 12:30 p.m. EST during an invest-

igation in Jenkins, a town of about 2,400 people. Kilburn said police were trying to buy drugs from the man, though he wasn't sure whether an informant or an officer was trying to make the purchase. Sometime during the transaction, state police fired at the suspect.

Campbell said the incident happened on No. 3 Hill Road in Jenkins.

The victim's body was taken to the state medical examiner's office in Frankfort, where an autopsy will be performed. Campbell and Kilburn said that was typical procedure in a shooting death involving a state trooper. The incident was being investigated.

## Bills would raise tax rates on corporations, wealthiest people

by CHARLES WOLFE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A coalition of advocacy groups Thursday proposed legislation to cut income tax rates on the poor while raising rates on corporations and Kentucky's wealthiest residents.

If enacted, the maximum individual income tax rate would go up to 9 percent from 6 percent on people with a taxable

income over \$100,000.

People with incomes below the federal poverty rate, currently \$18,400 per year for a family of four, would be exempt from income tax. The same family's tax threshold currently is \$5,500.

Some version of a corporate tax would be applied to all companies, some of which can legally use subsidiaries to shift income to no-tax states such as Delaware and Nevada. Some can avoid the corporate tax altogether because they lack a "physical presence" inside the state, though they do business here.

"Our tax system is not fair," said state Rep. Jim Wayne, lead sponsor of the legislation, which comprises separate bills on individual and corporate taxation.

"Kentucky burdens its low-paid workers with a heavier tax than any other state in the nation," Wayne, D-Louisville, said at a news conference.

Groups banding together as the Kentucky Economic Justice Alliance are trying to promote the bills. The groups include Kentuckians for the Commonwealth, which for years has worked on tax and landownership issues, and Kentucky Youth Advocates, which specializes in child welfare issues.

Overhauling the tax code became a topic in the General Assembly this week. Gov. Ernie Fletcher called for "tax modernization" during his State of the Commonwealth message, reiterating a consistent though vaguely defined theme of his campaign.

Fletcher has offered little insight into his wishes for the tax code, though he has said the poor are taxed too much. He also has said the tax code is not "friendly" to business — a contention disputed by some advocates and Democratic legislators who lined up behind Wayne at the news conference.

Rep. Brent Yonts, D-Greenville, said Kentucky may be the only state that fails to tax companies that do business here but lack a permanent place of business inside the state.

Changing that quirk of the law and reaping more tax money would mostly benefit "the basic, working people who survive by the skin of their teeth," Yonts said.

Wayne said his legislation has been promised a hearing but nothing more in the House appropriations committee. The "political climate" will determine whether the committee actually votes on the bills, he said.

Wayne said Fletcher, by asking legislators to rewrite the tax code this year, was "moving our way, and that's encouraging." He did not say he expected Fletcher to buy into his legislation.

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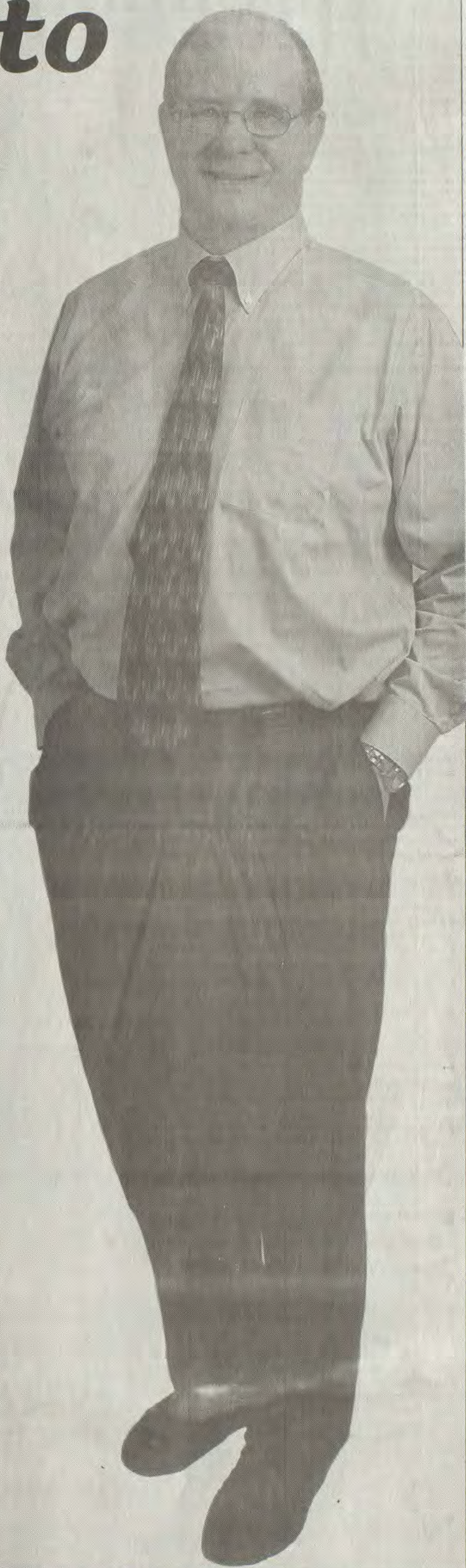
Dr. Havens specializes  
in surgery of the heart,  
lungs and major blood vessels.

A graduate of the University  
of Michigan School of Medicine,  
he completed a residency in  
surgery at the University of  
Kentucky and a residency in  
thoracic surgery at the University  
of New Mexico Hospital.

Dr. Havens is triple board certified in  
general surgery, thoracic surgery  
and critical care medicine.

He was previously associated  
with Surgical Associates of  
Lexington, PSC, and was a  
member of the medical staffs at  
St. Joseph Hospital, Central Baptist  
Hospital and Samaritan Hospital,  
all in Lexington.

Dr. Havens will be working with  
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# 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. Sloce, 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.  
**Auxler Freewill Baptist, Auxler:** 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 Fitch, 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.; 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.; Randy Turner, 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 Egl. on Rt. 1428:** Sunday Service, 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.  
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**Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 2656 West Mt. Parkway, Prestonsburg:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jennings West, Minister.  
**Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
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**Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist, Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.  
**United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville:** Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.  
**Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrari, Minister.  
**Mother's Home Church, Toler Creek, Harold:** 9:30 the 2nd Saturday and Sunday of every month. Moderator, Kermit Newsome.

**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.; Sherm 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 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Vamey, 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.; Lonnie Meade, 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.

**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 Heater 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 6:00 p.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.; WKLW (600 am) 12:05 p.m.; Roland Bentrup, Minister.

**METHODIST**

**Auxler United Methodist, Auxler:** 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 Lamaster, Minister.  
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**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.  
**Emma United Methodist, Emma:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Paul Aiken, 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, Auxler Road, Auxler:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.  
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**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.  
**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.; Malcolm Slone, 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.

**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.

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**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.; Woodrow Crum, 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.; Laverne 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.  
**Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzelman, Minister.  
**Town Branch Church:** Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun, morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.  
**The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.  
**Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright, Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.**  
**Zion Deliverance, Wayland:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m. Prayer Line: 358-2001; Darlene Arnett, Pastor  
**Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1 quarter mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428, Sun, Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun, Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun, Evening, 6:30 p.m. Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.**  
**International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin:** Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.  
**Rising Sun Ministries, 78 Court Street, Allen, Ky.:** Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastor D.P. Curry.  
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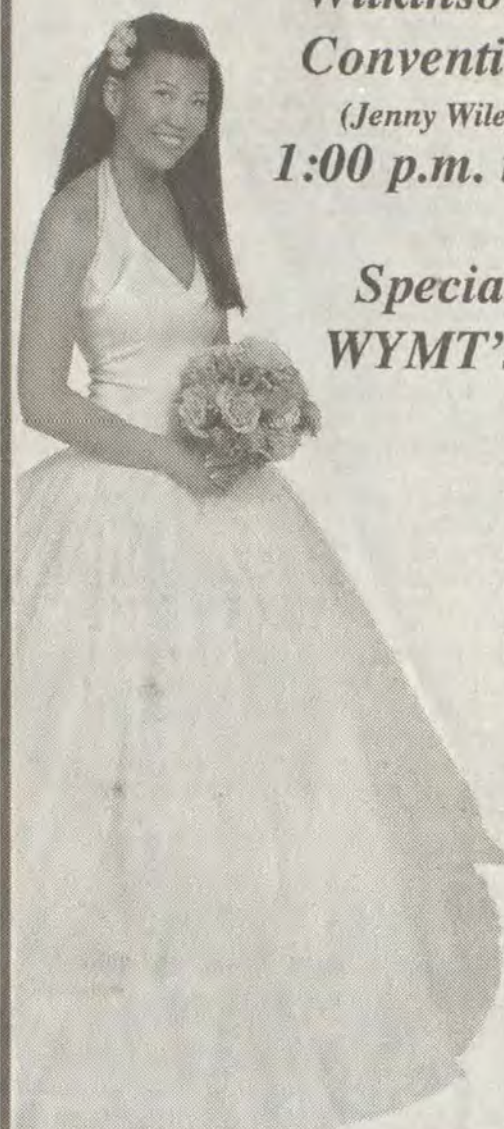
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ters in all units, walk-in items not stored at least six inches from floor and all items not covered during storage, ice scoop not properly stored in ice machine, microwave found with heavy residue buildup, three-compartment sink with a leak in faucet, garbage can in food preparation area not covered, mop heads not stored properly. Score: 88.

Opportunities Unlimited Cafeteria, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Shelves in dry storage in some disrepair, service trays not stored properly, floors in dry storage in disrepair making them hard to clean. Score: 97.

Family Dollar Store, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food not stored at least six inches from floor, floors in back room missing tile, tape strips in disrepair making area hard to clean. Score: 97.

Rite-Aid, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Flea and tick medication stored over pet food. Score: 95.

Hillbilly Market, Auxier, regular inspection. Violations noted: Unable to locate thermometers in reach-in deep freezer, ice buildup on box of bacon in reach-in, pet food on floor, range in need of cleaning, garbage cans in need of lids in food preparation area. Score: Restaurant, 94; Store, 98.

Pizza Palace Fun Center, Auxier, regular inspection. Violations noted: Serve unit used to keep ice temperature in need of repair, area above freezer with grease buildup, use of cloth towels to line shelf, soap missing from men's restroom, garbage cans not covered in food preparation area, lighting not adequate in back storage area. Score: 89.

Opportunities Unlimited, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some restroom walls, floors and stalls in disrepair and in need of cleaning, lighting in some buildings not adequate, some windows throughout school found with dust residue, bottle of unlabeled chemical found in janitor's closet. Score: 85.

Hometown IGA, Stanville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Several over the counter medications found expired, paper towels stored on the floor, thermometers not present in all cooling units, women's employee restroom has no soap, floors in disrepair. Score: 90.

Huddle House, Stanville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Wiping cloth use not restricted, spray nozzle on pre-wash, pre-scrub sink creating a possible back flow situation. Score: 94.

KFC, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Mop head stored on floor. Score: 99.

Lake View Mart, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not located in an easily seen area, dish washing procedure at three-compartment sink not being performed properly, restroom has no self-closing door, floors of retail section in minor disrepair. Score: Restaurant, 95; Store, 97.

Food City, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Pet food stored on the floor, dishwashing sprayer hanging below rim of waste water, no soap at hand wash sink in food preparation area, floor tile in slight disrepair, coat stored on food equipment, water faucet at hand wash sink in meat room will not shut off, ice scoop stored improperly, some employees in meat processing area without hair restraints. Score: 95.

### Property Transfers

Polly Akers to Kenas Akers Jr., Rosa Lee Blankenship, Ruby Conn, and Lesa Hughes, property located in Rod Akers Branch of Mud Creek.

Georgia S. Smith to Jeanice Hall, property located on Left Beaver Creek.

James Boyd to Christopher D. McGuire, property location not listed.

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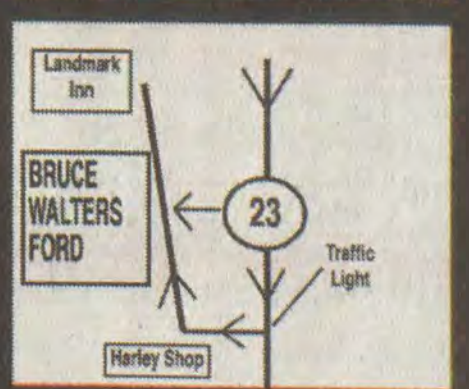
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## H.S. BASKETBALL GAMES ON TAP

TONIGHT — Boys: Allen Central-Betsy Layne; Asbland Blazer-Russell; Cordia-Knoitt County Central; Cumberland-Whitesburg; East Ridge-Pikeville; Leslie County-Buckhorn; Letcher Jenkins; Magoffin County-Johnson Central; Matewan, W.Va.-Belfry; Paintsville-Sheldon Clark; Prestonsburg-South Floyd; Riverside Christian-Breathitt County Rowan County-Morgan County; Shelby Valley-Pheps. Girls: South Floyd-Prestonsburg-South Floyd; Allen Central-Betsy Layne. Home teams are listed first.

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### COMMENTARY

## The next LeBron? O.J.?

by RICK BENTLEY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

For years, those around the National Basketball Association were quick to anoint any and all comers as "the next Michael Jordan."

That label was handed to several players through the last decade, with folks from Grant Hill to Vince Carter to Kobe Bryant carrying a burden for which they didn't ask.

So I shouldn't have been shocked Tuesday night when ESPN's Outside the Lines program set out in search of "the next LeBron James."

The network normally does a solid job of reporting, particularly on the

(See BENTLEY, page four)

## FC Special Olympics slates meeting

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County Special Olympics will hold its next meeting on Tuesday at 6 p.m. inside the Floyd County Public Library. The City of Prestonsburg and Prestonsburg High School will again host the Area Special Olympics track and field meet. A tentative date for the meet has been set for Saturday, April 17. This will be the second straight year for the meet making its home in Prestonsburg.

Ed Senig of Floyd County Special Olympics says many things are already in the works for this year's area meet. Dairy Queen of Prestonsburg has committed to host a hospitality room. Senig also said that plans are in the works to put together an Olympic Village for the enjoyment of all of the area athletes who attend and compete.

(See MEETING, page two)

### GIRLS' BASKETBALL

## Ladycats blow by South Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT — Betsy Layne isn't the defending 15th Region Champion for nothing. Minus just two seniors from last season's regional championship squad, Betsy Layne is beginning to pick up some momentum as the mid-January is here. The Ladycats took to the road Tuesday night, playing at at South Floyd High School

on the hardwood of Raider Arena. The host Lady Raider faithful didn't bother the Betsy Layne girls too much. Coach Cassandra Akers' team led 23-9 by the end of the first period and outscored host South Floyd by at least seven points in each of the three periods that followed en route to an 82-42 blowout win.

Tuesday night's 58th District/Floyd County

(See BLOW, page two)



photo by Jamie Howe

Brandy Anderson dribbled against Betsy Layne defender Breann Akers. Anderson scored eight points for South Floyd and Akers netted six for Betsy Layne.

## IN OVERTIME, P'BURG 59, SHELDON CLARK 58



photos by Steve LeMaster

Prestonsburg junior Trevor Compton went for a loose ball in the first half of Tuesday night's game against Sheldon Clark as teammates Jesse Chaffin (11) and Sean Leslie (33) looked on. Prestonsburg will be back in action tonight at home against 58th District/Floyd County Conference rival South Floyd.

## Compton provides heroics in Blackcat victory

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG — On the football field, Prestonsburg High junior Trevor Compton is a field general. Calling out the signals from his quarterback position this past season, his first as a starter on offense under center, he showed leadership. On the hardwood, playing either of the two guard positions, Compton continues to make a name for himself as he leads. Such was the case Tuesday night when Compton lifted the Basketball Blackcats to a 59-58 overtime win over visiting Sheldon Clark.

With his team trailing 53-50, Compton, with ball in hand following an inbounds pass from underneath the Sheldon Clark basket, only had one chance of tying the game. And that was nailing a three-pointer and beating the buzzer. The junior went to work quickly.

Compton had to hit the three just to send the regulation game into overtime. He did just that, hitting a quick turnaround three-pointer just before the buzzer to send the game into an extra session. Once Compton and the rest of the host Blackcats got into overtime, the picked up nearly where they had left off. Prestonsburg sophomore Sean Leslie put the Blackcats ahead with a short jumper after the host team won the opening tip of the extra period and eventually outscored Sheldon Clark 6-5 in the four-minute OT to post the win. After Leslie's basket, the home team never trailed again.

Blackcat junior center Jesse Chaffin got the start in the middle and made the most of it, scoring 18 points before fouling out in the fourth period. The presence of Chaffin in the middle went a long way for the Blackcats.

(See VICTORY, page two)



Michael Stephens

### BOYS' BASKETBALL

## Little leads Raiders past Betsy Layne

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

HI HAT — Just when it seems that the Betsy Layne boys are ready to step up and compete for a district and region title, the wheels fall off and the Bobcats strug-

gle. Tuesday night at South Floyd High's Raider Aena it looked through three quarters like Betsy Layne was ready to take the next step. The Bobcats led the four-time defending 58th District champs by

(See LITTLE, page two)



photo by Jamie Howell  
South Floyd senior Adam Tackett put his dribble down against Betsy Layne's Jordan Kidd (23). Both players are seniors.



photo by Jamie Howell

Betsy Layne's Derek Case and South Floyd's Mason Hall both went for the ball.



# Gordon seeks a clean start in 2004

by EDDIE PELLIS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — The house is sold, the divorce is final, and Jeff Gordon is a changed man.

## JUNE BUCHANAN SCHOOL

### JBS to hold Homecoming

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES — The June Buchanan School, located on the campus of Alice Lloyd College, will hold its annual Homecoming on Saturday. The JBS boys' basketball game versus Jenkins will take place at 5 p.m.. The girls' basketball game pitting host JBS against Jenkins will follow at 7:30 p.m. Queen and princess coronation will be held at halftime of the boys' game. For more information, contact the JBS office at 606/368-6108.

He looks like one, at least. Gordon shaved his head in the offseason, possibly a symbol of the clean start that one of NASCAR's best drivers could use in 2004.

"It's good to get back here," Gordon said at Daytona International Speedway, where he returned this week for pre-season testing.

The season-opening Daytona 500 is a little more than a month away. As usual, Gordon is considered one of the drivers to beat.

He finished fourth in the standings last year, making a short, decent run at the title in midseason. But ultimately his season on the track turned out similar to his season off of it - unsteady and, in many ways, probably worth forgetting.

"We had a lot of good luck as a team for many years," said Gordon, a four-time champion on NASCAR's top circuit. "Last year just wasn't our year. Hopefully, chemistry and hard work will make this year our year."

He wears a ballcap on his head to hide the new hairdo. First, he his barber give him a

buzz cut, and everything looked OK. Next, he shaved his own head, and it didn't look so hot.

"I missed a spot," Gordon concedes. "It's probably worth paying the extra money."

He is colorful when talking about his hair and the big vacation he took during the short offseason - an adventure with teammate Jimmie Johnson to the Bahamas, where they swam with sharks.

At one point, 15 or 20 sharks were nearby.

"It's weird how when you're surrounded by one of your biggest fears, how calm you can be," Johnson said. "I realized if they wanted me, they were going to take a bite."

While Johnson was scared, Gordon said he enjoyed the experience: exploring the depths and getting away from the noise and the glare of the world above water, a world that wasn't always so kind to him in 2003.

Gordon filed for divorce from his wife of seven years, Brooke,

in 2002, but the case dragged into the next year. Attorneys for Gordon's wife came to the track before the Daytona 500 and tried to issue subpoenas to several car owners, hoping to force them to open their books so they could get a better picture of Gordon's financial situation.

By June, Gordon and his wife had reached a settlement that guaranteed Brooke at least \$15.3 million. In November, Gordon agreed to sell his house in Highland Beach for \$13.3 million.

Well before then, Gordon had moved back to North Carolina, where those close to him spoke of a much happier, fun-loving friend than they had known before the divorce.

Not even a tell-all story in Playboy by a woman who claimed to have had an affair with Gordon changed his outlook; if he was dealing with any problems off the track, nobody on the track seemed to notice.

"By everything we've seen with his personal life and his career, you can't get inside his head," Johnson said, "and that's one of the strengths Jeff has."

But on the track, the problems were unrelenting for a while.

In July, Gordon led 133 laps in New Hampshire, but finished 24th when he took a chance on pit road that didn't pay off. It was the first in a stretch of seven races in which he finished 24th or worse six times. Mechanical failures, bad strategy and accidents were the reasons for the big slump. By the end of it, his chances for a fifth title were doomed.

"We sat down and analyzed every race in the offseason," he said. "All in all, we did a great job. We just had things happen to us. A few of the small things were self-induced. A majority of the things were things we couldn't control."

Going into his 12th full season on NASCAR's top circuit, Gordon has learned many lessons, both on and off the track. He knows now that it's how people respond to the things they can't control that, in the end, really defines them. Thus, he is optimistic, not wary, as he heads into 2004.

And his hair? "I plan on growing it out the rest of the year," he said. "But next year, I'm going to do it again, but it's going to be blond. You've always got to keep it interesting, keep it fun."

## CHEERLEADING

### P'burg Cheerleading Clinic set for Feb. 7

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg High School Cheerleaders will hold their annual Youth Cheer Clinic on Saturday, Feb. 7. The grades K-5 session will begin at 9 a.m. and end at noon and grades 6-8 will begin at around noon and end at 4 p.m.

The purpose of the clinic is to work with area youth on fundamental cheer skills and to expose the youth to the sport of cheerleading. All proceeds will be used for expenses for the upcoming national competition in Myrtle Beach, S.C..

The fee is \$25 per child and \$20 per family member with two or more siblings. The fee is only \$15 per child for a child that is currently a member of an area squad. In order to guarantee a T-shirt on the day of the clinic, the child must sign up by Friday, Jan. 23.

Each participant will receive free concessions and a clinic T-shirt. Each child may cheer during the pre-game with the varsity on Tuesday, Feb. 10. Certificates of attendance will also be awarded to each participant.

A certified gymnastics instructor will be in attendance and eighth grade orientation will be offered for individuals and/or their parents that may be interested in trying out in the spring for the 2004 varsity squad. The cheerleaders will also be holding an indoor yard sale in the Prestonsburg High lunchroom from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the same day of the clinic. For more information contact any Prestonsburg

High varsity cheerleader, Leslie Ousley at 874-0317, or Janice Mitchell at 886-9060. The registration sheet can be dropped off at Prestonsburg Elementary in an envelope, to Attention Mrs. Ousley, or at Allen Elementary, Attention Mrs. Mitchell.

## Little

13 on the Raiders' home floor, but late in the game South Floyd would show why it is the reigning champion.

Henry Webb's South Floyd team rallied from eight down late in the third quarter to defeat Betsy Layne 60-56 and improve to 2-0 in 58th District play. Burnett Little led the way for the Raiders with a game-high 30 points. The junior also pulled down 13 rebounds in the win. South Floyd fell behind 21-14 after one quarter and trailed by as many as 13 early in the second quarter before getting on track to come from behind and pick up the all-important home district win.

The Head Raider was pleased with the win.

## Meeting

Prestonsburg High School head football coach John DeRossett, his coaching staff, players, and many other Blackcat football faithful took very active roles in last year's event. DeRossett is again looking forward to contributing again this year. He and many others associated with the Prestonsburg High grid program will provide among many other things, their time.

"We try to do at least two community projects per year with our football players," said DeRossett. "Working with Ed Senig and the state people last year was a great experience for all of us. It was awesome! We found working with Special Olympics to be very rewarding."

Anyone wishing to contribute to Floyd County Special Olympics is urged to attend Tuesday's meeting.

## Victory

Tuesday night.

"We wanted to try to get the ball inside more to Jesse and he responded really well," said Prestonsburg head coach Jackie Day Crisp.

Blackcat senior Nick Jamerson flipped in 15 points and Leslie added nine. Leslie returned to action for the first time Tuesday night following an injury he suffered in the Jenny Wiley Invitational at the beginning of the month.

Michael Stephens rounded out the Prestonsburg scoring with four points. Joe Blackburn, Nathan Lafferty and John Mark Stephens all played for Prestonsburg but did not score.

Brandon May led Sheldon Clark in scoring with 19 points. Asher Maynard scored 18 for the Cardinals. Maynard connected on four-of-11 three-point field goals.

The win over Sheldon Clark puts Prestonsburg back on the winning road with a huge district

## Blow

"Obviously a big win for us," said Webb. "I am proud of the effort of our kids right now. I felt our kids done a good job defensively and on the boards the second half. We handled there pressure fairly well which was a concern going in. It was great experience for your young team. I felt our kids moved the ball very well and we were able to get the ball inside. We didn't shoot the ball great, but we were able to make plays and get to the basket. Overall it was very good effort against a very good Betsy Layne team."

Brandon Kidd pushed the Bobcats to the early lead on the strength of eight points in the first quarter alone. The sophomore finished with 16 points for Betsy Layne.

South Floyd still trailed 31-26 at the half, but it was obvious that Webb was not pleased with his team's first half performance. The Raiders turned the game around in the second half. Betsy Layne was hurt in the second half by second chance shots by South Floyd as the Raiders owned the glass in the last two quarters.

Little led South Floyd with 30 of the team's 60 points and was the only Raider to finish in double figures. However, Webb got some quality minutes off the bench from Mason Hall as the

## Blow

Conference game was preceded for South Floyd by a huge 76-40 win over Shelby Valley in a game played the previous Thursday night.

Senior forward Whitney Lykens led the Betsy Layne surge forward against South Floyd in the

sophomore saw extended playing time with Ryan Johnson in foul trouble in the second half.

Jack Slone and Steven Stanley each finished with seven points for South Floyd.

Adam Tackett tossed in six points on the night and Hall added five.

Ryan Johnson was whistled for a quick three fouls and had to sit for most of the game, but the sophomore guard still managed to score four points. Brian Meade rounded out the scoring for South Floyd with one point.

Brandon Hall led the way for visiting Betsy Layne with 18 points followed by Brandon Kidd with 16. Jordan Kidd added 11.

Derek Case came off the Bobcat bench to finish with five points and Brent Newsome totaled four before fouling out with 4:02 left in the game.

Preston Simon added two points in the losing effort for Betsy Layne. With the win, South Floyd took the driver's seat in the 58th District with a 2-0 record while Betsy Layne fell to 1-2.

South Floyd will be on the road tonight at Prestonsburg for another important district matchup while Betsy Layne will travel to Allen Central to tangle with Johnny Martin's surprising Rebels.

## Blow

first period Tuesday night, scoring nine points. Lykens finished with 16 points (10 of which came on five field goals) and eight assists.

Kristal Daniels led Betsy Layne in scoring with a game-high 22 points. She also grabbed eight rebounds and blocked three shots.

Kim Clark pushed in 15 points and Kristen Smith added 10 points and a game-high nine assists. Tabetta Witt scored nine points and pulled down three rebounds.

Breann Akers and Candice Meade each came in off the bench and added scoring. Akers netted six points and Meade chipped in two.

Betsy Layne shot a brilliant 80-percent (24-for-30) from the free throw line. Witt hit seven-of-nine of the attempts.

No South Floyd player was able to notch double figures in scoring. Miranda Gregory came in off the bench and hit for nine points for the Lady Raiders. Starters Brandy Anderson and Megan Ousley scored eight apiece. Ashley Johnson tossed in five. Amanda Johnson and Tab Tackett each added four apiece.

Tab Trammel and Courtney Blocker rounded out the South Floyd scoring with two points apiece.

South Floyd hit just 14 field goals compared to 26 made by Betsy Layne. The Lady Raiders hit on six-of-10 free throw attempts.

## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK




Burnett Little, South Floyd, 30 points, 13 rebs. vs. Betsy Layne




Kristal Daniels, Betsy Layne, 22 points, 8 rebs., 3 blocks vs. South Floyd

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**Prestonsburg junior Jesse Chaffin headed back up court following a score in Tuesday night's win over Sheldon Clark. Chaffin had 18 points in the win.**



**Prestonsburg dirt track racer Clint Shutts will be among the drivers honored Saturday night when 201 Speedway holds its annual banquet at the Prestonsburg Holiday Inn.**

## COMMENTARY

# College basketball: Another world

by ED TAYLOR  
 SPORTS CORRESPONDENT

The pressure of college basketball may be taking a toll on Indiana University Coach Mike Davis. As the rumor mills turn, it appears that Davis may not return to IU for his fifth and final year of a five-year contract.

The heat is on at IU, which is currently 7-6 on the season.

It was always said, "Pity the coach who would have to follow

Adolph Rupp at Kentucky!" Rupp, one time the winningest coach in college basketball, was followed by long time assistant Joe B. Hall and Hall immediately felt the pressure of having to win.

But coach after coach has felt the same pressure one following the other. Up at Indiana, Davis is having to coach still under the shadows of a Bobby Knight, who was fired five seasons ago.

Knight losing at IU seemed

to be all right because Knight was very dominant at the university and many feared his attacks personally. But Davis, who is trying to live his Christian beliefs, has come under attack unfairly. Davis will bring in the nations top recruiting class next season, but he may not be around to coach them.

In the college game today, basketball or football, winning is the name of the game and without the victories, you don't stay around very long.

**PROSPERITY** - Who can figure out this seasons edition of Kentucky basketball. Invariably, the Cats can be counted on to get off to a fast start. The Cats can be counted on to even build a fairly good lead. But the Cats also can be counted on to lose any lead they might obtain.

At Mississippi State, they had leads of 14, 15, and 18 points before losing each one of them. But the Cats did survive the Bulldogs scare and won for the 21st consecutive time in the SEC.

The bench continues to be the problem at UK and does not appear they are going to get any better after 12 games. Cliff Hawkins has hurt them the last two games with turnovers. But the mistakes have not been limited just to Hawkins. Veteran guard Gerald Fitch hasn't been that brilliant with the ball as well.

But the Cats faced a tough, tough road trip and survived.

Until Sunday, good sports everyone and be good sports!

## YOUTH BASKETBALL

# Betsy Layne 67, John M. Stumbo 19

by STEVE LeMASTER  
 SPORTS EDITOR

**MUD CREEK** - Tyler Hamilton had a triple-double of 10 points, 10 assists and 11 rebounds to lead Betsy Layne to an easy 67-19 win Tuesday night over John M. Stumbo. Brennan Case led the Bobcats in scoring with 19 points. Case also handed out 11 assists, thus recording a double-double as well.

Betsy Layne's Samuel Keathley scored 15 points on eight field goals and a single free throw. In all, nine different Betsy Layne players scored.

Betsy Layne controlled the A-team game from beginning to end. Stumbo was never able to score more than nine points in a single quarter. The Bobcats raced out early and led 17-3 at the end of the first period. Betsy Layne's advantage at the half was 36-10. Visiting Betsy Layne held Stumbo scoreless in the third period and led 56-10 as play in the final quarter began.

Ted Honaker scored eight points for the Bobcats and his brother, Tim, added six.

Jeremy Osborne and Bo Hamilton had five points apiece for the host Mustangs.

**B-TEAM:** Betsy Layne 29, John M. Stumbo 20; Jimmy Meade poured in 12 points and Austin Collins tossed in eight to lead the Bobcats to a win in the B-team game. Austin Case scored five points for Betsy Layne. Marvin Lee and Tyler Kidd each had two points in the winning effort.

Adam Slone led Stumbo with seven points, Jeremy Tackett added six points for the Mustangs and Casey Tackett finished with four. Kyle Hamilton had a first-quarter three-pointer.

**C-TEAM:** John M. Stumbo 20, Betsy Layne 10; In the C-team game, Stumbo held a 5-2 lead through one quarter, but couldn't hold on. The Bobcats

outscored the Mustangs 11-1 in the second quarter and held on in the second half, doubling up Stumbo for the victory and the first of what would be three wins on the night.

Betsy Layne got balanced scoring in the win. Casey Adkins, Jason Case, Adam Howell and Bryce Adkins all had four points apiece. Landon Hale scored three points and Derek Tackett got into the scorebooks on a made free throw in the fourth quarter.

Dylan Maldonado and Ricky Newsome led Stumbo with five points each. Micah Slone scored two for the Mustangs. Dakota Hall edged the scoring with a free throw.

## PRO FOOTBALL

# Elway, Sanders finalists for Hall of Fame

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**CANTON, Ohio** — John Elway and Barry Sanders were among 15 finalists for the Pro Football Hall of Fame announced Wednesday.

The Hall's board of selectors selected the finalists from a list of 25 semifinalists.

Two candidates, tackle Bob Brown and wide receiver Bob Hayes, were recommended by the Hall's senior committee. Other finalists: wide receiver Art Monk; defensive ends Richard Dent, Carl Eller, and

Jim Marshall; guard Bob Kuechenberg; safety Cliff Harris; cornerback Lester Hayes; tackles Rayfield Wright and Gary Zimmerman.

Linebacker Harry Carson and general manager George Young are automatic finalists because of their high finish in last year's voting.

Team owners Art Modell and Ralph Wilson Jr. did not make the list.

The new class will be elected in Houston on Jan. 31, the day before the Super Bowl.

# Earnhardt Jr. goes for owner-driver double

by MIKE HARRIS  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

Dale Earnhardt Jr. is going after two NASCAR championships in 2004.

Winning a Nextel Cup title as a driver is priority No. 1. But, thanks to a new sponsorship deal, Earnhardt will also try to win a Busch Series championship for the first time as a car owner.

Martin Truex drove a part-time schedule last season for Chance 2 Motorsports, co-owned by Earnhardt and his stepmother, Teresa Earnhardt, and will drive the team's Chevrolet for the entire 2004 schedule. He ran only 10 races last year, but finished with consecutive second-place finishes at Rockingham and Homestead - his first top fives.

"We're going for the Busch Series title with Martin," Junior told The Associated Press on Tuesday. "We had just kind of planned on a three-quarter schedule, but, as things changed in the off-season, we were able to justify running the entire season for him."

He said the full-season deal came together when Yum! Brands Inc., agreed to put its KFC, Taco Bell and Long John Silver restaurant brands on Truex's car for 14 of the 34 races, joining several returning sponsors from last year.

As much as Earnhardt Jr. wants to win the title in NASCAR's top stock car series, his years racing in the Busch Series and winning championships (1998 and 1999) have made that circuit special to him.

"It's a series that I have a lot of love and appreciation for," said Earnhardt, who will drive a second Chance 2 car in two Busch races at Daytona and one at Talladega in 2004.

"The style of racing, the personalities, the attitude, just the whole feeling you get when you're around that series and

inside that garage area is totally different than the Cup series," he said. "It's just a little less stressful and ... there's just a lot of excitement and enthusiasm and energy in that whole program."

Being around the Busch Series as an owner has also been an education.

"You're out there in that race car on Sundays all day long, driving, and you really don't know what's going on in the pits," Earnhardt said. "You're really not there to see what all's unfolding and what the strategy is."

"I've learned a lot just being able to sit in the pits on Saturdays with the Busch team and learn what they do and what their strategy is and what their goals are

throughout the day and how things work themselves out. It's given me a lot of appreciation and more respect for the guys I've got on Sunday."

Earnhardt wound up a career-best third in the 2003 Cup points and said he believes his Dale Earnhardt Inc. team can make a strong run at the championship this year.

"Each year we're just a little bit better," Earnhardt said. "We have never made any massive gains as a team in the past and I don't see that happening in the future. I just think we continue to improve little places at a time and little parts of the team that need it and we'll get a shot at winning the championship."

## NAIA BASKETBALL

# Cold-shooting second half spells defeat for Eagles

TIMES STAFF REPORT

**BLUEFIELD, Va.** - Alice Lloyd held tight to a 28-27 lead at halftime Tuesday night over host Bluefield. Eagle head coach Gary Gibson could have never figured his team would shoot as poor as it did in the second half. The Eagles, after hitting 40-percent from the field in the first half, hit just 25-percent of its shots from the field in the second two quarters. Cold-shooting handed the Eagles a 63-45 loss.

Bluefield forward Mookie Holmes hit for 18 points and pulled down 16 rebounds in the victory. Bluefield outrebounded Alice Lloyd by a healthy mar-

gin, 45-24. That didn't help the Eagles much either.

Corey Wade paced Bluefield with a game-high 20 points. Devontae Royal added eight.

Shannon Akers scored 12 points to lead Alice Lloyd in the points produced department. Ryan Shannon netted eight and Jimmy Stumbo followed with seven. Stumbo was the leading rebounder for Alice Lloyd with eight pull-downs.

Matt Spencer chipped in five points for the Eagles while teammates Jeremy Daniels and Jason Knott scored four apiece.

Jeremy Jackson and Tim Parks scored three and two points, respectively.

## NCAA BASKETBALL

# No. 5 Kentucky 67, No. 22 Mississippi St. 66

by RALPH D. RUSSO  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

**STARKVILLE, Miss.** - Erik Daniels grabbed a tipped desperation pass out of the air and laid it in as time expired to give No. 5 Kentucky a 67-66 victory over No. 20 Mississippi State on Tuesday night.

The previously unbeaten Bulldogs (13-1, 2-1 Southeastern Conference) rallied from a 16-point deficit in the second half, taking a 66-65 lead with a minute left on Brandon Vincent's putback.

But Winsome Frazier and Jimmy Bowers both missed the front end of 1-and-1s in the final 30 seconds, giving Kentucky (11-1, 2-0) a shot to win it in the final seconds.

Cliff Hawkins inbounded the ball from the side with 2.5 seconds left and tried to throw a lob to Chuck Hayes underneath. Mississippi State's Lawrence Roberts had two hands on the ball, but Hayes tipped it away and Daniels never had an easier game-winning basket.

Gerald Fitch had 23 points and Daniels finished with 16 for the Wildcats, who have won 19 straight SEC regular-season games.

Bowers led the Mississippi State comeback and scored 20 points, while Roberts had 15 points and 14 rebounds.

The Wildcats have won four straight, the last three against ranked teams and the last two against opponents who came in with perfect records.

Kentucky handed No. 23 Vanderbilt its first loss on Saturday.

Mississippi State, off to its best start, has lost six straight against ranked teams.

Kentucky appeared in control when Fitch hit a 3 with 9:40 left

to make it 54-40.

But Mississippi State gave the third-largest crowd in Humphrey Coliseum history a charge with consecutive 3-pointers by Bowers to cut it to 56-51 with 6:44 left.

The Wildcats calmly responded with a dunk by Kelenna Azubuike and a 3 by Hawkins to bump it back to 61-52.

The Bulldogs surged again.

Bowers hit a 3 and Roberts and Frazier got consecutive

hoops on offensive rebounds to make it 63-61. Another putback by Roberts gave the Bulldogs' their first lead of the game with 1:55 left, 64-63.

Azubuike made it 65-64 with a jumper and Bowers went for another 3 and missed.

Again, the Bulldogs crashed the boards with Vincent getting the hoop.

But the Bulldogs couldn't seal it and Kentucky earned coach Tubby Smith his 299th career victory.

## H.S. BASKETBALL

# iHigh.com state high school basketball polls

The opinions expressed in these polls are solely the views of iHigh.com and its voting panel, and do not, in any way, reflect the opinion of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA).

**Boys** - 1. Mason County (15-1); 2. Lexington Catholic (11-3); 3. Pleasure Ridge Park (12-4); 4. Wayne County (12-1); 5. Fern Creek (11-2); 6. Elizabethtown (10-3); 7. Daviess County (13-3); 8. Apollo (10-4); 9. DeSales (11-3); 10. Clay County (13-1); 11. Hopkinsville (8-4); 12. North Laurel (12-1); 13. Seneca (12-3); 14. Owensboro Catholic (11-1); 15. Scott County (12-3); 16. Hazard (11-2); 17. Warren Central (6-6); 18. Henderson County (10-2); 19. Barbourville (11-1); 20. Hopkins County Central (11-2); 21. Boone County (11-2); 22. Breathitt County (10-1); 23.

Graves County (11-2); 24. Tates Creek (12-3); 25. Ballard (8-8).

**Girls** - 1. Sacred Heart (13-1); 2. Christian County (14-1); 3. Rockcastle County (14-1)

4. Jackson County (11-1); 5. Mercy (9-4); 6. Henderson County (14-3); 7. Lexington Catholic (9-5); 8. Elizabethtown (11-2); 9. Scott County (10-2); 10. Newport Central Catholic (9-3); 11. East Carter (15-2); 12. Henry Clay (9-2); 13. Marshall County (11-2); 14. Muhlenberg North (10-3); 15. Franklin-Simpson (11-2); 16. Butler (10-4); 17. Wayne County (9-3); 18. Mercer County (9-4); 19. Woodford County (13-4); 20. Louisville Christian (11-3); 21. Covington Holy Cross (12-2); 22. Daviess County (14-2); 23. Bullitt East (14-1); 24. Owen County (13-1); 25. Clinton County (10-5).



**Bentley**

OTL series. The program has Bob Ley's fingerprints all over it, providing viewers 30 minutes devoid of catch-phrases and cute lede's, choosing instead to focus on the actual news of the moment.

But this struck me as desperate, and normally would have had me quickly turning back to Letterman or Leno had I not noticed who they were handing the baton to.

Imagine my surprise when I heard my old friend Dick Martin, the voice of the Ashland Blazer Tomcats, and saw that the network was going to focus on former Rose Hill Christian standout O.J. Mayo.

Mayo made national news in at least some circles when he bolted from the tiny 16th Region school for Cincinnati's North College Hill High School, where he is currently a freshman, and it goes without saying the star of the team.

Mayo lived in Huntington, across the river from Ashland, but spent his junior-high years at Rose Hill because in the Mountain State you have to actually be in high school to play for the team. That rule doesn't apply in Kentucky, and for two years, Mayo was this generation's Richie Farmer.

He scored more than 1,000 points at Rose Hill as an eighth-grader led the Royals to the state tournament where they knocked off South Laurel before losing in the to eventual runner-up Ballard in the quarterfinals.

On Tuesday night, Mayo told ESPN's Mark Schwarz his goal wasn't to follow James to the NBA, but instead to be more like James' chief rival, Carmelo Anthony.

"(I'd like to) have a great high school career, win a couple of state championships," he said. "Go to college, win national championships, and go to the NBA and win a couple of NBA titles."

As far fetched as that sounds, it isn't impossible according to Mike Fields, the legendary high school sports writer for the Lexington Herald-Leader who is the dean of prep writers in Kentucky. He believes the first step of that dream could have been accomplished at Rose Hill Christian, a school whose population doesn't approach 100.

"Yeah, definitely, if they'd kept the group there, especially if Bill Walker had come back and added a piece or two," said Fields, "I definitely think they could have won a state championship at Rose Hill."

However, seconds after Mayo talked about his three-tiered plan to becoming a basketball idol,

Schwarz speculated that because he turned 18 before his (ital) junior (ital) year of high school, he might challenge the NBA's current rule that a player's high school class must have graduated before entering the league.

"If I happen to be that good when I'm a junior," Mayo said, "then anything can happen."

That part of the dream isn't likely, says Fields, who saw firsthand a high school-to-the-NBA leap when Darryl Dawkins did it in the 1970s.

"Honestly, no. If he grows and puts on more muscle - right now they list him as 6-6, but realistically he's more 6-3 or 6-4," Fields said. "Even though I think he's a terrific high school player already and has the potential to be a really good or great high school player, I think that's a really big chasm from high school to the NBA."

And Fields isn't talking about going out during high school, he means bypassing his college days. "I mean, sure, he could make the leap, but that doesn't mean he's going to make it," he said. "I think maybe the people around him are feeding that delusion. You see LeBron on TV and there's not too many like that."

But talk of Mayo has gotten all the way to the NBA commissioner's office, where David Stern talked intelligently of the high school freshman.

"Right now we do have a rule that your class has to have graduated high school," he said, before adding, unfortunately only partially tongue-in-cheek, "Although there are some terrific eighth-graders suggesting why should we stop at high school? Why not go down to junior high?"

As for Mayo, Stern dismissed the option of leaving high school when he turns 18. "That's easy: He can't," he said. "The collective-bargaining agreement covers that. He could do anything (legally), but he wouldn't be successful."

Chris Broussard, the NBA writer for the New York Times, agreed. "I would think it would be very difficult for him to do that," he said, adding he felt both the NBA and the player's union would be opposed. "I also think there would be some public resistance to a kid coming out before his junior year of high school. I think we at least would want him to get a high school diploma."

Right now, however, Fields believes it's far more possible Mayo's next move will be to yet another high school and not an

NBA arena, despite Mayo denying it to him during the holidays.

"I'd be shocked beyond all my being if he would stay at North College Hill in Cincinnati through his senior year," the writer said.

Fields believes Mayo - and his "handlers" - will seek better opposition in their pursuit of the NBA than is currently available in Cincinnati.

"I don't think he sees much competition up there in the level they play," he said. "Whether or not that means he goes to Oak Hill Academy or comes back to Kentucky (to) a high-profile program that plays an aggressive schedule, I just don't see him staying at North College Hill."

Fields, who says as far as Kentucky players go Rex Chapman "was about the most dynamic talent you'll see, but he was, physically, just a kid" compared to a specimen like James, has reason to doubt Mayo's allegiance to North College Hill.

"They were in (the Lexington) area, and I don't want to use the term 'shopping around,' but they were making inquiries about the possibility of going to school down here," he said. "That indicates to me that they have some restlessness about where he's eventually going to go."

Regardless of where Mayo ultimately winds up finishing his high school career, it appears that despite his desire for a championship if the opportunity is there to skip secondary education for the pros, he's going to take it.

In my estimation, the very fact that a high school freshman is considering this is sad. James was clearly talented enough, but says here he's the rare exception. In fact, I've voiced the opinion before that his skills made him better suited for the NBA, where I believe he'll have more success than had he chosen the more rigorous structure of a college environment.

But that isn't the case with O.J. Mayo, or most players for that matter. Bryant, Kevin Garnett and Tracy McGrady are all fine players

now, but spent the majority of their early NBA career riding the bench - and they represent the minority of those making this jump, many of whom never see a regular-season game.

The decision Mayo and his "people" will make is years down the road, but you can be guaranteed one thing: Regardless of where he finishes his prep career, when he announces his decision of college or the NBA, folks in our business will be clamoring to be the first to let you know.

And in the end, that may be the saddest part of this entire saga.

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photo by Jamie Howell

Betsy Layne's Kristen Smith went up for two of her 10 points in Tuesday night's conference/district win over South Floyd.



photo by Jamie Howell

South Floyd sophomore guard Ryan Johnson drove to the basket against Betsy Layne's Simon Preston.



photo by Steve LeMaster

PUMPING IRON - The Prestonsburg High football team takes very little time off. The Blackcats rarely take time off and are now back in the weightroom. Pictured talking with players is head coach John DeRossett and assistant coach James DeRossett. Below, players participate in a dip competition.



**Tigers storm back, beat Eagles**

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PAINTSVILLE - Call these Tigers the Comeback Kids. Paintsville overcame a 14-point first half deficit to upset host Johnson Central 74-65 Tuesday night.

The Paintsville team that beat Johnson Central Tuesday night in the first of two regular-season meetings between the two teams, sure was a young bunch.

The Tigers (2-8 overall, 2-0 in 57th District play) was led by freshman Daniel Pugh with 26 points. Senior Peyton Conley had a double double, scoring 19 points and grabbing 16 rebounds. Eighth-grader J.D. VanHoose added 19 points and seven boards.

Johnson Central was led in

scoring by sophomore Kyle Rice, who scored 14 of his 16 points in the first half. Rice transferred to Johnson Central from Paintsville while still in junior high.

Senior Mike Walters, while still ailing with a sore ankle, chipped in 15 points.

Junior Josh Stapleton added 12 points and 13 rebounds for a double-double.

The Golden Eagles (6-7 overall, 1-1 in the district) hit just three-of-27 from three-point range and just 30 percent from the floor for the game.

Paintsville shot 52-percent from the field.

Both teams remain in district play tonight as the Tigers host Sheldon Clark and the Golden Eagles travel to Magoffin County.

**15TH REGION RANKINGS**

BOYS	
East Ridge	11-3
Shelby Valley	9-3
South Floyd	9-6
Prestonsburg	7-6
Sheldon Clark	7-6
Pike County Central	7-7
Allen Central	6-6
Betsy Layne	6-7
Pikeville	6-7
Johnson Central	6-7
Belfry	5-8
Paintsville	2-8
Magoffin County	1-10
Piarist School	0-6
Phelps	0-10

GIRLS	
Pike County Central	10-5
Belfry	10-6
Allen Central	9-8
Betsy Layne	8-5
Prestonsburg	7-8
Sheldon Clark	5-3
Pikeville	5-6
Magoffin County	5-7
Paintsville	5-8
East Ridge	5-8
Phelps	4-5
South Floyd	4-8
Shelby Valley	2-8
Johnson Central	2-10
Piarist School	1-8

**SCOREBOARD**

H.S. boys' basketball		
Ashland Blazer	51	Spring Valley, WV 48
Barbourville	86	Pineville 62
Bell County	70	Corbin 67
Boyd County	53	Raceland 30
Breathitt County	80	Leslie County 54
Bryan Station	71	North Laurel 85
Cawood	69	Everts 63
East Carter	66	Russell 50
East Ridge	98	Letcher 44
Estill County	98	Wolfe County 44
Fairview	54	Bath County 50
George Rogers Clark	75	Rowan County 60
Harlan	62	Fleming-Neon 53
Henry Clay	81	Shelby County 62
June Buchanan	72	Buckhorn 55
Knox Central	75	Whitley County 49
Lawrence County	78	West Carter 61
Lee County	61	Jackson City 53
Lewis County	69	Rose Hill Christian 41
Montgomery County	71	Elliott County 67
Morgan County	87	Greenup County 63
Oneida Baptist Institute	64	Red Bird 61
Paintsville	74	Johnson Central 65
Pike County Central	64	Phelps 38
Pikeville	69	Magoffin County 60
Prestonsburg	59	Sheldon Clark 58
Rockcastle County	66	Pulaski Southwestern 48
Scott County	106	Paul Dunbar 66
South Floyd	60	Betsy Layne 56
Tug Valley, W.Va.	70	Belfry 61
Whitesburg	84	Jenkins 62

H.S. girls' basketball		
Betsy Layne	82	South Floyd 42
Jackson County	55	Bell County 45
June Buchanan	56	Red Bird 39
Lee County	82	Jackson City 18
Leslie County	47	Hazard 44
Rockcastle County	74	Pulaski Southwestern 34
Whitley County	48	Knox Central 35

(All games from Tuesday, Jan. 13)

**Pikeville 69, Magoffin County 60**

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - A 15th Region win is a 15th Region win. Ask Pikeville. The Panthers downed Magoffin County 69-60 Tuesday night. But the Hornets didn't go away easy. The two teams were tied at 21 at the end of the first period before the Panthers pulled away.

Pikeville led after period after the initial quarter.

Robert Shurtleff pumped in 21 points to lead Pikeville.

Blake Jenkins netted 21 to pace the Hornets. Magoffin County has just one win thus far this season.

**Lawrence County 78, West Carter 61**

LOUISA - A balanced Lawrence County team held off West Carter as four players scored in dou-

ble figures.

Thomas Lewis scored 14 while Peyton Preece and Derrick Endicott added 12 apiece and Brandon Parsons 10 for the Bulldogs (5-9).

West Carter, which had won its last two games, fell to 5-9. The Comets were led by Derrick Kiser and Grant Stevens with 15 apiece. Thomas Flannery added 11 points.

West Carter (61) - Stevens 15, Walker 4, Butler 3, D.Kiser 15, Kissing 6, Flannery 11, S.Kiser 6, Jones 1. PF: 25. FT: 26-32. 3-pointers: Stevens 2, Walker.

Lawrence County (78) - Parsons 10, Lewis 14, Preece 12, Thompson 8, Endicott 12, Hackler 5, Copley 4, Spradlin 4, Bradley 9. PF: 23. FT: 22-27. 3-pointers: Parsons, Lewis 2, Preece 2, Bradley.

WEST CARTER	12	10	12	27	-	61
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LAWRENCE COUNTY	20	14	14	30	-	78
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### THROUGH MY EYES

Don't go 'round there, y'hear?

"The Pool Room," "The Playhouse," and, eventually, "Billy Ray's Restaurant." The one place in Prestonsburg that I was sternly admonished to "stay away from" as a youngster has now become one of Prestonsburg's most respected family eating establishments.

In the late 1960's when I was riding my bike along every backstreet of our little town, I knew that my mother would skin me alive if ever she were to hear that I had tarried for even a minute at the "pool room." When I asked my mother why I wasn't allowed to go near (for she even warned me about being "caught" on the sidewalk out front), she simply said, "It's just not the kind of place for little girls."

Riding by on my bike, or walking down adjacent sidewalks



Kathy Prater  
 Lifestyles editor

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### POSTSCRIPT

Andy Rooney, we salute you

I had intended to write about something deep and profound today.

But Janice Shepherd, formerly of The Times and now with the East Kentucky Science Center



Pam Shingler  
 contributing writer

(set to open its planetarium soon, but that's another column), was generous enough to share with me, via email, an essay by 60 Minutes commentator Andy Rooney. The

acknowledged curmudgeon writes in praise of women over 40, of which there are many.

When I read the piece, I could only think, Right on, Andy. And I thought you might like to read it, too.

So here it is, thanks to Janice and Mr. Rooney.

(See POSTSCRIPT, page three)

### CO-OP EXTENSION NEWS

## Ways to increase forage production

By Ray Tackett,  
 FLOYD COUNTY AGRICULTURE AGENT

Many farmers are shifting to cattle or goat production to offset lost income as tobacco acreage continues to decline.

Livestock production is a good choice because Kentucky has more than seven million acres of forage production.

Forages haven't been intensively managed for top production because we historical-

ly have a surplus, especially in the spring. As the number of livestock operations continues to grow, many producers want to increase pasture and hay land production so they can increase the per-acre stocking rate.

Livestock producers can take some simple steps that will dramatically increase, maybe even double, total forage production.

Determine if you're effectively using the forages you now produce. If not, try to

more efficiently use current production by increasing stocking rates, rotational grazing, or more timely hay harvesting.

If you're effectively utiliz

(See CO-OP, page four)



photo by Kathy J. Prater

As snow blankets the hills and valleys of our region, families create memories by keeping warm around the fireplace and sharing stories of days past. Native Floyd Countian Imogene Burchett Caldwell's recently published book, "From the Top Rail of the Fence," is full of many such tales.

# 'ABOUT ME'

Excerpt from the book, "From the top rail of the fence"

by Imogene Burchett  
 Caldwell  
 GUEST WRITER

My mother told me that the night I was born was very, very cold. She said the snow was lying on the ground and frozen on the top. The wind whistled through the cracks around the window panes and through the cracks beneath the door. The thermometer read six degrees below zero, but on this fifth day of December in the year of 1919, God saw fit to allow

*I missed the days in winter when Daddy would pull me on my little sled through the snow to gather the eggs before they froze. I thought about the nights we would sit on the back porch and listen to the whoo-will call and watch the moon start its trip across the sky. That's when a tear drop would always find its way to drip off my chin.*

....

me to be born and to become a member of Ollie and Glen Burchett's family - their first child. They lived on Cow Creek in Floyd County, Kentucky, at a place called

Woods.

That was a long time ago and many more cold winters have come and gone since then. Today, as I write this story, I am eighty-two years

old and I remember all the things that I have experienced through the years.

Even though the winters then were cold and harsh, spring always came at the

appropriate time every year. That's when the snow melted away. The sun would shine brighter and longer each day and everything around our home came to life. Mother was always busy cooking, washing, and most of all, doing her spring housecleaning. Daddy worked hard from the break of day until the last flicker of light was gone plowing, planting, fencing and always tending to the animals around the place.

(See ABOUT, page four)

### SPECIAL FEATURE

# Things to Ponder: Nerve Pill???

Lots of folks have been given the impression by the repeated ads on TV and in the magazines that anxiety can be erased from their life as easily as heartburn with Tums. The indirect message becomes one of "True inner peace is just a pill away!" Some people's idea is that medications or "nerve pills" provide peace of mind without any hassle. Those of us in the mental health field know though that usually the "taking only medication" approach to the

treatment of anxiety is similar to giving only a Tylenol for a definite infection that also needs an antibiotic to get down to the underlying cause of the distress.

Like many medical conditions, where a combination of different approaches to treatment is required, anxiety is a general term that includes a variety of conditions that also requires different therapy approaches. Research has shown that therapy without medications is often a better

option. In other situations, therapy combined with the temporary use of the proper medication might be the best alternative of all. It is thought that in some cases, the long-term use of medications might actually prevent a person from learning to conquer anxiety. Medication being needed with therapy is according to the form of anxiety present, since there are several types, and the person's history.

"Panic" or "panic attacks" is the major

anxiety disorder that pushes people into treatment the fastest. As those who have had panic experiences, there are several fight-or-flight symptoms that really disrupt life and distress people so much that they "just can't take it anymore." Some of the symptoms include rapid, shallow breathing, extremely fast heart rate, dizziness, nausea, and etc. "I just knew I was going



Mable Rowe Lineberger,  
 Ph.D.

(See PONDER, page two)



# School Happenings

## ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

\*\*School is currently collecting Food City receipts! Please send them in now through March.\*\*

■ 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 on any of the above activities, 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

\*\*NOTICE\*\* School is now collecting Food City receipts. Students may bring receipts to homeroom teach-

ers, or parents/community members may drop off at office.

■ Jan. 26 - Basketball Homecoming.

■ Bridges parent meeting, 1:30 p.m.

\*\*Lost coats have been turned in to the center office - please have your child come claim their coat.\*\*

■ ACMS Youth Service Center distributes school activity calendars on the first school day of each month to all students. Parents should be advised to watch for these informative materials as a means to staying informed on school happenings.

■ 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 or any listed activities, 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 appointment.

## BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

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

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

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

## CLARK ELEMENTARY

\*\*Each Wednesday, 3:15 p.m., "Fit Club" for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades.

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

## DUFF ELEMENTARY

\*\*School is now collecting Food City receipts. Please help our school receive new computers and technological equipment through the "Apples for Students" program. Children may turn receipts in to their homeroom teachers. Community members may also turn receipts in to the school office.

■ 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. Please call or stop by to see us in our new location. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

## MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

■ Jan. 22 - FRC Advisory Council meeting, 4 p.m., in school library. All invited.

■ 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 Headstart 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.

■ Lending library available to parents for check out of videos of their interest.

## MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

\*\*School is currently collecting Food City receipts to assist in purchasing equipment for the school. Please donate your receipts by dropping them off at the school office or sending them with a student.\*\*

■ GED classes held in the library on Monday and

(See SCHOOL, page three)

# Births



## It's a Boy!

Jesse James Lamorn Quesenberry was born on October 15, 2003, to proud parents Jason and Kimberly Quesenberry, of New London, North Carolina. He weighed 7 lbs., 10 oz. He is the grandson of new Times employee, Pauline Branham, and husband, Carl, of Staffordsville, and Donna and David Fesperman, of New London.



## Happy Birthday, Morgan!

Morgan Larissa Holbrook, the daughter of Scott and Carrie Holbrook, of Paintsville, celebrated her first birthday on August 16, 2002 with family and friends. She received many nice gifts and enjoyed her special day very much. Morgan is the granddaughter of Marie Miller, of Ligon, and the late Gary Miller, Connie and Ron Meek, of Boons Camp, and Larry and Teresa Holbrook, of Paintsville. She is the great-granddaughter of John and Jo Holbrook, of Paintsville, and the late Myrtle and Edd Tackett, of Melvin. She has one "Big Brother," Tyler Lee Compton.

# Wedding Engagements



## Johnson-DeRossett

Miss Kimberly Johnson and Mr. Jamie DeRossett were joined in marriage on November 8, 2003, at Sandals Grande St. Lucian in a ceremony conducted by Rev. Heather Franklyn. The new Mrs. DeRossett is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Johnson, of Radcliff. She is employed by the ERA Woods Real Estate Group. Mr. DeRossett is the son of Linda Sue Marshall, of Lexington, and Frank DeRossett Jr., of Prestonsburg. He operates DeRossett Appraisal Services. The newlyweds reside in Lexington.

# Eyes

with my friends, my eyes would always linger on the building. I took note of the fact that loud, raucous laughter would inevitably be heard pouring out the windows and front door, right along with huge, grey, circling clouds of cigarette smoke.

Overpowering the smell of tobacco would be the scent of fried onions, mixed in, perhaps, with a hint of Aqua Velva or the lingering fumes of a "Skin Bracer" drinker's breath.

Lining the front of the sidewalk would be an assortment of men, hanging onto any sort of fixture that they could find to lean on. Young men, middle aged men, old men - some dirty, some clean, most all with a cigarette dangling from their lips or fingertips.

Most would pay no attention to a group of gangly girls clad in cotton pedal-pusher shorts riding by on "flower power"

adorned bicycles, but in later years, as the pedal-pushers and tennis shoes were exchanged for saddle oxfords and short, swiny schoolgirl skirts, it became impossible for my girlfriends and I to be anywhere near the establishment without having to endure one or two rude catcalls or comments.

By this time of my life, I completely understood my mother's disdain for the place.

This doesn't mean, however, that my young eyes never once rested on the inside of the pool room walls. They did. But only on one or two occasions that I can remember. Once, accompanied by my father, who took me in only long enough to pick up a sack of the famous onion and mustard smothered burgers that the place was famous for. I'm pretty sure I had begged him to take me inside for long enough that he just couldn't stand it any-

more. You know how it can be with kids, send out a warning and it only serves to make them that much more curious.

I recall several rows of pool tables and even more men, of various shapes and sizes, the ever-present cigarette, a bottled drink in each hand, and billows and billows of that wispy grey smoke. And, oh yeah, a couple of shirt-sleeved sweaty men behind the counter patting out and flipping over thick, char-broiled hamburgers ("they pat 'em out under their armpits," my father would tease).

I also recall the dirty look my mother shot in my father's direction when we arrived home with our sack of burgers and I announced that I had seen "the inside of the pool room."

One other occasion also comes to mind. On this particular occasion, I had been visiting my father in his room at the old Prestonsburg General Hospital where he had been staying as the result of his most recent series of heart attacks. My father spent more days than I care to remember at this hospital, prior to a very prolonged stay at UK Medical Center following open-heart surgery.

Each day after school, with-

out fail, I would walk from Prestonsburg Elementary to the hospital. There I would sit with my dad, he doing crossword puzzles and me doing homework, until dusk would begin to creep in and he would send me on my way home "before it gets dark, now."

On one particular day, my dad was without cigarettes. Being a heart patient, I now know that was a good thing. But, times being different back then, believe it or not, he was actually allowed to smoke - right there in his hospital room. Seems I remember him mentioning a couple of times during the afternoon that someone was supposed to return with a pack for him. As the afternoon wore on, and it neared time for me to be on my way, my dad made a telephone call and quickly handed me a couple of dollars with the instructions to go to "the pool room" and "go up to the front counter and tell the man that you're Herb Prater's girl and give him the money. If you're not back in five minutes, I'll be calling."

I couldn't believe my ears. My dad was sending me to the

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# Anniversaries



## Couple celebrate 49th wedding anniversary

Delcie and Thurston Endicott, of Endicott, celebrated their 49th wedding anniversary on November 23, 2003, by enjoying the dinner buffet at Kentucky Fried Chicken, in Pikeville. Mr. and Mrs. Endicott were joined in marriage in 1954, at West Prestonsburg, by The Rev. G. R. Fannin. Joining the Endicott's in celebration were Darlene and John Endicott, also of Endicott.

# Ponder

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to die" is a frequent descriptor of the physical reaction. However, no one has died of a panic attack as yet. In addition, the person with the panic attacks often feels assured that they are going crazy or losing control. After quickly seeking medical help, the extremely anxious person is frequently given "nerve pills" or anti-anxiety medication such as Xanax or Antivan. Of all the anxiety disorders, panic is the one that rarely requires on-going medication for full recovery.

It is not unusual for people to have their first panic attack "out of nowhere." Although it might occur after a time of long-term stress, it might not be actually related to it. The first panic episode sometimes is in connection to a serious, unexpected stress, such as a car accident. Because this first event is so traumatic, the "fear of fear" begins. In an effort to prevent such episodes from occurring again, the person will start avoiding specific places or circumstances that "just might"

create panic. Then the person's life tends to be controlled by efforts to avoid those places or circumstances at any cost. This is typically where the nerve pills come in with their production of spontaneous relief, it seems. However, the potential for other significant problems can be set up; the panic symptoms will typically return as soon as the medication is discontinued and addictions are created from being dependent upon these types of medications.

Although anti-anxiety drugs are helpful at the moment, they are not the real cure. Sometimes anti-depressant medications are prescribed to correct a chemical imbalance within the brain that can be developed after prolonged stress. However, this is an instance where therapy is useful, the main approach, and the "root of the problem" can be resolved. Often learning ways to counteract the symptoms can permanently eliminate panic

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# This Town, That World

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

Wonder what this snow is sticking around for—a repeat performance?

## OUR SYMPATHY

We hear that Russel Hagewood, visiting at St. Petersburg, Florida, made the mistake of taking his wife fishing with him. She caught the big one—a five-pound bass. Russell had a relapse of the frustrations. One thing I can boast of: If a braggin-size fish is caught by the firm of Allen & Allen, I do the catching. The other half of the firm doesn't indulge.

## OF NEWSPAPERS AND SUCH

Our January 1, edition had only eight pages, and you would have thought, judging by remarks of some of our readers, that we might just as well have taken the week off.

The argument that the reading matter was there, that the number of pages was reduced simply because not enough businesses had anything to advertise that week to our at least 20,000 readers, failed to satisfy.

Many may not be aware of this fact: Some newspapers seldom print more than eight pages. And, but for the fact that we have sound, progressive businessmen who know the value of advertising, we would be one of them.

This isn't National Newspaper Week, and our Braggins' License hasn't been renewed for '65, but we would add just enough to point out that this weekly newspaper has it all

over the Saturday Evening Post. Time, and a lot of nationally or internationally known publications. We'll explain how by asking a question:

Do you think The Post ever had subscribers living as far away as Texas who called, long-distance, to ask why, in tunket, their paper didn't reach them last week?

## NOW, AIN'T IT?

Don't know why a reader was reminded to send it to me, but I got it. Our contributor wrote the title, too—"Ain't It So?"

How do I know that my youth is all spent?

Well, my "get up and go" has got up and went.

But in spite of it all I am able to grin.

When I think where my get up and go has been.

Old age is golden. I've heard it said,

But sometimes I wonder as I get into bed

With my ears in a drawer, my teeth in a cup,

My eyes on the table until I wake up.

Ere sleep dims my eyes, I say to myself

"Is there anything else I should lay on the shelf?"

And I'm happy to say as I close my door,

My friends are the same, perhaps even more.

When I was young, my slippers were red,

I would kick up my heels right over my head.

As I grew older my slippers

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# Family Medicine

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



# Daily low-dose aspirin good for heart health

**Q** Many of my friends take a baby aspirin every day and are surprised that I don't. I am 60 years old and in excellent health. Should I take an aspirin every day? How much should I take? Is it a safe medication?

**A** Aspirin is an old medicine that was a folk medicine for many years before Bayer started manufacturing it in synthetic form in 1893. The active ingredient in aspirin is salicylic acid that is found in the bark of the willow tree.

Aspirin has many medicinal uses. Here are some of the things aspirin is known to do:

- lower temperature - the antipyretic effect,
- reduce inflammation - the anti-inflammatory effect,
- relieve pain - the analgesic effect, and
- reduce platelet aggregation - the anticoagulant effect.

Aspirin use and dosage varies depending on what you are treating and why.

Low dose aspirin has been shown to prevent heart attacks. This 81 mg dose is now available in an adult form, so adults don't have to take flavored children's chewable tablets. It is also coated so it will be absorbed in the intestines rather than in the stomach.

This is important because aspirin and other non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs like ibuprofen can cause gastrointestinal bleeding. Over a period of time this can eat away at your stomach lining and cause ulcers. In fact, next to *h. pylori* bacteria, aspirin — and its more modern cousins — are the second most common cause of stomach ulcers.

Many physicians now recommend that their otherwise healthy adult patients take a low-dose aspirin tablet every day. If you've already had a heart attack, your physician may still recommend daily aspirin but at a higher dose of 325mg. That's about the amount in a regular adult aspirin tablet. This level of treatment with aspirin has been shown to reduce the incidence of repeat heart attack.

And, aspirin has other benefits as well. There is good evidence that taking an adult aspirin tablet soon after

the onset of heart attack symptoms may decrease the severity of the attack. A slightly higher daily dose of aspirin — 160 mg — has been shown to benefit people with vascular disease. At this level it can help to prevent strokes.

While aspirin is a safe drug with a long and distinguished track record, there can be problems with its use. As I mentioned earlier, it can increase the risk of gastrointestinal bleeding. This is especially true as you get older. It can also interact in a negative fashion with other drugs.

It is important to emphasize that taking aspirin is not a substitute for a healthy life-style. Practicing a healthy life-style - like not smoking, exercising regularly, and keeping your weight under control - are the key factors in preventing heart attacks and strokes.

As you can see, deciding if you

need daily aspirin therapy is a complex matter. It depends on your overall health, your health history and what other medications you are now taking. That's why I can't make a specific recommendation. Your own family physician is the person to evaluate the risks and benefits of an aspirin regimen in your case.

*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. 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 diagnosis and recommend treatment for any medical conditions. Past columns are available online at [www.fhradio.org/fm](http://www.fhradio.org/fm).*

## School

Wednesday of each week, 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Parent Support Group Calendar:  
■ Feb. 17 - Communication & Children.

■ March 16 - Child Abuse awareness.

■ April 15 - No meeting. All parents invited to attend "Give Yourself a Break Day" at the Mt. Arts Center.

■ May 4 - Nutrition/Obesity.

■ 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.

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, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.

### STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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

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

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

FRC.

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

### FLOYD COUNTY ADULT ED CLASS SCHEDULE

■ Monday: McDowell Elem. - 8-11 a.m. - 377-2678; Wayland Comm. Ctr. - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - 358-3400; Wheelwright Comm. Ctr. -

12:30-4:30 p.m. - 452-2500.

■ Tuesday: Betsy Layne High School - 8-11:30 a.m. - 478-3389; Auxier Lifetime Learning Ctr. - 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - 886-0709; Martin Adult Ed. Ctr. - 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - 285-5111; PCC (Room J148) - 1:30-4:30 p.m. - 886-8374; St. James Episcopal Church - 5-8 p.m. - 886-8046.

■ Wednesday: McDowell Elem. - 8-11:30 a.m. - 377-2678; Wayland Comm. Ctr. - 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - 358-3400.

■ Thursday: Betsy Layne High School - 8-11:30 a.m. - 478-

3389; Auxier Lifetime Learning Ctr. - 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - 886-0709; Martin Adult Ed. Ctr. - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - 285-5111; Wheelwright Comm. Ctr. - 12:30-4:30 p.m. - 452-2500; PCC (Room J148) - 1:30-4:30 p.m. - 886-8374; St. James Episcopal Church - 5-8 p.m. - 886-8046.

■ All classes and materials free of charge. Feel free to contact any of the above numbers or the David School at 886-8374 for further information.

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### 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

\*\*SPECIAL NOTICE - The PHS SBDM Council meeting scheduled for Jan. 19, has been CANCELLED. A special-called meeting will be held in its place on Jan. 21, at 5 p.m., in the school media center.\*\*

### SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

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

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

## New Arrivals

### HRMC New Arrivals

Dec. 15, 2003

A daughter, Rylee Jade Cook, to Leah and Robert Cook

Dec. 31, 2003

A daughter, Betty Josephine Shepherd, to Amanda Swick

Jan. 1, 2004

A son, Kyle Ray Hager, to Nathanael and Charlyn Hager

Jan. 2, 2004

A daughter, Cierra Joella Nichole Barnett, to Ashley Nicole Barnett

Jan. 2, 2004

A son, Colton Willis Rowland, to Helen and Jamerison Rowland

Jan. 2, 2004

A son, Ricky Connor Delong, to Lois Jean and Ricky Delong

Jan. 3, 2004

A daughter, Paige Kay Holley, to Jennifer Rose and Curtis Lenn Holley

Jan. 4, 2004

A daughter, Kimberley Nichole Music, to Lisa and Ricky Music

Jan. 4, 2004

A son, Isaiah Brysn Otto King, to Jessica Nichole King

Jan. 5, 2004

A son, Dakoda Austin Scott, to Jennifer Poe

Jan. 5, 2004

A son, Jayden Dean Barela, to Robin Renee Sword

Jan. 6, 2004

A son, Damon Matthew Ratliff, to Mary Ratliff

Jan. 6, 2004

A daughter, Jay Marie

Hoover, to Phoebe and Samuel Hoover

Jan. 7, 2004

A son, Marc Austin Jenkins, to Kashetta and Jason Jenkins

Jan. 7, 2004

A son, William Matthew Braxton Bailey, to Krinda and Barry Bailey

Jan. 8, 2004

A son, Tyson Cole Jenkins, to Elizabeth and Jeremy Jenkins

Jan. 8, 2004

A daughter, Abigail Lane Meade, to Patricia Rose Meade

Jan. 8, 2004

A son, Shelton Gregory Rydell Hall, to Genna Stumbo

Jan. 9, 2004

A son, Carson Drew Blackburn, to Denna and Shawn Blackburn

Jan. 10, 2004

A daughter, Tanisha Dawn King, to Erica Picklesimer

Jan. 11, 2004

A son, Brent Williams, to Eugena and Rickey Williams

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## Postscript

women who are over 40 most of all. Here are just a few reasons why:

"An over 40 woman will never wake you in the middle of the night to ask, 'What are you thinking?' She doesn't care what you think.

"If an over 40 woman doesn't want to watch the game, she doesn't sit around whining about it. She does something she wants to do. And it's usually something more interesting.

"An over 40 woman knows herself well enough to be assured in who she is, what she is, what she wants, and from whom. Few women past the age of 40 give a darn what you might think about her or what she's doing...

"Over 40 women are dignified. They seldom have a screaming match with you at the opera or in the middle of an expensive restaurant. Of course, if you deserve it, they won't hesitate to shoot you if they think they can get away with it.

"Over 40 women are generous with praise, often undeserved. They know what it's like to be unappreciated.

"An over 40 woman has the self-assurance to introduce you to her women friends. A younger

woman with a man will often ignore even her best friend because she doesn't trust the guy with other women. A woman over 40 couldn't care less if you're attracted to her friends because she knows her friends won't betray her.

"Women get psychic as they age. You never have to confess your sins to an over 40 woman. They always know.

"An over 40 woman looks good wearing bright red lipstick. This is not true of younger women.

"Over 40 women are forthright and honest. They'll tell you right off you are a jerk if you are acting like one. You don't ever have to wonder where you stand with her.

"Yes, we praise over 40 women for a multitude of reasons.

"Unfortunately, it's not reciprocal. For every stunning, smart, well-coiffed hot woman of 40+, there is a bald, paunchy relic in yellow pants making a fool of himself with some 22-year-old waitress.

"Ladies, I apologize." — Andy Rooney

You know, that's pretty deep and profound, after all.

## Ponder

without using drugs.

Generalized anxiety disorder (GAD) is more common than panic, but also more often overlooked. People with GAD have the theme of "Oh, no! I've made a mistake and someone is sure to find out." They are apt to live with the worry of GAD for years before seeking therapy for the depression that often results from the continuous worrying. Feeling this way for so long gets to feel natural, until it gets to the point of feeling overwhelmed. Individuals with GAD are prone to have physical complaints, such as headaches, ulcers, or colitis. "Feeling bad" is a prominent sign for the dread that is a main feature of GAD. Its victims often cope by having a workaholic lifestyle or have chronic pain or poor sleep. Usually, the basis of GAD is a chemical imbalance that sets them up to be worriers, plus also contributes to them being solemn, careful, or meticulous. When the worry becomes overwhelming, anti-depressant medications often help to slow down the worrying cycle and help them to sleep. Anti-anxiety medication, such as Buspar that is not addictive, is helpful to take the edge off, while the anxious person learns tech-

niques for being in charge of their life and not allowing the anxiety to control them. However, the medications are rarely needed forever. Basically, people with GAD need to make lifestyle changes and they tend to benefit a great deal from therapy, learning relaxation and thought-stopping techniques. There is not a "magic wand" for removing GAD, since years of worrying has been developed.

Social phobia is another panic condition that has been advertised often on the TV. Individuals with social phobia have an intense fear of being observed in social situations and of being rejected or humiliated. Their theme is "Oh, no! I'm being watched and I'm bound to make a mistake!" Similar to the other anxiety conditions, its basis is related to a chemical imbalance that tends to cause an individual to be very sensitive to faces and emotional tones in interpersonal interactions - shyness. Children who tend to be very shy usually can learn to adjust and develop successful relationships, with the support of parents that are encouraging and who do not push them. However, if they have humiliating experiences in

school or family life, or do not learn adequate social skills, they often develop avoidance behaviors. Again, medications can be helpful for these individuals, "for the time being," but they are likely to never learn to deal with and overcome their anxiety by their own efforts. In the end, they do not gain the confidence and the ability to control themselves, from the inside out.

There are other phobias that are created from many specific causes, such as the fear of public speaking, fear of flying, and fear of animals or insects. These individuals are usually not seen in therapy unless the phobia interferes seriously with some part of their lives, like a fear of driving over a bridge. However, these phobias can be successfully treated with therapy and without the need for medication.

Needless to say, anxiety can have a life of its own. It can have its own disorders and it is often a major player in other emotional disorders. Masking anxiety with a nerve pill only pushes it underground, so to speak, and does not eliminate it, but sometimes contributes to greater problems in the future. Do what you can to help yourself.

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pool room? I think I asked him if he had gone crazy and, I suppose, maybe he had, what with being a chain smoker who had done without a cigarette for a couple of hours now.

His only response was to tell me to hurry, before it got too late.

Well, let me tell you, my heart raced with both excitement and fear as I walked that short sidewalk and opened that greasy front door. I did exactly as my dad had instructed and, flushed with excitement, quickly returned before he had to make that second call.

This time, I don't know if my mom ever knew of what had taken place.

But times change (though people mostly don't, I can recall my mother telling me), and today, the "pool room" is gone. Replaced now for several years with a fine restaurant that any dad could be proud to take his little girl to. This, thanks to Billy Ray Collins, who was committed to changing the image of the one place that gave downtown

## World

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were blue, But still I could dance the whole night through.

Now I am old, my slippers are black,

I walk to the store and puff my way back.

The reason I know that my youth is all spent,

My get up and go has got up and went.

But I don't really mind when I think with a grin

Of all the grand places my get up has been.

Since I have retired from life's competition,

I busy myself with complete repetition,

I get up each morning and dust off my wits,

Pick up the paper and read the "Obits."

If my name is not there I know I'm not dead.

So I eat a good breakfast and go back to bed.

Prestonsburg a pretty bad rep.

And change it he did.

Though Billy Ray's burned down on September 12, 2001, its owner vowed to rebuild and to come back even bigger and better than before. Sadly, Billy Ray didn't live to see the grand reopening of his restaurant, but those that were there most surely felt his presence.

The "pool room" is gone, the "Playhouse" a thing of the past, but Billy Ray's is back and here to stay.

Stop by soon for lunch, dinner or just a quick visit. You'll be glad you did - and, oh yeah, don't forget to bring along the kids.





## About

That's how most of the springs were while I was growing every day and becoming aware of life around me and feeling the love in our little log house. Our home.

Then summer would steadily creep up at our little hollow and on our farm. Mother would raise up the windows and let the warm summer breeze flow through and make everything smell and look so fresh and pretty. The sun would be very hot. Some days mother would wipe the sweat from her face on the tail of her apron as she cooked on the wood burning stove. She tried to get her cooking done before the heat of the day became almost unbearable.

Summer chores were many and my parents worked hard to make a home for us and all the time I was still growing and watching and enjoying being a little girl with my Mother and

Daddy loving me.

As you know, summers don't last long enough and autumn soon rolls around and my mother and daddy became busy canning, drying, preserving, harvesting, and storing food - preparing for another winter, saving all the food they could before the snows came along again.

This is how time passed by until I was big enough to help with many of the chores which were always there to be done. I recall most of these days as good days and happy times.

These were growing years. Years when I learned, when I wondered, and when I dreamed of being older. I wondered if my life would be easy and where destiny would take me.

These growing years were usually happy, but sometimes I was troubled and sad, but I suppose most children have the same troubles growing up.

Walking down that dusty, dirt road one morning when I was old enough to go to school was the scariest experience I had ever had before. I didn't want to go away from my house everyday and be with strange boys and girls. The school house was just around the bend and I had passed by it lots of times when Daddy took the sled down the road to haul corn up from the corn field. It was a scary place, but Mother said I had to go. She held my hand all the way to the door. My heart was pounding and tears were in my eyes. She hugged me and whispered, "Everything will be all right," and left me at the door.

My Uncle Dick Burchett was the teacher in that little one roomed school house with about twenty or so students. I had always loved my Uncle Dick but he was so different there in the schoolhouse. He wasn't laughing and joking and he never even hugged me. He only said, "Here's your seat, Imogene, sit down." My heart fell to my shoes and it was plain to see that my Uncle Dick didn't love me anymore. I was afraid of him that day for the first time in my life and I had to go there everyday. How does a five year old ever understand? And I had to call him Mr. Burchett on top of it all.

Well, time has a way of going by and I went to school. I was on my way to that future I had wondered about. I learned, I played, I experienced life in that little school and even though I had to call my teacher Mr. Burchett, I did my lessons well. I had bad days but most of them were happy ones. I had friends and playmates and we carried our milk and bread to school every day in a four pound lard bucket and sat under the big elm tree and ate it for our lunch. That was good times.

Without knowing it, I was growing up. After a few years of playing, studying, helping mother, and being carefree, I was maturing and living my life, and before I knew it, I was ready for high school. I went to live in a dormitory for girls in Pikeville, Kentucky so that I could contin-

ue to go to school. I turned eleven years old my first year of high school. Again, I found myself insecure and afraid. I was too young to be rooming with a girl who was seventeen. I had to grow up fast that year and learn to be away from my parents. I cried a lot, but I made my grades and learned to fit in and make friends. It was hard, but I did well.

These four years passed by sometimes fast and sometimes very slow, but here I was, ready for college. My daddy took me to Morehead, Kentucky that year (1936) to enroll me in college at the age of 16. He had an old Dodge pick-up truck. He put my trunk and a few other things in the back of his pick-up and we drove to Morehead. If my heart was pounding on my first day of school and my first day of high school, you know that it was pounding harder on our way to a city far away from home and a school bigger than the whole farm at home.

Again I cried. I missed my mother's cooking. I missed her arms around me and us sitting together under the cherry tree. When it was in bloom, we would watch the honeybees gather nectar and the butterflies flit from one blossom to another. I missed

the evenings we would walk together to bring the cows in to be milked. On those trips, we would gather up a few walnuts to crack or maybe a paw-paw to eat.

I missed the days in winter when Daddy would pull me on my little sled through the snow to gather the eggs before they froze. I thought about the nights we would sit on the back porch and listen to the whip-o-will call and watch the moon start its trip across the sky. That's when a tear drop would always find its way to drip off my chin.

By now I was working toward being a teacher and my courses were hard and most of my time was used to study and to keep up my school work. I still had time to make friends, go to school dances, and all the other school functions. I had a good time and lots of beaus - nice boy friends - were always around.

Then, like most girls do, I met a young man one summer vacation and another great change came along in my life. I went to visit my Aunt Amma and Uncle Dick who lived along the banks of the Big Sandy River. Late in the afternoon, when the sun was just going down, a gentle April shower came pouring down and drove this young man up the

river bank, from where he had been taking fish from his trot line that he had in the river behind their house. His hair was wet with the rain and his feet were muddy. His blue eyes were lit up and his beautiful white teeth sparkled as he stopped to say hello. Whoops!

Kenneth and I were married the next January (1940). Again my heart was pounding and I was scared because a new and strange life was before me once again. On our wedding day I cried as I had in days gone by. I wondered what life ahead would be like and once again I thought of my home and how I missed the sheltered love there. I was filled with thoughts of the old barn with a hay loft over the stalls where Daddy's cows and horses lived and of the old cherry orchard behind the barn. As a tear found its way to my chin - to drop on my wedding dress - I knew I would never be far away from it all and that I would probably be there as often as I wanted to be.

*Editor's Note: Mrs. Caldwell's book, "From the Top Rail of the Fence," can be found in selected stores throughout the county. Mrs. Caldwell resides on Cow Creek.*

## Co-op

ing your forages, concentrate on maximizing per-acre production. Soil fertility is the foundation of high forage production; without adequate nutrients, intensive management practices are destined to fail.

So begin your quest for higher-yielding forage by getting samples for a soil test on a warm winter day when the soil isn't frozen. Taking these samples is easy, and the test is inexpensive, five dollars per sample. The Floyd Cooperative Extension Service has more information on soil testing. The research-based results will list exactly what nutrients and how much of each needs to be applied.

Of all soil nutrients, nitrogen usually gives you the highest yield return. Unfortunately, nitrogen prices have nearly doubled the past few years. The good news is that you can totally eliminate the need for nitrogen in pastures and hay fields by over-seeding them with red clover next spring. Red clover will last about three years.

Because it's a legume, red clover will supply all the nitrogen the grasses need. Be sure to choose a high-yielding red clover variety and use certified seed.

In addition to providing required nitrogen, clover also will improve forage feed value and will reduce the effects of fescue toxicity.

Other ways to improve forage production include planting summer annual grasses for mid-summer grazing, stockpiling fescue for early winter grazing, and renovating with improved varieties.

Contact me at the Floyd County Cooperative Extension Service at 886-2668 for more information about soil fertility, spring over-seeding with clover and other easy, inexpensive ways to improve forage yields.

Educational programs of the Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service serve all people regardless of race, color, age, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

Source: Greg Schwab

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## Receive ten free trees from the National Arbor Day Foundation

Ten free flowering trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during January, 2004.

The free trees are part of the non-profit foundation's "Trees for America" campaign.

The ten trees will consist of a package containing two White Flowering Dogwoods, two Flowering Crabapples, two Washington Hawthorns, two American Redbuds, and two Koussa Dogwoods.

These compact trees were

selected for planting in large or small spaces," said John Rosenow, president of the foundation. "They will give any home the beauty of lovely pink, white and yellow flowers, and will also provide winter berries and nesting sites for songbirds."

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting, between February 1 and May 31, with enclosed planting instructions. The 6-12" trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge.

Members will also receive a subscription to the Foundation's bi-monthly publication, "Arbor Day," and "The Tree Book," which contains information about tree planting and care.

To become a member of the National Arbor Day Foundation and to receive your ten free trees, send a \$10 contribution to "Ten Free Flowering Trees," National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by January 31, 2004. Or go online to arbor-day.org.

# The Times

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## AUTOMOTIVE

### 130-Cars

**FOR SALE 4 CYLINDER RACE CAR** raced last year Call for more info from 606-358-3458 After 6:00pm

**FOR SALE:** 1997 Pontiac Grand Prix GTP, super charged engine. In very good condition. Asking \$6500. Call 874-8931 or 226-3811.

**1992 CHEVY CORSI-CA** for sale. If interested call 889-0872 or 226-0062

### 140-4x4s

**FOR SALE:** 1952 Willy's Jeep. Call 422-1862

### 160-Motorcycles

**FOR SALE** 01 Suzuki Jr-50, with helmet, good condition, \$500 firm. Call evenings at 606-478-8458.

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

**FOR SALE:** 1999 Black Fat boy, bike includes smokey windshield, leather saddlebags and lots of chrome accessories. 15,000 miles. Interested inquires call at 886-2030.

**FOR SALE:** 1996 Ultra Classic, low mileage 14,000 mls, black/green motorcycle with lots of accessories. Interested inquires call at 886-2030.

**For sale 1991 Ford Crown Victoria** 5316 miles 4 door white call 859-293-0979

### 170-Parts

**BOX FOR A FULL SIZED TRUCK.** MADE FROM FIBERGLASS. RUST PROOF. TWO SIDES, WITH SLIDING SHELVES, AND ANTENNA BALL CAME OFF CHEVROLET CK1500 \$95 OBO 886-8897

### 180-Trucks

**FOR SALE:** 2002 Chevy Tahoe, gray, with third row seat. Call 886-1779 days, or 886-2640 evenings.

**FOR SALE:** F600 Ford Dump Truck. Looks good and runs good. Asking \$3200 OBO. Call 946-2833.

**FOR SALE:** 1997 Tahoe, 4 Dr, 4 wheel drive, X/M Satellite radio, CD, leather interior. Very clean, Under booked. \$9750. Call 886-1775.

## 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 Opport.

**NEED AN EXTRA \$36,000 A YEAR?** Vending route for sale. 50 high traffic locations. Cost \$5000. 1-800-568-1392 or www.vendingthatworks.com

### 210-Job Listings

**FULL TIME ROUTE SALES.** Day shift, driving 1 ton box van in Big Sandy area. Salary & commission \$300 to \$400 week. Honest, dependable & good driving record a must. Send resume to: Route Sales, P.O. Box 144, Staffordsville, Ky. 41256.

**PRESTONSBURG HEALTH CARE CENTER** has an opening for LPNs and CNAs. Full time and PRN positions are available. 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).

**DENTIST OFFICE HAS OPENING.** Computer experience preferred. Send resume to: 415 N. Lake Dr., 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

**WANTED:** Part time police officer for the city of Allen. applications may be picked up at City Hall between 8:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.

**Busy Pediatric Clinic** is seeking energetic LPN. If interested send resume to: Office Manager P. O. Box 607 Prestonsburg, Ky

**Oil Field Service Company Has Opening For Hard-Working Drivers and Experienced Cement Supervisors in the Allen Office**

Must be 21 years of age or older. Must have CDL and good driving record with some mechanical aptitude.

Please apply in person,  
**Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. thru 4:00 p.m.**  
 Located at:  
**Universal Well Service, 5252 Route 1428 in Allen KY**

## Job Opportunity

Wright Lumber Company is taking applications for Bookkeeping position. Must have knowledge in Bookkeeping and computer skills. apply in person Martin location, No Phone call please.

## ROUTE FOR SALE:

A national cookie company seeks qualified individual to own/operate a distributorship in the Prestonsburg area. Investment and delivery vehicle required, sales support & training provided. Mail resume to: P.O. Box 357, Belle WV 25015

## SEI SECURITY

has immediate openings for full & part time unarmed positions. Must have valid driver's license, transportation, and no criminal record. Excellent wages, benefits, paid holidays & vacations. Uniforms provided. Call for appointment 606-886-6292. EOE. DRUG/FREE COMPANY

## IMMEDIATE OPENING.

Ambitious individual to perform maintenance at apartment complex in Prestonsburg and Salyersville. Health insurance available. Must have own tools. Send resume and three references to: **LRMG, 396 Cave Run Lake road, Salt Lick KY 40371.**

## EMPLOYMENT POSITION.

Glass installer needed for A&B Auto Glass, Prestonsburg. Experience preferred but not required. Apply in person at A&B Auto Glass, 1898 Kentucky Route 321, Prestonsburg or call 606-886-0184 for an appointment.

## WANTED: Full-time teacher

for grades K-5, 5-8, or K-8, for a small private school located in Prestonsburg, Ky. Please call Dr. Khattab at 606-789-5541 or fax 606-789-9445 for details.

## FINANCIAL

### 380-Services

**SPRUCE UP YOUR OFFICE WITH OLD FASHION QUALITY CLEANING** at reasonable rates. Free estimates call 606-874-9703

### MERCHANDISE

### 410-Animals

**FREE TO A GOOD HOME!** Puppies, mixed miniature collies. 6 weeks old Call 285-5003 after 3 p.m.

### Lost Brown Male Fiest

Wearing with Purple Collar right fork of Bull Creek call 874-9722

### FOR SALE: 2 akc Welsh Corgi puppies.

Shots & papers. Call 606-886-8609.

### GREAT PYRENEES

akc registered, 3 male pups, 6 months old. \$200 each. 606-251-3623.

### FREE TO A GOOD HOME:

A male white German Shepard. 3 months old. Call 874-8878.

### 445-Furniture

**ALMAR FURNITURE** Big selection of living room, bedroom, dining room, refrigerators, stove, washers and much more. 606-874-0097

### FOR SALE: Queen Anne chair & table.

Chair is blue in color, table is cherry finish. Excellent condition. Also, Bow Flex machine. Call 886-8685 if no answer leave message.

### ALLEN FURNITURE ALLEN, KY

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

### RAY'S BARGAIN CENTER

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

## 480-Merchandise

**FOR SALE:** Work uniforms, pants & shirts, assorted colors, extra large. Blue in color. Call 606-785-3205.

**FOR SALE:** 3/4 karat diamond ring. Asking \$500. Call 874-4981 or 791-2167.

**FOR SALE:** Home exercise equipment: AB/lower back machine and Stepper machine. \$100 each or \$150 pair. Call 789-8380 after 6 p.m.

## FOR SALE: Paintball gun.

2003 Core Sharp. semi-automatic, black and chrome, 12" barrel. \$130 (OBO) Call 886-8506 and ask for Kathy (day). 789-8380 evening.

## FOR SALE: Give that special someone a 'golden' gift that will last all year 'round!

For sale now: Tanning bed-brand new bulbs. \$600. Call 874-0467.

## FOR SALE: 8 ft' refrigerated deli case,

\$1000, small pizza oven, \$400, small juice cooler, \$150, washer & dryer, \$150 pair. Call 886-2367.

## FOR SALE: 8 ft' deli cooler,

\$950 and Gas conduction oven, \$450. Call 886-2367.

## FOR SALE: Home Interior Items,

full size comforters & curtains to match, Avon collectible items, collection of novels. Call after 4 p.m. 886-3326.

## Papa John's

**IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR DRIVERS**

**Hourly wages, plus tips and commission.**

**Phone 886-2800**

**or stop by 487 N. Lake Dr. Prestonsburg**

## SALES ASSOCIATE

Sherwin-Williams, a leader in the paint and coatings industry, has an opening at our Pikeville store for a part-time Sales Associate. In this position, you will assist customers, stock and price products, maintain store displays and tint and mix paints.

Here is what you get: Competitive salary, vacation pay, growth opportunities, company-paid pension (minimum hours required to be eligible), company-paid training, employee discounts; plus excellent insurance and 401K, for full-time employees.

Here is what you need: High school diploma or equivalent; ability to work all scheduled hours; valid driver's license; appropriate vehicle insurance.

Apply at:  
**The Sherwin-Williams Company**  
**4223 North Mayo Trail**  
**Pikeville, KY 41501**  
**(Tel: 606-437-4355; Fax: 606-432-3803)**

## KAY'S WALLPAPER 205 DEPOT RD.

**PAINTSVILLE, KY HUNDREDS OF PATTERNS OF WALL-PAPER & BORDERS** All under \$10.00. Open Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Closed Sunday & Monday. 789-8584.

## 495-Want To Buy

**GOOD USED ELECTRIC TREADMILL** CALL 886-8506 EXT. 24 OR 886-8494 AFTER 5 PM FOR

## REAL ESTATE

### 530-Homes

**RENT:** 3 BR, 2 BA home. Located on Rough & Tough. \$600 mo + deposit Call 606-422-1862.

## FOR SALE: House at Wheelwright

1801 Main St., 2 BR, separate dining room, fenced yard, new furnace. Includes second lot. Call 606-452-4168 or 859-527-7646

## 550-Land/Lots

**LARGE LEVEL LOT** convient to Martin or Prestonsburg. Call 859-749-4286 days or 859-901-1636 evenings.

## FOR SALE: Almost 1 acre near Long Bow

Boat docks at Cave Run Lake. Asking \$6500. Call 606-886-3836.

## FOR SALE: Mineral rights including working gas well and Timber.

Located at Hippo, Ky. Call for information 1-419-255-2264 ask for Florene.

## 570-Mobile Homes

**FOR SALE:** 14x68 1995 Fleetwood Reflection Mobile HOmes. 2 BR, 2 full BA. All appliances included. New central air. Asking \$10,500. Must be moved. If interested call (606) 874-5492 or (606) 422-4466.

## FOR SALE 12X60 Mobile Home.

Underpinning & steps included, needs repairs, excellent for parts or storage, \$1000 OBO. Call after 5:30 874-4604.

## For Sale 2 plots in New Section of Davidson Memorial.

In front facing US 23 \$1200.00 for both call 377-2711 ask for Virgil or Betty Jo

## For Sale 1 grave plot Davidson Memorial

call 859-293-09791

## HOUSE FOR SALE

7 Rm. house located on Riverside Drive in Prestonsburg. Good location call evening 874-9595

## Firewood for sale

886-8350

## To place your ad call

886-8506

## 590-Sale or Lease

**FOR SALE OR LEASE: 16000 sq. ft. building,** more or less w/apt. attached. 2 BR, 1 BA. Separate metal bldg. 40x50 & 2 + 1/2 acres of land. Large road frontage. Between Allen & Martin. close to WMDJ Call 859-512-6812.

## RENTALS

### 610-Apartments

**APARTMENT FOR RENT:** Furnished efficiency apartment, includes w/d & cable, suitable for single working person. No pets. \$325 mo \$150 dep. Call 874-5577.

## FOR RENT:

Downstairs 2 BR, apartment. Central h/a, washer/dryer hook-up. Harold area. \$375 mo plus dep. Call 478-1510 or 478-9075.

## 2 BR DUPLEX FOR RENT

central h/a, on US 23, 1 mile N. of Prestonsburg. Also 2 Br house for rent, total electric, central h/a, small yard, no pets. Call 886-9007 or 889-9747.

## 2 BR DUPLEX FOR RENT

\$550 mo, \$500 dep. One year lease required. Lancer, Ky. 886-8781 after 6 p.m.

## central kentucky bloodcenter

### PIKEVILLE MOBILE PHLEBOTOMIST

Screen and draw blood from Volunteer Donors. Travel by van or bloodmobile to sites in central and eastern Kentucky. Requires commitment to volunteer blood donorism, excellent public relations skills, flexibility, and high professional standards, proven ability to get along well with others and to learn new skills quickly. Must be able to work variable schedules, including weekday and weekends. Must pass pre-employment drug screen. Job appropriate (non-certification) training provided. (If you leave before one year, you must repay the Blood Center for training.) \$8.40/hr. to start; \$9.20 when fully trained. Full-time position.

### CKBC offers excellent benefits.

Please send resumé to:  
 CKBC, Attn: HR  
 330 Waller Avenue, Lexington, KY 40504  
 jobs@ckbc.org  
 CKBC is a drug-free and EOE.  
[www.ckbc.org](http://www.ckbc.org)

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

### General Assignment Reporter

The Floyd County Times is currently accepting applications for general assignment reporters, either full-time or part-time. The ideal candidate will possess strong writing skills, dedication to the principles of journalism, strong people skills and a go-getter attitude. Experience is preferred, but applicants with the right mix of education and ability, will be considered. The ability to work flexible hours is a must. Benefits include a competitive salary, health insurance, vacation, 401k and mileage, for full-time employees.

If you would like to advance or continue your career in the field of journalism, you may submit your resumé and writing samples to

**Managing Editor Ralph B. Davis**  
**The Floyd County Times**  
**P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653**  
 or  
**via email to web@floydcountytimes.com**

## CATHOLIC HEALTH INITIATIVES

## Our Lady of the Way Hospital

11203 Main P.O. Box 910 Martin, Ky. 41649

## JOB OPENING

**POSITION:** Registered Nurse  
**DEPARTMENT:** Emergency Services  
**STATUS:** 84 hours per pay period  
 12 p.m.-12 a.m.



**DUPLEX APARTMENT FOR RENT:** 2 BR, 1 BA, stove, refrigerator, central h/a, w/d hookup, city limits at US 23 & 80. \$435 mo. + utilities and \$250 dep.. 1 year lease, no pets. Call 886-7237 or 237-4758.

**630-Houses**

**2 BR HOUSE,** equipped kitchen, near schools, Prestonsburg area. References required. Call 886-0825 before 5 p.m. (TFN Little Rascals all)

**TOWNHOUSE FOR RENT OR LEASE** at Timberline Estate, 1 mile from P.C.C. 2BR, 2 1/2 BA, living room, kitchen, kitchen appliances, washer & dryer furnished, \$500 mo. plus utilities. Call 886-1997.

**1 BR BACHELOR APARTMENT** near Prestonsburg and J.W. Lake. A/C, private, clean. Not suitable for more than 2 people. Call 606-886-3941.

**APARTMENT FOR RENT:** 3 BR, central h/a, wall to wall carpet. \$375mo + utilities. Call 285-3412 or 886-1714.

**HOUSE/OFFICE FOR RENT:** 3 BR, big yard, central h/a. \$500 mo + utilities. Call 285-3412 or 8861714.

**Start The New Year In A New Apartment**  
Prestonsburg Park Place Apartments. Immediate occupancy for qualified applicants. 1 Br/\$305 mo. 2 Br/\$325 mo. Call 886-0039  
**EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY**

**FOR RENT 3 BR** brick house with 2 BA, stove & refrigerator included, w/d hook-up. \$500 mo, \$300 sec. dep. utilities not included. No pets. Call 886-3547.

**For Rent 3Bd.Rm Brick Home** at Allen 550.00 with first and last rent call 606-432-4229 Can move in after Jan.16 .04

**HOUSES, APARTMENTS, & TOWNHOUSES,** No pets. Call **B&O Rental Properties** 606-886-8991

**GREETINGS FROM LIGHTHOUSE MANOR,** Terry & Sharon Smith. We have apartments for rent that are efficiency apartments, all utilities paid. For more info call 606-886-2797.

**FURNISHED 1 BEDROOM APARTMENTS:** Central heat & air. Rent starting at \$350 month, + \$300 deposit. Located near HRMC. 889-9717.\*

**650-Mobile Homes**  
**FOR RENT:** Trailer lot in Prestonsburg behind Layne's Hardware. Call 886-9165 (days) or 886-6770 (evenings).

**1 EFFICIENCY APARTMENT,** \$300 mo. + \$250 dep. Lease and references required. Utilities paid. Also 1 BR apartment, \$325 mo, \$300 dep and 2 BR apartment. partial furnished, utilities paid. Lease & reference required. 886-3154.

**1 BR TRAILER FOR RENT** Call 874-9790.  
**FOR RENT:** 2 BR trailer above Garrett just off Rt. 80. Call 358-9351.

**1 & 2 Bd. Rm Apts.** for Rent no pets call 886-8991

**3 BR, 1.5 BA MOBILE HOME FOR RENT.** Extra nice. \$410 mo plus utilities & sec. dep. Call 606-874-2802.

New 1 Bd.Rm partially Furnished Apt. Utilities paid, washer and dryer provided, no pet, 425.00 per month 150.00 deposit available Feb.1-04 call 874-5575

**FOR RENT: MODERN SECOND FLOOR APARTMENT** Approx. 900 sq. ft. Furnished kitchen. Will also consider renting apartmnet for office space. Located 1 mile south of Martin on Rte 122 across from the Floyd County Technology Center at Garth. \$500 per mo. plus utilities. Call 285-3825 or 285-9112.

3 Bd.Rm. House for Rent. No Pets, call 886-8991

**FOR RENT:** 2 BR house at Betsy Layne. \$450 mo + deposit. Call 478-5403.

**Subscribe & Save! Call 886-8506**

**670-Commercial Property**

**ALL TYPES:** Remodeling & additions, garages, decks, etc. Also concrete work. Robie Johnson, Jr., call anytime, 886-8896.

**SERVICES**

**HELP THE KIDS IN THE COMMUNITY.** We are looking for donations for new & used computers to distribute to the kids community facilities. For pick up call Scott 889-9551 and to deliver call Scott 889-9551.

**NOTICES**

**812 - FREE**  
**FREE PALLETS:** Can be picked up behind The Floyd County Times.

**FREE FILL DIRT** right fork of Bull Creek. call 606-874-2444.

**815-Lost & Found**

**LOST DOG:** Brown Male FIEST wearing purple collar right fork of Bull Creek. If found call 874-9721

**FOUND:** Female Blue Healer dog in Allen area. Dog has just had surgery. If you have any information call 874-8414 or 874-2600.

**850-Personals**

When responding to Personal 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.

**START DATING TONIGHT!** Have fun meeting eligible singles in your area. Toll Free. 1-800-ROMANCE ext. 9735

**HELP WANTED**  
**Full-time position available**  
**Cashier/Receptionist**  
Experience in this field is required.  
Please send resumé to  
John Gray Pontiac Buick  
GMC Trucks Inc.  
P.O. Box 1689  
Paintsville, Kentucky 41240,  
or apply in person at our dealership  
at 1004 Third Street  
Paintsville, Kentucky.  
**NO PHONE CALLS, PLEASE.**

**HELP WANTED**  
**Part-time position available**  
**Evening and weekend receptionist**  
Monday thru Friday Evenings;  
Saturday, 9:00 a.m. till 6:00 p.m.;  
Occasional Sundays.  
Must have good people skills, experience requested, but not required.  
Please send resumé to  
John Gray Pontiac Buick  
GMC Trucks Inc.  
P.O. Box 1689  
Paintsville, Kentucky 41240,  
or apply in person at our dealership  
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Paintsville, Kentucky.  
**NO PHONE CALLS, PLEASE.**

**Big Sandy Health Care, Inc.**  
*seeks candidates for a*  
**CMA**  
*at*  
Physicians For Women  
Prestonsburg, KY  
CMA requirements include current certificate in KY as a Medical Assistant and BLS (Basic Life Support) Healthcare office experience preferred.  
Send resumé to:  
**Human Resources**  
**Big Sandy Health Care, Inc.**  
1709 KY Route 321, Suite 3  
Prestonsburg, KY 41653  
Fax: (606) 886-8548  
Email: hr@bshc.org  
*A proud tradition of providing access to quality health care.*  
Big Sandy Health Care is an Equal Opportunity Employer

**NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS**  
**IN THE FLOYD COUNTY TIMES CIRCULATION DEPT. ASSEMBLING NEWSPAPERS**  
**Part-time:**  
**Day and night shifts**  
**APPLY AT 263 S. CENTRAL AVE.**  
No Phone Calls, Please!  
E.O.E.

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO OBTAIN TITLE**  
Lien Holder: Orney Corporation  
P.O. BOX 266  
Prestonsburg, KY 41653  
606-889-0242  
Debtor: Keith and Cheryl Fielden  
Vehicle: 1972 Volkswagon Beetle  
Orney Corporation intends to obtain title to the above described vehicle if a written objection is not received from debtors in 14 days of this notice for unpaid debt.

**NOTICE OF EXEMPTION TO ABANDON A LINE OF RAILROAD**  
CSX Transportation, Inc. gives notice that on or about January 16, 2004, it intends to file with the Surface Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F—Exempt Abandonments permitting the abandonment of a 9.1 mile line of railroad in the Central Region, known as its Appalachian Division, Middle Creek Subdivision, between railroad Milepost COQ 1.0 at McNally and Milepost COQ 10.1 near East David, Kentucky. The line traverses through United States Postal Service ZIP Codes 41653 and 41616 in Floyd County, Kentucky. The proceeding will be docketed as No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 645X).

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**  
Pursuant to Application Number 836-8054, Renewal In accordance with KAR 350.055, notice is hereby given that Central Appalachia Mining, LLC, P.O. Box 2827, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for a renewal of a permit for a surface and reclamation mining operation, located affecting 11.95 acre located 0.25 mile east of Ivel in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 0.25 mile south from U.S. Route 23's junction with Ivel Road, and located 0.25 mile of Levisa Fork. 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

Transportation Board, Washington, DC 20423, or by calling SEA at (202) 565-1526.  
Appropriate offers of financial assistance to continue rail service can be filed with the Board. Requests for environmental conditions, public use conditions, or rail banking/trails use also can be filed with the Board. An original and 10 copies of any pleading that raises matters such as trails use, public use and offers of financial assistance) must be filed directly with the Board's Office of the Secretary, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20423 [See 49 CFR 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)], and one copy must be served on applicant's representative [See 49 CFR 1104.12(a)]. Questions regarding offers of financial assistance, public use or trails use may be directed to the Board's Office of Congressional and Public Services at (202) 565-1594. Copies of any comments or requests for conditions should be served on the applicant's representative (Natalie S. Rosenberg, Counsel, CSX Transportation, Inc., 500 Water Street, J-150, Jacksonville, FL 32202).

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**  
Pursuant to Application Number 836-5376, Operator Change In accordance with the provisions of 405KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Rd., Pikeville, Ky, 41501, intends to revise permit #836-5376, to change the operator. The current operator is FCDC Coal, Inc. The new operator will be RAMA DEVELOPMENT CO. Inc., Rt 3, Box 706, DELBARTON, WV 25670. The operation is located .5 mile from Drift in Floyd County. The operation is approximately 0.5 mile northeast from KY 1101's junction with KY 122, and located .1 mile east of Left Beaver Creek. The operation is located on the Wayland and McDowell USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle map, at latitude 37-29-18, and Longitude 82-45-25. 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, KY 41653. Written comments or objections, must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601. All comments must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**  
Pursuant to Application Number 836-8054, Renewal In accordance with KAR 350.055, notice is hereby given that Central Appalachia Mining, LLC, P.O. Box 2827, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has applied for a renewal of a permit for a surface and reclamation mining operation, located affecting 11.95 acre located 0.25 mile east of Ivel in Floyd County. The proposed operation is approximately 0.25 mile south from U.S. Route 23's junction with Ivel Road, and located 0.25 mile of Levisa Fork. 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

Central Appalachia Mining, LLC, and J.K. Stratton heirs.  
The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Dr., 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.

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Pursuant to Application Number 836-8041, Amendment 4  
In accordance with 405 KAR 8:01, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501 has applied for an amendment to a permit for a coal processing facility and refuse disposal operation located 1.9 miles Southeast of Printer in Floyd County. The amendment will add 85.51 acres for a total of 156.66 acres within the amended boundary. The facility is approximately 1.4 miles Southeast from KY 122's junction with State Route 2030 and located 0.004 miles Northeast of Spurlock Creek. The latitude is 37° 31' 25". the longitude is 82° 43' 30"

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