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briefs

Prescription nets woman trip to jail

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Johnson County woman who allegedly altered a prescription for pain pills was arrested this week in Prestonsburg.

Sandra L. Burchett, 27, of Van Lear, was released on a \$1,000 cash bond after her arrest Monday by Prestonsburg Police Officer Trent Combs.

Burchett, charged with a felony count of making a false statement about a prescription, allegedly altered a prescription prescribed to her by Dr. Charles Hieronymus.

According to the citation, Combs was contacted by Rite Aid Pharmacy in the Highlands Plaza regarding the forgery.

Burchett allegedly altered the prescription for Lorcet from 24 to 34 pills and had given herself two additional refills.

She is scheduled to be arraigned for the felony charge July 27.

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Tackett to be charged with murder

by JOYAL FRAZIER
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Willis Eugene Tackett appeared in court Thursday for a preliminary hearing in front of Judge Eric Hall, where he learned that he will soon be facing a murder charge.

On July 1, Tackett was allegedly driving a Chevy Blazer on Route 979, when he ran off the road and lost control of the vehicle. The Blazer flipped and came to rest

against a tree.

The accident ejected two passengers from the vehicle, causing serious physical injury to Terry Tackett and Dorothy Moore, who were both airlifted to Cabell-Huntington Hospital.

Dorothy Moore died July 9, due to injuries received from the accident.

Willis Tackett allegedly fled the scene and was later arrested at Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin, where he said he had been

in a four-wheeler accident.

Kentucky State Police Trooper Rick Conn testified at the hearing as the reconstructionist of the accident. Conn said that the driver of the vehicle was in it until it came to rest, however, Tackett's attorney is questioning whether Tackett or Dorothy Moore was driving.

Conn said that he felt Moore was ejected from the vehicle when it struck the first of two culvert

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Willis Eugene Tackett appeared in front of Judge Eric Hall during his preliminary hearing Thursday for allegedly fleeing from the scene of an accident that resulted in the death of a passenger in the vehicle he was driving.

photo by Joyal Frazier



National Guard troops from the Prestonsburg Armory participated in various combat training exercises at Camp Atterbury, Ind., before being deployed to Germany last week.

P'burg Guard unit arrives in Germany

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

GERMANY — Charlie Company 206 Engineers who departed Floyd County in May for a 10-month peacekeeping mission in Kosovo are currently stationed in Germany, the U.S. Army National Guard Armory reported this week.

The unit, part of a multinational brigade centered at keeping peace between the warring territories of

Albania and Serbia, arrived at an unspecified German location Friday, Sgt. Sam Sumpter said.

The troops spent approximately two months at an Atterbury, Ind., base, where they participated in engineering, infantry and military police training.

According to Sumpter, the unit will receive 3-to-4 weeks of additional "mission specific" training in Germany before they head for Kosovo.

"Training at Atterbury went

really well. They were hyped up and ready to go," Sumpter said.

Sumpter said morale with the troops is high, but there is a current delay in personal contact between the troops with their families because of their remote location.

Taryn Justice, of Pike County, voiced concerns this week about contact with her husband, Troy, an E-4 Specialist, whose \$50 AT&T calling card afforded him only 20

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Shooting suspect turns self in

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Michael Lester, 44, of Williamson, W.Va., was arraigned Thursday in district court for the shooting of Donald Ray Dotson in Auxier on Tuesday.

Lester surrendered himself to Kentucky State Police Wednesday afternoon at Post 9 in Pikeville.

A \$250,000 cash bond was set by Judge James Allen and a preliminary hearing date was set for Monday July 26.

Lester was represented by Gerald Derossett, who sought a lower bond for his client,

citing strong family ties which were certainly evident by the presence of his family in the courtroom.

Lester was interviewed at the time of his surrender by Det. Mickey Watson. The detective said he is unable, at this time, to give details from that conversation.

The shooting occurred outside an Auxier residence on Tuesday morning. Dotson was leaving a home when Lester, who had apparently been waiting outside, allegedly shot him once in the back.

It is still unclear what led to the shooting.



Michael Lester

Dewey drowning victim recovered

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Sheriff's office is investigating the death of a Prestonsburg man

who died in an apparent drowning at Dewey Lake last night.

The Floyd County Rescue Squad recovered the body of

(See DROWNING, page three)

Robbery suspects plead not guilty

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A man and woman captured Tuesday as suspects in robberies at two Floyd County businesses pleaded not guilty to two counts of first-degree robbery Wednesday.

April Leigh Cook, 24, of Mousie, and Scott Bradley, 23, of Martin, who are accused of robbing the Allen Kwik Mart and Martin

Prescription Center, are scheduled for preliminary hearings today.

Witnesses say that Bradley held clerks at the businesses at gunpoint, as Cook stood nearby. The two allegedly stole more than \$500 and left the pharmacy with a bag full of pain pills.

Cook was arrested by Sheriff John K. Blackburn Tuesday at Arkansas Creek. The couple, who

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Carolyn Leckie, a teacher at Paintsville Independent, shows area children the power of math as they time race cars with different weights. The formula used is distance traveled divided by time.

photo by Tom Doty

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Odds & Ends

■ **SAN FRANCISCO** — Thanks to a six-figure inheritance, a onetime panhandler is giving up a life of crime, drugs and booze, and giving back to the community — the art community.

The man — identified in the San Francisco Chronicle only as Don — donated \$10,000 to the art gallery whose owner has befriended him for the last few years.

The former burglar, crack cocaine smoker, state prisoner and alcoholic inherited \$187,000 from his long-estranged mother, who died a year ago. Executors of her estate tracked him down a month ago through his Social Security number and help from local social workers.

One of the first things Don did was show his gratitude to Blue Room Gallery owner Paul

Mahder for treating him with respect.

"When I had a heart attack and wound up in the hospital a year ago, who was the only person to visit me? Paul. And when I needed a doorway to sleep in over the past couple years, who let me? Paul," Don said. "He treated me like a human being. That's something you don't forget."

Both men burst into tears when Don presented his check.

"We both stood there crying," Mahder said. "Me, because I knew how much this meant to Don. And Don was crying because, I think, he was able to really do something big for something he really cared about."

Social workers are helping Don manage his money. He has bought a \$35,000 trailer and has started drug and alcohol coun-

seling, the paper reported. He also bought a Rolex watch and tipped cab drivers with \$100 bills.

■ **GRAND FORKS, N.D.** — Seven-month-old Caleb Gowan had some big shoes to fill.

The baby boy was the best man at his uncle's wedding.

Jeremy Gowan was to be the best man at his brother's wedding, but when he was called to duty in Iraq earlier this month, the bride and groom had to find a stand-in.

Josh Gowan and his bride, Tami Osowski, decided Jeremy's son, Caleb, could do the job.

An American flag waving on the front lawn was the only clue that something was missing at Saturday's wedding in Oslo, Minn.

Caleb, who can sit and is starting to crawl, was carried up the aisle and spent the ceremony in the arms of groomsman Chris Gowan. His blonde hair was neatly parted and his pint-size tuxedo altered to fit perfectly. Caleb's shoes didn't fit, though, so his bare feet showed from the cuffs of his tuxedo trousers.

The bride and groom were told that while a witness to a wedding must be at least 16 years old, there was no law that would prevent Caleb from taking his father's place in the ceremony.

"No one else could replace (Jeremy)," Osowski said. "The only other person we wanted there was Caleb. It's his son. It's part of him."

■ **STRATFORD, Conn.** — It was a case of potty rage.

Two men were arrested after a fight broke out over a public toilet.

Andres A. Diaz, 52, was using the bathroom at a Burger King while Joseph Manuel Augusto, 37, waited for his turn Friday night. The two got into an argument when Diaz emerged after what Augusto thought was too much time, police said.

Heated words escalated into a physical fight.

The two men allegedly bumped chests, then chased each other around the restaurant with their weapons —

Augusto was armed with a small razor pocket knife and Diaz brandished a Burger King straw dispenser, police said.

No one was injured.

Both men were charged with breach of peace and issued a summons to appear in court on July 27.

■ **BARBOURSVILLE, W.Va.** — An accused bank robber easily made away with some cash, and then made it easy for the cops to catch him.

Authorities say Brian Fenton walked into the First State Bank on Tuesday and told a teller to call 911 because he was robbing the bank.

Fenton, 41, allegedly waited for the teller to make the call and then left with an undisclosed amount of cash. He was arrested by a deputy waiting outside the door, said Sgt. Mike McCallister with the Cabell County Sheriff's Department.

"As soon as he walked out of the bank, he walked directly into the arms of Deputy Todd Wentz," McCallister said.

No weapon was found. Fenton was charged with felony bank robbery. He was jailed Wednesday on \$100,000 bail.

If convicted, he faces 10 to 25 years in prison.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, July 23, the 205th day of 2004. There are 161 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 23, 1886, New York saloonkeeper Steve Brodie claimed to have made a daredevil plunge from the Brooklyn Bridge into the East River.

On this date:

■ In 1885, Ulysses S. Grant, the 18th president of the United States, died in Mount McGregor, N.Y. at age 63.

■ In 1892, Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia was born.

■ In 1904, 100 years ago, by some accounts, the ice cream cone was invented by Charles E. Menches during the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in St. Louis.

■ In 1914, Austria-Hungary issued an ultimatum to Serbia following the killing of Archduke Francis Ferdinand by a Serb assassin; the dispute led to World War I.

■ In 1942, Harry James and his Orchestra recorded "I Had the Craziest Dream" in Hollywood for Columbia Records.

■ In 1952, Egyptian military officers led by Gamal Abdel Nasser overthrew King Farouk I.

■ In 1967, rioting that claimed some 43 lives erupted in Detroit.

■ In 1977, a jury in Washington, D.C., convicted 12 Hanafi Muslims of charges stemming from the hostage siege at three buildings the previous March.

■ In 1984, Vanessa Williams became the first Miss America to resign her title, because of nude photographs of her that turned up in Penthouse magazine.

■ In 1986, Britain's Prince Andrew married Sarah Ferguson at Westminster Abbey in London. (The couple divorced in 1996.)

The space shuttle Columbia returned to earth after a 15-day mission which included experiments on the effects of weightlessness on aquatic animals.

Five years ago:

Members of the Kennedy family gathered in New York City for a private memorial Mass a week after John F. Kennedy Jr., his wife, Carolyn, and her sister, Lauren Bessette, died in a plane crash off Martha's Vineyard. Space shuttle Columbia blasted off with the world's most powerful X-ray telescope and Eileen Collins, the first woman to command a U.S. space flight, Morocco's King Hassan II died at age 70. Woodstock '99 opened in Rome, N.Y.

One year ago:

A new audiotape reported to be from toppled dictator Saddam Hussein called on Iraqis to resist the U.S. occupation. Massachusetts' attorney general issued a report saying clergy members and others in the Boston Archdiocese probably sexually abused more than 1,000 people over a period of six decades. New York City Councilman James Davis was shot to death by political rival Othniel Askew at City Hall.

Today's Birthdays:

Actress Gloria DeHaven is 79. Actor Calvert DeForest is 76. Supreme Court Justice Anthony M. Kennedy is 68.

Actor Ronny Cox is 66. Radio personality Don Imus is 64. Country singer Tony Joe White is 61. Rock singer David Essex is 57. Actor Larry Manetti is 57. Actress Belinda Montgomery is 54. Rock musician Blair Thornton (Bachman Turner Overdrive) is 54. Actor Woody Harrelson is 43. Rock musician Martin Gore (Depeche Mode) is 43. Actor Eriq La Salle is 42. Rock musician Yuval Gabay is 41. Rock musician Slash is 39. Actor Philip Seymour Hoffman is 37. Rock musician Nick Menza is 36. Model-actress Stephanie Seymour is 36. Actress Charisma Carpenter is 34. Rhythm and blues singer Sam Watters is 34. Country singer Alison Krauss is 33. Rhythm and blues singer Dalvin DeGrate is 33. Rock musician Chad Gracey (Live) is 33. Actor-comedian Marlon Wayans is 32. Country singer Shannon Brown is 31. Actor Omar Epps is 31. Baseball player Nomar Garciaparra is 31. Actress Stephanie March is 30. Country musician David Pichette (Emerson Drive) is 27. Rhythm and blues singer Michelle Williams (Destiny's Child) is 24. Actor Daniel Radcliffe is 15.

Thought for Today:

"Troubles impending always seem worse than troubles surmounted, but this does not prove that they really are." — Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr., American historian.

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Proprietary (Utilities) Fund	Road			Aid Fund
	General Fund	LGEA Fund		
Resources available:				
Fund balance carried forward	\$7,420	\$0	\$9,572	\$0
Estimated Revenues:				
Property taxes	79,735			
Licenses & Permits	1,400			
Intergovernmental revenues	12,633	33,938	15,500	
Charges for services				
519,000				
Other	132,273		3,284	
Total estimated revenues	226,041	33,938	18,784	
519,000				
Total resources available for appropriation	\$233,461	\$33,938	\$28,356	
519,000				
Appropriations:				
General Government	\$178,076			
Police	22,511	20,971		
Fire	6,409	9,733		
Streets	10,000	3,234	20,000	
Other				
Enterprises				
519,000				
Parks & Recreation	10,000			
Total Appropriations	226,996	33,938	20,000	
519,000				
Excess of resources over/under appropriations	6,465	0	8,356	\$0
Estimated fund balances end				

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Knott Water sues Southern

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

HINDMAN — The Knott County Water and Sewer District claims their customers aren't getting "the same level of service" as Floyd Countians. That's why the body filed suit this week against the Southern Water and Sewer District and the Floyd and Knott County fiscal courts.

The suit, filed by Paintsville attorney Scott Preston, requests that the Southern Water and Sewer District be found in default of an interlocal agreement filed in October 2001 to develop a water service infrastructure in Knott County.

Plans called for Southern Water to assist Knott County Water and Sewer in developing water services at Rock Fork and Beaver Creek, the areas closest to Southern's service for Floyd County.

Knott County District obtained funds for Southern Water to build and operate a water transmission system in those areas, and Southern Water agreed to provide service for four years, after which time Knott County would take over.

Those services, however, aren't up to par, according to the suit, which points out that

water was not provided to customers for as long as three weeks on several occasions.

"We had customers come to our water board meeting saying that they've been out water for as much as three weeks. That's just not acceptable," said Alice Ritchie, chairperson for the Knott County Water and Sewer District. "I understand where they (Southern Water) are coming from. They're taking care of their county people. They're looking out for their own and you can't blame them for wanting to take care of Floyd County, but we want our customers taken care of, too ... We're the least served county in the state and we want to use every penny we can, stretch every penny, to provide service for Knott Countians."

Southern Water hooked up the first customers 6-to-8 months ago, Ritchie said. At least 700 customers could be added upon project completion.

According to Ritchie, several Knott County residents are being billed for garbage services from Southern Water and the Knott County district has not been part of the decision making process for the project, which negates the interlocal agreement between the two entities.

The Knott County Water

and Sewer District is seeking both a temporary restraining order and injunctive relief forbidding Southern Water from utilizing any discretionary funds to construct lines in the Knott County area that will be covered by an AML Project requiring non-discretionary funds. AML Project funds cannot be used on other county projects, Preston said.

"If the defendants, Southern Water and Sewer District, bid the projects with these discretionary funds, then the funds that have been allocated by AML cannot be used for any other purpose and the Knott County Water and Sewer District customers will suffer great irreparable injury, harm and damage as well as the plaintiff," he wrote in the suit.

The Knott County district is requesting permission take over operation of the lines constructed through the interlocal agreement and asks that Southern Water be required to continue supplying water to customers until the Knott County district is capable of doing so.

Southern Water project manager Bob Meyer said yesterday that the District is "finishing up" on a \$3 million trunk line project servicing 280 customers on Route 7. Many hollows in the area, he said, aren't eligible for AML funds.

"There's a significant difference of opinions at this point as to how the funds allotted for that project should be spent," he said. "The intention of the interlocal agreement was to provide water service to Knott County customers and that's what we're attempting to do at this point."

Meyer said Southern Water has been working hard to provide equal service to Knott County customers, but Mother Nature has caused some problems in the continuity of water service to Knott County customers.

The district faced major electrical problems and line breaks after the Memorial Day flood, he said.

"As far as the allegation that Southern Water does not treat Knott County customers like they treat Floyd County customers, that's totally false," he said.

Soldiers

minutes of call time with his family.

"He paid \$50 for a calling card and it was gone in 20 minutes," Justice said. "It took 25 minutes to get the call through. There must be something they can do about contact with families in the U.S."

Sumpter said yesterday that troops will be "more settled" when they are transferred to Kosovo, where quarters are more technologically advanced than the tents the men are currently staying in.

Though communication is currently lagging, Sumpter said troops can get emergency messages to their families through military "channels."

The Armory also has a family readiness group available to provide assistance and information to family members. Rosie Music, president of the group, reported yesterday that things are going well for the troops in Germany. Her son, Sgt. John I. Music, a 10-year National Guardsman, said he isn't nervous about deployment to Kosovo. National Guard officers had a "peaceful" visit in Kosovo two weeks before the troops were deployed in May, she said.

Music met with several family members earlier this month to plan for the Armory's upcoming family readiness events. To help families cope while the troops are overseas, the Armory will host a fundraising rummage sale, fall carnival for the children, and dinners at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Currently, families are dealing with the long-distance stress in other ways.

Justice and her two children, Michael, 7, and Amanda, 9, are spending the summer with her parents in Louisville. It's an effort, Justice said, to keep the children "occupied" with things other than their father's absence.

"I don't think they under-

stand it yet," Justice said. "My son was going through the calendar the other night when Troy told him he'd see him in March. He was flipping through and flipping through until finally he came to March and he said, 'Gosh, that's a long time.' I don't think it's really hit him yet, so we're trying to keep them occupied with other things. We go out and do things daily."

Justice said the unit flew over Great Britain, Europe and Ireland on the way to Germany. They took a historical train ride through the country Tuesday, touring old cas-

ties and other prominent landmarks.

"He said it was like a mini-vacation," she said. According to Justice, the troops aren't expecting the battle in Kosovo to be "as bad" as some believed it would be, but her husband did raise concerns about possible problems occurring during Kosovo's election in November.

The Charlie Company 206 Unit is the 11th rotating group to be a part of the ongoing Kosovo mission since war began between Albania and Serbia in 1999.

Two to plead again after testing positive

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Stephanie Prater Harris and Douglas Todd Keathley will be back in circuit court and expected to enter guilty pleas today and both would be advised to show up sober.

Each entered the courtroom last month to plead guilty to charges against them, but behaved oddly and were ordered to give urine samples.

Neither passed the test. Harris will be appearing to plead guilty to two charges of drug trafficking, while Keathley will be pleading to charges of burglary, assault and violating an emergency protection order.

Both appeared nervous in court when they were brought

before the judge and each had an excuse for appearing to be out of sorts. Keathley claimed that he was nervous and hadn't eaten all day, while Harris claimed to be scared but later mentioned that she had taken several Xanax a week earlier.

Harris was able to supply the court with urine without much fuss but Keathley apparently got nervous and only voided after drinking copious amounts of water.

The two could each face an additional charge of public intoxication for appearing in court under the influence, but that will be up to the judge's discretion.

Both have remained lodged at the Floyd County Detention Center since they were tested.

Three arrested for burglaries

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

MAYTOWN/WEEKSBURY — The Floyd County Sheriff Department arrested three suspects this week connected to unrelated burglaries in the Martin area.

Two suspects, sought for a burglary July 4, were arrested Tuesday in Maytown by Sgt. Steve Little.

Chad Manual and Ricky Carroll Jr., both 21, are facing charges after they allegedly burglarized two vehicles during a July 4 celebration in Martin.

"They were at a residence partying a little bit and they walked up the hollow, got into a couple of vehicles and took out several items — cash, a radar detector and some prescription medication," Little said.

Manual, facing a felony theft charge, pleaded not guilty during his arraignment and is scheduled for a preliminary hearing in district court today. He remains in custody at the Floyd County Detention Center.

Carroll, charged with theft and falsely swearing to a police officer, is scheduled for a preliminary hearing on August 4, the same date slated for a preliminary hearing in an

unrelated theft case.

Clifton Johnson, 20, was arrested at his Weeksbury residence by deputies Gary Tackett and Delmas Johnson Wednesday night.

Johnson, charged with theft, allegedly burglarized a car-wash on Rt. 7 in Salt Lick.

He pleaded not guilty during his arraignment in district court yesterday. Judge James R. Allen placed him under a partially-secured \$7,500 bond. He was still in custody at the Floyd County Detention Center as of press time.

Train derails in Martin

by JOYAL FRAZIER
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — A 95-car CSX train derailed Tuesday night in Martin, with eight cars coming off the tracks around 9 p.m.

The two-engine train was carrying cars filled with coal and was going from Hazard to Martin.

Meg Scheu, spokesperson for CSX, said, "We do not know the cause of the derailment yet. We will look into the mechanical conditions of the train, the condition of the track and the operating procedures that were used. After that we

will make a determination as to the cause of the derailment."

CSX officials said that each incident is investigated individually and depending on what needs to be analyzed, it could take weeks to make a determination as to the cause of the accident.

At 6:40 a.m. Wednesday morning the last car was rerailed and the track was reopened for traffic at 4:30 p.m.

CSX would not comment on any other information regarding the engineer or the derailment when questioned by The Times.

Drowning

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Bruce L. Lawson, 54, yesterday afternoon at the Goble Branch Boat Ramp.

The body was found approximately 50 feet from the shore, Derrick Calhoun, secretary of the Floyd County Rescue Squad said.

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department began investigating Lawson's disappearance last night at approximately 10 p.m. when a fisherman called in a loud music complaint to May Lodge employees.

Sgt. Steve Little, Deputy Tim Clark and Park Ranger Steve Price found Lawson's car parked at the boat ramp shortly after their arrival.

Clark said that the car was "totally unsecured" when they arrived at the scene. The keys were still in the ignition, the sunroof was open, the windows were down, and Lawson's personal belongings, including his wallet, were in plain view, Clark said. The stereo, he said, was "turned wide open," playing a CD of various artists from the 1980s.

Robberies

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had been staying in an abandoned home there, sought help from a local resident when their car got stuck, Blackburn said.

Bradley, who fled on foot, was picked up Tuesday night at approximately 9 p.m. by Kentucky State Police Det. Byron Hansford and Sgt. Les Stapleton.

This is the second first-degree armed robbery charge against Cook and Bradley, who were both arrested in 2002 for unrelated robberies of local businesses. Cook is facing a probation revocation hearing next month on a first-degree complicity to commit robbery charge, for which she was sentenced in 2002 to five years probation.

Bradley was also previously arrested for several counts of criminal trespassing, assault, escape and several misdemeanor charges which include possession of marijuana, harassment and other offenses.

They are both in the custody of the Floyd County Detention Center.

Murder

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pipes, went into the ditch and hit a mailbox, at which time the driver overcorrected, shifting the weight of the vehicle and ejecting Moore.

The third passenger involved in the accident, Terry Tackett, testified that he had no recollection of the accident because he was "passed out" in the back seat of the Blazer. He said that the three of them were at Justin Blankenship's house and were planning on going to Marlow's when they left there. Terry Tackett said that Dorothy Moore was driving when they pulled out. However, he said that he laid down and went to sleep before they were out of Blankenship's driveway.

Two witnesses told Kentucky State Police that Terry Tackett told them when they asked what had happened, "Tiger wrecked us," allegedly a reference to

Willis Tackett's nickname. Terry Tackett testified in court that he did not remember saying that at the accident scene and that all he remembered was waking up in the hospital.

Although there were contradicting statements, Judge Hall found probable cause to send the case on to a grand jury for consideration.

Before leaving the stand, Conn said that one of the first-degree assault charges against Terry Tackett would be dropped and a murder charge would be filed.

Tackett, 23, is currently being charged with DUI, three counts of leaving the scene of an accident without rendering aid or assistance and two counts of first-degree assault.

Science center to hold final week of camp

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Eastern Kentucky Science Center will host its final session of day camp for the season next week, with a week devoted to astronomy.

There are still a few spots open for the program, which begins Monday and will make extensive use of the center's planetarium. The program will be led by the center's director,

Dr. Ray Shubinski.

Shubinski promises a lot of fun activities for the Day Camp's last week and talked about them on Thursday.

"It will be awesome," Shubinski noted. "Kids will get to learn how to use star maps. We will also be building a scale model of the universe. Everyone will also get to make their own telescope."

The big attraction, however, will probably be the day when everyone gets to help build a comet. This activity will involve using dry ice and all manner of matter, like soft drink cans, to build a facsimile of a working comet.

The children will also get a hands-on taste of what some Morehead State University and Prestonsburg students can expect this fall, when Shubinski will begin teaching an astronomy class on Monday nights at Morehead's new Secondary Education.

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Guest View

Editorial roundup

The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer, on CIA director:

Why, at this time of repeatedly proclaimed peril, is the most important office in our national intelligence apparatus in the hands of an acting director?

Former CIA Director George Tenet officially left the position on July 7.

The argument for waiting until after the election is primarily twofold: First, were President George W. Bush to put forward a nominee now, the antagonistic political climate might result in congressional deadlock until after November anyway; second, should Democratic nominee-presumptive John Kerry win, he has said he will reorganize the CIA and create a directorate of national intelligence that might absorb the current top spy job.

If the national security is as imperiled as a different ranking member of the Bush administration each week says it is, there is no excuse for delaying on political grounds.

And, should Kerry prevail, that situation can be addressed then.

The Bellingham (Wash.) Herald, on medical marijuana:

It's difficult to see what good could come from federal prosecution of an emaciated cancer patient who needs a pot brownie to keep her dinner down. It's equally difficult to see why the U.S. House of Representatives is seeking to limit states' rights by over-riding laws that allow the use of medical marijuana.

A 268-148 House vote July 7 approved a measure to allow the federal government to continue prosecuting people who use medical marijuana where it is allowed by state law.

Washington state voters approved a citizen initiative allowing for the use of medical marijuana by more than a 2-to-1 margin percent in 1998. It gave people with serious medical conditions like HIV, cancer and multiple sclerosis the right to possess and use marijuana with a doctor's approval. It does not allow for the sale of the drug. ...

Our system of government clearly allows federal laws to take precedence over state laws; however, this crusade led by Republicans, the party dedicated to limited government and states' rights, seems both hypocritical and out of step with the people's larger concerns.

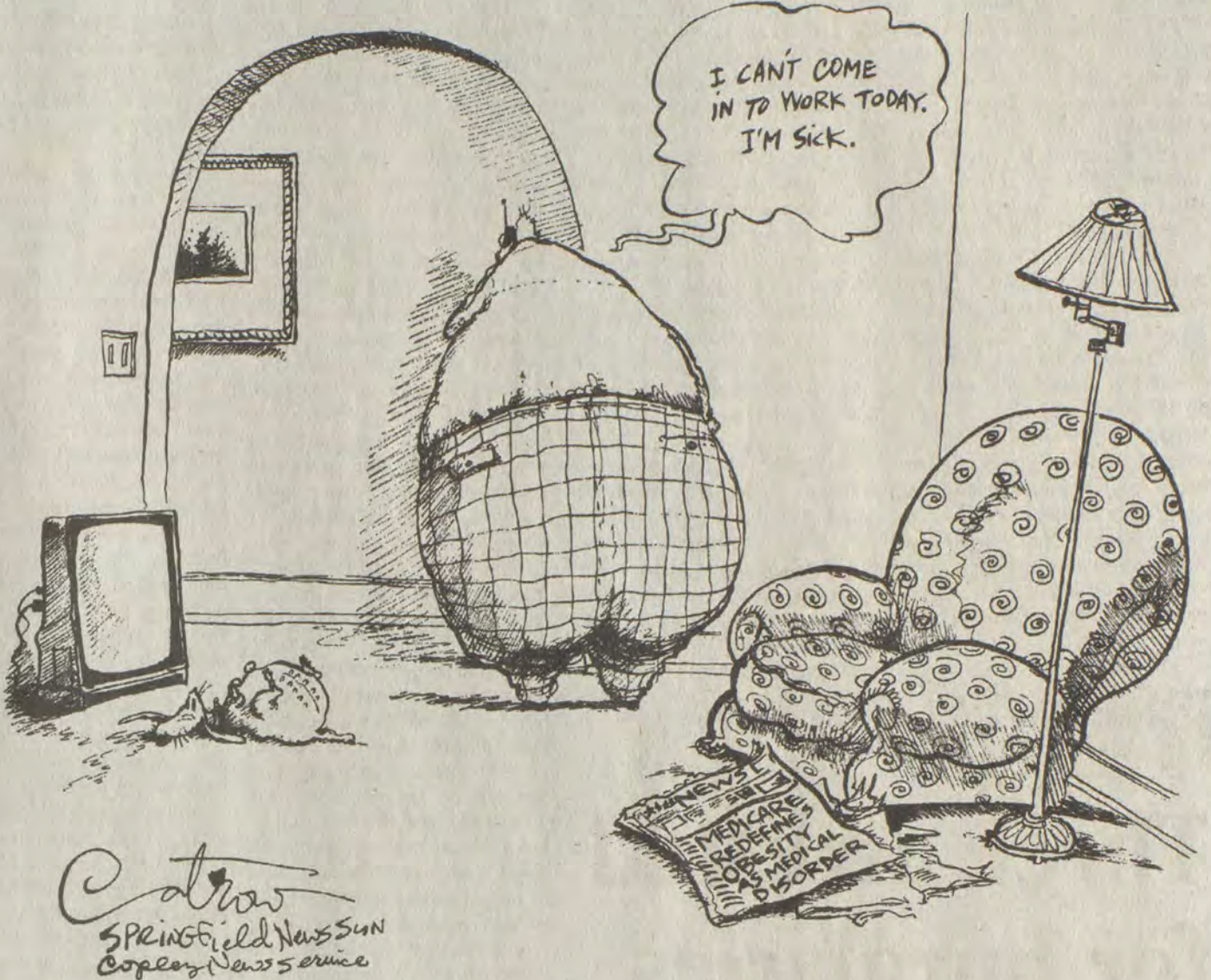
At a time when the Bush administration should be focused on its cornerstone issue of national security and Congress should be giving as much attention as possible to the American public's concerns about the economy, whether or not a few people with AIDS are lighting joints is a minor concern at best.

Critics of medical marijuana laws argue that they encourage drug use, yet they cannot offer proof of the claim. Representatives on both sides of the issue have argued that medical marijuana prosecution should not be a national priority. ...

Last year, the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco ruled that the federal law outlawing marijuana should not apply to people using it on a doctor's recommendation. The Bush administration appealed and the U.S. Supreme Court agreed last week to hear the case.

The high court refused to hear a case brought by the Justice Department that would have punished doctors who discussed with their patients the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes.

This is not only a matter of states' rights, it's a matter of national priorities and personal freedom.



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Guest Column

Tax cuts trickle overseas

by JIM HIGHTOWER

The Timken Company, based in Canton, Ohio, makes steel and other industrial products, and last year it was the proud recipient of a visit by his eminence, George W. Bush.

The prez had traveled to Ohio, a state that's up for grabs in this fall's election, to hype the value of all the tax giveaways he's passed for the rich. He went to Canton to claim that those giveaways would trickle-down from the rich to create jobs for middle-class America, and he needed a good visual for his televised speech. Timken's factory was the per-

fect made-for-TV backdrop.

A crowd of Timken's hard-hatted, blue-collar workers was dutifully assembled for Bush. The bossman, Tim Timken himself, was on stage beaming with pride and nodding in approval at George's every sentence. Why wouldn't he? Tim has long been a major financial backer of both Bush presidents.

Now, fast forward to May of this year. Just months after George's highly-publicized rooster strut in Canton, Tim announced that he was closing three of his U.S. factories, eliminating 1,300 jobs, and moving production to low-wage centers elsewhere, including overseas. Curiously, there was no national media coverage of this development, which made a mockery of Mr. Bush's earlier political posturing.

What's to happen to the workers who were made to serve as props for George's pitch about the power of trick-

le-down economics? "I have no idea what I'm going to do," says Scott Anderson, 41-years old, and a 23-year loyal worker at Timken. "There are just no good job opportunities left in this community." Scott added that he now couldn't pay for the college education for his kids: "I want a better America, as my parents did for me," he says.

Ironically, a Timken spokesman coldly replied: "It's a business issue, not a political issue."

He's dead wrong about that. By stiffing America's middle-class, both Bush and Tim Timken are playing with political dynamite.

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.

Washington Today

Poor relations with Islamic regime turning worse

by GEORGE GEDDA
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration is pressing Britain, France and Germany for strong measures against Iran in response to its violation of a nonproliferation agreement reached with the three last fall, a State Department official said Wednesday.

The issue is part of a deepening American concern over recent Iranian activities that range from weapons programs to terrorism. To head off a potential crisis, some analysts believe the administration should work harder to promote a dialogue with Iran.

The United States believes Iran is developing nuclear weapons, a view reinforced by Iran's recent decision to resume construction of centrifuges. This is a key step in the development of a uranium-based bomb, one that Iran promised the Europeans last fall that it would not take.

It is not clear what the United States expects the three European Union members to do in response. The administration believes it is imperative that the

three demonstrate to Iran that it must suffer consequences for not fulfilling the agreement.

Iran has said it feels no obligation to honor the agreement, alleging that the Europeans had violated a promise to ensure that the U.N. nuclear watchdog group would give Iran a clean bill of health.

Iran insists its nuclear program has nothing to do with weaponry and is meant to meet domestic electricity needs.

There are additional American concerns, including word that the bipartisan commission investigating the Sept. 11 attacks has concluded that Iran gave al-Qaeda hijackers safe passage through the country after their training in Afghanistan.

A White House spokesman said Monday there was no evidence that Iran had prior knowledge of the Sept. 11 plot. The commission report is due Thursday.

Amid the stepped-up accusations about its behavior, Iran has been projecting a benign image to the world. Rendi al-Rahim Francke, Iraq's chief representative in Washington, told The Associated Press in an interview Monday that Iran has played a positive role in the post-Saddam Hussein Iraq. She said Iranian authorities recently captured 200 Afghan fighters who were en route to Iraq.

The Bush administration, in addition to lobbying the Europeans, has been

attempting to persuade all members of the U.N.'s nuclear nonproliferation agency that it is time to refer Iran's nuclear activities to the U.N. Security Council.

John Bolton, undersecretary of state for arms control, told Congress last month that the Iranian program was a "threat to international peace and security." He said Iran's hard-line Islamic regime, now 25 years old, clearly has a covert program to develop and stockpile chemical weapons and probably has an offensive biological weapons program.

Until about a year ago, the United States maintained a low-key dialogue with Iran, then decided it was a waste of time.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher says a renewed engagement is possible only under certain conditions.

"We're willing to sit down, if the president determines it's in our interest to do so, and if we think there's the opportunity for progress," Boucher said Monday.

A Council on Foreign Relations task force issued a report contending the administration must do more to avert another crisis in the Persian Gulf region.

"The urgency of the concerns surrounding (Iran's) policies mandates the United States to deal with the current regime rather than wait for it to fall," said the report from the panel co-chaired by former national security.

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At the Movies: Catwoman

by **CHRISTY LEMIRE**
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

If the "Spider-Man" movies represent all that can be wondrous and inspiring in a comic book adaptation, "Catwoman" is the absolute opposite.

It's cinema for the attention span-challenged — a soulless amalgamation of quick edits, computer images and swooping, nausea-inducing dolly shots. The dialogue (credited to four different people) is too awkward to be unintentionally funny and the urban setting is too muddled to be considered gritty.

The most egregious sin of all: For an action movie, it's mind-numbingly boring.

Yes, Halle Berry is a jaw-dropping sight to behold in her dominatrix get-up ... er ... Catwoman uniform. But that alone doesn't make a movie, and since all the scenes in which she kicks butt and leaps about with feline agility are sped-up, you don't get to ogle her for long anyway.

Actually, calling this a comic book adaptation isn't completely accurate, since Berry's char-



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One and a half stars out of four.

acter, Patience Phillips, has nothing to do with the original Catwoman of the DC Comics series, Selina Kyle, who's previously been portrayed by Julie Newmar, Eartha Kitt and Michelle Pfeiffer. She's not a villain — she's not even a villain with a heart of gold. She just dresses like a bad girl and roams around at night, displaying her frightening martial arts skills, and ends up being mistaken as a criminal.

Patience, we are told, is a meek and lonely graphic designer at a cosmetics company who toils under the tyrannical rule of George Hedare

(Lambert Wilson) and his aging supermodel wife, Laurel (Sharon Stone). She has a fantastically bohemian loft and a funky sense of style, but no social life.

But who are we kidding? She looks like Halle Berry, the 2002 best-actress Oscar winner for "Monster's Ball." The "Spider-Man" movies derive much of their heart from the fact that Tobey Maguire looks and acts like a regular guy — an underdog you can easily root for who's intimidated by the awesomeness of his newfound powers.

Patience overhears a conver-

sation in which a scientist divulges that there's something wrong with the company's new anti-aging skin cream — "We can't let this go on the shelves!" he proclaims indignantly — and is killed by Laurel's thugs. An Egyptian mau with creepy green eyes crawls up on her chest, brings her back to life, and in no time she's prancing along rooftops in a black leather push-up bra and matching low-slung pants, causing chaos with the crack of her whip.

There are a few small, funny moments in which Patience is confused by her new catlike tendencies. She paws at the fish in an aquarium with wild eyes and pads her way delicately across the back of her couch.

And Frances Conroy ("Six Feet Under") brings a much-needed touch of grace as the nutty cat lady who explains to Patience how she evolved from a mild-mannered artist into an adventurous midnight prowler.

But such scenes are overwhelmed by the film's pervasive clunkiness. Patience's blossoming romance with a police detective (Benjamin Bratt) is an implausible, chemistry-free collection of bland dates and chaste kisses. Of course, he has no idea that the sweet woman he's dating is wreaking havoc at night as the city's most sought-after (alleged) criminal.

Doing the right thing and exposing her former company for its evil deeds requires protracted cat fights — literally — with Laurel. The director, who goes by Pitof — presumably to avoid being confused with "Charlie's Angels" director McG — tries to infuse these brawls with a forced sense of Sapphic tension.

If Laurel and Catwoman started making out at the top of the Hedare beauty headquarters, instead of trying to throw each other off it, even that wouldn't make the movie any more interesting.

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RENTAL CENTRAL

by **TOM DOTY**
STAFF WRITER

The third week of July shaped up as a good one for television fans.

The newest program to join the DVD ranks is the classic World War II series "Combat." It debuted this week with two sets that make up the first season's whopping 32 episodes.

This is gritty stuff and was a great training ground for future film directors like Richard Donner ("Lethal Weapon") and Robert Altman (MASH).

The sets contain four discs each and also feature commentaries by several of the directors, bloopers and a documentary on the making of the series, which starred Vic Morrow in a rare turn as a sympathetic and moral character.

The third season of "All in the Family" joined the DVD ranks this week and is a high note in the run of the series. Several classic episodes are on view here and feature the trademark satire and social awareness that made this show an enduring favorite.

Episodes include "The Swingers," a hilarious take on modern mores in which Edith gets a pen pal whom she doesn't realize is part of a swinging couple. She invites them over for supper and the hilarity begins. "Archie Goes to the Hospital" pulls the rug out from Arch when he makes friends with the guy on the other side of the screen in a hospital room and doesn't realize the man is black. "Everybody Tell the Truth" is a spoof on the classic Japanese film "Rashomon" in which the characters each relate the same story but see things totally differently when a pair of refriger-

ator repairmen come to the house. The most moving episode though is "Archie Is Branded." This is a rare dramatic episode that starts with the Bunkers finding a swastika on their door and ends with a violent death. This is vintage television, folks, and a reminder of how good TV can, and should be.

The other new television DVD collection this week is Fox Network's "Millennium." This series was created by Chris Carter and is even darker than his "X-Files." The first season is all here as viewers follow Lance Henriksen ("Aliens") as a profiler of serial killers who comes across a dark plot that threatens nothing less than the human race.

Two big studio releases this week feature Luke Wilson. First up is "Starsky and Hutch." This is the latest film to cash in the 1970s TV craze (see "The Brady Bunch" and "Charlie's Angels" for others) but it failed to impress critics or audiences.

The other Wilson film is a remake of "The Big Bounce." This is a crime thriller from author Elmore Leonard ("Get Shorty"). Morgan Freeman costars. You can get a two DVD set that includes the 1969 original film that starred Ryan O'Neal, but save your money, folks, because neither one is very good, though the 1969 version does have its moments.

The other big studio release this week was "The Human Stain." It's a drama on racism and infidelity set at a university and based on Philip Roth's best-selling novel. Anthony Hopkins, Nicole Kidman and Gary Sinise star.

Horror fans might get a kick out of several films that were

made for the Showtime Networks series "Roger Corman Presents." These are fast-paced and low-budget films from master producer Corman and include some remakes of his 1950s fare.

The best of this bunch is "The Wasp Woman." New age special effects improve this version of a title Corman made in the 1950s. Jennifer Rubin stars as an aging make-up company heiress who wants to stay young forever. She engages a scientist to develop youth serum from wasps and of course skips testing the stuff which makes her younger but also turns her into a giant wasp-woman hybrid. Outrageous fun and some sly social commentary add up for some good lowbrow entertainment here.

The other Corman titles in this batch, namely "Spectre" and "Piranha" (remake of superior 1978 version) don't really make the grade.

Next week brings the entire run of the sci-fi series "V" to DVD and the DVD debut of last Spring's "Hellboy."

Today

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adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski and former CIA director Robert Gates.

Brzezinski told reporters Monday that engagement with Iran would be a useful step even if it produced no results because it would mold greater international solidarity in opposition to Iran.

Gates said the U.S. military option against Iran must never be ruled out. Still, he acknowledged, the costs of any such step would be exorbitant because key nuclear weapons sites are located in or near large civilian populations.

He added that a U.S. military attack would galvanize support for the Tehran government across the country. Iranian authorities, he said, could retaliate by destabilizing neighboring Iraq and Afghanistan, countries in which, he noted, the United States has an undeniable strategic stake.

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 Mountain Metal Company Inc. vs. Benny Feltner; complaint.
 William Slone vs. Melissa Slone; divorce.
 Millis Hall vs. Edwin Walker and Caspian Holding of Delaware; complaint.
 Ronnie Branham vs. Grange Mutual Casualty Company; complaint.
 William Marshall vs. James Meade; complaint.
 Phillip Wells vs. Oll R. Scaff; complaint.
 Martha Sammons vs. Gordon Stanley; complaint.
 Connie Dmitruk vs. Jason Hayton Jr.; complaint.
 John Bartrun and Debbie Stumbo vs. Tonya Bartrun and Raymond Lawson; complaint.
 U.S. Bank vs. Barbara Hamilton; complaint.
 Burl Scott vs. Honeywell International; complaint.
 Keith Fielden vs. Bill Hyden; complaint.
 George Stambaugh vs. Cawood Green; complaint.
 United Central Industrial Supply vs. Eastern Consolidation Company; complaint.

ages.
 Eric C. Conn vs. Timothy Roberts, monetary damages.
 Eric C. Conn vs. Nina Rose, monetary damages.
 Eric C. Conn vs. Johnny Ousley, monetary damages.
 Eric C. Conn vs. Herman Harris Jr., monetary damages.
 Floyd T. Compton vs. Eric Vanderpool, monetary damages.
 Earleena S. Hunt vs. Mike Davis, monetary damages.
 Housing Authority of Martin vs. Christopher Collier, monetary damages for rent.
 Housing Authority of Martin vs. Sherry Chaffins, monetary damages for rent.

Charges Filed

Kenneth Lee Steele, 44, Betsy Layne; first-degree possession of a controlled substance.
 Floyd Compton, no age listed, Prestonsburg; theft.
 Diana Blevins Hamilton, 38, McDowell; cultivation of marijuana.
 Roxie Justice, no age listed, Raccoon; theft.
 Judy Stephens, 44, Allen; theft.
 Billy Joe Hunter, 26, Prestonsburg; two counts of wanton endangerment.
 Clayton Coty Snodgrass, 20, Varney; DUI, possession of alcoholic beverage by a minor, possession of a controlled substance, prescription not in original container.
 Donavon Mullins Crum, 33, Columbus, Ohio; public intoxication of a controlled substance, disorderly conduct, unsworn falsification to authorities.
 Larry Turner, 53, Garrett; alcohol intoxication.
 Harry Lee Fogle, 26, McDowell; fourth-degree assault.
 Chad Rogers, 34, Betsy Layne; alcohol intoxication.
 Sam Salisbury, Jr., 52, Printer; public intoxication.
 George R. Lee, 29, Martin;

violation of Kentucky EPO/DVO.
 Ben W. Sellards, 48, Banner; alcohol intoxication, resisting arrest, disorderly conduct.
 John W. Tackett, II, no age listed, Prestonsburg; harassment.
 Theresa Hyden, 41, Minnie; criminal trespassing.
 Paul W. Gross, 41, Beaver; alcohol intoxication.
 Steve Newsome, no age listed, Harold; criminal mischief.
 David E. Noble, 26, Pine Top; theft.
 Roger B. White, 25, Lexington; harassment, menacing.
 Bobby Dean Combs, 38, Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault.
 John Z. Bartrum, 29, Martin; aggravated assault.
 Dennis E. Quesinberry, 52, Morehead; DUI, commercial driver license under influence, federal safety regulation - hours of service for drivers, speeding, federal safety regulations inspection/repair/maintenance, possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana, use/possession of drug paraphernalia.
 Phillip Wicker, 22, Virgie; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
 Ricky D. Mullins, 42, Grethel; alcohol intoxication.

Inspections

Double Kwik, Grethel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Hot foods held in display unit 32 degrees cooler than required, single service articles stored on the floor, ceiling in back utility room in disrepair, light in walk-in cooler not properly shielded, proper hair restraints not in use. Score: Food 91, Retail 96.
 Jerry's Market, Grethel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not present in all cooling units, food item observed stored on the floor, sin-

(See RECORD, page eight)

Man who killed bear rejects plea bargain

by ROGER ALFORD
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

WHITESBURG — An Eastern Kentucky man charged with illegally killing a bear in his back yard has refused to plead guilty in order to avoid the possibility of jail time, opting instead to have his case heard in front of a jury.
 Terry Brock, 36, of Mayking, said the bear was a renegade and that he killed it to protect his family.
 The Letcher County man faces from 30 days to a year in jail and a fine of up to \$1,000 if

convicted. He said the county prosecutor offered a plea bargain that would have required no jail time, but he would have had to pay a \$250 penalty, give up his hunting privileges and the heirloom 30-30 caliber rifle he used to shoot the bear.
 "I didn't want to do that," Brock said. "I don't feel like I did anything wrong."
 District Judge Jim Wood set Brock's trial for Sept. 20.
 Brock, who has three children, said he walked out his door on June 2 to see what had his dogs and horse so disturbed and came face to face with the

bear. He said he jumped back inside, asked his wife to call the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife for help, and began banging on the wall of his mobile home, hoping the noise would frighten the wild animal away.
 When that didn't work, Brock said he grabbed the rifle and fired.
 "It seems like he had a right to protect his family, his dogs, his horse, from this bear," defense attorney Jamie Hatton said. "It's not like he was poaching."
 Letcher County Attorney Harold Bolling couldn't be reached to comment Wednesday. The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife, which filed the charge against Brock, doesn't want the case dropped.
 "This is our first case," Frank Campbell, a conservation officer assigned to Letcher County, told WYMT-TV in Hazard. "I feel it's a very important case for us."
 In a region where complaints about the protected animals are on the increase, a trial could test how jurors in Eastern Kentucky perceive the shooting of black bears that wander into residential areas.
 One other such case is pending in Knox County, where a man allegedly killed a bear in his garden because it continued coming toward him after he fired a warning shot.
 Black bears thrived in the area more than 100 years ago, before logging and over-hunting led to their disappearance. Over the past 20 years, they have been venturing back into Kentucky from forests in Virginia and West Virginia. Now, for the first time in more than a century, Kentucky has a self-sustaining black bear population and residents of the mountainous region along the state's eastern border are having to learn to live alongside them.
 Mark Marraccini, spokesman for the Department of Fish and Wildlife, said last week that conflicts between bears and people would decrease if people stopped leaving food and household garbage where bears can get it.
 Brock, who has pleaded not guilty to illegally killing the bear, said he couldn't believe he was accused of a crime. He said the bear swatted at his dogs and had his horse so spooked that he feared it might break a leg trying to get out of its stall.
 "I don't think people should be shooting these bears under most circumstances," Hatton said. "Under this circumstance only should you be allowed to shoot a bear."

Card of Thanks

The family of Lack DeRossett Lafferty would like to extend their appreciation to all those friends, neighbors, and loved ones, who helped to comfort them during their time of sorrow. Thanks to all those who sent flowers, food, or just spoke kind words. All your acts of kindness will never be forgotten. We would like to send a special thank-you to the clergymen for all their comforting words, and the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for their kind and efficient services.

THE FAMILY OF LACK DEROSSETT LAFFERTY

Obituaries

Jim Blanton

Jim Blanton, 89, of Circleville, Ohio, died Tuesday, July 20, 2004, in Pickaway Manor.
 He was born October 19, 1914, in Johnson County, the son of the late John Ed and Myrtle (Colvin) Blanton. He was a member of the Crossroads Church, formerly Jefferson Church of Christ in Christian Union, and a member of Local 423 Union in Columbus.
 He was preceded in death by his wife, Esta (Moore) Blanton.

Survivors include his daughters: Geneva (Leon) Parrigan of Plymouth, Jo (Wayne) Rausch of Dublin, Lori (Dan) Slone of Shelby, Juanita (Bill) Hoover of Amanda, and Carol (Dave) Greene of Texas; a son, Jim (Kaye) Blanton of Circleville; a brother, Everett (Donna) Blanton of Circleville; 26 grandchildren, 32 great-grandchildren; and several great-great-grandchildren, a son-in-law, Ralph Burns of Circleville; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Bethel Burns; a grandson, Tony Smallwood; a granddaughter, Traci Blanton; a great-grandson, Bradley Collins; two sisters, Laura Van Hoose and Darcus Hamilton; three brothers: William, Cambridge and Elic Blanton; and one son-in-law, Paul Smallwood.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m., Friday, July 23, at the Wellman Funeral Home, Circleville, Ohio, with Pastor Lonnie Potts officiating.

Burial will be in Forest Cemetery.
 Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Ellen A. Robinson

Ellen A. Robinson, age 92, of Brunside, formerly of Allen, passed away, Monday, July 19, 2004, at her daughter's residence in Lebanon, Tennessee.
 She was born January 30, 1912, in Carr Creek, the daughter of the late Bob Adams and Susan King Adams.

Survivors include one daughter, Linda Sue Brown of Lebanon, Tennessee; three brothers: Talby Adams and John Adams, both of Pinetop, and Andrew Adams of Kingsport, Tennessee; two sisters: Grace Webb of Kingsport, Tennessee, and Garnet Risner of Hindman; six grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband and parents; one daughter, Doris Ray Robinson Childers; and two sisters: Margaret Allen Salisbury, and Flora Bowens.

Funeral services for Ellen A. Robinson were conducted Thursday, July 22, at 2 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, at Martin, with Clergyman Ted Shannon officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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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.
Auxiler Freewill Baptist, Auxiler; 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. Jim Fields, Minister.
Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.
Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Expt. 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.
First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.
First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial); Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, minister.
Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 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.
Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.
Gretel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branham's Creek Rd.); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

Facts About The BIBLE BY JOHN LEHTI

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Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.
Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Barrett, Minister.
Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.
Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.
Lancer Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter
Liberty Baptist, Denver; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.
Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon; Sunday Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.
Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.
Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.
Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Varney, Minister.
McDowell First Baptist, McDowell; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Gene Bracken, Minister.
Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Eugene Cook, Minister.
Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 285-3385
Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.
Prater Creek Baptist, Banner; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; J.B. Hall, Pastor. Phone: (606) 874-3222.
Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J.102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; French B. Harmon, Director, Ella C. Goble, President; 874-9488/478-2978.
Rock Fork Freewill Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.
Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Earl Stone, Minister, Jerry Manns, Assistant Minister.
Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Huesville; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 4th Sunday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.
Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Shane Powers.
Stevens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stevens Branch; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.
The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.
Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist; Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.
Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.
United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Huesville; 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.

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 6:00p.m., Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:30 p.m. Father Johnnie E. Ross, Rector.

LUTHERAN

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

METHODIST

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

PRESBYTERIAN

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

CATHOLIC

St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Dameron, 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.
Huesville Church of Christ; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.
Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meads, 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.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

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

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS

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

OTHER

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

CALENDAR ITEMS WILL BE PRINTED AS SPACE PERMITS

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OUTDOOR MASONIC MEET PLANNED, AUGUST 7TH

The annual outdoor Masonic meeting of John W. Hall Lodge No. 950, F&AM, and James W. Alley Lodge No. 657, F&AM, will be held on Saturday, August 7, at the Tom Flannery farm at Warco.

The dinner will be served beginning at 4 p.m., and the second section of the Master Mason degree will follow at 6 p.m. All Master Masons are encouraged to attend.

JONES/SHEPHERD/ OUSLEY REUNION

To be held July 31, at Shelter #1, Dewey Dam Recreation Area. For more information, contact Charlotte Goble, after 7 p.m., at 889-9344.

PARSONS FAMILY REUNION

For the descendants of Isaac and Louisa Parsons, will be held Sept. 5, at the Isaac Parsons Cemetery, located on Parsons Branch, off Rt. 979, in Floyd County, from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. Bring covered dish for meal to be served at 1 p.m. More info., call E.J. Parsons at 865-426-7585.

CAR SHOW

The 2nd Annual Van Lear Historical Society Car Show will be held on Sat., August 7, at 9 a.m., at the Van Lear FWB Church. Trophies for: Best of Show, Best Pre-1960's, Best '60s, '70s, '80s, '90s, Post-2000, and Best Original Restoration. Also Best Motorcycle and Best Truck. Free prize drawings for entrants only. Call 789-8540 for more information.

1973 AND 1974 ACHS CLASS REUNION

The 1973 and 1974 graduating classes of Allen Central High School will hold a class reunion on Saturday, September 18, at the Prestonsburg Holiday Inn. Social Hour: 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Dance—8 p.m. until midnight. For more information, please contact Beth Conn Mullins at 606-285-0074 or Rita Duff Osborne at 606-358-9874.

NEWBEE QUILT GROUP

Learn how to use rotary cutter, July 29, 6-8 p.m., at Co-op Ext. Office. Must pre-register. For list of materials to bring with you, call Theresa Scott at 886-2668.

FCCD MEETING

The Floyd County Conservation District will hold

a meeting on Tuesday, July 27, at 10 a.m., at the District Office. Meeting is open to public, all interested encouraged to attend. For more info., call 889-9800, or email to: conserve@mikrotec.com.

19TH ANNUAL VAN LEAR TOWN CELEBRATION EVENT

To be held Friday, August 6 and Saturday, August 7. Free tours of the Coal Miner's Museum; catfish or soup bean dinners served at Icky's 1950s Snack Shop, or by delivery; opening ceremonies at 5 p.m.; car stereo "Crank it Up" competition at 6 p.m.; free live music at Herman Webb's store at 6:30 p.m. On Saturday, more tours, catfish and soup beans, in addition to a Car Show to be held at 9 a.m., in the Van Lear FWB Church parking lot. Also, basketball, horseshoes, kid's games and contests at Rucker Park. Special visit by Ky Opry's "Munroe" from 10 a.m. until noon. Parade with Adam Joseph of WSZA-TV. More info., call 789-9725.

JUBILEE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY CHURCH

July 28-30 - Vacation Bible School, "God's Boot Camp - Paul's Call to the Battlefield." Ages 4-18, 6-9 p.m.

July 31 - Super Saturday Fun Fest. Cotton candy, sno cones, jumbo inflatable slide, moonwalk, games and more.

August 1 - VBS graduation, 11 a.m.

All are welcome to join!

HRMC JULY-AUGUST CALENDAR

July 22 - Alzheimer's Support Group, Johnson County Library, 6-7 p.m.

July 29 - Diabetic Support Group, 4-7 p.m., meeting place A & B.

July 29 - "Living Well with Diabetes," support group class. Topic: "Depression and Diabetes" - a candid discussion about this often overlooked complication of diabetes. 5-6 p.m., meeting rooms A & B.

Aug. 3 - Senior Advantage, 9-11 a.m., Meeting Rooms A&B.

Aug. 5 - HRMC Blood Drive, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., Meeting Place A&B.

Aug. 21 - Childbirth Classes, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Meeting Place A&B.

Aug. 26 - Diabetic Support Group, 4-7 p.m., Meeting Place A&B.

All classes free of charge and open to the public.

AUXIER LIFETIME LEARNING CENTER

Sept. 29, Oct. 6, 13, & 20 - Super Pantry "Stars in the Kitchen." 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Learn life skills, low-fat cooking and new recipes. Cook and eat lunch. WIN: Door prizes and bag of groceries each week.

For more information about either of these activities, call 886-0709.

TEEN BIBLE STUDY GROUP

A teenage Christian study group meets the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at 7 p.m., at the Burton Pentecostal Church, in Upper Burton, near Wheelwright. All interested teens cordially invited and encouraged to attend.

BLHS CLASS OF '94

The Betsy Layne High School Class of 1994 will hold their 10-year class reunion on July 24, 2004. Call 478-3253 or 587-1028 for more information.

PHS CLASS OF '69

The Prestonsburg High School Class of 1969 will hold a reunion on Saturday, September 4, 2004 (Labor Day weekend), at the May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park. Pre-dinner meeting will be held from 5-6 p.m.; Dinner will be at 6 p.m., in Lodge dining room; Reunion meeting following dinner, from 8 p.m. until midnight in Lodge confer-

ence rooms. For more info., contact Ken & Jan at 886-8328, or Mike at 886-0252.

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.

Community Weight Loss Support Group - To meet Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center, beginning Feb. 5. For more info., call 377-6658. Those who have had gastric bypass surgery most especially welcome to attend. Meetings being offered as support to anyone needing extra support in dealing with weight loss.

Domestic Violence

Hotline - 24-hour Crisis Line manned by Certified Domestic Violence counselors. Call 886-6025, or 1-800-649-6605.

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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.

Judge who resigned under pressure gets federal post

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

A former Eastern Kentucky judge who resigned amid misconduct charges earlier this year is now serving as an administrative law judge for the Social Security Administration in Kansas City, Mo., an official said.

Judge Douglas Combs Jr. was facing misconduct charges by the Kentucky Judicial Conduct Commission when he resigned from the bench in Perry County in April.

The charges against Combs included allegations that he used court personnel in his private business, accepted a Las Vegas trip from an attorney who practices in his court, failed to assign trial dates and canceled or continued trial dates for "insubstantial" reasons, and frequently had a staff member hear arguments from attorneys rather than hear them himself.

John Garlinger, a spokesman for the Social Security Administration in Kansas City, confirmed Wednesday that Combs has been hired as an administrative law judge. Combs accepted the position in April.

Even though charges were dropped when Combs resigned, he still was publicly reprimanded by the Judicial Conduct Commission.

Combs, through his attorney, William Johnson of Frankfort, has steadfastly denied the accusations made against him.

Johnson said Combs had sought the administrative law judge position before the Judicial Conduct Commission's inquiry became public knowledge.

"By the time we were getting ready to go through the hearing, he had been offered the position," Johnson said. "That, of course, was one of the reasons, rather than to go through the agony of the hearing, that he made the decision to accept the position and resign as circuit judge."

Johnson said administrative law judges have better job security than circuit judges in Kentucky because they're hired, not elected. The drawback is that accepting the position often requires a cross-country move.

He said Combs still believes political opponents pushed to have the charges brought against him in Perry County.

"He would not be surprised to hear that people are still seeking a pound of flesh," Johnson said.

Combs was suspended with pay eight months after the commission began an investigation in April 2003.

If the charges had been substantiated, Combs would have been permanently removed from the bench, said Stephen D. Wolnitzek, chairman of the Judicial Conduct Commission.

Wolnitzek said the commis-

sion did nothing to preclude Combs from serving as an administrative law judge.

"The charges that we filed related only to his work as a circuit judge in Perry County," he said.

Because Combs resigned, Wolnitzek said a public reprimand was the most severe sanction the commission could impose. That reprimand, Wolnitzek said, was imposed unanimously.

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gle service items stored on the floor, restroom doors not self-closing. Score: 94.

Price Rite Market, Route 122, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not provided in all cooling units, hand drying device not accessible to handwash sink, several floor tiles in disrepair, ceiling tiles in disrepair. Score: 95.

Doc Reynolds Grocery, Grethel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not provided in all refrigerator units, nonfood contact surface in disrepair, restroom needs cleaning, restroom door not self-closing, floors in disrepair, ceiling in disrepair. Score: 94.

Newman's Country Store, Grethel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Freezer and refrigerator units without easily seen thermometers, food items stored on the floor, single service items stored on the floor, restroom door not self-closing. Score: 94.

McDowell Grade School, Route 122, regular inspection. Violations noted: Contents not properly labeled in walk in freezer, wiping cloths not properly stored, cleaning equipment stored in walk in. Score: 96.

Stones Market, Bevinsville, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not present in all refrigerator and freezer units, ceilings in disrepair, light in walk in refrigerator in disrepair. Score: 94.

Otter Creek Correctional Facility, Wheelwright, regular inspection. Violations noted: Not all refrigeration units have conspicuous thermometers. Score: 99.

Creek Side Mobile Home Park, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not properly numbered, lack of individ-

ual garbage cans, small amount of debris on several lots. Score: 94.

B & B Mobile Home Park, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not properly numbered, not enough individual garbage cans, adequate lighting not provided through entire park. Score: 94.

Property Transfers

Caner Hunter and Betty Hunter to Larry Hunter and Loretta Hunter, property located at Mud Creek.

William J. May to John W. Burke, property located at South Arnold Avenue.

Bertha Dean Vance Hall and James Hall Jr. to Noah Vance Jr. and Tinnie Vance, property located at Buckhorn Branch.

Freddie Crockett and Sheila Crockett to Lloyd Stapleton Jr., property located at Abbott Creek.

William W. Hall and Patricia A. Hall to Low Income Housing Coalition of East Kentucky Inc., property located at Bonanza.

Darvin Spencer and Ginny Spencer to Lonzo Bowling and Ramina Kay Bowling, property location undisclosed.

Billie G. Goble to Darrell Jervis and Cindy Jervis, property located at Cow Creek.

Donald R. Spears and Deborah C. Spears to Ezra Allen, property located at Middle Creek.

Dawson Realty Inc. to Casey's Foods, property located at Left Beaver.

Henrietta Reffitt to Nathan Reffitt and Charlene Reffitt, property located at Langley.

George Gray Jr. and Donna Gray to Henrietta Reffitt, property located at Langley.

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Flag football registration underway

Flag football registration is currently underway for the Pike County Area Family YMCA league. The league is open to both boys and girls in Pike and surrounding Eastern Kentucky counties. The youngest division is for players ages three and four. Players ages three to 12 are eligible to play. Registration runs through Sept. 5. For more information, call 606/433-9622.

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East Ridge Senior Leaguers: State Champs

by **RICK BENTLEY**
 TIMES COLUMNIST

Not two months ago, the softball team at East Ridge was denied a spot in the 15th Region tournament played on its own turf in part because it couldn't beat a team named Valley.

But that was small potatoes. Tuesday night, because their Senior League all-stars rallied to do just that – beat a team named Valley – they made it to the regional tournament this time.

Make that the national regional, where they will represent Kentucky as its state champion after a nine-inning, 5-4 comeback win over Louisville's Valley

Sports in Winchester. These young ladies, many of whom were on the field the day Shelby Valley ended their high school seasons in May, have now done something it is believed has never happened before. They are thought to be the first Pike County team to win a Little League state championship.

(See **BENTLEY**, page five)

Lonesome Pine to host Community Trust Bank 275

TIMES STAFF REPORT

COEBURN, Va. – Lonesome Pine Raceway will return to racing action Saturday, hosting the Community Trust 275. Action will take place in the following Divisions: Twin 50s for the Morgan McClure Late Models; Honda of Prestonsburg Sportsman - 40 laps; Freedom Ford Modified Fours - 30 laps; Miner's Exchange Bank Grand Stocks - 35 laps; Community Trust Bank Pure Fours - 25 laps; McDowell Professional Pharmacy Legends - 20 laps; Pro Challenge - 25 laps.

In addition, a Ladies Pure Four Powder Puff Race will also be held.

Gates will open at 4 p.m. with qualifying beginning at 5 and racing at 7.

General admission tickets are \$8. Children ages 12 and under get in free.

One week from Saturday, July 31, Lonesome Pine Raceway will host the BB&T Bank 250.

The Bon Secour's St. Mary's Hospital-sponsored event has been rescheduled for Aug. 7 in conjunction with Payless Supermarkets.

LPR Upcoming Special Events
 Aug. 7 – Road Hazard Extreme Team Motorcycle Stunt Show
 Aug. 14 – U.A.R.A. STARS Touring Late Models

StoneCrest Invitational slated for Saturday

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
 SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG – On the amateur side, local golfer Ryan Martin will gun for his third straight championship, and on the pro side, a host of talented golfers will vie for the top prize of \$10,000. There's that and much more in this year's StoneCrest Invitational.

After graduating from Mississippi State University, Codie Mudd wasted little time turning pro. Mudd is the defending StoneCrest Invitational pro champ, having



Home run derby set for Saturday

by **STEVE LeMASTER**
 SPORTS EDITOR

ALLEN – Wet weather forced the postponement of last week's local Century 21 Kentucky Junior Home Run Derby. The local derby, to be held at Stumbo Park, has been

rescheduled for Saturday. Boys and girls ages 9-14 from around the area can register for the daylong contest and compete with their peers for the coveted Century 21 Home Run Derby title and other prizes, including the chance to participate in the Second Annual Century 21 Kentucky

Junior Home Run Derby finals to be held at Louisville Slugger Field on Saturday, Aug. 14. Louisville Slugger Field is home to the Louisville Bats, the Class AAA affiliate of the Cincinnati Reds.

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BLUEGRASS STATE GAMES SOCCER



The Warriors – U14 recreational division (mixed) silver medalists. Pictured (front row, left to right): Luke Greené, Brittany Collins, Corey Mollett, Christian Smith, Nicholas Banks. Second row, left to right: Adam Kimbler, Ethan Filowiat, Zachary Hughes, Daniel McCarty, P.J. Collins, Thomas Cybriwsky, Joshua Holbrook. Back row: Tom Smith, Coach Mike Filowiat, Coach Danny Greene, Tim Banks.

U14 WARRIORS BRING HOME SILVER MEDALS

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – Nearly every year, a Floyd County-based team goes to the Bluegrass State Games to play soccer, despite having no local school program to support its efforts. Nearly every year one or more of these same teams returns with medals. This year it was a U14 Warriors team that took a hard-earned silver medal in the recreational league division. The Warriors achieved their success with every imaginable method of play.

For the Warriors, the first

game was a shutout win over a very capable Vine Grove team. Goalkeepers Daniel McCarty and P.J. Collins, along with their defensive mates, Thomas Cybriwsky, Adam Kimbler, Corey Mollett and Christian "The Hulk" Smith shut the door. Zach Hughes, who may have shown the most courage throughout the tournament in a weekend when there was plenty of heart shown by the locals, supplied the only goal needed with a first half indirect kick. Ethan Filowiat and Luke Greene

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Warrior forward Ethan Filowiat, who scored three goals in his team's opening game victory, worked the ball against the defense of the Vine Grove team.

Trio of Wildcats on Coaches' Preseason All-SEC Team

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – Three University of Kentucky football players, defensive end Sweet Pea Burns, strong safety Mike Williams, and linebacker Dustin Williams, were named to the Coaches' Preseason All-Southeastern Conference Team released Thursday by the league office.

Burns is a first-team selection, Mike Williams is a second-team pick, and Dustin Williams is a third-team choice.

Burns, who was named first-team All-

SEC by four selectors a year ago, made 72 tackles in 2003 and led the SEC with 18 tackles for loss. Mike Williams notched 98 tackles, 6.5 tackles for loss, five pass breakups, and one interception. Dustin Williams was one of the leading tacklers in the SEC last season with 122 stops.

Kentucky Football Calendar

June 10-Aug. 5 - Eight-week summer school

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Sweet Pea Burns



Mike Williams

took top honors last year. Martin, a member of the Morehead State University golf team, has won the amateur title each of the past two years. He isn't a pro, yet. But he knows his way around a golf course and can more than hold his own when playing in a tournament. StoneCrest Pro Jason Crum expects a great weekend of golf. "We've got a really good field of golfers entered for this year's Invitational," said Crum. "Several players from the Hooter's

(See **SLATED**, page five)

Johnson finds something to like in new points system

by MIKE HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUDON, N.H. — Jimmie Johnson has finally found something he likes about NASCAR's new championship format.

Leading the Nextel Cup standings with eight races to go before the new 10-race "Chase for the Championship," Johnson and his Hendrick Motorsports team can experiment all they want. Whatever margin he has built before the final 10 races will be all but erased, anyway.

"It's easy to say, 'All right, we can gamble on fuel this week because it doesn't matter' or 'It's not as important to take a risk this week because it doesn't matter.' Where we're at in the points system, it's been great," Johnson said. "We can take some risks; we can take chances."

That's because Johnson leads runner-up Dale Earnhardt Jr. by 105 points going into Sunday's Siemens 300 at New Hampshire International Speedway, and it would take a disaster to move

him out of championship contention in NASCAR's new system.

The way it works this year, the top 10 drivers and any others within 400 points of the leader after the first 26 races will be eligible to compete for the championship over the final 10 events. No matter how many points the leader has after the first 26 races, he will start the final 10 with just a five-point cushion over second place and 50 over 10th.

Johnson has not tried to hide

his disdain for the new system, but he's now trying to make the best of it.

"We have a nice cushion over second right now," he said. "I'm looking forward to not having that pressure on us as a team for these next eight races and to go out and have some fun."

Chad Knaus, Johnson's crew chief, is enjoying the lead, too.

"It's pretty comforting, actually, to be where we are right now," Knaus said. "We're solidly in the top 10 and it would take a series of real bad races to knock us out of it."

"We're going to use these next eight races as a test season. We can try things in the races that in past years we couldn't take a chance on."

Knaus pointed out the first race of the final 10 is also at the New Hampshire track, where Johnson swept both events last year.

"We're going to try a different car this time, but we have the other car standing by and we'll see which one we want to use when we come back in September," he said.

NASCAR turned its season into a two-tiered battle to try to help maintain fan interest late in the season. In previous years, a dominant driver could have the title all but wrapped up with

several races left.

Last year, Matt Kenseth won only one race but led the points for the last 33 races of the season — a record. The season ended with TV ratings and ticket sales down and a resounding ho-hum from many fans.

Still, Johnson was happier with the way the championship was decided in the past.

"On the entertainment side, you love this point system and it's going to be interesting all the way to the end," he said. "On the competition side, I believe people aren't in favor of it."

"You race for 36 races a year

to determine a champion — long races, long events and a long season. But then you have a system that really only reflects 10 races. It doesn't make sense to me."

Johnson has failed to finish two races, only one fewer than last year. But through the first 18 victories of the 2004 season, Johnson has been the picture of consistency with 13 top fives and 14 top 10s — very similar to the domination by Kenseth last year, Dale Jarrett in 1999, Bobby Labonte in 2000 and

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Green winds up fastest as Indy testing sessions end

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS — The testing numbers don't lie: The Brickyard 400 is one of the most coveted victories for any NASCAR Nextel Cup Series drivers.

A total of 38 drivers combined to turn 6,284 laps around the 2.5-mile Indianapolis Motor Speedway during six days of testing this month for the 11th annual Brickyard 400 on Aug. 8. That's 15,710 miles of testing, nearly the same distance from Indianapolis to Auckland, New

Zealand — and back.

In fact, each driver averaged 165 laps — five laps more than the actual race distance — during testing July 6-7, July 12-13 and July 19-20 at Indianapolis.

"This is a race where everybody brings their best stuff, puts their best effort forward," three-time Brickyard 400 winner Jeff Gordon said. "If you don't, you're certainly not going to have a chance of winning, and even if you do, it doesn't secure anything."

Said 1989 NASCAR champion Rusty Wallace: "It's definitely

one of the top three tracks of the year to win. It's a tough one because everybody's testing; the entire NASCAR circuit comes here. Everybody raises the bar; it's a real pressure-packed weekend."

Experience plays a big role in success in the Brickyard 400, as inaugural race winner Jeff Gordon and last year's winner, Kevin Harvick, were the only Brickyard champions who didn't have at least four years of top-level NASCAR experience when they won.

But that trend could be changing, if last year's race and this month's testing speed charts are any indication.

Harvick won the 2003 Brickyard 400 in just his third NASCAR Nextel Cup Series season, the least-experienced winner since Gordon won in 1994 in just his second full season.

The top three drivers in testing this month — Jeff Green, Brian Vickers and Jason Leffler — have combined to complete just three full NASCAR Nextel Cup seasons. Green has raced two full seasons, Leffler one, while Vickers is a rookie after capturing the NASCAR Busch Series title in 2003.

Green was fastest overall at 181.641 mph in the No. 43 Dodge on July 7, while Vickers was second at 181.554 in the No. 25 Chevrolet on July 13. Leffler rounded out the top three at 180.787 in the No. 60 Chevrolet on July 13.

Veteran Sterling Marlin was the fastest of the final week of testing, fourth overall at 180.305 in the No. 40 Dodge on July 20. Fellow veteran Mark Martin recorded the fastest speed by a Ford driver, 179.690, in the No. 6 Ford on July 13. That was good for seventh overall.

Only two past winners cracked the top 10 in testing. Gordon was ninth overall at 179.456 in the No. 24 Chevrolet on July 13, while 2002 winner Bill Elliott was 10th at 179.085 in the No. 91 Dodge on July 20.

Stewart, Foyt crash during Indy testing

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

INDIANAPOLIS — NASCAR Nextel Cup drivers Tony Stewart and Larry Foyt crashed Tuesday, but neither was hurt, during testing at Indianapolis Motor Speedway for next month's Brickyard 400.

Stewart returned to the track

in a different car. Stewart, fourth in the Nextel Cup driver standings, damaged the right rear of his car when he hit the wall in the second turn.

Foyt hit the wall in the first turn, damaging the car's right side. He did not return to the track because his team brought only one car for the session leading to the Aug. 8 race.

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Earnhardt's love of racing leads to trouble

by JENNA FRYER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. spends most of his time scrunched inside the cockpit of a stock car, on a high-speed chase for a NASCAR Nextel Cup championship.

Add up 38 races a year, qualifying, practice and test sessions, Earnhardt probably spends about 700 hours a year in his No. 8 Chevrolet.

So when a free weekend opens up on his schedule, why would the son of the late Dale Earnhardt fly across the country to compete in an American Le Mans Series race?

"Driving race cars is what I love doing," Earnhardt Jr. said when announcing his participation in last Sunday's race at Infineon Raceway in Sonoma,

Calif.

But what was supposed to be a fun, relaxing spin in a Corvette CR-5 turned into a frightening accident during practice that could have jeopardized his regular job. His car burst into flames, burning him on his chin and both legs.

Earnhardt slumped over his steering wheel as the flames engulfed him, and it took several seconds for him to scramble out of the car.

Back home in North Carolina, Earnhardt is resting while his Dale Earnhardt Inc. team prepares to race this weekend at New Hampshire International Speedway.

Second in the points standings, Earnhardt cannot afford to sit out of Sunday's race. Since NASCAR does not have a substitute driver rule, Earnhardt

must start the race to earn any points and stay in contention for his first championship.

DEI plans to have Martin Truex Jr. on standby in case Earnhardt can't finish. Truex has never competed in a Nextel Cup event, but he has tested at New Hampshire to prepare for his series debut there in September.

Still, using Truex as an injury replacement is not the ideal scenario for Earnhardt or DEI.

In hindsight, Earnhardt probably should have spent his last off weekend of the season at the beach or in the mountains. Heck, even sitting on his couch in his living room would have been a better idea than competing in a race that meant nothing to DEI or the sponsors who pay millions for Earnhardt to drive his red Chevrolet.

But that's not how racers live their lives.

"It's what we grew up doing," said NASCAR veteran Ken Schrader, who races in about 60 non-Nextel Cup events. "If you just race on Cup weekends, then it's your job. But racing is still my hobby. It's what I love to do. It seems like if there's a weekend and there's a race, then I'm supposed to be in it."

Earnhardt inherited that characteristic from his father, who was killed in a last-lap wreck in the 2001 Daytona 500. Dale Earnhardt introduced his son to extracurricular events, and the

(See NASCAR page five)

Riverside Raceway roars forward

TIMES STAFF REPORT

DWALE — The competition heats up down by the Riverside Raceway that is. The newest design of the Briggs & Stratton Engine made its debut at Riverside Raceway one week ago today. The new overhead valve Animal engine sported two entries for the race. Scott Smith (5) of Leburn took the checkered flag in both the heat and feature races. Hazard racer Eric Wells (11) was the contender.

The stock medium class continues to go head-to-head between Chris Adams (18) of Whitesburg and Jeremy Back (38) of Martin. In the latest round, the checkered flag went to Adams with Back running second in both the heat and feature races.

The stock light category saw new contenders. Keith Adams (327) of Whitesburg took the first position in both the heat and feature. James Sturgill (11H) took second-place honors in both races.

Greg Dawson (00) of Dwale took first-place in the super heavy heat with Greg Hampton (11H) second. The feature ended in the same order, but a technicality in the post race tech session forced Dawson to give the top honors to Hampton.

The purple plate class had its own kind of pushing and shoving action. The heat and feature race finished the same with Hayden Adkins (12) of Whitesburg taking first-place. Brian McCall, also of Whitesburg, placed second.

Today, a brand new class of racing — bicycle racing — is scheduled to hit the Riverside Raceway. Races will be grouped by ages. Racers will race for trophies. The go-kart classes for the 5- and 6- year-olds are also now open. Gates open at 5 p.m. today. Hot laps will begin at 7 p.m. and racing at 8:30.

It's back to the road for Brandon Kinzer Motorsports

ALLEN — Brandon Kinzer Motorsports, after a racing weekend that included a rainout prior to the start of one Late Model feature event, and a flat tire just past the halfway point of another, turns its focus back to Late Model feature race competition. It's back to the racing business at hand with a schedule that consists of two days, two states and 2 feature races.

Today, Brandon Kinzer Motorsports is scheduled to travel to Sweetwater, Tenn. for a \$3,000-to-win unsanctioned race at Murphy Speedway. Then, moving on to a deeper part of the South, the BK Motorsports team will take to Talladega Short Track for "Dirt Trackin Southern Style" Saturday for another O'Reilly Auto Parts Southern All Stars-sanctioned feature race dubbed


the Michael Head Jr. Memorial. The event, which will honor the late Michael Head Jr., a former driver who drove car No. 54, is set for 54 laps and \$5,400 to win.

Gates for the Talladega race are scheduled to open at 5:30 p.m. with hot laps to follow at 7.

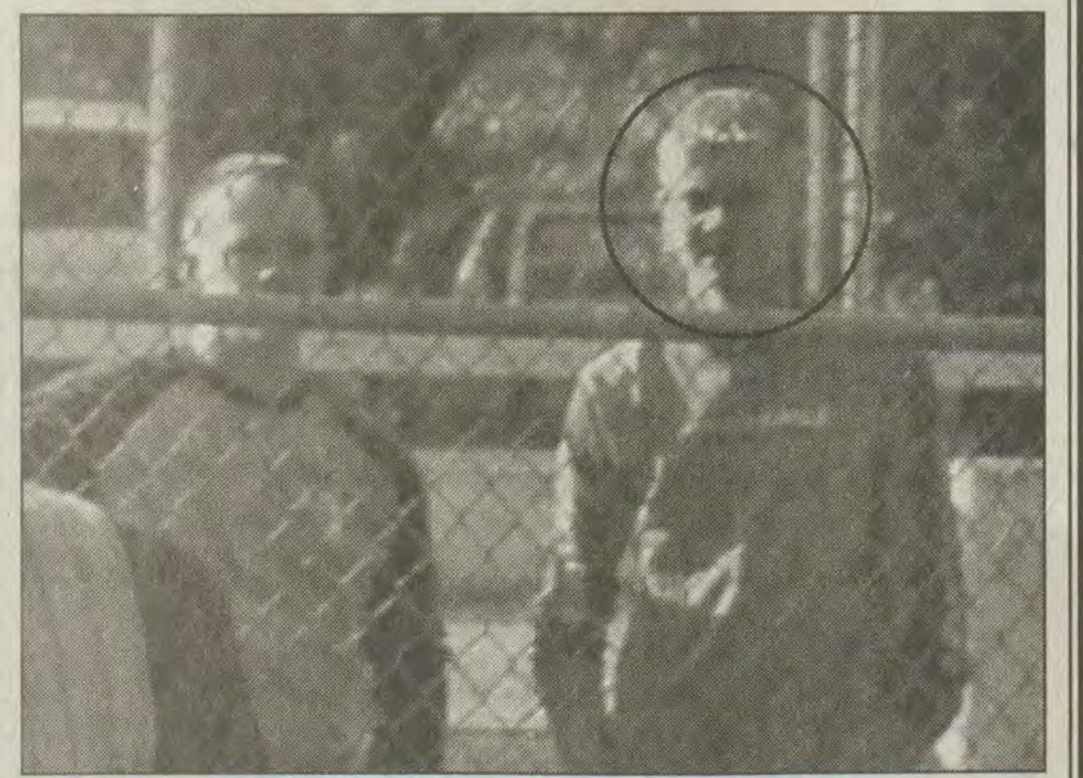
Brandon Kinzer, for one, is looking forward to the Talladega race.

"Talladega is just an awesome race track," Kinzer commented.

For the latest information on Brandon Kinzer Motorsports and the No. 18 Kinzer Drilling, Barry Wright Racecars, Ranger Contracting, Eastco Supply Dodge Intrepid, go online to the official Brandon Kinzer Motorsports website — www.brandonkinzer.com. — Times Staff Report



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Taking a stand: Delgado does not stand for 'God Bless America'

by BEN WALKER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Fervently anti-war, Carlos Delgado quietly carried out his personal protest this season, refusing to stand when "God Bless America" was played at ballparks across the majors.

Most fans never saw him disappearing up the dugout tunnel or staying on the bench. And even teammates who disagreed with the Toronto slugger's political stance accepted his right to call the United States' invasion of Iraq "the stupidest war ever."

This week, though, a lot more people noticed.

The Blue Jays played at Yankee Stadium for the first time this year on Wednesday night. It's the only park in the majors where "God Bless America" has been played every

game since the Sept. 11 attacks, a fiercely patriotic place where active military members are still admitted free.

"I don't think that will be received too well," Yankees manager Joe Torre predicted Wednesday before the opener of the two-game series. "Just when Bob Sheppard starts announcing 'God Bless America,' they start applauding. If you do call attention to that, it won't be popular." It sure wasn't.

Delgado was greeted with scattered boos each time he batted — no telling whether that was related to his off-the-field opinions, or his status as an opposing star.

But there were brief chants of "USA! USA!" when he lined out in the top of the seventh. During a moment of silence before Kate Smith's rendition of "God Bless America" was

played during the seventh-inning stretch, derisive shouts were made in his direction.

True to form, Delgado was nowhere to be seen. He left the dugout when the last out was made in the top of the seventh, and headed to the clubhouse, and was removed from the game with the Blue Jays trailing by seven runs.

Delgado politely declined to elaborate before Wednesday night's game, though he said he stood by his previous comments. After the 10-3 loss, he deferred when asked about his remarks and the crowd reaction.

"No, I will not talk about it. Is that OK? Thank you," he said.

While big leaguers usually come to the top step of the dugout or on to the field to stand in silence during "God Bless America," Delgado does not make a public show of his

stance.

In fact, until the first baseman spoke about the issue in early July to the Toronto Star, many people were not aware of how strongly he felt.

"It's a very terrible thing that happened on Sept. 11. It's (also) a terrible thing that happened in Afghanistan and Iraq," Delgado said at the time. "I just feel so sad for the families that lost relatives and loved ones in the war."

"But I think it's the stupidest war ever. Who are you fighting against? You're just getting ambushed now. We have more people dead now after the war than during the war," he said. "I don't support what they do. It's just stupid."

Delgado, from Puerto Rico, also opposed the U.S. military's longtime use of the Puerto Rican island of Vieques for weapons testing.

Delgado's opinion became more well known to New York fans in a column in The New York Times on Wednesday. In it, he said, "It takes a man to stand up for what he believes."

"I am not pro-war; I'm anti-war," he said. "I'm for peace."

Commissioner Bud Selig said he understood Delgado's position and that it was a sensitive subject. Selig said he'd like to talk to the Blue Jays' franchise leader in home runs and RBIs about the issue.

Other athletes have taken similar approaches.

NBA guard Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf of the Denver Nuggets would not stand for the national anthem during the 1995-96 season, which led to an indefinite suspension that was

lifted two days later.

Division III basketball player Toni Smith of the Manhattanville women's team attracted attention for refusing to face the flag during the national anthem in the 2002-03 season.

Most ballparks generally

play "God Bless America" on Sunday and holidays, but the Yankees do it at every game. It comes on after Sheppard, the stadium's longtime public-address announcer, reads a remembrance to the people serv-

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Group unveils plan for Owensboro baseball stadium

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OWENSBORO — A group trying to lure a minor-league baseball team to Owensboro unveiled a proposed new stadium, saying the idea is a first step in bringing the national pastime back to the city.

The Bring Back Baseball Committee said Wednesday that a new stadium, which would seat 4,000 people for baseball games, would cost between \$7 million and \$10 million and could be used for a Frontier League team as well as other sporting events and concerts.

"A baseball park here has a chance, but concerts and festivals will make it fly and fly rather comfortably," committee member Zev Buffman said.

A site for a new baseball stadium has not been determined, but backers have looked at 12 places around town, including

city parks.

The baseball team and stadium would be a not-for-profit organization and thus able to use tax-free bond financing, Buffman said.

City Commissioner Charlie Castlen was keeping his mind open.

"I'm not willing to slam the door in their face," he said. "The fact that they made a proposal using conservative numbers makes me hopeful this is something Owensboro can do."

Kentucky already has minor-league teams in Florence, Louisville and Lexington. Florence Freedom is a member of the Frontier League, which has a dozen teams stretching from Missouri to Pennsylvania.

Information from: Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer, <http://www.messenger-inquirer.com>

Louisville one year away from joining Big East

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — In November of last year, the University of Louisville accepted an invitation to join the BIG EAST Conference. The school will begin competition in the league with the 2005-06 season.

Joining the BIG EAST Conference is tremendous recognition of the University of Louisville's outstanding athletic program and our accomplished student-athletes" said Dr. James Ramsey, President of U of L. "It is with great enthusiasm that we make this next strategic move on behalf of our athletics program. Its significance, however, will extend even beyond the playing fields.

"U of L is dedicated to earning national recognition for academic and research achievement, and joining the BIG EAST Conference is an opportunity to be affiliated with many

of the nation's most renowned institutions. In the outstanding company of the BIG EAST, we will continue to raise our national educational profile on our way to becoming a preeminent metropolitan research institution. In the classroom, the laboratories and the fields of competition, we make this move with great pride on behalf of our students, faculty, alumni, fans and the many friends of the University of Louisville."

"First and foremost, I'm pleased for this community," said Tom Jurich, Vice President and Director of Athletics at U of L. "This association will provide us the national stage that we all desire. This athletic department has worked long and hard over the last six years to put ourselves in the position to be attractive to a conference as prestigious as the BIG EAST. On behalf of our entire department, we are excited and proud

to join the BIG EAST and are anxious to begin competition."

U of L joins four fellow schools currently Conference USA members as new additions to the BIG EAST, including the University of Cincinnati, the University of South Florida, DePaul University and Marquette University. The invitations were extended and accepted at Tuesday's annual meeting of BIG EAST presidents in New York.

The new 16-team BIG EAST Conference will include eight members for all sports, including Cincinnati, Connecticut, Louisville, Pittsburgh, Rutgers, South Florida, Syracuse and West Virginia. The additional eight schools will compete in all sports except football, including DePaul, Georgetown, Marquette, Notre Dame, Providence, St. John's, Seton

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The 2004 Prestonsburg 11-12-year-old All-Stars. Front row (left to right): Josh Craynon, Tyler Sparks, Kevin Roman, Caleb Petry, Kyle Gearheart, Rhodie the Saint Bernard. Second row: Michael Burchett, Austin McKinney, Cody VanHoose, Josh Blackburn, J.D. Head, D.J. Ousley. Coaches: Ned Pillersdorf, Randy Gearheart, Denny Ousley.

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Johnson's teammate and car co-owner Jeff Gordon in 2001.

Coming to New Hampshire, he has already matched the three victories he earned in each of his first two Cup seasons.

With the new system, Johnson says it's going to be a matter of who gets hot at the right time.

"If you look at how teams cycle through and what people are on the top, right now the No. 24 has been the strongest in the last 10 races," Johnson said, referring to Gordon, third in the points.

"It's going to be interesting to see how it all cycles around and who really is the best at the end of the year."

Johnson just hopes it's him.

Cowgill named Louisville Slugger Player of the Year

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — Henry Clay High graduate Collin Cowgill has been named Kentucky's Louisville Slugger Player of the Year.

Louisville Slugger initiated the State High School Player of the Year program as part of its 120th anniversary because it is proud of its rich heritage and tradition in baseball. Louisville Slugger bats have been linked to so many of the greatest moments in baseball history.

"Louisville Slugger is the official bat of Major League Baseball and in addition to all of our history, we have the majority of MLB players using our

bats today," said Louisville Slugger President Marty Archer. "These State High School Player of the Year Awards are a way to honor today's high school stars for their outstanding accomplishments as they work to try to become the Major League stars of the future."

Recipients of the Louisville Slugger State High School Player of the Year Awards will receive specially engraved black and silver Louisville Slugger bats noting their achievement.

Cowgill hit .495 with 18 home runs, 47 runs batted in and 44 runs. He also stole 17 bases in 18 attempts, and played stellar defense in center field.

Cubs 5, Reds 4

by JASON STRAIT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Sammy Sosa hit the go-ahead home run in the seventh inning following a rain delay, and the Chicago Cubs overcame a two-run deficit to beat the Cincinnati Reds 5-4 Wednesday and stop a three-game losing streak.

Sosa hit his 18th homer of the year off Todd Van Poppel (3-4) as Chicago won for only the fourth time in its last 13 games.

Todd Wellemeyer (1-0) pitched 1 1-3 scoreless innings, stranding the bases loaded in the seventh when he threw a called third strike past John Vander Wal in the pouring rain just before a 54-minute delay. Vander Wal had fouled off three straight 3-2 pitches.

LaTroy Hawkins pitched the ninth for his 13th save in 17 chances. Derrek Lee and Moises Alou hit two-run homers for Chicago.

Wily Mo Pena and Jason LaRue hit solo homers for the Reds, who outhit the Cubs 10-6, and D'Angelo Jimenez had two RBIs.

Cincinnati's Paul Wilson worked out of a bases-loaded jam in the first when Aramis Ramirez flied out to the base of the left-field wall. Wilson allowed four runs and four hits in six innings with six strikeouts.

Chicago's Matt Clement, 0-5 in eight starts since June 8, gave

up four runs and seven hits in six innings with seven strikeouts.

Jimenez hit a two-run single with two outs in the first, but Alou's 22nd home tied the score in the third.

Pena homered in the fourth, his 14th of the season and seventh in 10 games, and LaRue homered two batters later for a 4-2 lead.

Lee hit his 16th homer in the sixth inning, his fourth in seven games.

Notes: Chicago traded INF Ricky Gutierrez to Boston for a player to be named or cash. The Cubs recalled RHP Jon Leicester from Triple-A Iowa and optioned RHP Francis Beltran to

the minors. Leicester went 2-0 with a 2.63 ERA in 13 2-3 innings with the Cubs earlier in the season. ... Jimenez extended his hitting streak to 11 games with a first-inning single. It's the longest hitting streak of the season for the Reds. ... Former Cubs 1B Bill Buckner, who won the 1980 batting title with Chicago, was honored before the game and sang "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" during the seventh-inning stretch. ... Sosa struck out twice with runners on base, and was loudly booed both times. ... Reds batters struck out 12 times. ... Each starter threw exactly 100 pitches.

Sanchez refuses demotion by Reds

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Left-hander Jesus Sanchez refused a demotion to the Cincinnati Reds' Triple-A team Thursday, opting to become a free agent.

Sanchez, 29, went 0-2 with a 7.53 ERA in three starts for the Reds, who designated him for assignment Sunday. He cleared waivers but refused an outright assignment to Louisville.

Sanchez has also pitched for Florida, the Cubs and Colorado. He was part of a move that backfired on July 2, when the Reds called him up from Louisville to start the first game of a series against the Cleveland Indians.

The Indians were only 9-17 against left-handers at the time but rolled to a 15-2 victory by piling up nine runs in the first five innings off Sanchez and left-hander Mike Matthews.

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Division I Management Council endorses new rules for recruiting student-athletes

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BALTIMORE — A series of reforms designed to eliminate excesses and a "sense of entitlement" in the recruitment of student-athletes has been endorsed by the NCAA Division I Management Council.

Meeting in Baltimore, Maryland July 19-20, the Management Council endorsed a series of recommendations adopted earlier this month by the NCAA Task Force on Recruiting, said Chris Monasch, current chair of the NCAA Division I Management Council and commissioner of the America East Conference.

NCAA President Myles Brand created the task force in February following the national attention given to the alleged use of alcohol and sex in the recruiting of prospective student-athletes at major universities.

"The recommendations of the task force are intended to provide a meaningful framework for a prospect and an institution to make an informed decision about attendance at the institution and participation in the athletics program, while at the same time are intended to minimize the focus on competition among institutions for the prospect and the 'sense of entitlement' and the 'celebrity' atmosphere that can ensue," the task force said in its final report.

The NCAA Division I Board of Directors will consider six task force recommendations as emergency legislation at its August 5, meeting for immediate implementation. The Management Council also introduced two measures that will be introduced in the 2004-05 NCAA legislative cycle.

"I am pleased with the commitment of the task force members to take on this project and attempt to be responsive to concerns expressed by President Brand and the Board of

Directors," said S. David Berst, chair of the recruiting task force and NCAA vice-president for Division I. "I believe what we have moving forward is meaningful, and I believe it will reduce by a half step the competitive nature of the 48 hours of the recruiting visit, and I hope we go further in the future."

The six measures to be considered as emergency legislation by the Division I Board of Directors in August include the following:

Member institutions must develop written policies for official recruiting visits to be approved by the president or chancellor. The policies would apply to prospective student-athletes, student hosts, coaches and other athletics administrators. Among other things, the policies must prohibit the use of alcohol, drugs, sex and gambling in recruiting. Colleges and universities must submit their official and unofficial visit policies to their conference offices by December 1, 2004. Institutions independent of conferences must submit their policies to the NCAA national office. The policies must be reviewed every four years by an outside entity. Under this measure, the NCAA reserves the right to investigate major violations of recruiting policy.

Institutions must use commercial air transportation at coach-class airfare to transport a prospect to and from an official visit. This rule is designed to minimize expectations created by the use of private or chartered airplanes in the recruitment process.

Institutions must use standard vehicles to transport prospects and those accompanying them on official visits. The vehicles must be the same as those used to transport any prospective student. This measure is intended to prohibit the use of specialized vehicles, such as those with special decor or modified with televisions, which

could create a sense of entitlement for prospective student-athletes.

Prospects and their parents or legal guardians must be housed in standard lodging without special accessories and be offered standard meals comparable to those offered on campus. This proposal is intended to help institutions establish an environment during an official visit that resembles normal campus life for student-athletes.

Students who host prospects during official or unofficial visits must be current student-athletes or students designated to conduct campus visits or tours for all prospective students. This rule is intended to establish an environment similar to that experienced by all prospective students on official visits. Gender-specific groups could still be permitted if they are organized consistent with the overall campus visit program.

Institutions cannot develop personalized recruiting aides, such as personalized jerseys and personalized audio/video score-

board presentations, or engage in any game-day simulations during a prospect's official or unofficial visit. This measure would not prohibit prospective student-athletes from visiting the locker room before or after a game, or standing on the sidelines during pregame activities before being seated in regular seats during the competition.

Monasch said the Management Council introduced two additional recommendations that will be included in the 2004-05 legislative cycle, which would result in final consideration by the Council and the Board in April 2005.

The first recommendation would allow institutions to pay the cost of airfare for one parent or legal guardian to accompany a prospect during an official visit. This proposal is intended to assist a prospect and his or her family in assessing academic and athletic opportunities on a campus.

The second recommendation would reduce the number of official visits from five to four. The recruiting task force noted

that current data show in football and basketball that most prospects are not using the full allotment of visits.

In other action, Monasch said the Management Council agreed to introduce proposals into the 2004-05 legislative cycle developed by the National Association of Basketball Coaches and the Women's Basketball Coaches Association that are intended to improve recruiting, retention and graduation of basketball student-athletes.

Management Council members stressed that their action simply allows for the proposals to be included and debated in the annual legislative cycle and does not imply specific support for the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) or Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) packages.

The NABC plan includes a number of groundbreaking items, including proposals to allow more contact between coaches and prospects, foster the mentoring relationship between coaches and student-athletes, and permit

five seasons of competition in five years.

"These issues are part of a larger effort by coaches to join with administrators and presidents to do something better for basketball," said Berst. "This is not something the NCAA is trying to impose on basketball. We are giving coaches the opportunity to make their case."

The NABC package is the result of an "ethics summit" held by the NABC last fall to address these issues, and it also stems from a challenge issued last year by NCAA President Myles Brand to basketball coaches to recommend changes in NCAA policy to improve the academic and social well-being of student-athletes.

The NABC plan was endorsed last month by 310 Division I men's basketball coaches and the Division I Men's Basketball Issues Committee, Berst said. The Management Council and the Board of Directors will give the NABC and WBCA plans final consideration in April 2005.

Two indicted for illegally selling, killing, transporting white-tailed deer

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — Northern District of Indiana United States Attorney Joseph S. Van Bokkelen announced last week that a Grand Jury in South Bend, Ind., released a 38-count indictment charging two men with illegally selling and transporting wildlife across state boundaries; facilitating the illegal killing and transportation of wildlife; knowingly providing false information to federal agents; and, illegally introduc-

ing chemicals into food producing wildlife for interstate transfer.

The indictment charges Russell G. Bellar, 49, of Peru, Ind., and Hinds Tom Jones, 36, of Edwards, Miss., with more than 30 felony violations of the Lacey Act, each. The Lacey Act is a federal wildlife protection law and each felony violation can result in a maximum fine of \$250,000 and/or five years in prison.

"This became a federal investigation when it was evi-

dent that deer were being killed or sold unlawfully and many of the hunters were from out of state," said U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Law Enforcement Agent Paul Beiriger, lead investigator for the case. "The Indiana DNR conducted an exceptional investigation and worked closely with us to bring this toward the prosecution phase." Under the Lacey Act, it is a violation of Federal law to import, export, transport, sell, receive, acquire, or purchase in interstate commerce any wildlife, including fish, that was taken, transported, possessed, or sold in violation of any state of law.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Indiana Department of Natural Resources law enforcement agents, with assistance from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration — Office of Criminal Investigations, began investigating the activities of Bellar and Jones at their place of business, Bellar's Place, Inc., located near Peru, Ind., in October 2003. Bellar's Place, Inc., is operated as a hunting preserve owned by Bellar and was managed by Jones at the time of the investigation. The investigation included wildlife agents posing as hunters; detailed interviews with hunters, business associates and employees; and, the execution of federal search warrants at Russell Bellar's private residence and two of his businesses.

Details of the indictment and investigation allege that Bellar and Jones conducted at least 51

illegal deer hunts on the property since January 2001. The indictment states that many hunters were unlicensed, used illegal weapons and hunted with the aid of bait. In addition, the hunters were often allowed to choose specific deer and were charged up to \$20,000 to kill the animals in an enclosed hunting area. The deer were often drugged and had their antlers measured prior to being placed into small pens where they were killed. Once the deer were killed, the antlers, hides and drug contaminated meat were illegally transported, often across state boundaries.

"The case is very important as a matter of law and of ethical treatment of wildlife," said Lt. Col. Jeff Wells, executive officer for the DNR law enforcement division. "This deer farm sedated wild animals and put them in small pens to be sold and shot for large sums of money. Antlers and deer hides were then illegally transported across state lines to be turned into trophies, and meat tainted with drugs was carelessly introduced into the food supply. This was not hunting. It's just wrong."

Bellar's Place, Inc., is licensed by the State of Indiana as a game breeding facility. This license authorizes the facility to possess deer in captivity and to buy and sell deer for breeding purposes. The license does not allow the sale of deer for hunting. To sell a specific deer for hunting is illegal in Indiana.

Escape the heat by chasing bass at night

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

FRANKFORT — The humidity is so high you can barely breathe after the fog burns off. By midday, your body is saltier than a country ham and you have a throbbing headache to boot.

Bass fishing in the summer daytime heat borders on torture. In addition to sweat and sunburn, the fish don't readily bite. The lake is overrun with jet skiers, water skiers and pleasure boaters bent on roaring into every cove and along every bank you plan to fish.

To escape the heat and crowds, don't venture onto the lake until after supper. The dusk period, around midnight and right before dawn are prime times to catch a hog bass. Avoid lakes where the water stays stained and murky or lakes muddied by thunderstorms. They don't produce at night like lakes

that stay relatively clear in summer.

Night fishing requires a different mind set than daytime fishing. Boat anglers should study a map of the lake and launch near where they plan to fish. Long runs to fishing areas and darkness don't mix well. As old timers say, "pattern your fish close-by."

Bank anglers need to spend some daytime scouting good fishing banks close to a parking area. Packing expensive fishing equipment at night through woods, dense brush or tall weeds could lead to disaster. A slip on a root or unseen rock may snap a rod tip or an ankle. Night fishing from the bank frees the mind of worry about boat control and allows more concentration to detect strikes, but the angler must choose a bank that holds bass at night.

On reservoirs, long main lake points that gently slope into the

old river channels, humps and shallow flats near deep water are good night bass fishing spots. Bass locate in shallow water after the sun goes down and spook easily. Any unnatural noise sends them to deep water. Remember the lack of activity on the lake magnifies tackle box lids banging, talking or a dropped pair of pliers.

One small tackle box or soft-sided pouch can hold all the essential night fishing gear. Large soft plastic lizards, 4 to 6-inch skirted double tailed grubs or 7 to 10-inch plastic worms all provoke bass strikes at night. Black is the most popular color, but wine, purple, watermelon or brown also produce. These colors cast a good silhouette in the water for bass to detect.

On moonlit nights in gin clear lakes or when dark colors are not producing, some night bass anglers switch to light colors such as chartreuse, smoke

with purple flakes, pumpkinseed with chartreuse tail and even pearl. Smoke with purple flakes is a nighttime favorite on Herrington Lake. Some swear by chartreuse or pearl at night on Lake Cumberland.

Black or purple 1/2 to 1/4 ounce hair jigs tipped with a pork trailer fool smallmouth bass at night. Black casting jigs tipped with large blue soft plastic craws attract bass when worked down a channel point, along a drop off or probed into fallen trees.

But, the black short arm spinnerbait with one large Colorado blade is hard to beat. If the bass are ignoring bottom presentations with soft plastics or jigs, go to the black spinnerbait. The single Colorado blade combined with the short arm produce vibration and thump that draws attention from a distance at night. This lure is equally deadly on largemouth and smallmouth bass.

The big, sprawling reservoirs are not the only places to night fish for

bass. Farm ponds, small lakes and even streams offer good nighttime bass

fishing. The old, venerable black Jitterbug still produces savage strikes

when fished along a weed line in a farm pond or in the still water above a

riffle in a stream. For more information about fishing opportunities in Kentucky, call

1-800-858-1549 and request "Kentucky's Boating and Fishing Access Sites".

Log-on to fw.ky.gov for a list of places to fish, maps and species lists for

waterways all over Kentucky. The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources

(KDFWR) manages, regulates, enforces and promotes responsible use of all fish and wildlife species, their habitats, public wildlife areas and

waterways for the benefit of those resources and for public enjoyment.

KDFWR, an agency of the Commerce Cabinet, has an economic impact to the state of \$4.8 billion annually. For more information on KDFWR, visit our web site at fw.ky.gov.

Warrior striker Nicholas Banks put the ball past the outstretched hands of the goalkeeper of the Saints during the Warriors' 4-1 win in their second game of the Bluegrass State Games.



Sweeper Joshua Holbrook of the U14 Warriors hustled to defend against a Saints forward.

Stand

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ing in the military.

There was a chance during this series, Delgado realized, that he might make the final out in the top of the seventh and be on the field when the tribute begins.

"This is my personal feeling. I don't want to draw attention to myself or go out of my way to protest," Delgado told the Times. "If I make the last out of the seventh inning, I'll stand there. But I'd rather be in the dugout."

Blue Jays general manager

J.P. Ricciardi said the team has not gotten any reaction from fans about Delgado's position. Team president Paul Godfrey has said he respects Delgado's opinion but opposes his political view.

Standing in the box seats, Yankees fan Barry Phillips disagreed with Delgado, but said he would not boo him.

"I think it's totally disrespectful," he said shortly before gametime. "It's a slap directly in my face, as a New Yorker and an American."

Louisville

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Hall and Villanova. Three current schools in the BIG EAST — Boston College, Miami (Fla.) and Virginia Tech — are departing for the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The BIG EAST Conference, which has its headquarters located in Providence, R.I., is celebrating its 25th anniversary season in 2003-04. The conference, which has won 22 national championships in six different sports, sponsors championships in 23 sports.

Two U of L coaches have close ties to the BIG EAST. U of L men's basketball coach Rick Pitino guided Providence for two seasons (1985-87), reaching

the NCAA Final Four there in 1987. U of L women's soccer coach Karen Ferguson is a 1993 UCONN graduate, where she was a three-time All-America selection and served as an assistant coach for three seasons prior to joining the Cardinals.

The Cardinals were charter members of Conference USA in 1995 after 20 years in the now-dissolved Metro Conference (1975-95). U of L also had previous league associations with the Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (1925-48), Ohio Valley Conference (1948-49) and Missouri Valley Conference (1964-75).

Cubs 13, Reds 2 Warriors

by RICK GANO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Greg Maddux pitched a four-hitter for his 298th career win, Moises Alou hit two of Chicago's four homers and the Cubs routed the Cincinnati Reds 13-2 Thursday.

Working quickly, Maddux (9-7) pitched his second straight complete game and 105th of his career. It was the first time he pitched back-to-back complete games since July 21 and 26, 1999.

Maddux walked none and struck out six. He needed just 92 pitches in a game that took 2 hours, 15 minutes.

The only hitter to give him much trouble was Reds catcher Javier Valentin, who entered the game batting .182 but homered twice, solo shots in the third and fifth innings.

Alou hit a solo homer in the second and a two-run shot in the third, giving him 24 for the season and five in his last nine games. Mark Grudzielanek had a three-run homer in the fourth off Cory Lidle, and Aramis Ramirez hit a grand slam off Ryan Wagner to make it 12-2 in the sixth.

Lidle (6-8) allowed 10 hits and

eight runs in 4 1-3 innings and left after yielding RBI doubles to Derrek Lee and Alex Gonzalez in the fifth.

Sosa had an RBI single in the eighth to make it 13-2.

Notes: Lidle and both benches were warned in the fifth inning after he threw a curveball that didn't break and it went over Alou's head at the plate. But when Ryan Wagner hit Lee with a high pitch in the sixth to load the bases, he remained in the game and Ramirez followed with his fourth career grand slam ... Manager Dusty Baker said a decision on whether Mark Prior makes his Sunday start will probably be made in Philadelphia on Friday after he throws in the bullpen. Prior missed his previous start with a tender elbow but has had no problems after throwing a five-inning simulated game Tuesday. ... Alou had the 25th multihomer game of his career. Valentin's was his first. ... If Maddux wins his next start at Milwaukee on Tuesday, his first shot at victory No. 300 would probably come Aug. 1 at Wrigley Field against the Phillies. ... Maddux has now surrendered 22 homers, just two fewer than all last season.

rounded out the scoring for the Warriors with three and two second half goals respectively, to make the final 6-0.

Playing with only one substitute against a Northern Kentucky Saints team with what seemed to be unlimited numbers, the Warriors won their second game of the day by a score of 4-1. Nick Banks, Greene, Collins and McCarty provided the goals. As always, Josh Holbrook dominated the midfield, supported by the prettiest and smartest Warrior, Brittany Collins, and the gutsy Hughes, who played despite injured knees.

The Warriors entered the medal round on Sunday as the top qualifier. In a hard-fought game, they defeated the Northern Kentucky Soccer League entry by a score of 2-1. McCarty manned the goal the entire game and was outstanding. Greene's goal-scoring run to tie the game at one-all was a highlight worthy of airing on ESPN SportsCenter. Banks scored the game-winner on a heads-up play that capped a great tourney by the 13-year-

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bringing her teammates out of the dugout in celebration and the state title home to the hills.

In my time of coaching youth league sports, I've always maintained that we were there for the players to learn and have fun. Sports should be enjoyed, particularly at that age, and everybody I've ever coached with believed that it was crucial for them to enjoy it so they would want to continue to learn, grow and, of course, play.

I have also long held that the best way to truly enjoy playing is to win, and thankfully I've had some reasonably successful teams. Playing is one thing, but if you win and learn at the same time, now that's when you start having fun.

Clearly, it's been a fun summer for Connie Copley, Julie Yates and the East Ridge Senior League softball team. It's been a time they'll never forget, the type of summer every parent wants for their child.

Now the real fun starts. Beginning with August's second week, they'll be in the shadows of Touchdown Jesus, under the golden dome of South Bend, Ind., for the Central Region tournament, where they'll meet other teams who have been proclaimed the best in their various states.

From there, one will move on to the town of Sussex, Del., a suburb of Dover, for the Senior League World Series.

But there'll be time for all that later. Now is the time for them to relax and enjoy themselves and bask in the glow of an accomplishment few ever achieve.

They're the state champs. They set a goal, worked diligently toward it and reached it. Not only did they win the title, but also they did so undefeated. And, they didn't lose a game.

If you see them, it is proper to offer congratulations.

Bentley

Not only did they win the crown naming them the state's best group of 15-16-year-old fast-pitch softball players, but also they did it in style. Talk about clutch hitting? This team came through in the clutch with the middle of the infield — second baseman Samantha Smith and shortstop Jami Baldrige — in the right place at the right time each time their team needed them.

Despite getting 12 strikeouts from junior-to-be Jodi Yates, ER trailed late.

How late?

Try down-to-their-last-out late.

That's delaying the process, to be sure. Today, all Smith and Baldrige and their coaches and teammates can tell you is they won. In the end, that's all that matters.

But I think I know Connie Copley well enough to speak for her and say that if the ladies want

to put it away a little earlier next time, it'll be all right with her.

In the seventh, trailing 4-1, Smith reached on an infield error that scored Baldrige, who got on via a bunt, to cut the margin to 4-2. Elizabeth Copley scored on a wild pitch to make the count 4-3, but with two outs, Smith was still standing at third with the game — and the season — on the line.

But never fear. Kristina Burke was at the plate and her single to right plated Smith to tie the game and send it to extra innings.

And in the bottom of the ninth, the same part of the order came through again.

Baldrige walked and stole second, and when Smith popped a single down the right-field line, she did some nifty base-running to avoid the tag and it must have looked like Sid Bream sliding across the dish in the 1991 NLCS when she slid safely into home,

back, but at a reduced salary. The team's final offer was \$1.5 million in base salary — considerably less than the \$4.25 million he expected to make this season.

George, who has never missed a start in his career, was popular with Titans fans, but his production slipped in recent years. In 2000, he ran for 1,509 yards, averaging 3.7 yards per carry. Last season his average fell to 3.3 yards per carry as he rushed for 1,031 yards.

pic warmup before a sellout crowd of 10,276 at the National Sports Center.

Titans honor request, release George

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The Tennessee Titans granted Eddie George's request and released the franchise's all-time leading rusher — a move forced by salary cap pressures and perhaps George's declining skills.

The eight-year veteran, who turns 31 in September, rejected the Titans' latest offer and asked for his release Monday so he would have time to catch on with another team before training camps open next week.

The Titans wanted George

Sources say Rasheed Wallace agrees to return to Detroit

by LARRY LAGE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT — Rasheed Wallace helped transform the Detroit Pistons from contenders to NBA champions last month. Now, he's coming back for more.

The unrestricted free agent forward has agreed to a five-year contract worth \$57 million, two sources told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

One of the league sources, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, expected Wallace to sign the deal on Thursday.

Wallace is to meet with reporters at a news conference Friday morning at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

Wallace, who made \$17 million last season, was acquired in a three-team deal on Feb. 19 to put the Pistons over the top.

And he did.

They were a good team without Wallace, ranking among the top teams in the Eastern Conference with a 34-22 record. They were 20-6 in the regular season and 16-7 in the playoffs after adding him.

The Pistons beat the Los

Angeles Lakers in five games for their third title, and first since 1990.

Wallace's statistics were not always impressive — he averaged 13 points, 7.8 rebounds and two blocks in the playoffs — but his impact almost always was.

The 6-foot-11, 230-pounder made a stingy defense one of the best in league history and an average offense better.

Wallace, who turns 30 on Sept. 17, averaged 16 points, 6.8 rebounds, 2.3 assists and 1.8 blocks last season, his ninth in the NBA.

The Philadelphia native spent two years at North Carolina before being taken by Washington with the fourth overall pick in the 1995 NBA draft.

Wallace was traded to Portland following his rookie year and spent the next seven-plus seasons with the Trail Blazers. With an expiring contract, they traded Wallace to Atlanta, where he stayed for one game before he was dealt to Detroit just before the trading deadline.

Wallace helped Detroit beat the Los Angeles Lakers in five games for its third title, and first since

1990.

He also kept his cool. Wallace was called for just two technicals in the postseason, a total that may have shocked some who followed his career in Portland.

He broke his own NBA record with 41 technical fouls during the 2000-01 season, and was once suspended for seven games for threatening an official after a game. That was the league's longest suspension for something that didn't involve physical contact or substance abuse.

Wallace didn't have any problems with the Pistons.

In fact, few athletes in Michigan became popular as quickly as he did.

Wallace almost instantly became adored, a fact heard at home games each time he touched the ball as the crowd shouted: "Sheeeeed!"

"It feels good when they do that," Wallace said during the NBA Finals.

Wallace will be one of five returning starters for the NBA champion Pistons. He will be backed up by Antonio McDyess, who was signed to replace Mehmet Okur.

old striker. Again the defense was great, as Smith hustled to stop a sure goal after the NKSL striker evaded McCarty's aggressive effort to grab a loose ball in the box.

The gold medal game was closer than the 4-1 final score indicated. The winning St. Thomas Tomcats, the third Northern Kentucky opponent for the Warriors, with several

Home

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"We are proud to sponsor our second local home run derby competition and give the children in our community and their families a chance to enjoy a fun day at Stumbo Park," said Dorothy Harris, Broker/Owner of Century 21 American Way Realty. "We thought a local derby would be a great idea to capitalize on the success of Century 21 Real Estate Corporation's alliance with Major League Baseball, which includes title sponsorship of the Century 21 Home Run Derby competition. We also want to offer area kids the opportunity to compete in the Century 21 Kentucky Junior Home Run Derby finals."

The local event includes three age groups: 9-10-, 11-12- and 13-14-year-olds. The top finisher in each age group will move on to compete in Louisville in the derby finals.

Interested players can register at the Century 21 office at 412 North Arnold Avenue in Prestonsburg. Registration is free. Players must bring their birth certificates.

American Way Realty is a full-service real estate brokerage company specializing in residential, commercial, vacant land and industrial properties.

Century 21 Real Estate Corporation is the Official Real Estate Organization of Major League Baseball and has been affiliated with Major League Baseball since 1999.

Century 21 Real Estate Corporation (www.century21.com) is the franchisor of the world's largest residential real estate sales organization, pro-

NASCAR

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two even raced a Corvette together in the Rolex 24 at Daytona International Speedway about a month before the fatal crash.

Besides continuing the family business as the top driver at DEI, Earnhardt Jr. has made occasional appearances in non-NASCAR events. Before Sunday, he most recently had teamed with fellow NASCAR star Tony Stewart and Britain's Andy Wallace to nearly win the Rolex race in February.

So he jumped at the opportunity to join road racing specialist Boris Said last weekend. Even from his hospital bed after the wreck, he didn't second-guess the decision.

"I'm bummed out and disappointed I couldn't run the race," Earnhardt said in a statement.

But future extracurricular activities will surely be scrutinized.

Budweiser, the primary sponsor of Earnhardt's NASCAR ride, won't prevent him from competing in future races.

"Although there is always risk in all forms of motorsports, we support Dale Jr.'s efforts to become the most successful driver he can be," said Tony Ponturo of Budweiser.

DEI officials might not feel the same way.

But if Earnhardt is anything like his father — and so far, his toughness, determination and desire indicates he is — it will be hard for anyone to keep him out of a race car.

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subs available were able to outrun the weary Warriors.

Warrior coaches Mike Filowiat and Danny Greene expressed absolute pride in their troops. This is the coaches' second gold medal game in three years. They expressed thanks to Tim Banks, who, along the way, provided training support and helpful coaching tips.

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July 27-29 - SEC Football Media Days, Birmingham, Ala. (UK appearance on Wed., July 28 with Coach Rich Brooks, Shane Boyd, and Sweet Pea Burns)

Mon. Aug. 9 - All players report

Tues. Aug. 10 - UK Football Media Day; first practice

Sat. Aug. 14 - Fans' Day

Wed. Aug. 25 - Classes begin

Sun. Sept. 5 - Kentucky at Louisville, 3:30 p.m.

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and Canadian tours have committed to play."

Play in this year's StoneCrest Invitational will get underway Saturday at 9 a.m. for the amateurs and 12:40 p.m. for the pros. The same start times are in place for Sunday.

For more information on the StoneCrest Invitational, call 886-1006.

ONLINE: www.stonecrest-prestonsburg.com



U14 Warrior P. J. Collins moved the ball toward the Saints' goal, trailed by a defender and midfielder Brittany Collins. P.J. Collins also played goalkeeper for the Floyd County team.

'97 Santa Anita Derby winner Free House dies

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DEL MAR, Calif. — Free House, a two-time California horse of the year and among the top three finishers in each of the 1997 Triple Crown races, has died at Vessels Stallion Farm.

A 10-year-old who was retired to stud in 2000, Free House fractured his skull Monday in an accident at the farm located in Bonsall, Calif., Del Mar officials said Tuesday.

Free House, a roan son of Smokester, was third to Silver Charm in the '97 Kentucky

Derby, lost the Preakness by a neck to Silver Charm, and then finished third in the Belmont Stakes. Prior to the Triple Crown races, Free House defeated Silver Charm in the San Felipe and the Santa Anita Derby.

In 1999, Free House also defeated Silver Charm in the Santa Anita Handicap. Free House also won the 1998 Pacific Classic.

Owned by Trudy McCaffery and John Toffan, Free House won nine of 22 starts and earned \$3,178,971.

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THROUGH MY EYES

Tears and frustrations

A dear friend called last Friday, just after reading my column. "I want you to know," she said, "that I just read your column and I cried."

"Cried?," I replied incredulously. "Why did you cry?"

As she went on to explain, I realized that I knew why she had cried. My column had been written about how it feels to be overweight - how obese people deal with feeling "less than" most every day of their lives.

Now my friend, the dear lady who cried, is not obese. No, quite the contrary, this energetic fireball of a woman doesn't stand still long enough for a fat cell to take hold on her body, but she does have a close relative whom she has seen struggle with weight issues. Her relative is now among the ranks of the slim, thanks to finding a diet plan that actually worked, and my friend couldn't be happier because she



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

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POSTSCRIPT

The big dogs, an update

With the subject of education taken care of for a few months, the big dogs are due an update.

First some background: I came home after the monster storm of Memorial Day weekend to see neighbor Jack Music and some other men with shovels and earthmoving equipment trying to rearrange an avalanche of gravel on the road. The rush of water down the road had reconfigured the work of the crew that's putting in the Auxier sewer line.

As I was waiting to be given leave to turn onto Thomas Street and go to my house, Jack yelled, "You lost your big walnut tree."

I looked over at my place for the first time and saw the giant

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

Pastors Paul and Ramona Aiken, from left, along with Associate Pastor Carl Woods, right, and his wife, Missy, are hoping to reach troubled souls and fulfill a vision by renovating the old Plantation Motel on Route 321.

'Claimed for God' - community eyesore gets new lease on life

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

What has, for some time, been considered "an eyesore" by many and a "trouble spot" by still others, is now, thanks to the newly-formed Son-Shine Gospel Tabernacle, on its way to becoming a bright spot once again for its community.

Constructed in the mid-70s, The Plantation Motel was once a haven for weary travelers and visitors to the region. But, as with many local attractions, what began as a booming business slowly halted to a stop in the years that followed the region's bustling "coal boom."

The once elegant building began to deteriorate as ownership changed hands and the location became more widely known as a "drinking hole" and "trouble spot" by locals, rather than the once refined restaurant and motel it originally was.

"We're taking something that has been an eyesore and trouble spot for years and turning it into something that will have a positive influence on the community," said Lowell Robinson, of Dove House Ministries, who has worked closely with Pastors Paul and Ramona Aiken on the new development. "We've taken it away from the Devil and claimed it for God," he said.

Paul Aiken, who once pastored the Emma Methodist Church, said that the Son-Shine Gospel Tabernacle is the

culmination of a vision shared, more than thirty years ago, by he and wife, Ramona. "The way everything unfolded and came about, leading us to this building, and this church, has all been a work of God," Aiken said that along the way, in the past months, misunderstandings and hurtful rumors have peppered the path to the opening of the Tabernacle. "We still love our Emma congregation, we wish them the very best. We still love everyone, we could never stop, but this is God's plan for us," he said. "We feel that a lot of good is going to be done here, it already has."

Aiken and a group of workers committed to serving God have been hard at work for the past two weeks, moving the Son-Shine church from its original location on Rt. 321, near Spradlin Branch, to the old Plantation Motel building. The building, which has been empty for several years, is still in need of extensive renovation, but Aiken, who is a carpenter and contractor by trade, says that he and his crew are up to the task. Already, what was once the restaurant/bar and office area of the original building has been turned into a beautiful church sanctuary filled with rich color, a sense of serenity, and, most importantly, loyal congregationalists.

"In our congregation right now, we have people who have been able to

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

Inspired by the British performance group, Stomp, Clyde Porter, third from left, back row, leads a group of youngsters in a little percussion exercise following Wednesday evening's prayer meeting at The Tabernacle. The kids make music using simple, everyday objects like garbage cans and lids, buckets, drumsticks, tambourines and other such "noise makers." Porter plans to open one of the complex's mini-offices for music lessons.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Working hard on renovations the past week were, from left to right: Larry Fields, James Woods, Carl Woods, and Tim Reese, among others.

PROMOTING MENTAL HEALTH

Things to ponder: Bipolar - the latest

(The following is a summary of an expert interview with Sloan Manning, M.D. about depression in Bipolar Disorder. The original intent of the interview was for informing family physicians about being more aware of the scope of bipolar illness. For clarification purposes, bipolar is another name for manic-depression. This is when the person tends to experience varying amounts of mania and depressive episodes. Unipolar depression has to do with clinical depression. Both are thought to reflect chemical imbalances within the body.)

Dr. Manning's first comment had to do with how far from the truth it is that bipolar illness often was narrowly viewed as consisting of people experiencing mania, being very hyper, and having extreme emotional episodes. In reality, most individuals that have a bipolar diagnosis never have manic episodes, but usually have depressive episodes prior to manic symptoms, usually outnumbering periods of manic-like symptoms/behaviors. Furthermore, his opinion was that bipolar illness is typically one of significant depression combined with peri-

ods of manic symptoms. Often, my clinical observations have been that the person's mental processing is manic, while his mood is that of significant depression, anxiety, anger, and irritability.

The expert interview stressed how frequently health care providers were likely to recognize depressive more than manic features and the likelihood of depressed individuals to visit their family doctor. As a result, a large amount of antidepressant medications have been prescribed over the past 15 years. However, Dr. Manning pointed

out how antidepressants were unlikely to improve bipolar depression. In fact, antidepressants were considered to possibly worsen bipolar illness, by seeming to stimulate the person, bringing about manic or mixed manic/depressed states and rapid-cycling illness. Then, the outcome tends to consist of a very depressed person with energized impulsivity, panic states, erratic behavior, and increased sociality. Unfortunately, the possibility of bipolar not being considered,



Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.

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School Happenings

■ July 28 - "Back to School Health Fair," 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Allen Central High School. Services will include free physicals, hearing screenings, child identification, school supplies, and drawings for free haircuts. Event is FREE to all Floyd County students.*

ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

■ August 5 - New student/parent orientation for AMS students, 6 p.m., at the school. Information about school programs and policies will be provided. Students and parents may meet staff, tour building, and get answers to any questions they may have.

■ Health records for students may be dropped off to the Youth Services Center throughout the summer months.

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

ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

■ July 28 - Clothing Give-Away; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Maytown Methodist Church.

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center is open each day from

8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. For more information about the center, call LaDonna Patton, coordinator, or Marilyn Bailey, assistant, at 358-0134.

ALLEN CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

■ August 3 - Freshman Orientation, 6 p.m.

ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

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

BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

■ The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and referral services to all families regardless of income. The 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

■ We are currently scheduling Hep B immunizations and physicals for 5th grade students. Also scheduling appointments for WIC services. These ser-

VICES are available to anyone in the community.

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

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

DUFF ELEMENTARY

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

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

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

■ Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure

checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

MCDOWELL ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ Upcoming Summer Activities hosted by McDowell Family Resource Center:

■ Physical & Health Activities Camp - July 26-30. Children will participate in physical and health education programs. Offered in collaboration with McDowell ARH.

All Camp Week activities are FREE for those students enrolled at McDowell Elem. Parents/guardians must provide transportation.* Activities held from 9 - 11 a.m. To register your child, call 377-2678.

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

MOUNTAIN CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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

PIARIST SCHOOL

■ July 27 - FREE shoe and school supply give-away to be held at the Community Center, in Martin, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 285-3950 for more information.

PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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

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

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

SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

■ Walking track open to public.

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

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

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

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

STUMBO ELEMENTARY/MUD CREEK FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

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

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

■ July 26, 27, 28 - "Little Eagles" Basketball Camp, 6 to 8 p.m., at the school. For grades K-4. Sign up to attend by calling 452-4553.

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

WESLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

■ August 1 - Orientation.

■ August 9 - First day of school.

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

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

■ Also, still have a few openings in Summer Daycare - up to 12 years old.

■ Orientation for new school year will be held August 1.

■ First day of school - August 9.

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

FLOYD COUNTY ADULT ED CLASS SCHEDULE

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

Ponder

misdiagnosed, and mistreated might contribute to disastrous consequences. Could this type of situation be one of the underlying factors for antidepressants being blamed in the media for causing suicides?

Dr. Manning reported that research had shown that 20 to 30 percent of depressed or anxious patients in primary care have symptoms associated with a type

of bipolar diagnosis. He went on to say that, although most of the patients with mood disorders were not bipolar, the bipolar illness might be the basis for a large portion of the difficult-to-treat depressed and anxious patients. Dr. Manning also thought that individuals that had failed to respond to various antidepressants, had not been able to tolerate the antidepressants, and had

shown unpredictable responses to them, were more likely to be experiencing a bipolar disorder. He discussed the value of there being an accurate diagnosis and the person and his physician reassessing symptoms and responses as treatment went along.

One of the questions to Dr. Manning had to do with how to distinguish between unipolar

major depression and bipolar depression. (1) He suggested carefully considering differences in their symptoms, by reviewing the past and the present. As said before, bipolar illness is characterized specifically by the presence or history of manic symptoms. Since they can occur together, it is important to review both type of symptoms at the same time. For example, so often, a really depressed person will be sitting around without the energy to move, be so tired and worn out, but, when he goes to bed, he is unable to go to sleep for hours because he just cannot stop his wide-awake, obsessive and racing thoughts. The exact type of bipolar is identified, based on the amount of manic symptoms present.

Family history is another big tale tell sign of bipolar illness. Usually some family members have already been diagnosed, as having a psychiatric condition and sometimes bipolar disorder will have been identified. Frequently there are red flags in the person's history that are common clues to be followed, such as multiple marriages or extramarital affairs, legal and interpersonal problems, and activities generally associated with a significant lack of impulse control. On the other hand, the family backgrounds of people with unipolar depression are described as tamer.

Also, individuals with bipolar tendencies are typically labeled very moody by those about them, with their bipolar depression and manic symptoms occurring and disappearing rapidly. At times, they seem to have a switch in their moods that is uncontrollable, going from lots of energy, productivity, excitement, or even irritability that quickly changes to significant sluggishness, pessimism, and depressed mood. Dr. Manning reported that seasonal changes are not unusual, with winter depressions and summer manias with extreme spurts of activity. In contrast, unipolar depressions tend to start with one or two symptoms and slowly increase in symptoms over a time span of several months.

Dr. Manning described the start of bipolar illness as more likely occurring in childhood or adolescence with a period of depression that might be mixed with restlessness or severe irritability. He thought that a first mood episode before the age of 25 should create suspicion. Opposite of bipolar, unipolar depressions tend to start later in life, after the age of 25. As previously discussed, the depressed person's inability to tolerate

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Non-Traditional student enrollment continues to rise at BSCTC

By Rachelle Burchett

"You're never too old to learn" is a common cliché and apparently age isn't a factor when it comes to getting an education at Big Sandy Community and Technical College. The enrollment of non-traditional students has steadily risen in the last four years and BSCTC continues to welcome more. In the fall of 2000, BSCTC's enrollment was 3,266 with 42% being non-traditional students, however, in the fall of 2003 enrollment for non-traditional students rose to 47% of the total 4,406.

Why the rise in non-traditional students? For Amanda Nolan it was becoming a mother that brought her back to school. "My life changed when I had my son. I realized that the key to giving

him a better life was getting an education," she said. Change is never easy but Nolan says that BSCTC's instructors are understanding and supportive of non-traditional students. "As a parent, I faced many challenges upon returning to school, whether it was a sick child or not having child care. There were times that I felt like giving up but the thoughts of my son's future and the support and encouragement I received from my instructors helped me to continue." Despite Nolan's challenges she has made the Dean's and the President's Lists. Her plans are to obtain a degree in special education specializing in mathematics.

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Postscript

tree in all its majesty resting on my fence, my next door neighbor's trailer and the utility lines.

I'm sure I let out a gasp. My first thought was of the dogs, Bubba and Ben, who were inside the fence. Please let them be all right, I whispered.

Two distinct sounds of barking greeted me as I parked the car. Nothing was wrong with their voices.

Turns out they were both fine, but they were giving wide berth to the downed tree, its roots jutting into the air and its branches broken and scattered on both pieces of property.

My house was not hurt, although the telephone was out and the electricity was on low level. I lost just about everything in the refrigerator. Thankfully, the neighbor's trailer was not seriously damaged.

A couple of eight-foot lengths of fence were beyond

repair. Fortunately, the dogs were unable to get out of the yard because the tree was blocking the fence break. I realized, though, that would not be the case once the tree was done away with, as it had to be.

I had some decisions to make. Bubba, my youngest, is the rowdiest, most curious and most adventurous. He can also weasel out of most any leash after a while.

My cousin Russ, who lives on a farm in Johnson County, had developed a special affinity for Bubba. He liked the big mean look of the German shepherd/chow mix. And he also liked the dog's sweet disposition, as well as his playfulness.

As soon as I called, Russ said, "Bring 'em on over."

Although Ben and Bubba have been together since Bubba was born, I decided I could try to keep the gentler, more laid

back canine, so I took just Bubba to Russ, who tied him up in the shed after making over him for a few minutes. I drove off in tears with Bubba howling.

But the sadness was short-lived. I'm happy to report that Bubba has adapted to country life remarkably well. Russ soon turned him loose and walked with him through the fields.

At first, he tied him back up when nobody was going to be home, and then he saw that Bubba did not try to follow him down the driveway, across the bridge and over to the road.

Bubba now has free run of the farm. He's learned how wonderful it is to lie in the clear, running creek on a hot day. He keeps the deer, rabbits and crows out of the garden - earning his keep, I suppose. His only misdeed, so far, is digging out a place to cool himself in Russ's mother's flower bed.

The only sad thing for me now is that Bubba doesn't seem to miss us at all.

Happily, Ben has adjusted well, too. At first, he was obviously mourning the loss of his brother and buddy. But he has found out that he is really a house dog. He had never been in the house before, except for an occasional hour or so during severe storms, of which both he and Bubba are terrified.

Now, he'd just as soon be inside as out. And he seemed to know from the get-go what can and cannot be done in the house.

He's also come to enjoy riding in the car, appreciating the feel of the wind on his face through an open window. Before this separation, his only rides were to the vet.

I'm not sure how long this arrangement will continue. We're close to being able to hook up to the sewer line, so I'm putting off fixing the fence until that's done.

At any rate, I'm grateful for folks like Russ who appreciate the worth of a good dog and who are willing to help when needed.

Eyes

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knows that her loved one is now happier.

But, just the same, she also knows that losing that weight liad to be a struggle, hence, I suppose, the tears that came when she read my column.

"You know, people are just so mean," she said. "They can say the most hurtful things and not even care - sometimes I just can't stand people." (Uh-oh, the fireball side of my friend was startin' to come out.)

"It ain't what's on the outside, it's what's on the inside that counts," she continued.

Amen, sister, you're preachin' to the choir, I thought. "I love you, girl, I really do," she said, right before hanging up.

I love you, too, my little fireball friend. And, I'm sorry I made you cry, but, on the other hand, someone once told me that if you can make someone cry when they read something you've written, that that's a

pretty powerful piece of writing, so, in that respect, I'm honored to have made an impression.

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Frustration is: Getting up early before heading out to a day of interviews and picture-taking to stuff a pot full of roast and veggies to begin cooking, in addition to peeling and cutting up another pot full of potatoes that you cover with water and set aside so that all your lovely little "babies," home from school for the summer, have to do when they get up is place them on the stove and then mash them for dinner. Then, later that evening (much later as a matter of fact, following yet another evening interview and a trip to Wal-Mart), hearing one of your sweet children remark to a visiting friend, "Stop talking about Arby's! I'm already starved to death - I haven't had a thing to eat all day!"....

New Arrivals



New Arrival

Addison McKayla Akers was born July 2, 2004, at 5:09 a.m., to proud parents Adam and Heather Akers, of Dana. She weighed 7 lbs. and was 19 and 1/2 inches in length. Addison McKayla is the granddaughter of Dean and Sharon Hamilton, of Beaver, and Donnie and Monica Akers, of Dana. She is the great-granddaughter of Carl and Fostella Mitchell, of Beaver; Wanda Hamilton, of Teaberry, and the late Homer Hamilton; James "Brud" and Norma McKinney, of Toler; and Evelyn Akers, of Dana, and the late Dewey Akers. Addison McKayla has one great-great grandmother, Mecie McKinney, of Toler, and one uncle, Nick Akers.



Family Medicine

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



Read column, then see doctor about ear noise again

Q I have been having loud noises in my ears for over a year. I was told I had tinnitus and there was nothing that could be done for it. The noise seems worse when I'm overheated and is also louder when I lie down. I am worried about this because there seems to be no let-up, and I'm wondering if you could give me some additional information.

A Tinnitus is defined as ringing in the ears that is not related to outside or external sounds. There are several types of tinnitus and many different causes. This can be a difficult prob-

lem to diagnose and sometimes even more difficult to treat. I think the best way to handle such a broad question is to give you a general overview of the various forms of tinnitus as well as its causes and treatments.

The most common type of tinnitus is a high frequency ringing in the ears. It can be due to problems in the inner ear and is usually associated with medications that can be toxic to the ear — "ototoxic" in doctor jargon. One very common drug that's ototoxic is aspirin, but most people don't experience much of a problem unless they are on a high dose regimen, such as is common in treating some types

of arthritis.

Some people experience a pulsating type of sound. This is called pulsatile tinnitus. If the pulsations are in rhythm with the heartbeat, this is a good clue that the cause may be a heart murmur or obstruction in the carotid artery. On the other hand, a pulsating sound that is not "in sync" with the heart, may indicate fluid in the middle ear or a loss of motion in the ear bones, a condition called otosclerosis.

There can be a fluttering type of tinnitus. This is associated with a spasm of the muscle that tenses up the ear drum (tensor tympani).

If the tinnitus is crunching in nature, it may be due to a problem in the temporomandibular joint (TMJ) or may be due to something rubbing against the eardrum, like a piece of hair.

When the tinnitus is related to hearing loss in one ear, it may be due to an

acoustic neuroma. When the hearing loss is associated with dizziness, it may be due to Meniere's disease.

It is essential to have a thorough examination of the ear, blood tests and a simple hearing test to rule out other medical problems. A good medical history is vital as well. I assume, at a minimum, your doctor had these tests done. To pinpoint the problem, doctors also sometimes request full hearing tests as well as CT scans or magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) scans.

So as you can see, there are many types of tinnitus. If an underlying cause is found, it should be treated. Frequently, no significant cause is found. In these cases, using a fan or "white noise" device at night can often be beneficial. Some people get help from antidepressant medication.

I hope what I've said in this column

has been helpful and that one of the "scenarios" I've presented seems to fit your case. Armed with this additional information, I would urge you to consult your physician again and see if a treatment might now be available.

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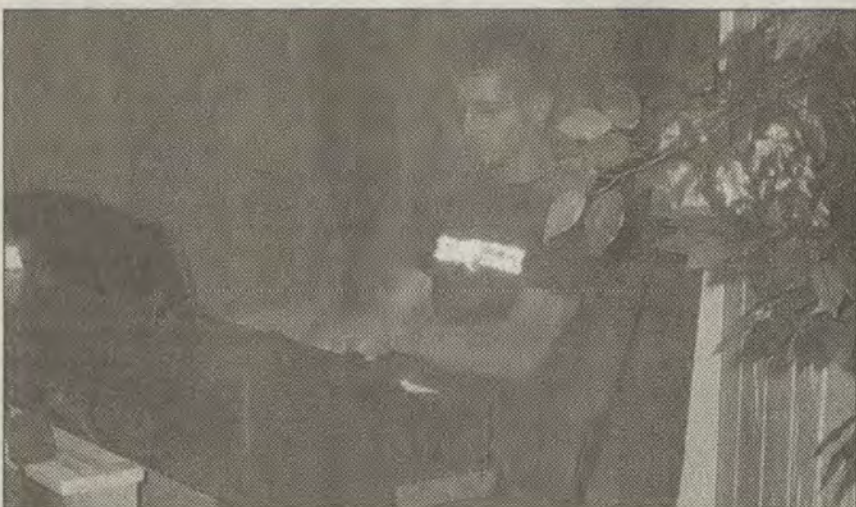


photo by Kathy J. Prater

Chris Meade, a member of The Tabernacle congregation, took a little noontime break to refresh his soul with music after a hectic morning of renovation work.

Life

most of the renovation work," Aiken said.

"It seems like just whatever we've needed to have done, the person who could do the job was right here, ready to go," agreed Ramona Aiken. "It's like a basketful of blessings has just poured right down upon this church," she continued, "and they just keep on coming. The way things have all worked out, we know that we are following God's call for our lives."

The Aikens say that the Son-Shine Gospel Tabernacle is open to and respects the beliefs of all

Christ-centered faiths, but that their personal beliefs are based on the beliefs and teachings of John Wesley, founder of the Methodist Church. "Basically, we are here to help those who need help," Aiken said.

Associate Pastor, Carl Woods, says that the Tabernacle has an active jail ministry and that "as long as a person is trying, really trying, to serve God and is not drugging, drinking or doing anything they aren't supposed to be doing, then we're here for them." "Actually," he continued, "we're here for them, anyway, but we

can't help someone who doesn't want to help themselves. If they want out of jail, we can show them the way out, if they end up back in, we'll still keep visiting."

Aiken and his congregation have many plans for the newly acquired building, among them turning the row of former motel rooms into a "mini-office complex" which they hope will draw many hopeful women entrepreneurs into successful businesses. "We see so many women, struggling to raise children and make ends meet. We see them in misery, with little hope of improving their lives. We want to help them and their families, encourage them to apply for grants and start up their own business," Paul Aiken said.

Aiken also plans to turn a portion of the building complex into efficiency apartments for families in crisis, as well as to be used for families who have traveled to visit loved ones incarcerated in local prisons like the Otter Creek facility, at Wheelwright, and the new prison located at Honey Branch, in Martin County.

Plans for a youth camp and family campground are also in the works.

The church also is busy with nurturing a growing youth ministry, overseen by Clyde Porter, a local music teacher who is teaching percussion to the youths incorporating the use of common everyday objects such as garbage cans and plastic and metal buckets. The group, inspired by the popular British group, Stomp, meets for practice each Wednesday at 7 p.m., in the complex parking lot.

The Aikens, who have had to "rebuke Satan," according to Ramona Aiken, many times in the past few years, most especially for tampering with the couple's health and resolve, as in Ramona's repeated surgeries and Paul's injuries suffered from a fall from a 20-foot ladder, have stayed the course and are now reaping the benefits of their faithfulness.

"This church, this building, is going to allow us to, finally, see our vision become a reality. Everything we have envisioned, everything we have dreamed about, is unfolding all around us. We are seeing God's blessings," Ramona Aiken said.

Pastors Paul and Ramona Aiken and Associate Pastors Carl and Missy Woods, invite all to visit the Son-Shine Gospel Tabernacle and investigate whatever may be in store for them in the new development.

Bible study and morning services are held at 10 and 11 a.m., each Sunday morning, with Sunday evening worship being held at 7 p.m. Bible Study services are held each Wednesday, at 7 p.m.



photo by Angie Carriere

This show-stopping scene from Jenny Wiley Theatre's current production, Peter Pan, is an audience thriller as young and old alike have their breath taken away as Wendy and her brothers, Michael and John, take flight and prepare to travel to Neverland with the impish Peter. Angie Carriere caught the action at the show's premiere, proving that she's as skilled with a camera as she is with a fiddle. Thanks for sharing, Angie!



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Brittany Webb, left, and pal Emily Adams paused to smile for the camera following a recent meeting held at Jerry's Restaurant, in Prestonsburg. The girls shared that they have been enjoying their summer break from school despite the fact that they have not landed a summer job. Oh well, all the more time for leisurely lunches, right girls?

Student

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Pamela Burgess, also a non-traditional student, found herself in need of an education after going through a divorce and becoming a single parent. "I was overwhelmed once I realized that I had instantly become the head of household and would be responsible for not only my future but the future of my son. In order to obtain a good paying job I realized that returning to school was the only choice that I had." After a twenty year marriage, Pamela found herself adrift in the professional world and apprehensive about returning to school after being out of the education realm for 25 years. "It was so different attending college with so many younger adults but the instructors were so supportive and encouraging that all doubts and fears fled," she said. Burgess is pursuing two degrees; Business

Technology Accounting and Hospitality Management.

How do non-traditional students compare in the classroom? According to BSCTC Vice President of Student Affairs, Joe Sutton, the non-traditional student has a high success rate at BSCTC. "There is a transitional phase during which each non-traditional student must become familiar with being a student again, however, once adjusted they become a very motivated, disciplined and goal oriented student. The non-traditional student has the advantage of 'life experience' which seems to be an important key to their success. Once a student has experienced balancing a job and family they are able to understand the importance of an education," he said.

The numbers prove that education is for everyone, even you.

JWT Offers Professional Audition Workshop

For even the most experienced performers, auditioning can be a nerve-racking event. What to sing, what to wear, where to find a monologue?

Beginning on Saturday, August 7, Jenny Wiley Theatre will set out to demystify the audition process by hosting a professional audition workshop. Gain insight from industry professionals who understand the process, and learn how best to prepare for that all-important two-minute audition. Receive specific feedback on your current audition materials and individualized instruction as to how to strengthen your overall performance.

The Professional Audition

Workshop will be led by Misty Daniels, a Jenny Wiley alumna, who will draw upon her years of experience auditioning for commercials, film, and the Broadway stage. Misty will be joined by Scott Bradley, Jenny Wiley Theatre Artistic Director, who has a wealth of casting experience from his work at JWT, the Media Theatre in Philadelphia and Morehead State University.

Reserve your spot in the Workshop's 3 sessions to be held on August 7, 14, and 21, from 1:00 - 3:00 pm in the Pike Auditorium at the Big Sandy Community & Technical College, formerly Prestonsburg Community College. The

Workshop is designed for participants ages 8 and up. Those under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent. The fee for the Professional Audition Workshop is \$60. To enroll, call Jenny Wiley Theatre at 606-886-9274 or toll-free at 877-CALL-JWT.

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Ponder

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and/or respond as expected to antidepressant medications is worth noticing.

In addition, while there might be improvement in mood and energy with antidepressants, the patient needs to report new or worsening problems with sleeping (often due to racing thoughts interfering) or restlessness. Individuals with unipolar depression typically notice a positive reaction to medication, sometimes within one or two weeks that continues to gradually improve.

Although the following list is not apt to include all of the symptoms of bipolar disorder, there are many of the ones that frequently interfere with people's lives: distractibility, jumping from one activity to another; insomnia, needing less sleep or an inability to sleep; feelings of increased self-confidence with wild ideas; flight of ideas or racing thoughts; mind moving too fast; mental or physical activity increased with

ideas, plans, projects, bright insight, and such; rapid speech sometimes to the point of being difficult to understand, very talkative, and noticeably more social; and thoughtlessness where decisions are made with little or no thought so that there are negative outcomes, such as with romance, financial arrangements/spending, driving recklessly, and generally living with little planning. Folks often report anger with a quick temper and rage episodes with the imbalance associated with bipolar disorder.

For whatever the reason for the individual's depression, he needs to seek the services of a licensed mental health professional for a thorough assessment to increase the likelihood of their having an accurate-as-possible diagnosis with the most appropriate treatment medication and psychotherapy. Be willing to share your feelings and thoughts with a professional you trust. Life does not need to be painful!

Please, keep 'em coming!

Our pet photos file needs replenishing, and we know that you have lots of precious pics to share with us, so, please, send them along! And while you're at it, help Dr. Carol get her creative thoughts jumpstarted by sending along a few questions about "pet things you've always wanted to know but have been afraid to ask"! You can send both pictures and questions to: Kathy Prater at the Floyd County Times, P.O. Box 390, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, or you may e-mail to: features@floydcountytimes.com. You may also send questions only to Dr. Carol at: 1768 KY Rt. 7, Estill, KY 41666, or e-mail to: carolb-cac@tusa.net. We'll be waiting to hear from you!



Children from around the region will perform for the public on July 29, at 7 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. The event is free and open to all.

Kentucky Opry Performing Arts

Kentucky Opry Performing Arts cordially invites you to experience their presentation of 'People Got To Be Free' Say No to Drugs and Yes to Freedom of Choice

Free Performance
Thursday,
July 29th at 7 pm
In the Mountain Arts
Center Theater

For the past 4 weeks 6th, 7th and 8th grade students from all around this region have been working diligently to learn words, music and dance steps to be ready to perform a show for their families and friends. The kids and their instructors, Kathy Caudill, Sandy Tackett and Clayton Case are very pleased with the way everything has pro-

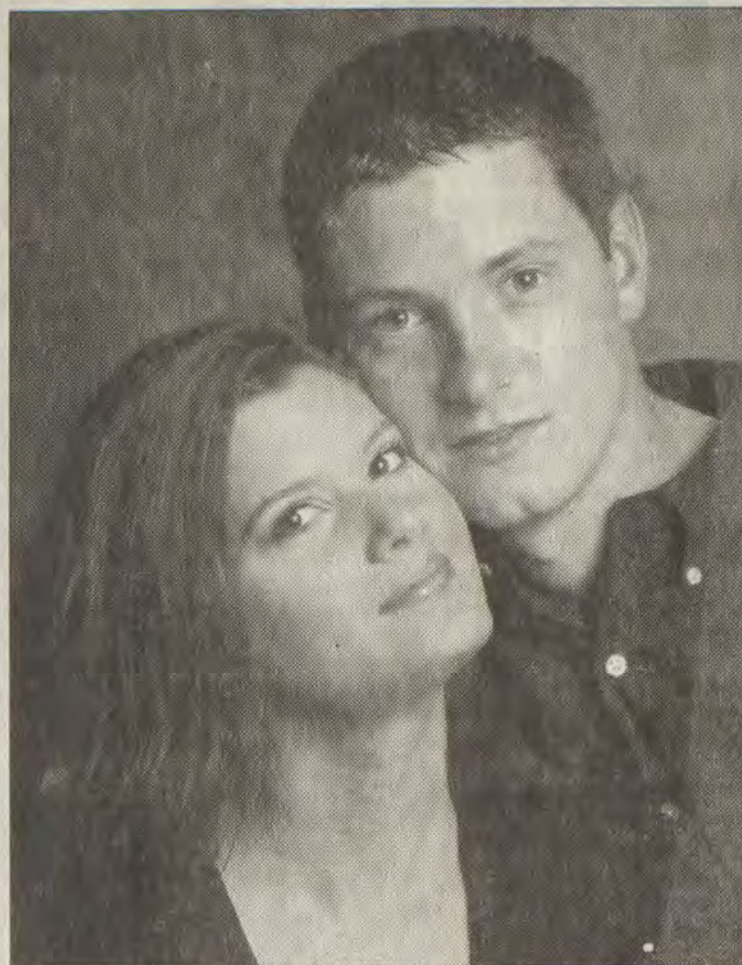
gressed.

There was no charge for this special summer session, headed up by Ms. Billie Jean Osborne, and there is no charge to see the performance. It is the hope of Ms. Billie that every child in the performance will be represented by friends and family to show support for what they've accomplished in just a short time. This is the

4th summer that Ms. Billie has presented this very special summer session of fun and learning, and we hope to grow bigger and better next year, as we have over the past 4 years. We have grown to 65 performers this year...20 more than last year.

Everyone is looking forward to your being in the audience!

Weddings



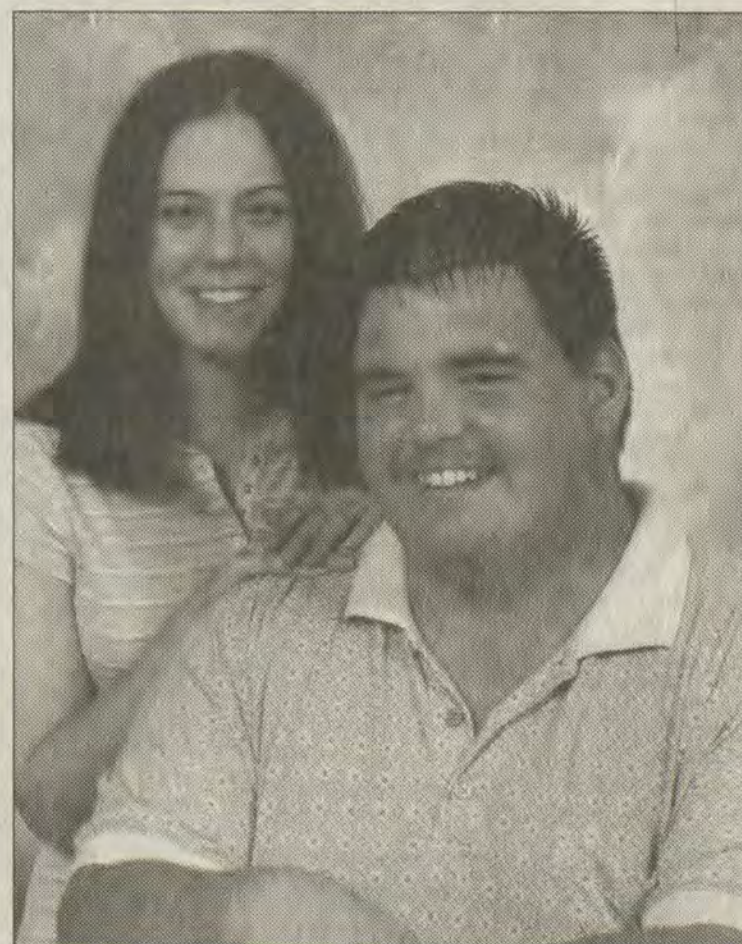
Campbell-Stumbo

Mr. and Mrs. Wes Campbell, of Prestonsburg, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Julie Lynn, to Martin Brooks Stumbo, the son of Mrs. Debbie Stumbo, of Lexington, and Mr. and Mrs. Greg Stumbo, of Prestonsburg. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, July 31, 2004, at the Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg.



Goble-Watkins

Rebecca Marie Goble and Jason Lee Watkins will be joined in marriage on Saturday, July 24, 2004, in a ceremony that will take place at the Martin Church of Christ, in Martin, at four o'clock in the afternoon. Rebecca is the daughter of Frankie and Phyllis Goble, of Auxier. Jason is the son of Jerry and Ruby Watkins, of Garrett. A reception will be held, in honor of the couple, immediately following the wedding ceremony, at the Pines Building, Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.



Steele-Hamilton

Mr. and Mrs. Robert and Shelby Steele, of Harold, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Leslie, to Jody Hamilton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James and Rita Hamilton, of Stanville. Leslie is a graduate of Betsy Layne High School and is in her senior year at Morehead State University, where she is majoring in public health and environmental science. Jody, also a graduate of Betsy Layne High School, is a graduate of Rowan County Technical College. He is employed as an electrician by Elliott Construction Co. The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, July 31, 2004, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, at the Justiceville Bible Baptist Church, in Shelbiana. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.

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AUTOMOTIVE

120-Boats

For Sale 1983 Bass Attack Aluminum Bass Boat 17 foot .50 H.P. Mercury motor \$2,500.00 Call Days. 606-886-3339 or evenings 606-886-2519

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Now at New location 2 miles off Route 114 on 404 on David road, For Sale 2001 Mustang Convertible GT, V8, auto, 42,000 miles \$12,900 1999 Trans Am, 9,000 miles, LSI Engine \$12,900 2001 GMC, 4X4 Sonoma, Club cab, 35,000 miles all power, call Hicks Auto Sales at 606-791-2845

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For Sale, 1986 Monte Carlo Super Sport

with 350 engine Replace transmission I (have original engine .and Trans. for car) excellent condition asking 3,000. 00 call 606-452-4815

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480-Miscellaneous

New Major Medical Insurance Company

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For Sale: 8 ft' refrigerated deli case,

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The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center is now accepting bids for the position of Center Dentist. The position will be for 12 hours per week.

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center is now accepting bids for the position of Optometrist.

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For Rent: Beauty shop equipped with 3 stations, and tanning bed, located 1 mile south of Martin on Route 122, or would consider remodeling for office space Call 606-285-4826 or 606-285-9112.

530-Houses

House for Sale 3 bed room 2 bath, Dining room and separate Utility on approximately 1 acre 2 minutes from town, Asking \$69,500 call 606-886-9565

House for sale 4343 KY, Route 550 in Hueysville 3 bed room 1 1/2 bath with eat in kitchen, large living room has full basement-storage building carpeted fenced yard central heat /air city water 606-358-4065 day 606-358-4369 night

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House for Sale 1 story located at 2718 Mayfield Road in Jefferson City, Tenn. asking \$89,900, 3 bed rooms 1 full bath Masterbed, lvl. Garage, attached, basement call 865-475-7432 from 8am to 8pm

Cabin for sale located at Cave Run 100 ft. x 100 ft. \$7,500 call 606-874-2421

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House for sale 3 bed room 3 bath with Cedar Siding free gas, Whirlpool tub, Security systems, All hard wood floors, 2 1/2 acers of yard, beautiful scenic neighborhood call 606-285-9779 or 606-477-0625 please leave message asking \$158,500.00

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570-Mobile Homes

For Sale 2 bed room trailer, 14 x 60 all new flooring, water heating, and plumbing, great condition \$5,600 call 606-886-6219

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580-Miscellaneous

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RENTALS

610-Apartments

For rent 1 bed room furnished Apt. between Garrett and Hueyville, \$325 per month, utilities paid No Pets call 606-358-4036

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For Rent 1 bed room Apt. utilities paid, w/d provided No Pets \$395. per month \$150.00 deposit call 606-874-5577 Winchester Apts.

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House for rent in New Allen 3 bed room 2 bath central heat and air \$500.00 not HUD approved, call 606-874-1700

For rent small 2 bed room 1 bath house in Martin fully furnished water, gas, garbage, cable, and grass cutting included \$450.00 per month and 250.00 deposit 1 year's lease required, call 606-285-3371

House for rent in city of Prestonsburg 2 bed room, living room dining, and 1 bath, new heat and air system. attractive setting call 606-886-6184

House for rent, 3 bed room Duplex in Van Lear area \$500.00 per month call 606-285-9891

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650-Mobile Homes

Trailer for rent call 874-9790

660-Miscellaneous

Historic Samuel May House in Prestonsburg with parking and Kitchette is available for weddings, Receptions, business meetings and Social Events call Sam Hatcher, phone 606-432-3528

670-Comm. Property

For Sale or Lease Large Building Great for offices spaces call 606-478-5403

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MEDICARE DIABETICS- Free Meter!!! No Cost Diabetes Supplies! Join Diabetes Care Club. FREE Membership! FREE HOME DELIVERY! 800-287-1737. Qualify NOW!

NOTICES

805-Announcements

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812-Free

FREE PALLETS: Can be picked up behind The Floyd County Times.

Free Kittens, 1 1/2 years old free to good home call 886-2265

900-Legals

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE1

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5306, Major Revision No. 11

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that MATT/CO, INC., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 2.9 miles northeast of Hueysville in Floyd and Magoffin counties. The amendment will add an additional 58.19 acres of surface disturbance, and re-designate 26.06 acres from underground to surface acres, making the total area within the permit boundary will be 866.39 acres.

The amendment area is approximately 1.5 mile northwest from Route 2029's junction with KY Route 7, and located in Sayers Branch. The proposed amendment is located on the Martin, Wayland, Handshoe, and David U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The amendment will use the contour and auger methods of mining. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Knott Floyd Land Company, Inc., Virgil Shepherd Heirs, Arnold D. Prater, Eugene Shepherd, and Nelson Prater. It will underlie lands owned by Virgil Shepherd Heirs, Arnold D. Prater, Eugene Shepherd, and Nelson Prater.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of this application; all comments, objections or requests for a permit conference, must be received within 30 days of this date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 836-5427, Major Revision No. 1

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application Number 836-5429, Amendment No. 2

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville,

Kentucky 41502, has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 2.9 miles northeast of Hueysville in Floyd and Magoffin counties. The amendment will add an additional 58.19 acres of surface disturbance, and re-designate 26.06 acres from underground to surface acres, making the total area within the permit boundary will be 866.39 acres.

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Pursuant to Application Number 836-5429, Amendment No. 2

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville,

Revision No. 2 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, KY 41501, has applied for a major revision to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1.70 mile northwest of Grethel, in Floyd County. The major revision will add 2.09 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 0.70 acre making a total area of 1174.26 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed major revision area is approximately 1.31 mile east of Drift, in Floyd County, Kentucky. The operation is approximately 1.80 mile east of KY's 122 junction with the Simpson Branch County Road, and located 0.10 mile southeast of Simpson Branch. The latitude is 37°29'33" and the longitude is 82°42'21".

The proposed major revision is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by this major revision is owned by Stella M. Hamilton. The major revision will underlie land owned by Stella M. Hamilton.

The major revision proposes to add a portal area in Simpson Branch.

The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application No. 860-0349, Amendment No. 1

In accordance with KRS 350.070

notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Kentucky, 41839-0130, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located approximately 0.25 mile east of Betty, and situated in both Knott and Floyd counties. The amendment will add approximately 1.12 acre of surface disturbance, making a total area of 761.61 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is located in Floyd County, approximately 1.17 mile south/southwest of Wayland, Kentucky, approximately 1.07 mile south/southwest from Mill Creek Road's junction with Clear Water Road, and located approximately 1.05 mile due west of Mill Creek's confluence with Beaver Creek.

The proposed amendment area is located on the Wayland U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Ray Lute, et al. The operation will use the mountaintop removal method of surface mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. Route 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601-4321.

The major revision proposes to add a portal area in Simpson Branch. The major revision application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE
Pursuant to Application No. 860-0349, Amendment No. 1

In accordance with KRS 350.070

PUBLIC NOTICE

The regular meeting for the Floyd County 911 Advisory Council has been re-scheduled for Monday, August 2, at 7 p.m. This will be held at the emergency operations center, at 313 Westminster St., Floor 2.

The regular meeting for the Floyd County 911 Executive Board has been re-scheduled for Thursday, August 5, at 1 p.m. This will be held at the emergency operations center, at 313 Westminster St., Floor 2.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Allen Rose has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, proposing to construct two 20' x 28' townhouses in the 100-year flood plain, located along Kentucky Route 1428, approximately 0.46 mile southwest of the intersection of Kentucky Route 1428 and Kentucky Route 302. The proposed site is located on the north side of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River at latitude 37° 39' 59" N., and longitude 82° 44' 16" W. Any comments or objections concerning this application, shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Park, Frankfort, Ky. 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to application #836-34, Renewal #4

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that ATT/CO., INC., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a renewal of a permit for an underground/refuse storage coal mining operation, located 0.30 miles north of Anna, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 3.16 surface acres, and will underlie 1,124 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 1,127.16 acres.

The proposed operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Joe Burchett. The operation will underlie land owned by Joe Burchett, Landon & Nellie Charles, Ed & Bertha Cline, Freddie Collins, Maxine Rider, James Crisp, Sta Crum, Elkhorn Coal Corporation, Travis Goble, Charles Harris, Floyd Ona Harris, Irvin & Benny Harris, Johnny Huffman, Lester Hunt, Lewis Ervin Hunt, Gardie Jervis, Greg Johnson, Timmy Lummer, Albert Matliff, Ronald Reid,

Mary Reynolds, Randall Robinson, Grace Weedman, and James & Mary Wells.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE

Pursuant to Application No. 836-5458

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a permit for an underground mining operation, located approximately 1.5 mile southeast of Banner in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 4.94 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 112.00 acres, making a total of 116.94 acres within the total permit boundary.

The proposed operation is located 0.4 mile east of Hall

Branch Road's junction with State Route 1426, and located 0.30 mile east of Prater Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Harold U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by the Michael Keith Hall Estate. The permit area will underlie land owned by the Michael Keith Hall Estate, and Hazie Boyd.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE

The Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, is accepting bids for the sale and/or lease of two 10 foot wide by 48 inch high, multi-color message display center/message boards to be installed at the Mountain Arts Center at 50 Hal Rogers Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, and one 8 foot wide by 37 inch high, 3-line single color message board to be installed at the intersection of KY 114 and KY 1428, in Prestonsburg. The Mountain Arts Center location should have the ability to remotely control each display. Bid prices should include installation, software, and peripherals necessary for the continual operation of each display. Bids will be opened at 12:00 noon, on Friday, July 30, 2004. The Mountain Arts Center retains the right to reject any and all bids. The Mountain Arts Center retains the right to rebid this project. For further details, please contact Keith Caudill, at 606-889-9125.

Location: Unspecified locations in Clay, Floyd, Jackson, Knott, Magoffin, Martin and Owsley Counties, Kentucky.

Approximate HOME Funds in Project: \$418,599.

An Environmental Review Record respecting the within project has been made by KHC which documents the environmental review of the project. The Environmental Review Record is on file at the above address and is available for public examination and copying upon request during normal business hours.

All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for

July 23, 2004
Kentucky Housing Corporation
1231 Louisville Rd.
Frankfort, KY 40601
Rick McQuady,
Chief Program Officer

TO ALL INTERESTED AGENCIES, GROUPS AND PERSONS:

On or about August 1, 2004, Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) will request the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to release Federal funds for the following project:

Project: Mountain Housing Corporation
Purpose: Mountain Housing is partnering with Christian Appalachian Project for the demolition/rebuild of eight homeowner rehab units within the service area referenced. Seven households will have incomes below 50% of median and one household will have an income below 80% of median. CAP will provide paid and volunteer labor, as well as some materials donations. MHC will provide overall project administration and coordination. Additional units may be completed in the next few years if the initial project goes smoothly. The project could also, under certain conditions assist up to three families with home buyer related activities.

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All interested agencies, groups and persons disagreeing with this decision are invited to submit written comments for

consideration by KHC to the Chief Program Officer, Attention: Lewis Diaz. Such written comments should be received at the above address on or before July 31, 2004. All such comments received will be considered and KHC will not request the release of Federal funds or take any administrative action on the within project prior to the date specified in the preceding sentence.

KHC will undertake the project described above with HOME funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990. KHC is certifying that KHC as State Participating Jurisdiction consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to environmental reviews, decision making and action; and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, KHC may use the HOME funds and HUD will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and other related laws and authorities. HUD will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following bases: (a) That the certification was not in fact executed by KHC's Certifying Officer; or (b) that KHC has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58 Sec. 58.40 or to make the written determination required by Secs. 58.35, 58.47 or 58.53 for the project, as applicable; or (c) KHC has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts E of 24 CFR Part 58 for the preparation, publication and completion of an

Environmental Impact Statement, if applicable; or (e) KHC has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before release of funds and approval of the environmental certification by HUD; or (f) A Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to: Ms. Virginia Peck, Director, Office of Community Planning & Development, U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development, 601 West Broadway, Room 110, Louisville, KY 40202. Objections to the release of funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by HUD. No objections received after August 15, 2004, will be considered by HUD.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the Department of Highways, in the Division of Contract Procurement and/or the Auditorium, located on the 1st floor of the Transportation Cabinet Office Building, Frankfort, Kentucky, until 10:00 a.m., Daylight Savings Time, on the 06 day of August, 2004, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read for the improvement of:

Floyd County
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008-009: Maytown-Langley Road (KY 777) from KY 80 (MP 8.065) extending easterly to the railroad crossing (MP 8.251), a distance of 0.19 miles. Retaining wall.

Bid proposals for all projects will be available at the Division of Contract Procurement until 3:00 p.m., Daylight Saving Time, preceding the day of the let-

ting of Friday, August 06, 2004. Bid proposals for all projects will be available at a cost of \$10 each, and remittance, payable to the State Treasurer of Kentucky, must accompany request for proposals (NON-REFUNDABLE). Bid proposals are issued to prequalified contractors.

Specimen proposals for all projects will be available to all interested parties at a cost of \$10 each (NON-REFUNDABLE).

PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is intended to inform the residents of the City of Allen, Kentucky, that the City of Allen is in the process of closing out the Allen Sewer Project. The project was funded in part by the Kentucky Community Development Block Grant Program. A public hearing will be held in the Small Conference Meeting Room at the Big Sandy Area Development District building, at 110 Resource Court, in Prestonsburg, KY. The meeting will take place on August 2, 2004, at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of this hearing is to review past use of funds and program performance. If there are any questions or comments about the project, please direct them to the following:

Sharon Woods, Mayor
Allen City Hall
P.O. Box 510
Allen, KY 41601-0510
1-800-247-2510
TDD Relay Number

Written comments will be received until the date of the hearing, August 2, 2004.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE

In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that G & L Energy, Inc., 651 Meade Branch, Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has applied for Phase II bond release on increment No. 1, of permit 836-5444, which was last issued on 06/11/2004. The application covers an area of approximately 891.20 acres,

located 0.60 mile west of Hueysville, in Floyd County.

The permit area is approximately 0.30 mile east from Coolwater Road's junction with KY State Route 7, and located 0.07 mile south of Saltlick Creek.

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 1 is a Letter of Credit for \$15,400,000. Approximately 25% of the original bond amount of \$30,500.00, is included in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed to date includes: backfilling and grading; soil sampling and testing; fertilizing, seeding, and mulching, and tree setting, completed spring 2001; and the establishment of an adequate vegetative cover.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference, must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by September 13, 2004.

A public hearing has been scheduled for September 14, 2004, at 9:00 a.m., at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. The hearing will be cancelled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by September 13, 2004.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Bob and Edith Risner, whose mailing address is P.O. Box 931,

Prestonsburg, KY 41653, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, to raise an existing house above its existing foundation. The property is located 2.90 miles west on Kentucky Route 1427, from the Junction of U.S. 23 and Kentucky Route 1427, on Abbott Creek, and having a 911 address of 233 Creekside Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 15 Reilly Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone (502) 564-3410.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Fletcher Gayheart, Box 165, Eastern, Ky. 41622, has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet, to construct a commercial and/or residential structure within the 100 year Flood Plain. The project site is located along the south side of Route 80, and along the north bank of the Right Fork of Beaver Creek, in the community of Eastern, in Floyd County. The latitude is 37°30'50"; the longitude is 82°48'47". Any comments or objections concerning this application, shall be directed to the Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone (502) 564-3410

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