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### briefs

## Cocaine suspect arraigned

by SHELDON COMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Martez Watson, the Michigan man indicted by a Floyd County grand jury Tuesday, pleaded innocent to charges of drug trafficking and possession charges in Floyd Circuit Court Wednesday.

Watson, a 19-year-old resident of Detroit, Mich., entered a not guilty plea to one count of first-degree cocaine trafficking and one count of possession of drug paraphernalia during his arraignment before Judge Danny P. Caudill Wednesday morning, according to court documents.

Court records say that Watson appeared without an attorney, but was later appointed a public defender.

Watson was arrested by Kentucky State Police troopers just before midnight on Jan. 7 at a Blackburn Street residence in Betsy Layne following a search of the home.

According to police records, Watson was

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##### Today



High: 76 • Low: 50

##### Tomorrow



High: 52 • Low: 36

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## Court approves additional money for task force

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A special meeting of the Floyd County Fiscal court yesterday approved additional funding for the Floyd County Drug Task Force.

Magistrates approved giving the task

force \$5,000. The unit required the funding for its ongoing efforts to battle drug traffickers in the county.

The task force's efforts netted 43 arrests last April, the largest in the county's history, with many of those collared currently coming to trial. The recent success of the task force has put a little pressure on the

Floyd County Detention center to meet the needs of the rising inmates in residence.

"They've all been tucked into the Floyd County Jail for me to feed," said Jailer Roger Webb.

Webb made it a point to thank Floyd County prosecutors for their recent efforts and opined that there seemed to be a

"growth in crime."

But Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson refuted this statement by saying, "There's not growth so much as we are catching more of them."

While Floyd County awaits the start of

(See TASK FORCE, page three)



photo by Steve LeMaster

Allen Central fans cheered Wednesday night as the Rebels and Lady Rebels each scored wins. The Allen Central boys beat Betsy Layne 66-65 in overtime when Austin Francis hit a shot just before the buzzer. Allen Central, the tournament host, will take on Prestonsburg tonight for the boys' championship. The Allen Central and Betsy Layne girls played last night.

## County makes payment on medical bills

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Floyd County Fiscal Court continues to wrestle with the issue of a whopping bill for medical services for inmates at the county jail.

A special meeting was called yesterday to continue efforts to figure out how best to proceed with medical costs incurred by prisoners for treatment at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Money collected from the

state to cover part of the bill is forthcoming, but will only cover close to \$16,000 of a bill which exceeded \$87,000.

The fiscal court Thursday approved sending Highlands a check for \$4,000 but it will still fall short, of the full payment due, to the tune of over \$50,000.

The court plans to try to settle the rest of the tab through negotiations with Highlands.

One point raised by

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## Man pleads not guilty to animal cruelty, endangerment charges

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County man who allegedly shot and killed "Michael Jackson," an 8-month-old black and white border collie mix, entered a not guilty plea this week in district court for

charges stemming from the alleged incident.

Robert Devon Bailey, 26, of Stephens Branch, entered a not guilty plea to two charges of first-degree wanton endangerment and one charge of first-degree cruelty to animals Wednesday, charges resulting from an alleged Feb. 1

incident in which complaining witnesses say he shot and killed a dog in front of three minor children.

Bailey was charged by the Floyd County Sheriff's department last month after his neighbors, Shauna Martin and Shirley Turner,

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## Attempted murder among indictments

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Two men accused of attempted murder and wanton endangerment were indicted this week, nearly nine months after District Judge Eric Hall dismissed charges against them because a grand jury had not returned an indictment in their cases.

Paul Roberts, 49, of Harold, and Neil Ratliff, 34, of Pikeville, were indicted by

a grand jury Tuesday on various charges stemming from an alleged 2002 incident in which they allegedly kidnapped, threatened and attempted to murder a Tram resident, Jeffrey Young.

During a preliminary hearing in district court in November 2002, witnesses testified that Roberts met and befriended Young while he was incarcerated at the Floyd County Detention Center for

(See CHARGES, page three)

## Group plots future course of Middle Creek Battlefield

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Tourism buffs throughout the area assembled Wednesday at the Big Sandy Area Development District office to determine the focus for the master plan of the Middle Creek National Battlefield site.

The 25-acre site was designated as a Kentucky Landmark in 1991 and as a National Historic Landmark by the National Park Service in 1992.

It is the site of the largest Civil War battle fought in Eastern Kentucky, where Colonel James A. Garfield commanded Union troops to

(See BATTLEFIELD, page three)



Frank Fitzpatrick, founder of the Middle Creek National Battlefield Foundation Inc., explained plans for the project to attendees at a master plan planning meeting Wednesday. The site, Fitzpatrick said, is "in the midst" of opening to the public.

photo by Mary Music

## PHS student injured in wreck on crash-prone street

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — What began as a routine ride home after a full day of classes led to a hospital visit for one Floyd County student, after her car tumbled in a three-car collision on North Lake

Drive, a street that has been prone to accidents over the past several years.

Michele Adkins, 16, of Corn Fork, a junior at Prestonsburg High School, was driving her black Pontiac in the southbound lane of North Lake Drive, when she collided with a Lincoln Town

Car driven by Jimmy Smith, which was pulling out of East Branham Street near Layne's Hardware.

According to Prestonsburg Police Officer Daryl Conley, Adkins apparently lost control of her vehicle when she tried to avoid a collision with Smith's

car.

Witnesses at the scene said that Adkins' car flipped after she rammed into the sidewalk near Papa John's Pizza. It ultimately landed on its top in front of the business, where several onlookers gathered in the drizzling rain to watch police and fire officials

investigate and clean up the accident.

Onlookers and officials with fire department helped push the car over when workers with Prestonsburg Auto Mart came to remove the wrecked vehicle.

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# Odds & Ends

■ **BEIJING** — Wanted: single, full-figured black-and-white female for committed relationship. Must be willing to tolerate her man's heavy eating and deep sleeping. Call the Shanghai Wild Animal Park.

Guo Qing, the park's only fertile giant panda, is on the prowl for a mate.

Park officials announced Wednesday that 5-year-old Guo Qing, one of three giant pandas living at the zoo, is looking for a lifelong partner, according to the official Xinhua News Agency.

The other two pandas, Chuan Chuan and Jia Si, are more than 20 years old and probably past any chance of reproducing, Xinhua said.

The 265-pound Guo Qing was born in China's famed Wolong Giant Panda Protection and Research Center in 1999. He moved to Shanghai when he was 2.

"We will take good care of the couple and try our best to make the female feel at home

here," said Sun Qiang, who has cared for Guo Qing since he moved to Shanghai.

The giant panda is one of the most endangered species in the world. Only about 1,000 are estimated to live in the wild, all in China. More than 140 live in captivity around the world.

■ **VENICE, Fla.** — A Florida golfer has defied the odds, racking up three holes in one in six months while swinging one-handed.

Bill Hilsheimer's latest ace came last week, on the 157-yard, par 3 13th hole at the Bird Bay Executive Golf Course.

Robby Robertson, the owner-manager of Bird Bay, was fertilizing the 13th tee at the time.

"It's not easy to even hit the green on that hole," Robertson said. "I've never seen anything like what Bill has done."

Hilsheimer lost most of his right hand as a kid, when he was run over by a train in Columbus,

Ohio. He took up golf at 16 and swings only with his left arm.

In January, Hilsheimer aceed a 157-yard hole at the Gulf Gate course in Sarasota. In September, he had another ace on a 105-yard hole on a course in Ohio.

According to the National Golf Foundation, the odds of an amateur golfer hitting a hole in one are 12,600 to 1.

Hilsheimer retired to Florida in 1996 after working 35 years as a photo engraver for the Akron Beacon-Journal newspaper in Ohio. He and his wife, Dorothy, raised six children.

"I never had much time to play golf," he said. "Now, I'm playing four or five times a week."

■ **LEHI, Utah** — Mom always said being late to class would cost you, but officials at Lehi High School have decided just how much.

The school's students can be fined \$5 if they are found out-

side of class after the final bell rings. The fine was implemented this week.

At random periods, teachers lock their doors after the bell rings. Students who are late are given the choice of a \$5 fine or attendance school, a mandatory study hall that takes place at

6:30 a.m.

If the student doesn't pay the fine or go to attendance school, he or she will be unable to register for classes the next semester.

Any money collected will be used for student activities.

Before the policy was imple-

mented, Principal Sheldon Worthington said there would be 200 to 300 students roaming the halls when they should have been in class.

"Today, after lunch, in the hallway I was looking down, I saw three kids where I would normally see 50," he said.

## Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, March 5, the 65th day of 2004. There are 301 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On March 5, 1770, the Boston Massacre took place as British soldiers who'd been taunted by a crowd of colonists

opened fire, killing five people.

### On this date:

■ In 1849, Zachary Taylor took the oath of office at his presidential inauguration.

■ In 1868, the Senate was organized into a Court of Impeachment to decide charges against President Andrew Johnson.

■ In 1933, in German parliamentary elections, the Nazi Party won 44 percent of the vote, enabling it to join with the Nationalists to gain a slender majority in the Reichstag.

■ In 1946, Winston Churchill delivered his famous "Iron Curtain" speech at Westminster College in Fulton, Mo.

■ In 1953, Soviet dictator Josef Stalin died at age 73 after 29 years in power.

■ In 1953, Russian composer Sergei Prokofiev died in Moscow at age 61.

■ In 1963, country music performers Patsy Cline, "Cowboy" Copas and "Hawkshaw" Hawkins died in a plane crash near Camden, Tenn.

■ In 1970, a nuclear nonproliferation treaty went into effect after 43 nations ratified it.

■ In 1982, comedian John Belushi was found dead of a drug overdose in a rented bungalow in Hollywood; he was 33.

■ In 1986, in Lebanon, Islamic Jihad issued a statement saying it had "executed" French hostage Michel Seurat, who had been abducted almost a year earlier.

### Ten years ago:

White House Counsel Bernard Nussbaum resigned in the wake of turmoil over the Clinton administration's handling of questions related to Whitewater. A jury in Pensacola, Fla., convicted anti-abortion activist Michael F. Griffin of first-degree murder in the shooting death of Dr. David Gunn; Griffin was sentenced to life in prison.

### Five years ago:

Italian Prime Minister Massimo D'Alema met at the White House with President Clinton, a day after a military jury in North Carolina acquitted a Marine pilot in the Italian cable car accident that killed 20 people; D'Alema demanded justice, while Clinton expressed profound regret. Actor Richard Kiley died in Warwick, N.Y., at age 76.

### One year ago:

In a blunt warning to the United States and Britain, the foreign ministers of France,

(See HISTORY page five)

## House committee begins hearing expanded gambling bill

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — House lawmakers began reviewing a legislative leader's bill Wednesday that would expand gambling in Kentucky, allowing for nine casinos throughout the state.

Testifying before the House Licensing and Occupations Committee, Speaker Pro Tem Larry Clark, D-Louisville, touted the plan as a windfall for the state and Kentucky's horse industry. Kentucky would recoup much-needed money that's lost when gamblers cross state lines, Clark said.

"My role in this is to protect the taxpayers," Clark said. "I think all of us sitting here, we've got 4.6 million shareholders."

Clark's plan would ask Kentucky voters whether they

want a constitutional amendment that would allow for casino gambling. Clark introduced the plan in the House last week.

Sen. David Boswell, D-Owensboro, has an identical Senate bill.

Lawmakers did not vote on Clark's plan, but the committee could move on it next week, said Rep. Denver Butler, the committee chairman.

By 2010, the state could be collecting more than \$437 million each year, Clark said.

The money would pay for various big-ticket items including education, Medicaid and construction and economic development programs, Clark said. Casino money would also go to city and county governments, veterans and road funds.

Despite opposition, that money is too valuable to let other states benefit from it,

Boswell said.

"I have a moral problem with money leaving Kentucky and going to those border states," Boswell said.

Key to Clark's plan is Churchill Downs building a casino in downtown Louisville, Clark said.

"They've got investments all over the United States. They need to invest at home," Clark said.

Alex Waldrop, a senior vice president of public affairs for Churchill Downs, said there were still "multiple issues" being considered. If they aren't resolved, "there's that chance" the plan could collapse, Waldrop said.

"We're looking at the entire deal to make sure it works for Churchill Downs, for the city of Louisville, for the industry," Waldrop said. "We're going to evaluate all factors, not just the downtown Louisville factor."

Bob Elliston, a Turfway Park official who has been the racing industry's spokesman, said industry officials are working with lawmakers to transfer their agreement into legal language.

Clark's plan was met with mixed reactions.

Those who favored the idea touted it as a way to collect money the state has otherwise been losing because of casinos in neighboring states. Proponents said it would help the state cope during tough budget times.

But opponents said it only opens the door to more societal trouble. Instead of getting money from gambling, the state needs to change its tax code, said the Rev. Nancy Jo Kemper, executive director of the Kentucky Council of Churches.

Compared with past propos-

als that have looked to expand gambling, Clark's was "the ugliest" because it allows for casinos, Kemper said.

Expanded gambling would jeopardize both the horse industry and families in Kentucky, Kemper said. Bankruptcies, domestic abuse and other crime could increase because of them, she said.

"This is a predatory industry that destroys economies," Kemper said. "It will eventually become the destructive corrosion that eats away the fabric of American society."

## Outdoor enthusiasts enraged over decision to kill two massive elk

by ROGER ALFORD  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIKEVILLE — Outdoor enthusiasts who have supported efforts to reintroduce elk to Appalachia are furious with the decision of wildlife officials last week to kill two massive elk bulls that were believed to have damaged pasture land.

"In my opinion, somebody ought to be horsewhipped," said outdoorsman Ferris Sexton, who questioned how much damage elk could cause to a pasture. "They didn't have to kill the elk. I just think it was very poor judgment on somebody's part."

The bulls, which weighed more than 700 pounds, were the leaders of an elk herd that had been grazing on pasture land in Knott County intermittently over the past two years, said Jon Gasset, wildlife director for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

Gasset said wildlife officials consider shooting nuisance animals only as a last resort. He said these particular elk were responsible for trampling on "several acres" of grass, causing thousands of dollars in damage.

"We had basically done everything we know to do to haze those animals out of there," he said. "We have chased them. We have shot them with paint balls."

Wildlife managers began reintroducing elk to Kentucky's Appalachian region in 1997, hoping to restore the majestic species to a state where they had been hunted to extinction 150 years earlier. The population is now estimated at between 3,000 and 3,500. Hunting of the animals is tightly controlled, with permits allowing only 10 elk killed in each of the past two years.

Sexton said outdoorsmen were primarily upset that two of the biggest elk in Kentucky were killed rather than tranquilized and moved. He said they also couldn't understand why

wildlife officials violated a cardinal rule by not saving the meat.

Gasset said the meat ordinarily would be donated to Hunters for the Hungry, an organization that distributes wild game to the needy. However, he said arrangements weren't made beforehand to make the donation and the meat spoiled.

"It was a very short-notice operation," Gasset said.

The elk that were killed would be considered trophies, with antlers standing some 4 feet above their heads. The antlers, Gasset said, were saved and will be used for educational purposes.

Dave Prater, owner of P&H Packing in Hueysville, said he would have gladly prepared the elk meat for distribution to the needy.

"Nobody asked me," said Prater, who routinely butchers deer donated to the Hunters for the Hungry project. "I would have been available."

Jonathan Day, coordinator of

Kentucky's elk restoration project, said the department is developing procedures that will ensure meat won't be discarded if nuisance animals have to be shot.

"We certainly hate to see the meat go to waste," Day said. "We put it out there for the scavengers, and I wouldn't call that waste."

Gasset said the elk meat was placed in strategic locations in eastern Kentucky to feed black bear, coyotes and other scavengers.

Gasset said none of the elk has come back since the two bulls were killed last Tuesday.

"We basically had to sacrifice a couple of animals to save the herd," Gasset said.

Larry Short of Prestonsburg, said he, like other hunters he has talked with, is upset by the decision to kill the elk.

"When something is causing property damage, they have to address the issue," Short said. "But they do have choices, and from the hunter's perspective, that's not the best choice."

## Derby breakfast heading back to Capitol grounds

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — After a brief hiatus, the Governor's Derby Breakfast is coming back to the state Capitol grounds.

The breakfast, which takes place the morning of the Kentucky Derby, was held in downtown Frankfort the last two years. But this year, Gov. Ernie Fletcher and his wife, Glenna, want it back at the Capitol.

"They want all the people to feel welcomed," said Jeannie Lausche, Fletcher's spokeswoman.

The breakfast is an annual tradition in Frankfort the morning of the race. It was moved to the city's downtown two years ago because of construction around the Capitol.

Last year's event was scaled down because of the state's tight budget.

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## Battlefield

victory for the North in 1862, a victory which followed a long string of defeats in previous battles.

In order to get the ball rolling on developing a master plan for the Middle Creek National Battlefield site, the Big Sandy ADD, working with a \$10,000 flex grant obtained through the Appalachian Regional Commission, compiled a list of prominent tourism, business and community representatives to "flesh out" ideas for the project. Representatives with the Tourism Cabinet, the Kentucky Heritage Council, the Floyd

County Fiscal Court, Floyd County Board of Education and U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers' office were on hand Wednesday to do just that.

Since the plan to turn the site into a tourist, preservation and educational attraction began in the 1990s, the battlefield is "in the midst of opening," according to Frank Fitzpatrick, founder of the Middle Creek National Battlefield Foundation, who told the group that the organization's ultimate "vision" includes the construction of a 9,000 square foot interpretive center and a 35-to-50-seat ImmersaVision

Multimedia Theater, which will be filled with various types of multimedia presentations that will "immerse" participants into part of the action being presented. Spitz Inc., the same company that created the Eastern Kentucky Science Center dome, will be constructing this center, he said.

According to Fitzpatrick, plans are also in the works to secure funding to create a library, a small museum, educational facilities and a visitor's center on the site for the Prestonsburg Tourism office, which will promote other area attractions.

Currently, the walking trails at the Battlefield are not easily accessible, Fitzpatrick said, a circumstance that will change when between \$65,000 and \$70,000 in funding is secured to pave the Confederate and Union Loop trails. Flooding last year, he said, prevented the installation of interpretive panels that would provide historical information about the site to tourists. He estimated that an additional

\$60,000 to \$70,000 would be needed to pave a parking lot for the site, which will accommodate 22 cars and four school buses.

"We plan to have schools bringing kids in on a daily basis," Fitzpatrick said. "We want it to be a topnotch tourism niche. It can be a great asset. We already see it as a great asset, with all the interest and calls that have been generated."

Tom Fugate, site identification program administrator with the Kentucky Heritage Council, who has worked in developing and operating Civil War battlefields across the state, shared ideas about various aspects of planning and running the facility.

"We want to see this site open," he said. "We got calls from people who want to go to the site, but get there only to realize that it's not open. We need to get over this hurdle, put our [interpretive] signs up and open it for

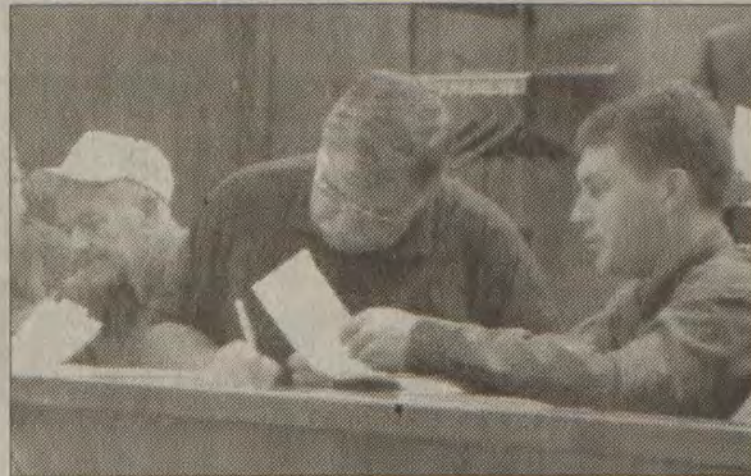
## Cocaine

found with an unspecified amount of cocaine inside a bag and nearly \$3,000 in cash during the search.

Police also reported finding at the home digital scales, smoking pipes, a device described in the citation as a "pill crusher" and other unnamed items of paraphernalia.

The arrest came after a grand jury indicted Watson on the trafficking and possession charges, which allegedly took place on Jan. 6, the day before he was arrested by police.

Currently lodged at the Floyd County Detention Center, Watson will next appear for court proceedings June 17.



Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson signed an approval of funding for the Floyd County Drug Task Force during Thursday's special meeting of the Fiscal Court. The measure received unanimous approval.

## Payment

County Attorney Keith Bartley is that several of the inmates may have been out on bond when they received treatment. If the dates of bonds issued jibe with dates of medical treatment, then the county will be free and clear of all of those expenses incurred by bonded individuals.

The court is currently awaiting an itemized list of expenses

from the hospital. Those records will indicate dates of treatment and allow for the county to determine which bills they are not responsible for. Jailer Roger Webb said that there is still another avenue of relief for these bills. In July he said he can resubmit the medical bills to the state for "catastrophic" assistance. At that time, leftover money set aside for "catastrophic" claims can be used to help claimants who still need assistance on bills that were only partially covered when first submitted.

Webb cautioned, however, that the claim could be rejected this summer and once again place this issue at the front of the Fiscal Court's agenda.

## Correction

Brenda Hall and Elmer Lafferty are not a couple, as was stated in our Feb. 27 issue. The two are only acquaintances, according to Hall.

## Charges

allegedly violating an emergency protective order.

Young testified during that hearing that Roberts posted \$5,000 bail for him on Oct. 14, 2002, and then drove him to his home in Tram. About an hour-and-a-half after dropping him off at his residence, Young said that Roberts returned with Ratliff and a woman. He said that Roberts accused him of planning to jump his bail and insisted that he return Young to jail so that he could retrieve the bail money.

Young alleged that the group left the detention center when they were told by jail employees to return during business hours the following day to address the problem.

He also told the court that he escaped when Roberts pulled into an Allen business owned by Judy and Larry Short, who both testified during the preliminary hearing.

As he was running toward the business, Young said Roberts attempted to shoot him, an allegation corroborated by Judy Short, who testified that she witnessed Roberts fire a gun "three or four times" at Young.

After considering testimony in the case, the grand jury Tuesday indicted Roberts for attempted murder, first-degree unlawful imprisonment, terroristic threatening and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon.

Ratliff was indicted for first-degree wanton endangerment, first-degree unlawful imprisonment and terroristic threatening.

The woman who accompanied the men in the vehicle was not named or charged in the incident.

Both men are scheduled to be arraigned March 19 by Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner declined to comment on the case yesterday.

Other indictments handed down Tuesday included:

■ Shawn Thacker, 24, of East Point, was indicted for second-degree burglary.

■ Rodney Thompson, 20, of Harold, was indicted for resisting arrest and disorderly conduct, misdemeanor charges that were remanded to district court.

■ Alfred King, 33, of Harold, was indicted on two counts of theft by unlawful taking and for fraudulently using a credit or debit card.

■ Jimmy Joe Hall, 19, of Galveston, was indicted for theft by unlawful taking and first degree criminal mischief.

■ Misty Justice, 46, of Prestonsburg, was indicted for criminal possession of a forged instrument for allegedly passing a counterfeit \$100 bill at the Pizza Palace Fun Center.

■ Vicki D. Case, 45, of Harold, was indicted for theft of a motor vehicle registration

decal.

■ Carolyn Chilson, 46, of Prestonsburg, was indicted for fourth-degree assault for allegedly striking a female with a broken bottle.

■ Jennifer Conn, no age listed, of Pikeville, was indicted for second-degree forgery and for criminal possession of a forged instrument.

■ Martez Watson, 19, of Detroit, Mich., was indicted for first-degree cocaine trafficking and for possession of drug paraphernalia.

## Goodwill store opening March 15 in Paintsville

Times Staff Report

Paintsville will be the site of a new "Goodwill Center," which is set to open March 15.

The store, located in Mayo Plaza, will bring seven new jobs to Johnson County.

Local leaders and Goodwill Industries employees will be on hand at 9 a.m. when the store is slated to open for business.

The mission of Goodwill

Industries is to help people with disabilities or those who are disadvantaged to become and to stay employed. The mission is nonprofit and funds its goals by selling donated clothing and other merchandise. These donations can be tax deductible as well.

The store has already begun accepting donations which can be dropped off during weekdays at their site.

## Cruelty

of Stephens Branch, filed civil complaints against him in district court.

Martin alleged in the complaint that Bailey "intentionally" shot and killed her border collie as her two minor children, ages 10 and 12, and Turner's grandchild, age 11, witnessed the incident.

During an interview yesterday, Martin, who lives within "walking distance" of Bailey, told The Floyd County Times that Bailey admitted to shooting the dog because it was chasing his chickens that were running loose on an adjacent property belonging to Martin's mother.

Martin said that her children were walking along the road toward their grandmother's home when Bailey shot across the road at the dog from his driveway.

"My kids were halfway to my mother's home," said Martin. "He was standing in his driveway and shot across the highway onto where the dog was in my mother's driveway. My little girl said his eyes got real big when he realized they [the kids] were there. I went over and knocked on his door and asked him if he shot my dog. He said 'Yes, because it was chasing my chickens.'"

"I want to see justice done," said Martin, who appeared in court Wednesday, armed with pictures, for Bailey's hearing. "I

don't think he should have shot the dog and if he was so worried about the chickens, he should have had them put up."

The dog, who the family named "Michael Jackson" because "she didn't know whether or not she was white or black," was shot between the eyes and was still alive when family members and officials with the Floyd County Sheriff's Department found her in a creek adjacent to Bailey's property.

Martin said she transported Michael Jackson to Rudolf Ousley's Veterinary Clinic on the Mountain Parkway, where the animal was euthanized.

According to Martin, Bailey shot his gun into the air while family members were burying the dog that day.

"If he gets by with this and nothing don't come of it, is it all right for me to go to his house, throw a chicken in his yard and shoot his dog?" Peter Martin, Shauna's husband, asked during an interview yesterday.

Shauna Martin said she would like to pursue additional charges against Bailey for shooting a gun across a public roadway and for discharging a gun in a residential area.

Bailey, represented by attorney Jimmy Webb, is scheduled for a preliminary hearing on March 17.

He has not been arrested for the alleged crime.

## Street

The collision, said Conley, caused Smith's car to spin into the southbound lanes of road, where it collided with another car, a Toyota driven by Tim Martin, of Prestonsburg.

The bumper of Smith's car rammaged against a stop sign in front of Papa John's, where it remained following the accident.

"She was coming pretty swift, but I wouldn't say she was speeding too fast," Smith said.

Smith, who was riding with his grandson, Austin Smith, 11, said he pulled out of Branham Street when the driver of a van in the center lane of the road stopped to allow him to pass. That driver, Smith said, left the scene of the accident.

Similar circumstances have caused several wrecks on the same stretch of road over the past several years, a fact that urged the city government to research ways last year to prevent future accidents.

According to Prestonsburg Fire Department Assistant Chief

Chuck Davis, there were seven wrecks in 2003 and two so far this year which required the assistance of the fire department on the same stretch of road. That does not include the number of "fender benders" and minor accidents, he said, that the fire department did not assist with.

Nothing was done following the completion of that study.

However, the state Transportation Cabinet's proposed six-year road plan, which is awaiting legislative approval in the current General Assembly, calls for reducing the four-lane section of North Lake Drive from Prestonsburg High School to Red Light Diner from four lanes to two lanes for traffic, with a center turn lane. The remainder of North Lake Drive, as well as a stretch of South Lake Drive from Graham Street to the Floyd County Justice Center, would be changed from two lanes to two lanes with a center turn lane.

If approved in its present form, the project would be completed within the next fiscal year, which begins July 1 and ends June 30, 2005.

Adkins was transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center following the accident, with undetermined injuries, according to Conley. No injuries to the drivers or passengers of the other vehicles involved were reported.

The Prestonsburg Police and Fire Department assisted at the scene.

## Task force

the federal drug task force UNITE, magistrates were determined to fund local efforts to fight drug crimes and there is speculation that this extra money could even be used for another large-scale drug roundup.

In other action before the court, magistrates gave final approval to an ordinance pertaining to cost recovery of hazardous material spills.

The ordinance, which clearly defines such spills, places the burden of cleanup costs squarely on the shoulders of those who are transporting the materials. The measure should relieve the costs of such incidents to the county and provide the groundwork for any legal measures which may need to be taken against those carriers who make an effort to deny culpability.

## Guilty plea expected today in drug case

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — After coming to an agreement with the Commonwealth's Attorney's office, a Floyd County woman charged with fraudulently obtaining several prescriptions is expected to enter a guilty plea today in circuit court.

Sharon Jacobs, 37, of Langley, is scheduled to appear in front of Judge Danny Caudill this afternoon to change a not guilty plea she previously entered on those charges.

Jacobs signed and accepted an offer from the commonwealth during a pretrial conference held Feb. 4 in circuit court in the presence of Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor and her attorney, Ryan Allibar.

She was indicted in September on eight counts of fraudulently obtaining prescriptions between May and December 2002 at the Downtown Drug and Rite Aid pharmacies.

The commonwealth has recommended five years for Jacobs on each of those counts, with each sentence running concurrently, or together, with sentences imposed on Jacobs in another case against her.

Those sentences, according to the plea agreement, will be suspended after the service of six months, and the remainder will be probated.

Circuit Judge Danny P. Caudill will preside over the hearing today.

Jacobs is currently out of jail on a \$5,000 cash bond that was posted in April of last year.

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# Viewpoint

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## Worth Repeating ...

"Hearts that are delicate and kind and tongues that are neither — these make the finest company in the world."

— Logan Pearsall Smith

## Guest View

# Editorial roundup

*The Democrat and Chronicle, Rochester, N.Y., on the presidential election:*

The race for the Democratic nomination for president ended Tuesday night. Sen. John Kerry won convincingly in most of the 10 states holding primaries — New York among them. More important than his victories, perhaps, was the word that his main rival, Sen. John Edwards, would quit the race today. ...

Amid the campaign din, there is much the American electorate will need to sort out, about the Republican leader who has done well at times and dubiously at others, and about the pretender to the throne, a Senate veteran who is something of a political chameleon.

Though he's been in the Congress for nearly 20 years, Kerry hardly has a fixed place in the national consciousness. He sounds like a centrist on the trail, but his voting record is well to the left. ...

Duck-and-run maneuvers are a staple of the modern presidential campaign. That's intolerable this year. There are too many critical issues, from the weakness of Medicare and Social Security in the face of 77 million retiring boomers beginning at the end of the decade to the maelstrom of violence in Iraq.

This has been a very successful primary season for the Democrats. Not only did the races bring out the campaigner in the once terminally aloof Kerry, but also they led to the discovery of Edwards. Edwards' message about the "two Americas" of rich and poor and of lingering racial divisions cut to the core of America's social pathology.

Kerry, clearly, is the Democrats choice. What's not so clear is how he would lead. Let that clarification begin now.

*Florida Today, Melbourne, on possible life on Mars:*  
So, we may not be alone after all.

It's a possibility that may have increased following NASA's exciting announcement Tuesday that its Mars rover Opportunity has discovered evidence that the Red Planet was once wet enough to harbor life. ...

In fact, the mineral composition of the rocks studied by Opportunity suggests the conditions may have even been magical enough to allow organisms to flourish.

Who cares?

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## Guest Column

### Kentuckians want real solutions for budget crisis

by HEATHER ROE MAHONEY  
AND K.A. OWENS

The severe budget crisis that Kentucky faces is one of political leadership. Over the last two decades, the General Assembly cut taxes beyond reason, created loopholes for huge corporations, and failed to update aging portions of the tax code. Elected leaders bypassed numerous opportunities to make positive reform and hid in the shadows when the result was inevitable — painful budget cuts.

Our political leaders have let us down. Most guilty are those who have signed away their ability to make good decisions through an irresponsible "no new tax" pledge. Now their lack of leadership, vision, and courage is sending our

state hurtling toward a cliff. If we go over, the quality of life we have worked so hard to advance will fall, and fast.

This leadership failure is illustrated, by some of the options being considered in Frankfort. Some are using the budget crisis to claim we spend too much, and are moving to shrink government by starving the programs and services upon which our communities rely. Slashing vital areas like education, health care, and human services goes far beyond cutting waste and hurts some Kentuckians immediately and all Kentuckians eventually.

Others are actually considering a tax reform package that would make Kentucky's tax system even more unfair than it already is. Ours is a state in which the poorest 20 percent of families pay the greatest share of their income in taxes while the share of taxes paid by corporations has fallen by half since 1990. It would be a real feat of cowardice to pass a package that makes such a system even more unjust.

And many of our political leaders, including Governor Fletcher, will only discuss tax reform that is "revenue-neu-

tral." Such talk is irresponsible at a time when Kentucky clearly needs more money just to avoid more cuts. Revenue-neutral reform hamstringing Kentucky's ability to make investments that put us on a path to prosperity.

Our political leaders must realize that these are not real options for solving Kentucky's budget crisis. They must understand the unique opportunity they have to change Kentucky's history.

For the past year, Kentuckians For The Commonwealth and Democracy Resource Center, along with Kentucky Youth Advocates and Appalshop, have studied the tax system closely. It's been a grassroots effort from the start. We've knocked on doors, held kitchen table discussions, and hosted community workshops.

One thing we've heard loud and clear is that people want a real solution that produces real change.

That solution is comprehensive tax reform that makes the system fair, up-to-date, and generates enough revenue to meet Kentucky's needs. A plan for such

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## Letters

### Father should forgive son

I was saddened to read the quote from the father about his AWOL Marine son from Camp Le Jeune. Young men away from home for the first time get so homesick, and the armed forces is a tough lesson for them. For example, when my late son dropped out of sophomore year of college to volunteer in the U.S. Army, I was infuriated.

While stationed at Fort Knox during basic training, he called me late one evening to say if I could get to base before midnight, he could come home for the weekend. I ended up with six homesick men who lived in Floyd and Pike counties. When my car crossed the Floyd County line, those men acted as if they were on sacred ground. When my military policeman son saw his tough ex-Marine

sergeant father, they hugged each other and cried. I, of course, felt no pity, as I was still too mad.

As a longtime high school teacher, I realized that many of our graduates had no money to attend college or vocational school, and the armed services offered them the opportunity to advance, as there were few job opportunities in our area.

So, to the Marine father, I urge you to forgive your son, encourage him to serve his time in the brig and get on with his life. Realize that we are all human and make mistakes, and we should love each other regardless.

Frances Preston Brackett  
Ulysses

### What controversy?

There has been a lot of talk about the new Mel Gibson

film, "The Passion of the Christ." All kinds of comments have been made by the liberal media — the unread, unchurched and those of Jewish faith calling the film "disturbing" and "anti-Semitic."

For those of us who have actually opened a Bible, who have actually attended church and who have a little intelligence, there is no controversy!

The story, you see, is true. No names were changed to protect the innocent. I do not know a Christian who places any anger, blame or prejudice against the Jews for the death of Jesus. First of all, the Bible tells of messiah/savior many times in the Old Testament. Jesus came not to condemn the world, but to save it.

Without the crucifixion and the resurrection, you have no salvation. Jesus did what God wanted Him to do. He suffered and gave up His life

willingly so that the lost might have eternal life. What happened the last 12 hours of Jesus' life was all part of God's wonderful plan. It is utterly ridiculous to hate or to blame anyone for Jesus' death because, my friends, it happened as it was supposed to, as God planned it.

Those who fear this movie do not know either the salvation story or their Bible very well. Jesus' life was based on love, forgiveness and hope, not hate. If you really want to get down to accurate history, the Jews could not have killed Jesus, as they did not have the legal authority to do so. All executions were under the control of the Roman Empire at that time Israel.

Do the Italians fear reprisals now? Not at all, and neither should my Jewish brothers. Jesus' life and death were as God planned it. Only

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AT THE MOVIES:

# 'Starsky & Hutch'

by **CHRISTY LEMIRE**  
AP ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

They could have played Ponce and John or Crockett and Tubbs or even Lenny and Squiggy — and they probably will some day.

For now, you can sit back and watch the sporadically amusing, comfortably numbing familiarity of Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson bouncing off each other in "Starsky & Hutch."

It's not so much a movie version of the 1970s buddy-cop TV show as it is "Zoolander" with guns. Here, as in that 2001 movie about dimwitted male models, Stiller plays the uptight guy who takes himself way too seriously and Wilson plays the easygoing guy who everyone likes.

That these off-screen friends have established such an easy on-screen camaraderie is a good thing and a bad thing. They're obviously comfortable with each other and they can be fun to watch, though the script amounts to little more than a series of sketches, loosely held together by the grooves of a chicka-chicka-wa-wa soundtrack and the growls of Starsky's Gran Torino engine.

But Stiller (who plays Starsky) and Wilson (Hutch) have fallen into a predictable rut following nearly identical performances in "Meet the Parents," "The Royal Tenenbaums" and, most recently, "Zoolander."

Instead of male models, they



"Starsky & Hutch," a Warner Bros. release, is rated PG-13 for drug content, sexual situations, partial nudity, language and some violence.

Running time: 97 minutes.

Two stars out of four.

play undercover cops who look like male models — or, rather, like male models look today in emulating the style Paul Michael Glaser and David Soul cultivated on the TV series near-

ly three decades ago, with sunglasses that were too big and jeans that were too small.

"Old School" director Todd Phillips, who co-wrote the script with John O'Brien and his

"Road Trip" writing partner Scot Armstrong, goes truly old school here, and the attention to detail is obsessive — from the bad perms and fu manchu mustaches to the 8-track tapes and pimped-out Lincoln Continental that Snoop Dogg drives as Huggy Bear, Starsky and Hutch's informant.

(Snoop is a natural choice for the role, by the way, if only because he appears to have provided his own wardrobe.)

But the novelty of gawking with horrified fascination at the superfly style of the times grows old quickly, and the fact that this is a one-joke movie becomes painfully obvious after about 45 minutes — at which point, you're only about halfway done.

There is some semblance of a

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## 'The Sopranos' returns and viewers are remarried to the mob

by **FRAZIER MOORE**  
AP TELEVISION WRITER

NEW YORK — "The Sopranos" is back, and all is wrong with the world.

The TV drama every other drama series is measured against is returning to face the ultimate challenge: getting measured against its own past.

Great news! It measures up — especially after last season, which didn't.

Last season, "The Sopranos" was gripped by tension. Week after week, the pressure built. As if resigned to inevitable doom, mobster Tony Soprano and everyone around him — and, to a large extent, the series — sank into a funk.

Sure, there were moments of explosive (if temporary) release. But just two of the 13 episodes delivered a solid dramatic payoff: when Tony offed Ralphie and then offed his head, and in the finale when Tony waged war with his wife, Carmela, and she threw him out of his house.

That was way back yonder in December 2002. Now, as "The Sopranos" begins its fifth season Sunday at 9 p.m. EST on HBO, it seems headed on a different, more rewarding track.

(Spoiler warning: "Sopranos" fans who want a pristine viewing experience should stop reading here.)

Make no mistake, any hour of "The Sopranos" beats an hour of nearly anything else on film. But the four new episodes made available for review do more than introduce fresh turmoil into Tony's life. They introduce a welcome new theme enhancing last year's gloom: a sense of general befuddlement.

Tony (series star James

Gandolfini), his wife (Edie Falco), and other key characters have lost their bearings. Too much has changed, too much is uncertain. Can they regain their footing before it's too late? That seems to be this season's prevailing question.

One cause of shattered equilibrium is the arrival of several new mobsters who, jailed during the crackdown on organized crime in the 1980s, are out after serving their time.

"Class of 2004," Uncle Junior (Dominic Chianese) sums up sourly — "old rats on a new ship."

What will be the impact of these new "rats" on "The

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## Rental Central

by **TOM DOTY**  
STAFF WRITER

Lots of Japanese anime and children's fare hit vid stores this week. Kids will be happy with several DVD releases.

"Batman Beyond" returns to DVD with two discs featuring the further adventures of the Dark Knight and his young stand-in, in stories set in a futuristic version of Gotham City.

Nick Jr. celebrates the change of seasons with a compilation disc that features spring-themed episodes of "Dora the Explorer," "Blue's Clues," "Rugrats" and other Nick Jr. characters.

Anime fans will enjoy sever-

al multi-disc releases. "Cowboy Bebop" checks in with six discs of adventure, while "Mobile Fighter Gundam" steps up with a whopping nine episodes which can be purchased separately or in groups of three.

Horror fans might enjoy the "Blood Island Vacation" four-pack. This set collects a series of early 1970s features shot on the cheap in the Philippines. The titles are more gruesome than the actual flicks, by current standards, though they do feature a fair amount of gross-out moments. The films included are "Brides of Blood," "Mad Doctor of Blood Island," "Beast of Blood" and even "Brain of Blood."

Action fans are sure to enjoy the latest double feature DVD from Anchor Bay Entertainment. This double-sided disc features the first two films of John Woo's "A Better Tomorrow" trilogy. This series mixes highly stylized action sequences with old-fashioned gangster melodrama which echoes the RKO films of James Cagney and Humphrey Bogart. Chow Yun-Fat stars in both films and his association with director John Woo would continue in action hits like "The Killer" and "Hard Boiled." Here fans get to see Fat patent his signature style of using two handguns to simultaneously blast villains all over Hong Kong. "A Better Tomorrow 2" was rushed into production by real-life Tong gangsters, who invest heavily in Hong Kong films, and it shows because the drama this time around is strained while the action scenes get even wilder. The 20-minute action finale features a veritable bullet festival and even some swordplay.

Next week shapes up as a good one for DVD Special Editions. Expect a mixed bag of re-releases which will include "The Ten Commandments," "Schindler's List" and "Dawn of the Dead."

### History

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Germany and Russia said they would block any attempt to get U.N. approval for war against Iraq. Thousands of students nationwide walked out of classes to protest a possible war. A suicide bus bombing in Haifa, Israel, killed 14 Israelis and an American teenager. A Kuwaiti policeman was sentenced to 15 years in prison for the 2002 attack that wounded two U.S. soldiers on a Kuwaiti desert highway. Comedian George Miller died in Los Angeles at age 61.

### Today's Birthdays:

Actor James Noble is 82. Actor James B. Sikking is 70. Actor Dean Stockwell is 68. Actor Fred Williamson is 66. Actor Michael Warren is 58. Actor Eddie Hodges is 57. Singer Eddy Grant is 56. Violinist Eugene Fodor is 54. Rock musician Alan Clark (Dire Straits) is 52. Actress-comedian Marsha Warfield is 50. Magician Penn Jillette is 49. Rock singer Charlie Reid is 42. Rock singer Craig Reid is 42. Rock musician John Frusciante (Red Hot Chili Peppers) is 34. Singer Rome is 34. Actor Kevin Connolly is 30. Actress Jolene Blalock ("Enterprise") is 29. Model Niki Taylor is 29. Actress Eva Mendes is 26. Actor Jake Lloyd is 15.

### Thought for Today:

"If you don't have enemies, you don't have character." — Paul Newman, American actor.

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## Civil Suits Filed

Phil Frasure vs. Robert Dean Stumbo; verified complaint.  
 Mary Sue Music vs. Larry Sean Music; divorce.  
 Methodist Hospitals of Kentucky vs. Sandy Osborne, complaint.  
 Herbert Daniels vs. Janet Daniels; verified petition for divorce.

Anderson Collins vs. Jennifer Collins; joint petition for divorce.

Eva Urban vs. Steven Urban; divorce.

Cabinet for Families and Children vs. Tracy Scott; petition for child support and health care insurance.

Racheal Griffith vs. Joey Griffith; petition for health care insurance.

Center for Home Equities LLC vs. Phil R. Frasure, Cheryl Frasure, and Floyd County; complaint.

Zellie Akers and Kenneth Akers vs. David L. Price; complaint.

Billie Isaac vs. Kari Hutchinson and Progressive Max Insurance Company; complaint.

Kitty Frazier vs. D.W. Dickey Energy Inc., doing business as Hill Top Energy Inc.; complaint.

Frances Ann May vs. D.W. Dickey Energy Inc., doing business as Hill Top Energy Inc.; complaint.

Discover Bank vs. Christopher Bevins; complaint.

James Bartley vs. Sherry Chaffins and Phoenix Insurance Company; complaint.

## Small Claims

### Filings

Maryland Jervis vs. Shirley Morrison; debt collection.

Maryland Jervis vs. Maryland Burchett; debt collection.

Maryland Jervis vs. Sandra Blackburn; debt collection.

## Charges Filed

Mark Vance, 31, Allen, criminal mischief, theft by unlawful taking.

Rodney R. Thompson, 20, Harold, second-degree burglary, theft by unlawful taking.

Mickey Johnson, 45, Martin, first-degree wanton endangerment.

Adam Ramey, 21, Garrett,

reckless driving, possession of a controlled substance.

Timothy Stanley, 43, Bevinsville, alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Estill L. Prater, 22, Martin, public intoxication.

Ruby Samons, 40, Martin, 11 counts of theft by deception.

Sam Clifford Bradley, 22, Hueysville, alcohol intoxication.

Caterina M. Cross, 20, Prestonsburg, harassing communications.

Brent Osborne, 26, Hi Hat, first-degree wanton endangerment.

Renee Martin, 31, Hunter, criminal mischief.

Mary Case, 21, Drift, fourth-degree assault.

James D. Sellards, 38, Betsy Layne, harassing communica-

tions.

Susan Gibson, 39, Langley, theft by deception.

Vince Jarrell, 34, Dana, terroristic threatening.

Sherry Blackburn, 19, Prestonsburg, harassment.

Barrie Johnson, 50, Martin, theft by deception.

Vicie Ann Estep, 39, London, theft by unlawful taking.

Donald E. Bentley, 30, Martin, alcohol intoxication.

Kathy Sammons, 46, Auxier, harassing communications.

Kevin L. Woods, 19, Allen, fourth-degree assault.

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# Obituaries

## David Lynn Tussey

David Lynn Tussey, 54, formerly of Hueysville, died Monday, February 9, 2004, at his home in Middletown, Pennsylvania.

He was born June 15, 1949, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin, the son of the late Iseral and Naomi Sexton Tussey.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, and served in Germany, during the Vietnam War era. He enjoyed reading, history, and music.

He is survived by his wife, Marlene Ressler Tussey; a daughter and son-in-law, Cari Ann and Brock Daub of Lebanon, Pennsylvania; and two brothers: Ivan Tussey of Kendallville, Indiana, and Bill Tussey of Hueysville.

Memorial services were held on Thursday, February 12, at 2 p.m., at the Miller Funeral Home, in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania. (Paid obituary)

## Delores Conley

Delores Conley, 87, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, March 1, 2004, at Waterford Place Healthcare Campus, in Kokomo, Indiana.

Born March 23, 1916, in Knott County, she was the daughter of the late Alonzo and Ila Perkins Napier. She was a homemaker, a member of the Ladies Auxiliary, V.F.W. Post No. 1275, in Lima, Ohio, and V.F.W. Post in Prestonsburg.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hauley Conley.

Survivors include brothers: Gregory Napier of Indianapolis, Indiana, Vernon (Joanne) Napier of Waynesville, Ohio, and Elmer (Grecia) Napier of Sorrento, Florida; sisters: Erma (Lay) Gayheart of Winchester, Annetta Baldrige of Gotha, Florida, and Pauline (Ken) Grady of Lima, Ohio; grandsons: Michael (Darlene) Deno of Newton, New Jersey, Arthur (Julie) Deno of Greenville, Florida, and Jack (Jayne) Deno of Kokomo, Indiana; great-grandsons: Daniel and David Deno, both of Kokomo, Indiana; great-granddaughter, Kiesha (Chip) McDonald of Georgia; two great-great-grandchildren; and three step-granddaughters.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Jack Conley; a daughter, Whilminia Ryan; a brother, Claude Napier; and two sisters: Dale Taylor and Gladys Brackney.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, March 4, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Omery Chuck Hall officiating.

Burial was in the Richmond Cemetery, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

## Sheila Blevins

Sheila Blevins, 37, of Hager Hill, died Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at Cabell-Huntington Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia.

Born March 1, 1967, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Noah and Nannie Caudill Johnson.

Survivors include one son, Tyler Fyffe of Hager Hill; two daughters: Tara Blevins and Stephany Fyffe, both of Hager Hill; and three brothers: Lee Johnson of Salyersville, Randall Johnson of Garrett; and Ricky Johnson of Claremont, North Carolina.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, March 5, at 11 a.m., at the Preston Funeral Chapel, Paintsville, with Ronnie Spriggs officiating.

Burial will be in the Blevins Cemetery, at Staffordsville, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

## Susie Shepherd

Susie Shepherd, 87, of Bull Creek, died Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg.

Born March 22, 1916, in Magoffin County, she was the daughter of the late Ruben and Lona Hale Stephens. She was a homemaker, and a member of the Cold Springs Old Regular Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Andy Shepherd.

Survivors include a son, Andy Shepherd Jr.; six daughters: Donna King and Ida Justice, both of Bull Creek, Ellen Taylor of Hunter, Ethel Caudill of Staffordsville, Nolene Compton of Winona Lake, Indiana, and Sarah Compton of Claypool, Indiana; a brother, Ransom Stephens of Shiloh, Ohio; a sister, Polly Lafferty of Banner; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, John Henry Shepherd; a daughter, Delilah Shepherd; six brothers, Gib, Green, Adam, Arthur, Dempsey, and Gobel; and seven sisters: Ellen, Bertha, Lucy, Maudie, Cynthia, Florence, and Mary Magdalene.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 6, at 2 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial will be in the Shepherd Cemetery, at the Left Fork, of Bull Creek, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

## Palmer Hall Sr.

Palmer Hall Sr., age 73, of Virgie, formerly of Grethel, husband of Goldie Hall, passed away, Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at the Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

He was born September 15, 1930, in Grethel, the son of the late John F. Hall, and Laura Mae Vance Hall. He was a retired gas well driller.

Survivors include his wife, Goldie; five sons: Lester Hall and Randall Hall, both of Sterling Heights, Michigan, Palmer Hall Jr., Michael Hall, and Danny Hall, all of Virgie; one daughter, Inga Brooks of Virgie; two brothers: Bob Hall of Grethel, and Elmer Hall of Dayton, Ohio; 14 grandchildren, six step-grandchildren and 12 step-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Palmer Hall Sr., will be conducted Friday, March 6, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with Clergymen Junior Kidd, Bob McKinney and Chris Kidd officiating.

Burial will follow in the Hall Cemetery, at Virgie, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

## Delcie Dudley

Delcie Dudley, age 84, of New London, Ohio, died Tuesday morning, March 2, 2004, at New London Healthcare Center, following an extended illness.

She was born May 22, 1919, in Harold, the daughter of the late James and Martha (Kidd) Damron. She had lived in New London since 1951.

She had worked at the former C.E. Ward Co., of New London, and Kent Sporting Goods, of New London. She had attended the Old Regular Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Maynard Dudley.

She is survived by three step-children: Faye (Roger) Meade, and Edna (Harold) Bowling, both of New London, and Edith (Harold) Barker of Lagrange, Ohio; 13 step-grandchildren; and several step-great-grandchildren; and several step-great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Sylvia McKinney of Wellington; and two brothers: Johnny Damron, and Milford Damron, both of New London.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by three brothers, Willie, Norman, and Edward Damron.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, March 5, at the Eastman Funeral Home, 200 W. Main St., New London, with elders of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will follow in Clarksfield South Cemetery.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

## Lorene Isaacs

### Newsom

Lorene Isaacs Newsom, age 63, of Harold, widow of Rofolo Newsom, passed away, Tuesday, March 2, 2004, in the Pikeville Methodist Hospital.

She was born December 31, 1940, in Teaberry, the daughter of Josephine Hamilton Isaacs of Teaberry, and the late Rubin Isaacs. She was a homemaker and a member of the Regular Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Darrell Newsom, of Mt. Sterling; two daughters: Gwen Cecil of Georgetown, and Jackie Scarberry of Harold; three brothers: Jonah Isaacs and Herman Isaacs, both of Teaberry, and Rubin Isaacs Jr. of Mt. Sterling; three sisters: Dorene Hutchinson of Trenton, Michigan, Charlene Nelson of Banner, and Charlotte Hamilton of Teaberry; and five grandchildren: Jordan Scarberry, Ali Cecil, Whitney Newsom, Casey Newsom and Baylee Newsom.

In addition to her husband and father, she was preceded in death by one sister, Joann Isaacs.

Funeral services for Lorene Isaacs Newsome will be conducted Friday, March 5, at 11 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, Martin, with ministers of the Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will follow in the Effie Hall Newsome Cemetery, at Grethel, under the direction of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

## Linda Lee Pennington

Linda Lee Pennington, 50, of Ivel, died Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at her residence.

Born November 28, 1953, in Indiana, Pennsylvania, she was the daughter of the late George and Viola Moore Lantz.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Delmas (Duke) Pennington.

Survivors include her companion of 14 years, Melvin Cooper of Ivel; a brother, George Lantz of Elkhart, Indiana; seven sisters: Susie Galonis of Indiana, Pennsylvania, Minnie Altman of Creekside, Pennsylvania, Betty McKenzie, Della Maines, and Gwen Justice, all of Prestonsburg, Sylvania Lantz of Warsaw, Indiana, and Marian Weaver of Marchand, Pennsylvania; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, Harvey Lantz.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 6, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home in Martin, with Jimmy Price officiating.

Burial will be in the McKenzie Cemetery, on Katy Friend Road in Prestonsburg.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

## William Lee Slone

William Lee Slone, 78, of Wayland, died Tuesday, March 2, 2004, at Pleasant Hills Nursing Home, in Picketon, Ohio.

Born May 14, 1925, in Lackey, he was the son of the late Esquire and Isavell Sparkman Slone. He was a disabled coal miner, a U.S. Navy and WW II Veteran, a member of D.A.V. Chapter 128 of Garrett, and a member of the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church, at Estill.

He is survived by his wife, Marie Vires Slone.

Other survivors include two sons: William Eddie Slone of Cave Run, and Bobby Darryl Slone, of Hindman; five daughters: Sharon Kay Gibson and Pamela Gail Hall, both of Marion, Ohio, Anna Leigh Tignor of St. Paul, Virginia, Valenchia Lynn Johnson of Virgie, and Kimberly Renee Hamilton of Huntington, Indiana; a sister, Willa Dean Henegar of Wayland; 16 grandchildren, and 14 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Esquire Slone Jr.; and three sisters, Agalean Pittman, Frona Slone and Clara Conley.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, March 5, at 11 a.m., at the Martin Branch Freewill Baptist Church, at Estill, with Red Morris Carl Watkins, Willie Duff, and Jack Adkins officiating.

Burial will be in the Chandler Cemetery, at Lackey, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation was at the church, with nightly services, at 7 p.m. (Paid obituary)



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## Card of Thanks

We, the family of Eli Bryant, acknowledge with appreciation, the love, prayers, and floral, memorial and food gifts, received from family and friends, when he went to be with the Lord.

Special thanks to Dr. Mary Hall, and the inpatient medical staff, for their care during his illness. Also, for the time she spent with us immediately after his death.

We truly appreciate the ministers of the Little Nancy Regular Baptist Church, where dad served as deacon. Also, the ladies of the church, for their delicious meals.

Thank you, Hall Funeral Home, for your kindness and professional services.

We are truly blessed with wonderful families and friends. Please remember us in your prayers, as we adjust to not having him in our lives.

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# Community Calendar

## CALENDAR ITEMS WILL BE PRINTED AS SPACE PERMITS

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

### CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY

Will be held at the Printer Post Office, on March 5, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### MARTIN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF '64

Meeting to plan 40-year reunion will be held at Martin Dairy Queen, Sunday, March 7, at 3 p.m. All classmates welcome.

### REVIVAL

Starting March 8, 2004, at New Beginning Outreach Church, Garrett, (across from Garrett Post Office), 7 p.m., nightly. Brothers Charles

Whitmore and Lester Sparks from Richmond, Ky., will be holding revival. Pastor is Glenn Adkins. Everyone welcome.

### HOMECOMING

There will be a homecoming at Third Avenue Freewill Baptist Church on Sunday morning, March 7. Special singers will be the Slone Family. Dinner will be served after services. "Come and be blessed." Pastor, William Canterbury.

### SHRINERS HILLBILLY PAGEANT

To be held March 27, at 11 a.m., at Shelby Valley High School. Purpose to raise money for Shriner's Children's Hospital. More info., call 437-6891 or 639-9414.

### CHRISTIAN CONCERT

March 5, 7 p.m., at Prater Creek Baptist Church, Banner. FREE admission. More info., call 437-6328.

### 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.

### CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH CONF.

"Caring for Every Child's Mental Health - Communities Can Conference" will be held March 17, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, in Paintsville. Conf. hosted by Mt. Comp. Care and Big Sandy Area Child Advocacy Ctr. Both registration and a catered lunch are offered at no charge. To register, call Teresa Clay at 886-8572. Registration deadline March 1.

### HRMC CALENDAR

■ March 13 & 14 - PALS provider course. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Meeting Place A & B.  
 ■ March 18 - Laryngectomy Support Group, 5-7 p.m., Meeting Place B.  
 ■ March 20 - Child Birth classes. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### Meeting Place A & B.

■ March 23 - Sr. Advantage, 9:30 to 11 a.m. Meeting Place A & B.

■ March 25 - Diabetes Support Group, 5-7 p.m., Floyd Room.

■ March 25 - Alzheimer's Support Group, 6-7 p.m., Johnson County Library.

All classes free of charge - call 886-8511 for more information.

### 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, East-ern 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. Remember, "Love Doesn't Have to Hurt."

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

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

■ A.S.K. (Adoption Support for Kentucky) - Support group for all adoptive parents (public, private, international, and kinship care), foster parents and all others interested in adoption. To meet the 2nd Thursday of each month, at Pizze Hut, in Prestonsburg. For more information

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# Kentucky joins research pact with NASA

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's getting in on a piece of the Mars action.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher signed an agreement between the state and NASA on Wednesday that calls for Kentucky to have a larger role in developing research that could help in getting to the moon and Mars.

As part of the agreement, Kentucky will have an office at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Ames Research Center in California. The Kentucky Science and Technology Corporation will operate the office and pay its expenses.

Kentucky will focus much of its space research on "subsurface exploration" and biotechnology, officials said.

"The partnership will create new opportunities for Kentucky's faculty, students, scientists, entrepreneurs and private companies to study living systems, information systems, nanotechnology and celestial

mining," said Fletcher, who signed an agreement during a ceremony at the Capitol.

Each of Kentucky's public universities may have an opportunity to conduct research in different specialty areas, he said.

"This nation has embarked upon an ambitious effort to return to the moon, and more extended exploration and then to send a manned spacecraft to Mars," Fletcher said. "This effort will require the mobilization of significant scientific technology and human resources, including new technologies and processes needed for extended space flight and working and living on other celestial bodies."

Scott Hubbard, director of

(See NASA, page eight)

## Mob

Sopranos?"

"We could be looking at a period of potentially violent power struggles," declares a Mafia expert on a TV interview show Tony is watching — to which Tony grumbles, "They gotta paint everything the worst, these TV news people."

It isn't long before former mob boss Feech La Manna (Robert Loggia) is telling Tony, "Now that I'm out, I'd like to get back in the game."

Tony warily agrees, but adds, "I don't want you stepping on anybody's toes."

"Me?" oozes Feech in his gravelly voice, "I'm Fred Astaire."

Also back on the streets (in the second episode) is a cousin, Tony Blundetto (played by Steve Buscemi), whom Soprano wants back in the family business.

No thanks, says "Tony B." Once a rising star in the mob, he now intends to go straight.

He wants to be a massage therapist, and he doesn't mean running a massage parlor. In the

meantime, he takes a job with a linen supply firm whose accounts include the Bada Bing. He's literally handling Tony's dirty laundry. Will he be able to resist Tony's entreaties to handle more?

The life of Tony's nephew Christopher (Michael Imperoli) hangs in the balance: He's kicked booze and drugs. But how long can he hold out?

And Christopher's fiancée Adriana (Drea de Matteo) remains caught between a rock and a hard place: The FBI is forcing her to inform on Christopher and the rest of the mob. How long can she reconcile her two conflicting lives, not to mention her guilt?

Even Tony's psychiatrist, Dr. Melfi (Lorraine Bracco), is confronting new issues, thanks to Tony, her longtime client who now wants to be more.

Sunday's episode begins with a scene recalling previous season openers: the morning newspaper in the Soprano driveway. But Tony, no longer living there, isn't fetching it.

A bit later, the series adds to its gallery of odd and powerful images with a glimpse of raw potential violence that is all the more unexpected for its having no connection with organized crime.

Message: More than ever before, everything is on the loose, and danger could be lurking anywhere.

No wonder Tony — who now bunks in, of all places, the shabby house of his despicable late mother — drifts back home on any pretext. There he scraps with Carmela, barks at sullen son A.J. (Robert Iler), chugs orange juice out of the carton as if he still ruled the roost, and pretends none of the fault is his.

It's all part of a scramble for some sense of normality, for getting back a world that's familiar and reliable. Happily for viewers, the search on "The Sopranos" this season could come with many new pitfalls.

## Record

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derly conduct.

Gary Adkins, 20, Langley, possession of a controlled substance.

Billy Hall, 19, Betsy Layne, alcohol intoxication.

Jeffrey Newsome, 37, Hi Hat, terroristic threatening.

Kim Gallimer, 44, Auxier, fourth-degree assault.

Leann Manns, 26, Hueysville, harassment.

Thomas Baker, 47, McDowell, assault, disorderly conduct.

Anthony Branham, 32, Virgie, fourth-degree assault.  
 Artie L. Adkins, 32, Prestonsburg, alcohol intoxication.

Christopher L. Cox, 19, Garrett, disorderly conduct.

Robert Hall, 19, Prestonsburg, theft by unlawful taking, alcohol intoxication.

## Inspections

Pizza Den, Ivel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Proper hair restraints not in use, thermometers not present in all refrigerators, wiping cloth use unrestricted. Score: 94.

2's Grocery, Rt. 979, Teaberry, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some thermometers hard to see in refrigerator units, onions stored on floor of walk-in cooler, food countertop in disrepair, wiping cloth use unrestricted, proper hair restraints not in use, restroom floor in disrepair. Score: Food 94, Retail 96.

Osborne's Restaurant, McDowell, regular inspection. Violations noted: Onions not stored 6 feet above the floor, proper hair restraints not in use, restroom door not self closing, floors in disrepair, walls in slight disrepair. Score: 93.

Roger's Self Service, Eastern, regular inspection. Violations noted: restroom door not self-closing, food items observed on the floor. Score: Food 95, retail 98.

Kentucky Tech and Alternative School, Garth, regular inspection. Violations noted: Some toilet stalls without tissue, floor tile in disrepair in both buildings. Score: 96.

Cardinal Mart #3, Watergap, regular inspection. Violations noted: Over-the-counter medication out of date, lack of accurate thermometers in all refrigerator units, lack of proper hair restraints. Score: 89.

Martin's Quik Stop, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food preserving temperatures not set at proper degrees, hand cleaner not provided in lavatory or sink areas, water damage to ceiling. Score: 92.

Comfort Suites Hotel, Prestonsburg, regular inspec-

tion. Violations noted: Dust and cobweb buildup inside window seals, floor tile around ice machine on third floor is damaged, wet mop stored on floor of laundry room. Score: 94.

Puck's Tattoo, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: chair in some disrepair. Score: 100.

B&C Parkway Convenient Mobile Home Park, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not numbered according to location in the park, outbuildings not located the minimum 15 feet from homes, potholes in driveway, construction debris in park area. Score: 92.

## Property Transfers

Cleo Rogers Williams to Gary Gene Williams, Susan Denise Shepherd, John Mark Williams, Jeffery Lee Williams and Jamie Lynn Newsome, property location not listed.

Janice Burchell and Denvil Burchell to Debra Leggett, property located, Jake Goble Branch, in Dwale.

Robert C. Herald and Gayle A. Herald to Michael D. Herald, property location not listed.

Gloria Sue Collins and Greg Collins to Boneda Hoover, property location not listed.

Debra S.T. Leggett and Glenn Leggett to Janice Ratliff Burchell, property located, Jake Goble Branch, in Dwale.

Tommy James Collins to Sandra D. Collins and Katlin B. Collins, property located, Left Beaver Creek.

Janice Caudill to Janice Caudill, property location not

listed.

Tina Reffett Hicks, by Delores Smith, executrix to David Hayes, property located, Brushy Creek.

Lori Foley and Charles Foley to Madeline M. Mollette, property located, near Allen.

Hamilton Industries, LLC, to William P. Schull, property located, Copperas Lick Branch of Abbott Creek.

James Chaffins and Kathy Chaffins to Jerry Wicker and Stephanie Gray, property located, Abbott Creek.

Maggie Howell to Mylessia Little, and Paul E. Little, property located, Big Mud Creek.

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Mary Blankenship to Mary Blankenship and Delores Forbes, property located, Ned's Fork of Frasures Creek.

Brian Edward Ratliff and Carolyn Sue Varney Ratliff to Roy Justice, property located, Little Paint Creek.

Gladys Collins to Ronnie Collins and Denise Collins, property location not listed.

William Thomas Harris and Brenda Harris to Anthony R. Castle and Maria Castle, property located, Brandy Keg, Prestonsburg.

Michael H. Castle to Glen Martin, property located, Right Beaver Creek, near Wayland.

Phyllis Ann Centers to Sharon H. Melching, property located, Beaver Creek.

Joe W. Allen and Shanna Allen to Timothy H. Conley and Shannon Conley, property location not listed.

## View

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You see, the findings are an important- indeed, historic- step in NASA's quest to find out if life on Earth is unique, or if the seeds that gave rise to humans are common throughout the cosmos.

If they are, it opens the door to the chance that life forms exist throughout the universe. ...

NASA scientists are just starting to sift through the finds of Opportunity and its sister ship, Spirit, both of which landed on Mars in January. Much research remains to be done.

But these early finds are like nothing anyone has seen before, and they make us wonder what astronauts might find if they could walk on the Martian surface.

Ticket to Mars, anyone?

## Movie

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story line, though, and it entails showing us how opposites Starsky and Hutch ended up as partners on the mean streets of Bay City.

While investigating a murder, they begin to suspect the wealthy Reese Feldman (Vince Vaughn), a drug kingpin who has developed a special strain of cocaine ("New Coke," if you will) that's impossible for drug-sniffing dogs to detect.

Really, though, the case is just an excuse for Starsky and Hutch to play dress-up.

They pretend they're bikers in an "Easy Rider" take-off and play mimes to infiltrate Feldman's daughter's bat mitzvah. They even go to a disco with a couple of cheerleaders (Carmen Electra and Amy Smart) who may have informa-

tion on the killing. (While they're there, Starsky competes in a dance-off that's a rip-off of the "walk-off" he participated in as Derek Zoolander).

But it's clear that Starsky and Hutch only have eyes for each other; if the TV show had a vague homoerotic vibe, the movie practically outs them.

Not that there's anything wrong with that. But speaking of "Seinfeld," here's an idea: Maybe Stiller and Wilson will play movie versions of Jerry Seinfeld and Cosmo Kramer in 20 years.

"Starsky & Hutch," a Warner Bros. release, is rated PG-13 for drug content, sexual situations, partial nudity, language and some violence. Running time: 97 minutes. Two stars out of four.

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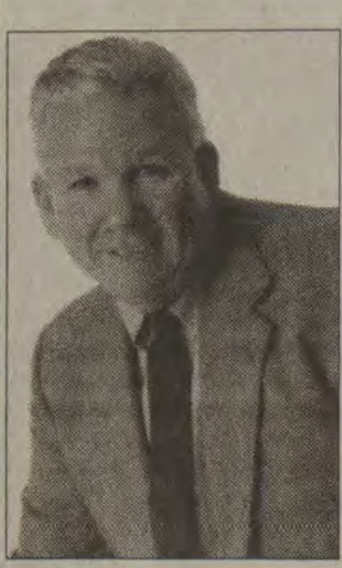
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# House OKs bill to restrict soft-drink sales in schools

by BRUCE SCHREINER  
Associated Press

bill would promote "parental rights."

it's we the parents' fault that we're not teaching our children to exercise and be healthy," said Cornett, R-Whitesburg, who opposed the bill.

The bill that passed Wednesday would ban soft drink sales in elementary schools during the school day. In middle and high schools, at least 75 percent of drinks offered would have to be "healthy," meaning water, milk and juices.

Schools that violated the restrictions would be subject to fines. The money would stay in the offending school's district and would go to the food service fund.

schools rely on vending machine sales to fund many activities. Miller, a former high school principal, especially objected to a provision that says "healthy" beverages could not be sold at a higher price than other drinks. He said the schools would lose money. He said schools pay more for "healthy" beverages than for soft drinks.

Miller, D-Louisville, downplayed the availability of soft drinks. "I don't know how much they rot your teeth or they make you obese, but I do know that sometimes it helps young people to have some kind of little sugar in their body in order to survive the school day," he said.

Rep. Jon Draud, a former school superintendent, said schools shouldn't make money at the expense of setting "bad examples." "It's our role as educators to set good examples," said Draud, R-Crestview Hills. "This is only a small step in that direction."

FRANKFORT — A bill that passed the Kentucky House by a wide margin Wednesday would require schools to limit sales of soft drinks and offer more healthy beverages.

Supporters said schools should promote a healthy lifestyle and the restrictions on sugary drinks would combat child obesity and tooth decay.

Rep. Tim Feeley said his

Rep. Howard Cornett said the blame for childhood obesity rests with parents who let their children "flop on the couch and watch TV."

"We can't punish our school systems for soft drinks when

The bill cleared the House on a 64-30 vote and goes to the Senate.

A related measure to limit sugar- and fat-laden snacks sold in school vending machines passed the House earlier and is pending in the Senate.

## Guest

reform would touch on all major state taxes. It's a plan under which those who can pay, do pay; our tax system is modernized; and Kentucky has the resources to become a great state.

There are currently two proposals being considered in Kentucky that are a start in this

## Letters

an unschooled jerk will leave the theater with anything other than awe or thanks in his heart.

I feel this film will bring many folks closer to God. When you are close to God, the sins of hate or prejudice should never raise their sinful heads. Peace be unto you all.

Charles E. Scoville  
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direction.

One proposal would bring fairness to Kentucky's income tax. Currently, families of four at the poverty line in Kentucky face the highest income tax bill in the nation. This would enact new brackets that tax wealth, not poverty, and eliminate the state income tax for families at or below the poverty line. Under this proposal, 71 percent of Kentuckians would pay the same or less in income taxes.

A second proposal would overhaul Kentucky's failed corporate tax system. The abuse of limited liability companies and other unfair loopholes have cost hundreds of millions of dollars in lost revenue. This proposal would assure that corporations pay their fair share for the public investments from which they benefit.

These two proposals are a real start to solving Kentucky's budget crisis. They restore fairness to our tax system while raising \$600-\$700 million in much-needed revenue. Together, they represent a credible alternative to slashing essential programs and to regressive and revenue-neutral reforms that get us nowhere.

Kentuckians must make the right choice and act with courage and foresight to do what's right for our Commonwealth. We deserve and demand better.

Mahoney co-directs the Democracy Resource Center, a social justice research organization based in Lexington. Owens lives in Louisville and serves on the Steering Committee of Kentuckians For The Commonwealth, a statewide, citizens' social justice organization. Both groups are partners in the Kentucky Economic Justice Alliance along with Kentucky Youth Advocates and Appalshop.

## Battlefield

the public."

Fugate said developing the master plan for the site would become the "framework" of its marketability, a topic discussed at length with various members at the table.

There are currently between six and eight battlefield sites operated by the state or county governments across the state, he said, and many of them survive by gaining revenue through charging minimal registration fees for events, charging by the car load, or working with local businesses to obtain food donations that are prepared and sold to visitors at those sites.

The key to keeping it going and growing, said Fugate, is getting creative in finding revenue. One battlefield, he said, gets a hefty sum annually to house a cellular phone tower. Others save money on maintenance by employing prisoners for upkeep.

According to Fitzpatrick, the vast majority of the funding for the project comes from the

Transportation Enhancement Fund and the Heritage Land Trust Fund, as well as other sources such as the American Battlefield Protection Program.

"If we can take this product and put it into a tourism category for selling, we'd have a good product," said Fred James, Prestonsburg's executive tourism director, who told the group the project would become a "niche" attraction that would provide education, culture, heritage and history all "rolled into one" to enhance the quality of life in Prestonsburg.

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According to Fitzpatrick, "personality conflicts" have led to the dissipation of the group of individuals who performed reenactments at the Middle Creek battlefield, a fact group members hope will be resolved before the site is officially opened to the public.

The group will continue to meet within the next few months, according to Amy Barnes, Big Sandy ADD representative, to expand the Middle Creek Battlefield Vision. A public meeting will be scheduled at a later date to gather community input, she said.

# AP Interview: No automatic funding for dramas

by CHARLES WOLFE  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Theater groups that have automatically gotten state tourism grants every year will now have to compete for the money, Commerce Secretary Jim Host said.

Grants to theater groups around the state, most of which perform outdoor dramas, totaled \$285,000 last year.

"These were outright checks that went to these people first of July every year," Host said in an interview with The Associated Press. "I couldn't see whether this was anything more than political grants to people that were friends" of the administration.

Host said he "could not determine any rhyme or reason" for the way grants were distributed or why they varied in amount.

Host, interviewed Wednesday, said money instead will be allocated as matching funds to attractions of highest priority to regional tourism boards.

"We'll see whether the people of that region want to support it or not support it," Host said. "We'll root out the people who've just been getting these outright grants. ... We'll let the people make the decision."

Host's cabinet took over tourism when Gov. Ernie Fletcher reorganized his executive branch and eliminated the Tourism Development Cabinet.

Ann Latta, tourism secretary under former Gov. Paul Patton, said she directed the payments, which were apportioned according to the scope of each project.

Productions that ran for a full season and drew large numbers of tourists, such as "The Stephen Foster Story" in Bardstown and "Legend of Daniel Boone" in Harrodsburg got maximum grants, about \$40,000 a year,

Latta said.

"There wasn't anything political about that. I just tried to be as fair as I could be about it," Latta said in a telephone interview Thursday.

Every theater had to apply for a grant each year, she said. "We never wanted to just make it a handout so that they didn't have to go out and try to bring in money," she said.

Bill Coleman, former executive director of the Stephen Foster Drama Association, which stages "The Stephen Foster Story," said Host's idea of using tourism grants to "leverage" local fund raising "sounds like a creative solution."

"We have all been seriously under-marketed in the outdoor industry," Coleman said. The Stephen Foster board spent about \$80,000 on marketing and probably should have spent \$100,000 more, he said.

"We are not competitive with Ohio and the Carolinas and Tennessee. All of our bordering states spend significantly more money on marketing," Coleman said.

Dick Heaton, a Bardstown car dealer who is chairman of the Stephen Foster board, said he did not object to the matching-fund requirement. He was glad money would be available in any form, given a tight state budget and the Commerce Cabinet's dependence on legislative appropriations, Heaton said.

"Our operation and Nelson County as a whole is willing to compete on that basis. Our fear was that all funding totally might not be available."

## NASA

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NASA's Ames Research Center, said Kentucky's experience in mining would help with subsurface exploration in space. Technology also has to be developed that would allow for mining in space that could lead to oxygen, rocket fuel and water, Hubbard said.

With the recent discovery that Mars once had water, comes other questions such as what happened to it, Hubbard said.

"If there's one thing that we can say we will for sure work together on, it's going to be exploring underneath the surface of Mars using the technology that's already been developed here on Earth," Hubbard said. "If we can find liquid water, if it's still there underneath the surface of Mars, there could still be life there today."

## Calendar

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mation, 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 christophercook@hotmail.com.

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## Tournament draw site switched to MAC

The draw for the boys' 15th Region basketball tournament will be held in Prestonsburg Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Mountain Arts Center. The draw was originally scheduled for Prestonsburg High School, but has since been moved to the MAC.

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### COMMENTARY

## March Madness: You gotta love it

by RICK BENTLEY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

Want to know why I love March Madness? Want to know why basketball in Kentucky is topped only by high school basketball in Kentucky?

Do you? Here's why. Magoffin County's coach is Danny Adams, about the nicest guy you'd ever want to meet. He's one of the true good ones, and one of the guys Jason Blanton and I would like to see win a regional title of all those who hasn't done so yet.

But this year, he had struggled. He moved an eighth-grader up to his starter at point guard on the varsity around Christmas and had won only two games.

Tuesday night, it was to end. Tuesday night, his long, miserable season, would be over.

Only Tuesday night, it was 2-and-21 Magoffin County 55, 14-and-12 Johnson Central 54.

I love March Madness. But Central won't be the only No. 1 seed paying its way into next week's regional tournament. The 58th District will have a new champ for

(See BENTLEY, page three)

## Stage is set for 57th District Finals

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

SALYERSVILLE - In almost all instances in post-season tournament play, it only takes one loss to be eliminated. The Johnson Central boys' basketball team found that out the hard way Tuesday night Johnson Central Coach Les Trimble reminded his team before Tuesday night's 57th District first round game with Magoffin County about the contest his Golden Eagles played against the Hornets in his first season during district tournament play. The Golden Eagles, which won just five games that season, took the heavily favored Hornets into overtime before losing.

This season, with both teams in a reverse role of sorts, a determined Hornets team wouldn't go away in a game full of lead changes and ties, before pulling off a 55-54 upset in Salyersville. It was Magoffin County's third win of the season.

The Hornets shot over 60-percent from the field. Blake Jenkins led Magoffin with 14 points. Brandon Shepherd, who hit the game-winner with 13 seconds left, added 11. Courtney Conley also had 11.

Johnson Central senior Mikey Walters finished off an outstanding prep career scoring 18 points for the Golden Eagles. He made

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## TO THE WIRE AND THEN SOME



photo by Steve LeMaster  
Betsy Layne senior Brandon Hall put a dribble down in the second half while being defended by Allen Central junior Tim Griffith. Hall fouled out in regulation.

## FRANCIS SCORES GAME-WINNER, SENDS REBELS TO 58TH FINALS

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR



Austin Francis

EASTERN - Allen Central is back in a district championship game. The fifth meeting between the boys' basketball teams from Allen Central and Betsy Layne high schools was exhilarating. Allen Central, which had fell to defeat in two non-regular-season meetings between the two teams this season, in overtime, battled back from a seven-point deficit and thanks to an Austin

Francis layin at the buzzer sent Betsy Layne out of the post-season. Francis, who finished with 18 points, the most of any Rebel, with 3.7 seconds remaining in the extra session took an inbounds pass, a bounce pass from freshman Ryan Collins, and worked his way for a layin, the game-winner. Francis's game-winning shot laid on the front of the rim before falling in and giving the host Runnin' Rebels a

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## Betsy Layne downs South Floyd, moves to title game

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - Defending 15th Region Champion Betsy Layne put 23 points up on the scoreboard in the first period Tuesday against South Floyd and went on to beat the Lady Raiders 78-52, thus earning a spot in the 58th District championship game last night.

Betsy Layne junior guard Kim Clark scored 10 points in

the opening quarter and ended the night with a game-high 25. She hit nine field-goals, two three-point buckets and a free-throw.

Another Betsy Layne junior, Kristal Daniels, hit for 20 points, blocked nine shots and yanked down nine rebounds. Kristen Smith, another member of the strong Lady Cat junior

(See MOVES, page two)



photo by Jamie Howell  
Junior Kristen Smith scored 12 points in Tuesday night's win over South Floyd in the opening round of the 58th District Tournament. South Floyd's Brandy Anderson, pictured defending, finished with 13 points.

## Blackcats stun South Floyd

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

EASTERN - After suffering through an entire season without a win in the 58th District, the Prestonsburg Blackcats were not expected to make it past a first round matchup with four-time defending district champion South Floyd.

After 32 exciting minutes of basketball on Tuesday evening, the Blackcats walked away with a shocking 56-53 win over the Raiders and guaranteed themselves a spot in next week's regional tournament on their homefloor at the

Prestonsburg Fieldhouse.

Blackcat coach Jackie Day Crisp was obviously excited about the "new" season.

"The great thing about the post-season is that you can throw the records out the window and start over," said Crisp.

Prestonsburg did just that on Tuesday and in the process the Blackcats ended a long run of 58th District dominance from South Floyd.

Prestonsburg took the early lead behind the play of Jesse Chaffin and Nick Jamerson. The Blackcats

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### 58TH DISTRICT GIRLS

## Lady Rebels back in district championship game

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - The defending 58th District girls' basketball champ was back in another championship game last night. Allen Central, despite a slow start, bounced back and eliminated Prestonsburg in the first round of the district tournament Wednesday night. Host Allen Central grabbed the return trip to the championship game by doubling up the Prestonsburg girls Wednesday night in the fourth quarter when the two teams met in a district opener. Allen Central outscored the Lady Blackcats 22-11 in the last period and went on to win, 64-56.

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photo by Steve LeMaster  
Allen Central senior Terri Mullins was defended in the second half by Prestonsburg's Darcey Hicks. Mullins led Allen Central in scoring with a game-high 19 points.

## Tonight's Main Event: Blackcats vs. Rebels

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - Just like a championship boxing match, tonight's 58th District championship game between the host Allen Central Runnin' Rebels and the visiting Prestonsburg Blackcats is sure to bring many fans up and down with highs and lows from all involved combatants. And each squad will be looking to deliver the knockout punch, or at least score the TKO or win by decision.

Allen Central controlled things in the two regular-season meetings between the teams. The Rebels won by 23 points in one meeting and 24 in another. Allen Central beat Prestonsburg 78-55 in the first meeting on Jan. 9. In a late-season meeting on Feb. 10, Allen Central scored a 63-39 victory.

The pair of 20-point-plus wins doesn't by no means leave Allen Central head coach Johnny Martin overlooking the Blackcats. Prestonsburg knocked off four-time defending 58th District champ South Floyd Tuesday night in a first-round matchup.

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photo by Jamie Howell

For some Tuesday night, it was time to celebrate when Prestonsburg beat four-time defending 58th District champ South Floyd. Prestonsburg High head coach Jackie Day Crisp is pictured embracing his wife, Rita.



**Rebels**

Senior guard Terri Mullins led Allen Central in scoring with 19 points. Center Becky Thomas finished with 16 points, 10 rebounds and five steals despite sitting with four fouls for much of the third quarter. Jessica Isaac also had a double-double of 10 points and 10 rebounds.

Allen Central trailed by seven points (19-12) at the end of the first period and two (35-33) at halftime. The Lady Rebels, playing in front of a huge and supportive home crowd, played better basketball in the second half.

"The girls really played well," said Allen Central head coach Mark Martin. "We were concerned how the early part of the game would go. We had a long time off between games during the last part of the season."

Allen Central went into the halftime break trailing, but played some of its best basketball late in the game.

"At halftime, we were not shooting the ball well, and defensively, it seemed like we were a step slow on the defensive end," Martin noted. "We made some changes at the half and the girls came out in the second half and just kept pluggin' away. (Terri) Mullins did a good job on (Molly) Burchett, and Tab Caudill just had a great game. Jessica Isaac just

played a great all-around game." Prestonsburg and Allen Central each held leads in the first quarter. The Lady Rebels regained the lead late in the second period when Yumekia Hunter scored to make it a 28-26 lead in favor of the host team. Later in the quarter, near the end of the first half, Prestonsburg freshman Meaghan Slone drained a three-pointer to give the Lady Blackcats a 35-32 advantage.

Mullins hit one of two free throws for the Lady Rebels just before the half to make it 35-33 game still in favor of Prestonsburg at the break.

"Our seniors lead the way," Martin confided. "Jessica, Terri, and Tabatha have really played well as of late, and all three had good moments during the game. Becky (Thomas) getting in foul trouble during the second half, was a part of the game that seniors just picked up the slack and had a good stretch during the later part of the third quarter really played well."

Prestonsburg still led when the game went into the fourth quarter, 45-42. Then Thomas reemerged. When Thomas reentered the game, Allen Central seemed to get an even bigger jump in its step.

"Getting Becky back in the

game, gave us a lift offensively, and the girls' defense just really made a difference during the latter part of the game," Martin added.

A very valuable addition to the Allen Central attack Thursday night was the Rebel student body.

"Our student body was our sixth man last night," Martin said. "Just the excitement, and the way the students have celebrated all week made a difference last night and I know each one of our girls appreciated our pep section."

Prestonsburg junior Molly Burchett led her team in scoring with a game-high 20 points. Slone finished with 14 and Chanel Music added 11. Darcey Hicks netted six and Heather White chipped in five.

Mara Billiter and Hunter rounded out the scoring for Allen Central with five and three points, respectively.

The championship game of the district tournament loomed last night for Allen Central. Results of the Allen Central-Betsy Layne girls' basketball game were unavailable at press time. Full coverage of the girls' 58th District title game will appear in Sunday's edition.

**Set**

five three-pointers including three in the second half.

Nothing was decided by halftime as the two teams went into intermission knotted at 25. Neither team led by more than four at any point during the game.

Magoffin held a 40-38 edge after three periods but Walters fired in a trey to open the fourth period to give Central a 41-40 lead.

Then Jenkins answered with a bucket for the Hornets to take back the lead.

Walters fired in another trey to make it 44-42. Then Jenkins scored again to tie the game at 44.

Another three by Walters made it 47-44. After Conley free throws made it 47-46, Josh Stapleton, who had 12 points, put the Eagles ahead 49-46 with an easy basket.

Devin Rice knocked down two foul shots to bring the Hornets back within one at 49-48, the Walters hit another shot in the lane giving Central a 51-48 advantage.

With 1:55 remaining, Magoffin County's Dustin Allen stepped out at the top of the key and drained a three-pointer to tie the contest at 51.

Kyle Rice hit one of two foul shots with 1:38 left for a one-point JCHS lead. Shepherd answered with a jumper to give back the lead to the Hornets.

Two foul shots by Stapleton put Central back in front 54-53

**Stun**

took a 9-6 lead after one quarter of play. Both teams had trouble finding the range in the early going and South Floyd could only manage six points over the first eight minutes.

The second quarter looked as though South Floyd was finally hitting stride as the Raiders outscored Prestonsburg 17-10 to take a 23-19 lead at the half.

With South Floyd leading by three points late in the second quarter, senior guard Jack Slone connected on a three-point field goal from the right baseline to give the Raiders a six-point lead late in the half. Prestonsburg cut the South Floyd to four at the half on a Chaffin jumper.

The third quarter went back and forth as the two teams exchanged baskets.

Compton sparked the Blackcat rally with five points in the third quarter, and sophomore guard Michael Stephens came up big down the stretch. The Blackcat tied the game late in the third quarter on a shot for Stephens, but Brian Meade hit a jumper

at the buzzer to give the Raiders a two-point lead heading into the final quarter.

South Floyd lost its two big men (Stanley and Little) to fouls early in the fourth quarter. Prestonsburg took advantage of the missing big men. Stephens hit four big free throws down the stretch for the Blackcats. A clutch three-pointer from Sean Leslie seemed to take the wind out of the Raiders.

Compton led the Blackcats in scoring with 12 points. Stephens added 11. Jamerson also tossed in 11 points. Chaffin added eight. Joe Blackburn contributed seven points for Prestonsburg and Leslie finished with five. John Mark Stephens rounded out the scoring for the Blackcats with two points.

Senior Adam Tackett

**Moves**

class, scored 12 points and dished out 11 assists.

Senior Whitney Lykens, who was somewhat under the weather, turned in 10 points and five assists.

Ball movement proved to be very key for the winning team.

The Lady Cats moved the ball extremely well, resulting in 25 assists. Betsy Layne had 30 field goals, four three-pointers and one-half dozen free-throws.

"I thought we played well," said Betsy Layne Coach Cassandra Akers. "I wasn't real pleased with the board work, but we had some good passes. They looked for each other real well."

Betsy Layne began play in the second quarter with a 23-11 lead, but soon fell victim to a Lady Raider rally. South Floyd got within five points in the second quarter, but could get no closer. The Lady Cats outscored South Floyd 17-11 in the second quarter to lead 40-22 at the break. Betsy Layne wasted little time extending its lead in the third quarter.

tossed in 13 points for South Floyd. Slone added 10 for the Raiders.

Tackett and Slone ended their playing days at South Floyd with some big games behind them.

Brian Meade led all scorers with a game-high 16 points. Meade went to battle for Henry Webb's team. The senior also pulled down 12 rebounds on the night. Ryan Johnson and Steven Stanley both finished with two points for South Floyd.

Prestonsburg will take on host Allen Central tonight in the finals of the 58th District Tournament. Tip-off set for 7 p.m.

With the win, Prestonsburg improved to 11-14 on the season. South Floyd ended the year at 18-11.

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South Floyd was led in scoring by two seniors guards.

Brandy Anderson and Megan Ousley scored 13 points apiece for the Lady Raiders. Ousley hit three three-pointers (all in the fourth quarter) and Anderson knocked down one.

Amanda Johnson finished the contest with 12 points and Ashley Johnson added 10. Junior center Tab Trammel flipped in three points while Courtney Blocker got into the scoring act with a free-throw.

The Lady Raiders connected on just two of their nine free-throw attempts.

Breann Akers scored seven points for Betsy Layne. Tabatha Witt and Kayla Case rounded out the Lady Cat scoring with two points apiece. Case's two points were the final tallies for Betsy Layne.

Betsy Layne was set to meet Allen Central for a second straight year last night in the girls' 58th District title game. Results were unavailable at press time and will appear in Sunday's edition.

**YOUTH BASKETBALL**

**Spring basketball tournament coming to Lexington**

LEXINGTON — North American Youth Sports announced this week that it is still has openings in its annual spring basketball tournament in the Central Kentucky area at George Rogers Clark High School April 30-May 2.

The tournament will feature 10 different brackets. All grades in the brackets are based on the grade in which a student is currently enrolled.

The entry fee for the tournament is \$95 and guarantees each team a minimum of two games. There will be awards presented in each bracket.

The entry deadline is April 9.

For additional information or an entry form, call the toll-free NAYS spring tournament hotline at 1-800-787-3265 or tournament director Scott True at 859/744-0585.

**H.S. BASKETBALL**

**Spurlock, Hazard fall in district tourney opener**

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

HYDEN — Daniel Combs hit a 10-footer just before the buzzer sounded Tuesday night at Leslie County High School in the 54th District Tournament to lift Perry County Central to a 48-47 win over Hazard, the No. 10 team in the state and the defending All "A" Classic State Champion.

Combs led Perry County Central with a game-high 18 points. Chris Chaney added 13

points for the Commodores. Al Holland Jr. and Derrick Bowling scored six apiece. Senior center Roy Baker rounded out the Perry Central scoring with five points.

Floyd County native Kevin Spurlock guided the Hazard Bulldogs to the All-A state crown earlier this year. "It is tough to get over especially the way we lost, but we did have a good year," Spurlock noted, after his team's loss to rival Perry Central. "We had a season to remember."

Prior to Combs' game-winning shot, Hazard High senior Steven Sizemore had put the Bulldogs up by one on a field goal of his own. Sizemore hit for two points with the clock showing just seven seconds. Combs got his shot off on the other end just before the final buzzer sounded.

Sizemore paced Hazard with

14 points. Parker Carter scored 12 and Hank Gabbard ended the contest with nine points.

**Spurlock shows up to support high school alma mater**

In the stands during Wednesday night's 58th District boys' basketball tournament game between the Allen Central Rebels and the Betsy Layne Bobcats was an old Rebel — Kevin Spurlock.

It was another close game for the Rebel.

"I couldn't have stood another heartbreaker Wednesday night," said Spurlock. "It lifted my spirits some."

Spurlock said he planned to be in attendance tonight when the Rebels take on Prestonsburg for a 58th District championship.

**ATHLETES OF THE WEEK**



Austin Francis,  
Allen Central



Meaghan Slone,  
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**Bentley**

the first time this millennium after Prestonsburg knocked off four-time champ South Floyd 56-53 Tuesday night.

A three-point heave at the horn rattled the rim but popped out for Raider senior Jack Slone, meaning the Blackcats will advance to the regional tournament for the third straight season.

■ That upset had to have

James Hurley rubbing his forehead. The Warriors of East Ridge have been a force in their first two seasons and will play Shelby Valley for the 59th District crown tonight at Pikeville.

While the Warriors have scalped most of the 15th Region - including two-time regional kings Shelby Valley in an absolute thriller in last year's

district finale - the Blackcats have eluded their formidable tomahawk.

Prestonsburg swept a pair of meetings with East Ridge last year, including a 64-59 upset in the first round of the 15th Region tournament. In their only meeting this year, again at Mouthcard, the Cats won 71-67.

Entering play tonight, East Ridge is 39-17 since the school

was formed.

But they're 0-3 against Prestonsburg.

Anyone want to bet on these two hooking up next week?

■ Two of Robert Staggs' Pikeville College volleyball signees got their postseason basketball action off to a good start. Anna Bevins (26) and Vicki Hall (16) outscored Phelps Tuesday night in Belfry's 65-33 win.

■ Upsets aren't exclusive to the 15th Region. Lawrence County, which went more than a month between wins during a six-game losing streak from mid-January to mid-February, knocked off 19-7 Boyd County in the 64th District.

■ Allen Central and Betsy Layne had quite a run this season. The teams played four times in the regular season thanks to their meetings in the Schoolboy Classic at Belfry and the All "A" Classic.

Betsy Layne won both of those, but the Rebels won the two games that counted in the district standings, so they entered as the two seed in this week's tournament.

The rubber match went right to the wire, ending when senior forward Austin Francis flipped in a shot at the horn in overtime

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**15TH REGION BASKETBALL**

**BOYS**

Team	Record
Shelby Valley	20-6
East Ridge	20-7
South Floyd	18-11
Sheldon Clark	17-9
Johnson Central	14-13
Pike County Central	14-13
Allen Central	13-12
Betsy Layne	11-15
Belfry	11-15
Prestonsburg	11-16
Pikeville	8-20
Paintsville	6-16
Phelps	5-20
Magoffin County	3-21

**GIRLS**

Team	Record
Betsy Layne	23-6
Belfry	18-8
Allen Central	17-11
Pike County Central	16-10
Magoffin County	15-11
Pikeville	13-14
South Floyd	13-17
Paintsville	12-14
Prestonsburg	12-18
Sheldon Clark	11-12
East Ridge	10-14
Shelby Valley	9-13
Johnson Central	6-18
Phelps	6-18
Piarist School	3-21

Games played last night not included in records

**15TH REGION**

**Pike County district basketball heats up**

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

PIKEVILLE - In the 15th Region, the Shelby Valley Wildcats are gunning for a third straight championship.

Shelby Valley held on in the first round of the 59th District Tournament Monday night against host Pikeville. The Wildcats withstood being

outscored 19-10 by Pikeville in the final period to win 53-44.

It was the 20th win of the season for Shelby Valley, the top-ranked boys' basketball team in the 15th Region.

Valley held Pikeville (8-19) under 10 points in each of the first two quarters, outscoring the Panthers 12-8 in the first quarter and 12-5 in the second period.

Mitch Riddle led the Valley scoring charge with 17 points. Seth Kiser netted 16 and Kris Bentley added six.

Jesse Parrish scored a game-high 18 points for Pikeville. Jordan Mullins finished with 14.

**East Ridge 46, Pikeville 40 (OT)**

PIKEVILLE - The host Panthers ran out of gas in the overtime period, falling to the East Ridge Warriors in what was a very low-scoring game.

"Right now, it's survive and advance," said East Ridge head coach James Hurley. "It was a great atmosphere and a great game. Our seniors really stepped up in the end and we pulled it out."

Playing in a three-team district, Pikeville lost to both Shelby Valley and East Ridge, and now, has been eliminated from the post-season.

**Sheldon Clark reaches 57th District tourney finals**

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

SALYERSVILLE - The 57th District Tournament has been full of surprises. Just ask any Johnson Central fan.

On Tuesday, fourth-seed Magoffin County, which had won just two regular-season games, knocked off top-ranked Johnson Central.

Sheldon Clark, the number two seed in the tournament, would not be upset, defeating Paintsville 61-48, to earn a berth into next week's 15th Region Tournament and tonight's district title game with host Magoffin County. Next week's 15th Region Tournament will be held at Prestonsburg High School.

"We just hit the boards hard," Sheldon Clark Coach J.R. Hammond said. "That was the difference in the game."

The Cardinals (17-9) outbounded Paintsville by a lopsided 45-29 margin.

Sheldon Clark hasn't won a district title since the early 1990s.

Nathan Moore paced Sheldon Clark with 17 points. Brandon May pushed in 13 points and Jason Hammond scored 10.

"We're excited about being in the district championship game," Hammond added. "It's been a long time coming for our kids. This is just one of many goals we set this season."

Paintsville finishes the season with a 6-16 record. Senior Tiger Peyton Conley led all scorers with a game-high 24 points.

Sheldon Clark and Magoffin County will play tonight at 7 p.m.

**GIRLS' BASKETBALL**  
■ 59TH DISTRICT:  
Pikeville 58, East Ridge 55

PIKEVILLE - It took four extra minutes to decide the 59th District Tournament elimination game Wednesday night at Pikeville High School.

The Lady Panthers, coached by Cindy Halbert, escaped by rival East Ridge, winning 58-55.

Emily Colvin scored a game-high 16 points to lead Pikeville (13-14). Shawna Howard scored 13 and Samantha Howard added 12.

East Ridge's Patience Hylton missed a three-point shot at the buzzer that would have tied the game. She led all scorers with a game-high 19

points.

The Lady Panthers will take Shelby Valley in the 59th District title game tonight at 6:30 p.m.

East Ridge finishes the season with a 10-14 record.

■ 60TH DISTRICT: Belfry 65, Phelps 33

BUCKLEYS CREEK - Belfry (18-8) handled Phelps in the 60th District Tournament. The Lady Pirates led 21-7 through one quarter and went on to outscore the Phelps girls in every period thereafter.

Anna Bevins led Belfry in scoring with a game-high 26 points and Vickie Hall added 16.

Phelps (6-18) was outscored by seven points in each of the last two quarters.

**P'burg cheer to hold indoor yard sale**

The Prestonsburg High School boys' varsity cheerleaders will hold an indoor yard sale Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The squad is raising money for the trip to its upcoming national competition.



Allen Central's Terri Mullins went up for a second-half layup in Wednesday night's win over Prestonsburg.

**16TH REGION**

**Bulldogs upset Boyd County**

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

LOUISA - Lawrence County topped 19-game winner Boyd County 45-44 Wednesday night to earn its first trip to the 16th Region Tournament in 13 years.

"This is great. It's everything," said center Derrick Endicott, whose free throw with 13 seconds broke a 44-44 tie. "We knew this was possible. We worked hard and I think we deserved it, too."

Endicott's second free throw rattled out of the rim, putting the pressure on Lawrence County's defense one final time. Boyd County's Jake Hughes missed a guarded 17-footer in the closing seconds and the Bulldogs swept off the rebound to nail down only their third win over the Lions in 37 meetings.

It's now basketball time in Lawrence County.

"It's big for our program and big for the kids," Lawrence County Coach Randy Anderson said. "It's also big for the school and the community. People here know how hard these players have worked."

The Bulldogs will meet Ashland in the district championship game tonight at 7 p.m. Lawrence County now looks like a team with a purpose. The Bulldogs participated in the Jenny Wiley Invitational at Prestonsburg High School back in January.

"We didn't play as well as we wanted most of the season, but the last few games we've been finding ways to win no matter what it takes," said junior guard Thomas Lewis. Lewis, who led the

Bulldogs with 14 points, scored five during a 9-3 run to open the second half as Lawrence County took its biggest lead at 37-28. Lewis connected on his fourth try and made two free throws after a technical foul against Boyd County coach Phil Pratt.

Lawrence County pulled out the victory despite scoring only three points in the fourth quarter.

Hughes and center Greg Fugate each had two baskets in an eight-point spurt to put Boyd County up 44-42 with five minutes remaining. That was the end of the Lions' scoring.

"Lawrence County played with a lot of heart, and we just didn't do the necessary things to win the game," Pratt said. "We had some key turnovers late and missed foul shots. Like they say, puppy dogs that play on the road and teams that

don't make free throws in March don't live long."

The Lions were zero-for-three at the foul line in the fourth quarter and nine-for-17 overall.

Endicott finished with 11 points and 10 rebounds.

Thompson added 13 points and eight rebounds.

"I love all these guys," Anderson said. "They understand the team philosophy that it's not me, it's us. We've made great strides defensively, and our guys know that's why we won tonight."

Fugate had 15 points and 10 rebounds for the Lions (19-8). Kurt Faulkner followed with 10 points.

The 16th Region Tournament will again be held at Morehead State University. For a complete listing of all regional tournaments, go online to www.khsaa.org.

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**Boys' state basketball poll**

1. Lexington Catholic
2. Mason County
3. Fern Creek
4. Elizabethtown
5. Pleasure Ridge Park
6. DeSales
7. Seneca
8. Warren Central
9. Covington Catholic
10. Wayne County
11. Hazard
12. Hopkinsville
13. Daviess County
14. Henderson County
15. Scott County
16. Boone County
17. Apollo
18. Owensboro Catholic
19. Perry County Central
20. Male
21. Bishop Brossart
22. George Rogers Clark
23. Muhlenberg North
24. Ballard
25. Jeffersonton

**Girls' state basketball poll**

1. Sacred Heart
2. Henderson County
3. Christian County
4. Rockcastle County
5. Lexington Catholic
6. Jackson County
7. Scott County
8. Mercy
9. Elizabethtown
10. Marshall County
11. Daviess County
12. Clinton County
13. East Carter
14. Butler
15. Henry Clay
16. Pulaski County
17. Whitesburg
18. Penny County Central
19. Boone County
20. Harrison County
21. Newport Central Catholic
22. Louisville Christian
23. Central Hardin
24. Mercer County
25. Covington Holy Cross

photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg junior guard Trevor Compton approached the South Floyd defense in Tuesday night's opening round game. Pictured defending for South Floyd is senior Adam Tackett.



photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg High coaches and players looked on during the final minute of Monday night's 58th District Tournament game against South Floyd.





# H.S. BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

## District tournament scores

### Wednesday's Games

**Boys**  
6th District: Webster Co. 50, Union Co. 45. 9th District: Owensboro Catholic 67, Daviss Co. 48. 12th District: Grayson Co. 68, McLean Co. 49. 14th District: Bowling

Green 57, Warren East 40; Warren Central 68, Greenwood 51. 17th District: Elizabethtown 68, Meade Co. 44; North Hardin 58, John Hardin 52. 19th District: Bardstown 62, Bethlehem 57. 20th District: Marion Co. 58, Campbellsville 54. 22nd District: Lou. Western 61, Lou. Butler 58. 24th District: Lou. DeSales 62, Lou. Iroquois 57.

25th District: Lou. Manual 51, Lou. St. Xavier 47; Lou. Male 87, Lou. St. Francis 15. 26th District: Lou. Seneca 55, Lou. Atherton 44. 27th District: Lou. Fern Creek 63, Lou. Moore 38. 30th District: Shelby Co. 71, Eminence 33. 31st District: Oldham Co. 61, Carroll Co. 43. South Oldham 65, North Oldham 61. 32nd District: Grant Co. 53, Owen Co. 37. 33rd District: Boone Co. 58, St. Henry 48; Conner 70, Simon Kenton 44. 34th District: Erlanger Lloyd-Dixie Heights; Cov. Scott-Beechwood. 35th District: Cov. Catholic 85, Ludlow 66; Cov. Holy Cross 46, Cov. Holmes 43. 38th District: Bracken Co. 31, Bishop Brossart 30; Campbell Co.-Pendleton Co. 39th District: Deming 75, Augusta 69; Mason Co. 77, Fleming Co. 56. 40th District: George Rogers Clark 79, Estill Co. 36. 41st District: Frankfort 45, Franklin Co. 39. 42nd District: Lex. Catholic 78, East Jessamine 51. 45th District: Lincoln Co. 60, Casey Co. 38. 48th District: South Laurel 45, Somerset 35. 50th District: Barbourville 56, Whitley Co. 46. 52nd District: Cumberland 62, Evarts 52. 53rd District: Letcher-Jenkins. 54th District: Leslie Co. 72, Buckhorn 56. 55th District: Knott Co. Central 86, Riverside Christian 20. 57th District: Sheldon Clark 61, Paintsville 48. 58th District: Allen Central 66, Betsy Layne 65, OT. 59th District: East Ridge 46, Pikeville 40. 64th District: Lawrence Co. 45, Boyd Co. 44

### Girls

12th District: Ohio Co. 83, McLean Co. 33. 22nd District: Lou. Holy Cross-Lou. PRP  
24th District: Lou. Southern-Lou. Iroquois. 27th District: Lou. Fern Creek 54, Jeffersontown 27. 29th District: Bullitt East 57, North Bullitt 28. 30th District: Anderson Co. 69, Eminence 22. 40th District: Estill Co.-George Rogers Clark. 41st District: Western Hills 41, Franklin Co. 39. 42nd District: Lex. Catholic 92, West Jessamine 19. 44th District: Berea 43, Richmond Model 30; Madison Central 60, Madison Southern 34. 45th District: Danville 56, Boyle Co. 52. 47th District: Wayne Co. 70, McCreary Central 31. 49th District: Jackson Co. 63, Oneida Baptist 15; Rockcastle Co. 60, Clay Co. 46. 50th District: Whitley Co.-Corbin. 55th District: Knott Co. Central-Cordia. 58th District: Allen Central 64, Prestonsburg 56. 59th District: Pikeville 58, East Ridge 55, OT.

Co. 44. 48th District: Pulaski Co. 65, North Laurel 63. 49th District: Rockcastle Co. 52, Jackson Co. 48. 50th District: Knox Central 54, Williamsburg 44. 51st District: Middlesboro 84, Pineville 53; Bell Co. 59, Red Bird 56. 54th District: Perry Co. Central 48, Hazard 47. 55th District: Cordia 64, Jackson City 39. 56th District: Powell Co. 70, Owsley Co. 65. OT. 57th District: Magoffin Co. 55, Johnson Central 54. 58th District: Prestonsburg 56, South Floyd 53. 61st District: Rowan Co. 68, Bath Co. 49. 62nd District: Lewis Co. 79, East Carter 65. 63rd District: Raceland 53, Fairview 42; Russell 49, Greenup Co. 42. 64th District: Ashland 97, Rose Hill Christian 36.

Mayfield 27. 4th District: Calloway Co. 52, Murray 43. 5th District: Caldwell Co. 53, Livingston Central 26. 6th District: Henderson Co. 68, Union Co. 43. 7th District: Hopkins Co. Central 77, Providence 25. 8th District: Hopkinsville 52, Ft. Campbell 49. 10th District: Muhlenberg North 52, Muhlenberg South 29. 13th District: Franklin Simpson 51, Todd Co. Central 45. 15th District: Barren Co. 56, Edmonson Co. 25. 16th District: Clinton Co. 72, Metcalfe Co. 67. 17th District: North Hardin 72, Ft. Knox 31; John Hardin 40, Meade Co. 31. 18th District: LaRue Co. 52, Caverna 50. 22nd District: Lou. Butler 86, Lou. Western 26. 25th District: Lou. Manual 73, Lou. Male 47. 26th District: Lou. Sacred Heart 72, Lou. Assumption 50; Lou. Seneca 47, Lou. Atherton 32.

### Girls

1st District: Fulton City 56, Hickman Co. 48. 2nd District: Heath 49, Lone Oak 43. 3rd District: Graves Co. 49,

(See SCORE, page five)

## Pitino, Petrino get contract extensions

by CHRIS DUNCAN  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — The University of Louisville on Thursday extended the contracts of men's basketball coach Rick Pitino and football coach Bobby Petrino through 2010. The school also gave athletics director Tom Jurich a raise.

Pitino is completing his third season with the Cardinals. When he was hired in March 2001, he signed a six-year contract that paid him \$1.075 million annually for his first two seasons and \$1.275 million for the final four seasons. It also included a \$5 million bonus if he stayed at Louisville until the end of the deal.

Pitino's new deal is a three-year extension. He will earn a yearly salary of \$1.35 million in

2004-05, \$1.45 million the next two seasons and \$1.65 million annually between 2007-10. Pitino's total deferred compensation moves from \$5 million to \$8 million.

The Cardinals are 19-7 heading into Saturday's regular-season finale at Marquette. Louisville is 63-27 in Pitino's three seasons.

Jurich said Pitino's impact has stretched beyond basketball. He called Pitino the "economic engine" of the athletic department.

Since Pitino's arrival, donations to the school's general fund have gone up \$2 million.

Petrino, who flirted with an offer to coach Auburn in December, also got a three-year extension.

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### Tuesday's Games

#### Boys

1st District: Fulton Co. 52, Hickman Co. 43. 2nd District: Heath 66, Lone Oak 65. 3rd District: Graves Co. 65, Ballard Memorial 26. 4th District: Marshall Co. 48, Murray 43. 5th District: Trigg Co. 81, Livingston Central 50. 7th District: Madisonville 59, North Hopkins-Providence 50. 8th District: University Heights 78, Christian Co. 72. 9th District: Owensboro Apollo 73, Owensboro 61. 11th District: Breckinridge Co. 59, Frederick Fraze 30; Whitesville Trinity 54, Hancock Co. 45. 13th District: Franklin-Simpson 51, Todd Co. Central 45. 16th District: Clinton Co. 79, Cumberland Co. 78. 18th District: Hart Co. 45, LaRue Co. 34. 19th District: Washington Co.-Nelson Co. 20th District: Taylor Co. 54, Adair Co. 49. 21st District: Lou. Central 69, Lou. Portland Christian 37. 22nd District: Lou. PRP 81, Lou. Holy Cross 53. 24th District: Lou. Iroquois 56, Lou. Southern 41; Jeffersontown 84, Whitefield Academy 31. 28th District: Lou. Christian Academy 59, Lou. Ky. Country Day 45. 30th District: Anderson Co. 65, Henry Co. 32. 32nd District: Scott Co. 92, Walton-Verona 82. 36th District: Newport Central Catholic 74, Dayton 33. 37th District: Bourbon Co. 71, Paris 59. 41st District: Western Hills 72, Woodford Co. 50. 42nd District: West Jessamine 80, Lex. Christian 56. 43rd District: Lex. Henry Clay-Lex. Tates Creek. 45th District: Boyle Co. 54, Danville 52. 47th District: McCreary Central 56, Russell

## No. 25 Louisville 75, Saint Louis 48

by R.B. FALLSTROM  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ST. LOUIS — Francisco Garcia had 17 points, six assists and five rebounds, leading a dominant overall performance by No. 25 Louisville in a 75-48 victory over Saint Louis on Wednesday night.

Louisville (19-7, 9-6 Conference USA) has won only three of its last nine games, largely due to a rash of injuries. But the Cardinals have won their last two, also beating No. 20 Memphis on Saturday, and appeared in fine health against the Billikens.

Kendall Darte had 12 points and 11 rebounds and Otis George added 13 points for Louisville, which took control with pressure defense that held Saint Louis to 34.9 percent shooting and forced 20 turnovers. For the season, Louisville is holding opponents to 37.3 percent shooting, second-best in the nation.

Saint Louis (15-11, 8-7) had been 11-2 at home and 3-1 against Louisville coach Rick Pitino. But this one was over early as the Billikens absorbed their second lopsided loss in three games, also losing by 25 points at Cincinnati on Feb. 25.

Garcia had all 15 of his first-half points over the final 8:16, scoring on a wide variety of shots, while Louisville's pressure defense forced 12 turnovers and held Saint Louis to 29 percent shooting in the half. Garcia had eight points in Louisville's 15-4 run that gave it a 40-19

halftime lead.

An indication of the mismatch: Saint Louis attempted only 17 shots in the first half and didn't get an offensive rebound until 15 minutes were left in the game. The lead grew to as many as 36 points in the second half.

The only thing that wasn't working in Garcia's game was the 3-point shot. He was 1-for-11 from long range, making him 3-for-21 the last two games.

Reggie Bryant had 15 points for Saint Louis. He hit three 3-pointers but was 5-for-14 from the field overall and had six turnovers. The Billikens were without center Tom Frericks, who has a separated shoulder.

Louisville took advantage with a 36-26 rebounding margin, ending a string of five straight games in which it had been outrebounded.

### Bentley

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The KHSAA needs to do one of two things: Either realign to give each district at least four teams — right now would be the perfect time with the consolidation pending in Letcher County — or change the rules to allow a three-team district to seed and reward the top-seed with an automatic slot in the regional tournament.

Simply giving someone a place in the region isn't a great idea, but I think it would be better than the current format.

### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## No. 9 Kentucky 84, South Carolina 65

by JEFFREY COLLINS  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBIA, S.C. — The rest of the country better watch out. Kentucky coach Tubby Smith says his team is playing some of its best basketball as the regular season winds down.

The Wildcats shot 31-of-60 (51.7 percent) for the game, were 13-of-22 (59.1 percent) on 3-pointers and forced 18 turnovers as No. 9 Kentucky (22-4, 12-3 Southeastern Conference) beat South Carolina 84-65 on Wednesday night.

Other than the 19 turnovers and shooting 13-of-22 from the free throw line, "it was as well as we've played all year long," Smith said.

Smith gives plenty of credit to point guard Cliff Hawkins, who scored a career-high 21 points and tied his personal best with 11 assists. Hawkins also had a career-best five 3-pointers in seven attempts.

"I got a little rhythm going, and they left me open for two early in the first half," Hawkins said. "I just felt good about my shot."

But it wasn't just Hawkins the Gamecocks (21-8, 8-7) struggled with. Gerald Fitch scored 16 points, including going 4-for-4 on 3s, and had seven rebounds for Kentucky, while Erik Daniels added 13 points on 6-of-8 shooting.

"I think what we all witnessed tonight was a great team playing at a high level," South Carolina coach Dave Odom said.

Kentucky, which clinched the SEC East title last weekend, has won 16 of the last 17 meetings between the teams. Florida's win over Georgia on Wednesday assured the Gamecocks can finish no better than third in the East and muddles their NCAA tournament hopes after starting the season 18-2.

The 19-point loss was the biggest this season for the

Gamecocks, who played in front of 18,000 people — the largest crowd to ever see a basketball game in the state of South Carolina.

"I was disappointed to say the least," Odom said. "I thought we would play much better."

The Gamecocks had a chance to win at the buzzer at Rupp Arena earlier this year, but the Wildcats put Wednesday night's game away much more quickly.

Kentucky quieted a crowd pumped for senior night with a 17-2 run over a seven-minute span to take a 30-14 lead with 3:45 left in the first half. South Carolina missed seven of eight shots during the run and committed five turnovers.

Several of the Wildcats' baskets came on the fast break. South Carolina has been known for its pressing defense for most of the season, but Kentucky's running game put the Gamecocks on their heels and opened up the perimeter.

"When a team gets on a roll like we do, knocking down outside shots and moving the ball, it gets tough," Smith said.

It didn't get any better after halftime, as Kentucky hit 10 of its first 14 shots in a 24-9 run to open the second half that gave the Wildcats a 62-33 lead with just over 12 minutes to go.

The Gamecocks outscored Kentucky 14-1 over the next five minutes but couldn't get any closer than 72-57.

"That's the way we've played all year — quick to respond when we are challenged," Smith said.

Carlos Powell led South Carolina with 15 points and nine rebounds, and Brandon Wallace added 13 points.

South Carolina missed center Rolando Howell, who is out with a broken wrist. The Gamecocks never got into an offensive rhythm, settling for contested 3-pointers instead of pounding the ball inside.

Odom didn't want to talk about his team missing the senior, answering a question about Howell by saying "our team didn't play well."

## Issel among 12 to be honored at SEC tourney

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Dan Issel, the leading scorer in University of Kentucky's men's basketball history, will be among 12 former Southeastern Conference greats to be honored at the 2004 SEC Basketball Tournament March 11-14 in Atlanta.

The sixth annual Chick-fil-A SEC Basketball Legends program honors one player from each of the 12 conference schools during the SEC Tournament each March.

The Class of 2004 includes: Alabama — Derrick McKey; Arkansas — Todd Day; Auburn — Charles Barkley; Florida — Gene Shy; Georgia — Lavon Mercer; Kentucky — Dan Issel; LSU — Coach Dale Brown; Ole Miss — Gerald Glass; Mississippi State — Greg Carter; South Carolina — Brian Winters

Tennessee — Dale Ellis; Vanderbilt — Perry Wallace. Each SEC Basketball Legend will be recognized at halftime of his institution's first game at the tournament.

The 12 former players will also appear on stage at the SEC Fan Fare in Hall C-1 of the Georgia World Congress Center, adjacent to the Georgia Dome. Complimentary posters of the legends will be available in the autograph area near the stage. FanFare runs March 11-13.

Issel, a two-time All-American, is UK's all-time leading scorer with 2,138 career points. He still holds nearly 30 school records, including highest scoring average and career rebounds. After Kentucky, Issel had a successful professional playing career with the Kentucky Colonels of the ABA and the NBA's Denver Nuggets.



photo by Jamie Howell

During Tuesday night's game against South Floyd, Betsy Layne head coach Cassandra Akers talked her team during a timeout. The Lady Cats are the top-ranked team both the 58th District and the 15th Region.



photo by Jamie Howell

South Floyd senior Megan Ousley looked over the Betsy Layne defense. Pictured for Betsy Layne is Kristen Smith and Breann Akers.



**Sink**

66-65 win in the first round of the 58th District Tournament and an all-important 15th Region tournament berth.

Allen Central head coach Johnny Martin, following a Betsy Layne score with 3.7 seconds left in the overtime, called a timeout. Rossi Samons put the Runnin' Rebels ahead 64-63 with two

points when just 28.0 showed on an overtime scoreclock. Betsy Layne junior Brandon Kidd came through with a putback to give Betsy Layne a 65-64 advantage with 3.7 to go.

The veteran coach went to work during the timeout. He knew what he wanted to do. Even if Collins, a first-year varsity player, couldn't find an open player to get the ball to on the inbounds pass, Martin had another timeout lined up. Francis has had success working inside all season long and he worked to get the pass.

"We didn't want to get a jump shot," said Martin. "Austin had scored off that about three times before. We had another timeout that we could have taken if we had had trouble getting the ball in."

Martin has led many high school basketball teams into the post-season and knows the importance of a first-round district tournament game, which most often is the difference in playing the next day and putting the basketballs away the next day.

"It's the difference in staying home and going on," said Martin, referring to the win in the district opener. "They played hard. I didn't take the seniors out. They all showed a lot of heart."

Allen Central and Betsy Layne battled from beginning to end. The Rebels trailed 9-2 early

in the first quarter. The Runnin' Rebels, playing in front of a large home crowd, got within three points later in the quarter at 9-6.

Betsy Layne led 14-12 at the end of the first period.

Rebel senior Rossi Samons tied the game in the second quarter when he nailed a three-pointer. Allen Central took its first lead of the game in the second period when Justin Hall nailed a three-pointer to make it 22-19. Allen Central led 22-21 at the intermission.

Each team enjoyed leads in the third quarter. Betsy Layne led for most of the period, but Allen Central came on strong late and led 38-37 at the end of the quarter.

Betsy Layne led 45-41 with 2:27 remaining in regulation and began to slow things down. Allen Central's Hall cut the Betsy Layne lead down to a 45-43 advantage with 2:16 to play in regulation.

After a successful Brandon Hall free-throw, the Bobcats led

46-43. Francis scored two points to cut the Bobcat lead down to a one-point advantage at 46-45. Francis, with 57 seconds remaining in the fourth quarter, tied the game at 46 on a one-of-two free-throw shooting effort.

With 28.1 seconds left in the fourth period, and Betsy Layne leading 48-46, Allen Central junior Ryan Hammonds put the Runnin' Rebels ahead 48-46 when he hit for two points.

Allen Central went ahead 50-48 on two successful Justin Hall foul shots.

Betsy Layne senior Brent Newsome scored two points with 8.6 remaining in the fourth quarter to tie the game at 50. Allen Central had a near shot at the end of the fourth quarter but couldn't find the mark on it, sending the contest into overtime.

Samons and Francis did the majority of scoring for Allen Central in the extra session. The two seniors scored seven points apiece. Samons finished with 15 points. Junior center Tim Griffith

added two points in the overtime, both on crucial foul shots, and finished the game with 14. Justin Hall scored 13 and Hammonds added six on three field-goals.

Brandon Hall, before fouling out in the fourth quarter, led Betsy Layne with a game-high 21 points. Newsome added 13 and Jordan Kidd flipped in 11. Ryan Bryant netted eight while

Brandon Kidd and Derek Case scored six apiece.

Allen Central (13-12) got added help from its lively crowd.

"We've got the students fired up and that makes a difference," Martin noted.

Allen Central will entertain Prestonsburg tonight in the 58th District championship game. Tip-off is scheduled for 7 p.m.

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**Softball: UVA-Wise blanks**

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — UVA-Wise continued its dominance on the softball diamond Wednesday with a couple of shutouts on the road against non-conference rival Pikeville College. Pitchers Dani Benton and April Damron (Jenkins) held the Bears scoreless through both games of the doubleheader as the Cavaliers remained undefeated with 3-0 and 4-0 victories. Benton pitched a one-hitter in the opener to earn her first win of the year. Damron improved to 2-0 with the game two victory. UVA-Wise is now 4-0.

**Reds 6, Pirates 3**

ASSOCIATED PRESS

BRADENTON, Fla. — Adam Dunn doubled twice and drove in two runs in the Cincinnati Reds' 6-3 victory Thursday over Pittsburgh in their spring training opener.

The Pirates held a moment of silence before the game for former Reds owner Marge Schott, who died Tuesday at 75.

The Reds plan to hold a moment of silence for Schott and outfielder Demell Stenson, who was killed Nov. 15 in Arizona, when they play their spring home opener Friday against the Toronto Blue Jays.

Pirates starter Kris Benson, pitching for the first time since July 17, gave up two runs and three hits in two innings.

Benson, who made only one start in the second half last year because of right shoulder tendinitis, got off to a rough start. He allowed doubles to Freel and Dunn in the first, walked a batter, committed a balk and threw a wild pitch that scored the second run.

Reds starter Paul Wilson, who didn't pitch after Sept. 2 because of right elbow tendinitis, allowed one hit over two scoreless innings. Ryan Freel was 2-for-2 with a double and Edwin Encarnacion added a solo homer.

Tony Alvarez was 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI for the Pirates. Ruben Mateo was 2-for-2.

Dunn, returning from a left thumb injury that ended his 2003 season in August, had RBI

doubles in the first and fifth innings. He missed the final 42 games of the season, yet led the Reds with 27 homers.

Alvarez and pinch-hitter Henry Rodriguez RBI doubles in the fifth and Daryle Ward added an RBI single in the Pittsburgh sixth. McKay Christiansen had an RBI single in the eighth for the Reds.

Raul Mondesi, making his Pirates debut and starting in left field, was 0-for-2.

**Score**

27th District: Lou. Moore 73, Whitefield Academy 25. 28th District: Lou. Waggener 61, Kentucky Country Day 31. 30th District: Shelby Co. 62, Henry Co. 51. 31st District: Gallatin Co. 38, Trimble Co. 34; South Oldham 58, Oldham Co. 40. 33rd District: Simon Kenton 60, Heritage 28; Ryle 47, St. Henry 33. 34th District: Beechwood 32, Villa Madonna 29; Erlanger Lloyd 52, Calvary Christian 45. 35th District: Cov. Holy Cross 78, Ludlow 26; Notre Dame 67, Cov. Holmes 31. 36th District: Newport Central Catholic 94, Dayton 23. 37th District: Harrison Co. 80, Nicholas Co. 24. 8th District: Campbell Co. 60, Bishop Brossart 56. 39th District: Mason Co. 64, St. Patrick 58. 41st District: Woodford Co. 38, Frankfort 36. 42nd District: Lex. Christian 75, East Jessamine

52. 43rd District: Lex. Bates Creek 36, Lex. Bryan Station 32. 45th District: Casey Co. 56, Lincoln Co. 48. 46th District: Burgin 53, Garrard Co. 49; Harrodsburg-Mercer Co. 50th District: Knox Central 55, Lynn Camp 29. 53rd District: Whitesburg 81, Letcher 35. 55th District: Breathitt Co. 66, Riverside Christian 31. 58th District: Betsy Layne 78, South Floyd 52. 60th District: Belfry 65, Phelps 33. 62nd District: East Carter 71, Lewis Co. 22.

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**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

**Centre men fall in SCAC opener**

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The Centre College men's basketball team fell this past Friday in the first round of the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference Tournament, losing 71-68 to Oglethorpe.

A 19-0 run by the Oglethorpe (11-15) in the first half took away a 21-7 Centre lead and put the Colonels (18-8) down 26-21. Centre was held without a basket for 12 straight possessions. Centre head coach Greg Mason said that run was ultimately the

difference in the game.

"That generally seals your fate," Mason said. "From that point on, Oglethorpe was in control of the game. We jumped out to a big lead, we were hitting shots against their 2-3 zone. But Oglethorpe is a team that's capable of making big-time runs, and that's exactly what they did."

In his final college basketball game, Prestonsburg native John Ortega netted eight points.

Oglethorpe held a four-point lead with 52 seconds left when Centre senior Jason Atwell hit a three-pointer to get the Colonels within one. Centre called a timeout, set up its press and turned the Stormy Petrels over. But Rob King's shot was off-target, and the Colonels were out of chances.

Centre led by one at the half, 35-34, and hit a 3-pointer to open a four-point lead at the beginning of the second half. But Oglethorpe got hot, hitting 59 percent of its second-half shots.

"We couldn't get stops, we couldn't guard their shooters and we couldn't guard them off the dribble," Mason said. "They shot 52 percent for the game, and that's entirely too high."

Centre held Russ Churchwell, one of the top players in D-3 basketball to 10 points and five rebounds. But Oglethorpe guards Eric Dickinson and Josh Burr combined for 44 points in the game.

"We thought Churchwell would get his, but if we could guard their shooters, we'd be in good shape," Mason said. "We just didn't do it."

Atwell led Centre with 16 points, James Booker had 15 and Reggie Magnusson 14. Centre hit just 12 of 37 3-point attempts.

This past season was the first on the Centre College coaching staff for Floyd County native Stacey Hall.



photo by Steve LeMaster  
Jessica Isaac pulled up her dribble in the paint in pursuit of two points. The Allen Central senior ended Wednesday night's game against Prestonsburg with 10 points.



photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg head coach Jackie Day Crisp instructed his team during a timeout.

photo by Steve LeMaster

Players from Betsy Layne and Allen Central hit the boards hard in Wednesday night's game prior to Austin Francis's overtime heroics.

**BASEBALL**

**HAP Little League signups continue**

HAP (Harold-Allen-Prater) Little League will hold signups on Saturday from 1-4 p.m. in the Dome at the Betsy Layne Elementary School.

Signups will also be held March 20-21. Tryouts for all new players will be held from noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 20 and 1-3 p.m. on Sunday at Allen Park.

Players ages 5-14 are eligible for baseball. Players ages 9-12 are eligible for girls' softball.

Signup fees will be \$25 for the first child, \$15 for the second child and \$10 for each additional child.

All returning players need to again register, but do not have to tryout.

There are coaching positions available in the coach-pitch and junior-league divisions.

For more information, contact Mindi Watson at 478-1482 or Drema Case at 478-2953.

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### THROUGH MY EYES

## You've Got a Friend

Call it "writer's block" or just plain "tapped out," no matter what words we choose to use, it all amounts to the same thing - I'm cheating this week and opting to fill this space with some of that friendly email banter that we all receive from time to time.

This particular item is (sorry, guys!) for us women only and serves as a friendly reminder to not "lose yourself" during those hectic days as wife and mother. I'll try to be more in touch with my own self next week, but until then, enjoy the following little offering.



Kathy Prater  
 Lifestyles editor

### Girlfriends

Author Unknown

After 50 years of living in this world, here is what I know about girlfriends:

Girlfriends bring you casseroles and scrub your bathroom when you need help.

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### POSTSCRIPT

## Two by two

Studies about lifestyles are generally helpful in indicating what we should do to be more perfect. But the message is not always encouraging, nor is it always something we want to hear.

For instance, I read recently that it's pretty much official:



Pam Shingler  
 contributing writer

Those who study these things say folks who have companions live longer and stay healthier longer. Perhaps having a spouse or partner, or whatever you prefer to call him/her, makes life worth living. Perhaps your mate keeps you on the straight path to good health. "Take your pills." "You shouldn't be eating that." "Let's go for a walk." "I love you."

Unfortunately, there are a good number of us who for a variety of

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### STUDENT WRITING CORNER

## The woman I most admire

By Samantha Trout  
 Clark Elementary, 5th grade

The woman I most admire is my grandmother. I call her Nanny. She's

the best person in the world, she gives me great advice and always listens to me. When my parents got a divorce she helped me through it. We like to work puzzles together. The reasons I

admire her are she won't let anyone get her down, she's strong and I wish I could be that way. Again, she gives good advice. And most of all because she loves me to death and I love her a

lot, too. When I get older I want to be exactly like her in every way, because I think she's as close as you can come to perfect. My grandmother is the woman I admire the most.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Three members of the Prestonsburg Fire Department were honored with promotions in a ceremony that was held Monday evening at the Lancer station. Pictured are the three honorees (holding commemorative plaques) and their superior officers. From left to right are: Major Chuck Davis, Fire Marshall Bobby Carpenter, Lieutenant William R. Callihan, Fire Chief Gary D. Dotson, Sergeant Duane "Doc" Branham, Major Tim Johnson, and Lieutenant Darrell W. Sparks.

## 'With Honors'

### PFD recognizes achievements with promotions

by Kathy J. Prater  
 Features Editor

"What with my military background and all," began the chief of the Prestonsburg Fire Department, Gary D. Dotson, "I have always wanted to make the recognition of promotions a special event. Earning a well deserved promotion is important in any career and it deserves special recognition."

Dotson was speaking from the department's Lancer fire station Monday evening as three of his department personnel were preparing to receive departmental promotions. The promotional ceremony, in which each man was pinned and presented with commemorative plaques, was attended by department staff, family members and friends.

Among those receiving promo-

tions were Sergeant William R. Callihan, of Hager Branch, the son of William and Shirley Callihan, of Prestonsburg. Callihan began his career as a volunteer firefighter in 1974. He became a career firefighter in 1990. He and his wife, Chicita, have two children, Lakita and Will. Callihan, who was formally promoted to lieutenant on Monday evening, is a 1975 graduate of Prestonsburg High School.

Lt. Callihan said that he has many memories of working with Prestonsburg's fire department throughout the years and proudly recalls a time past when the city's firefighters were asked to travel to Louisville and "ride along on Louisville's (fire dept.) trucks" to

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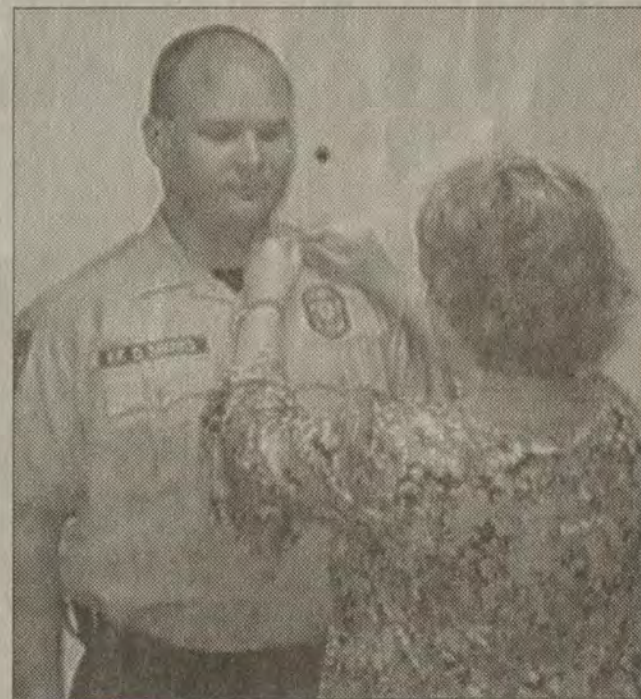


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Pinning on her husband's promotional medals made the event even more special for Katie and Darrell Sparks.

### THINGS TO PONDER

## Things to ponder: Naomi and Ruth

by Mable Rowe Lineberger,  
 Ph.D.

As it has often been said in the past, it seems that there are "frequent" topics of conversation around here. Well, the latest one for the past couple of months has been the daughter-in-law/mother-in-law relationship. Some people have reacted as though they expected these types of relationships to be "thorny" and painful. Then, there are others who turn mother-

in-laws into the victims of jokes. An example is: "What's the definition of mixed emotions? (The punch line is) Watching your mother-in-law back off a cliff in your new Mercedes." How do you see your mother-in-law? What kind of daughter-in-law or mother-in-law do you want to be? Are you measuring up to your own expectations of the role you expected prior to being married or your son marrying?

Most everyone aware of Judo-Christian

background is very knowledgeable of the in-law relationship between Naomi and Ruth. Their mother-daughter-in-law relationship occurred many hundreds of years ago, but it still remains a model of an ideal in-law relationship. The relationship of these two women was a very caring, supportive one, as they met their needs together, during a time of hardship and change, in the ancient lands of Israel and Moab. As expected, there are both extremes of in-law relationships, from

caring and loving ones to uncaring and hostile ones, with all kinds in-between.

Similar to so many other areas of life, the basis of difficulties related to in-law relationships can vary greatly. First, there's the daughter-in-law's perspective. Sometimes their "problem" begins with their first meeting. The tense bride-to-be might ponder, "Will my mother-in-law like me or will she not approve of her son's choice?" Other times, their difficul



Mable Rowe Lineberger,  
 Ph.D.

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# School Happenings

## ADAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

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

\*\*Recreation Room now open for students after school. Anyone who has items to donate to the rec room, please call the center.

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

## ALLEN CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

\*\*NOTICE\*\* School is now collecting Food City receipts. Students may bring receipts to homeroom teachers, or parents/community members may drop off at office.

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

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

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center is open each day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. For more information about the center or any listed activities, call LaDonna Patton, coordinator, or

Marilyn Bailey, assistant, at 358-0134.

## ALLEN ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE YOUTH SERVICE CENTER

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

## BETSY LAYNE ELEMENTARY

■ The Family Resource Youth Service Center provides services and 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

■ Mar. 10 - Public meeting to discuss consolidation of Clark and Prestonsburg elementary schools. Meeting will be held in Clark school auditorium at 6 p.m. Everyone invited to attend. For more information about this meeting, contact Wayne Combs, principal, at 886-2487.

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

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

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

of any of these services.  
■ The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Please call or stop by to see us in our new location. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

## MAY VALLEY ELEMENTARY

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

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

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

the Mt. Arts Center.  
■ May 4 - Nutrition/Obesity.  
■ Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B. skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

## PRESTONSBURG ELEMENTARY AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

■ Mar. 16 - V.I.P. (Very Important Parent) meeting, 1:30 p.m., in FRC office. Refreshments will be served and door prizes awarded.

■ Mar. 16 - Family Reading Night, 6:30 p.m., in school library.

■ Mar. 16 - P.T.A. meeting, 6:00 p.m., in auditorium.

■ April 17 - "Fun Fair for Expectant and New Parents," 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. For additional info., call the FRC at 886-7088.

■ April 25 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," sponsored by the Floyd County FRYSC's, 8:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Mountain Arts Center. Door prizes, fun workshops and FREE lunch!

\*\*School is now collecting Food City receipts. Our goal this year is to collect \$400,000 in receipts.

■ 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.

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## Eyes

Girlfriends keep your children and keep your secrets.

Girlfriends give advice when you ask for it. Sometimes you take it, sometimes you don't. Girlfriends don't always tell you that you're right, but they're usually honest.

Girlfriends still love you, even when they don't agree with your choices.

Girlfriends laugh with you, and you don't need canned jokes to start the laughter.

Girlfriends help you get out of bad relationships.

Girlfriends help you look for a new apartment, help you pack, and help you move.

Girlfriends will give a party for your son or daughter when they get married or have a baby, in

whichever order that may come first!

Girlfriends are there for you, in an instant, when the hard times come.

Girlfriends will drive through blizzards, rainstorms, hail, heat, and the gloom of night to get to you when your hour of need is desperate.

Girlfriends listen when you lose a job or a friend.

Girlfriends listen when your children break your heart.

Girlfriends listen when your parents' minds and bodies fail.

Girlfriends cry with you when someone you love dies.

Girlfriends support you when

the men in your life let you down. Girlfriends help you pick up the pieces when men pack up and go.

Girlfriends rejoice at what makes you happy, and are ready to go out and kill what makes you unhappy.

Time passes. Life happens. Distance separates. Children grow up. Marriages fail. Love waxes and wanes. Hearts break. Careers end. Jobs come and go. Parents die. Colleagues forget favors. Men

don't call when they say they will.

But girlfriends are always there, no matter how much time or how many miles are between you.

A girlfriend is never farther away than needing her can reach. When you have to walk that

lonesome valley, and you have to walk it for yourself, your girlfriends will be on the valley's rim, cheering you on, praying for you, pulling for you, intervening on your behalf, and waiting with open arms at the valley's end. Sometimes, they will even break the rules and walk beside you. Or come in and carry you out.

The world just wouldn't be the same without them.

When we begin our adventures called womanhood, we have no idea the incredible joys or sorrows that lay ahead. Nor do we fully understand just how much we need each other. Every day.

*"Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take but by the moments that take our breath away."*

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## Honors

offer advice to the larger city's firefighters. "I think we have made lots of progress through the years," he said, "and I think we will make much more. We can make this one of the best departments in the state."

Firefighter Darrell W. Sparks, of Prestonsburg, was also promoted from sergeant to lieutenant during Monday's ceremony. Sparks also began

his firefighting career as a volunteer firefighter, in 1988. He became a career firefighter in 1995. Sparks is the son of Oakley and Carol Sparks, of Emma. He and his wife, Katie, have two children, Emily and Tyler. Lt. Sparks is a 1989 graduate of Prestonsburg High School.

Firefighter Duane "Doc" Branham, of Prestonsburg, was promoted Monday to the rank of sergeant. Branham also began his firefighting career as a volunteer firefighter and after spending two years as a

volunteer, chose to become a career firefighter. His promotion to sergeant comes after five years as a career firefighter. Branham is the son of Ezra and Ocie Branham, of Dwale. Sgt. Branham and his wife, Leatrice, have two children, Chris and Shawn. Sgt. Branham is also a graduate of Prestonsburg High School.

Chief Dotson said Monday evening that he is very proud of the accomplishments of these three men, as well as the entire Public Safety Department.

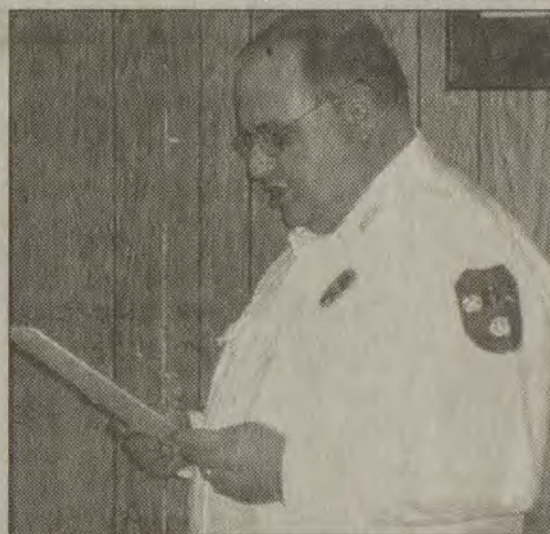


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Fire Marshal Bobby Carpenter read the orders of promotion during ceremonial activities.

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# Please, keep 'em coming!

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

## New Arrivals

### HRMC New Arrivals

Feb. 18, 2004

A son, Chase Aaron Price, to Ashley and James Price

Feb. 21, 2004

A daughter, Breana Leshea Sparks, to Tammy and Travis Sparks

Feb. 22, 2004

A daughter, Mallorey Taylor Holbrook, to Shaunna and Robert Holbrook

Feb. 22, 2004

A son, Austin Ryan Rudder, to Crystal L. and Frank A. Rudder

Feb. 24, 2004

A son, Colby Luke Cooley, to Kendra and Casey Cooley

Feb. 24, 2004

A daughter, Morgan Shantel Hollers, to Peggy Miller

Feb. 24, 2004

A daughter, Kaylee Skylyn

Dawn Pennington, to Jessie Tackett

Feb. 24, 2004

A daughter, Kayla Sue Carder, to Bobbie Sue Hamman

Feb. 25, 2004

A daughter, Natasha Kaitlyn Adams, to Lee Ann Whitt

Feb. 25, 2004

A son, Warren Brod Whiting, to Melanie and Sea Whiting

Feb. 26, 2004

A son, Brenan Isaac Salmons, to Jessica and Jared Salmons

Feb. 26, 2004

A son, Ryan Anthony Cantrell, to Sabrina Slone

Feb. 27, 2004

A son, Matthew Dillon Sparks, to Janet and Charles Sparks

## Ponder

ties start with the wedding plans. The young bride feels that "she wanted to take over MY wedding." The bride also becomes distraught that her future mother-in-law is upset about decisions she has made, such as "not having their names on the invitation." For some folks that might not know, the more recent style in wedding invitations is to not include the groom's mother and father, but only the bride's parents. Another frequent major contributor to mother-daughter in-law distress is when the husband does not make his wife the number one priority. There are also those instances where parents-in-law are unreasonable and show no respect for the privacy needs of the married couple, like dropping in whenever they want without calling first or expecting the young couple to be at their house whenever they are beckoned. Constant criticism is likely to be the basis of in-law problems, whereas a respect for differences would be best. No matter what our role is in a relationship, a person who is always viewing herself as being criticized, instead of being shown approval, is prone to feeling hurt, misunderstood, and angry.

Now, the other side of the story is the mother-in-law's viewpoint. Needing to take on the role of a mother-in-law is not usually an easy task. According to one writer, an analogy about the transition was, "feeling as if you've been strapped to a chair with a sock stuck in your mouth." A life-

time of giving well-meaning advice is no longer accepted as well-meaning. An overwhelming impression is that the adult son has a spouse that is ready to scrutinize your every word and action. The young folks have books they can read and lectures they can attend, so that the wisdom of a previous generation is no longer wanted, even though it might still be needed. It seems as though the traditional passing information from one generation to another is no longer sought. There are lots of stories of woe about the mother-in-law feeling that all she is good for, from her daughter-in-law's perspective, is to babysit on a moment's notice or buy items that the young household's budget cannot afford.

While life and relationships are never perfect, everyone can still work toward making their little part of the world as nice as possible. Since there is usually a list of "the top 10 suggestions" for most things, perhaps these for coping with in-laws will be helpful: (1) Respect - no matter what you think and feel about your in-laws, show respect for them. (2) Loyalty - it is OK to feel loyalty for your family, but you still need to make sure that your spouse is Number One. (3) Criticism - no matter what, don't give and don't join in with criticism. Remember that making comments, besides asking clarifying questions, can create problems. (4) Roots - it's important to learn both your genetic and cultural roots and share them with your spouse. (5) Feelings - share your feel-

ings about your own family with your partner. (6) Healing - try to clear up past injuries from your own family issues so that you can move on with your life with your partner. (7) Boundaries - you and your spouse need to agree on and set limits with your in-laws about holidays, vacations, time with grandchildren, financial issues, and privacy. (8) Saying "no" - be sure to be aware of when you have had enough. Then have a password to communicate to your spouse when you need to terminate a visit with your in-laws. (9) Care giving - it is very valuable to all concerned to discuss with your in-laws and your parents their health and financial issues, plus their expectations about their care, if they cannot care for themselves later in their life. (10) Priority - by all means, don't forget to keep your marriage first.

Also some suggestions for mother-in-laws were found that probably would increase a positive relationship between mother-daughter in-laws. Never give any advice twice. Don't interfere or tell them how to raise their children. This is when you recall the past, such as how you wanted to parent your child years ago. Be courteous if not dropping in, but call first. If you are not getting along, stay open for a chance to make amends. Never give up. Keep trying and pray a lot. Don't treat one grandchild differently from another. Don't favor one or two over the others - it is very bad to do so! Be ready to adapt old traditions, like holiday dinners,

to accommodate the traditions of the spouse and the new couple. Religion and finances are inappropriate, touchy social topics in any situation. It is best to allow the new couple to find and make the best road to travel. Remember to "offer" support, but don't push it on anyone. In case there is a mother-in-law that does not want to make amends with her daughter-in-law, the older one needs to remember that the young one might have the last say on which nursing home you'll be sent to, much less your opportunities to see your child and any grandchildren.

Mother-daughter in-laws are in the best position to have a powerful and positive impact on their children, who would not be around if each woman had not been involved. Even though people sometimes say things meant to be taken one way and the other person takes it completely different, keep focused on maintaining the best relationship possible - one based on mutual respect and open communication.

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# Family Medicine

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



## Fainting in healthy, young person usually no cause for concern

**Q** Why do people faint? A friend of mine fainted in school last week and another one the week before. They both seemed fine before they passed out.

**A** Fainting, which is called syncope in the medical community, can be due to many different things. In over a third of all fainting episodes, no cause can be found, and we classify the disease as "idiopathic syncope." The word idiopathic literally means a disease peculiar to an individual; thus, in the wonderfully convoluted syntax we doctors sometimes love,

this word is used to refer to diseases that have no identifiable cause. Idiopathic syncope seldom has a serious or long-term health consequence. However, other types of syncope can signal very serious underlying disease.

Generally when a person faints, it is because the brain has not gotten enough blood and oxygen. This is frequently associated with a drop in blood pressure and a slowing of the heart rate. Once the person becomes unconscious from the faint, he or she usually falls into a prone position. This returns adequate blood flow to the head and the

victim "comes to." This "simple faint" is called vasovagal syncope. Things that can cause this are:

- Standing for long periods of time without moving your legs,
- Standing up too fast,
- Getting upset or nervous,
- Exhaustion,
- Dehydration due to inadequate fluid intake or excessive fluid loss,
- Coughing, usually very hard, and
- Bodily functions like urinating or having a bowel movement.

Sometimes no cause can be found for this vasovagal episode, and it falls into the idiopathic category I mentioned earlier.

There may be warning signs before you faint. Some of these are a feeling of being too warm, nausea, sweatiness, pallor and blurred vision. When these symptoms first appear, fainting can often be avoided if you lay down or sit

down with your head bent forward.

Some people seem prone to fainting. These people should learn what causes them to faint and learn to avoid these triggers, or to notice the pre-fainting symptoms and use the avoidance techniques I just mentioned.

Now we need to take a look at the serious causes of syncope. Fainting episodes that initially appear to be a vasovagal syncope should be a cause for concern if they occur frequently or are associated with chest pain, an irregular heartbeat, slurred speech or severe mental confusion. In these circumstances you should seek immediate medical attention. Also, if you have a fainting episode and have an underlying health problem such as heart disease, high blood pressure or diabetes, you should consult your family doctor. This is especially true if you are getting up in years or are on regular medications.

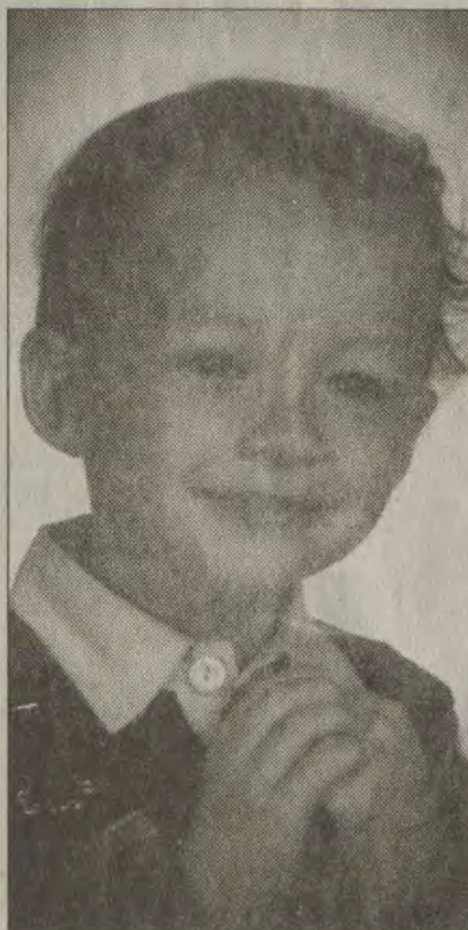
In a nutshell: While most cases of fainting in young, healthy people are never explained, there can be serious, even life-threatening, causes of syncope that should be excluded when a person faints.

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## Birthdays

### It's a Boy!

Kasey Thomas Meade was born on February 12, 2004, to proud parents Thomas and Beth Simpson Meade, of Allen. He weighed 6 lbs., 10 oz., and was 18 and 1/2 inches long. Kasey is the grandson of Justine Meade, of Hi Hat, and the late Rush Meade, and Joe Douglas Simpson, of Martin, and the late Minnie Faye Lawson Simpson. He is the great-grandson of Dixie Lawson, of McDowell. His Godparents are Cindy and Coley Martin, of Buck's Branch. He is the brother of Dewey Thomas Meade and Erica Faye Meade, both of Allen, and Laura Beth Meade, of Martin.



### Hooray! Gavin is 2!

Gavin McCaye Sexton, the son of Kristi and McCaye Sexton, of Langley, celebrated his second birthday with a "Hulk" theme party held at the Prestonsburg Pizza Hut. His parents, sister, grandparents, uncle, great-grandmother and lots of other family members and friends attended the party and helped him celebrate his special day.

### School

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#### PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL

■ Mar. 8 - Special-called SBDM Council meeting, 6 p.m., in media center.

#### SOUTH FLOYD YOUTH SERVICES CENTER

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

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

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

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

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242, or Donna Johnson, ext. 153.

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

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

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

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

of the FRC.

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

#### FLOYD COUNTY ADULT ED CLASS SCHEDULE

■ Monday: McDowell Elem. - 8-11 a.m. - 377-2678; Wayland Comm. Ctr. - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - 358-3400; Wheelwright Comm. Ctr. - 12:30-4:30 p.m. - 452-2500.

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

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

■ Thursday: Betsy Layne High School - 8-11:30 a.m. - 478-3389; Auxier Lifetime Learning Ctr. - 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. - 886-0709; Martin Adult Ed. Ctr. - 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - 285-5111; Wheelwright Comm. Ctr. - 12:30-4:30 p.m. - 452-2500; PCC (Room J148) - 1:30-4:30 p.m. - 886-8374; St. James Episcopal Church - 5-8 p.m. - 886-8046.

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

### Postscript

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reasons are not half of a pair.

For some of us, the magic didn't work. We may have lost our partner to a too-soon accident or illness. We may have chosen someone - or a few someones - unwisely and the lifetime deal didn't take. Or then, there's also the real possibility that no one can put up with us.

The predicament is particularly bad for women. War, for one thing, unevens the field. Historically, more men have been the victims of war - at least in this country, leaving more women to age without male companionship.

Since women outnumber men across the board, women of a certain age are at a distinct disadvantage. The male animal appears to be programmed to seek out females who can carry on his genes. So it is that typically men of a certain age look for younger, child-bearing females.

Account for those who prefer their own kind and those not suited for companionship with anyone other than Mom, and you have even fewer choices for the aging females.

The reasoning is of some concern to those of us without companions. We're not likely to live as long or to be as healthy as our counterparts who are part of a matched set.

Maybe it's the theory of nat-

ural selection that does us in. We didn't make the right selection, so we will grow old - or not so old - alone.

Perhaps the real problem is that we predestine ourselves. Reading the study results, we become distressed and depressed and we despair of finding a mate, and then our mental unrest makes us more vulnerable earlier to life-ending maladies.

Maybe it really has nothing to do with companions, but with how we live with ourselves.

A friend sent me the following quote by an unknown author that kind of fits: "Life is not a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty and well preserved body, but rather to skid in broadside, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming - WOW - What a ride!"

# Be an Angel.

Become a Kentucky organ & tissue donor. For information contact: 1-800-525-3456, or www.trustforlife.org

PSA

### Welcome, Baby!

Seth Tyler Carson McKinney was born on December 19, 2003, at 6:56 p.m., at Highlands Regional Medical Center, to proud parents Marty and Sheila McKinney, of Martin. He weighed 9 lbs. and was 21" long. He is the grandson of Randall and Barbara Scarberry, of Langley, and Charles and Shirley McKinney, of Printer. He has one older sister, Whitley, and one older brother, Jacob. His family is overjoyed with his arrival.



### Shawn is 4!

Shawn Douglas Slone turned four years old on March 4, 2004. He will celebrate his birthday on March 20, 2004, with a "SpongeBob" theme party that will be held at the Weddington Plaza Pizza Hut. Shawn is the son of Margaret Michelle Slone, of Teaberry. He is the grandson of Palestene Howell, also of Teaberry, and Dexter Howell, of Grethel. Shawn's brother, Tyler, will turn five years old in April. The brothers will share this special birthday event with one another, family and friends.



### Tyler is 5!

Tyler Nicholas Wayne Slone will turn five years old on April 1, 2004. He will celebrate his birthday on March 20, 2004, with a "SpongeBob" theme party to be held at the Weddington Plaza Pizza Hut. Tyler is the son of Margaret Michelle Slone, of Teaberry, and Ricky Slone, of Robinson Creek. He is the grandson of Palestene Howell, of Teaberry, Dexter Howell, of Grethel, and Ellis Slone, of Jack's Creek. Tyler's brother, Shawn, turned four years old this month. The brothers will share this special birthday event with one another, family and friends.



### It's a Girl!

Amanda Brooke Spears was born on February 16, 2004, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington, to proud parents Irvin and Terry Spears, of Nicholasville. She is the maternal granddaughter of the late Leonard and Betty Stephens, formerly of Prestonsburg. Her paternal grandparents are Ethel Spears, of Prestonsburg, and the late Eelct Spears. Amanda's "Big Brother," Austin, and all of her aunts and uncles are thrilled with her arrival.





# Floyd County Devotional Page

**ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

**First Assembly of God, Martin, Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Lorie Vannucci, Minister.  
**New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.  
**Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23;** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Sloos, 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.  
**Auxiliary Freewill Baptist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.  
**Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon 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. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.  
**Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.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 Ept. on Rt. 1428; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Buddy Jones, Minister.  
**First Baptist, Garrett; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.  
**First Baptist, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.  
**First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial); Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, minister.  
**Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 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, 7 p.m.  
**Grithel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branch'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**

**TO MAKE A LIVING - PICK UP STICKS!**

AS IN EVERY PERIOD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD'S HISTORY, THE POOR AND NEEDY OUTNUMBERED THE WEALTHY AND MIDDLECLASS IN BIBLICAL TIMES—ESPECIALLY IN THE CITIES! THOSE WITHOUT A FAIRLY BUSINESS, OR SOME SMALL PLOT OF LAND ON WHICH TO GROW FOOD, WERE HARD PUT TO EKE OUT AN EXISTENCE! ONE MEAGER METHOD BY WHICH A POOR MAN COULD MANAGE TO SURVIVE WAS GATHERING TWIGS FOR FIREWOOD. IN A PLACE LIKE JERUSALEM, IT WAS AT A PREMIUM FOR NONE COULD BE FOUND IN THE CITY AND THE OUTLYING AREAS BOASTED OF VERY LITTLE MORE! EVERY STICK AND TWIG THAT LAY ON THE FLOOR OF THE KIDRON VALLEY, EVERY FALLEN BRANCH FROM THE OLIVE TREES ON THE MOUNT ABOVE, WAS PONCED UPON. THE WOOD-GATHERERS SPENT LONG, BACK-BREAKING HOURS AT THIS TASK. FINALLY TO CARRY THEIR HEAVY BUNDLES IN A WEARY CLIMB UP THE HILL TO THE CITY, DURING THE DIM TWILIGHT AT THE END OF DAY—THERE, TO BARGAIN WITH SOME ANXIOUS HOUSEWIFE NEEDFULLY OF WOOD TO COOK THE EVENING MEAL OR TO WARM THE HOUSE AGAINST A CHILLY NIGHT!

PERHAPS THE OLIVE GROVES WERE THE BEST PLACES FOR WOOD GATHERING, ALTHOUGH IT DID MEAN A LONG TRUDGE DOWN INTO THE KIDRON VALLEY AND A HARD CLIMB UP THE MOUNT OF OLIVES TO GET THERE! BUT, WHEN THE TREES WERE PRUNED, ALL FALLEN TIMBER BELONGED TO THE WOOD-GATHERERS, FOR THIS CAME UNDER THE MOSAIC LAW OF GLEANING, AS STATED IN DEUT. 24:19-21. LIFE WAS HARD FOR THE POOR BUT AT LEAST THESE LAWS GAVE THEM SOME HELP!

**NEXT WEEK: THE KING WHO CAUSED AN EARTHQUAKE!**

SAVE THIS FOR YOUR SUNDAY SCHOOL SCRAP BOOK.

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

**Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.  
**Jacka 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. and 6 p.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 School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.  
**Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon; Sunday School, 11:00 a.m.;** Thursday, 7 p.m.  
**Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill; Sunday School, 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 School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 295-3385  
**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.  
**Prestonsburg Community College Baptist Student Union, J 102; Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.;** French B. Harmon, Director; Ella C. Goble, President; 874-9468/478-2978.  
**Rock Fork Freewill Baptist; Garrett Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.  
**Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.;** Earl Stone, Minister; Jerry Manns, Assistant Minister.  
**Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.;** 4th Sunday, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.  
**Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Shane Powers.  
**Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.  
**The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.  
**Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers); Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.  
**Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist; Cliff Road; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.  
**Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist; Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.  
**United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.;** Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.  
**Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrar, Minister.  
**Mother's Home Church, Toler Creek, Harold; 9:30 the 2nd Saturday and Sunday of every month. Moderator, Kermit Newsome.**

**CATHOLIC**  
**St. Martha, Water Gap; Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.;** Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Darron, 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.; Sperm Williams, Minister.

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

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

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

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

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

**METHODIST**  
**Auxier United Methodist, Auxier; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Doug Lawson, Minister.  
**Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.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 Prescosoldo, 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, 9:45 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.  
**Salsbury United Methodist, Printer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.  
**Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.  
**Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.  
**Drift Pentecostal, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.  
**Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.  
**Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister.  
**Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton; Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.;** Patricia Chider, Minister.  
**Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton; Sunday School, 11 a.m.;** Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sanlan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.  
**Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David; Worship Service, 6 p.m.;** Malcolm Slone, Minister.  
**Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line; ;** Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister. 297-6262.  
**Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Saturday, 7 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

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

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

**THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS**  
**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; Relief Society/Priesthood/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 Altha Johnson welcomes everyone to attend services at the CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY. Sunday school 10 a.m.;** Worship service 11 a.m.  
**Drift Independent, Drift; Sunday, 11 a.m.;** Thursday, 6:30 p.m.  
**Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale; Worship Service, 7 p.m.;** Sunday, 6 p.m.; Woodrow Crum, Minister.  
**Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg (next to old flea market), Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.  
**Faith Bible, Martin; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.  
**Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.;** Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.  
**Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment; Sunday School, 10 a.m.;** Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Hagans, Minister.  
**Faith Worship Center, US 480, 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 Amett, Pastor  
**Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1/4 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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**570-Mobile Homes**

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**650-Mobile Homes**

**3 BED ROOMS, 1.5 BATH MOBILE HOME FOR RENT.** Extra nice, \$410 mo plus utilities & sec. deposit. Call 606-874-2802.

**670-Comm. Prop.**

**For Lease Second Floor office suite,** 650 ft<sup>2</sup>, two offices, break area, storage, and rest room. Located on Bingham Street in the Charter Commutations Building. Paved parking. Utilities furnished. \$375.00 per month with annual lease. Phone 886-6946

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**ADVERTISE- MENT FOR BIDS**

Floyd County

Board of Education will be accepting sealed bids for (3) 24 X32 modular classroom located John M. Stumbo Elementary until 10:00 A.M. March 18th 2004 at the office of Gregory Adams located at 23 Martin Street, Allen Kentucky

Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at this time. For an outside inspection, please contact Gregory Adams, 606-874-9589.

Sealed bids may be mailed or hand delivered to Gregory Adams 23 Martin Street, Allen Kentucky. 41601. Bids must be clearly identified on the outside of the envelope "SEALED BID ENCLOSED/MODULAR UNITS"

The owner reserves the right to reject to any and all bids or to waive any formalities in the bidding. Bids received after the

scheduled closing time will be returned unopened to the bidders.

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF INTENT TO REQUEST A RELEASE OF FUNDS**

March 3, 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 March 11, 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: HOMES, Inc., Homeowner Rehab/Reconstruction Project.

Purpose: HOMES, Inc., intends to assist at least 7 families within their service area in Homeowner Rehab/Reconstruction activities. Additional units may be completed in the next few years if the initial project goes smoothly. The project could also, under certain conditions, allow for home buyer activities of up to three homes owned by low to moderate income families.

Location: Unspecified locations in Letcher, Knott, and Floyd Counties, Kentucky.

Approximate HOME Funds in Project: \$407,039.

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 consideration by KHC to the Chief Program Officer, Attention: Lewis Diaz. Such written comments should be received at the above address on or before March 10, 2004. All such comments so 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 Environment 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 Assessment, or (d) KHC has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts F and G of 24 CFR Part 58 for the conduct, 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.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

Pursuant to Application Number 836-5439, Renewal

In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has filed an application for renewal of a permit for an underground mining operation, located 0.5 mile southwest of Craynor, in Floyd County, Kentucky. The proposed operation will affect a surface disturbance of

2.0 acres, and will underlie an additional 194.08 acres, for a total permit acreage of 196.08 acres.

The operation is located 1.5 mile southwest from the junction of KY 979 and Mink Branch Road, and is located 1.5 mile southwest of Mink Branch. The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map at latitude 37° 25' 53" and longitude 82° 40' 22". The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Chester Newsome. The operation will underlie land owned by Chester Newsome, Blaine Slone, Joseph Mining Company, Inc., Sue Hall, John Hall, The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, and Donna Terry.

**ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS**

The Floyd County Board of Education is now accepting sealed bids on surplus technology items that are outdated or no longer in working order. Technology items include: monitors • TV's • VCR's • printers • copiers • CPU's • piano For a more detailed description contact Gina Amos at 606-886-2354, ext. 508. Bids will be accepted until 2:00 p.m. March 16, 2004, bids will be opened on March 16, 2004 at 2:30 p.m., at the central office located at 106 North Front Avenue, Prestonsburg Ky. All bids will be subject to board approval on the March 22, 2004 board meeting at Clark Elementary School in Prestonsburg.

with the required procedure (24 CFR Part 58) and may be addressed to: Ms. Sandy Frye, 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 objection received after March 26, 2004, will be considered by HUD.

**Request for Bids from Certified Installers for Septic System Installations**

The Big Sandy Area Development District in conjunction with PRIDE (Personal Responsibility In a Desirable Environment) is soliciting bids from installers desiring to install septic systems for southern and eastern Kentucky. The successful bidder will be required to complete installation of the systems within sixty (60) days of the date of the award.

The Scope of Work, Request for Bid, and General Conditions is available upon request. Individual bids will be accepted and contracts awarded for projects in Pike, Johnson, Floyd, Magoffin and Martin Counties.

**#12-1045-Pike County #12-1046-Johnson County**  
**#12-1047-Floyd County #12-1048-Magoffin County**  
**#12-1049-Martin County**

Interested installers should send statements and proposals to Big Sandy Area Development District until March 17, 2004, at 4:00 p.m. Faxed or email proposals will not be accepted. Liability insurance in the amount of \$300,000 and proof of workers' compensation insurance or a workers' compensation exemption form is required with each bid.

A selection committee will review, evaluate, and rate each bid based on their submitted Bid. The Big Sandy Area Development District will contact the installer with the winning bid and enter into negotiations. If the parties are unable to negotiate a satisfactory agreement, the second ranked installer will be contacted. Once an installer has been selected, all unsuccessful installers will be promptly notified. The Selection Committee will adhere to the provision of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 3. No person shall be excluded from participation in, denied benefits of, or subjected to discrimination in the implementation of this program on the grounds of race, color, national origin or sex. Females and minorities are encouraged to apply.

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration provides funding for this project. The formal solicitation of seeking qualified installers is being conducted to fulfill the requirements of the funding agency.

ments or objections must be filed with the Director, Divisions 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 permits conference, must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

**NOTICE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC**

H.Q.M.of Floyd County d.b.a.Riverview Health Care Center, Prestonsburg, Kentucky is licensed in the state of Kentucky as a nursing facility. All persons qualifying for nursing facility care shall be admitted to this facility regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, handicapping condition age or religious preference. Patient referrals can be made at the facility at 79 Sparrow Lane, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 or by phone, 606-886-9178. Melissa J. Allen, Administrator

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

For the Project Titled:  
**PHASE II ADDITION AND RENOVATION JOHN M. STUMBO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
Floyd County Schools  
Grethel, Kentucky

Floyd County Schools will receive sealed bids for construction of the above named project until 2:00 p.m., Local Time, Tuesday, March 23rd, 2004, at Greg Adams' office, located at 23 Martin Street, Allen, Kentucky. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Project consists of the renovation and systems upgrade of a single-story of 58,139 square feet K-8 school. The renovation contains primary and intermediate classrooms, computer classroom, administration offices and a kitchen suite. A base bid 253 square feet addition includes waiting and vending area, and a 508 square feet custodial receiving room addition comprises an alternate to the project. Additional alternates include an aluminum sidewalk canopy and selected minor interior and site improvements.

The structure will be a combination steel frame and masonry bearing walls with concrete foundation and spread footings. The roof system, where new is required, will be adhered EPDM over steel deck and trusses.

Exterior walls at additions will be face brick and concrete masonry unit backup. Infill of existing exterior walls will be drainable EIFS with 6" metal studs and impact resistant gypsum board. Interior partitions will include concrete masonry units and gypsum board on steel studs.

Windows will be color anodized extruded aluminum, projected, with insulating glass. Exterior doors will be hollow metal with tempered glazing. Interior doors will be factory-finished solid core wood in hollow metal frames.

Finishes include vinyl composition tile, ceramic tile, carpeting, poured flooring, paint over gypsum board and masonry, and suspended acoustic panel ceilings.

Specialties include kitchen equipment, toilet compartments, cabinetwork and signage.

Site work includes fences, walks, curbs, drives, parking area, storm water lines, site structures, utility work, wastewater treatment plant, seeding and sodding.

Heating and cooling will be a water source heat pump system with heat pumps in ceiling spaces, wall mounted classroom unit ventilators, a/v console units. The system includes hydronic loop piping, circulating pumps, chemical treatment and fluid coolers.

The Existing building is fully sprinklered. Work includes: modifications to the existing system as well as extensions to serve building additions.

The power system includes 208 volt, 3 phase, fed from existing building. Exterior lighting will be metal halide fixtures. Interior lighting will be primarily fluorescent lamps with incandescent fixtures for accent. Emergency lighting will be self-contained battery self-packs.

Other electrical work includes fire alarm modifications and conduit and boxes for information technology, television and telephone systems.

Original Bidding Documents and any Addenda to the original Drawings and Specifications, may be examined at the following places:

- McGraw Hill Construction Dodge/A.G.C. 2321 Fortune Dr., Suite 112A Lexington, KY
- McGraw Hill Construction Dodge/A.G.C. 1812 Taylor Avenue Louisville, KY
- Reed Construction Data/A.B.C. 132 Venture Court, Suite 12 Lexington, KY
- Builders Exchange 2300 Meadow Drive Louisville, KY
- Construction Market Data 1951 Bishop Lane, Suite 202 Louisville, KY
- JRA Architects 300 E. Main St., Suite 301 Lexington, KY
- Adams Frazier Andersen 715 Westland Drive Lexington, KY
- Poage Engineers & Associates 446 East High Street Lexington, KY
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Addendum 4 is a supplement to original Bidding Documents and includes Drawing and Specification modifications to the original Bidding Documents dated 10/03. Addendum 4 may be purchased for the non-refundable amount of \$50.00 per set. If Addendum 4 is to be mailed, an additional non-refundable charge of \$10.00 per set is required, made payable directly to Lynn Imaging.

Original Bidding Documents, including Drawing and Specifications, may be purchased for the non-refundable amount of \$180.00 per set. If original bidding documents are to be mailed, an additional non-refundable charge of \$20.00 per set is required, made payable directly to Lynn Imaging.

Both sets are available from Lynn Imaging, 328 Old East Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507, (859) 255-1021. The successful bidder is responsible for all additional sets they may require for completion of the work.

All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond of not less than 5% of the amount of the total bid. A 100% Performance Bond and Payment Bond shall be required of the successful Bidder. All bonding and insurance requirements are contained in the instructions to Bidders and/or the General and Supplementary Conditions of the Contract.

Bids must be submitted, in duplicate originals, on bid Form of Proposal included in Addendum 4. Mailed Bids shall be addressed to the Owner's office.

Any bid received later than the time specified for receipt of bids, or any bid which is not submitted in the proper form, shall not be considered.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to waive any formalities in the bidding. Bids received after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids, will be returned unopened to the bidders. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 30 days subsequent to the opening of bids, without constant of the Owner.

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 16th, 2004, at 2:00 p.m., Local Time, at Greg Adams' office, located at 23 Martin Street, Allen, Kentucky.

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