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briefs

Prosecutor steps down from case

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — An 87-year-old woman accused of trafficking in marijuana was granted a second pretrial conference date Tuesday when Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner made a motion to be removed from the case.

Turner dropped out of the case because a Kentucky State Police investigation allegedly produced an audiotape wherein defendant Dottie Neeley talked to a confidential informant about having her son's girlfriend killed as well as Turner.

The girlfriend, Verna Elliot, 39, was also involved in the trafficking charges as well as Neeley's son, Russell.

Elliot is in stable condition at St. Mary's hospital where she is recovering from a self-inflicted gunshot wound to her stomach.

Turner announced at the hearing that there had not been word yet from the Attorney General's office on which attorney will be appointed as special prosecutor for Neeley's case. He stated that he was

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2 DAY FORECAST

Today
Mostly sunny
High: 91 • Low: 67

Tomorrow
Isolated storms
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Insurance choice heats city council meeting



Fannin

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Insurance and budget concerns got a bit sticky during the city council meeting Monday.

An issue about the city's insurance came to the council's attention last month, when member Gormon Collins chided the council for failing to accept an insurance plan that he said the finance

and revenue committee approved.

Collins argued Monday that the city accepted a recommendation from the finance and revenue committee to adopt a 3 percent pay raise for all employees, but that they neglected to adopt an accompanying suggestion to change employee insurance coverage from the current Gold plan to the 80/20 Silver plan — a move that was recommended during the same meeting. The insurance recommendation,

he said, came out of the motion submitted for the employee raise that was voted on during the finance and revenue committee meeting. He questioned why the council "pulled out" the raise, but neglected to change the insurance as recommended. During last month's meeting, he asked that the city bid out the insurance plan with other agencies in the area.



Collins

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U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell visited the Morehead extended campus on the grounds of Big Sandy Community and Technical College at Prestonsburg and was greeted by Director Lula Bowling before touring the facility.

photo by Tom Doty

McConnell tours Floyd County during stop in Eastern Kentucky

by TOM DOTY
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PRESTONSBURG — U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell toured the region Monday, having lunch with the Floyd County Chamber of Commerce before proceeding to the Prestonsburg campus of Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

At noon, McConnell attended a meeting of the Chamber, which filled the banquet hall at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center at Jenny Wiley State Resort Park. McConnell spoke before Chamber members, touching on subjects including the war in Iraq and the national economy.

McConnell also spoke about the Energy Bill adopted by Congress last week, saying it would provide numerous benefits to Kentucky. McConnell said provisions of the bill would help Kentucky farmers who grow corn for ethanol production and workers in the Paducah uranium enrichment plant who will be called upon to help fulfill needs for additional reliance on nuclear energy. Eastern Kentucky will also benefit from the bill, the senator said, due to provisions in the bill promoting clean-coal technology.

After his speech, Floyd County Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson took the floor, thanking McConnell for visiting and presenting him with a quilt

featuring Floyd County attractions as a gift.

McConnell's tour also included stops at the Morehead State University branch in Prestonsburg, as well as the East Kentucky Science Center, which will offer astronomy students at both schools the opportunity to learn about our solar system in the Center's state-of-the-art planetarium.

McConnell addressed the BSCTC students, who were in the midst of registering for classes which begin next week, and applauded them for taking the first step in joining in a "global economy" by getting their degrees. McConnell addressed

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Teachers attend seminar to ready for opening day

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Parents and students across Floyd County are shaking off their summer vacations and turning them in this morning for their commute to school.

Approximately 600 Floyd county teachers and para-educators did the same Monday, when they attended the county's opening day for teachers during a seminar at the Mountain Arts Center.

This year, every Floyd County teacher received copies of a book, "The Framework for Understanding Poverty," written by Dr. Ruby Payne, which outlines strategies about identifying ways to improve the education of children facing generational

Carolina consultant for Payne, discussed the essence of the book at length with the group, who will follow up with professional development training later this year.

Instructional Supervisor Henry Webb, who now heads the district's professional development, said one of the most important aspects of the book outlines how to forge and maintain relationships with students, in any economic class, throughout their educational journey.

Another important aspect, he said, is understanding where children "come from" and how their family backgrounds affect their educational endeavors.

By understanding the different challenges of individual children in each class, Webb said educators can bet-

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Two plead guilty to making meth

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The first meth lab arrest in Floyd County saw a couple sentenced to seven and 10 years respectively after they pleaded guilty in circuit court this week.

Travis Blevins, 34, and Missy Akers, of Drift, entered their pleas Tuesday in front of Judge John David Caudill and, according to

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner, will hopefully stand as an example of what meth lab operators can expect if convicted of manufacturing the drug in Floyd County.

Both were charged with manufacturing the drug as well as two counts of wanton endangerment. The endangerment counts stemmed from the lab itself, which was

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Soon-to-be-demolished Clark school becomes learning tool for firefighters

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The Prestonsburg Fire Department took advantage of the closing of Charles F. Clark Elementary Saturday by using it as a training station for area firefighters.

Approximately 20 firefighters working with the city, Middle Creek and David fire departments, honed their rescue skills on the now-vacant property.

The school, which was built in the 1960s, will be completely torn down and

the new school, upon completion, will serve an estimated 750 to 780 students from both Prestonsburg Elementary and Clark Elementary.

Saturday, the firefighters, paired in groups, trained in forcible entry techniques, ventilation techniques, overhaul techniques and search-and-rescue techniques.

The firemen practiced forcible entry using a hallagen tool to gain access to interior doors and a "bam bam" tool to break locks on the exterior doors. The equipment,

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Firefighters used the K-12, a gas-powered circular saw, to cut ventilation holes and trenches in the roof at Clark Elementary. During a fire emergency, this practice helps ventilate smoke and gases from the building that could otherwise impede the rescue mission down below.

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Odds & Ends

■ **NASHVILLE, Tenn.** — It was an open-field tackle that even John Madden might appreciate.

A bank teller followed a man outside and tackled him after an attempted holdup Monday, police said.

Officers said John Wesley Bradley, 50, entered a Capital Bank and Trust branch and handed the teller a note saying he was committing a robbery and had a gun. When the teller didn't immediately respond, Bradley left. The 26-year-old teller followed him outside, saw

that he didn't appear to be armed and tackled him in the grass as police arrived.

Police said Bradley was charged with attempted bank robbery.

■ **IRVINE, Calif.** — Irvine the sea lion is taking a breather after swimming nearly five miles up a creek channel into the civic center.

Her journey was an Orange County distance record for wayward sea lions. Irvine the city is in Orange County, south of Los Angeles.

"This is the farthest inland we've ever picked up a sea lion," said Michele Hunter of the nonprofit Pacific Mammal Center in Laguna Beach, where Irvine was taken after her capture.

"We have seen some marine animals out in the Back Bay before," Hunter said. "They may have been following some fish or something, took the wrong turn and couldn't figure out how to get back."

Irvine, a 195-pound female, appeared on Thursday. Rescuers from the mammal center and the Irvine Fire Department used boards to coax her into a large net.

Irvine snapped and barked as she was transported to the mammal center. She remained cranky throughout the weekend, refusing herring dinners and rejecting the company of a young male sea lion that her caretakers placed in her pen.

"She really didn't want to socialize," Hunter said. "She crawled over and looked kind of irritated."

Hundreds of California sea lions have grown disoriented during the past few years after eating fish containing domoic acid, a toxin sometimes found in red tide, said Tim Hovey, assistant fisheries biologist for the state Department of Fish and Game.

Irvine doesn't appear to be ill, but officials injected her with fluids as a precaution. She is scheduled to be released back into the ocean on Wednesday.

■ **FLAGSTAFF, Ariz.** — Pulling up grass in Flagstaff could earn homeowners some greenbacks.

The city is offering a one-

time \$500 rebate to households that remove at least 1,500 square feet of grass and replace it with rock or hardy native plants that require little water.

The average homeowner uses about 72 gallons annually to water each square foot of grass, according to the Bureau of Reclamation.

Adam Miller, Flagstaff water conservation manager, expects up to 20 households a year to take advantage of the rebate.

■ **GRAND ISLAND, Neb.** — Dean Elliott didn't waste time starting his shift over the weekend.

The police officer was in uniform and on his way to work on Sunday when he saw a white pickup run a stoplight. The truck's bumper was dragging, but Elliott said he didn't know then it had been involved in a hit-and-run.

Because he was in his own vehicle, Elliott requested a marked patrol car.

Another truck started chasing the white pickup and Elliott followed both. He said the white truck stopped and the three people inside started fighting.

Elliott drew his gun, ordered them on the ground, and had them handcuffed before the patrol cars arrived.

■ **GREENVILLE, S.C.** — South Carolina Republicans say the Democrats owe them beer money.

In April, St. Louis-based Anheuser-Busch Co. wrote a \$5,000 check intended for the state Republican Party. Instead, the envelope was addressed to the state Democratic Party, which promptly deposited the money.

Now, state GOP leaders say the South Carolina Democratic Party needs to return the beer money they are owed. Democrats say the check's in the mail.

Katja Zastrow, Anheuser-Busch's regional director of governmental affairs in Washington, said in an e-mail statement that the check went astray "through a series of administrative oversights."

She said the company is working with both parties to resolve the situation.

Democrats say they have sent a refund check back to Anheuser-Busch: "Nobody should expect us to write a check to the Republican Party," said Lachlan McIntosh, the Democratic Party's executive director.

The GOP said the refund was sent only after it threatened a lawsuit.

■ **LITTLE ROCK, Ark.** — A trucker claims the spanking left him with a badly bruised behind, but the three exotic dancers who were paid to paddle the birthday boy are saying they're innocent.

Kelly Eslick, 21, and Lisa Nolen and Charlene Smith, both 23, appeared Thursday before District Judge Wayne Gruber to face felony charges of participating in an obscene performance and misdemeanor battery charges. A court date was set for Sept. 15.

The trio work at Sensations Night Club in Jacksonville, where customer Keith Lowery of Bald Knob says they went overboard in giving him an onstage spanking.

Lowery's friends paid \$25 for the spanking as part of

Lowery's 31st birthday celebration.

Lowery told sheriff's deputies that he was handcuffed and spanked with a 3-foot-long paddle and a belt while one of the strippers restrained his head with her legs. He said he suffered bruises so severe he was unable to sit comfortably for five days.

■ **SAUSALITO, Calif.** — A man who swims nude along the shoreline is causing a stir in this city where tourists stroll along the waterfront and dine in restaurants overlooking San Francisco Bay.

The skinny-dipper has shocked diners and prompted complaints to police.

"He makes fly-bys," City Manager Dana Whitson said. "Usually, people look for seals. Some of the diners are kind of surprised."

Police Detective William Fraass said the department has received at least two reports in the past three weeks of a man swimming au naturel in the afternoon near the Spinnaker restaurant and Schoonmaker Point Marina.

"We don't get many naked-people-swimming-in-the-bay calls," he said.

Police have attempted to catch the swimmer bare-bottomed but with no success.

"We are still looking because we want to talk to him and see what is going on," Fraass said.

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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 10, the 222nd day of 2005. There are 143 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Aug. 10, 1846, Congress chartered the Smithsonian Institution, named after English scientist James Smithson, whose bequest of \$500,000 had made it possible.

On this date:

■ In 1821, Missouri became the 24th state.

■ In 1874, Herbert Clark Hoover, the 31st president of the United States, was born in West Branch, Iowa.

■ In 1921, Franklin D. Roosevelt was stricken with polio at his summer home on the Canadian island of Campobello.

■ In 1944, during World War II, American forces overcame remaining Japanese resistance on Guam.

■ In 1945, during World War II, Japan announced its willingness to surrender provided that the status of Emperor Hirohito remained unchanged.

■ In 1949, the National Military Establishment was renamed the Department of Defense.

■ In 1969, Leno and Rosemary LaBianca were murdered in their Los Angeles home by members of Charles Manson's cult, one day after actress Sharon Tate and four other people were slain.

■ In 1977, postal employee David Berkowitz was arrested in Yonkers, N.Y., accused of being "Son of Sam," the gunman responsible for six slayings and seven wounding.

■ In 1988, President Reagan signed a measure providing \$20,000 payments to Japanese-Americans who had been interned during World War II.

■ In 1993, Ruth Bader Ginsburg was sworn in as the second female justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

Ten years ago: Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols were charged with 11 counts in the Oklahoma City bombing (McVeigh was convicted of murder and executed; Nichols was convicted of conspiracy and involuntary manslaughter). Norma McCorvey, "Jane Roe" of the 1973 Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion, announced she had joined the anti-abortion group Operation Rescue.

Five years ago: Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez met with Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, defying the United States by being the first head of state to visit Iraq since the Gulf War.

One year ago: President Bush chose Porter Goss, a Republican congressman and one-time spy, to lead the CIA. A boat carrying Dominican migrants seeking a better life in Puerto Rico drifted back to almost the same spot where the voyage began nearly two weeks earlier; at least 55 of the 86 people on board died. The 20-year-old woman who accused Kobe Bryant of rape filed a federal lawsuit in Denver against the NBA star. (The lawsuit was later settled out of court; terms were not disclosed.) Barry Bonds became the first player in major league history to hit 30 home runs in 13 consecutive seasons, connecting in San Francisco's 8-7 loss to Pittsburgh.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Al Alberts is 83. Actress Rhonda Fleming is 82. Singer Jimmy Dean is 77. Singer Eddie Fisher is 77. Actress Kate O'Mara is 66. Singer Ronnie Spector is 62. Actor James Reynolds ("Days

of our Lives") is 59. Rock singer-musician Ian Anderson (Jethro Tull) is 58. Singer Patti Austin is 57. Country musician Gene Johnson (Diamond Rio) is 56. Actor Daniel Hugh Kelly is 53. Actress Rosanna Arquette is 46. Actor Antonio Banderas is 45. Rock musician Jon Farriss (INXS) is 44. Singer Julia Fordham is 43. Singer Neneh Cherry is 41. Singer Aaron Hall is 41. Rhythm-and-blues singer Lorraine Pearson (Five Star) is 38. Rock musician Todd Nichols is 38. Singer-producer Michael Bivins is 37. Actor Justin Theroux is 34. Actress Angie Harmon is 33. Country singer Jennifer Hanson is 32. Actress JoAnna Garcia is 26. Rhythm-and-blues singer Nikki Bratcher (Divine) is 25.

Thought for Today: "There is no adequate defense, except stupidity, against the impact of a new idea." — Percy Williams Bridgeman, American scientist (1882-1961).

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Mayor mentions water park, YMCA as possible future projects

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The city of Prestonsburg is weighing the pros and cons of developing a water park on Stonecrest and of locating a YMCA at the the Prestonsburg Elementary School building.

Mayor Jerry Fannin made the proposal to city council members Monday, telling them of his recent visit to a water park in Williamsburg.

Members were all in agreement that the finance and revenue committee members should analyze the economic feasibility of constructing a water park. Committee members will use financial information provided by the Williamsburg water park to decide whether the proposal would financially benefit Prestonsburg.

Fannin said the plans would call for a park that is bigger than the one at Williamsburg.

He discussed the possibility of taking out a long-term bond to fund the construction and using proceeds gained from the annexation of the hospital property to finance the bond payment. Williamsburg used their own proceeds to fund construction of their park, Fannin said, and it may also be possible for Prestonsburg to do the same.

Obtaining grants for this type of project is difficult, Fannin said. U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers helped appropriate funds for the "infrastructure only" at the Williamsburg water park, he

said.

Fannin said the city will look at getting the water park proposal moving as soon as the hospital is annexed.

County Clerk Chris Waugh is currently seeking legal advice about a petition that was filed to place the annexation on the ballot for a vote.

The school board's decision to consolidate Prestonsburg Elementary School into the soon-to-be constructed school at the Charles F. Clark Elementary School site on Middle Creek, means that the city will once again retain the use of the Prestonsburg school property, an estimated five acres.

Fannin said the city never transferred the title to the school board. The city can begin construction plans for a YMCA when the construction of the new school is complete, he said.

Fannin also said that he held a meeting with two people Monday who are interested in constructing another hotel in the area.

The council also:

- Changed the wording in the July 11 council meeting minutes to change the "donation" of property for a Confederate soldier memorial at First Commonwealth Bank to allowing the "use" of the property for that purpose.

- Held the second reading of Ordinance 11-2005, annexing property on Route 3 near Thunder Ridge for a planned subdivision proposed by Dr. Enrico Ascani, with opposition from Collins. Collins asked why

the city excluded property within the area that may be annexed later (describing it as a donut hole) and whether the city could go ahead and annex the property.

Fannin said the property owners were originally not going to sell an A-frame home on Route 3, but that they have since changed their minds. It is likely, he said, that the property, currently excluded in the annexation, will be annexed at a later date. Fannin said it would cost the city more money in that additional engineering surveys would have to be completed if the council decided to annex the property now, as Collins suggested. Collins argued that the city would have to pay more for it anyway "down the line." Fire Marshal Bobby Carpenter said a delay in the annexation might also delay the financial process of getting the subdivision constructed. Collins questioned the way the city has been annexing property over the years, pointing out that some places are annexed, while adjacent properties are skipped over. Collins was the only vote against the ordinance, which passed.

- Held the second reading of Ordinance 12-2005, adopting a code enforcement board that would replace the need for the city to take their code violations to district court.

- Held the second reading of Ordinance 13-2005, amending city code 6-99, sections A, C, D.

- Passed a resolution to de-

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Council

Mayor Jerry Fannin and city attorney Jim Webb reacted Monday by saying that the city contacted the state League of Cities and that they were assured that the city did nothing wrong when they decided not to bid out the insurance. Webb said insurance coverage is a professional service and that the city would obtain the same quotes from any company that they contacted for the service.

Collins, unsatisfied with the explanation, spent a good 30 minutes arguing his point with the council.

He said his biggest concern was that a decision was made and an action was taken during that finance and revenue committee meeting and that the council failed to carry through with it. The budget, he said, is the "only thing" committee members can vote on. "The rest is left up to the mayor," he said.

Collins said the committee amended the city budget and gave the employee raise to offset the cost of the rise in insurance. That budget must now be amended, he argued, to reflect the change in insurance.

"We voted to do it and I want to see why it wasn't done," he said, later adding that he "started feeling like I'm being a little bit ignored."

Fannin, and several others on the council, said they believed that they voted to accept the budget as it was presented, as long as the insurance fund allotment stayed under \$50,000. Both plans fit this category, but the 80/20 plan is substantially less beneficial to individual employees, officials argued.

City Comptroller Yvette Stephens said the price difference for both plans were between \$2,000 and \$3,000 monthly.

Webb said that canceling the plan will raise the current rates provided to the city.

Collins argued that every other Prestonsburg business has cut back on insurance plans because of increases in insurance costs. "There's nobody that hasn't cut insurance but us," he said.

Prior to this statement, Fannin, frustrated, flared his arms, looked into the audience, and asked, "Do we have a motion to cut employees?"

The discussion then turned to ball field projects on Stonecrest that Collins argued were not complete. Fannin assured the council that one field is complete with an irrigation system and that the rest of the project would be completed as soon as possible.

The discussion then returned to the insurance debate. Collins

made a suggestion to give employees a \$1 raise instead of the 3 percent raise.

City Clerk Sharon Schoolcraft later said, after repeated requests by Collins, that if the council votes to amend the budget to reflect the change, then they'd have to reallocate money for specific departments.

The debate continued with council members and attendees exhibiting frustration and, at times, laughter.

At one point, Fannin became so agitated that he said, "We've got other stuff to do but gripe and bitch about this for two months."

During the debate, members questioned how the 80/20 plan would effect employees.

Stephens said that employees currently pay \$75 for an emergency room visit and that they would pay 20 percent of the total cost under the proposed 80/20 plan. She pointed out other cost increases to employees, such as higher prescription rates.

Council member Kay Ross then suggested that members pass a motion to redo "all this stuff" because "everybody's so mixed up about it."

During subsequent discussion on the matter, Archer Park Director Ralph Little addressed Collins. "I think most employees would tell you to keep the 3 percent raise ... These employees don't make that much."

Little reported that his lowest paid employee makes minimum wage, at which time Collins suggested the city give employees a \$3 raise, which he said would "probably be less" than the \$50,000 spent monthly on insurance.

"Three dollars wouldn't mean tuu," Little reacted, after explaining his recent medical bills.

Then the debate took an entirely different turn.

"Can we plead we didn't pay attention?" member Donna Wells said. "I'll hold my hand up first. Excuse me. I apologize for not paying attention."

Her hand was followed by those of members Phillip Chaffins and Moore. Fannin didn't raise a hand, but he agreed with the misunderstanding.

"We've sat here for 40 minutes and listened to you every bit of 30 of it," Moore said to Collins, who had interrupted members trying to make a motion on the matter on at least two separate occasions. Moore then asked legal advice about the situation from Webb.

He made a motion to amend the budget to reflect the current plan in place. Members passed a

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motion, with Collins' approval, to amend the budget, if need be, to reflect the Gold Plan and pay raise that is currently in the city budget.

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Viewpoint

Amendment 1

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Guest View

An FBI stumble

Unsettling disclosure about the FBI: It has 8,354 hours of untranslated wiretap terrorism intelligence recordings backed up in its pipeline. And officials don't really know what might be on that mountain of tape.

FBI Director Robert S. Mueller was willing to guess when he faced the Senate Judiciary Committee recently. White noise from microphones, he said. Some of it involves "obscure languages and dialects" that are tough to translate, he said. Besides, he added, the backlog involves less than 2 percent of all recordings from counterterrorism and counterintelligence investigations.

Perhaps his defense is adequate. But his words are less reassuring after considering a recent audit by Justice Department Inspector General Glen Fine. He pointed out the backlog and noted that the number of unheard hours had doubled in one year. The FBI also is still struggling to hire and keep qualified translators, he added, but had enough in fewer than half of the 52 languages with which it deals.

Bureaucratic slowdowns had increased the amount of time needed to hire a linguist from 14 months last year to 16 months this year, he said. At the Senate hearing, Mueller pointed to the FBI's rigorous standards to account for the delays.

One aspect of the Fine report was particularly disturbing. The inspector found instances in which "high-priority" material hadn't been reviewed in 24 hours.

That's an echo of a past failure: Messages from al-Qaida operatives were intercepted by the National Security Agency the day before Sept. 11, 2001. They weren't translated until after the terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington. One speaker in the intercept said, "Tomorrow is zero hour."

Fine's report suggested that the FBI doesn't really know whether its massive stack of untranslated tape includes information vital to national security and terrorist investigations. One might hope it doesn't.

But all this time after Sept. 11, Americans shouldn't have to rely on hope when it comes to something as seemingly simple as listening to recorded material. The FBI continues to struggle to reshape itself to post-attack realities, and it continues to fall short, at least in the translation of terrorism intelligence.

As some senators at the hearing seemed to be saying, that is not acceptable.

— Omaha World-Herald



BACK-to-SCHOOL SALE

Capitol Ideas

2006 legislative plate filling up with usual variety of topics

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Some want to prohibit flag desecration. Others want to restrict the ability of government to take private property.

And those are just the proposals by Kentucky legislators that Congress amend the U.S. Constitution.

Another 40 proposals prefiled for the General Assembly to consider when it convenes for its 2006 regular session relate to something legislators might be able to influence.

Legislators prefile bills for a variety of reasons, often to try to generate publicity or win favor from a particular interest group. But the act is of little significance as some proposals will not even be filed once the session starts and pre-filing gives a proposal no particular precedence even if it is thrown into the bill hopper after the session begins Jan. 3.

Yet the proposals can give clues about the topics that might attract legislative interest during the 60 working days of the session. Many of the bills

are recycled from earlier sessions in which they failed.

Sen. David Boswell, D-Owensboro, would offer a constitutional amendment to the voters and let them decide whether to allow casinos to operate in Kentucky. He also has a bill to start the games if the amendment passes.

Rep. Tom Burch, D-Louisville, wants to require more training and experience before granting full driving privileges to teens, a notion called graduated licensing. Burch has failed several times to win approval of the plan. Sen. Denise Harper Angel, D-Louisville, has a similar proposal.

Some of the proposals are more esoteric.

Several lawmakers are co-sponsoring a resolution that asks Congress to restrict the ability of the government to take property from private citizens, an apparent reaction to a Supreme Court ruling this year on the topic of eminent domain.

Rep. Stan Lee, R-Lexington, wants Congress to pass an amendment to the U.S. Constitution to allow legislation to halt flag desecration.

Rep. Rick Nelson, D-Middlesboro, wants to amend the Kentucky Constitution to allow the posting of the Ten Commandments on public property. It is unclear how a change in state law would influence federal court rulings on the topic.

Rep. Paul Marcotte, R-Union, wants to ban the use of cell phones and other electronic communications while driving.

Other proposals would license acupuncturists, give greater preferences to veterans in state hiring, eliminate required writing portfolios in the classroom, place greater restrictions and registration requirements on sex offenders and try to outlaw school bullies.

One proposal is likely to fan some old flames of rivalry on the always contentious topic of college sports.

Rep. Denver Butler, D-Louisville, wants the legislature to mandate that the University of Kentucky and University of Louisville play each other the first game of every football season. The two schools have opened their seasons together since they began their current series in 1994, but the current contract is expiring after this season and UK officials have been noncommittal about renewing, at least for the season opener.

There is some precedent on the general topic. Decades ago, Louisville legislators wanted to force UK and Louisville to play in basketball. The 1983 NCAA tournament threw the teams together in the Mideast Regional Final and the annual game started later that year in the 1983-84 season.

The proposal that will grab the majority of the attention of the session, however, will probably not be filed until the 20th day of session, when Gov. Ernie Fletcher is required to offer his budget proposal for the coming two fiscal years.

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Letters

A requiem for Timothy McVeigh

I see Timothy McVeigh is in the news again. I guess there's no resting in peace any more?

I wonder if anyone has even the slightest idea of the mindset of Timothy McVeigh. You know he distinguished

himself in combat during the first war against Iraq. Many of today's extremists are veterans who were willing to lay down their life for this country. I believe Timothy McVeigh was such a man. Some men would be considered heroes but for their avenue of expression.

He was definitely no coward. He was an avid patriot who took his patriotism too far, not as the media would have you believe. And I don't believe he knew about the children there. I just couldn't believe they would have chil-

dren in a known terrorist target. I think we (as a country) should shoulder some responsibility for his reactions. Of course, this was during the time Bill Clinton and Janet Reno were in office, — an infamous duet, in my opinion.

Having seen Waco and Randy Weaver's experience with the FBI, I feel he decided we couldn't get justice anymore, and he became a one-man militia. He almost got away — what if he had?

Glenn Fraley
Prestonsburg

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School

ter identify strategies to met their needs.

Supt. Paul Fanning said approximately 70 percent of the county's school children qualify for the free or reduced lunch program.

"It's a topic that we felt like we needed some instruction and guidance in," Fanning said. "You can look at the number of children we have that come from what some identify as poverty and see the unique and different type of learning needs and styles that we need to be focusing on as educators."

The research and theories presented in Payne's publications will be combined with a "great deal" of practical application in Floyd County classrooms, Fanning said, a means to effectively reach different groups of children. It's a "broader and deeper exposure to learning models" for educators who must understand student needs and learning styles, he said.

"Every child can learn, but they learn at different rates and different levels," Fanning said.

"Some citizens, who, what some would say, came out of poverty levels, don't plant in their children's heads that they are poor. They tell them that they are capable and have a purpose in the formal education process ... There are, by far, millions of stories, not only in our nation, but throughout the world, about how people who may not have had any significant amount of financial backing succeeded because they believed that the mind is the place to be enriched. And with that comes the development of good work habits, setting goals and obtaining them. I'm sure there were many Floyd county teachers in the audience who probably came from that type of background. They just believed that they could achieve their goals and that's what they've done. Having economic challenges does not necessarily mean that any child should get a lesser degree of education. It is our responsibility, as educators, to be aware and address those issues."

John said children facing generational poverty have a "self

fulfilling prophesy" — a belief that their circumstances are a matter of fate and that there is "nothing" they can do about it.

Their views of life and education differ from middle class students who are taught that they have choices, and the wealthy, who fall into the "wealthy noblesse oblige" category.

"If I'm facing generational poverty and you tell me that I have a choice, then I guess I do have a choice," John said. "What is it?"

Poverty stricken children who believe they are fated to their circumstances often deviate from traditional school rules and regulations. Punishment does not change their behavior, John said, pointing out that their behavior usually only changes when it's already "too late" and they're heading for alternative schools.

"When you work with students suffering from poverty, you cannot excuse or blame them," John said. "There's a lot of pride in folks who live in poverty."

Using a humorously written

"blame poetry" poem, John explained that children perceive the "who's to blame?" mentality of educators, teachers, and parents with a general misconception: "No one cares about me."

He suggested that educators show students that there are are "two sets of rules" — one set they find at home in their everyday living, and the "school rules."

The two most important concepts that educators can pass along to their students, he said, are teaching them to be "appreciative" and showing them how to "practice patience."

"What does appreciative look like? What does patience look like?" he said.

Allen Central Middle School student Jerrica Blair sang three songs during the event. She dedicated "Wind Beneath my Wings" to Floyd County teachers. Allen Central's JROTC presented the colors.

More information can be found online at www.aha-process.com.

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Senator

the issue of the rising cost of education saying, "I know many of you have had to make great sacrifices to be here and we appreciate that."

McConnell's visit coincided with an announcement by U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers who announced that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security has allotted funds to Morehead State University to increase security measures.

Morehead will join BSCTC, which received funding last year, in obtaining grant money to fund several projects aimed at height-

ening safety on campus. One grant will be divided between MSU and three other universities and will fund efforts to develop wall treatment materials to offer additional protection to buildings from explosions, chemical agents and electromagnetic waves. A second endowment will offer close to \$700,000 to be divided between MSU and UK to create a sophisticated video surveillance system that will distinguish between unauthorized and authorized personnel in given area. Morehead will also use the funds to embark on a sec-

ond project which will undertake a study on constitutional and federal policy issues of privacy and technological uses.

McConnell finished up his tour of the campus by visiting the East Kentucky Science Center. McConnell was able to observe the center's planetarium and was treated to a laser show as well as a selection of moments from various programs that the center has held, including last year's holiday program which offered attendees a chance to see what the night sky looked like when Jesus was born. McConnell appeared

winded after the tour but remarked that the show was "marvelous" before being hustled off to Pikeville, where his next area appearances saw him take in a tour of Pikeville College and meet with the Pike Chamber of Commerce.

Turner

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attending the annual conference for Commonwealth's Attorneys in Louisville this week and that he would sit down with Attorney General Greg Stumbo and see if they could arrange a special prosecutor well before Neeley's pretrial conference, which has been scheduled for Nov. 9.

Guilty

inside the couple's Drift home. Toxic chemicals used to manufacture meth were stored in the same room in the home where two young children slept, which prompted the additional charges.

Turner explained that authorities were already searching for Blevins in connection with a lab that was discovered in Dwale. That lab was reported by sanitation workers, whose truck contents caught fire after hauling

trash from a Dwale residence. A search of the garbage truck's interior after the fire was out revealed that several bags from their last pickup contained many of the ingredients used to manufacture meth.

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Kentucky State AARP official to be guest at local meeting

Scott A. Wegenast, program coordinator in the AARP Kentucky State Office, in Louisville, will be the guest of Jenny Wiley Chapter No. 3528 AARP, at the meeting to be held Friday, August 19, at the First Presbyterian Church, in Prestonsburg. The meeting begins at 6 p.m., and all AARP members and friends are encouraged to attend.

Hicks reunion

There will be a reunion of the relatives and friends of William and Oma Reffett Hicks on August 13, at the Lodge at Jenny Wiley State Park. All relatives and friends are invited to come and enjoy a day with the family.

Floyd County Chamber

The Floyd County Chamber of Commerce will hold a membership meeting and luncheon on Aug. 8, at the Wilkinson-Stumbo Convention Center, at 12 p.m. Special guest speaker will be Sen. Mitch McConnell. RSVP to Chamber office by Aug. 3 by calling 886-0364.

Masonic outdoor meeting planned, Saturday, August 6 at Tom Flanery farm, Warco
On Saturday, August 6, there

will be an outdoor meeting at the Tom Flanery Farm at Warco. Turn off from Rt. 80. Hotdogs, hamburgers, soupbeans and cornbread to be served. If you can, bring a covered dish, dessert or pop. Stephen C. Barnette Jr., or Bryan Wallen will be the candidate for the second section. Breakfast will be served at J.W. Hall Lodge at 7:30 a.m.; first section conferred at 9 a.m.; dinner will be served at 4 p.m.; second section to start at 7:30 p.m. All Master Masons are urged to attend and assist with the work.

Jenny Wiley Bike Tours

Held every Saturday morning, 8 a.m. Meet at the flags in front of the Jenny Wiley Convention Center/Marina. Group will ride to the Johns Creek Station (8 miles) at the foot of the spillway where they may enjoy a great breakfast for only \$6.95. Enjoy a fun ride at a relaxed pace. Make sure bikes are in good working condition and be ready to ride by 8:30 a.m. Others may also arrive at the Spillway site to enjoy breakfast or to pick up riders who do not wish to ride back to the starting point.

More information, call 886-8604 or email: profitsscncntr@bellsouth.net. You may also visit www.multisports.com to view and print a map of area cycling routes.

Childers Family Reunion

The Childers (Childress) family will host a reunion on Sat., Aug. 20, at the Dewey Dam Picnic Hollow, Shelter #3. Registration will begin at 11 a.m.; lunch will be served at noon. Please bring a covered dish and cooler of soft drinks for your family. Plates, napkins and utensils will be provided. An auction will be held to raise money for next year's reunion. This year's theme is "Our Musical Heritage" - bring along any instruments you may play. All Childers and Preston relations welcome. More info.,

contact Naomi Cox at 740-387-5815 or Shelba Childers at 740-747-2985.

Dwale Homecoming

Auction and Concession will be held on Aug. 12, at 7 p.m., at the Dwale Shelter. Proceeds will go toward funding the 2006 Dwale Homecoming event.

20th Annual Van Lear Town Celebration - Aug. 5-6

Friday: Popcorn, snow cones and other snacks at Icky's; Catfish and Soup Bean dinner at the Coal Miner's Museum, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Pirate ship ride; Official ceremonies at 5 p.m., at Coal Miner's Museum; car stereo contest and live music. Also, Coal Miner's Museum open FREE to public all day.

Saturday: Turkey shoot, 9 a.m.; Horseshoe Tournament, 9 a.m.; Car/truck/motorcycle show, 9 a.m.; Decorated 4-wheeler contest; kiddie games and contests, 9 a.m.; volleyball and more. Also, Coal Miner's Museum open FREE all day.

Annual Parade, 2:30 p.m. - Sat.

Many more activities - call 789-8540 for more information.

Parsons Family Reunion

Reunion for the descendants of Isaac and Louisa Parsons will be held on Sept. 4, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Isaac Parsons Cemetery, located on Parsons Branch, off Rt. 979. Please bring a covered dish; meal will be served at 1 p.m. All family and friends welcome. For more info., call E. J. Parsons at 865-426-7585.

Women's Health - Prevention of Osteoporosis

A program concerning the prevention of osteoporosis will be held on Wed., Aug. 3, from 1-2:30 p.m., at the Floyd County Extension Office. The public is invited, free of charge. For more information, or to register to attend, contact Theresa Scott, at 886-2668 or email to: [\[floyd@uky.edu\]\(mailto:floyd@uky.edu\).](mailto:ces-</p>
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Yard Sale

To be held Saturday, August 6, beginning at 9 a.m., at the Maytown Volunteer Fire Department. Proceeds to benefit fire department programs and activities.

Yard Sale

Fri. and Sat., Aug. 5 & 6, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., sponsored by the Dove House and Tabernacle Ministries, at the Dove House Complex (Old Plantation Motel). Food and drinks will be available on Saturday. Call 886-0427 or 298-3067 to reserve a space.

UNITE meeting

The Floyd County Coalition of UNITE has changed its monthly meeting time and place. The group now meets the first Thursday of every month on the BSCTC Prestonsburg campus, room 153 of the Johnson Building. The entire community is invited and encouraged to attend.

Group will meet on Thur., Aug. 4, at 6 p.m.

** UNITE coalition will host two appreciation dinners/roundtable discussions for the Big Sandy region on Aug. 9, at 6 p.m., at the Carriage House Rest. (Ramada Inn), Paintsville; and on Aug. 11, at 6 p.m., at the Old Morgan County Gov. Bldg./Comm. Ctr., in West Liberty.

There will be no charge to attend, but please place your reservations with Alisha

Baldrige by calling 889-0422.

FCCD 55th anniversary

The Floyd County Conservation District will hold an open house on Aug. 18, at the District office, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., to celebrate their 55th anniversary. More info., call 889-9800 or email to: conserve@mikrotec.com. The public is cordially invited.

Hughes Family Reunion

For the families of Mathias Hughes, Linda E. and Jake Marsillett, Mary Darcus and John Wright, Sally and James Marsillett, John Malcom and Sally Hughes, Jim Henry and Ida Hughes. Reunion will be held on Sept. 4, at the home of Delmer Holbrook, located at 143 Holbrook Hollow Rd., in Prestonsburg. For more info., call 886-8481.

Rotary Club

Local Rotary Club holds meetings every Thursday, at noon, at the Student Grill, on the BSCTC campus. Open to business and professional men and women who live or work in Floyd County. More info., contact Mike Vance at 886-2075.

Travel Club

An organizational meeting to form a Travel Club in this area will be held on Aug. 9, at 6 p.m., in the Weeksbury Comm. Center. A possible 4 night/5 day trip to Disney World will be discussed at this time. Anyone who is interested in inexpensive group travel is welcome to

attend this meeting. For more info., contact Ed or Linda at 452-4149.

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Aug. 21 - Karen Crawford, 6 p.m.

Aug. 28 - Billie, Betty & Linda, 6 p.m.

Also, on Aug. 21, 11:00 a.m. Sunday School celebration with potluck dinner in Wesley Gym.

HRMC Community Calendar

Aug. 9 - Senior Advantage, 10-11:30 a.m., Prestonsburg Senior Citizen Center.

Aug. 13 - Childbirth classes, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Meeting Place A & B, in medical office bldg.

Aug. 25 - "Living Well with

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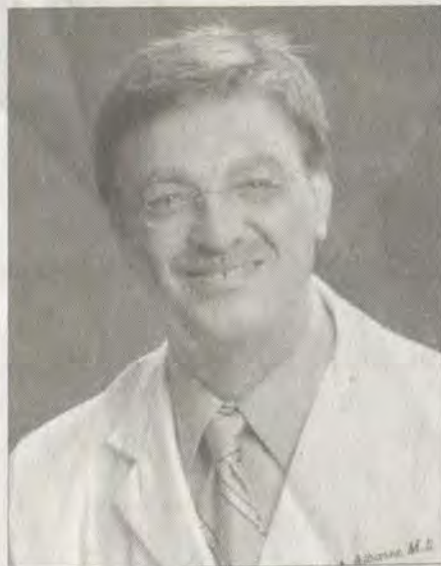
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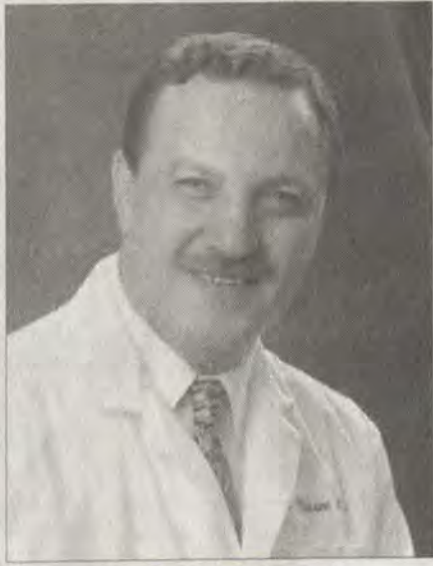
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Sex offenders plead guilty

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Two sex offenders who failed to keep their addresses current with the Department of Probation and Parole pleaded guilty to the offense Tuesday in district court.

Jamie Burgess, 30, and Donald McDonald Duke, 42, will serve two-year sentences for failing to register their movements with the state.

Duke was required to register for 10 years after pleading guilty to sodomy charges in Pennsylvania in 1999. Duke stopped notifying probation and parole about his movements in 2003 when he was originally indicted. His last known address was at Abbott Creek but authorities visited his stepfather there and found that he hadn't heard

from Duke in over a year. Duke was eventually found in Drift.

Burgess is a lifetime sex offender and must respond to a letter from the parole office four times a year requesting any information about plans to change her address. When she failed to respond to such letters in September, December and March 2004, the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office sought an indictment against her. Authorities later found her in jail in Radcliff for other charges and she was served with the indictment there.

Burgess later argued that she had informed the Menifee County sheriff that she was a sex offender but that action did not constitute informing probation and parole, which was still looking for her. A letter from the Menifee sheriff that was intro-

duced by the public advocate's office, which was charged with defending Burgess, noted that she did stop by their office but pointed out that she did not furnish the office with usable information such as an address.

Burgess had been convicted of sexual abuse and unlawful transaction with a minor for persuading two minors to participate in sexual acts for her gratification.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner observed, "We always take these cases very seriously, even though on many occasions the defendants act as if it's no big deal." He went on to note that, "Many act as if they have only violated a minor technicality, but recent cases across the country have shown that offenders who fall off the radar are often still preying on children."

Projects

icate the Town Branch bridge in honor of Woodrow Wilson Burchett. Member Kay Ross questioned the city's ability to name a state bridge. Fannin replied by saying that the county has already made the same designation and that the city now must send their recommendation to the state.

■ Passed a resolution for a "small grant" agreement between the city and the state Division of Forestry. The nature of this business was not explained.

■ Decided to look into a

request from a resident to place speed bumps at Green Acres.

■ Passed a motion, at the request of Prestonsburg Police Chief Mike Omerod, to extend the southbound one-way street regulations on Friend Street to Dingus Street. Member Kelly Moore, in agreement with Omerod, said that the traffic committee had already made the change, but that it hadn't yet been brought in front of the full council.

■ Discussed expected traffic problems at Adams Middle School, the host school for

Clark Elementary students who are in transition. Omerod said the parking lot can handle only three buses at one time and that 16 buses will be transporting students to and from school grounds. Officials are considering two plans to ease traffic concerns at the school, he said. One of those plans is the possible construction of a bus turn lane that wraps around the entire building.

"It's gonna be bad," he told the council, "At best it will be bad."

Odds

"We want to inform him of the calls from the public and get his side of the story. Right now, no laws have been broken, but we are still investigating."

■ O'FALLON, Mo. — A United Parcel Service deliveryman found a surprise nestled among the packages in his truck.

Brian Adams, 41, first noticed the 9-foot albino python when he shifted some boxes after pulling into a parking lot last week.

Adams said he initially

thought he was looking at a stuffed animal or rubber snake. But when he looked closer and noticed scales, he called his wife.

"Tina, you won't believe this, but there's a snake in the truck," he said.

Moments later, the python's head popped up as Adams nudged aside a small box in front of it. "It's alive!" he yelled into the phone.

An O'Fallon animal control officer was called and the 31-pound snake was prodded into

a cloth mailbag.

The python was taken to a pet adoption center until the St. Louis Herpetological Society picks it up next week.

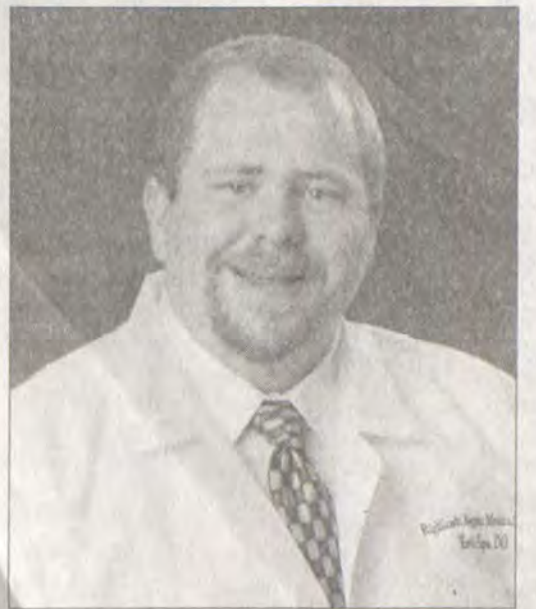
Adams doesn't know how the snake got into his truck — UPS doesn't deliver live animals.

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Obituaries

Hansel S. Bradley

Hansel S. Bradley, age 74, of Prestonsburg, husband of Lettie Honeycutt Bradley, died Saturday, August 6, at his residence.

He was born May 3, 1931, in Maytown, a son of the late Charlie and Matha Frazier Bradley. He was a retired Ky. W.Va. Gas Co. field operator. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War, was a member of James W. Alley Masonic Lodge No. 869, Wayland, and a Shriner at Oleika Temple.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two nieces: Donna Kay Warren and Debra Curry; three nephews: Darrell Bradley, Freddy Bradley, and Andy Bradley; three step-daughters: Nancy Hunt, Peggy Fraley, and Sandy Risner, all of Prestonsburg; six step-grandchildren, and three step-great-grandchild.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Burnis and Nillis Bradley; and one sister, Rita Amburgey.

Funeral services for Hansel S. Bradley were held Tuesday, August 9, at 1 p.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Jim Smith officiating.

Burial was in the Hagans Cemetery, in Eastern, with the Hall Funeral Home, caring for those arrangements.

Masonic services were conducted at 6 p.m., Monday, August 8. (Paid obituary)

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Lillian Lucille (May) Ratliff

Lillian Lucille (May) Ratliff, passed away Saturday, August 6, 2005, at the Pikeville Medical Center.

She was born May 1, 1920, daughter of the late Jeff and Myrtle (Litteral) May.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Claude Canada, and second husband, Rush Ratliff; a brother, Billy May, and one son, Odelle Ratliff.

She was a member of the Miller's Creek Church of Christ.

Survivors include her sons: Donnie (Wanda) Canada of Kimper, Rush Randall (Sharon) Ratliff of Kimper; daughters: Doris (Grayson) Layne of Frenchburg, Avonell (Buster) Coleman of Kimper, and Phyllis Ratliff of Kimper; five grandchildren: Grayson (Stephanie) Layne Jr., Dale Lyn Layne, Chris (Suzanne) Canada, Teresa Chevalier, and Bryan Ratliff; three great-grandchildren: Matthew and Nicholas Chevalier, and Isabelle Layne; a sister, Annalee (Alonzo) Layne of Muscle Shoals, Alabama;

three step-children: Weultha (Richard) Ter Doest of Hudson, Michigan, Tracy (Roxie) Ratliff of Toledo, Ohio, and Audrey (Glen) Stevens of Kimper; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, August 10, at 1 p.m., at the Justice Funeral Home Chapel, Pikeville, with Dean Lyons and Jim Abshire, Church of Christ ministers, officiating.

Burial will follow in the Annie E. Young Cemetery, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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Homer Reynolds

Homer Reynolds, 82, of Catlettsburg, formerly of Allen, died Sunday, August 7, 2005, in Lexington.

Born June 19, 1923, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Jeff and Matilda Hamilton Reynolds. He was a retired Ironworker, a member of Ironworkers Local 769, Ashland, a member of the Oakland Avenue Baptist Church, a U.S. Navy veteran, serving in the South Pacific during WW II, and was awarded the Purple Heart.

He is survived by his wife, Myrtle Johnson Reynolds.

Other survivors include one son, Dr. Roy D. Reynolds, and his wife Judy, of Franklin; two daughters: Gwendolyn R. Webb of Lexington, and Barbara Sue Reynolds of Pikeville; four sisters: Maudie Meade of Dayton, Ohio, Joan Reynolds of Canton, Ohio, Ruby Akers of Dayton, Ohio, and Madge Spurgeon of Paintsville; and three grandchildren: Alan Reynolds of Bowling Green, Tasha Harilson of Nicholasville, and Monica Webb of Lexington.

He was preceded in death by seven brothers, and five sisters.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, August 10, at 1 p.m., in the Steen Funeral Home-Marshall Steen Chapel, in Ashland, with Rev. Paul Padgett officiating.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel. Military graveside rites will

be held by the Big Sandy Chapter 18 DAV, Auxier.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

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Emma Sizemore

Emma Sizemore, 66, of Blue River, died Friday, August 5, 2005, at her residence.

Born March 22, 1939, in Floyd County, she was the daughter of the late Jerry and Eva Moore Gayheart. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alger Sizemore.

Survivors include seven sons: Danny (Judy) Sizemore, James (Mary) Sizemore, Mickey Sizemore, Barry Sizemore, Darren (Ernestine) Sizemore, and Jerry (Denise) Sizemore, all of McDowell, and Chris (Patsy) Sizemore of Blue River; two daughters: Benika (Terry) Paige of Fleming County, and Alfreda (Louie) Moore of McDowell; three brothers: Bill Gayheart, Ted Gayheart, and Clyde Gayheart, all of Ohio; two sisters: Elsie Slone of Portsmouth, Ohio, and Effie Hall of McDowell; 15 grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, and husband, she was preceded in death by a grandson, Forrest Ledale Howell, and two great-

grandchildren: Caleb Duncan and Forrest Duncan.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, August 8, at 11 a.m., at the Little Rosa Regular Baptist Church, in East McDowell, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Greenberry Hall Cemetery at Frasures Creek, in McDowell, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the church. (Paid obituary)

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Edna Whitt

Edna Whitt, age 92, of Oak Hill, Ohio, formerly of Betsy Layne, passed away Friday, August 5, 2005, at Heartland Nursing Home, in Oak Hill, Ohio.

She was born July 9, 1913, in Endicott, the daughter of the late Columbus Whitt and Vata Blackburn Whitt. Ms. Whitt was a homemaker, and a member of the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church.

Survivors include one brother, John Whitt of Burlington, Michigan; and two sisters: Verdine Hamilton of Bay City, Michigan, and Alma Payne of Southgate, Michigan.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers: Glen Whitt

and William C. "Billy" Whitt; three sisters: Goldie Blankenship, Ollie Crider, and Jessie Mae Smock; and one nephew, Victor Whitt.

Funeral services for Edna Whitt were conducted Tuesday, August 9, at 11 a.m., at the Betsy Layne Freewill Baptist Church, with Clergyman Tracy Patton officiating.

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

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Ralph Roop, Dan Hamilton, Marvin Williamson, Marshall Williamson, Randy Blankenship, and Dwight Akers. (Paid obituary)

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The family of Jimmy Jones would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. A special thanks to all those who sent flowers, food, or spoke kind words of sympathy to our family. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Samaria Regular Baptist Church, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home of Martin, Ky., for their professional and courteous service. All your thoughts and prayers were a great comfort to our family.

THE FAMILY OF JIMMY JONES

Card of Thanks

The family of Margie Hogsed would like to express a sincere appreciation to all the relatives, friends, and neighbors, who helped to comfort us during our time of loss. We would like to thank all those who sent food, flowers, and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to Clergyman Ted Shannon for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and efficient service.

THE FAMILY OF MARGIE HOGSED

Card of Thanks

The family of June Goble would like to express a sincere appreciation to all of the relatives, friends, and neighbors, who helped to comfort us during the time of our loss. We would like to thank all those who sent food, flowers, and for words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist Church, minister, Roger Music, and Nelson-Frazier. Thank you for all the kindness shown to our family. The sheriff's department for traffic control, and once again, Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

THE FAMILY OF JUNE GOBLE

Calendar

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Diabetes" support group meeting, 5-6 p.m., Meeting Place A & B, medical office bldg.

For more info., contact Highlands Educational Services Dept. at 886-7424.

ACHS Class of '95

It's been ten years, classmates! And a reunion is being planned for the weekend of August 13. Please email the planning committee at: rebelsclassof1995@hotmail.com or, contact Amy Adams Osborne at 358-2947 or Misty Lynn (Bush) Isaac at 358-9184 if you are interested in attending or have questions or ideas to share.

Neighborhood Watch

The Mud Creek Neighborhood Watch group will meet the third Thursday of each month, at 7 p.m. All are invited to attend meetings.

Little Mud Comm. Center

The Little Mud Community Center Board of Directors are currently in the process of locating photos of old historic sites of the area. The pictures are to be added to the center's historic wall. If you have any such pictures, or are interested in more information concerning this project, call 478-1477 or 478-2479.

Notice! BLHS Class of '95

The Betsy Layne High School Class of 1995 will host a reunion on August 20, at the Landmark Inn, in Pikeville. Please mail responses no later than July 20 to the reunion committee. For more information, call 889-9651 or 478-5014.

Attention: BLHS Class of '85

The Betsy Layne High School Class of 1985 will host a reunion to be held Sept. 10, 6 p.m. to 12 a.m., at the Landmark Inn, Pikeville. \$50 per couple/\$25 for single. RSVP deadline is Aug. 15. For more info., contact Debbie Hall at 304-757-2918 or Dochallparsons@charter.net

BLHS Classes - '65 thru '75

The classes of Betsy Layne High School, 1965-1975, will host a reunion to be held on August 20, at the Jenny Wiley Convention Center. For more information, contact Sandy Meade Scrimager at (859) 285-9826, or (859) 576-5846, or, after 6 p.m., at (606) 478-9669.

Over 50? Need a friend?

Then check out our Friendship Club for seniors. Share a meal, see a movie, take a walk, have a chat. Meet with other seniors at a local location. Come on out, and let's talk. For more info., call 889-9620. The Friendship Club is not a dating service.

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.

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GED classes are also available.

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Allen: 1st Monday, 11 a.m., at Christ United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Cliffside/Prestonsburg: 3rd Wednesday, 12:30 p.m., at Cliffside Community Room.

David: 1st Monday, 1 p.m., at St. Vincent's Mission.

Martin: 1st Tuesday, 6 p.m., Martin Church of Christ.

Evening Quilt Group: 4th Thursday, 6 p.m., Extension Office.

Maytown: 3rd Thursday, 6 p.m., Maytown First Baptist Church.

Nimble Thimble Quilt Guild: 1st/3rd Wednesdays, 10 a.m., Extension Office.

Prestonsburg: 2nd Tuesday, 1:30 p.m., Extension Office.

South Prestonsburg: 3rd Tuesday, 7 p.m., Home of members (call 886-2668 for info.)

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 6 p.m. For more info., call Dana Caudill at 886-0265, or Jane Bond at FCHD. NOTE: Group will NOT MEET in July or August.

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

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third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Seton Complex, Martin. Offers group support for MS patients and their care-givers.

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.

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Community Weight Loss Support Group - Meets Thursday's at 6:30 p.m., at the Martin Community Center. 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.

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Students establish endowment to honor professor, wife

Several graduates of Prestonsburg Community College, now known as Big Sandy Community and Technical College, are establishing an endowment to honor their former teacher, John D. Sammons and his wife, Connie W. Sammons. The endowment, which will be awarded to full time students interested in the fields of math or engineering, was announced at a recent awards day held on the Prestonsburg campus. For the past 30 years, Professor Sammons and his wife, Connie, were instrumental in the education of many local students, particularly in the area of engineering.

Thanks to the dedication and influence of Professor and Mrs. Sammons, many students continued their studies to pursue degrees in engineering. These students have returned to the eastern Kentucky area and now contribute to our local economy

through rewarding, successful careers in mining, construction, transportation, electrical, chemical engineering, as well as other non-engineering fields. These former students often encounter each other on a daily basis throughout their busy work days. Such encounters give them the opportunity to reminisce about their time at the college and particularly their memories of John D. and Connie. Many say that they would not have continued their education if not for the encouragement from Professor Sammons and his wife, who extended their commitment well beyond the classroom. Unfortunately, Mrs. Sammons passed away in September 2004. This endowment will honor her memory and the continued work of Professor Sammons, who still remains a faculty member at Big Sandy Community and Technical College.



Pictured, left to right, are Dr. George D. Edwards, Prof. John D. Sammons, Randall Taylor and Rusty Justice.

For more information regarding this endowment, you can contact Judy Bocook, Manager of Advancement, Big Sandy

Community and Technical College, One Bert T. Combs Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653 or by phone at 606-886-7369.

Johnson receives national certification

Karen S. Johnson, transportation director of Floyd County Schools, has completed the NAPT Professional Certification Program. The program was established in 1989 to recognize the achievements and expertise of individuals in various administrative positions within the pupil transportation field. As a candidate for national certification, Johnson participated in an objective peer review of the her education, career experience and achievements in the field of pupil transportation operations as well as a rigorous job-specific written examination that tested her knowledge of national standards for safe and efficient pupil transportation. Certification as a Director of Pupil Transportation (CDPT) is available to individuals who are qualified as the top administrator of a pupil transportation system. Candidates must demonstrate that they are capable of handling a position that involves establishing programs and policies, setting standards, developing materials, and providing leadership to achieve designated goals.



Tips for getting youngsters back in the school swing of things

With those lazy, hazy — not to mention sizzling hot — days of summer still with us, it is difficult to imagine that there are a few short weeks left before Kentucky's youngsters go back to school.

To get your children back in the school and learning mode, Elinor L. Brown, an assistant professor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the University of Kentucky College of Education, has some practical tips that have grown out of her professional education experiences and personal practices as a single parent of three grown daughters (a physician, an accountant/personal trainer, and a stay-at-home mom).

Brown, who teaches graduate level multicultural education, foundations of education, and business education courses, to Kentucky's future teachers

believes that a key to a positive, successful school year includes developing, organizing and maintaining sound and enriching family routines.

The UK faculty member's major research interests are in the areas of multicultural education and educational equity. Her writings have been published extensively in professional journals and she has been honored for her outstanding teaching and university service.

Brown offers the following tips to help youngsters get ready for a new school year:

- Review your children's required summer reading and have them write a simple report on each book. Don't forget the library.

- Involve children in cultural and physical activities and include nature programs that may also require critical thinking skills.

- Make sure the annual physical is completed including vision and hearing.

- During the summer, help children develop a habit of journal writing to reflect on their activities at least once per week.

- Review with your children the school rules including dress codes (don't buy inappropriate school clothes) and behavior (language and conduct).

- Have an emergency contact list for the school and your children. Make sure it is easy for children to reach you and that they know the people on the list.

- Purchase a school calendar and mark important activities (PTA, Parents' night).

- Make sure you have the children's bus schedule and the bus route. Review it with the children and the code of conduct on the bus.

- Go over home safety rules with children including who is

allowed in the home if you are at work, speaking to strangers, the emergency police and fire numbers to call.

- Inform the school of any potential special needs that your child may have as early as possible before school opens.

Brown offers some additional family life hints to help nurture a healthy home-life and educational experience for children:

- Families should develop and maintain a schedule that includes how much TV is allowed per week.

- When at home, families should set a permanent bedtime, based on the children's ages.

- Unless away on vacation, families should plan summer activities that coincide with children's school wake-up times.

- A daily family quiet time for reading should be set aside. (During the school year the reading time can be divided between pleasure reading and homework, Brown said).

- Develop a family exercise

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Funding headed to the MAC

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers announced that the U.S. Department of Education is releasing \$99,200 to the Mountain Arts Center in Prestonsburg. The federal funding will be used to expand the Center's music and arts program by offering instruction in sound and video production, stage design, audio recording, water color art and photography.

"Anyone who has ever stepped foot into the Mountain Arts Center knows that it is a world class facility," said Rogers. "This funding will help expand the MAC's already outstanding curriculum and provide even more opportunities to learn and develop artistic skills and talents."

The Mountain Arts Center is a publicly-owned cultural arts complex based in Prestonsburg. It hosts a wide variety of shows and concerts, and conducts education classes for people of all ages interested in music, art, theatre, ballet and crafts. The Center offers a scholarship program to assist underprivileged students.

Rogers worked to obtain

funding for this project in his role as a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee.

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Former students, staff sad to see Clark go

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — When area firefighters trained at Charles F. Clark Elementary Saturday, some of them, former students of the school, expressed sadness about the demolition.

Fire Marshal Bobby Carpenter recalled his "rude awakening" to Floyd County's corporal punishment rules when he moved from Michigan to attend sixth grade at Clark Elementary. He was spanked for refusing to spit his gum out.

"It scared me for life," he laughed.

Fire Chief Gary Dotson, who attended the school when it opened in 1964, talked about his experiences during his eight-year tenure there.

"It's going to be different," he said, walking through the gym. "It's kind of sad. There's a lot of old memories here."

Dotson's mother, Elsie, was included in the first group of teachers who instructed at Clark Elementary. The entire family attended the school, she said. The former teacher, who retired in 1981, said she would "hate to see it torn down because it wasn't that old."

The construction of Charles F. Clark Elementary, initially referred to as the "Middle Creek Elementary School," took place during the "Prestonsburg Building Boom" during the 1963-64 school year. The state appropriated \$45.2 million toward a construction and equipment program that helped open 1,061 classrooms for the 1964-1965 school year.

Charles F. Clark Elementary was the largest of the newly constructed schools, with an

opening enrollment of 595 students, a total that was later amended to 603 students. It was named after the superintendent in place at that time.

The unusual design of the \$366,000 school reportedly attracted "wide attention" for its "originality and practicality."

During this time, construction was underway with other schools, roadways, bridges, homes, the county's fifth courthouse, the community college, the library, and the state's "Economic Security Structure" on North Lake Drive, from which \$36 million dollars appropriated through President Johnson's "War on Poverty" was disbursed for area improvements.

When the school opened, it was reported that 800 Floyd County students occupied brand new class rooms and "fewer than ever in the county's long history were housed in one room schools."

Sixteen one room schools consolidated into Clark Elementary, which had 18 classrooms. The construction eliminated all one-room schools on Middle Creek, Spurlock, David and surrounding areas.

"In some ways it is sad because it is a good building, but there will be an improvement, and improvement is always good," former teacher Earl D. Ousley said. Ousley, who retired in 1985, described the students he taught during his 19-year tenure at the school as a "close-knit group." He also recalled his rural school teaching days.

"I began teaching in a one room school in Spurlock," he said. "I taught six years in one-room schools. There were three on Spurlock. That was before we had countywide busing."

Ousley said the board of education would bring a truckload of coal to each one-room school in preparation for the winter months. Older students living near the schools were in charge of starting a fire in the "potbelly stove" every morning, he said.

"Someone who lived near the school was given a key and the teacher would pay him a small amount to come in the morning and build a fire. When the children arrived, the building was usually warm," he said. "It's amazing [that students were given this responsibility]. It would be far from being allowed these days."

Former principal John K. Pitts, who now lives in Georgetown, recalled similar memories.

Pitts, acting as principal for 22 years (long enough to see former students bringing their own children to class), began in a one-room school at the mouth of Conley in Spurlock.

"We had 50 or 60 children until it rained in the fall," he said. "It was pretty hard to get to school back then."

The county suffered with severe road problems during and before the 1963-64 school year. Several roads ran alongside, and in, creeks.

Pitts said that education was different in those days, particularly because students and parents respected teachers and because things like "dope" were unheard of. David was a "thriving" community at this time, he said, pointing out that the little town "even had its own doctor."

Some students, he said, were 15 or 16 years old while attending the eighth grade. Those students usually did not continue their studies, he said.

Clark Elementary went

through several changes in the 1970s, Pitts said. Walls were removed, rooms were combined, and furnishings were added.

"We were really a good school, or at least I think we were," he said. "It was a nice place for students to be."

Pitts, and other former affiliates of the school, said students from throughout Floyd County began commuting to Clark. At one point, Pitts said, the influx of students sparked controversy about overcrowding.

Former teacher Nadine Hicks, who currently works as the parent involvement coordinator in Floyd County, came to Clark after teaching in a one-room school at Pyramid.

She said that every teacher attending Clark that first year was a rural school teacher, with the exception of Judith Carter, who had just graduated college.

"I ended up with 47 seventh-graders," Hicks said. "At first it was a little strange, but soon we were all got settled in. We had a wonderful PTA, I remember that. We were all pleased. I'd come from a place where I taught all eight grades, to a school where I was only responsible for teaching one grade. I was in hog heaven!"

She described the school as having a "family atmosphere" where all teachers felt responsible for every child.

In the 1970s she said, teachers trained for two consecutive summers to obtain the designation of being a "Right to Read" school.

Educators from all over Kentucky and other states flocked to the school "to see what we were doing," she said.

Hicks said she had "mixed emotions" about the demolition.

Former teacher Ann Dickerson said her husband, James, worked as a volunteer coach with Billy Jo Prater to establish the school's athletic team. Pitts said the school held most of its basketball games in Magoffin County during the early years because Dickerson was acquainted with people there. The school system later developed a basketball program, he said. Students attending that first year, Dickerson said, voted to name the team the "Clark Indians."

"It's kind of heartbreaking to see it disappear," she said. "I'd like for the new school to have the Clark Elementary name, but I don't think they are going to name it that."

One former student, Cheresh Shepherd, is requesting that officials provide historical community tours of the school before it is torn down.

"I drive by it every day. It's just, I don't know, sad, I guess," Shepherd said. "It's sad that it's

not going to be there, that's it's not going to be the same school I went to."

Though several expressed sadness about the demolition, many affiliated with the school throughout the years say they understand the need for change and improvement.

Current principal Wayne Combs, who is gearing up for the new changes this school year, said the change "is for the best."

"When it's time to go, you need to go, you don't hang on and on and on. That's pretty much what I did," Pitts said, when asked what he would say to those who don't want to see the school torn down.

Supt. Paul Fanning said officials are currently trying to iron out traffic problems at Adams Middle School, the host school for Clark students who are now in transition. He said the district is waiting for the state to review the contract before demolition begins.

Educating the county in 1963-64

■ Jan. 10, 1963: The board voted to name the "Big Mud Creek School" in honor of chairman John M. Stumbo. They also voted to pay Town Branch Community Church \$15 month for temporary use of their building as classroom space.

■ Jan. 31, 1963: The board released an architect's rendering of the "Middle Creek Elementary School" building. The Times wrote: "The unusual design for the school, with an octagon 'hub' from which two wings of classrooms extend, has attracted wide attention. Its originality and practicality have earned the commendation of state Department of Education officials." Clark said of the \$366,000 structure, "This is the second building let to contract in an ambitious building program calculated to give each child in Floyd County a modern classroom."

■ Feb. 7, 1963: The board hired 10 teachers and bought five buses, each equipped to handle 66 passengers. The county was dealing with severe road problems. "We don't have a rural road in the county that is in good condition, and as long as the weather remains as it is, there isn't much we can do about it," said County Judge Henry Stumbo. The county's "Old Man Moses" — Woodrow Burchett — made his annual predictions at a Kiwanis Club meeting. "The road to nowhere will be completed and it won't be necessary to take food stamps to the toll," he said.

■ Feb. 21, 1963: Supt. Charles F. Clark announced the approval of schools holding Saturday classes, if needed.

Clark polled 510 teachers and 350 of them returned ballots, voting 2-to-1 in favor of holding Saturday classes in Floyd County to make up for missed school days. During this vote, 286 teachers also voted in favor of teaching during their vacations and 21 voted against it.

■ Feb. 28, 1963: Clark sent a letter to all teachers, telling them that they couldn't be paid by "the usual 25th." "We shall pay as soon as we have taught enough days to enable us to get payroll straightened out. You may rest assured that we shall pay as soon as it is possible and legal," he wrote.

\$340,000 was appropriated at a meeting for construction of John M. Stumbo Elementary.

■ May 12, 1963: Flood disaster hits county again. Clark announced that the time missed because of the flood "made it absolutely necessary" to have Saturday classes. Millions in damage were reported in the county.

■ May 23, 1963: The Floyd County Teachers Association placed a full page ad in an effort to "Save our Schools" by asking voters to nominate Edward T. "Ned" Breathitt to run for governor. "We honestly believe that the educational welfare of our children hinges on the outcome of this election," they wrote. Controversy sparked across the county after Breathitt gave political speeches in Floyd County schools and in other schools across the state. Previously this month, the board discussed the controversy during a meeting. Clark was "strongly opposed to any statement of policy which might pre-

vent such appearances until after the May 28 primary." Clark argued that the other two candidates for governor should be given the same courtesy as Breathitt. In June, the board voted unanimously to prohibit politicians from speaking at schools during class hours.

Breathitt succeeded in the November election and the newspaper called Floyd his "banner county" with the total county vote in his favor topping 13,146. He officially took office in December.

■ June 13, 1963: Floyd County was below the state average in the amount of money spent on each child annually. The state spent \$250 annually per child in 1960 and 1961, but Floyd County, reported as spending \$209.85, ranked 106 out of 120 counties in annual allocations per child. At this time, students in the central part of the state received more, on average, and students in the "poorer eastern section" received less.

■ On June 13, 1963: It was announced that Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. (acting as under-secretary of Commerce) would head a task force of federal representatives to discuss area issues with local leaders at Jenny Wiley State Park. The meeting was part of President Kennedy's new Appalachian Regional Commission.

■ On June 20, 1963: "For the first time in 20 years or more, Floyd County has a surplus of teachers."

(At this time, subscription rates for The Floyd County Times ranged from \$3.50 to \$5.)

■ Sept. 12, 1963: The board

declined to prohibit prayer and reading of the Bible in Floyd County schools. Clark mailed a copy of the Attorney General's opinion that prohibited "time-honored Bible readings and prayer" to every teacher.

■ Nov. 21, 1963: The board purchased 5.03 acres of land in Left Beaver for the Wheelwright Elementary School. It was announced that the school would be an "adaptation of the Middle Creek Elementary School now under construction."

■ Nov. 28, 1963: "Gloom Pervades Land" when Kennedy is assassinated.

■ Dec. 12, 1963: The board

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Veteran seeks to represent himself on assault, endangerment charges

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Gunlock man who amassed various charges for fighting with police officers after bringing a shotgun into the Floyd County Justice Center last summer has requested to act as his own attorney at a status conference in circuit court on Tuesday.

Carter Ray Castle, 57, made the announcement after his attorney, Ned Pillersdorf, informed

Judge John Caudill of Castle's intentions. Caudill noted that representing one's self in court is never an action he endorses and said that Castle's mental health history gave him pause in granting the request.

Castle responded by saying, "I understand what you're saying and thank you for your concern, but I want to represent myself."

Pillersdorf noted his opinion for the court record, saying, "He has a serious mental illness. I don't think the man is competent

to represent himself."

Judge Caudill followed up saying, "You aren't trained in the law and you would be up against a man [Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner] who is schooled in prosecuting people."

Pillersdorf joined in asking if Castle would prefer to have the court assign a different lawyer, which prompted Castle to declare, "I want to represent myself. You're fired."

Judge Caudill opted to keep the door open on the issue by

ordering that Castle be evaluated to determine if he is mentally fit to proceed before granting his request.

"I think this is a bad decision you're making," Caudill said. "I just want to be sure in my own mind that you are competent to do that."

Physicians at the Kentucky Correctional Psychiatric Center had already examined Castle and determined that he was competent to stand trial for the case, but observed that he was also suffer-

ing from post-traumatic stress disorder which he was diagnosed with after returning from service in the Vietnam War.

Castle had allegedly stopped taking his medication last summer, which Pillersdorf said, at a previous court appearance, led to his behavior at the Justice Center, which he pointed out had no criminal gain for his client.

Judge Caudill overruled Castle's request to have his electronic ankle bracelet removed. The device was installed as part

of Castle's bond and alerts authorities if he leaves his home.

Ironically the attorneys had made an agreement to have Castle's sentence result in a prolonged probationary period which would have included monitoring his medication intake in order to keep him from having any future episodes.

Castle's charges could see him serve up to 20 years in prison should he go to trial and be convicted. The crimes he is charged with include five counts of wanton endangerment and two counts of assault. He also faces one charge of attempted murder of a police officer for allegedly trying to wrestle a weapon from an officer's holster which followed the Justice Center incident.

After bursting into the Justice Center and shouting commands to two bailiffs while waving a shotgun around Castle proceeded to the Red Light Diner where most of the charges were amassed when he got into a struggle with police officers. Castle allegedly ordered two cups of coffee before the struggle ensued and was once again carrying a firearm, which in that case was a .357 Magnum.

Timeline

discussed bids for the construction of the Floyd County Library. The Middle Creek Elementary School and Prestonsburg Community College, a wing, at that time, of the University of Kentucky, were slated to open in September 1964.

(Telephone directory distributions began this month in Floyd and surrounding counties.)

■ Jan. 9, 1964: The board unanimously voted to renew the \$9,200 contract for Clark to serve as superintendent and the \$2,400 contract for him to act as board secretary. The district had 12,000 pupils at this time. Board members also approved a \$490,000 bond sale to finance the construction of Wheelwright Elementary. Clark was authorized to ask for bids on "teacher wardrobes" at Middle Creek Elementary, which was nearing completion at this time. The school was expected to eliminate all other Middle Creek schools except for David.

■ Jan. 23, 1964: University of Kentucky trustees adopted a plan to split the college into "two separate but interrelated systems." The plan centered on making college education affordable and accessible to a wider range of people.

■ Feb. 27, 1964: Burglars vandalized Garth Vocational School.

■ March 12, 1964: The

board announced 25 new projects that would provide work for several unemployed fathers under the New Works program. Clark announced the employment of 40 men and said that the 25 projects necessitated approximately 22,000 man hours. It was later reported that 126 unemployed fathers were put to work on 14 projects in Prestonsburg and surrounding areas. A "surprise" motion was passed during a regular meeting this month to name the Middle Creek school after Clark. This same month, the board approved a U.S. Department of Health plan calling for "intensive health screening" of all preschoolers. Buses transported children from area post offices to the health department for the screenings.

■ March 26, 1964: A story appeared about the continuation of the "Prestonsburg building boom." Construction was underway for the courthouse, the community college, the library, and the state's Economic Security Structure on North Lake Drive. More homes were also being built in town at this time.

■ April 9, 1964: The Board met to accept bids to furnish a cast iron pipe waterline from Prestonsburg to Charles F. Clark Elementary School, a \$30,453.11 project. They also amended the school calendar to make up for days missed due to

inclement weather.

■ April 30, 1964: President Lyndon B. Johnson toured Martin and Johnson counties. He requested \$220 million from congress to initiate a five-year plan for development progress in the surrounding eight-state area. An additional \$36 million was specifically requested for this region, and was to be administered by the "new office" of Economic Opportunity, which was built to handle funds disbursed through Johnson's nationwide "War on Poverty."

■ July 9, 1964: Bert T. Combs bridge was dedicated. Dr. John P. Archer, the county's oldest living doctor, died at 55.

■ August 6, 1964: The board approved an agreement with the state education department to participate in an adult education program. The goal was to teach parents to read and write and to teach those with below-standard education how to improve their reading and writing capabilities, at least to the eighth-grade level. If they completed the program, they were given "equivalency diplomas" for concentrated studies in English, math and social studies.

■ August 13, 1964: This day was "moving-in day" at the courthouse, the fifth courthouse to serve the county. The first courthouse, a log structure, was destroyed by fire in 1808. Saturday, Sept. 12, 1964, was

designated as "Courthouse Day."

■ August 27, 1964: It was reported that 800 Floyd County students occupied brand new classrooms and "fewer than ever in the county's long history were housed in one-room schools." Charles F. Clark Elementary was the largest of the newly-constructed schools, with an opening enrollment of 595. The newly constructed six-classroom building in Harold also held 200 students.

Approximately 1,200 people attended the open house held this week at the Charles F. Clark Elementary School. The water line from Prestonsburg to the school was completely installed a few days prior to the ceremony. Construction of the school eliminated all other schools on Middle Creek, including David's five-room schoolhouse. Sixteen one-room schools consolidated into the school, which had 18 classrooms. Asst. Supt. Wayne Ratliff said the school year opened with "the teacher situation the best in 15 years." There were 15 or fewer emergency teachers on the payroll, as compared to the 115 emergency teachers employed five or six years previously.

■ Sept. 3, 1964: The college opened with an enrollment of 300.

■ Sept. 10, 1964: It was reported that Floyd County school enrollment decreased by 332. At this time there were 70 schools in the county and only 16 of those schools had enroll-

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ment increases. Clark Elementary enrolled 603, as opposed to 472 enrolled at various one-room schools during the 1963 school year.

■ The following teachers taught the first class: Edna Davis, Anna Bell Harris, Gladys Shepherd, Wanda Allen, Clara Stephens, Mildred Whitaker, Pauline Hicks, Mary Slone, Ann Dickerson, Oma May Williams, Elsie Dotson, June Stephens, Goldie Stephens, Nadine Hicks, Delphia Hicks, Dixie Neeley and Judith Carter. The school had no library at this time.

■ The school has had three principals: John K. Pitts, Irene Goble and current principal Wayne Combs.

Clark

officials say, allows access, but doesn't completely damage the door itself, a plus for residential and business owners who would otherwise have to replace an entire door when firefighters are called to investigate a problem like a fire alarm.

Firefighters also practiced safety procedures in window breaking. They used equipment to break through glass in various classrooms and on the gymnasium roof.

On the roof, teams of firefighters learned how to cut ventilation holes and trenches, a procedure that allows heat, smoke, and gases to escape during a fire. This technique makes entry less dangerous for rescuers down below. Fire Marshal Bobby Carpenter said, because the expansion of water vapor creates a "blanket" of steam that

could impede progress with the rescue. He also said ventilation techniques help alleviate "back-draft" situations.

Carpenter said forcible entry and ventilation practices are the most strenuous aspects of a fire rescue mission.

"Do it with the weight of the air pack, 'cause in real life, that's where you'll be," he told his group, who were using a gas powered circular saw to cut through the roof.

The firemen also practiced search and rescue techniques in one section of the school, where a fire hose was laid. The men were blindfolded and had to feel their way out of the room using the hose as a guide wire. Firefighters can tell which way the hose leads by the way the male and female coupling attachments are situated.

The firemen also practiced overhaul techniques in the former school library. During a real fire, they would use a thermal imager to detect hot spots in charred walls. For this training session, hot spots were already marked. They tore through the walls to extinguish the problem, as they would during a real emergency.

Officials used skill sheets to administer the training session.

Carpenter and Fire Chief Gary Dotson both expressed appreciation for the opportunity to use the school to train area firefighters. An opportunity to practice on a commercial building is rare, they said, particularly in regards to ventilation training.

"People aren't going to let you put a hole in their roof," Dotson said.

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Soccer signups Saturday

Floyd County Youth Soccer will hold signups Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Prestonsburg McDonalds.



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Blackcats impressive in first scrimmage

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

LOUISA – Spirited would be a good word to use to describe the opening scrimmage of the preseason for the Prestonsburg High School football team. Both Prestonsburg and its opponent, Lawrence County, came out of the gate on Saturday as if it were the opening round of the playoffs and not the first scrim-

mage of the year.

Blackcat coach John Derosssett was happy with the team's effort but was far from being satisfied.

"We played well at times, but also had some fumbles and mistakes that have to be corrected and we will get back and get to work," DeRossett said.

The Prestonsburg head man was impressed with the play of several players on Saturday. Sam Chaffin was one player who

caught the attention of the coaching staff with his play on defense.

Dave Shaffer played well at quarterback for the cats as the senior connected on several pass attempts and also tossed a touchdown pass to Brandon Peters. Prestonsburg hit pay dirt several times on Saturday with Lawrence County scoring three times, but one was called back due to holding and another called back for an illegal block.

The Prestonsburg line is expected to be a strong point of this team and Saturday witnessed the Blackcat defensive front setting up camp in the Lawrence County backfield.

Tyler Hamilton, Tyler Layne and Wes Woods played were just a few of several Blackcats that played well on Saturday. Lincoln Slone, Brandon Peters

(See BLACKCATS, page two)



photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg High senior running back Brandon Peters started his way on a run during Saturday's scrimmage against Lawrence County.

KHSAA NOTEBOOK

Fall sports seasons begin

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Golf started the 2005-06 KHSAA sports season, beginning play back on Aug. 1. Volleyball joined in Monday, with Cross Country and Soccer to begin on Aug. 15. Football kicks off its season with Week No. 1 set for Aug. 19.

■ For the fifth consecutive year, KHSAA staff will be conducting an Athletic Administrators Workshop. The program is scheduled for Friday, Aug. 12 at the KHSAA Office in Lexington. The workshop will help introduce programs and procedures for those who have entered an athletic administrator role within the last year. The event begins at 10 a.m. (ET).

■ The annual HYPE/KHSAA Student Leadership Conference is set for Wed., Aug. 31, at the Lexington Convention Center.

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Raiders scrimmage Morgan



photos by Steve LeMaster

Above: South Floyd High head coach Donnie Daniels gave instructions in Saturday's scrimmage game against Morgan County.

Below: Senior receiver Justin Slone will run and catch the football for the Raiders during the 2005 season.

by STEVE LEMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – Host South Floyd and Morgan County traded scores early on during Saturday's scrimmage game at the Raider field. Morgan County eventually outscored South Floyd in the scrimmage game that pitted two playoff teams from one season ago.

For South Floyd, Saturday's scrimmage game came just a few days after the Raiders arrived back from Georgetown College and football camp. During the Georgetown camp, South Floyd was joined by several teams, including Seneca, Lexington Catholic and Johnson Central, among others.

While South Floyd's offense stalled at times Saturday, Raider fans were able to get a look at a South Floyd offense that will utilize an attack that includes both rushing and passing the football.

South Floyd is minus over half of its starters from last season's squad and the Raider coaching staff will have to fill some holes on both offense and defense.

■ Ryan Johnson is back at quarterback for the Raiders. During Saturday's scrimmage, it didn't take Johnson long to find fellow senior and standout wide receiver Justin Slone, either.

Slone, South Floyd's leading receiver from last season, caught passes and also took carries out of the South Floyd backfield Saturday.

■ Anthony Barker is another South Floyd player who got a hand on the football in the scrimmage versus Morgan County and will get some offensive looks in the season ahead.

■ Last season, T.J. Hall gave South Floyd another receiving threat. Playing from his tight end position, Hall worked in well with the Raider

(See SCRIMMAGE, page two)



photo by Jamie Howell

Betsy Layne senior quarterback Brandon Kidd dropped back to pass Friday during his team's scrimmage against Sheldon Clark.

State Football Finals schedule finalized

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON – The schedule of games for the 2005 KHSAA State Football Finals, set to be played at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium Dec. 2-3, has been confirmed. The format will be a single night game on Friday, followed by a triple-header on Saturday. The Class AAAA Championship will kick off at 7:30 p.m. on Friday. Saturday's schedule begins with the Class AAA game at 11:30 a.m., followed by the Class AA game at 3:30 p.m. The Class A game will kick off at 7:30 p.m.

This will not be the first time the state finals has had a triple-header day format. Most recently in 1995, the Class A, AA and AAA were played on Friday, followed by the AAAA game on Saturday. Throughout the years until the late 90s, three games were played on Friday with the fourth on Saturday.

Horsemen fall in second round

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON – The Lexington Horsemen (12-5) were unable to retrieve a late fourth quarter onside kick to make a late push to advance in the United Indoor Football playoffs against the Sioux Falls Storm (10-8) who won 62-58.

Randy Bell tied a Horsemen franchise for rushing touchdown in a game, running for four in the loss.

Sioux Falls Terrance Bryant led all passers with 206 yards, going 13-23 with three touch-

downs and one interception. Bell's 80 yards on the ground led all rushers. The Storm's James Jones was the top receiver, catching 6 passes for 114 yards.

Both teams started the game by scoring early and often. The Horsemen scored on their first three possessions and the Storm scored on their first four. Bonner threw a 25-yard pass to J.T. Haskins to get the Horsemen on the board first. The other Lexington scores were on Bell

(See HORSEMEN, page two)



photo by Steve LeMaster

Allen Central fullback Joe Brown found himself at the bottom of a large pile at the end of a run Friday evening in a scrimmage against visiting Cumberland. Allen Central will open the 2005 season against Floyd County rival Betsy Layne.

Volleyball adds use of libero

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Beginning with the 2005 playing season as adopted by National Federation rules, the KHSAA will recognize the use of the libero. The libero is intended to be a player who specializes in defense and serve reception and can replace any back row player except the current server. Entry into the match is not considered one of the allowable substitutions, but its entry must be tracked. In addition, the libero wears a jersey that is in contrast to the other players on the court. The libero cannot attack, serve, block or

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Horsemen

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runs. Sioux Falls' Marques Smith had two rushing touchdowns and Terrance Bryant had one rushing touchdown and threw for a score to Smith.

The scoring frenzy continued into the second, with both teams scoring three times. Lexington's scoring came on a 25 yard pass from Bonner to Derek Homer, an eight-yard pass to Eric Magrini and an

eight-yard Bell run. Sioux Falls scoring came on a Adam Hicks field goal, a one-yard run by James Jones and a 26-yard pass from Bryant to Leon Hall.

After and offense packed first half, the defenses stepped up after the break. The Horsemen and Storm each only managed one score in the quarter. Homer got his second score of the game on a one-yard run.

Sioux Falls' Bryant threw for his third touchdown of the game when he connected with Matt Holmlund.

Despite another Bell touchdown run and an eight-yard scramble by Bonner, the horsemen couldn't make up the deficit in the final stanza. Sioux falls added to their tally with a Hicks 19-yard field goal and a Bryant one-yard touchdown run.

Powers

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"Taco" Fletcher; T71 Tom Pennington; 2M Randy Boggs.

Open Wheel Modifieds - 69 Tim Moore; B17 Brandon Johnson; 12 Kevin Copher; 82 Randy Fouts; 38 Marty Meade; B3 Randy Boggs; 28 Walt Mayabb; 3 Arlie Daniels; 18 Gary Fitzpatrick; 28L Lee McKenzie; 25K Chris Bowlin; J4 Leslie Johnson; 20W Davey Wamock; 01 B.J. Osborne; 06 Kevin Hall.

Limited Late Models - 5M Scott McCloud; 88 Tandy Spurlock; CJ1 Charlie Jude; 75 Brian Salisbury; 15C Corey Wadell; 0 Alban Watts.

Super Bomber Feature - 24H Michael Paul Howard; 42 Jim Lemaster; 7A Glen Patton; 74 Beadie Blackburn; 46 Dennis Deboard; A 85 Allen Turner; 69 Ronnie Conley; 55T Tracy Lucas; 24 Jimmy Johnson.

Double Purse Bombers - 25 Albert Butcher; 18 Gary Fitzpatrick; 11 Pete Castle; P12 Dean Pennington; T23 Keith Tischer; R17 Don Risner; 51 Beadie Blackburn; 7C A.J. Stambaugh; U2 Nathan Grimm; 10 Lee Ross; 18 Gary Cunagin; 20 Bo Howard; 66 Rodney Hamilton; B6 Jarrod

Blair; J17 Jimmy Arnett; 1 James Stacy.

Modified Four-Cylinder Feature - 2 Kelly Neace; 3 Jacob Ross; 35 Austin Francis; 53 James Rice; 7M (Driver name unavailable).

Regular Four-Cylinders - 18S Shawn Ousley; 06 Glen Stevens; P20 Erwin Vance; 1 Jamie Hamilton; 32 Jimmy Adams; 71 Ryan Litteral; -3L Lester Robinette; 44 Billy Blanton; 18K Shawn Henson; CD4 Alerd "Junebug" Newsome; 19Jr. Darren Rogers; -3 Jack Clevenger.

Volleyball

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attempt to block.

Locally, high school volleyball teams from Floyd and surrounding counties have hit the courts for the start of the 2005 season. In Floyd County, Betsy Layne is the defending 54th District champion. Last season, in the 54th District, South Floyd finished runner-up to Betsy Layne. Both teams

advanced on to the 15th Region Tournament.

BACK TO NORTHERN KENTUCKY - The 2005 KHSAA State Volleyball Tournament is headed back to the Northern Kentucky area. This year's State Tournament is scheduled for Oct. 28-29 at will be played at Regents Hall on the campus of Northern

Kentucky University in Highland Heights. NKU served host to the event in 1983 and again in 1992.

Ryle High School and Gray Middle School in Union was the Northern Kentucky area home of the event in 1994, 1996 and 1998-2002. Frankfort Convention Complex hosted the 2003 and 2004 State Tournaments.

KHSAA

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This marks the fifth year the Association has provided the free conference for student-athletes to learn teamwork exercises, sportsmanship initiatives and discuss current issues. Over 400 student-athletes and advisors are expected to attend.

Former Louisville Iroquois and WNBA star Kym Hampton will be the conference opening speaker. Hampton was a member of the New York Liberty of the WNBA. She currently lives in Brooklyn where she teaches and is a professional model and singer. Hampton was inducted into the Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame in March.

Harvey Alston will be the closing speaker. Alston returns to the event having spoken at the first two KHSAA Conferences. He is a former successful coach and teacher in Ohio and currently is one of the more popular high-energy motivational speakers.

The 2005-06 KHSAA EventsCalendar is now available for purchase. The calendar includes sports specific important dates as well as Board of Control and Advisory Committee meetings and other

KHSAA related information. Calendars are \$8 each by mail or \$6 if purchased at the KHSAA office. Orders can be made by contacting Marilyn Mitchell at the KHSAA office or purchased online through the KHSAA website.

Orders are now being taken for 2005-06 KHSAA Handbooks. Those may also be ordered online or by contacting Ms. Mitchell. Handbooks are \$15 each by mail or \$10 if purchased in person for the bound printed version. The three-ring binder insert version will again be available by mail for \$20 or \$30 for the binder and insert. In-person, the insert is \$15 or \$25 for the binder and insert. Handbooks, as in the past, will be mailed the first full week of September.

The Athlete magazine, the quarterly publication of the Association, is available for a one-year subscription price of \$15. The subscription includes the popular "Year-End" championship results issue. The 2004-05 Year-End results issue will be available in late August.

Schedules for boys' and girls' soccer, volleyball and football have been posted on the

Riherd's/KHSAA scoreboard. Member schools are reminded to make sure all games have been entered through the "Member School Only" link on the KHSAA website.

Beginning with the 2005 season, the KHSAA has approved a "Mercy" rule for use in soccer. At its July 12 meeting, the Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association clarified the Soccer Mercy Rule that it approved at its November 2004 meeting. The Soccer Mercy Rule now reads as follows:

If one team has a 10 goal lead at the end of the first half or at any point in the second half, the match will be terminated. This rule will also be observed in post-season play.

The Board of Control of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association will hold a special meeting to review appeals on Monday, Aug. 22 at the Association office in Lexington. The next regularly-scheduled Board meeting is set for Sept. 15-16, also at the Association office in Lexington. For an agenda for either meeting, contact the KHSAA.

Scrimmage

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offense. Due to a shortage of offensive linemen, Hall has been moved down inside on the South Floyd O-line. During Saturday's exhibition game

against visiting Morgan County, Hall played guard. On defense, he's resumed his regular spot at a defensive end position.

Junior Ethan Johnson has

returned to playing football. Johnson, a junior, lined up in both the offensive and defensive backfields during Saturday's scrimmage game against Morgan County.



photo by Steve LeMaster

The South Floyd defense went in pursuit of a Morgan County ballcarrier.

Blackcats

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and Brenton Hamilton all got multiple carries and reeled off nice runs in the contest. Hamilton, a senior fullback, will be a workhorse for the cats

and is expected to pick up the tough short yards for the cats this season.

Prestonsburg will travel to Morehead on Saturday evening for

an 8 p.m. scrimmage under the lights against Pulaski County and then get set to open the regular season on Aug. 26 at Hazard in the Pride of the Mountains Bowl.



photos by Jamie Howell

Heated at times, Saturday's Prestonsburg-Lawrence County scrimmage afforded both teams a physical preseason scrimmage. Below: senior quarterback David Shaffer dropped back to pass



Goosen masters another tough test at International

by EDDIE PELLIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CASTLE ROCK, Colo. - The tougher the conditions got, the higher Retief Goosen's name shot up the leaderboard.

That's the reputation Goosen established by winning two U.S. Opens. And after a few hiccups this year, a grueling victory at the International has him feeling good again, especially with the season's final major coming up next.

The Goose overcame Brandt Jobe down the stretch and outlasted the rest of the field over 36 exhausting holes Sunday to become the last member of the Big Five to make it into the win column this season.

To this point, it had been collapses in the final rounds of the U.S. and British Opens that have defined Goosen's season. But with this win, he got a \$900,000 payoff and the perfect boost into this week's PGA Championship, the season's final major.

"I wouldn't say I lost confidence," Goosen said of the 81 and 74 he shot in the final rounds of the Opens. "But I was disappointed in the way I played. At some stage, you figure the tide is going to turn."

Goosen had eight points in the third round and seven in the fourth to finish with 32, one better than Jobe, in the modified Stableford scoring system, which awards five points for eagles, two for birdies, none for pars and deducts one for bogeys.

Jeff Brehaut opened the final round with four straight birdies to get in contention and finished third with 29 points. Big-hitting Hank Kuehne was fourth and Charles Howell finished fifth.

Although Goosen has played well enough to be ranked fifth in the world, he was without a victory this year. Two of his best chances were lost in the final round of majors - first in a melt-

down at Pinehurst that denied him his third U.S. Open title, then in a bad round at St. Andrews that contributed to an easy win for Tiger Woods.

The competition was nowhere near as stiff in this one - Phil Mickelson was the only other member of the Big Five who played - but there was nothing easy about this day.

The first 36-hole finish on tour since September 2003 - this one played at mile-high altitude on the hilly, 7,619-yard Castle Pines course - really did turn into a complete mental and physical test.

Goosen estimated he drank a bottle of water a hole over the final 18. Jobe said he only had time to change shirts and eat half a sandwich in the rush between rounds.

"I think it's our legs that really start to fade," Goosen said. "My gosh, in the last sort of six holes, I was starting to feel it a little bit. I suppose it's like when you run a marathon, and you just start doing a few sloppy things out there."

Indeed, as the day wore on, the shotmaking suffered.

It forced Goosen to put his typically methodical spin on what is often one of the more exciting events on tour. He hit safely into the par-5 17th green for a two-putt birdie, then saved par on No. 18 with a 4-foot putt after hitting his approach into the second cut of fringe.

That was a far cry from Jobe, who was erratic and exciting and almost broke through for his first PGA Tour win.

The veteran, who grew up near Denver and dominated junior golf in Colorado, could have won the tournament with a birdie on 18, but his chances were hurt when he teed off into the rough. His second shot landed 30 feet from the cup and when he left the birdie putt short, he put his hand on his hip and looked down, bemoaning

the great opportunity lost.

"I figure you've just got to keep plugging away and one of these times, something good is going to happen," he said.

Jobe made four straight birdies - three to close his third round and one to start his fourth - to take a nine-point lead early in the afternoon. But he closed with four bogeys and one double over the last 17 holes to wind up short of his first win on the PGA Tour.

Lowlights included a shot he had to hit left-handed near a tree by the eighth green and another he sculled from a greenside bunker on No. 4 onto the fifth teebox, resulting in a double bogey, worth minus-three points.

"It's been horrible," Jobe said of his sand play this year.

Despite those problems, Goosen gave him a chance.

The Goose teed off into the rough on four of the final nine holes, but made six pars, two bogeys and one birdie to hang on for his sixth career win on the PGA Tour and first this season. Ernie Els, another member of the Big Five, hasn't won yet on PGA Tour this season, but he has won three times in Europe.

"At some stage, I was sort of wondering where my golf was going," Goosen said. "I started practicing more than I used to. I started working harder on my putting than I normally do and that started paying off."

Maybe Goosen's best shot of the day was a simple recovery from deep grass on the par-3 16th after a terrible tee shot left him about 40 yards from the hole. Goosen pitched out to 4 feet, saved par and maintained a one-point lead - not spectacular, but precisely what he needed on this draining day.

"I won't say I hit the ball extremely well in places," he said. "But I hit the right shots at the right time, and that sort of kept me going."

Vegas gets All-Star game, but Stern out of touch on betting issue

by TIM DAHLBERG
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LAS VEGAS — It's hard to argue with David Stern when he says he knows what is good for the NBA. He's quick to point that out himself when he tells you how much league revenues have soared since he took over.

When Stern starts talking about Las Vegas, though, you'd swear he was still stuck in the days of the two-handed set shot.

Stern came to Sin City on Friday to toss it a bone, albeit a big one at that. Eighteen months from now, Las Vegas will host the 2007 NBA All-Star game, the first non-NBA city ever chosen for the league's midseason showcase.

That gave city leaders an occasion to round up some showgirls and giddily celebrate the coup. The smiles became forced, though, when the questioning turned to whether the NBA would actually allow Las Vegas to have a team.

Stern said he didn't want to

ruin the moment. Then he went ahead and did it anyway.

"It's not about a moral crusade about gambling," Stern said. "It's just about betting on basketball games."

Meaning?

"Most fans happen to like to cheer for their teams to win, not just to cover point spreads," Stern said. "It changes the relationship, potentially, of the fans with the team."

Say what?

Apparently Stern clings to the misconception that most people in Las Vegas can't make it through the day without betting on sports. He doesn't seem to understand that this is a city of some 2 million, most of whom are about as likely to place a wager as they are to get free NBA All-Star tickets.

They're soccer moms, Little League dads, businessmen, casino workers and kids who want a team of their own to root for. If they had a team, they'd back it just like they did the UNLV

Runnin' Rebels when they were the closest thing to an NBA team in the early 1990s.

Besides, what's the difference between cheering for your team to cover the over and cheering for it to score 100 points so everyone can get a free taco?

Give Stern credit for originality, though. At least he didn't trot out the old excuse that gamblers might somehow be able to come up with enough money to bribe multimillionaires to throw games.

The NFL loves that one, but the truth is that sports betting scandals are about as passe as tri-colored basketballs. They went out about the time Wilt Chamberlain came in.

Stern allowed Las Vegas to get around the betting issue for the All-Star game by agreeing not to take bets on the game. It wasn't much of a concession since serious gamblers seldom wager money on games that players don't take seriously.

That doesn't mean the best

players in the league won't be able to bet on the NBA while in town for the game. They can, just like they can bet with a few clicks of the mouse in a hotel room in Philadelphia or San Francisco.

"It's not about players betting because they won't," Stern said, well, rather sternly.

So what is the NBA really afraid of when it comes to one of its teams relocating to Las Vegas? Maybe that Sin City is too much fun.

What good-looking, 20-something millionaire athlete wouldn't want to be here? Free agents would sign for less just to be in Vegas, and road trips to the city would be circled in red on every team's schedule.

Las Vegas kind of sticks out among cities you'd like to bring your posse to.

Houston hosts the All-Star game next year, but other than tour the Astrodome or guess how many different oil refinery odors you can identify, what's a

baller do at midnight? San Antonio seems like a nice enough city, but the Alamo is closed at night and there's only so many times you can go on the River Walk.

Indianapolis? Well, the Steak n Shake does stay open late. It's too dangerous, meanwhile, to go out past dark in Detroit, and there's no reason to in Salt Lake City.

Las Vegas, on the other hand, has so many night clubs that some don't even bother to open until 2 in the morning. There are craps tables, plenty of dazzling women, strip clubs galore, \$500 bottles of Cristal everywhere and parties until the sun comes up.

That can make for a long season if you're not careful.

Stern and some of his fellow owners are old school, but times may be changing. George Maloof helped bring the All-Star game here, and he and his family own both a team (Sacramento Kings) and a hotel-casino (the Palms).

Old stigmas die hard. But

watching Stern flanked by a couple of feathered and barely dressed showgirls at the All-Star announcement showed how closely tied the entertainment offered by the NBA and Las Vegas really is.

The city's mayor is a former mob lawyer, and he believes common interests prevail in business just like they do among families.

"He (Stern) is a reasonable man and I've represented the Don Corleones of the world in the past and learned that reasonable men do reasonable things," Mayor Oscar Goodman said.

"As far as I'm concerned, we'll have an NBA franchise here."

Some day when Stern is gone perhaps. But for right now, that's an offer the NBA can refuse.

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Zito inducted into racing's Hall of Fame

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SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. — Trainer Nick Zito was inducted into the National Museum of Racing's Hall of Fame Monday, the latest milestone in a career that started with a two-horse stable and includes four wins in Triple Crown races.

Zito was elected in May in his eighth year of eligibility. Three steeplechase standouts, jockey Thomas Walsh, trainer Sidney Watters Jr. and five-time champion Lonesome Glory, also were inducted during the ceremony across from Saratoga Race Course.

"Some of us get a chance to do something we love," the 57-year-old Zito said. "Sometimes if we're fortunate, we get to do it over and over. Some things we do well, some things not so well. No matter how bad we do, with the love that we have for the sport, there's never really a bad day attached to it."

Zito won the Derby with Strike the Gold in 1991 and Go for Gin in 1994, and won the 1996 Preakness with Louis Quatorze and the 2004 Belmont Stakes with Birdstone, who played the spoiler's role in Smarty Jones' Triple Crown bid. On Saturday, he won the

\$750,000 Whitney stakes with Commentator, the first time Zito's won that Grade 1 race.

"It's an incredible honor," Zito said. "What can I say? It gives you goose bumps."

Under a new voting format, nominees in four racing categories — trainer, jockey, contemporary male horse and contemporary female horse — had to get 75 percent of the votes to be elected. Previously, the top vote-getter in each category was elected. Zito was the only one of 20 nominees who received the necessary votes of 127 returned ballots among 163 eligible voters.

The steeplechase division is separate, with nominees considered every four years and voting done by a 12-person committee.

Zito missed out on a chance to win the Derby with a record-tying five horses or the Preakness with a record-equaling three horses this year. At the time of his induction, he had saddled 1,420 winners and horses he trained had earned \$71,119,670.

Zito, who started out as a hotwalker before opening a two-horse stable in 1972, had his best earnings year in 2004, when he saddled 86 winners and totaled nearly \$7 million in

purse money. After his Strike the Gold won the Kentucky Derby in 1991, Zito made Triple Crown events his primary goal.

Zito has had 19 Derby starters, 16 in the Preakness and 13 in the Belmont. He also has trained two champion fillies — Storm Song in 1996 and Bird Town in 2003.

During his 12-year riding career that ended in 1967 at the age of 27, Walsh was fifth in victories with 253, including five straight wins in the prestigious Grand National Steeplechase. Walsh currently trains horses and is based at Belmont Park.

The 88-year-old Watters led or shared the lead in steeplechase victories six times between 1948 and 1971. He led steeplechase trainers in purse money earned three times. He also was a successful flat-race conditioner who trained 1983 3-year-old champion Slew o' Gold and 1970 2-year-old champion Hoist the Flag. Watters was not able to attend the ceremony. He was represented by his son, Eric.

Lonesome Glory, with 24 wins in 44 career starts from 1991-1999, is steeplechase racing's leading money-earner with \$1.4 million.

Blackcat football camp set for Saturday

PRESTONSBURG — After a successful camp just two weeks ago, Prestonsburg High School head football coach John DeRossett has announced a second Blackcat football

camp for Saturday, Aug. 13 at Josh Francis Field. The camp is open for any child in grades K-8 and will run from 9 a.m. to noon. The fee for the camp is \$15. Signups for the camp will

begin at 8:30 a.m. with members of the Prestonsburg High coaching staff on hand to work the event. Several areas of instruction will be focused on during the camp.



photo by Steve LeMaster

IN THE HUDDLE — Above: Allen Central High School head coach Jeremy Hall talked with the Rebel offensive unit in between plays. Below: Betsy Layne players listened to an offensive play.



The Paintsville Tiger Sharks have been involved in six meets this season. To date, the team has captured a combined 240 first-place medals.

Clark, teammate earn academic honors

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Two University of Louisville men's tennis players — Jeremy Clark and Jakob Gustafsson — earned Intercollegiate Tennis Association Scholar Athlete honors for the 2004-05 season. In order to earn ITA Scholar-Athlete status a player must be a varsity letter winner, have a grade point average of at least 3.50 (on a 4.00 scale) for the current academic year and have been enrolled at their present school for at least two semesters.

Gustafsson, a native of Hollviken, Sweden, compiled an 18-4 overall singles record playing mostly at No. 3. The exercise science major was named to the All-CUSA third team and earned C-USA Sportsmanship honors.

Clark, a Stanville native and graduate of Prestonsburg High School, and biology major, went 15-13 in singles and 14-11 in dual matches as the Cards' No. 5 player.

The doubles team of Gustafsson and Clark posted a 16-7 record and appeared as high as No. 29 in ITA doubles rankings. The Cards received their second consecutive at-large bid to the NCAA tourna-

ment and achieved the highest team ranking in program history at No. 24.

"Jeremy Clark and Jakob Gustafsson are not only incredible tennis players, they are academic scholars," said U of L head coach Rex Ecarma. "When their tennis careers are over, they are going to be leaders in their chosen academic fields. Both Jeremy and Jakob are great role models for our young players because they not only succeed on the court as nationally ranked players and in the classroom, and they also have many great relationships in their lives. I am extremely proud of them."

Louisville finished the 2005 season with a 22-10 overall record, was runner-up in the Conference USA Championship. U of L received its second consecutive at-large bid to the NCAA tournament and defeated Notre Dame in the first round before losing to fifth-ranked Illinois in the second. The Cardinals reached the program's highest team ranking at No. 24 and finished the season at No. 33 in the final Intercollegiate Tennis Association rankings.

Colonels back On the field

TIMES STAFF REPORT

RICHMOND — Eastern Kentucky Football's 2005 pre-season camp officially kicked off Monday afternoon under overcast skies at the EKU practice fields.

Third-year head coach Danny Hope and his staff welcomed the Colonels back to campus on Sunday evening but the enthusiasm took hold once the group returned to the field.

Monday's practice was held in helmets only as the team gets reacclimated to football conditioning.

EKU held its second practice of fall camp Tuesday evening.



National League: Reds 9, Cubs 4



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CHICAGO — The Cincinnati Reds showed off their power against the slumping Chicago Cubs.

Ken Griffey Jr. hit a three-run homer, Adam Dunn had a two-run drive and Austin Kearns added a solo shot, leading the Reds to a 9-4 victory over the Cubs, who have lost six straight games.

Javier Valentin drove in three runs, including two with a bases-loaded double, as the Reds staked Brandon Claussen

(7-8) to a 9-0 lead.

"We got some big hits from Dunn and Griffey," Reds interim manager Jerry Narron said. "Griffey's big three-run homer was huge for us at the time of the ballgame ... I like the way we played."

Griffey's homer, his 24th, capped a four-run rally in the sixth. It was his 18th in 61 games since May 25. He also doubled.

Dunn's shot in the third was his 33rd and tied him for second in the NL with Chicago's Derrek Lee. It was Dunn's 10th homer in 24 games since the All-Star break. He went 2-for-5 and has 27 hits in his last 83 at-bats.

Claussen pitched seven shutout innings, allowing only a double to Todd Walker and a single to Matt Murton while striking out three and walking five. He didn't give

up a hit after the second.

"Hey man, a 9-spot," Claussen said his offensive support. "That's like getting 5-under par on the back nine rolling up 18. The only thing I was disappointed with is that I did walk some guys."

The left-hander has won his last three starts after dropping four straight decisions.

"He's had some tough luck against these guys, so it's good to see him come out and pitch the way he did," Kearns said. "Any time you can do that here against a lineup that can hit the ball out of the ballpark like them, that's impressive."

Brian Shacketford pitched a scoreless eighth before the Cubs scored four runs in the ninth off Randy Keisler.

The Cubs fell to 27-27 at

Wrigley Field and are 6 1/2 games behind Houston in the NL wild-card race. At 54-58, Chicago is in fourth place in the NL Central, four games ahead of fifth-place Cincinnati.

"We're just in a funk and we can't seem to find a way out of it," said Walker, who had three of Chicago's nine hits. "The last inning, we bust out of it and hopefully that will carry over."

Chicago starter Jerome Williams (3-5) allowed seven runs on seven hits and two walks in 5 1-3 innings. The right-hander is 0-3 in three starts at Wrigley Field since being acquired from San Francisco on May 28.

Cubs starters have posted only two wins since July 19, a span of 19 games.

"We couldn't get the ball down today," Cubs manager

Dusty Baker said. "The ball was up and the location wasn't where he wanted it. Power hitters — when you get the ball up and over the heart of the plate — you're going to get hurt."

Glendon Rusch relieved Williams with one out in the sixth and was charged with one run in 1 2-3 innings. Kerry Wood pitched a perfect eighth.

Valentin's bases-loaded double in the second gave Cincinnati a 2-0 lead. Dunn's homer, a line shot to right-center in the third, extended the lead to 4-0.

Kearns led off the sixth with his homer, and Griffey connected with two outs in the inning to make it 8-0.

Valentin drove in Cincinnati's final run with a groundout in the seventh.

Jeromy Burnitz, Matt

Lawton and Walker had RBI singles in the ninth for Chicago.

Notes: While the middle of the Reds' lineup is hitting, the top isn't. Ryan Freel and Felipe Lopez, the Reds' leadoff and No. 2 hitters, are hitless in their last 41 at-bats combined. On Monday, Lopez was in the lead-off spot and went 0-for-3 with two walks and a run scored. Freel batted second and was 0-for-5. ... Cubs SS Nomar Garciaparra played his first game at Wrigley Field since April 13. He tore a groin muscle in St. Louis on April 20 and returned from the DL last Friday in New York ... The Cubs' longest losing streak this season is eight games. ... Monday was the 17th anniversary of the Cubs' first night game, on Aug. 8, 1988. That game started, but was rained out.

Role players getting big hits for Cardinals

by ARNIE STAPLETON
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MILWAUKEE — The St. Louis Cardinals' lineup didn't look so potent with Scott Rolen and Larry Walker on the DL and Albert Pujols and Jim Edmonds getting nothing to hit.

The Cardinals' unheralded hitters, however, came through for the second straight game, leading St. Louis to an 8-4 over the Milwaukee Brewers on Tuesday night.

With Pujols and Edmonds drawing three walks each, Mark Grudzielanek homered and drove in a career-high five runs. Abraham Nunez had three hits, including the go-ahead single in the eighth and So Taguchi added two hits and two RBIs in addition to two outstanding plays in right.

"It's a complete team," said Matt Morris, who failed to join the 100-win club but was cheerful nonetheless after the Cardinals (71-41) went 30 games above .500 for the first time this season.

"Sometimes your bench players are your most important players," Morris added.

In other NL games, it was: Chicago 9, Cincinnati 4; Colorado 4, Florida 3, 11 innings, first game; and Colorado 5, Florida 3, second game.

Altogether, the Nos. 5-6-7 hitters combined to go 8-for-13 with all eight RBIs for the Brewers.

"That just shows you with our club there's a lot of different ways we can go out there and we can get a victory," said David Eckstein, whose walk-off grand slam beat the Braves on Sunday. "Grudzielanek had a great night, but once again you were looking at Nunez."

Nunez was playing for Rolen, and Taguchi for Walker.

"Those guys are stepping up big when we lose key guys," Eckstein said. "They have stepped in and done unbelievable jobs."

Added Grudzielanek: "That's why we're at where we're at. Taguchi and Nunez are playing awesome. That's huge because Edmonds and Pujols can't continue to do it every night. It's somebody different every night."

But there was nothing out of the ordinary about Grudzielanek's big night.

Victor Santos can't figure out how to retire Grudzielanek, who accounted for all four runs that Santos surrendered in four innings by hitting a solo homer and a two-run double, then scoring on Taguchi's single.

"With those two big hits, Grudzielanek improved his career batting average against Santos to .565.

"I don't know what it is," said Grudzielanek, who is 13-for-23 against his favorite pitcher. "I'm sure he's trying to figure it out."

Santos hasn't been able to put his finger on it.

"That's the guy I hate to face when the game is on the line," Santos said. "I don't pitch him the same way every time, but he always seems to get hits off me."

Making it all the sweeter for the Milwaukee native was doing it in front of 10 family members.

Grudzielanek added a two-run single off Jorge De La Rosa in the ninth after scoring the go-ahead run on Abraham Nunez's RBI single off Matt Wise in the eighth inning that snapped a 4-all tie.

Nunez's bloop single off Wise (4-4) landed in front of

center fielder Brady Clark, who was playing deep, pulled up, grabbed the ball on the bounce and fired late to home plate, where Grudzielanek scored from second.

Brewers manager Ned Yost insisted his center fielder wasn't playing too deep.

"You can't have your defensive guys everywhere. It wasn't like Brady was playing with his back against the wall. Brady came in a few steps," Yost said. "He just hit it under the coverage. It would be nice if you could have 15 guys out there, but you can't."

Randy Flores (2-1) pitched a perfect seventh for the win.

Rockies 4, Marlins 3, 11 innings, 1st game; Rockies 5, Marlins 3, 2nd game

At Denver, Danny Ardoin hit a tiebreaking two-run homer, Byung-Hyun Kim (3-8) won for the first time in seven starts, and Colorado completed a doubleheader sweep.

Ryan Shealy went 3-for-3 and drove in a run in the second game and was 5-for-8 with two RBIs in the doubleheader.

Ismael Valdez (1-1), who was 3-0 in his previous three starts against Colorado, allowed five runs and 10 hits in six innings.

In the first game, Dustan Mohr homered with two outs in the 11th inning off Valerio De Los Santos (1-1). Scott Dohman (1-1) pitched two scoreless innings to earn his first major league win.

According to the Elias Sports Bureau, Sunny Kim and Byung-Hyun Kim became the first players with the same last name to start both games of a doubleheader for a team since brothers Gaylord and Jim Perry of Cleveland did it on June 22, 1974, at Boston.

Yankees beat El Duque, White Sox

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The New York Yankees took a break from their search for reliable pitching to beat someone who used to provide it for them.

Mike Mussina outpitched former teammate Orlando Hernandez, and Alex Rodriguez hit a two-run homer that sent the Yankees to a 3-2 victory over the Chicago White Sox on Monday night.

Hernandez gave up three runs and four hits in six innings. During two stints with the Yankees from 1998-04, he was 61-40 in the regular season and 9-3 with a 2.65 ERA in the postseason.

"I put him up there with Mo (Mariano Rivera) as one of the greatest competitors that I've ever played against," Rodriguez said. "It's kind of weird seeing him in a different uniform."

The Yankees could use another pitcher like El Duque in a year when injuries have forced them to use 13 starters, their most since 1991. That number could increase Thursday if Randy Johnson is forced to miss his start because of a bad back.

Johnson had an MRI on Monday that revealed inflammation of the lumbar spine, and another injured starter, Carl Pavano, was in Alabama to have his shoulder examined by Dr. James Andrews.

Hernandez (8-5) wasn't concerned with his old friends, or their problems.

"They are not my teammates anymore. My teammates are the ones here with me, the Chicago White Sox. It's another team now," Hernandez said. "I wanted this victory, like all of them. I don't like to lose."

In other AL games, it was: Boston 11, Texas 6; Detroit 9, Toronto 8 in 12 innings, and Seattle 5, Minnesota 4.

The game at Yankee Stadium was the first meeting this season between New York and the White Sox, who have the majors' best record at 72-39. The Yankees (60-50) moved 10 games over .500 for the first time this year.

"We did a lot of good things tonight. It was just a complete, clean ballgame for us," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "You're curious when you haven't faced a team that has a record like they do, to see how you match up to them. It makes you feel a little better about yourself."

Mussina (11-7) allowed two runs and eight hits, striking out seven and walking none. Tanyon Sturtze and Tom Gordon each worked a scoreless inning before Rivera finished for his career-best 30th consecutive save.

"Today was the way we drew it up," Mussina said.

Aaron Rowand made superb catches in center field on the first two New York batters, but Gary Sheffield walked before Rodriguez hit his AL-leading 32nd homer and second in two games.

The Yankees got another run in the second on Derek Jeter's run-scoring groundout, but nothing else against Hernandez.

"You knew Duque is going to bend but not break," Torre said. "He didn't give us much, but he walked a couple of guys. That was vintage Duque."

Rowand doubled in a run and scored for the White Sox, who send Jose Contreras — another former Yankee — to the mound Tuesday.

Red Sox 11, Rangers 6 — At Boston, Tony Graffanino had three hits and showed rare power with a three-run homer in a game between baseball's two highest-scoring teams.

Graffanino, batting eighth, went 3-for-3 — capped by the

homer that made it 8-5 in the fifth — and even was walked intentionally.

Jeremi Gonzalez (2-1) pitched 2-2-3 scoreless innings in relief of Wade Miller as Boston won for the 10th time in 12 games. Steve Karsay (0-1) allowed four runs in two innings in his second appearance for Texas.

Boston entered the game with a major league-leading 609 runs, and Texas had 608.

Tigers 9, Blue Jays 8, 12 innings — Vance Wilson hit a go-ahead single in the 12th inning off Scott Schoeneweis (2-3) and visiting Detroit ended a three-game losing streak.

Vic Darenbourg (1-0) pitched 1 1-3 innings for the win, and Craig Dingman got the last two outs of the 12th for his second save.

Alex Rios homered and had a career-high five hits for the Blue Jays.

Mariners 5, Twins 4 — Jesse Crain walked Jeremy Reed with the bases loaded in the eighth inning to push across the tiebreaking run for host Seattle.

George Sherrill (1-0) got the victory by getting two outs in the eighth. Eddie Guardado pitched the ninth for his 26th consecutive save and his 27th in 28 opportunities.

Carlos Silva (7-6) took the loss as the Twins fell 7 1/2 games back in the AL wild-card race.

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Mauch remembered as master strategist despite infamous losses

by KEN PETERS
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LOS ANGELES — Even with his teams' storied collapses, Gene Mauch left an indelible imprint on baseball.

Mauch, who won 1,901 games during 26 years as a major league manager, died Monday after a lengthy battle with cancer, the Los Angeles Angels said. He was 79.

Known as "the little general" for his intricate game strategies and no-nonsense dealings with players, Mauch was regarded as one of baseball's top innovators.

He still gained far more notoriety for his teams' historic failures.

"If it's true you learn from adversity, I must be the smartest (guy) in the world," Mauch once said.

He died at Eisenhower Medical Center in Rancho Mirage, Calif., the desert resort area where he had lived since retiring.

A big league skipper with California, Philadelphia, Montreal and Minnesota, Mauch was the National League manager of the year three times. He is sixth in baseball history with 3,938 games managed, and 11th on the career victories list.

"When you played against

him he looked like a robot, but when you got to know him you learned how passionate he was about the game," New York Yankees manager Joe Torre said Monday. "He was a very classy, very generous, very caring man."

Mauch is forever linked to dramatic collapses. He was manager of the Philadelphia Phillies in 1964 when they led the NL by 6 1/2 games with 12 games remaining, but lost 10 in a row — and the pennant — to the St. Louis Cardinals.

"He carries the burden of the '64 Phillies, but if it wasn't for Gene's managing, we would have never been in position to win the thing," Phillies vice president of public relations Larry Shenk said.

Mauch managed the California Angels in 1986 when they were within one out of advancing to their first World Series before they blew a three-run lead to Boston in Game 5 of the ALCS. The Red Sox won that game and the next two to win the series.

He also managed the 1982 Angels, who won the first two games in the best-of-five ALCS against Milwaukee before losing the final three.

"I don't think history will be as fair to him as it should be," said Tim Mead, the Angels' vice president of communications and a member of the organization since 1979. "He was brilliant. Gene Mauch could put together a game just by looking at the box score."

Bobby Wine, who played 12 seasons under Mauch in Philadelphia, said Mauch was a master at thinking ahead.

"I don't know of a better strategist. He knew the rules better than umpires," Wine said. "One time, Jim Bunning was having trouble with a baseball. The umpires wouldn't give him a new one."

"Gene came out to the mound, dropped the ball on the ground and spiked it with his shoes. Bunning got a new baseball."

Mauch was one of the first managers to use double switches.

"I was playing shortstop and Gene came out to take out the pitcher," Wine recalled. "He told me I was out of the game, too. I said, 'Why me? I didn't give up the home run.'"

"It was the first time I was involved in a double switch," Dallas Green said. "He was

so far ahead of everyone and knew the rules better than anyone and used that to his advantage. He respected the game very much and taught all of us how to play good, sound, fundamental baseball."

Mauch, a native of Salina, Kan., began his major league career in 1944 with the Brooklyn Dodgers. He played for nine seasons on six teams — the Dodgers, Pittsburgh Pirates, Chicago Cubs, Milwaukee Braves, the Cardinals and the Boston Red Sox.

A utility infielder who was a mediocre player, he had a career average of .239 with five home runs.

His first major league managing job was with the Phillies in 1960. They went 58-94, but within two years Mauch would be named NL manager of the year after leading them to an 81-80 record in 1962.

He won the award again in 1964, the year of the Phillies' great disappointment. Mauch guided Philadelphia to a record of 92-70, his best as a manager until the 1983 Angels went 93-69.

He left Philadelphia 54 games into the 1968 season.

In 1969 he was hired to manage the expansion Montreal

Expos. Mauch stayed in Montreal for seven seasons and won his third and final manager of the year award in 1973 as he helped lift the lowly Expos to a 79-83 record and a fourth-place finish in the NL East.

Mauch joined the Minnesota Twins in 1976 and spent the rest of his career in the AL. He was with the Twins until 1980, followed by two stints with the Angels, the first in 1981 and 1982 and the second from 1985-87.

One of Mauch's greatest disappointments came at the end of his career, with the Angels' so-called "Donnie Moore" game.

With a 3-1 lead in games over the Boston Red Sox in the best-of-seven AL Championship series in 1986, the Angels held a 5-2 advantage going into the ninth inning of Game 5. After Mike Witt retired the first two batters, the Red Sox got a runner on before Don Baylor homered to make it 5-4.

Mauch pulled Witt and brought in left-hander Gary Lucas to face the left-handed hitting Rich Gedman, who was 4-for-4 against Witt in the game.

Lucas hit Gedman with a pitch — his first hit batter in four years — and Mauch summoned Moore,

his closer.

Henderson hit a two-run homer to put the Red Sox ahead 6-5.

The Angels tied the game again in the ninth but lost in 11 innings and then dropped the series when the Red Sox won two straight in Boston.

Moore, who said he had a sore arm when Mauch sent him out in the ninth, never recovered from the loss. He soon was out of baseball, and committed suicide in 1989.

Asked in recent years how often he thought about that 1986 game, Mauch replied: "Only when guys have the temerity to ask about it."

Mauch was still following baseball closely when the Angels won the World Series in 2002, softening many of the team's ugly memories.

"I get so keyed up during these games," Mauch said during the Angels' playoff series against the Minnesota Twins in 2002. "All I did for 50 years was study the game day and night. And I will forever, for however long 'forever' is."

Mauch is survived by his wife, Jodie, and a daughter, Leeanne. Funeral services were pending.

Phillips, players believe Kentucky's offensive woes in the past

by MURRAY EVANS
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LEXINGTON — There's no way to spin it — Kentucky had one of the nation's worst offenses last football season, which is why Joker Phillips has his current job.

Phillips, promoted to offensive coordinator in December after the Wildcats finished 2-9, said Saturday during Kentucky's media day at Commonwealth Stadium that he's ready for the challenge and expressed optimism that Kentucky's offense will be vastly improved.

"This is a great opportunity for myself to lead this offense, and lead a team that I've been a part of for a long time," Phillips said. "I'm going to relax and have fun with it and let the chips fall where they may."

"We'll have more weapons on the field at the same time. We've got guys that can make plays. We've got to get those playmakers on the field at the same time."

Kentucky finished 114th of 117 NCAA Division I-A teams last season in scoring offense, averaging only 15.73 points per game. Only twice did the Wildcats score more than 17 points. The Wildcats were 115th in total offense, averaging 275.45 yards per game. Making matters worse was that their archrival, Louisville, led the nation in both categories.

Former offensive coordinator Ron Hudson resigned under pressure before last season's final game, against Tennessee. Phillips, head coach Rich Brooks and now-departed offensive line coach Paul Dunn called the plays in that game, in which the Wildcats scared the heavily



University of Kentucky senior Arliss Beach (5) should find his way back into the Wildcat offense after an up-and-down junior season. Also pictured above is freshman quarterback Curtis Pulley.

favored Volunteers before falling 37-31.

Players have said that Phillips' offensive system is easier to understand and should therefore be easier to execute. But they're careful not to criticize Hudson.

"Coach Hudson was a good coach. It's a shame that he had to go. I have a lot of respect for him," sophomore wide receiver Keenan Burton said. "Coach Phillips is a good coach. We're going to do what we did under coach Hudson — we're going to try our hardest and go out there and try to perform like he wants us to perform. Coach Hudson

made it easier for coach Phillips to come in and teach us a lot of things he's teaching us." Sophomore Jacob Tamme began benefiting from Phillips' promotion even before it happened. Coaches switched Tamme to tight end before the Tennessee game, and he responded by catching two touchdown passes against the Volunteers.

"Everyone just has a lot more confidence in doing things right," Tamme said. "We're just kind of relaxed and having more fun. Hopefully that will result in more points on the board. We know that we can make plays

and (Phillips) is going to put trust in us to do it."

Phillips, the Wildcats' recruiting coordinator and wide receivers coach the past two seasons, played for Kentucky from 1981 through 1984, during which time the Wildcats went to the Peach Bowl and the Hall of Fame Bowl. His first stint as a Kentucky assistant ran from 1988 to 1996, and he later served as an assistant at Cincinnati, Minnesota, Notre Dame and South Carolina.

Brooks said that Phillips' lack of experience as a coordinator could actually be an advantage for Kentucky, as

opposing coaches will have little film of a Phillips-run offense, which theoretically could make forming game plans more difficult.

"Stay tuned," Brooks said, when asked about Phillips' play-calling style. "We're going to find out, aren't we? One thing about it — nobody knows what Joker is going to call. There's no track record."

"Joker has been a guy that's been capable of doing this for quite a few years and he's finally getting his first shot."

The offense will benefit, Brooks said, from the return of key receivers like Burton and Tommy Cook, who missed most or all of last season because of injury. Another somewhat-overlooked factor in last year's struggles was the lack of offensive line depth, Brooks said. The Wildcats had only 10 schol-

arship offensive linemen last season. They have 19 interior linemen listed on the preseason roster, although 12 are freshmen or sophomores.

"We couldn't go very deep last year, but this year, we'll be a solid two-deep up front," Phillips said.

One of the new linemen is Garry Williams, a 6-3, 300-pound freshman from Louisville who signed with Kentucky in 2004 but was academically ineligible last season because his scores on standardized tests weren't high enough. The NCAA granted Williams a waiver based on extenuating circumstances. Williams spent his first two years of high school caring for his ill mother, which hampered his grades those two years. He made significant improvement academically as a junior and senior.

Williams granted eligibility

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — The NCAA granted an eligibility waiver for University of Kentucky freshman offensive lineman Garry Williams, enabling him to enroll at Kentucky and join the team. Williams had signed in 2004 but was not eligible last season. During the last year he continued to take the standardized tests and became very close to gaining eligibility. The NCAA granted a waiver on the basis of extenuating circumstances. During his first two years of high school, Williams spent a lot of time caring for his ill mother, which notably hampered his grades. He made significant improvement during his junior and senior years, and the exemption was granted on the

basis of his hardship the first two years.

Williams was a first-team all-state choice as a senior at Seneca High School in Louisville, and was an All-South Region selection by PrepStar magazine. He played impressively for the victorious Kentucky team in the 2004 Kentucky-Tennessee High School All-Star Game.

Louisiana-Monroe added to 2006 schedule: The University of Louisiana at Monroe (formerly known as Northeast Louisiana) has been added to the Kentucky football schedule on Nov. 18, 2006, at Commonwealth Stadium. This will be the third meeting between the schools. In 1994, Northeast Louisiana defeated Kentucky 21-14. In 1997, UK beat Northeast Louisiana 49-14.

Cardinals meet media, look ahead to Big East

by CHRIS DUNCAN
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LOUISVILLE — A maintenance crew was imprinting a Big East logo on the field at Papa John's Cardinal Stadium early Saturday morning as the Louisville Cardinals gathered for media day.

The players were barraged with questions about their transforming program — its new league, the potential automatic bid to the Bowl Championship Series and the higher than ever expectations kindled by last year's 11-1 campaign.

On the first day of fall workouts, though, the Cardinals weren't noticing any differences from past seasons.

"The way we practice is still the same," said senior defensive tackle Montavious Stanley. "Ain't nothing changing with us."

The Cardinals rolled through their final season in Conference USA, winning eight league games by an average score of 57-19. They're supposed to win the Big East, too, but the coaches have already convinced the players that victories won't come as easily as they did last year.

"It's a big jump. Week in and week out, we're going to be in some dogfights," said sophomore quarterback Brian Brohm. "It's going to be a tougher road, but we're up to the challenge."

Once the team pictures were taken Saturday, the reporters swarmed around Brohm, the much-hyped successor to 2004 Conference USA Player of the Year Stefan LeFors.

Brohm has been used to the spotlight since boyhood.

The son and brother of former Louisville quarterbacks, Brohm was touted as a budding superstar in grade school, then guided Trinity to three straight state championships. He then snubbed Notre Dame and Tennessee to play close to home.

He never started last season backing up LeFors, but completed 67 percent of his passes when he did play. He was named the Conference USA freshman of

the year, fueling more expectations for this season.

And that's fine with him.

"When the lights are on, that's when I like to show my stuff," Brohm said. "Some people kind of shy away from that attention, but if you want to be one of the great ones, when the lights are on, you've got to come to play."

The Cardinals led the nation in total offense (539 yards per game) and points per game (49.8) in 2004. They lost leading rusher Eric Shelton to the NFL draft, but second-leading rusher Michael Bush, three receivers and the entire offensive line are back.

"Our goal every year is to be the No. 1 offense in the nation," Brohm said. "We're going to put up as good of numbers as we can."

Louisville's first practice was Saturday afternoon and third-year coach Bobby Petrino talked to his team about the ramifications of playing in the Big East.

"I just like to address it, put it right out in front of them that this is the expectation, what other people are saying," Petrino said prior to Saturday's first practice. "But what really matters is what's in the meeting room and what we believe we can get done and not what other people say."

Petrino has said one of the best competitions this fall will unfold at middle linebacker. Robert McCune was drafted by the Washington Redskins after leading the Cardinals with 115 tackles last season. Sophomore Matt Sanders, redshirt freshman Lamar Myles and junior college transfer Nate Harris are the candidates to fill McCune's role.

Petrino is also looking for redshirt freshman Hunter Cantwell to blossom into the backup role behind Brohm. He's also eager to evaluate quarterback Lee Sweeney, a freshman from Tennessee.

"I'm excited to see how Hunter Cantwell will do," Petrino said. "He surprised me a little bit, how accurate he threw

the ball, how well he saw things.

"I really like the ability Sweeney has," Petrino said. "The thing I like about him though is he's won a bunch of games. He knows how to win in football, knows how to win in baseball. So I think that's one thing you look at in a quarterback is do they know how to win? That makes it much easier."

Cards hold Sunday practice

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LOUISVILLE — The University of Louisville concluded its second practice of the preseason on Sunday morning at the football complex. The Cardinals started at 10 am and finished about 1 p.m. The freshmen and newcomers came out early with the veterans joining the workout about an hour later.

There was also a lot of individual position work tonight — then wideouts went up against the defensive backs, the two lines went against each other. Practice ended with 11-on-11 work. Because no one can hit the quarterback and there is no tackling, the offense tends to look pretty good in this drill. Senior wide receiver Joshua Tinch made a pair of acrobatic catches by leaping over defenders to make a pair of tough catches on throws from sophomore Brian Brohm. Junior Kolby Smith and Michael Bush were very successful running behind the mammoth offensive line.

Junior Gavin Smart continued to be one of the best corners in camp. Coming off a couple of shoulder surgeries, Smart looks healthy and has been a pleasant addition to the Cardinals after missing most of the year last season.

Practice finished with the first team offense going through its two-minute drills and concluded with the PAT/FG which always signals the end of practice.

NCAA bans Indian mascots, nicknames from postseason events

by MICHAEL MAROT
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INDIANAPOLIS — The NCAA's decision to ban "hostile" and "abusive" American Indian nicknames from its postseason events has stirred a new debate, and a threat of legal action from at least one school.

Florida State and Illinois are among the 18 schools with an American Indian nickname or logo that will be prohibited by the NCAA from displaying them in postseason events, starting in February. The names will not be allowed on team uniforms and mascots — such as the Fighting Illini's Chief Illiniwek — will not be allowed to perform at games. Even band members and cheerleaders will be barred from using American Indians on their uniforms beginning in 2008.

Florida State president T.K. Wetherell was already threatening legal action to keep his school's nickname — Seminoles — intact.

"I intend to pursue all legal avenues to ensure that this unacceptable decision is overturned, and that this university will forever be associated with the 'unconquered' spirit of the Seminole Tribe of Florida," he said in a written statement.

The committee also recommended schools follow the examples of Wisconsin and Iowa and not schedule contests against universities that use American Indian nicknames.

While NCAA officials admit they cannot force schools to change nicknames or logos, they want to make a statement they believe is long overdue: It's time

for the Indian names to go.

The 18 schools will not be permitted to host future NCAA tournament games, and if events have already been awarded to those schools, they must cover any logos or nicknames that appear.

Major college football teams will be excluded because there is no official NCAA tournament.

The NCAA's move did nothing to end the controversy over the use of American Indian nicknames.

Wetherell, for instance, was upset the NCAA discounted a June statement from the Florida-based Seminoles, which gave the university permission to use the nickname.

An NCAA official said other Seminole tribes around the nation were opposed.

And at Illinois, spokesman Tom Hardy said the university would now have to decipher what the definitions of "hostile" and "abusive."

"There's no question that the university and the board of trustees are going to have to look at what the NCAA put out today and make a determination on how it impacts the institution and go from there," Hardy said.

Even supporters of the ban were disappointed.

Vernon Bellocourt, president of the National Coalition on Racism in Sports and Media and a member of the Anishinabe-Ojibwe Nation in Minnesota, approved of the ban but had hoped the NCAA would take even stronger action.

"We're not so happy about

the fact that they didn't make the decision to ban the use of Indian team names and mascots," he said.

Chairman Walter Harrison, president of the University of Hartford, said the committee does not have that authority.

"We believe hostile or abusive nicknames are troubling to us and it can't continue," Harrison said.

But there were exceptions.

President Myles Brand noted that some schools using the Warrior nickname will not face the ban because they do not use American Indian symbols. One school, North Carolina-Pembroke — which uses the nickname Braves — will also be exempted because Brand said the school has historically had a high percentage of students, more than 20 percent, who are American Indians.

Two years ago, the NCAA also recommended schools determine for themselves whether Indian depictions were offensive. Among the schools to change nicknames in recent years were St. John's (from Redmen to Red Storm) and Marquette (from Warriors to Golden Eagles).

Other schools, such as Florida State, did not make the changes and now find themselves embroiled in a battle to keep their names.

"The rules as we understand them would have us cover the Seminole name and symbol as if we were embarrassed, and any committee that would think that is a proper and respectful treatment of Native Americans should be ashamed," Wetherell said.

Rondo sets steals record against China

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

MAR DEL PLATA, Argentina — The 2005 USA U21 World Championship Team (1-0) got off to a roaring start at the FIBA U21 World Championship after collecting a 117-50 victory over China (0-1) in opening day action in Mar del Plata, Argentina, on Friday evening. Curtis Withers (Charlotte / Charlotte, N.C.),

who was a perfect 7-of-7 from the field, led six U.S. players in double digits with 19 points.

Withers' shooting percentage tied Wesley Person's USA U21 single-game record 7-of-7 from the field, which dates to the 1993 tournament. Additionally, Rajon Rondo (Kentucky / Louisville, Ky.) doubled the USA's former single-game steals record after being credited with eight, while

the team eclipsed the previous single-game marks for steals with 21 (former record was 15), as well as most 3-point field goals made and attempted with 14-of-31 from 3-point (former records were 12 and 25).

"I didn't realize I had that many, but the thing is, that's what I do," said Rondo. "That's the reason I'm on the team

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Four QBs, led by Marino and Young, enter Hall of Fame

by BARRY WILNER
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CANTON, Ohio — Dan Marino just couldn't resist.

The NFL's most prolific quarterback showed off his arm one more time, finishing off his induction into the Pro Football Hall of Fame with — what else? — a perfect spiral to Mark Clayton, one of his many targets through the years.

"Of course, in the end, every quarterback wants one more Sunday with a football in his hands and going deep," Marino said, that gleam back in his eye minutes after he teared up when introduced by his 20-year-old son Daniel.

"I'll remember this day for the rest of my life," Marino said. So will Steve Young, who became the first left-handed quarterback in the Hall. The most efficient passer in NFL history, Young paid tribute to the game itself.

"Football is the great metaphor in life," he said. "With those experiences and all the great things that happened, life

is even better."

Young suggested it was the first time only quarterbacks entered the Hall in one class, and he was partly right. Benny Friedman was the first great passer in pro ball, and Fritz Pollard was a running back who sometimes played QB.

"I'm proud to be part of this with Dan and the Pollard and Friedman families," Young said. "We are quarterbacks and that's what is neat about this position."

Like last year, when John Elway was inducted, Fawcett Stadium was filled with the big star's jersey. For Elway, it was Denver East. This time, it was Miami North.

Thousands of fans clad in No. 13 Dolphins jerseys shook the stadium with cheers and chants of "D-A-N-N-Y," remembering how sweet it was to see Marino setting all his records.

Marino set NFL marks of 4,967 completions, 8,358 passes, 61,361 yards (nearly 35 miles) and 420 touchdowns. His record of 48 TD passes in the 1984 season, when he was

MVP, was broken by Peyton Manning last year.

He also owned 21 NFL marks when he retired, including most seasons with 3,000 yards or more passing (13); most yards passing in one season (5,084 in '84, the only year he won a conference championship); and most games with 300 yards or more passing (63).

"I've accomplished many things, but what I cherish more than any record I hold, fourth-quarter comebacks or any wins I was involved in, is the relationships," he said. Then he mentioned all of the former teammates in the audience, and Don Shula, who coached him in 13 of his 17 seasons.

"We didn't win a Super Bowl together and that is something I would always regret," Marino said. "But you and I won more games than any other quarterback-coach combination in the history of pro football and that is something I am very proud of."

Young won a Super Bowl as the 49ers' starting quarterback after the 1994 season. The 1992 and '94 league MVP took over

for Joe Montana in San Francisco in 1991, backing up Montana on two other title winners.

Young began his career in the USFL with the Los Angeles Express, followed by two seasons with the Buccaneers before Bill Walsh acquired him in 1987.

"He was a great athlete, intelligent and with a passion for the game," Walsh said Sunday. "And it just so happened his style fit perfectly with our offense."

Indeed, Young was one of the best running quarterbacks the NFL has seen.

"I'm not sure where a Hall of Fame career starts," Young said. "I've been the recipient of the best coaching one individual has ever had," mentioning LaVell Edwards, John Hadl, Sid Gillman, Mike Holmgren, Mike Shanahan and, of course, Walsh.

"Football is the rarest of sports in that you cannot do it alone," Young added. "The celebration is so much richer when you do it with a group of others. That feeling when you do something great together is like nothing

other. When one of the guy's say, 'I've got your back,' it is not figurative."

Friedman, who died in 1982, threw 20 TD passes in 1929, considered phenomenal because the ball he threw barely resembled the modern football. The record stood for 14 years.

He played for four teams from 1927-34 and was a strong draw at the box office, even helping the New York Giants become a solvent operation in those early NFL days.

"If Uncle Benny was here today, he would tell you it was all about family, friends, teammates and teamwork," said his nephew, David Friedman. "Proud yet unpretentious, that was the essence of my uncle."

"His example of excellence will survive for as long as there is a Hall of Fame."

Pollard, like Friedman, was a pro football pioneer and the first black NFL head coach. After a sensational college career at Brown, where he became the first black to play in the Rose Bowl, the running back led the Akron Pros to the 1920 champi-

onship. They went undefeated.

He later organized the Chicago Brown Bombers, an independent team of black players that barnstormed the country from 1927-33.

Pollard is among the most important minority figures in football history, a man who seemed to open the door for black athletes in his sport, only to see it slammed shut from 1934 until 1946.

"Fritz Pollard was a 5-foot-9, 165-pound running back who had the speed of Tony Dorsett, the elusiveness of Barry Sanders and the tenacity of Walter Payton," said his grandson, Stephen Towns, in his acceptance speech. "My grandfather and Jim Thorpe were the highest-paid players of their times. Jim Thorpe became the first commissioner of pro football and was inducted into the first class of the Hall of Fame in 1963. My grandfather became a footnote."

"After today, everyone will know the gifts you have given to football. Rest in peace, Grandpa."

Falcons 27, Colts 21

by JIM ARMSTRONG
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TOKYO — Michael Vick and Peyton Manning gave the Japanese fans what they wanted in the American Bowl, playing into the second quarter and showing why they are two of the NFL's best quarterbacks.

Vick displayed some of his trademark scrambling in the preseason opener Saturday, gaining 10 yards on his only run in the Atlanta Falcons' 27-21 win over the Indianapolis Colts.

He was 4-for-7 for 51 yards before a Tokyo Dome crowd of 45,203. The American Bowl is not the novelty it once was, with Japan having hosted the game 13 times.

"I wanted to give the fans something to cheer about," said Vick, who left after the first play of the second quarter. "Just wanted to get the jitters out, and I didn't want to short-change the fans or myself."

Better yet, he didn't get hurt. "Michael had a good game," Atlanta coach Jim Mora said. "I was holding my breath when Mike was running the ball. In fact, I just let my breath out now."

Vick broke a leg in a 2003 exhibition game and missed the first 11 games that counted, essentially ruining the Falcons' season. He barely played in the preseason a year ago, then led Atlanta to the NFC championship game.

Manning threw a 2-yard

touchdown pass to Troy Walters at 6:45 of the first quarter, giving the Colts a 7-0 lead. He was 6-for-8 for 36 yards with one interception.

"It was a very exciting atmosphere," said Manning, who came out with just more than nine minutes left in the second quarter. "The crowd was enthusiastic and the players were ready to play. We would have liked to have gotten the victory but we'll learn from it and come out again next week."

Vick's replacement, Matt Schaub, threw two touchdown passes in the first half and was the game's MVP.

Schaub, who completed 11 of 13 passes for 115 yards, gave the Falcons a 20-14 lead with 10 seconds remaining in the half. The former Virginia star tossed a 3-yard pass to Fred McCrary, who bobbed the ball on the 1 and then rolled into the end zone before being touched.

"It was a pretty good play by Fred," Schaub said. "The ball bounced off his head but he came up with it and was able to roll into the end zone. If you know Fred, that kind of play really fits his personality because he's a funny guy."

Edgerrin James carried three times for 20 yards, with his longest run 9 yards. The Indianapolis running back initially was not thrilled about making the trip to Japan. He dislikes exhibition games almost as much as he does 14-

hour flights.

"James is in excellent shape," Manning said. "When he got the ball he ran well. We expect big things from Edgerrin James this season."

Jason Wright increased the Falcons' lead to 27-14 when he ran in from the 1-yard line with just more than six minutes remaining.

"It was just a preseason game and doesn't mean much," Mora said. "But anytime we go out we play to win. You get used to winning by winning and it's important to get off to a fast start."

With 4:02 left, the Colts cut the lead to 27-21 on a 3-yard touchdown pass from Travis Brown to John Standford. A 45-yard pass from Brown to Montiese Culton set up the final touchdown.

The Colts took a 14-6 lead with 7:48 remaining in the second quarter when linebacker Kendyll Pope scored after picking up a loose ball that resulted from a botched handoff from Schaub to Wright inside the Atlanta 5.

Atlanta drew to 14-13 with three minutes left in the first half on a 6-yard touchdown pass from Schaub to Brian Finneran.

The NFL began playing international games in 1986 in response to growing interest in American football around the world. Forty such games have been played in 12 cities outside the United States.

Williams returns to the field in Hall of Fame game

by BARRY WILNER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CANTON, Ohio — Ricky Williams was relaxing on the Miami sideline, his night over, when two Chicago rookies stole the show and the game.

Williams' return to the NFL turned into a non-event as he rushed for 8 yards on five first-half carries Monday night. Instead, the impressive debuts of quarterback Kyle Orton and receiver Mark Bradley lifted the Bears to a 27-24 victory in the Hall of Fame game.

Dan Marino, the Dolphins' great quarterback who was inducted into the Hall the previous day along with Steve Young, Fritz Pollard and Benny Friedman, must have been impressed by the work of Chicago's youngsters.

Orton brought a breath of fresh air to the often-stale Bears offense when he riddled Miami's third-string defense on two late touchdown drives. Bradley had five receptions for a HOF game record 131 yards.

"Either you fall under the pressure or you rise to the occasion," Bradley said. "We've got great leadership that won't let us fail as long as we keep working at it."

Orton rebounded from an awful interception to guide Chicago to a pair of late touchdowns. Jason Glenn's 26-yard touchdown gave the Dolphins a 24-13 lead.

"It was a lot of fun to get out there and really bounce back after that bad ball," he said. "I walked to the sideline and the first thing I said was I've got to bounce back, get back out there and keep throwing."

The fourth-round draft pick from Purdue connected with Carl Ford for a 43-yard score with 7:23 remaining. After Olindo Mare was short on a 54-yard field goal try, Orton guided Chicago 56 yards, keyed by a 34-yard bullet to Eddie Berlin and a third-down interference penalty by Miami's Deandre Eiland.

Zack Abnon ran it in from the 4, disappointing all the Dolphins fans wearing No. 13 jerseys in the crowd of 22,292.

Orton's strong outing — 7-for-11 for 175 yards — spoiled the debut of Nick Saban as an NFL coach and Williams' return to the Miami lineup after he sat out last season with a premature retirement.

He's back, but you could barely tell after this game.

"It's funny that people say welcome back when I haven't gone anywhere," said the former NFL rushing king who will sit out the first four games of the regular season for violating the league's substance abuse policy. "It doesn't seem like I was gone at all, not even a week."

"I didn't feel rusty. I didn't expect anything, to be honest. I was like always when I play, it takes me a while to get warmed up. But I was seeing everything good and I felt good."

Saban, who left LSU after a highly successful career in college to rebuild the Dolphins, almost got a win in his first preseason game as a pro head coach. Miami led thanks to a couple of scoring drives in the second quarter and one in the third.

Gus Frerotte, who replaced A.J. Feeley late in the opening period when Feeley sustained a contusion of the buttocks, threw

to Bryan Gilmore at the goal line. Gilmore had to turn almost completely around to snag the pass, falling into the end zone for a 2-yard touchdown.

"It's funny," Frerotte said. "I wasn't really throwing to him. It just kind of slipped off my hand and floated that way and he made a great catch."

That made it 10-7 — Mare had a 33-yard field goal earlier in the quarter.

It became 17-7 when Sage Rosenfels connected with Jason Rader on a 1-yard pass in the third period. Nick Novak kicked a 22-yard field goal, and Doug Brien made a 30-yarder to lift Chicago within 17-13 before Glenn's interception TD.

Orton came back with a beautiful 43-yard spiral to Ford, and then put together the winning drive. Another rookie QB, the Dolphins' Brock Berlin, marched his team to the 15 before being intercepted in the end zone by Jerrell Pippens in the final moments.

With the play of Bradley and Orton, the Bears didn't miss running back Cedric Benson, their first-rounder who is holding out. And Chicago got a nice effort from its starting offense and defense in the first period. Thomas Jones rushed for 47 yards on 10 carries, with a 1-yard TD run. That was set up by a 34-yard pass from Rex Grossman to Muhsin Muhammad, the prize free agent receiver the Bears signed in the offseason.

"I think this offense fits our personnel," Jones said, "because we're a hard-nosed offense. I thought we were pretty efficient." Especially at the end.

Stevens, Bengals' unsung defense shine during scrimmage

by MURRAY EVANS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GEORGETOWN — Cincinnati second-year linebacker Larry Stevens seemed to be everywhere in a Bengals' scrimmage Friday night, disrupting pass plays, tackling runners in the backfield and scooping up a fumble with zest.

He said he had good reason to be motivated. "The offense has been dominating us" during training camp, Stevens said. "We had to come out and be aggressive. We're tired of them talking."

His defensive teammates apparently shared Stevens' opinion. Going against an offensive unit loaded with stars like running back Rudi Johnson, receiver Chad Johnson and quarterback Carson Palmer, the defense "won" the intrasquad scrimmage at Georgetown College 40-22, using a scoring system developed by coaches.

The lone touchdown for the Bengals' offense was a 46-yard scoring pass from Palmer to Chad Johnson against the second-team defense.

Otherwise, the offense looked shaky, defeating itself with penalties and mistakes.

"We were sluggish at times," Palmer said. "We did some good things, but it's a good thing it's our first scrimmage. We've got a lot more before we get to the real season."

Coach Marvin Lewis promoted Chuck Bresnahan to defensive coordinator in January. Lewis, a longtime defensive coordinator himself, was careful not to praise Bresnahan's unit too much.

Offensive coordinator Bob Bratkowski wasn't so stingy with his compliments.

"It's a very aggressive style of defense," Bratkowski said. "It will put a lot of pressure on an offense. It makes the quarter-

back be on full alert all the time, ready to change plays or change protection."

Stevens signed with the Bengals as a free agent last year and made their practice squad before being promoted to the active roster for the final nine games. Most of his action was on special teams.

Stevens didn't lead the team in tackles Friday, but made the defensive play of the night, picking up a fumble by receiver Freddie Milons and rumbling downfield about 20 yards before being caught.

"I was running. I don't know who dropped it, but I just saw it and picked it up," Stevens said. "I almost lost a kidney when I was running! A big man caught me on the sidelines."

Backup safety Terrell Roberts was taken off the field on a cart with what Lewis said was a "significant knee injury" of severity of Roberts' injury.

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Detroit	at N.Y. Jets, 7 p.m.
New Eng.	at Cincinnati, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago	at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Tampa Bay	at Tennessee, 8 p.m.
Seattle	at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Kansas City	at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
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Baltimore	at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Miami	at Jacksonville, 7:30 p.m.
Denver	at Houston, 8 p.m.
Buffalo	at Indianapolis, 8 p.m.
N.Y. Giants	at Cleveland, 8 p.m.
Washington	at Carolina, 8 p.m.
Dallas	at Arizona, 10 p.m.
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Stewart ends years of frustration, finally earns Indy win



by JENNA FRYER
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INDIANAPOLIS — The tears came when he took the lead at Indianapolis Motor Speedway, as Tony Stewart was speeding through the second turn and caught a quick glimpse of his father in the stands.

Nelson Stewart was standing against the fence, arms in the air, cheering his son on to the win they have so desperately chased. "When I saw him on that railing, and saw the emotion on his face, that's when I got tears in my eyes," Stewart said. "I just wanted to finish one time."

At long last, Stewart has an Indy victory. He ended nine years of frustration and heart-break Sunday by winning the Allstate 400 at the Brickyard, filling a hole in his trophy case he'd left empty since his father began taking him to the famed race track as a toddler.

He was a kid growing up in Indiana, just 45 minutes away from the Speedway. All he wanted to do with his life was race, and one day he hoped to do it at the Brickyard.

But it was all about the Indianapolis 500, the crown jewel event that Stewart begged his parents to take him to every May. He tried to win that race five different times, only to be taunted and teased by the track over and over again.

Now concentrating on his NASCAR career, Stewart never felt like a stock-car win at Indy would be a cheap replacement. He didn't care what he was driving — he just wanted to win.

"You dream about something for so long, you become consumed by it," Stewart said.

His Brickyard win secure, Stewart now needs a new obsession. He's a champion in several series, including NASCAR and the Indy Racing League, and he always said he'd trade it all for one win at Indy.

So what's next?

"I got out of the car and the first thing my Dad said to me was 'Now go get the Indy 500,'" Stewart said. "I said 'Can't I just enjoy this one? Dude, it's not a mail order. You just don't call a

phone number and give your credit card and they bring you the trophy."

Still, the Indy 500 automatically becomes his next goal. Only it will have to wait — Stewart has vowed to ignore the open-wheel event until his NASCAR career is over.

With this victory, his fourth in the past six races, Stewart is now the hottest driver in NASCAR and a favorite to win the Nextel Cup title. He took over the lead in the standings, opening a 75-point lead over Jimmie Johnson.

But there was no talk of titles on this day. All Stewart wanted was to participate in all of Indy's traditional celebrations — he was joined by his mother, father and sister when he kissed the Yard of Bricks — then it was time to party.

"This is one of those days that I don't want to end. I don't want to see the sun set. This is a day I want to stretch as long as I can," he said. "This is definitely the greatest day of my life, professionally and personally."

"I don't even know what to say. Since I was a little kid I've always just wanted to compete at the Brickyard."

It took moving home to the tiny three-bedroom house he

was raised in Columbus, a 45-minute drive outside of Indy, to make the win happen. Suddenly, Tony the Terrible — the nickname he'd earned after dozens of tantrums and tussles as NASCAR's reigning Bad Boy — was softening.

Leaving Charlotte, N.C., a fishbowl for NASCAR's stars, and going home again started what's been a yearlong personality transformation for Stewart.

Stewart surrounded himself with his childhood friends and blended into the community. He bowls on the weeknights, stops for beers at the Moose and Eagles Lodges and grabs free milkshakes at Dairy Queen.

He walks his neighbors dog, has keys to their homes, and goes out of his way to lend a helping hand.

It's had a calming effect on the temperamental driver, who has yet to have one of his famous blowups this season.

One of them came here in 2002, in the lowest point of his career. After every disappointing finish here, Stewart was famous for stomping off in anger. Only that time, he snapped. Stewart punched an approaching photographer after fading out of the lead to a dev-

astating 12th place finish.

But this is a calmer, kinder Stewart and he used all of his newfound maturity to earn this win. His Joe Gibbs Racing team felt this would be his best chance in seven NASCAR starts to win this event.

"This is the most relaxed I've seen him in seven years here," crew chief Greg Zipadelli said. "But this is also the most relaxed I've seen him in an entire season. It's also the first time I've seen him sit back and realize what he's capable of."

In years past, an antsy Stewart would charge to the front of the field and lead lap after lap in pursuit of his dream. This time, he was content to hang back in the pack after starting 22nd.

There was no need to race to the front.

When the time was right, Stewart would get there.

He finally did 100 laps into the race and seemed headed to the win. Then Kasey Kahne snatched the lead away from him with 27 laps to go and it could have been over for Stewart.

Every other year, losing the lead would have been enough to make a frustrated Stewart quit

trying out of anger and drift back to a meaningless finish. Instead, he stayed calm as he chased down Kahne.

When a caution came out with 15 laps to go, Stewart had the biggest decision of the race in front of him: Should he give up track position to pit for tires, or stay out and try to muscle his way past Kahne.

He and Zipadelli debated back and forth over the radio, with Zipadelli urging his driver to make a decision.

"I'm too ... nervous to call it, bud," he replied.

So they stayed on the track, gambling that they made the right decision.

It took Stewart just seconds to get into the lead, passing Kahne as they exited the second turn with 11 laps to go. He had to fight to hold him off, finally shaking him for good with just over 10 miles to go. There was no challenge as he crossed the finish line, screaming his appreciation to Zipadelli and his team.

Back on the pit box, Zipadelli was too emotional to speak.

"You have no idea what this means," he sobbed. "Walking up to him and seeing that smile on his face. This just means so much to him."

You can go home again — just bring a fast car

By JIM LITKE
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The racetrack didn't owe him anything.

If anything, it was the other way around.

Lots of kids grew up in the shadow of racing's most famous oval, zooming over nearby asphalt tracks in sprint cars, midgets and go-carts. And just this once, nobody had to remind Tony Stewart how few of them ever get good or lucky enough to make it inside the gates at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway without buying a ticket first.

Before Sunday's Allstate 400, Stewart had run at least a dozen times at the old brickyard. He did it first in open-wheel racers at the Indy 500 in May, and the last half-dozen times in stock cars, when NASCAR carved out a slot in August. No matter. Each time, he came away empty-handed.

"You dream about something for so long, you become consumed by it," Stewart said. "I worked in that area. I drove a tow truck for a guy I raced sprint cars against. I'd drive down 16th Street and wonder what it would be like to be 300 feet to the left running at 200 miles an hour."

"Today, I finally got to ... see what the view is coming down that front straightaway, seeing those checkered flags as the first driver to go under versus the third or fourth driver."

You'd think that making up those couple of places would be a matter of finding more speed. What enabled Stewart to make his breakthrough, however, was finding more patience. Like rival Jeff Gordon, another phenom who spent his formative years driving at the little tracks that ring the Speedway like a frayed necklace, Stewart was used to doing everything fast. It suited him fine everywhere else but at Indy.

In 1995, Stewart made U.S. Auto Club history by becoming the first driver to win the National Midget, Sprint and Silver Crown titles — the Triple Crown of minor-league racing

— in the same year. In 1996, still committed to open-wheel cars, he earned a ride in the fledgling Indy Racing League and won Rookie of the Year honors. A year later, he won the series championship.

By then, though, the handwriting was on the speedway walls. Once among the greatest franchises in sports, a civil war between Indy 500 boss Tony George and owners and drivers of the Championship Auto Racing Teams, now called the Champ Car World Series, was increasingly driving fans into NASCAR's waiting arms.

"I remember when they brought NASCAR to the Indianapolis Motor Speedway," Stewart said. "I was one of the guys that said, 'Man, this is a bunch of crap. They don't need to be here. Indy cars are the only thing that should be on the racetrack. That's the way it's always been, that's the way it should always be.'"

"I was one of those guys," he recalled, "that boo-hoed it then."

But by 1999, Stewart joined the exodus of promising American drivers from open-wheel racing to the stock-car circuit. The one thing that didn't change, though, was Stewart's reverence for the Speedway, or the way he approached it.

Three years later, in the midst of his first NASCAR championship, Stewart dominated the Brickyard race. He started from the pole and led 43 laps before slipping to a 12th-place finish. Stewart then reminded everybody how much that race meant to him by punching a photographer after it ended.

"Kind of like Dale Earnhardt and Daytona for so many years," Greg Zipadelli, Stewart's longtime crew chief, said afterward. "Believe me, the harder — the harder and the more emphasis you put on things, sometimes the harder it is for them to come. It's just the way it is."

Stewart's impatience reached the boiling point at the end of last season. Often short-tempered on the track, he was

increasingly bringing his frustration back to the garage. Zipadelli confronted Stewart and a free-for-all session with the crew ensued. Soon after, Stewart left the NASCAR mecca in Charlotte and moved back to his boyhood home in Columbus, Ind. There, just a 45-minute drive from the Speedway, he hung out at the local lodge drinking beer and doing some bowling.

The dividends weren't immediately apparent, but in the last few weeks, Stewart's team has been on a tear unlike anything the sport has seen in a while. Beginning with the Nextel Cup race at Michigan in mid-June, Stewart won three times and finished no lower than fifth. He won on different courses and led half the laps in five races leading up the Allstate 400, a mind-boggling number.

But with 30 laps left Sunday, he was locked in a duel with Kasey Kahne and still to be answered was the question of how Stewart would handle the return to Indy. Light on fuel and low on tread, he had to hold the car together long enough to take a final shot. Just as trying, Stewart had to negotiate with Zipadelli over the radio on when to take it.

"I just finally said, 'Hey, whatever you say, we're going to stick by, we'll do it a hundred percent,'" Stewart recalled.

On a restart with 11 laps left to go, Zipadelli's last directive was, "Be smart. Make me proud."

Stewart found his opening, dove low on the inside and passed Kahne. The lesson Stewart learned about patience may not stick with him long, but it's enough for at least one night.

"I'm sleeping with that trophy in the bed tonight," Stewart said. "I'm serious as a heart attack. I'll wake up, I may have stab marks in my back from the edges, but I'm sleeping with it tonight."

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LPR: Hale wins second straight Late Model feature

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

COEBURN, Va. — Out front was the place to be during Saturday night's caution plagued 75-lap Late Model race at Lonesome Pine Raceway as several cars suffered major damage in crashes back in the pack.

It took 13 laps for Bluff City, Va. racer Wayne Hale to grab the lead from his third place starting position, and from then on he had no reason to look back. No other driver in the field could touch him as Hale earned his second consecutive Late Model win and fourth of the season.

The race got off to a shaky start as the caution flag fell three times within the first three laps. Buddy Talbert spun on the backstretch on lap two; followed by T.J. O'Quinn wrecking hard into the backstretch inside fence on the restart and then Craig Stallard got together with Zeke Shell in turn one on the third lap. Following the Stallard, Shell incident, however, the race settled down and cars began to rise and fall throughout the field.

Qualifying was rained out so the field was set by points which made for an interesting mixture with some of the fastest cars not competing every week.

Points leader Brad Housewright drew a two for the inversion which put Brian Blevins on the point for the initial start. Although Blevins managed to maintain second place position after losing the lead to Hale on lap 13, Housewright fell off the pace early in the race.

Housewright was running fourth on lap 20 when he lost five positions in a single corner as Alan Sumner, Owens, Chris Tunnell, Jeff Woodward and Shell all freight-trained him. He would pit for service under green on lap 32 and returned at full speed but a lap down.

Kirby Gobble started 11th due to his position in the point standings, but quickly worked his way through the field, passing Joey Owens for third place on lap 15.

By the time the fifth caution flag flew on lap 36 for Owens' flat tire, Hale had more than a half straightaway lead over Blevins, who held that same advantage over Gobble.

Woodward passed Shell for

fifth place on the restart and began inching his way toward Alan Sumner who was having a career best run in fourth. On lap 68 Sumner and Woodward made contact in turn three sending Woodward spinning.

Tunnell who was running seventh at the time had no where to go and T-boned Woodward's car in the corner, causing massive damage to both cars and bringing out the red flag. The wreck also generated some finger pointing and unhappy words between the Woodward team and the Sumner team after the race which required police intervention to quell.

Although the the lap 68 caution tightened the field back up, no one could knock Hale, Blevins and Gobble out of the top three positions.

"We've had some terrible luck on different stuff this year but last week and this week we've got our ducks in a row," Hale said from victory lane. "The car was real good tonight, we've got to make a couple of adjustments and we'll be even better I believe."

Gobble also started 7th in the Mod 4 race due to points but came back to win. He probably passed more cars for position Saturday night than any other driver.

"We haven't run every race this year in either class and had to start in the back in both cars," Gobble said. "I knew it was going hurt us worse in these Late Models because these cars are so equal. You can be a little faster than the man in front of you and you just can't do anything with him."

"Our's wasn't perfect tonight and we missed the setup a little bit...but it was a pretty good run. It was better than fourth I guess."

Sumner finished fourth ahead of Shell in fifth. Owens was sixth ahead of Housewright who salvaged a 7th place finish.

Roger Neece grabbed the lead at the start of the 35-lap Street Stock feature and from that point was never heard from again. The race went caution free and by the time Neece took the checkered flag he was a half lap ahead of second place.

Second place was where the main battle of the race occurred as Josh Hale made a move to the

inside of Chris Tunnell to take the runner up position on lap 14. The two cars drove side by side for the next 19 laps, but finally Hale prevailed and went on to finish second.

"That was just as fun as it was last week, but I just couldn't hold him off this week," said Tunnell who won last week's race in a tough battle with Neece. "The car is getting better and I think I figure out something I need to do to it this week that will help it."

Tony Vance nearly got by Tunnell on the last lap but finished fourth ahead of Rob Austin in fifth.

In the 30 lap Mod 4 race Gobble had worked his way up to second place by the time the caution flag flew on lap 15. On the restart he passed Jody Bostic for the lead and held on for his fourth win of the season. Points leader Freddie Taylor Jr. finished second ahead of Brad Ball who recovered from an early spin. Bostic and Hershell Robinette in fifth.

Carl Lawson returned to victory lane in the Pure 4 division, but not by much as Stacey Castle made move to the inside as he crossed the finish line and nearly took the win away. Linton Perry came from the back of the 22 car field as last week's winner to finish third right on Lawson's back bumper while Buddy Hurley and Jeff Bobo rounded out the top-5.

Hunter Castle made it two in a row in the hornets division, holding off a tough charge from fellow second generation driver Caleb Roarke in a close battle. Justin Norris ran a strong third ahead of Brandon Osborne and Jon Clark in fifth.

In a wild Ladies Pure 4 race, Wanda Phillips earned her fourth win of the season ahead of Sarah Looney and Pam Yates in third. The race saw two extended caution periods as Carla Oakley and Brittany Tunnell crashed on the back stretch and later Yates and Anna Lester made contact heading into turn three, sending Lester hard into the inside wall.

Travis Watson drove off to his 12 consecutive, and possibly easiest win of the season in the Legends division. Distantly rounding out the top five were Steve Mitchell, Jay Young, Greg Turner and Clyde Stanton.

O'Reilly NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals slated for April 28-30

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. — NHRA released its 23-race, 2006 POWERade Drag Racing Series schedule today and one of the most anticipated events of every season, the sixth annual O'Reilly NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals, presented by Quaker State at Bristol Dragway, again highlights the month of April, taking place April 28-30.

The premier drag racing facility on the circuit, Bristol Dragway has enjoyed sell-out crowds the past couple of years for the O'Reilly NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals presented by Quaker

State, the sixth race on the 2006 schedule. And the growth and popularity of Thunder Valley's national event hasn't escaped the drivers' notice.

"It makes me proud that in the short amount of time that we've been coming there that there's been such a demand for tickets that you guys have had to build more seating," Top Fuel driver Larry Dixon said during last April's national event. "That's unheard of in drag racing. I think that's totally awesome."

"You know what you have there, though? You've got Jeff Byrd and Bruton Smith who are

very dedicated to the sport. That's what it takes to make something successful. People have to believe in it and Jeff and Bruton do believe in our sport. I wish Bruton Smith owned a few more of our tracks. It's just such a fine facility. I wish we raced there more than once a year."

NHRA will return to Virginia Motorsports Park after a five-year absence for the inaugural Virginia NHRA Nationals, Oct. 6-8, 2006. NHRA conducted national events at the facility when it opened in 1995, through the 2000 racing season.

The schedule is highlighted by a return of all 2005 drag racing facilities, beginning with the 46th running of the CAR-QUEST Auto Parts Winternationals at Pomona (Calif.) Raceway, Feb. 9-12. The series also concludes its season at Pomono Nov. 9-12, with the 42nd annual Automobile Club of Southern California NHRA Finals.

ESPN2, a part of the ESPN network, the worldwide leader in sports, will once again provide exclusive television coverage, on a same-day basis, of all 23 NHRA POWERade Drag Racing Series events.

Little Cheercats 4th Annual Football Cheer Clinic scheduled

The Little Cheercats 4th Annual Football Cheer Clinic, sponsored by the Prestonsburg High School varsity cheerleaders is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 20 at the PHS gym. The clinic, for cheerleaders in preschool through fifth grade, will run from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Cost of the camp is \$25 per individual sign up and \$20 each

when two or more in the same family or group sign up. Those signing up by Aug. 15 will receive a T-shirt.

For more information or to preregister, contact Leslie Ousley at 874-0317, Janice Hamilton at 478-2139 or Cindy Porter at 886-1642. Forms can also be picked up at Prestonsburg Elementary or Allen Elementary.

NFL: Law joins Jets, Westbrook back with Eagles

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ty Law found a new home while Brian Westbrook returned to his NFL team Monday.

Law landed with the New York Jets, agreeing to a multi-year deal that could be worth as much as \$28.5 million for the first three years. The cornerback who was released by the Patriots — he has three Super Bowl rings — took a physical and worked out for the team Monday.

The 31-year-old Law is intent on showing the Jets and the league he is completely healed from a serious foot injury that kept him out of the Super Bowl in February.

"I think I have something to prove all the time anyway, that's just my mind-set. It's how I approach the game," Law said. "I can hold my head up high and say I've had a pretty good career thus far, and I'm going to continue that. I have a lot left to give."

"I'm going to prove to all the doubters, if there are any out there, that I'm still the best cornerback in football."

Westbrook is one of the best all-around running backs in the game, but he had little bargaining leverage with the Eagles. The fourth-year pro last season led all NFL running backs with 73 catches for 703 yards and six touchdowns, while adding 812 yards and three scores on the ground. He had been holding out for a long-term contract after signing a one-year restricted free agent offer for \$1.43 million.

"I did have a visit with him and it went well," Eagles coach Andy Reid said after practice. "We mainly talked about football. He was anxious to get back out here and get himself going and playing and catching up on the things that he missed. But he did a good job today."

Westbrook had little choice but to report for camp by Monday. He risked forfeiting a year of service if he stayed out any longer. Then he would have been unable to become an unrestricted free agent

next season — possibly missing out on a big payday.

Eagles teammate Terrell Owens was sidelined after reinjuring his groin Sunday, an injury initially sustained last Thursday. The All-Pro receiver also is unhappy with his contract, a seven-year, \$49 million deal, but has been at training camp since the team reported late in July.

"It felt good yesterday," Reid said of Owens' injury. "Toward the end it started to get a little tight on him in the second practice. It's the same as it was the day before. We got to go back to the drawing board here, see how he does today, and then within the next couple days we will see how he's feeling."

Philadelphia also placed receiver Todd Pinkston on injured reserve with a torn Achilles tendon. Pinkston was hurt Friday while running a route. He caught 36 passes for 676 yards and one touchdown last season as the team's third option behind Terrell Owens and Westbrook.

The Eagles will retire Reggie White's No. 92 during a ceremony Dec. 5, team owner Jeffrey Lurie said. The two-time NFL Defensive Player of the Year and an ordained minister known as the "Minister of Defense" died of a heart attack on Dec. 26, 2004, exactly one week after his 43rd birthday.

"It's something that the last conversation I had with Reggie, I said to him, 'I really want to do that in Philadelphia. I want to do it on a Monday Night Football game, so the whole country can watch it,'" Lurie said. "And that's exactly what we're going to do."

Steelers — Steelers running back Duce Staley underwent surgery to repair a lateral meniscus tear in his right knee.

Pittsburgh coach Bill Cowher expects him to miss a month, but isn't worried about Staley's health in the long run.

"He felt good about what took place when he came out,"

Cowher said. "We're hopeful to have him by the opening of the season."

Staley practiced only once with the team before fluid built up in his knee. He rested three days and tried to practice Saturday, but didn't feel comfortable and decided to have it examined. An MRI exam Sunday revealed the tear.

Jets — New York released Ray Mickens to make room for Law. Mickens was listed as the starter during the first week of camp.

The team also let go of safety Derek Pagel, guard Dave Yovanovits, running back Delvin Joyce and cornerback Roosevelt Williams.

Mickens, who played nine seasons for the Jets and was a fan favorite, missed last year with a torn knee ligament but looked good in camp. He started 14 games in 2003 when Abraham was injured and had been a key part of the Jets' nickel package.

Ravens — First-round draft pick Mark Clayton practiced for the first time after ending his five-day holdout. Clayton had been criticized by coach Brian Billick last week, but the wide receiver from Oklahoma said he "didn't hear much of it."

"I was out in the back yard catching balls," Clayton said.

An irate Billick said Friday that Clayton's holdout was hurting the team. Clayton missed the first week of training camp before signing a five-year, \$8.2 million contract Saturday.

Star running back Jamal Lewis reported to the team hotel Monday, took a physical and was scheduled for sideline work. Billick expects him to fully participate in a padded practice Wednesday. Last week, Lewis completed a legal odyssey that consisted of a four-month stay in a Georgia prison and two months in a halfway house after a federal drug conspiracy conviction.

Vikings — Minnesota reached a contract agreement with hold-

out rookie defensive end Erasmus James, a first-round draft pick from Wisconsin.

James was on his way to Minnesota on Monday evening. The 18th overall selection, James was expected to be on the field for practice Tuesday after missing the first 10 days of training camp.

"He's excited, and he's ready to go," said Vance Malinovic, one of James' agents.

James will receive a five-year package, Malinovic said, declining to reveal specific financial terms. The two sides were working hard to finalize particulars of the deal Monday night so James could participate in Tuesday's practice.

Patriots — New England signed tight end Matt Brandt and waived tight end Andy Stokes.

The 6-foot-4, 257-pound Stokes was the final player taken in the 2005 draft after a four-year career at William Penn where he caught 104 passes for 1,578 yards and 10 touchdowns.

Brandt was originally signed by the Detroit Lions as an undrafted free agent in April 2004. The 6-foot-5, 248-pound Miami of Ohio player was released by Detroit in August 2004. He had 76 receptions for 916 yards and nine touchdowns during his college career.

Browns — Offensive lineman Marcus Spears, an 11-year veteran who signed as a free agent during the offseason, was released.

Spears had the longest NFL tenure of any Cleveland offensive lineman. A second-round pick of the Bears in 1994, he played in all 16 games and made three starts last season with the Texans.

He also played for Kansas City, starting 16 games in 2001.

Also, cornerback Daylon McCutcheon, who has yet to practice during training camp because of headaches, has also been bothered by dizziness, Cleveland coach Romeo

Crennel said.

McCutcheon has been seeing a specialist to determine the cause of his migraine headaches. The six-year veteran has been receiving massage therapy and Crennel said McCutcheon will soon undergo new treatments.

Saints — Wide receiver Az-Zahir Hakim's hamstring injury is not considered serious, but the eight-year veteran missed practice Monday. He was hurt in a scrimmage Saturday night.

Coach Jim Haslett said could be sidelined for a week or so. Hakim is expected to miss the preseason opener against Seattle on Friday.

Seahawks — Seattle released outside linebacker Solomon Bates. Bates was a fourth-round pick out of Arizona State in 2003, and played in 10 games with three starts last season.

Titans — Defensive end Travis LaBoy returned to practice after missing minicamps and the first eight days of training camp recovering from surgery to repair a sports hernia.

The Titans' top draft pick in 2004 and the 42nd pick overall, LaBoy was removed from the physically unable to perform list before Monday morning's practice.

Coach Jeff Fisher said LaBoy will be limited to one session per day over the next week.

Bills — The Buffalo Bills' offensive line lost some depth when coach Mike Mularkey announced that reserves Lawrence Smith and Ben Sobieski will likely miss the season with injuries.

Smith, a backup guard, injured his knee Friday and was carted off the field during Buffalo's practice at Green Bay. Without disclosing the nature of the injury, Mularkey said that Smith is getting a second opinion but he doesn't expect the player back this season.

Sobieski is out after being placed on injured reserve.

Sobieski had missed all of training camp with a back injury.

Redskins — Sean Taylor remained with the second-stringers during Monday's practice despite a strong performance in Saturday's scrimmage against Baltimore. Pierson Prioleau continued to work with the starters, with Taylor playing backup because of his absence from the offseason training program.

Also, defensive tackle Cornelius Griffin (shoulder) and cornerback Walt Harris (quad) returned to practice after missing several days with injuries.

Giants — New York waived cornerback Ahmad Treado, a rookie free agent from Southern University, and re-signed rookie cornerback Michael Bragg from Texas A&M-Kingsville, who had been waived on July 29.

Bengals — Adam Kieft, the Cincinnati Bengals' fifth-round draft pick, tore ligaments in his left knee and may miss the season.

Kieft, a tackle from Central Michigan, was injured Saturday in a mock game at the Bengals' training camp at Georgetown College in Kentucky. He had signed a three-year deal on July 20.

Also, the Bengals waived linebacker Allen Augustin, a first-year player from Florida State and signed Derek Curry, a linebacker out of Notre Dame whom the Dolphins waived last week.

Chargers — Linebacker Donnie Edwards sprained his right ankle and may miss San Diego's preseason opener at Green Bay on Thursday night.

Coach Marty Schottenheimer thinks Edwards will be OK.

"He's plastic, man. He bends but doesn't break," Schottenheimer said. "Donnie will play Thursday. It's on national TV."

Outside linebacker Shawne Merriman, the Chargers' top draft pick, tweaked a hamstring on Saturday and Schottenheimer said he'll be listed as questionable or doubtful.

Rondo

because of my defensive ability. That's what I do at the University of Kentucky so I just try to bring it here. Pressure their point guards as much as I can, get as many steals as I can."

"I thought it was really improved play," said USA and Saint Joseph's University (Pa.) head coach Phil Martelli. "In particular I thought our point guards did a terrific job. Marcus (Williams) had eight assists, Rajon had six, we got multiple steals from that position. They really got us into some things. The sharing of the ball is always good to see, especially when you have guys who are, quote-unquote, all-star type of players. I was pleased overall. It wasn't a competitive situation athletically or talent-wise. But certainly the idea that the ball was moved and there was situation recognition, I thought all of that was positive for us."

The U.S. continues play on Aug. 7 against Lithuania (1-0), which beat Puerto Rico (0-1) this evening 97-81. The game, slated to tip-off at 2:30 EDT, will be a rematch for the two U21 national teams after the United States eked out a 91-86 victory over Lithuania last Friday night at the 2005 Global

Games in Frisco, Texas.

Jumping out to a quick start, the young Americans led wire-to-wire after Withers took a Justin Gray (Wake Forest / Charlotte, N.C.) pass inside for the game's first basket at 9:28. China got on the board at 8:29 with a Qingpeng Zhang 3-pointer, but by 7:44 the United States owned a 10-3 advantage. Following a Chinese field goal at 6:11, the United States went off on a 9-0 run to open it up 19-5 with 3:41 still to play in the first period. By the end of 10 minutes the USA's lead was 23-11.

Justin Gray and Rudy Gay (Connecticut / Baltimore, Md.) hit back-to-back threes to open the second quarter and spark a 14-0 run that saw the U.S. advantage balloon to 37-11 with 6:02 before halftime. By the time the midway buzzer sounded, the game was well in hand, 52-19. At the end of three periods the USA was ahead 82-36 and continued to pad its lead through the end of the contest.

"We didn't want to come out in the second half after being up by so much and then let the game slip away," said Allan Ray (Villanova / Bronx, N.Y.). "We came out with the same intensity in the second half as

we did in the first half. Maybe even a little bit more. We came out strong. You can say that this was pretty much a statement game."

In addition to Withers' 19 points, the U.S. received 18 from Gay, Taj Gray (Oklahoma / Wichita, Kan.) and Ray scored 14 points apiece, Rondo scored 11 and J.J. Redick (Duke / Roanoke, Va.) tossed in 10. With the exception of Marcus Williams (Connecticut / Los Angeles, Calif.), every player scored no less than five points each. However, Williams had his hand in at least 16 points after passing off for a game-high eight assists, while also being credited for three steals.

China's Zhang scored a team-best 15 points in 38 minutes of action, while Yi Liu and Ke Hu contributed 12 and 10 points, respectively.

The U.S. outrebounded China 41-26, thanks in part to eight boards apiece from Glen Davis (Louisiana State / Baton Rouge, La.), Nick Fazekas (Nevada / Arvada, Colo.) and Withers. Forcing 32 Chinese turnovers, while only coughing the ball up 15 times, the United States had a total of 21 steals and also passed off for 22 assists.

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Dusty Bonner wins Co-Offensive Player of the Year

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

The United Indoor Football League has announced the first annual league awards for the 2005 season. The Lexington Horsemen lead the league with four players on the First Team All-UIF. Quarterback Dusty Bonner, receiver Chad Spencer, safety Anthony "Champ" Kelly and cornerback William Mulder were the four Horsemen that received the honors.

Dusty Bonner was also named Co-Offensive Player of Year along with Sioux City's running back Fred Jackson. Bonner led the UIF quarterbacks in nearly every statistical category for the 2005 season. He ranked first in passing yards per game (170.2), total offensive yards per game (174.9), total season passing yards (2,724), completions (257) and touchdown passes (65). Dusty

also set a personal record this year with a career long 38 yard touchdown run. Bonner has been the backbone of the Horsemen as he has been the starting quarterback in all three seasons of the franchise history.

Wide Receiver Chad Spencer missed five games during the regular season, but was still named to the first team All-Stars. When in the line-up Chad dominated the leagues top receiving corps with 58 catches for 635 yards and 23 touchdowns. Spencer also led the UIF in receiving yards per game with 65.5.

Anthony "Champ" Kelly has received three player of the week awards during the UIF season and has now added the first team All-Star to that list. "Champ" led the Horsemen and tide for the league lead in interceptions during the regular season with 10 and he returned two



of those interceptions for touchdowns. Kelly was also the team leader in total tackles accounting for 79.5.

William Mulder was named to the first team All-Star as cornerback, but was also named as a second team All-Star for his kick returning. Mulder was second on the Horsemen and third in the league with nine interceptions on the season. He also led the Horsemen with 17 pass break-ups on the year. Mulder's special teams play was exactly that "special" leading the Horsemen in kick-off return yards (947) during the season. He also returned three kicks for touchdowns, one of which was a franchise record 57 yards.

Legends 10, Suns 4

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — The Lexington Legends defeated Hagerstown 10-4 in a Monday night shootout. The Legends scored five runs in the first inning overcoming an early 2-run deficit to post their second straight win.

Lexington improves to 65-48 on the season and to 23-20 in the second half. The Legends now lead the season series with the Suns at 9-8.

Hagerstown greeted Ronnie Martinez rudely. Carlos Gomez belted the first pitch of the game over the left field wall for a solo home run. One batter later, Ambiorix Concepcion smacked a solo shot to left centerfield to make it 2-0.

Ronnie Martinez earned the win after setting down Martinez

(9-3) worked six innings allowing three on three hits.

The Legends stormed back with five in the bottom half of the first inning. Bryan Triplett doubled in Edwin Maysonet who led off with a walk. A single by Justin Humphries and a walk to Beau Torbert loaded the bases. Mitch Einertson and J.R. Towles were each hit by a pitch forcing in two runs.

Russ Triplett's error on Frankie Caraballo's grounder let Lou Santangelo cross the plate. Clint McGill singled in Einertson. Lexington added two more in the third inning on Caraballo's 21st home run of the year.

The Suns added an unearned run in the fifth inning on Corey Coles' single. The Legends got it back in the sixth inning on J. R. T.

Lexington added two more in

the eighth inning to close out the scoring.

Clint McGill had a career high three hits. Towles tied a league record after being hit by a pitch three times. Towles also homered and doubled. Justin Humphries had a single in his first game back off of the disabled list.



MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Today's Games

St. Louis (Suppan 10-8) at Milwaukee (Sheets 8-7), 2:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Milton 5-12) at Chicago Cubs (Hill 0-1), 2:20 p.m.
Arizona (Halsey 8-7) at Florida (Vargas 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Schmidt 8-6) at Atlanta (Davies 6-3), 7:35 p.m.
Washington (L.Hernandez 13-4) at Houston (Rodriguez 6-5), 8:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Redman 5-12) at Colorado (Cook 0-1), 9:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Benson 7-4) at S. Diego (Lawrence 6-11), 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Myers 10-5) at L.A. Dodgers (Lowe 8-11), 10:10 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Today's Games

Chicago White Sox (Garcia 11-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Small 3-0), 1:05 p.m.
Texas (Wilson 0-4) at Boston (Arroyo 9-7), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Fossum 6-8) at Baltimore (Lopez 10-6), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Robertson 5-10) at Toronto (Chacin 11-6), 7:07 p.m.
Cleveland (Sabathia 7-9) at Kansas City (Greinke 3-13), 8:10 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 7-10) at Seattle (Pineiro 4-7), 10:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (E.Santana 6-5) at Oakland (Zito 11-8), 10:05 p.m.



Louisville 7, Indianapolis 5

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Jose Leon went 3-for-4 with a double and two RBIs to lead the Louisville Bats to a 7-5 win over Indianapolis on Monday night in the International League.

Leon's big night came a week after he was released by the Pittsburgh Pirates, the Indians' parent organization.

Dane Sardinha went 1-for-4 with two RBIs for Louisville, which won despite getting out hit 16-12.

The Bats jumped to a 6-0 lead in the first two innings. Jeff Bannon homered and Sardinha had a two-run double during the opening spurt.

Chris Denorfia homered in the fourth to put the Bats up 7-0.

J.J. Furmaniak and Graham Koonce hit homers in the late innings for Indianapolis.

Indians starter Neal McDade (0-2) lasted only one inning and took the loss, giving up six runs on seven hits.

Louisville starter Justin Germano (1-1) earned the win, allowing a run on 10 hits in 6 2/3 innings of work. Allan Simpson pitched a scoreless ninth to earn his first save.

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POISON OAK

You gotta love Van Lear

Last weekend, the good ole days of Van Lear were relived once again as folks from far and near crowded into the little town to celebrate and remember its historic past.

While I was probably half grown before I ever set foot inside the little town, I have a feeling that folks who grew up there were pretty much like folks who grew up in M u d d y Branch. After all, a coal miner's kid was a coal miner's kid, regardless of what name was tacked over the post office door.

Anyway, to help them celebrate I felt it appropriate for my column this week to tell a Van Lear story. I could relate the Jim Kelly dog story that he told me a while back; or, try to remember some of the ones Bob Daniels told me when we taught together. But in both cases, I don't think I could come close to telling either of them as well as they did when they told them to me, so I guess I'd better not risk it.

Then there's the one that Ronnie Blair told me. It was about an incident that occurred at the "old Van Lear Bridge (which was torn down a few years ago and replaced by a new one.)

For those unfamiliar with the legendary structure (the bridge, not Blair), it sat about 100 yards from where Jim and Ann Tramel's book store is now, and was about 100 yards long. It formed a huge arch across the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River, and connected Van Lear and West Van Lear. Unfortunately, it afforded one-lane traffic only.

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Belle and Maurice share a sweet moment on the JWT stage in Disney's Beauty and the Beast.

Wonderful!

How about one last Hoorah before school starts? Disney's Beauty and The Beast at JWT (runs through August 20) is a great way to celebrate any evening. Tickets are still available and the weather has been beautiful. Take your family on one last Imagination Vacation at Jenny Wiley Theatre!

Here's what people are saying about JWT's production of Disney's Beauty and The Beast

I wouldn't have missed it for the world, and I would drive from Lexington to do it again!

This place and show blew me away. It was amazing!

Great experience for kids and adults!

Beautiful Costumes!
Tickets are \$21 Adults, \$19 Seniors, and \$13 Youth

For reservations call
1-877-CALL-JWT
www.jwtheatre.com

Jenny Wiley Theatre Schedule Change

Jenny Wiley Theatre announces a schedule change for Friday, August 12. The previously planned performance of Jesus Christ Superstar will not be shown that evening. Instead, Steel Magnolias will be presented. According to Managing Director, Martin Childers, the overwhelming demand for Steel Magnolias, prompted us to add an additional

performance to handle the overflow audiences. "No other dates will change and there are still several more opportunities for folks to see Jesus Christ Superstar," Childers said. "We invite everyone to come and see all the shows before the season ends on Saturday, August 20th." For Tickets call 1-877-CALL-JWT or go online at www.jwtheatre.com

Show Sponsored by Highlands Regional Medical Center and First Commonwealth Bank

*Jenny Wiley Theatre is a non-profit organization and receives funding from individuals, corporations, Prestonsburg Convention and Visitors Bureau, Paintsville Tourism, the Kentucky Arts Council, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Kentucky Department of Travel.



The cast of Steel Magnolias.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Mitchell, a rugged outdoorsman, enjoys capturing the natural beauty of Kentucky's landscape and wildlife. An exhibit of his work is currently on display in the Mountain Art Center's lobby.

Kenny Mitchell photographic exhibit on display throughout the month of August, in Mountain Arts Center lobby

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Soft-spoken and humble, Kenny Joe Mitchell is happy to share the story of how he came to be a wildlife photographer. Having worked for 15 years as a mining electrician repairman, Mitchell suffered an on-the-job injury that forced him to stay at home and into months of physical therapy. Finding himself with time on his hands, Mitchell says that he purchased his first 35-millimeter camera from a local pawn shop, with intentions of taking up a new hobby with which to fill his days.

This new "hobby" soon evolved into the creation of a talented wildlife and nature photographer as Mitchell took to the hills and valleys he calls home, documenting the beauty of that

he saw around him.

"I like being outside," Mitchell said. "I guess it just seemed natural to go outside with my camera."

As a young boy, Mitchell spent many hours with his father and brother in the outdoors, hunting, fishing and camping. Like many other eastern Kentucky men, hunting was much more than just a sport for the Mitchell men, it was also an integral part of their heritage and lifestyle. Kenny, however, is quick to point out that he has taken "many more shots" at wildlife with his camera than he has with his hunting gear.

A viewing of Kenny Mitchell photography will find one gazing at a wide spectrum of scenes ranging from "grinning" pigs to shy raccoons, to majestic mountains, Lexington horse-farms, diminutive songbirds and,

even, the shadowed figure of Jesus Christ shaded by the muted tones of an evening sunset.

"It's all been trial and error," the photographer said. "And more error than anything else. But some of the things I've tried for have turned out just the way I wanted. This is something I truly enjoy," he said.

In viewing a photo of a native bobcat, displayed in a beautiful hardwood frame - another Mitchell creation - I asked Mitchell how close he actually had to get to the woodland creature in order to capture the shot. "Too close," he replied, as evidenced by the look in the wildcat's eye.

Mitchell explains that once he began to see his finished artwork, he realized that the beauty of the photographs would be best enhanced by natural, rustic wood frames. "Most of

the photos are of the outdoors and it came to me that they would look best in natural wood frames. So, I started making my own frames...it takes a lot of time, I have a little shop that I work in, but I think it adds the touch that I'm looking for."

Mitchell says he finds much of the wood for his frames in the local area, such as in old, abandoned barns, making them unique and adding to the outdoor beauty of each photo. "They accentuate the outdoor feel of the pictures," the artist says.

Mitchell, who has only taken up the art of photography in the past five years or so, is already becoming a well known name in local circles, and beyond. Currently, his work is on display in both the lobbies of the

(See MAC, page three)



photo by Kathy J. Prater

A snow-capped songbird perched atop the branch of a small tree is one example of the world seen through Mitchell's eyes.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

A shy raccoon gazes timidly over the top of a fallen log as Mitchell's camera catches the moment. The scene is handsomely enhanced by the natural beauty of the artist's hand crafted frame.

CRITTER CORNER

Scratching Posts Part II

by Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

Last week we discussed problems cat owners encounter due to their cats' scratching activities. The majority of cats can be taught to use acceptable objects for scratching and as objects of play—notice I did not say this is always easy, just that it's often possible! There are always a few determined felines, however, who will continue to shred draperies and furniture, and/or will persist in attacking people.

Keeping cats' nails trimmed is one way to reduce the amount of damage done, and it will help with loosening old claw sheaths, which is one of the reasons cats scratch objects to begin with. Nail trimming is relatively simple in cats, because the claws are always translucent white, making it easy to see the blood supply and the nerve, which runs in the same area at

the base of each claw. Your vet can show you how to do this, including restraint techniques and the proper equipment. Rewarding the cat with a small bite of a tasty treat, such as tuna, after each paw or even after each nail may change his attitude toward the whole procedure.

Another option is use of a product called Soft Paws®, available through many veterinarians. These are flexible plastic nail caps that are adhered to the cat's claws with a medical-grade super glue. Many cats tolerate them surprisingly well, especially after the initial period of adjustment. They usually stay in place for several weeks, and fall off as the nail grows out. They are made of an inert material and are harmless if swallowed by the cat. Call your vet to see if he or she

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This is "Lucy." Lucy is a Calico owned by Seth Jones, of Printer. Seth, 13, attends South Floyd Middle School and says that Lucy is a pampered kitty who stays indoors all the time. Also, he shares, Lucy's favorite doctor is Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, her veterinarian. Lucky kitty cat!

School Calendar

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ Adams Middle School Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center offers services to all families regardless of income. For more information about any of the activities or services of the center, please contact the center at 886-1297. The center is now located in the 7th grade wing of the school. Center Coordinator - Michelle Keathley; Assistant - Sheila Allen.

Allen Central Middle School

■ Aug. 15 - Advisory Council meeting, 8:15 a.m. Meeting open to public.

■ If your child has left any article of clothing at school, please contact the Youth Service Center office.

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

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

and WIC appointments.

Betsy Layne Elementary

■ The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 500 building of the campus. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550 or 478-9751, ext. 310.

■ Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator; Charlotte Rogers, Program Assistant II; Debra Hayes, School Nurse.

Clark Elementary

■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly and sees WIC patients, does well-child exams (birth-18 years), and gives immunizations.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Adams Middle School building.

Duff Elementary

■ Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical;

kindergarten, Head Start and well-child physicals (age birth to 18 years); T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

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

May Valley Elementary

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

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

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ Floyd County Health Department Nurse Joy Moore, is at the center each Monday to administer immunizations, T.B.

skin tests, well-child exams, WIC, prenatal and post-partum services, and school physicals. Call 377-2678 for an appointment.

Mountain Christian Academy

Mountain Christian Academy is a non-denominational Christian school.

■ Now accepting applications for enrollment for Kindergarten for the 2005-06 school year. Call 285-5141 for more information.

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.

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

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

South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ School will be participating in the Food City "Apples for Students" program, please save your receipts.

■ Committee sign-ups may be done through the Youth Services Center office.

■ Walking track open to public.

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

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

■ All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall. Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

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

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource Center

■ FRC monthly Advisory Council meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month, at 4 p.m. Call for more info.

■ Lost & Found located in 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 & Found: Throughout the school year, the center receives items that are left on school buses, in the gym, classrooms, etc. We encourage parents to visit the center if their child has lost a coat, bookbag, or any such item. Lost items are checked for identification, however, if unable to locate owner, and items are not claimed within 2 weeks, they then become the property of the Family Resource Center.

■ The Family Resource Center is open weekdays, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., or later by appointment. The center provides services for all families within the community, regardless of income. If you would like more information about programs/services the center offers, please call 452-4553; ask for Cissy or Karen. The center is located inside the main building at W.D. Osborne Elementary. Parents and community members are welcome to visit.

Wesley Christian School

■ Wesley Christian Daycare and Infant/Toddler Care accepts infants and toddlers up to 2 years and Preschool age 2-4. Daycare hours: 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

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

YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from
The Floyd County
Times,
10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and
60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago

August 9 and 11, 1995

It has been over a month since phase one of the restoration project of the old fire department started, yet construction workers and Prestonsburg city employees are feeling the effects of the job...Ed L. Allen, an Owensboro educator was named interim superintendent of the Floyd County School System Friday, during a special meeting of the board of education...The Democrats and Republicans are ready for November's general election, but it could turn into a pen and paper race if the number of people who have announced as write-in candidates actually register for the fall ballot...In an effort to safeguard again, innocent or dead persons being targeted for criminal charges, the Floyd County Solid Waste Commission and Rumpke of Kentucky have refined their methods for identifying delinquent garbage customers...A federal judge has denied a request to reconsider the dismissal of a civil lawsuit filed in 1993, against Douglas Harvey, a former Wayland police officer and the Wayland City Council...State highway department officials to Pikeville expect to finalize an investigation within the next week or ten days into allegations that state workers, materials and funds were used to pave two private driveways in Floyd County. A case against Rodney Blackburn, 36, of Endicott, charged with stealing a car and leading police on a chase, last week, was referred to a Floyd County Grand Jury...Steven R. Combs, 30, of Bulane, is in satisfactory condition in a Lexington hospital after being injured, Wednesday afternoon, in a wreck on KY 80, at Martin, involving three tractor trailers...During a discussion on the Floyd County school system's annual financial report, at Tuesday's board meeting, Superintendent, Steve Towler noted that there was a budget surplus of over \$400,000...Prestonsburg police are conducting an investigation into a Wednesday morning break-in at the child Support Enforcement office. The office is located in the Mountain Comprehensive Care Center building on First Street in Prestonsburg...Clarence Zeek, 22, Timothy Stacy, 26, both of Kermit, West Virginia, and Shannon Guest, 18, of Lovely, and Jerry Varney, 26, of Piketon, Ohio, were injured, Thursday, in a wreck off the intersection of U.S. 23 and Ky. 1428. The accident, involved a 1987 Chevy Van with the four passengers and

included the driver, Willie Little, 24, of Topmost, of a coal truck owned by B & K Trucking of Bevinville. Both vehicles were headed north on U.S. 23...There died: Allie Inmon, 90, of Garrett, Friday, August 4, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Kenis Martin, 88, of Teaberry, Saturday, August 5, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Milford Tackett, 73, of Marion, Ohio, Saturday, August 5, at Medical Center Hospital, Marion; Nellie Mae Jones Epling, 89, of Gahanna, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, Thursday, August 3, at Grant Medical Center, in Columbus, Ohio; Firley Hamilton, 46, of Galveston, Wednesday, August 9, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Nora Slone, 78, of Wayland Thursday, August 10, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Nancy Gibson Gregory, 55, of Marion, Ohio, formerly of Wayland, Monday, August 7, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Lula Mae Huhn Sirkle, 84, of Lexington, Monday, August 7, at her residence.

Twenty Years Ago

August 7, 1985

Eastern Kentucky will honor Ex-Governor Bert T. Combs, Saturday. The day is intended to serve as a thank-you from the people of his native eastern Kentucky...The City of Prestonsburg will beef up night patrols as burglary increase noted...A former outpatient therapist at Mountain Comprehensive Care Center who was fired by the agency in May, has filed suit alleging that she was let go because she was thought to have cooperated with state investigators...There died: James Edward "Eddie" Spradlin, 75, of Bonanza, Sunday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Carl Martin Nance, 78, of Estill, Tuesday; Eugene Booth, 58, of Hi Hat, Saturday, at his residence; Jessie J. Branham, 87, of Wheelwright, Saturday, July 27; Jake Meade, 64, of Abbott, July 31, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Roosevelt Stanley, 84, of Prestonsburg, last Saturday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Seth Adkins Jr., 64, of Bypro, Monday, at his home.

Thirty Years Ago

August 6, 1975

Bids have been asked by the Department of Parks on Phase 1 of harbor

and dock improvements of the Jenny Wiley boat dock on Dewey Lake...The eastern Kentucky coal boom which was marked by unprecedented demand for the fuel and astronomical prices has slumped for the last 90 days and the market this week was reported at its slowest in months...Gov. Julian Carroll has announced that Floyd County has been allotted \$137,240 in county road aid money for the current fiscal year...Slight increase in the tax levy for the new fiscal year were voted last week by the Floyd Fiscal Court...Floyd County will receive \$483,200 in Community Development Block Grant funds from the federal government...Approximately \$1,800 worth of whiskey and beer was recovered, Wednesday night, by county and city law enforcement officers from an abandoned coal mine...Born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ward, of Paintsville, a daughter, Jamie Michelle, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital, August 1...There died: Ronald Glenn Collins, last Wednesday, two days before his eighth birthday, victim of an accidental gunshot wound; Belya G. Quisenberry, 90, native of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday, in Cuyahoga Falls, O.; Russell P. Ward, 58, of Albion, Mich., formerly of McDowell, August 2, in Albion; Elder Rose Hopkins, 57, Friday, at his home at East McDowell; Merlin Miller, 58, native of Calf Creek, in Jackson, O.

Forty Years Ago

July 15, 1965

Floyd County is the first in the nation to complete its full year of basic adult education work, and the achievement will be marked at 4 p.m., Saturday, with a special Recognition Day program at Prestonsburg High School...One of several rocks which fell from the cliff bordering U.S. 23 at Emma onto a passing auto, Saturday afternoon, struck and fatally injured the six-month-old son of James Edward and Avalene Mullins Lee, of Pataskala, Ohio...Thomas Arnett, 24, a native of the Risner section of the county, was electrocuted, Sunday, while repairing an electric water-heating system in a Van Wert, Ohio, home...The senate committee on public works, Monday, approved two eastern Kentucky reservoirs and channel improvement of Right Beaver Creek at Martin...Miss Sharon Collins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Collins, of Wheelwright, will represent Floyd County in the "Miss Kentucky Pageant,"

Saturday, in Louisville...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weddington, of Prestonsburg, a son, Joe David, July 10, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kestner, of Lexington, a daughter, Sheri Lynn, June 27, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington...Married: Miss Hazel Greene, of Prestonsburg, and Mr. Clarence H. Crisp, of Martin, July 9, at Charleston, West Virginia; Miss Elizabeth Ann Laws, of Larkslane, and Mr. Julius Lynn Elkins, of Hi Hat...There died: Hager May, 57, of Bonanza, Wednesday, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; Forrest Akers, formerly of this county, June 27, at Fort Benning, Georgia; Mrs. Etta Hagans, 56, formerly of this county, Tuesday, at Waverly, Ohio; Mrs. Grace Akers, 70, of Betsy Layne, Friday, at the Methodist Hospital, Pikeville; Sue Preston Ward, 82, last Thursday, at her home at Langley; Mrs. Earsie Tackett Ferarn, 51, of Bypro, Tuesday, at the Pikeville Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mrs. Celia Baldrige Hackworth, 83, formerly of the Abbott Creek section, Sunday, at Walbridge, Ohio; John Henry Young, 76, formerly of Prestonsburg, Sunday, at his home in Lexington after a brief illness; Jack Branham, Sr., 75, July 9, at the Pikeville Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Fifty Years Ago

July 14, 1955

John Melvin Hall, 59, former Prestonsburg restaurant owner, was found dead, late Tuesday afternoon, victim of a truck wreck on the Sizemore Branch Road between Minnie and Wayland...Prestonsburg's new attack on its perplexing traffic problem may be launched this week with the order making Third Street one-way, traveling north, put into effect...Except for the vacancy existing in Prestonsburg High School as a result of the resignation of Ted Cook as football coach, the Floyd County Board of Education, last week, completed the roster of teachers for the schools of the county system...Virgil Smith, of Allen, took first and second place in the fine-wool class, and also emerged as the grand champion of the Kentucky State Wool show at Lexington, June 9...Married: Miss Edith Irene Martin, of Garrett, and Mr. Reginald Gene Rice, of Garrett, June 29, at the Garrett Methodist Church...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Evans, of Ashland, a son, Danny Lee, May 31, at Ashland...There

(See YESTERDAYS, page three)

Yesterdays

died: Frank P. Hall, 62, Saturday, at his home at Weeksbury; Roy Perry, 60, of Prestonsburg, Monday, at Prestonsburg General Hospital; Clyde Monroe Hall, 13, of Allen, Tuesday, at St. Mary's Hospital, Huntington, W.Va.; Joe Roseman, 69, of Martin, Tuesday, at his home at Amba; Albert Hall, 67, Monday, at his home at Melvin; Fred C. Workman, 48, last Saturday, at his home at Allen; Robert Hugh Marshall, 77, of Iron Hill, Ky., formerly of Floyd County, Saturday, at Ashland; Mrs. Elizabeth Jarvis Endicott, 69, of Buffalo Creek, June 30, at Endicott.

Sixty Years Ago
July 12, 1945

Ninety-seven Democratic candidates for county office and 32 Republicans drew for ballot position, here Tuesday...A "truce" of two days has been affected in the United Fuel Gas Company employees' strike here and elsewhere in the area as the War Labor Board has promised a hearing next week...One hundred two Floyd service men have been returned to civilian life since May 1, it was announced this week. At the same time 40 were notified to appear for induction, July 18...Married: Miss Emma Francis Amburgy and Mr. William A. Rose, of Prestonsburg, July 3, at Caruthersville, Missouri...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. Burr Rice here, July 10, a daughter, Sandra...There died: Rufus Moore, 37,

McDowell; Trimble Layne, 43, of Betsy Layne, Saturday, at a Martin Hospital; Mrs. R. V. Wohlford, 72, Sunday, at Martin; Zeb Mollett, 78, of Ivel, Friday, at the Prestonsburg Hospital; Ed Vaughn, 68, Wednesday, last week, at Dwale.

Seventy Years Ago
July 12, 1935

All Kentucky Emergency Relief Administration projects in this county were suspended this week while the transition to the federal works progress administration (WPA) was being made. A cloudburst last Friday, flooded almost every street in Prestonsburg, and a high wind interrupted electric service for several hours...Jake Stapleton was slightly wounded by a revolver shot at Allen, the afternoon of July 4...C. H. Nicholls, left Monday, for Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, the guest of an insurance company which he represents...J.C. Ward has leased the Prestonsburg Dry Cleaning Company Plant from D. S. Stephens...Dr. W. J. Hutchins, president of Berea College will speak, Sunday afternoon, at the Beaver Valley Golf and Country Club, Allen...There died: Floyd Hondel, 44, former Floyd County driller, at Beattyville, June 28; Spencer Boyd, 87, Friday, at Wonder; Mrs. Jerry Tackett, 38, of McDowell, July 2, at a Martin hospital.

Critter

uses these, or can order them. It's probably a good idea to bring the cat in to the clinic for the initial application, so you can see how it is done. Depending on how cooperative the cat is, you may return to the office for replacements or ask your vet to dispense glue and extra caps for "touch-ups" at home when needed. These are a good alternative for use in a young cat that will probably soon grow out of the "crazy teenage" stage, and they are also useful in cases where a playful cat is causing injury to the fragile skin of an elderly person in the household. Soft Paws® are available in a clear version, which are hardly noticeable, and in several colors for the fashion conscious! They are also available for dogs.

Obviously, declawing surgery is another possibility, and one that I consider as a last resort. For the most part, I am very much opposed to this procedure, but I am enough of a realist to accept that it may be the only practical solution in some cases. Declawing a cat involves the amputation of the last joint of each toe, usually on the front feet only; the equivalent of removing the tips of our fingers at the joint just below the nail. Although the surgery is performed under gen-

eral anaesthesia, there is obviously going to be significant post-surgical pain, especially since the cat has to walk on these wounds. With the advent of new pain control methods which are safer to use in cats, the surgery may be the lesser of two evils if the only alternative is the cat losing his home or his life. When I had clients who had to make the decision to declaw their cat, I referred them to another veterinarian who I felt was more skilled in the procedure and the needed post-surgical care. Honestly, these cats seemed to do well, and appeared to suffer very few long-term negative effects. If you have thought the matter over carefully, and concluded that this is the only way to peacefully coexist with a feline, don't feel like some sort of monster. It is a decision made in your cat's best interest. Of course, a declawed cat should be kept strictly indoors. Although many declawed cats can still climb trees using their hind nails for traction, they have lost their primary means of defense.

Another surgical alternative is tenotomy, which involves cutting the tendons that allow the cat to unsheathe its claws. I have never performed this surgery myself, nor have I ever seen a cat on which the proce-

dures has been done, so I can't render much of an opinion. It would make sense that this would be a less traumatic operation than declawing, but again, I just don't know firsthand. Regular nail trimming would still have to be done on a cat who has had a tenotomy, possibly even more often, since he can no longer extend the claws to perform any routine maintenance on them himself.

There is no one easy "quick fix" for a cat who is causing damage and/or injury with his claws. The good news is that we have many more options available to us now to deal with the problem. My general advice is to first try to redirect these natural activities into acceptable outlets, such as scratching posts and appropriate toys, and give this solution time to work. Routine nail trimming should also be done. Nail caps would be the next step, and these may be needed only temporarily. The last resort would be surgery, keeping in mind that this is irreversible; you must be committed to keeping this cat safe in return for removing his natural defense. Talk to your veterinarian about the alternatives available, and then make an informed decision that is best for you, your family, and your cat.

Birthdays



Turner graduates with honors from Transylvania

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Turner, of Prestonsburg, are proud to announce the graduation of their son, Ryan, from Transylvania University. Ryan received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English on May 28, 2005, magna cum laude. Graduating in the top ten percent of his class, Turner's academic honors include earning the Henry Clay Award, induction to the Hollein Society, and attaining the Dean's List for all semesters but one. He will continue his education this fall in law school.



Nick turns two!

Nicholas Morgan Crews will celebrate his second birthday on August 14, 2005. Nick is the son of Jane Morgan Crews, of Richmond, and Eddie Crews, of Winchester. He is the maternal grandson of Nancy Hill Howard, of Abbott, and John Morgan, of Winchester. Nick will celebrate his special day with a birthday party held at Chuck E. Cheese's, in Lexington.

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Consequently, for as long as anyone around can remember, drivers approaching either end of the rickety structure had the responsibility to visually check to make sure no other car coming from the other direction had started across the other side. Apparently, it was pretty much a first-come, first-serve deal. If by chance, two cars did end up on the bridge at the same time, the driver who had to back the shortest distance, did so. Most of the time this method worked.

Well, according to Blair, one day two cars, one driven by a lady, met slap dab on top of the bridge, and as might be expected, both drivers claimed the right-of-way and refused to back off.

An argument ensued, with more than a little yelling, but nothing was resolved, and neither agreed to move. (I might add here that Blair knew both parties involved, and named names. However, since I'm reporting this second hand, I won't. But if you really want to know, just ask him).

Anyway, it just so happened the bridge and could see her husband sitting in the shade on their front porch. She walked over to the edge of the bridge and yelled to him, "You planning on going anywhere today?" He yelled back he wasn't, so she took her keys out of the car, locked the doors, walked off the bridge, and went to the house.

You gotta love Van Lear.

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Proactive Health

by Dave Krishna

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Dave Krishna, R.Ph., is a clinical pharmacist for the drugstore.comTM online pharmacy. For other Ask Your Pharmacist articles, visit www.drugstore.com/ ayp.

Healthy Idea-At-home tests can help people monitor their health.



Weddings



Hunt-Hunter

Mr. and Mrs. John Earl Hunt, of Allen, are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Rebekah Renee, to Brian Lee Hunter, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hunter, of Printer. Rebekah is the maternal granddaughter of Dewey and Madge Greer, of Prestonsburg. She is the paternal granddaughter of Arco and Della Hunt, also of Prestonsburg. Her paternal great-grandparents are Mrs. Fannie Garrett, of Banner, and the late Earl Garrett. Brian is the maternal grandson of Mrs. Minnie Akers, of Harold, and the late Walter Akers. He is the paternal grandson of Cana and Betty Hunter, of Printer. Rebekah is a 1997 graduate of Betsy Layne High School and a 2001 graduate of the University of Kentucky. She is presently completing a master's degree in Occupational Therapy at Eastern Kentucky University. Brian is a 1994 graduate of Betsy Layne High School and a 1999 graduate of Eastern Kentucky University. He completed a master's degree in Physical Assistant Studies from the University of Kentucky in 2003. He is currently employed as a Physician's Assistant in the Highlands Regional Medical Center's Emergency Room. The couple will be united in marriage on August 13, 2005, at half past four o'clock in the afternoon, at Allen Baptist Church. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed.



Slone-Stephens

Barbara Carroll and Frank Slone are proud to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jamie Leigh Ann Slone, to Donnie Stephens, the son of Monroe and Sandra Stephens, of Bull Creek. Jamie, a 2003 graduate of Prestonsburg High School, is currently enrolled at Big Sandy Community and Technical College. She is the granddaughter of Charlie and Ruth Nelson, of David, and Earnest Ray and the late Pauline Slone, of Prestonsburg. Donnie is employed with J.E. Allen Construction. He is the grandson of Della and the late Green Stephens, of Bull Creek, and Adam and Marie Arnett, of Roann, Indiana. The couple will wed on Saturday, August 20, 2005, at two o'clock in the afternoon, at the Dotson Pentecostal Church, located on the Mountain Parkway, in Prestonsburg. The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be observed. A reception will immediately follow.

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580-Miscellaneous

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STEEL BUILDINGS: Ideal or garages, boats, RVs, workshops, and more. Repairs, cancelled orders, damaged, factory seconds. All must go! Call today to take advantage! 1-800-222-6335 ext 1558.

RENTALS

610 Apartments

PARK PLACE APARTMENTS- "LABOR DAY" Move-in special! First month's rent FREE with paid security deposit. Through September 5th. 1 BR/\$309. 2 BR/\$304-\$345. Prestonsburg. 886-0039.

APT FOR RENT: 2 BR newly remodeled ground floor apt for rent. Located across from Garth Technical School on RT 122 at Martin, KY. Must have references. Call 285-9112.

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FOR RENT: 3 Room office suite. \$600 month. Call 886-1020 ask for C.V.

For Rent: Office Suite, New Construction. 900 sq. ft. Ample

FOR LEASE: New 30x60 Metal building 12 ft ceilings on RT 80 close to Martin 886-8366. \$500.00 month.

FOR RENT: 900 sq. ft. office/commercial space. Located next to Reflection's Beauty Salon 3/4 mile south or Martin on RT 122. Across from Garth Tech. School. Call 285-9112.

630-Houses

2 BR HOUSE FOR RENT: Located at Cow Creek. Call 874-9132.

2 BR HOUSE FOR RENT: HUD accepted available, after Sept 6 located on HWY 80 across from Allen Central High School. 859-351-4408.

3 BR HOUSE FOR RENT: 2 porches, 2 BA, carport. Country home, very private. Call 886-9291.

3 BR HOUSE FOR RENT: 2 LR. Room to play. \$500 month plus deposit. Private driveway, city water. Located at 168 Lee's Layne, Martin, KY. Contact Stanley at 791-9777.

3 BR HOUSE FOR RENT: 3 BR 1.5 BA, kitchen, DR, heat pump, built in vacuum cleaner & deck. Located in Knott County.

HOUSE FOR RENT: 3 BR, 1.5 BA, carport, large lot. Call 886-8366.

640- Land/Lots

NEW TRAILER LOTS FOR RENT: 3 minutes from Highlands Regional, 5 minutes from Porter School. Call 886-3959.

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Trailer Lot For Rent, Large Yard. Call 886-8366

For Rent : newly constructed Mobile Home Lots in new Allen, reference required call 606-874-2212

650- Mobile Homes

3 BR MH FOR RENT: 3 BR, large lot. Call 886-8366.

TRAILER FOR RENT: Nice 2 BR trailer for rent near Prestonsburg. Call 874-4478.

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660- Miscellaneous

ROOM FOR RENT: in 1700 sq ft doublewide. Access to whole house including 2 full BA. Just asked to help with portion of rent. Cable, utilities, and furniture provided. Prefer female. **BUSINESS ONLY.** Call 285-3755.

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8/10 mile Cow Creek

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705- Constr.

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745- Miscellaneous

WANTING TO CLEAN HOUSES: Local woman looking for house cleaning. Does good job, good references, & reasonable rates. Call 886-3528.

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770-Repair/Services

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NOTICES

815- Lost & Found

OWNER OFFERING REWARD to anyone with information about a lost cat. Lost in West Minister area July 22. The cat is a 2 yr old neutered male red tabby, striped, slender in build. If cat is returned, no questions asked. Call 886-1100 or 886-2694.

LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 877-0165 AMENDMENT 4

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that DFM, Inc., P.O. Box 367, Old U.S. 23, Allen, Kentucky 41601, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1.5 mile

north of Gunlock in Magoffin/Floyd County. The amendment operation will add 157.57 acres of surface disturbance and 131.77 acres of highwall/thin seam mining area, making a total area of 1378.73 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.7 mile north from Brushy Fork Road's junction with Ky. Route 7, and located on Molly Branch.

The proposed amendment is located on the David U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Big Branch Holding Co., LLC, David L. Francis, John Arnett Heirs, .Tonie Wireman Heirs, Sandy Shepherd, Marie Whitaker, Ruth Shepherd, Nancy Whitaker, Luther Shepherd, Edgar Fleming, and Kelly Hale Heirs. The highwall/thin seam mining will underlie Big Branch Holding Co., LLC, David L. Francis, John Arnett Heirs, Astro Clay Collins, et al., Rose Collins, and Vonda & James Kerns. The operation will use the area mining and highwall/thin seam methods of mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources, Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, and requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127, South, Frankfort, Ky. 40601.

This is the final advertisement for this application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within thirty (30) days of today's date.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Pursuant to 405 KAR 8:010, Section 16(5), the following is a summary of permitting decisions made by the Department for Natural Resources, Division of Mine Permits with respect to applications to conduct surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Floyd County.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-5238 AMENDMENT NO. 3

1) In accordance with the provisions of KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., P.O. Box 130, Mousie, Ky. 41839, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 0.9 mile northeast of Handshoe, in Knott and Floyd Counties. This amendment will not add any surface disturbance, but will underlie an additional 1992.0 acres, making a total area of 3595.7 acres within the amended permit boundary.

2) The proposed amendment is approximately 0.2 mile west from County Road 1280's junction with Ky. Hwy. 2029, and located along Lick

KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Noble Coal LLC, P.O. Box 489, Allen, KY 41601, has applied for a permit for surface and underground/auger coal mining operation, located 2.00 miles southeast of Blue River, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 68.45 surface acres and will underlie 28.50 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 96.95 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 1.50 mile southeast of KY Route 404's junction with KY Route 1210, and located 0.20 mile east of the Caney Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Martin U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by James Allen and Glenn David May. The operation will underlie land owned by James Allen and Glenn David May. The operation will affect an area within 100 feet of public road 1210. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public road.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department of Natural Resources Mining Division, Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

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3) The proposed amendment is located on the Handshoe U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The operation will use the underground method of mining. The surface area is owned by CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., and Leslie Bradley. The amendment area will underlie land owned by Kentucky Department of Transportation, CONSOL of Kentucky Inc., Mitchell Stephens, Leslie Bradley, Floyd Co. Fiscal Court, Johnny Hoover Heirs, First Commonwealth Bank, Lindburg Hale, Nadene Howard, Gary Handshoe, Pheba Handshoe, Bryan, Clinton Handshoe, Eldree Handshoe, Ratliff Turner, Hershel and Margaret Handshoe, Bessie Conley, Lois Conley, Oakley Conley, Bradford Handshoe, Cletis Howard, Kirstina Strohschein and Beulah Leitch, Sharon Chaffins, Michael Crager, Wanda Hutchinson, Marvin and Janet Shepherd, Levisa Coburn Estate, Western Pocahontas Properties Ltd., Rex and Madge Hicks, Rosa Oney, Velton Prater, Charles and Becky Howard, Kenneth Bailey, Clyde Bailey, D.D. Compton and Betty Compton. The operation will affect an area within 100' of public road Ky. Hwy. 2029 and Lick Fork Road. The operation will not involve relocation or closure of the public roads.

4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653-1410. Written comments, objections or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Pikeville Regional Office, located at 121 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501. The hearing will be canceled if no request for a hearing or informal conference is received by August 15, 2005.

NOTICE OF BOND RELEASE
In accordance with KRS 350.093, notice is hereby given that Peter Fork Mining Company, P.O. Box

2666, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for Phase II and III Bond Release on Increment No. 11, of Permit Number 898-0042, which was last issued on January 29, 1992. The application covers an area of approximately 298.19 acres, located 2.0 miles south of Owsley in Pike and Floyd Counties.

The permit is approximately 1.0 mile south from KY Route 1384's junction with Dog Fork, and located 0.5 mile southeast of Left Fork of Big Creek of Toler Creek. The latitude is 37°28'05" and the longitude is 82°35'08".

The bond now in effect for Increment No. 11 is a certificate of deposit in the amount of fourteen thousand seven hundred dollars (\$14,700.00), which is the remaining bond, in the application for release.

Reclamation work performed on the permit area includes: backfilling, final grading, seeding, and mulching, completed in the spring of 1987. Results thus far include the establishment of the approved post-mining land use.

Written comments, objections, and requests for a public hearing or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601, by August 15, 2005.

This is the final advertisement of the application. Written comments, objections, and requests for a public or informal conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Field Services, #2 Hudson Hollow, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 by August 15, 2005.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CASE NO. 04-CI-211 THE BANK OF

NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF CWABS SERIES 00-01 C/O COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. PLAINTIFF

Vs. Jeffrey A. Collins and Sherry L. Collins aka Sherry Collins Defendants

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE
BY VIRTUE OF Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 4th day of April 2005, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$82,219.67, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 25th day of August, 2005, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 165 Haus Drive, Prestonsburg, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning on the west side of the creek at a sycamore tree, witnessed by a steel marker, thence with the middle of the creek, taking in the car bridge and driveway, thence running with the road to the Ermon Williams line, thence turning up the hill with the Ermon Williams line, and running with this line to the top of the hill, thence with Elzie Poe line down the ridge to the top of the point, witnessed by a steel marker, thence turning down the hill to an oak tree, thence down the hill to a steel marker and thence down to the sycamore tree, witnessed by a steel marker, thence with the middle of the creek to the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Jeffrey A. Collins and Sherry L. Collins, husband and wife, by deed dated September 3, 1994, and filed for record in Deed Book 401, Page 533, Floyd County Clerk's

records. **TERMS OF SALE:**
(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days.
(b) The successful bidder shall be required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgement.
(c) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.
(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, and City of Prestonsburg real property taxes for the year 2005, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County and City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.
(e) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.
Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.
Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Kristen J. Mudd Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480 William S. Kendrick M a s t e r Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 **COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY**

ADVERTISEMENT FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
The Floyd County Public Schools will be receiving responses to a Request for Qualification of companies interested in providing a Drug/Alcohol Screening Program.
Firms wishing to respond shall attend a mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference to be held at Floyd County Public Schools Central Office, 106 North Front Ave., Prestonsburg, Ky., on August 16, 2005 at 10 a.m. Firms planning to attend the conference and site visits shall notify Henry Webb and request an RFP packet at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the conference.
Henry Webb, Director of Instruction Floyd County Public Schools 106 North Front Ave. Prestonsburg, Ky. 41653 Telephone — 606-886-4552 Email—hwebb@floyd.k12.ky.us
Only responses from those respondents attending the conference shall be considered.
Responses are due by 1:00 p.m., local time, August 12, 2005, at Floyd County Schools Central Office, 106 North Front Ave., Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653.
All questions concerning this RFP shall be answered at the pre-proposal conference.
The Floyd County Board of Education does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, religion, marital status, sex, or disability in employment, educational programs, or activities, as set forth in Title IX & VI and in Section 504.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-0311
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FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT
DIVISION NO. II
Case No.
05-CI-00051
U.S. Bank, NA
(Successor by Merger to Firststar Bank, NA, f/k/d Star Bank, NA)
Plaintiff

Vs.
Terry Wendel,
Mildred Wendel
and
Floyd County,
Kentucky
Defendants
RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Summary Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 11th day of March 2005, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$124,979.72, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 25th day of August, 2005, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 2278 Toler Creek Road, Harold, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the Hobart Howell line at Route 1426; thence running with the Hobart Howell line to the top of a high point of the hill to a large marked Hickory tree; thence running down to the bottom of the hill to a concrete marker; thence running approximately west 110 feet to a concrete marker near Route 1426; thence running approximately 230 feet South back to the Hobart Howell line to the beginning.

Also this gives access to a 10 foot driveway to the property of Lorraine Damron Newman from Route 1428.

For reference see Deed from Willie A. Damron and Erma Damron, his wife, to Mildred Damron Wendel, the female mortgagor, dated August 6, 1997; recorded in Deed Book 415, Page 203, Floyd County Clerk's Office. Also see release of Right of First Refusal, dated April 8, 1998, recorded in Deed Book 419, Page 491, in Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE
 (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the

unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2005, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Plaintiff's Attorney:
 Hon. Septimious Taylor
 4830 Towne Square Court
 Owensboro, KY 42301

William S. Kendrick
 Master Commissioner
 P.O. Box 268
 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY

FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

DIVISION NO. I

C.A. No. 03-CI-978

U.S. Bank, N.A. as Trustee, Successor by merger

by Firststar Bank, N.A., Successor in interest to Firststar Bank

Milwaukee, N.A., as Trustee for Salomon Brothers Mortgage

Securities VII, Inc., Floating Rate Mortgage Pass-Through Certificate Series 1999-NC5

Plaintiff

Vs.

Anthony Swiger

Fran Swiger

United States of America

Commonwealth of Kentucky, Division of Collections

Department of Revenue Cabinet

County of Floyd

Defendants

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Renewed Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 29th day of November, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$51,519.90, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse Door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 25th day of August, 2005, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described real estate, located on Walnut Street, Tram, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Being Lot Nos. 97, 99 and 17 1/2 feet of Lot No. 100, adjoining Lot No. 99 in the Riverside Addition to Tram, Floyd County, Kentucky, as shown by map of said addition filed in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, to which reference is hereby made for a more complete description of said lots.

Being the same property conveyed to Anthony Swiger and Fran Swiger, by a deed dated August 26, 1999, of record in Deed Book 439, Page 209, in the Office of the Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky.

TERMS OF SALE

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a judgment.

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Plaintiff's Attorney:
 Hon. Kristen J. Mudd
 Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss

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Join fish expert Professor Pescados as Kid Scoop explores schools of fish.

Weekly Writing Corner

If Fish Went to School

If I were a fish and went to school I would learn which fish are nice and which aren't. The classroom would be made out of coral and shell and the class would be filled with water.

Grecia
4th grade

I think fish in schools study math, spelling, and humans. I think their classroom could be in a sunken ship, treasure chest, or a skeleton's skull.

Tony
5th grade

The fish would study how to get away from a shark and what to eat or not eat. Their classroom would be in a tank and have a lot of water. It would be organized with rocks around it and flowers. That is what a fish school would be and it would be very fun.

Viridian
5th grade

If fish went to school they would study math, language, and science just like us. But for math they would count pieces of sand! For language they would write with a piece of coral! And for science they would study sharks, fish, and seaweed!

Selena
5th grade

If fish went to school they would probably study the different kinds of bait so they won't get caught by fishermen. Their classroom would have scales on the walls.

Marco
6th grade

Do you know what a fish classroom looks like? Well, the desks are made out of huge clamshells. They read books like Moby Dick.

Ein
5th grade

Hi, my name is fishy and I would like to tell you about a day in my school! My teacher gives me assignments like reading about the lost city of Atlantis and Moby Dick. The principal is a really nice angel-fish. The classroom is very colorful. It is decorated with hanging fish scales and a big sea board to write on. That's a life for an average fish!

Becky Sue
4th grade

Write On!

If Fish Went to School

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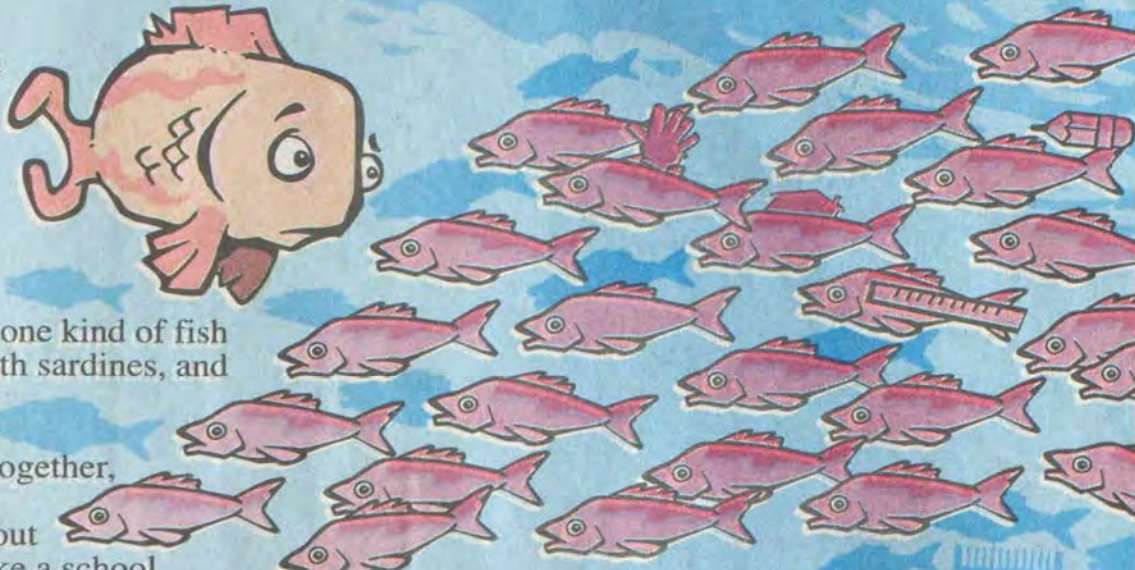
School Days

Underwater schools are different from the school you go to. A school in the ocean is actually a group of fish that swim together. About 4,000 kinds of fish swim in groups called schools.

Schools of fish are always made up of one kind of fish swimming together. Sardines swim with sardines, and minnows swim with minnows.

In a school, the fish are able to swim together, moving in the same direction or even changing directions in an instant without bumping into each other. This can make a school of thousands of fish look like one big fish.

Standards Link: Life Science: Living organisms depend on one another for survival.



Can you find these pictures in the school of fish?



Why School?

Some fish travel in schools to confuse enemies that want to eat them. Traveling together also helps in the search for food. Having thousands of eyes and noses on the lookout for food gives the school a better chance of finding dinner.

Standards Link: Life Science: Adaptations in behavior improve an organism's chance for survival.



Do all fish school?

Not all fish school. For the most part, predator fish do not school. One exception is this fish. These fish are born into and live in large schools.

Circle every other letter to find the name of this fish.

P T I M R K A Y N M A O H B

All Groups Are NOT Schools

Some groups of underwater animals are not called schools. Use the code to find out what each group of animals below is called.

TROUT: ● ▲ ■ □ ▼
HERRING: □ ▼ ■ ▲
BASS: ▼ ● ■ □
WHALES: ★ ▲ ■
SHARKS: ▼ ● ■ □

SECRET CODE: A D E H I L M O P R S V Y

Common Nouns and Proper Nouns

Look through the newspaper and find five common nouns and five proper nouns. Cut them out and glue them to Professor Pescado's chart in the correct column.

Common Nouns	Proper Nouns

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify nouns.

Traffic Control

How do fish swim so close without colliding? Fish use a combination of their senses to create the smooth schooling movements.

Eyes: Each fish can look forward with one eye while the other is looking backward.



Lateral Line: Along each side of a fish's body there is a line of tiny holes or pores. Tiny hairs inside the pores feel the slightest ripple or movement in the water. This lets fish know when another fish is nearby. If one fish moves in a different direction, all the others sense it and move accordingly.

Standards Link: Life Science: Animals have structures that serve different functions in survival.

Double Double Word Search

UNDERWATER
SCHOOLS
MINNOWS
RIPPLE
SWIM
LATERAL
SARDINES
PREDATOR
HAIRS
CLOSE
NAME
BACKWARD
PORES
CHART
WHY

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

R E T A W R E D N U
D S R I A H E S L R
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A A C L O S E I L R
B S T R A H C M M P

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

BEYOND Kid Scoop

My School

Look through the newspaper for five or more adjectives that describe your school. Then look for words that describe what you want to learn this year. Use these words to write a paragraph with your plans for the coming school year.

Standards Link: Grammar: Identify and use adjectives; Writing Applications: Write brief expository sentences.

What's green and squishy and spends a lot of time underwater?

ANSWER: An avocado in scuba gear.

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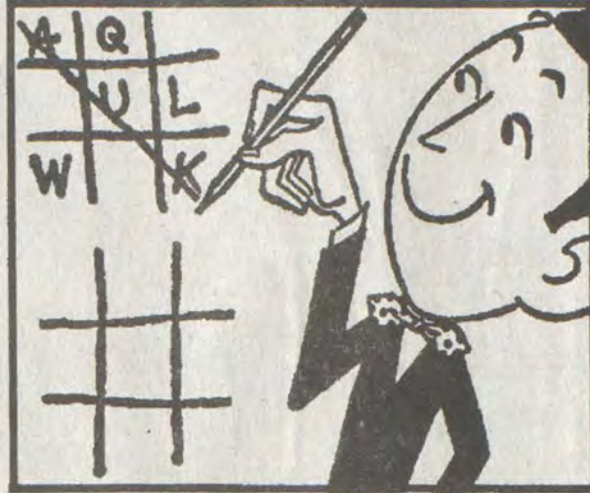
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Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman



APPLY NEW TACTICS TO TICK-TACK-TOE

YOU CAN have some fun playing this challenging variation of tick-tack-toe.

Here's how:

Two players take turns inserting letters rather than X's and O's in an attempt to complete a three-letter word in a straight or diagonal line.

Words may read either left or right, up or down.

Opponents, of course, try to block formation of words at every turn. First player to complete an acceptable three-letter word wins.

Any letter of the alphabet may be used. Proper names are excluded.

Make up your own rules if necessary.

FIND TWINS! Our viewer friend claims that two of the 12 fish in this tank look enough alike to be twins. Which two?
One twin is at bottom left corner.

SAY WHAT! Financial circles may say this or that, and folks may not pay attention. But there are financial circles to which attention is paid every day. What are they?
Half dollars, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies.

SQUARE DEAL! Challenge: You are asked to insert digits 0, 1, 2 and 3 in the diagram at right in such a way that each three-number row across, vertically and diagonally totals six.

0			0
	1	1	
	2	2	
3			3

Properly distributed, each of the four digits will appear in all vertical and diagonal—but not in horizontal—rows.

Present numbers remain in place.

Time limit: 60 seconds.

Top row, across: 0,3,3,0; next: 2,1,1,2; next: 1,2,2,1; bottom: 3,0,0,3.

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Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

My name: _____

My Kid Scoop™

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Learning Buddies: Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.

Bike Puzzler

Two bicycles each with two wheels. But are they exactly the same? Find at least six differences between the two bicycles.



Extra Challenge
Which bike is safer?
Tell your Learning Buddy why you chose this bike.



My Letters

B is for Bicycle

b is for bicycle



Learning Buddies: Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter B. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many words or pictures can you find on this page that start with the B sound like the word bicycle?

My Numbers

How many buckets?

How many buttons?

How many bells?



Learning Buddies: Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

My Rhyme Time

Two little eyes to look around,
Two little ears to hear each sound,
One little nose to smell what's sweet,
One little mouth that likes to eat.

My Sentence

Learning Buddies: Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.



That bicycle is _____



Sunday

Letter Identification

With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that start with the same sound as the letter B in the word bicycle.

Monday

Math Play

Point to the number 2 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.

Tuesday

Two by Two

Count pairs of eyes, feet, hands, knees, legs and other body parts where both can be seen in one picture. Count by two.

Wednesday

Transportation

The newspaper is full of pictures of different kinds of transportation. On a large sheet of paper, write "Transportation." Then, with your child find, cut out and glue pictures of different types of transportation on the paper. Label each picture.

Thursday

Big B, Little b

With your child, find every uppercase letter B on one newspaper page. Draw a small circle around each one. Then try to find a lowercase letter b for each uppercase letter B. Draw a line to connect each uppercase letter B to each lowercase letter b.

Friday

How Many Wheels

Look at pictures of things with wheels in the newspaper. Can you see all of the wheels in each picture? Talk about how many wheels each vehicle has. Cut out the pictures and group them by how many wheels they have.

Saturday

Wheel Math

Look at pictures of vehicles with wheels. Compare the number of wheels by asking questions like, "How many more wheels does the car have than the bicycle?"

Learning Buddies!

My Kid Scoop comes out once a week, but you can use the newspaper every day to prepare your child for success in school. Each daily activity focuses on a specific learning readiness skill.
Step by Step Success 1. Read the activity instruction aloud. 2. Show how to do the activity by doing it yourself first. 3. Ask your child to copy what you do.

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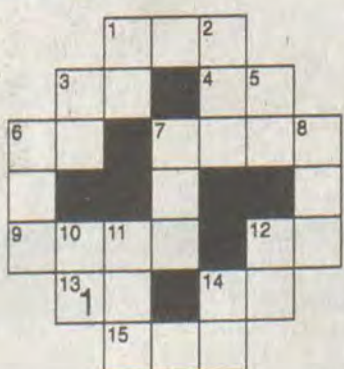
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HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.

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Rational Numbers by Linda Thistle

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the diagram.



- ACROSS**
- 2-Down plus 8-Down
 - 14-Across plus 5-Down
 - 12-Across minus 3-Down
 - One-fifth of 14-Across
 - Three times 15-Across
 - Six times 1-Across
 - 14-Across plus 10-Down
 - The last digit is four times the first digit
 - Three less than 1-Down
 - Consecutive digits in ascending order
- DOWN**
- Consecutive odd digits in descending order
 - 4-Across times 6-Across
 - Two more than 14-Down
 - The last digit is three times the first digit

Rational Numbers answers



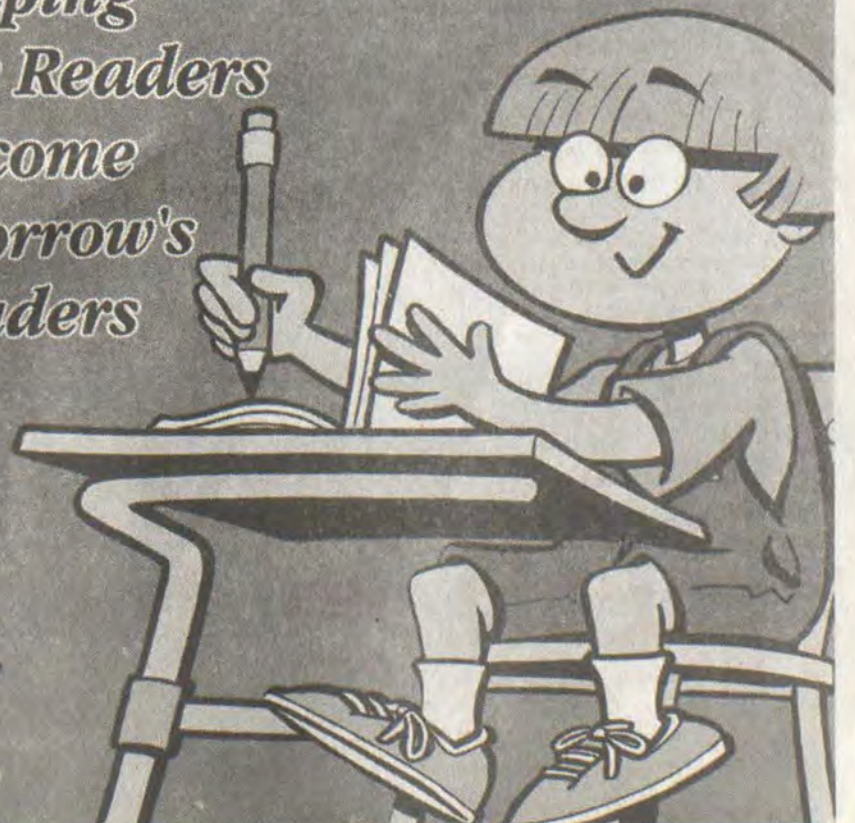
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MIGRATION



In the late summer and early fall, the monarch butterfly gathers in huge numbers for its annual southern migration.

Monarchs are the only butterfly to make such an extreme, two-way journey. Their route can be more than 3,000 miles (4,828 km) long. Monarchs begin the return trip in the spring. They breed along the way and then die. The new generation completes the journey.

The word *migration* is usually used to describe the seasonal or periodic movement of an animal from one habitat to another and then back again. Many species of insects, birds, sea creatures, mammals and reptiles are known to be migratory. People also migrate, but not always for biological reasons; they will sometimes migrate for political and/or social reasons.

About 245 species of birds migrate from the United States to Central or South America. Herons, swallows, flycatchers, hawks, falcons, owls and warblers are just a few of these migrants. In Europe, many birds migrate back and forth to Africa. About half of the 9,500 species of birds found around the world migrate.

The ruby-throated hummingbird eats until it has gained nearly 40 percent of its original body weight. This extra fat is needed to fly the 500 miles (805 km), across the Gulf of Mexico.



The Arctic tern migrates from the Arctic to Antarctica (11,000 miles, or 17,703 km) and back again, one of the longest migrations of any animal.

Reasons for travel

Scientists have been studying the migrational habits of animals for many years, but they still cannot explain what triggers many animals to migrate. Daylight plays an important role for many migrations. It is believed that under certain light conditions, **hormones** are released that tell the animal it is time to move. Experiments reveal that some animals do not need any outside stimulants or cues, but are just born knowing when to migrate.

How do they do that?

Scientists are curious to know how some birds, whales and other animals manage to travel thousands of miles and never get lost or travel off course. Research has shown that different animals use different methods to find their way.

Many species seem to have migration routes and navigation skills that are instinctive. Some animals rely on the Earth's magnetic field to navigate. Some use the sun, moon and stars as a compass, while others may use landmarks such as mountains or rivers. Many birds and insects use polarized light to find their way (this lets them find their way even on cloudy days).

Salmon use their sense of smell and water currents to find their way back to their spawning stream.

It is likely that many creatures use celestial observations combined with the magnetic field and or landmarks to guide them. Whales use landmarks, echoes, currents and landmarks to find their way.

Some migration routes must be learned. The mule deer migrates only a short distance, but the route must be learned when young. Experiments with adult and young starlings revealed that adults that were captured and released off course could navigate back to the migration route. Young starlings who had never made the trip before could not find their way.

On the move

Migration occurs in a huge variety of animals. From microorganisms to giant whales, migration is commonly a round-trip response to climate, food availability and/or ideal breeding conditions.

There are many types of migration. **Daily** and **seasonal** migrations are the most common kind, but some animals migrate on **lunar** or cyclical intervals.

One-way, irregular movements are called mass movements or emigrations. When an emigration is the result of a population explosion it is called an irruption. Lemmings and some insect and bird species experience cyclical irruptions.

Daily migrations

Daily migrations are quite common in creatures that live in oceans and lakes. These daily movements are usually triggered by changes in light and/or temperature. Huge numbers of **zooplankton** (collections of tiny organisms that drift in bodies of water) move toward the surface at night and return to the deep during daylight hours.

Some **terrestrial** (land) animals make daily migrations. The tree-living daddy longlegs can be observed each evening moving from its tree trunk to the forest floor. As dawn approaches, the spider returns to its tree trunk.

Seasonal migrations

Seasonal migrations are very common and generally take place twice a year. They are usually triggered by changes in temperature, light or rainfall.

There are three main types of seasonal migrations: Latitudinal, altitudinal and local. Most migrating birds, bats, seals and whales move in a north-south or **latitudinal** direction. Many mountain dwellers, such as the great panda or mountain quail, move up and down their mountain range in an altitudinal migration. Local migrations usually occur in tropical regions when animals relocate in search of water.

Lunar migrations

Lunar migrations are most common in **aquatic** animals and are usually associated with reproduction. From March through July, California smelt (or grunion) ride the night tide of the full moon in order to deposit their eggs and sperm in sandy burrows on the beach. Two weeks later, the fish's offspring are washed out to sea by the high tide of the new moon.



Some species of **salmon** will travel up to 800 to 900 miles (1,287–1,448 km) from spawning stream to ocean and back again.

Gray whales breed and winter in the warm waters of Mexico. They migrate north to the seas around the Bering Strait.

Baby **loggerhead turtles** embark on an 8,000-mile (12,875 km) migration that takes five to 10 years to complete. When they are born along the eastern Florida coast they are only 2 inches (5 cm) long.

Lemmings have a 3- to 5-year cycle of migration, and animals (like the snowy owl) that depend on lemmings as a food source will sometimes migrate with these small rodents.

In the spring, **caribou** herds head north. The herds segregate themselves into groups that migrate at different times. Pregnant females and calves are the first to migrate.

During droughts and the dry season in Africa, thousands of **wildebeests and zebras** migrate to areas with more water.



The **green turtle** migrates a distance of more than 2,000 miles (3,219 km) from its feeding grounds off the coast of Brazil to lay eggs on Ascension Island, in the middle of the southern Atlantic Ocean.



Cyclical migrations

Cyclical migrations are not linked to climate or seasons, but happen at irregular intervals and often take a **lifetime** to complete. Some species of salmon have cyclical migrations where the young hatch in small rivers and streams and then move into the ocean for two or three years. To breed, the adult salmon make their way back to the river where they were born. There they lay their eggs before dying.

Human migrations

People have been known to migrate as well. For example, the Kung bushmen of the **Kalahari** Desert continue the tradition of following migrating game animals, which they rely on for food. During drought or dry seasons the Kung bushmen will migrate to areas where water is more plentiful.



Crossword

ACROSS

- Living in water
- Most common kind of migration
- This fish is born in fresh water streams, but migrates to the ocean.
- A north-south direction
- Of, on or about the moon
- Small rodents with population irruptions

DOWN

- Kung bushmen live in this desert.
- Microscopic living things
- Some migrations last this long.
- Type of migration usually triggered by changes in light or temperature
- Chemicals that stimulate or tell a body what to do

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- ANSWERS**
ACROSS
 2 AQUATIC
 3 SEASONAL
 5 SALMON
 6 LATITUDINAL
 9 LUNAR
 10 LEMMINGS
DOWN
 1 KALAHARI
 4 ZOOPLANKTON
 6 LIFETIME
 7 DAILY
 8 HORMONES

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