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briefs

Cocaine found during traffic stop

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

HI HAT — A Wheelwright man has been charged with trafficking in cocaine after a traffic stop Monday on Route 122 in Hi Hat.

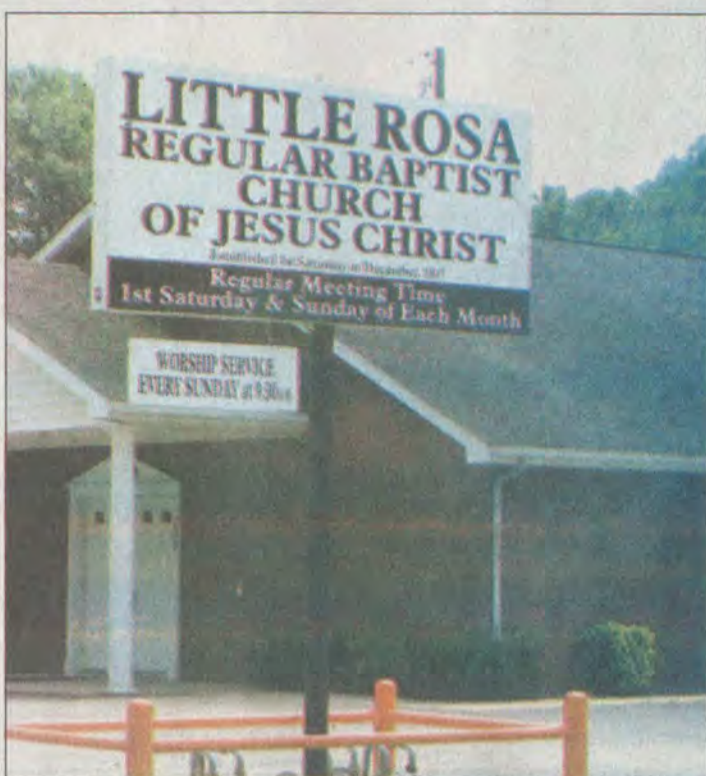
Arthur Redfield, 28, was a passenger in the vehicle which was flashed by a Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement unit driven by Tommy Gearhart. After signaling the car to pull over, Gearhart allegedly observed Redfield toss something out of his window.

The officer later determined that it was cocaine that was ejected from the car and alerted Kentucky State Police, which dispatched Trooper Brad Hamilton to the scene.

Redfield was arrested without incident, although authorities had reason to suspect a struggle after checking his record. He had pleaded guilty to a resisting arrest charge in Floyd County in July 2003.

Officers from Operation UNITE were set to search Redfield's residence today with a warrant issued to look for more cocaine in his home.

Redfield was arraigned Tuesday and ordered held on a \$25,000 cash bond. His preliminary hearing has been set for Aug. 24.



Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ.



The Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church of the New Salem Association.

Church split could repeat itself

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

McDOWELL — The split of an Old Regular Baptist Church congregation divided families and the community in McDowell in 1999. Affiliates now say the church has split again and that members have left or have been excommunicated, or "set aside" because of their beliefs or actions. Members and the community are hurting still, they say.

After the 1999 split, 29 members of the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church of Jesus Christ formed another church, the Little Rosa Old Regular Baptist Church of the New Salem Association, which was constructed in 2000 about a quarter of a mile away from the original church. The older church currently has more than 100 members. The newest church has approximately 40.

Both churches proclaim to have been established on Dec. 1, 1937. Clinton Moore, moderator of the original church, claims that affiliates with the "Little Rosie

number 2" refuse to return original church records that were documented between 1937 and 1999. Both churches, with the help of an attorney, reached a compromise and the newly constructed church returned only copies of those documents, he said.

The split in 1999 occurred after Moore, who joined the church in 1963, and his congregation refused to obey an order from moderators with the New Salem Association to not use a baptistry that they constructed in the fellowship hall, where the original church was located in 1937.

The church built that baptistry because the creek used to baptize members was contaminated with e. coli. Moore said the decision came after 10 people were baptized in one year, a rarity for an Old Regular Baptist Church. He, and the majority of the members, wanted the indoor baptistry because people being baptized would rise up out of the water with "sludge" all over their backs.

"We read daily in the papers and hear on the news about the deaths that are occurring throughout the world due to e. coli

bacteria in the water," Sister Peggy Brown wrote in a letter to the Times in September 1999. "Now, certainly, this should make one think, is tradition more important than a life?"

In October 1999, affiliates of the New Salem Association, who are against indoor baptistries in church, stood up during a Saturday business meeting and asked to speak. Moore, who was moderator at that time, refused them the opportunity and told them they were not invited to be in the church. The question of the baptistry was put to a vote. Forty nine members stood in favor of the baptistry. Twenty nine members stood and walked out the door with New Salem Association affiliates and met in the Old Beaver Church, established in 1843, about two miles away. (It wouldn't have been "legal" in the church unless they stood with their vote.) The second Little Rosa Church was built the following year.

"It's been a real disaster here in

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Two plead guilty to theft cases

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Two Floyd County inmates pleaded guilty Tuesday in circuit court for felony theft-related charges against them. The men could collectively be sentenced to 10 years if the court follows sentence recommendations made by the prosecution during the hearings.

Brian W. Kidd, 30, of Martin, pleaded guilty to various charges in three separate criminal cases.

Kidd, who has a long criminal record, admitted guilt to a felony count of receiving stolen property in a 2003 case in which he must now pay \$2,000 in restitution to the victim, Cecilia Brown.

Kidd must also pay restitution to Diana Hunter, after he pleaded guilty to the Dec. 25, 2003, burglary of her home. He pleaded guilty to one count of felony theft by unlawful taking and one count of second-degree burglary in that case.

Kidd also pleaded guilty to one count of first-degree bail jumping, after he failed to appear for a June 22 hearing.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner recommended five-year concurrent sentences in each case, stipulating that the sentences be probated after Kidd serves two of those years behind bars.

Judge Danny P. Caudill, who will consider the commonwealth's recommendation during sentencing next month, said Kidd could be sentenced to up to 25 years for the crimes. He ordered that Kidd have no contact with the victims or their families involved.

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Man pleads guilty to theft for saying he worked when he didn't

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Floyd County man pleaded guilty to theft Tuesday in circuit court after getting paid for a job he didn't do.

George Banks Jr., 23, of Eastern, worked for Palamar Electric for three weeks in September 2003. Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner said, but he

continued to call in hours, as though he worked, with the company's Clay County bookkeeper until Jan. 22, 2004.

Banks, charged with one count of felony theft by deception, entered the guilty plea under the agreement that he will repay his previous employer, James Bentley, \$5,590 in restitution for the crime.

"They just want their

money back," Turner said.

Turner said Bentley owns other businesses and that employees are responsible for calling in their time each pay period.

The commonwealth recommended a three-year suspended sentence for Banks, under the condition that he make monthly restitution payments. His formal sentencing is scheduled for Oct. 7.



photo by Tom Doty

The destruction of drugs seized at the jail begins with an order from County Attorney Keith Bartley, which is signed after the cases have been adjudicated. Judges James Allen and Eric Hall then sign the orders approving destruction of the evidence.

Jail destroys seized drugs

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Floyd County Jailer Roger Webb spent most of the morning Tuesday disposing of drugs seized from inmates at the county jail.

The influx of drugs into the jail creates a dangerous situation which

places other inmates at risk, Webb said, due to risks of drug interaction and erratic drug-fueled behavior. It isn't good for the inmates either, as two prisoners had six months added to their current sentences this year after they were caught bringing contraband into the jail.

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Charges filed after teen beaten

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — An Auxier man was arrested Monday for allegedly taking part in the beating of a minor on August 11.

Clint Thompson, 25, was arraigned Tuesday, on one count of first-degree assault. He was given a \$50,000 cash bond in the case which finds

him accused of allegedly joining several others in beating a 17-year-old male with a steel fence post, which left the victim with facial contusions and one arm in a sling.

Several others are expected to be charged in the case, which was reportedly observed by up to 12 people.

Thompson has been ordered to stay 500 feet away

from the victim and the victim's family as a condition of his bond, as well as to avoid all forms of communication. He is set for a preliminary hearing in the case on Aug. 24.

The incident, which may have been part of an ongoing feud between two families, remains under investigation with several more warrants waiting to be served.

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Odds & Ends

■ **HONG KONG** — That's a lotta roast pork buns to swallow. Takeru Kobayashi of Japan ate 100 of the palm-sized Chinese steamed treats in 12 minutes to defeat five other contestants.

First runner-up Johnny Wu, 34, managed to finish a mere 47 buns.

Kobayashi, 27, has said the pork buns posed more of a challenge than the 83 vegetarian dumplings he downed in eight minutes Saturday.

For his efforts, the profes-

sional competitive eater pocketed \$2,574 in cash.

Kobayashi, the five-time international hot dog-eating champion at the Fourth of July contest at New York's Coney Island, holds the record of wolfing down 53 1/2 frankfurters in 12 minutes. A native of the Japanese city of Nagoya, he weighs just 144 pounds.

■ **ST. JOSEPH, Mo.** — First, they auctioned off a week of their time online for a fraction of what they had hoped to make.

Then, college-bound students Chip Davis and Chris Pullen learned the identity of their eBay "buyer": Davis' mother, Mary.

"Like I'm going to let some pedophile or whatever win? I don't think so," she said Friday. "I would have paid \$5,000 for the safety of those two — no question."

The auction concluded Aug. 8. Davis, 18, and Pullen, 19, found out Mary Davis' secret on Thursday, dashing any hopes that they would at least get to travel because of the auction.

"After finding out the winner was from St. Joseph, I was disappointed," Chip Davis said. "But now I'm even more disappointed to find out it was my mom."

Mary Davis used a screen name the two would not recognize, and checked the family's computer in secret to make sure she had the winning bid.

She said she planned to get her money's worth out of the two, who will start classes later this month at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

"It's a legal contract," she said, "so the longer they put it off, the longer the list of work will get."

■ **MISSION VIEJO, Calif.** — It was the buzz that killed Saddleback College's stage production of the musical "Babes in Arms."

Thousands of bees invaded an early matinee at the college's McKinney Theatre, stinging the lead actress and forcing cancellation of the 16-show run after just three performances.

Julie Dixon Jackson was stung when the bees suddenly appeared at a matinee, said cast

member Shanon Mills, 20, of Long Beach. As the show continued, the actors and the audience could see more and more bees under the stage lights.

That evening's show was canceled as fine art division dean Rocco Cifone and others tried to figure out when the 400-seat theater's fly loft could be cleared of thousands of bees. (An exterminator armed with a vacuum had to be brought in.)

Some cast members joked the 1937 Rodgers & Hart musical be renamed "Bees on Arms."

"It's the first time we've had to cancel the run of an entire production because of, essen-

tially, an act of God," Cifone said.

■ **LAND O'LAKES, Fla.** — These days, "on the loose" has a whole new meaning in these parts.

A radio station stunt that had three listeners dress like escaped inmates went awry Friday when dozens of people called 911 and the resulting ruckus tied up traffic during morning rush hour, authorities said.

The three, shackled and dressed in what appeared to be jail uniforms, were competing to try to get motorists to give them a ride, Pasco County sher-

iff's spokesman Kevin Doll said. The first one back to the studios of Tampa station WXTB-FM, 98 Rock, would win a trip to Los Angeles in conjunction with a new Fox show called "Prison Break."

But after 30 or 40 calls from "terrified" motorists and residents, sheriff's deputies responded in force and took them into custody, Doll said. They were released after about an hour.

"We took it quite seriously and responded with every available deputy we had in that area,"

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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 17, the 229th day of 2005. There are 136 days left in the year.

■ **Today's Highlight in History:** On Aug. 17, 1807, Robert Fulton's North River Steam Boat began heading up New York's Hudson River on its successful annular-trip to Albany.

On this date:

■ In 1863, Federal batteries and ships bombarded Fort Sumter in Charleston harbor during the Civil War.

■ In 1896, a prospecting party discovered gold in Alaska, a finding that touched off the Klondike gold rush.

■ In 1915, a mob in Cobb County, Ga., lynched Jewish businessman Leo Frank, whose death sentence for the murder of 13-year-old Mary Phagan had been commuted to life imprisonment. (Frank, who had maintained his innocence, was pardoned by the state of Georgia in 1986.)

■ In 1942, during World War II, U.S. Eighth Air Force bombers attacked Rouen, France.

■ In 1943, the Allied conquest of Sicily was completed as U.S. and British forces entered Messina.

■ In 1969, 248 people were killed as Hurricane Camille slammed into the Gulf Coast.

■ In 1969, the Woodstock Music and Art Fair concluded near Bethel, N.Y.

■ In 1978, the first successful transatlantic balloon flight ended as Maxie Anderson, Ben Abruzzo and Larry Newman landed their Double Eagle II outside Paris.

■ In 1985, more than 1,400 meatpackers walked off the job at the Geo. A. Hormel and Co.'s main plant in Austin, Minn., in a bitter strike that lasted just over a year.

■ In 1987, Rudolf Hess, the last member of Adolf Hitler's inner circle, died at a Berlin hospital near Spandau Prison at age 93, having apparently committed suicide.

■ **Ten years ago:** James B. McDougal, McDougal's ex-wife, Susan H. McDougal, and Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker were indicted by the Whitewater grand jury. (James McDougal was convicted on 18 of 19 counts of fraud and conspiracy; Tucker was found guilty on one count of fraud and one count of conspiracy; Susan McDougal was convicted on four fraud-related charges.)

■ **Five years ago:** Al Gore accepted the Democratic nomination for president, pledging a "better, fairer, more prosperous America" at the party's convention in Los Angeles. Shortly before Gore spoke, his running mate, Joseph Lieberman, was nominated by acclamation. Word leaked out that Independent Counsel Robert Ray was assembling a new grand jury to investigate President Clinton's conduct in the Monica Lewinsky scandal. (Democrats charged Republicans were behind the release of information, but a federal judge said he was inadvertently responsible for the disclosure.)

■ **One year ago:** British police charged eight terrorist suspects with conspiring to commit murder and use radioactive materials, toxic gases, chemicals or explosives to cause "fear or injury." At the Athens games, Romania won its second straight Olympic gold medal in women's gymnastics; the United States took silver while Russia won the bronze.

Today's Birthdays:

Actress Maureen O'Hara is 85. Actor Robert DeNiro is 62. Movie director Martha Coolidge is 59. Rock musician Sib Hashian is 56. Actor Robert Joy is 54. Rock singer Kevin Rowland (Dexy's Midnight Runners) is 52. Rock musician Colin Moulding (XTC) is 50. Country singer-songwriter Kevin Welch is 50. Singer Belinda Carlisle is 47. Actor Sean Penn is 45. Jazz musician Everett Harp is 44. Rock musician Gilby Clarke is 43. Singer Maria McKee is 41. Rock musician Steve Gorman (The Black Crowes) is 40. Rock musician Jill Cunniff is 39. Actor David Conrad is 38. Singer Donnie Wahlberg is 36. Rapper Posdnuos is 36. Tennis player Jim Courier is 35. Actor Bryton McClure is 19.

■ **Thought for Today:** "There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle, or the mirror that reflects it." — Edith Wharton, American author (1862-1937).

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Church

McDowell ever since 1999," Moore said. "Families were torn apart by this. I probably got a big share of the blame for that because of the stand our church took at that time ... People today still are not recognizing us as being Christians. With a lot of Old Regular Baptists, once you cross the line, you're on a short list."

Ron Hopkins, who was recently "set aside" from the older church, says that the 1999 split "terrified the community."

"Us members in our church had to explain that to our members over the years," he said. "They'd get up in the stands and say, 'All these people are crucifying me,' and say, 'They're talking about us like we were taking everything and anything and not obeying the rules.' That really hurt our community there."

Moore doesn't know how many people have been baptized in the new baptistry, but with the church's decision to "begin correspondence" with another association, the Indian Bottom Association, the "Sister" baptized a few weeks ago may be the last person baptized inside the church. Some say this correspondence is at least part of the reason why the church has recently split.

Old Regular Baptist churches, for the most part, stand firm with their traditions. Their religious beliefs include regulations that women should not cut their hair, that men should not keep their hair long, and that neither sex should wear clothing suitable for the other sex. Old Regular Baptists are against music and stringed instruments in churches. They hold yearly communion and foot washing sessions, that, usually, only members are allowed to participate in. They base these beliefs on scriptures in the New and Old Testaments of the Authorized King James Version of the Bible.

When the church split in 1999, the original Little Rosa Church was booted from the New Salem Association. They have operated more liberally since that time, Moore said. Dress codes and regulations about the length of hair are not as stringent and the church has been using the indoor baptistry.

Moore said the church, currently independent, wants to

become affiliated with the Indian Bottom Association because, over the years, it has lost "order."

Member Brenda Slone said she believes members of the church favor the move to go into the Indian Bottom Association in order to get more ministers.

"They are tired of having church every Sunday, a lot of members are tired of having church every Sunday with the same preachers," she said. "They're hoping that with the Indian Bottom Association, ministers will come in and minister the word and I think it would bring more blessing to the church, which is good."

Slone said her only problem with the change would be that her husband, Joe, a Freewill Baptist minister, would not be allowed to preach at the Little Rosa Church after they adopt affiliation with the Indian Bottom Association.

"I have had a lot of battles with the Regular Baptist Church," Slone said. "My situation is that I have a so-called living husband that I divorced in 1987. When I came to know the Lord and was baptized in 1988, they told me I couldn't get married again."

She went on to explain that her current husband would be accepted as a preacher by Indian Bottom, but that he would not be ordained to preach with them. He preaches occasionally and participates in communion at the Little Rosa Church, she said.

"My so-called living husband, my first husband, God never joined us together," she said. "I stood before the preacher and said, 'I do' because I was young and I didn't understand. When I came to know the Lord and married Joe, I took those vows before God ... They said when he married me, he took my sins on. A person could go out and kill someone, take somebody's life, and go to the pen and do their time, and when they get out, the Regular Baptists will put you in the stands and let you minister as long as you haven't been married twice. You never live it down, they always hold it against you. That's something that needs to come out of the Old Regular Baptist Church. When God forgives you of your

sins he washes them away in the sea of forgiveness, never to be brought back before you again. There is only one unforgivable sin and that's blaspheming against the holy ghost."

Slone specifically requested to extend her apologies to the Little Rosa Church for an incident that apparently has some affiliation with the most recent split in the congregation of the church.

"I apologize to all my brothers and sisters at the Little Rosa Church if I caused any trouble when I asked if my son, age 14, could come and take communion with us. I'm sorry if I caused trouble," she said. "I love each and every one of the members and I hope and pray that everything will straighten out because God's will will be done. If there's anything I can do for the church, I hope they let me know."

Moore said that Slone called him and requested to have her son, who was baptized in a Free Will Baptist church, to take the annual communion and participate in the foot washing, which goes against traditions of Regular Baptist churches.

During the Aug. 6 business meeting, Moore called off this year's communion service because of "all of the confusion." He now says it will be held during the church's September meeting.

"I am against open communion," Moore said. "Nothing like this has ever been done in a Regular Baptist church. I think they ought to be members of the church. If I don't know you and you come to our church and I take communion with you all and wash feet with you all, then how do I know you're really a believer?"

Hopkins, who was "set aside" during this meeting, said he, and others, were in favor of the child's participation and that Moore overstepped his boundaries when he called the communion off.

"It's been a normal practice through the years," he said. "They would invite other

churches and other born-again Christians to join us. Clinton [Moore] brought it up in front of the church to see what the church felt about it. A lot of us spoke on it. Several of us told him it'd be okay if the young man was baptized. I believe I told him that I would wash his feet myself."

Moore apparently became upset because members weren't "standing with him." He resigned from his position, as did his assistant moderator. Moore said the resignation was not official because it was not seconded and accepted by the members.

Hopkins, one of the members who "stood up and saved" the church in 1999, and other current and recently ousted members say the communion and foot washing question is only a part of the recent problems at the church.

Hopkins' biggest problem is the church's decision to take in the Indian Bottom Association and how that option came about.

He said that all members were not notified of a special called Wednesday night business meeting and that a vote to begin correspondence with Indian Bottom would not have passed if all members were present. Moore said that it wouldn't have made a difference if all members were called. The vote, he said, was 36 to 23 in favor of the move. Both men say that between 60 to 70 of the approximate 120 membered-congregation were in attendance. Those who objected to the vote were "set aside."

"What happened there is that they pulled a slick one," Hopkins said. "They pulled an illegal meeting and had an illegal vote ... These things go against the past practice of the Old Regular Baptist Church. That church has been my history. My dad, Ross Hopkins, was moderator for 20 years. My grandparents, my great grand parents, all of their pictures are hanging on the walls. My grandparents and old soldiers of that church would never go into that association. They're trying to take that church away from us, and this community built that church. It's been a pillar of the

community, always helping people when they needed help ... Our community, I'm telling you, is tore all to pieces all over this ... It like the old poker saying, and I hate to say in while talking about a church, but I will, I think

they pulled a Sandy on us and we didn't have enough to call their bluff."

Hopkins, who says his religious freedoms are being sup-

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Guest View

Back to basics

One in every four U.S. first-year college students is expected to take remedial courses this fall, usually in math or English or both. Why? Were they — or their high schools — slackers?

In Ohio, 38 percent of college students enrolling in fall 2003 took such classes. In Kentucky, 54 percent of students in fall 2002 were underprepared in math, reading or writing. Colleges may always need to offer refresher courses, especially for high school graduates who take time off between high school and college for work or other reasons. But the sheer numbers of college freshmen sweating through remedial courses testifies to multiple disconnects in the education pipeline.

Most governors, including Ohio's Bob Taft and Kentucky's Ernie Fletcher, have concluded the American high school needs to be redesigned. The governors' initiatives are under way. High schools will need to keep innovating, but model schools already are turning out college-ready graduates, and their "best practices" aren't top-secret. Such schools accept no excuses for students not succeeding, and expect continuous improvement.

Families are justifiably upset over remedial courses that can cost hundreds or thousands of dollars and often don't count toward a degree. Taxpayers are upset especially if public schools are involved. They figure they're paying twice, first for high school that didn't get the job done and then for college makeup work. Even if remedial courses are a profit center for colleges, they divert teaching resources, and don't target high schools that churn out ill-prepared grads year after year.

Ray McNulty, a former Vermont education commissioner and former senior fellow at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, delivered a blunt dose of reality Tuesday to Kenton County educators. "If you keep doing what you're doing here in Kenton County," he said at Scott High School, "you'll be good. But you won't be great."

McNulty now directs the Successful Practices Network for New York-based International Center for Leadership in Education. He broke down the bad-news numbers for Kenton teachers and administrators: Out of every 100 U.S. high school freshmen, only 67 graduate. Of those 67, just 38 go to college. Of those 38, only 26 attend a second year of college. Of those, 18 receive their degree within six years. McNulty urged the educators to "build a new box to think in" instead of "thinking outside the box."

Schools that engage students — and parents — are likely to produce grads well-prepared for college or work. A Horatio Alger Foundation survey of 13- to 19-year-olds reported this week that almost nine in 10 students said they would work harder if their high school expected more of them. Such claims may be partly belied by the notorious "senior slump," in which high-schoolers slack off studies, especially after they receive college acceptances. Redesigned high schools need to offer more choices to keep students excited about their interests — but not at the expense of core subjects, requiring remedial work later.

— The Kentucky Enquirer, Fort Mitchell



Capitol Ideas

Magazine ranks Kentucky last in two education spending categories

by JOE BIESK
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FRANKFORT — Kentucky ranks last in the nation in education spending in two categories — the amount spent per capita and as a share of personal income, according to a recent magazine report.

Kentucky rounded out the bottom 10 states in the country behind Louisiana, Hawaii, North Carolina, Alabama, Florida, Arkansas, Tennessee, Arizona and Mississippi, according to Governing magazine's State and Local Source Book 2005.

"It shows we're being outpaced," said Bob Sexton, executive director of the Prichard Committee for Academic Excellence. "We haven't continued with the funding commitments we made way back in 1990. For years we've known that Kentucky has to run harder than other states to catch up, and it's disappointing to see this evidence that we're not doing that."

In 1990, the General Assembly passed the sweeping Kentucky Education Reform Act, which included a \$1 billion tax increase for school funding.

Kentucky spends \$953 per resident on education, about 3.7 percent of personal

income, according to the magazine. Kentucky was the only state in the country with a per capita spending on education below \$1,000, according to the magazine, which bases its rankings on data from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Sexton said the rankings were "very disappointing" because it showed education was not as high a priority in the Bluegrass State, compared with every other state in the nation.

While Kentucky has hovered near the bottom in these two categories in recent years, the numbers show the state has gradually slid to last in the nation.

In 2001, Kentucky came in 47th overall, with per capita spending on education at \$872. But Kentucky's percentage as a share of personal income was about 4.4 percent then. By 2003, Kentucky had dropped to 48th in per capita spending on education, at \$977. Its percentage of personal income was 4.3 percent, which ranked 40th in the country.

Lisa Gross, a spokeswoman for the state Department of Education, said she wasn't surprised by the numbers. Gross noted the same publication found Kentucky was ranked 14th overall in highway spending.

"I am depressed by it," Gross said. "This is something that follows the trend that we've seen on the state level."

Kentucky educators have had shrinking budgets since 1994, when about 48 percent of the state's general fund went to pay for education, Gross said. By 2002, 41 percent of the state's general fund was put toward education.

"Every year we get a little less percentage wise," Gross said.

According to the rankings, Kentucky spends about \$3.9 billion on education.

And, the state spends about \$7,400 per student, which ranks 29th in the nation. Kentucky's pupil-to-teacher ratio is 16.1, 36th in the country, according to the rankings.

With steadily increasing costs for expenses such as health care, less money has been going to pay for classroom instruction, Gross said. Those school districts that don't have large cash reserves must then make cuts for things they can't afford, Gross said.

Frances Steenbergen, president of the Kentucky Education Association, said the statistics reinforce what her organization has been preaching for years.

"More funding is needed for education," Steenbergen said. "Education is what drives the economy, so you need to improve the level of funding for education and that would improve the economy."

Brent McKim, president of the Jefferson County Teachers Association, said some Kentucky lawmakers have not yet acknowledged there isn't enough money coming in to state government to adequately provide for public schools.

Voters would likely be open to paying more for education, if they knew up front what the money would pay for, McKim said.

"The reality is if we want to get out of the basement we're going to have to come clean with people and tell them how bad the situation really is in terms of funding," McKim said. "It's kind of like Alcoholics Anonymous, you have to start by admitting you have a problem."

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Joe Biesk is a statehouse reporter for The Associated Press.

Letters

Embarrassing mistake

In a recent article published in The Floyd County Times, Duff Elementary and Betsy Layne High School were noted to have traffic-control devices installed at their locations and asked the public to observe the school zones. This is wonderful news, especially at these two schools. It was much deserved and a long time coming.

Upon the heels of this article, state Rep. Chuckles Meade sent email to the teachers and school personnel, dated Aug. 9, stating as follows:

"For the teachers of Betsy Layne

High School and Dove Elementary: As you noticed, you will find caution lights and a radar device going into your schools. This is not the spotlight that I was wanting to have for you by now, but I will continue to fight for one."

Pay attention to the words "Dove Elementary." Where is "Dove Elementary"? In my own thoughts and after reading the recent article, was it meant for Duff Elementary? This is not a misspelled word, so what do you think?

I hope for the sake of Floyd County voters that I am not right in believing the worst scenario. If I am wrong, then I, along with many others, will stand corrected.

I would have to see it before I could believe anything he had to say after he took credit for the coal-severance tax money that Floyd County has been receiving for years.

Whether it is Dove, Duff or Pigeon Roost in Knott County, I doubt that our representative is totally responsible for the devices, anyway. The might slow him down.

Now I understand why he thinks he owns my property and his, too. Unfortunately, Barney Fife has been seen in the area.

Merlene Dings
Martin

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Health Extra

Haynes named ARH president and CEO

WEST LIBERTY — The ARH Board of Trustees has named Jerry W. Haynes President and Chief Executive Officer for the nine-hospital Appalachian Regional Healthcare system.

Haynes was named interim president and CEO for the ARH system in May following the resignation of former ARH president and CEO Stephen C. Hanson.

ARH Board of Trustees Chairman Larry Meador, who announced the board's decision at the ARH board meeting in Morgan County, thanked Haynes for his hard work these past three months as interim CEO.

Haynes previously served as ARH executive director of operations and has been a part of the



Jerry W. Haynes

ARH system for the past 26 years. In that time, Haynes has held many leadership positions, including stints as Community CEO for ARH hospitals in Hazard, Whitesburg, McDowell and Beckley, W.Va. He also has

served as chief compliance officer, system director for patient financial services and assistant administrator for ARH's home services and clinics.

"I look forward to serving in this leadership capacity as we continue to fulfill ARH's mission and move the organization ahead," Haynes said. "ARH's mission is greater than health care — our organization has a tremendous responsibility to our communities and the people we serve. We must serve as a catalyst for improvements in our region, including economic development, educational initiatives, and environmental enhancements. By doing so, we can accomplish our mission, which is to improve the health and promote the well-being of all of the people in Central

Appalachia in partnership with our communities."

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ARH's mission is to improve health and promote the well-being of all people in Central Appalachia in partnership with its communities.

More than half-million Kentuckians lack health insurance

The Associated Press

LOUISVILLE — More than a half-million Kentuckians have no health insurance, putting the state in the middle of the pack nationally in the percentage of residents lacking insurance, according to figures from the U.S. Census Bureau.

Kentucky ranks 27th, with 13 percent of its residents without health insurance, the figures show. More than 95,000 of the uninsured are younger than 18.

The bureau's estimates have a margin of error that varies by state — Kentucky's number of uninsured — pegged at more than 530,000 — could be as much as 27,000 higher or lower. Kentucky has a smaller percentage of uninsured residents than the national average — 14 percent. That's almost 40 million people.

Judy Owens, director of the University of Kentucky Center for Rural Health in Hazard, said the statewide figure of 13 percent seems too small.

"We see our workload

increasing, and we see the circumstances that people are in are more complicated," Owens said. "The demand for our services (has) never declined."

According to the center's data, the three Kentucky counties with the greatest proportion of uninsured citizens are Clay, McCreary and Owsley. The Census Bureau generally agrees, but reverses their order, reporting that fully 25 percent of Owsley County has no health insurance.

"There are more uninsured or underinsured people than a lot of the data seems to suggest," Owens said.

But the state's figures line up pretty well with the Census Bureau's numbers, said Mark Birdwhistell, undersecretary for health in the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

State and local agencies will use the new numbers in planning how to care for the uninsured, who place a burden on the health care system by driving up costs and overwhelming some facilities, such as emer-

gency rooms. But some health care officials say the Census estimates understate the problem with uninsured residents, since the most recent data was from 2000.

Health care officials agree that the problem of uninsured patients is a large drain on clinics and hospitals. Kentucky doesn't track the cost of uninsured patients to taxpayers. But a June study published by Families USA, a Washington, D.C., nonprofit organization that lobbies for health care consumers, estimates that it cost Kentucky \$679 million this year to cover unpaid medical costs for the uninsured.

It also said the cost will drive up health-insurance premiums by more than \$1,000 for a Kentucky family with employer-sponsored coverage.

For the first time, the Census Bureau pulled together estimates on the numbers of people with, and without, health insurance, and broke them down by county. The bureau compiled the data from

five sources, including Medicaid and food stamp records and federal tax returns.

Until now, precise numbers have been "elusive, to say the least," said Bill Wagner, executive director of Family Health Centers in Louisville, where patients can seek discounted health care.

But the demand is real and growing, he said.

"Every day, we turn patients away," Wagner said. "The growing numbers are putting a strain on our system."

Michele Wemes, 39, lost her health insurance two years ago when she divorced, and knee problems forced her to leave her

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State AARP official to be guest speaker at AARP 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 on Friday, August 19, at the First Presbyterian Church, Prestonsburg. The meeting begins at 6 p.m., and all AARP members and friends are encouraged to attend.

Hale Family Reunion

The John M. Hale Family Reunion will be held on Sunday, Sept. 11, at the Greenwich Coon Hunter's Club, in Greenwich, Ohio, beginning at noon.

Please bring a covered dish. Tableware and drinks will be provided. For more info., call Alma Hopkins at 419-752-6906.

Floyd County Retired Teachers

Will host a meeting at the East Kentucky Science Center, located on the campus of the Big Sandy Comm. and Tech. College, on Sept. 1, at 10 a.m.

Clark Elem. School

Will hold a regular SDBM Council meeting, on Thur., Aug. 18, at 6 p.m., in Adams Middle School library. All welcome.

East KY State Fair - 4-H Projects

Any Floyd County student who completed a 4-H project in 2005 may submit the project to the East Kentucky State Fair, to be held Aug. 30 thru Sept. 5, at the Thunder Ridge Complex. Call 886-2668 or visit: www.eastkystatefair.com for entry details.

Open Animal Exhibits will also be conducted and any student who has an animal (dog, rabbit, chicken or goat) may exhibit the animal at the fair.

Also, any Floyd County student, grades 3-12, may compete in the Talent Show to be held at the fair.

You may contact Floyd County Extension Agent for 4-H, Chuck Stamper, for more details.

Parenting Training

"Keys to Great Parenting" will be offered on Friday, August 26, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Floyd County Extension Office.

Seminar will be taught by Dr. Carole Gnatuk, UK Child Dev., Doug Burnam, UK Health Edu., and Theresa Scott, Floyd Co. Ext. Agent.

Topics will include: substance abuse (affecting families), care of self, family relationships, early brain development and teaching self-control.

Training excellent for early childhood educators, social service workers, ministers, health care providers, and those who work with families of young children.

Registration deadline is Aug. 19. For more info., call 886-2668.

WHS Class of '59

The Wayland High School Class of 1959 will hold their 46th year reunion on Sept. 4, at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park. For further information, email to: pslone@charter.net.

"Creation Seminar Sunday"

Event to be held Sept. 11, at Prater Creek Baptist Church,

Banner. Mike Riddle, of the "Answers in Genesis" organization, will conduct seminars on Biblical Creationism. For more info., call Pastor J.B. Hall at 874-3222; email to: pcbc@pcbaptist.org.

Hill Country Dancers

FREE square and line dance classes for the month of Sept., in Pikeville, at Hambley Athletic Center, across from Pikeville High School. For more info., call Linda Frasure at 285-3994; Novella Froman at 432-5834; or Don Schul at 789-5712.

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 a \$6.95 breakfast buffet is available. 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: profitnessctr@bellsouth.net. You may also visit www.multisports.com to view and print a map of area cycling routes.

Childers Family Reunion

The Childers (Childers) 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.

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.

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.

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.

Auxier Lifetime Learning Center

FREE GED classes, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; may work with computers during this time. Call for more info.

Joy Services - Christ United Methodist Church of Allen

Special musical services: 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. 25 - "Living Well with 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.

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. 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. For more info., contact Debbie Hall at 304-757-2918 or Dochallparsons@charter.net

BLHS Classes - '65 thru '75

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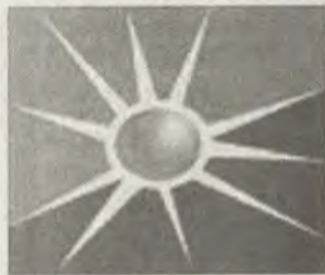
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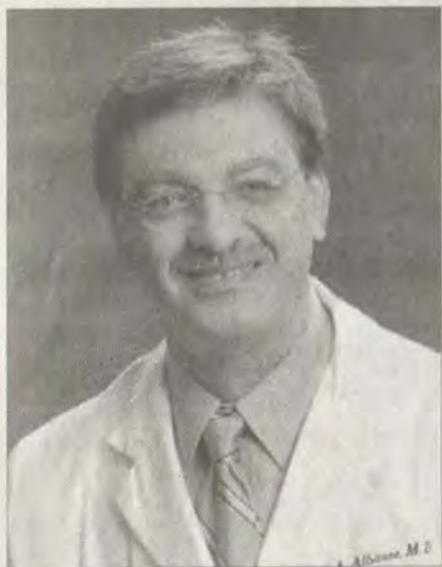
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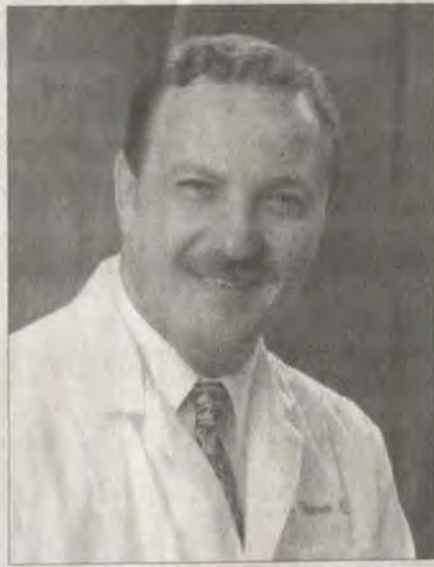
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Dr. Ghassan Dalati, Cardiologist, with East Kentucky Cardiology, is the newest member of the medical staff at Highlands Regional Medical Center. His office is located in Suite 205 in the Archer Clinic. Dr. Dalati completed his Residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Missouri, and completed a Fellowship in Cardiology at Louisiana State University. Dr. Dalati will perform patient evaluations and diagnostic procedures, including echo, stress test, Holter monitor, event monitor, and invasive studies, including coronary angiography (cardiac catheterization), implantation of permanent pacemakers, defibrillators, and bi-ventricular pacers. Dr. Dalati is an associate of Eastern Kentucky Cardiology of Ashland, the practice of Drs. S. Velury, V. Velury and T. Thayapran.

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pressed, opposes the fact that members were "set aside" because he says, in "past practice," "if they have a brother they think is in trouble, they go to him" rather than exclude him entirely. He said the church should have another vote, but Moore stands firm with the vote already taken.

"My personal feeling is that I really do think that my religious freedoms have been suppressed," Hopkins said. "It's not fair that members aren't allowed a fair and decent vote on where our church is going. It's very hard and I'm very hurt. My family's pictures are on the walls down there and all this has broke this old man's heart."

Slone said those opposing the Indian Bottom affiliation

should just walk away.

"If people don't want to go into Indian Bottom, they should go into another church and not cause problems in this church," Slone said. "In the end times, God will call his church home."

Hopkins is also opposed to loosing the indoor baptistry, even though Moore says that the Indian Bottom Association would allow them to construct a baptistry outside. Slone says she doesn't understand why any church or association would have a problem with indoor baptizing to begin with.

"If you're in the hospital and you're sick or on your death bed, they'll run water in a bathtub and baptize you," she said. "New Salem, Indian Bottom, any of them will do it. They'll

baptize you and accept it. I don't understand it. If it was me I'd rather be baptized in a baptistry in filthy creek water."

Another recently "set aside" member, Floyd Skeans, says he and his wife withdrew because of discrimination in the church.

"Me and my wife withdrew as members of the Little Rosie Church in McDowell because of discrimination within the church," he said. "The church is going back to rules and regulations on God's heritage, taking our liberty that God gave us as born-again Christians, and we have both lost all confidence and trust in the leadership of this church."

Current and ousted members also expressed concern that the Indian Bottom Association does

not approve of Sunday schools for children. The church opened one about 5 months ago and would probably have to discontinue it if the affiliation is adopted.

Stiff regulations, Slone says, are pushing people away. Moore expressed the same concern, calling some Old Regular Baptists "unlearned" and "uneducated."

"So many of the old time people there don't have TV's and they don't listen to radios. They're living in the old days," Slone said. "This is 2005 and these old people are destroying the Old Regular Baptist Church by running the young people out with these man made rules. We ought to go by God's rules and that's the Bible. When we see all

these churches fight and there are wars and rumors of wars, earthquakes and things, we're seeing what the Bible speaks about. The time is night."

Moore said the church's current problems are nothing compared to the problems they faced in 1999 and that the church community would "probably get over it."

Bill Tackett, current moderator of the newly constructed Little Rosa Church, says the differences in opinion at Moore's church will be hurtful for a long time.

"Everybody's got to spin their own opinion," he said. "I don't know what's wrong for me or what's right for me, but I try to uphold what the church stands for. I don't know anybody on earth I don't want to go to heaven with. I want everybody to go ... It's something that will hurt for a long

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time to come and it [the church] will take a long time to heal itself. Now that's my opinion and that's how I see it. Others may see it differently. Anytime you have a tear up in the community, it's not good. Anytime a church falls out, it's not good ... I wish all had a forgiving heart. If they don't believe in the same thing, they should still love one another. That's all I can tell you. The church is a sacred place and I love it and I love the members. I love the world, I just don't love the ways of the world. The old saying is, 'You go to your church and I'll go to mine, and we'll walk along together.'"

Drugs

The process began this year when jail personnel discovered drugs that inmates had tried to bring with them. In the case of Larry Marsillett, it was just a matter of patting him down when he arrived at the jail. During his check-in, guards discovered a suspicious bulge in Marsillett's pants and found out that he had sewn a plastic bag filled with marijuana into his underpants. Marsillett had been sentenced to serving weekends at the jail so that he could keep his job, but that situation, as Webb explained, is ripe for exploitation and Marsillett succumbed to pressure from another inmate to bring marijuana into the jail.

Another inmate, Anita Lazar, was suspected of bringing drugs in when staff observed her making an inordinate number of trips to the restroom after being booked. A search of her articles revealed that she had a pack of cigarettes that contained a bag of marijuana and over 40 pills which she had brought into the jail by hiding them in a body cavity.

Once the drugs were in the jail's possession, they needed to be held until the cases were settled before they could be destroyed. To save time, Webb

waited until both cases were settled by guilty pleas before bringing all of the evidence to Bartley's office. Webb also discovered a bag of marijuana from a 1999 case that was included for destruction.

Getting the orders signed presented no difficulties as both District Judges Eric Hall and James Allen were aware of the problems that drugs add to managing the jail, which is currently running at 50 percent over capacity.

"We take this problem very seriously," Allen said. "We have to."

Hall observed that work release programs have had to be canceled because of problems situations like Marsillett's have created.

"It's a shame, because we don't like seeing someone lose their job, but there are pressures on these folks," Hall said.

Webb added that a typical scenario is that a hardened inmate will pressure a younger one into bringing in drugs, saying that he will have his wife send him a money order from outside. The inmate has little to fear, since the work-release prisoner is actually shouldering all of the risk and is the one most often caught.

Drugs aren't always smuggled into the jail by inmates and Webb has had to contend with friends and relatives of inmates who try to leave drugs outside the jail in predetermined locations. One instance involved a parent who had her little girl try to pass a box of candy to her father through the property intake box at the jail. The box of "Nerds" also contained a small bag of marijuana and four methadone tablets.

Webb has had several instances of drugs being left outside of the jail, with one case resulting in an arrest.

In June, Officer George Tussey, of the Prestonsburg Police Department, arrested Velma Sparkman, 44, of

Prestonsburg, for drug possession. Tussey had received a tip that a woman was going to drop off drugs behind the jail and found Sparkman parked in the lot. He obtained consent to search her car and discovered a bag of marijuana under the front seat, which Sparkman claimed was given to her by an unknown woman.

Webb doesn't expect the problem to go away anytime soon and noted that his staff has developed some skills in detecting contraband. He did observe that people always seem to be willing to try a new method, however, and his officers will need to stay alert for new variations on ways of getting drugs into the facility.

Insurance

greenhouse job in March.

Wemes recently went to a Family Health Centers clinic in Louisville for a blood-pressure checkup. But she can't get help for her knee because the clinic isn't equipped to handle her orthopedic needs.

"It stinks," she said. "Unless I go somewhere and have outrageous out-of-pocket expenses, I

can't really afford to have it looked at."

Angeline Robinson, 25, another patient at the clinic, can't afford the health insurance offered through her job at a nursing home and is about five weeks pregnant.

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PAINTSVILLE — Dennis Dorton, president of Citizens National Bank, presented a check for \$5,000 to Dr. George D. Edwards, President of Big Sandy Community and Technical College to help sponsor the annual Bluegrass Benefit Concert, which will feature Charlie Sizemore for the third year in a row.

various committees at BSCTC, including the Big Sandy College Educational Foundation, Inc.

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stated Neva Francis, Our Lady of the Way Hospital's director of community outreach. "When Billie Turner (Our Lady of the Way Hospital's VP Clinical Operations/CNO) brought the idea to me eight years ago, we knew that it would be a wonderful event, but we did not expect it to grow into the event that it is today. It has been a pleasant surprise."

Our Lady of the Way Hospital and the Floyd County Health Department were on site to conduct physicals. Also in July, Our Lady of the Way Hospital conducted 151 athletic physicals for Floyd County student athletes.

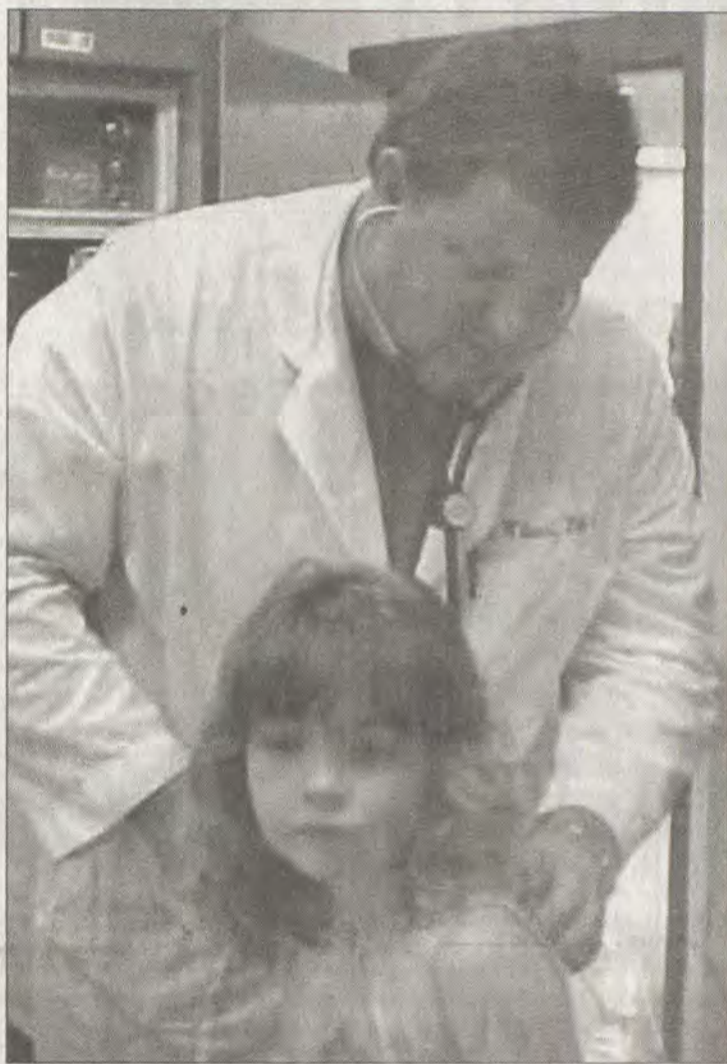
Floyd County Schools conducted hearing tests and child identification was provided by Floyd County Schools Safe and Drug-Free Program, Prestonsburg Elementary Family Resource Center, Rainbow Junction Family Resource Center and the Kentucky State Police, Post 9. School supplies were available through the Floyd County Family Resource Youth Services Centers and Community Based Services.

Mountain Regional

The fair is a collaborative effort of Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Floyd County Schools, Floyd County Family Resource Youth Services Centers, Floyd County Health Department, Kentucky State Police Post 9, Mountain Regional Prevention Center, Community Based Services, Big Sandy Community and Technical College Dental Assisting / Dental Hygiene Integrated Program, Wal-Mart, Graceway United Methodist Church and other area businesses, organizations and volunteers.

"This is a wonderful event for all Floyd County students," said Sharon Collins, Allen Central High Youth Services Center director and chairperson of the Back to School Health Fair committee. "It warms your heart to see how the fair benefits so many."

"The fair has surpassed what we envisioned it would be,"



Mike Williams, PA-C, OLWH, examines a participant.

Prevention Center, Community Based Services, Big Sandy Community and Technical College Dental Assisting / Dental Hygiene Integrated Program and Our Lady of the Way Hospital provided information booths and treats.

Area hairdressers donated 103 haircuts and a variety of products that were given away by random drawings.

Graceway United Methodist Church, along with Floyd County Family Resource Youth Services Centers, provided clothing, household items and toys for 411 people.

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said Doll, adding that Florida law would have allowed motorists and deputies to shoot the masquerading inmates if they were seen to pose a threat.

A message left with the radio station wasn't returned.

■ LOS ANGELES — Carlito the caiman is making a big splash — and not just in the lake.

The 200-pound, crocodile-like critter is an unqualified hit with the humans who used to go to Ken Malloy Harbor Regional Park simply to feed the ducks.

Now, they're feeding Carlito, named for his love of the tortillas being tossed his way — along with French bread and jelly doughnuts.

"They'll swallow anything, and if they can't swallow it, they'll tear pieces until they can eat it," said Jarron Lucas of the Southwestern Herpetologist Society.

Lucas' group, at the request of park rangers, is trying capture Carlito, then give it a home at Los Angeles Zoo. That could take a month, officials say. A gardener spotted it Friday.

Cousins to the crocodile, caimans are mostly found in Central and South America. Experts believe Carlito, estimated to be as long as 8 feet, was released by its owner.

"They pick up this little reptile that looks really cute when it's little. But when it gets big and starts looking and acting scary, they don't want it any more," Lucas said.

On Sunday, visitors intently watched for Carlito through binoculars and had video cameras ready to roll. Officials kept them 80 feet from shore behind yellow police tape.

"It's such an urban area, people just don't see wildlife and people run across it, and they're like, 'Oh, nature!' It scares them," said Bonnie Lea, a member of the herpetologist society.

■ IRWIN, Pa. — Do you want fries with those vows?

Ken Sinchar and Lori Sherbondy have heard that and every other fast-food joke since they announced plans to marry at a McDonald's drive-thru, where they fell in love four years earlier.

On Monday night, Sinchar rolled through the drive-thru in his white minivan, just as he had done day after day, hoping to chat with "that blue-eyed brunette named Lori."

But on this night, Sinchar rolled down his window, Sherbondy slid open hers and the couple grabbed hands as a district judge pronounced them husband and wife.

Sinchar was expecting to pick up a Big Mac, not a date, the first time he pulled through the Norwin Towne Shopping Center McDonald's.

"I didn't used to go for fast food, but I looked at that woman in the window, and wow! I came back every lunchtime after that," said Sinchar, a 38-year-old floor installer.

Sherbondy, 42, who's worked at the restaurant for eight years, said Sinchar made an impression, too.

"He's the only man I ever flirted with," Sherbondy said. "It got to where everyone in the store knew when it was 12:15,

when my Hamburger Happy Meal Man was coming through."

■ ASHGABAT, Turkmenistan — Turkmen love their melons, so it only stands to reason that their leader should establish a day to honor the favorite fruit of the former Soviet Republic.

"Let the life of every Turkmen be as beautiful as our melons," President Saparmurat Niyazov said in a statement Sunday congratulating his fellow citizens on Turkmen Melon Day.

The sun-drenched Central Asian nation grows 500 vari-

eties of melon, including the Czar Melon, in honow of Niyazov, and the Golden Age, meant to symbolize prosperity under the president, the Agriculture Ministry said.

"There is nothing like that in any country of the world," the state-run Neutral Turkmenistan daily said in a headline.

Niyazov has led the former Soviet republic, a largely desert nation rich in natural gas, since 1985 as Communist Party chief. He was elected president in 1992 in the wake of the Soviet collapse, and has since

created a personality cult around himself.

Niyazov's image adorns buildings across the country of 4.8 million people, and a gold statue of him in Ashgabat rotates to always face the sun. He has renamed months of the year after himself and his family.

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"It was totally understandable and predictable," Duncan said.

Mann said in his motion that he intended to call Stumbo prosecutors to show that Duncan's unsatisfactory performance in the attorney general's

office continued in the transportation agency, prompting his firing there.


Mann said that state law allows for disqualification of a prosecutor who "is likely to be a material witness in the proceeding."

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Chip Ganassi Racing with Felix Sabates announces 2006 driver lineup

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CONCORD, N.C. — Chip Ganassi Racing with Felix Sabates (CGRFS) announced today its complete 2006 driver line up for its NASCAR NEXTEL Cup programs. The multi-car team will expand its Concord-based racing stable to four NEXTEL Cup Series teams in 2006 with drivers Casey Mears, Reed Sorenson, Jamie

McMurray and David Stremme piloting the Dodge Chargers.

Floyd County native Loren Ranier heads Ganassi's driver development program.

He is the son of a legendary car owner who once owned cars driven by the father-son duo of Bobby and Davey Allison, and Cale Yarborough, among others.

"I'm extremely excited about our 2006 driver line-up," said team owner Chip Ganassi. "We

began working toward this goal in 2002 when Felix and I signed David, and it continued with the addition of Reed, Jamie and Casey in 2003. This is a testament to Loren Ranier and our driver development program as well as our unparalleled sponsor services team and the investments we've made over the past few years to achieve our goal of a four-car operation. It is my belief that these four drivers will

help us accomplish our mission of winning races and adding value to our sponsor partners."

Mears will continue his driving duties with CGRFS in 2006, but will pilot the Home123 Dodge Charger for a full season with backing from one of America's largest providers of home mortgage loans, New Century Mortgage subsidiary Home123. Mears is set to begin his fourth year with

CGRFS next season after serving as driver of the No. 41 Target Dodge since 2003.

Having already notched victories at Nashville and Gateway, and establishing himself a championship contender in his first full season of NASCAR Busch Series racing for CGRFS in the No. 41 Discount Tire Dodge, Sorenson's reward will come in the form of a full-time NEXTEL Cup Series ride in

2006 behind the wheel of the No. 41 Target Dodge. The 19-year-old rookie will remain the driver of the Discount Tire Busch machine next season, and will benefit significantly from running a full slate of Busch and Cup Series races in 2006.

As previously announced, Stremme will be piloting the No. 40 Coors Light and No. 40

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Racing authority adopts stricter penalties for medication use

by MURRAY EVANS
 ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Kentucky joined 15 other states Monday in adopting a model rule that limits drugs and medications that can be administered to a thoroughbred on a race day and sets penalties for violators of the rule.

The policy, approved by an unanimous vote of the Kentucky Horse Racing Authority during a meeting at The Red Mile, is based on a rule promoted by the national Racing Medication and Testing Consortium, a group trying to establish a national uniform medication policy.

Connie Whitfield, the vice chairwoman of the racing authority and the chairwoman of the Kentucky Equine Drug Research Council, an advisory group that recommended the policy, said that Kentucky will have "the toughest, most comprehensive penalties in the nation" and called the adoption of the rule "a high-water day for our state."

Under previous policies adopted by the now-defunct Kentucky Racing Commission in 1998 and 2002, Kentucky had the nation's most "liberal and permissive" rules for equine medications, racing authority executive director Jim Gallagher said.

Those policies never went through the proper administrative review process, were not subject to public review or comment and were never reviewed by the appropriate legislative committees," Gallagher said. "But they were applied as if they had been."

Gov. Ernie Fletcher abolished the racing commission in January 2004 and replaced it with the racing authority. Fletcher had encouraged the adoption of the tougher medication rules.

Authority chairman Bill Street said that the regulation adopted Monday likely would be given emergency status, meaning it would take effect as soon as it was signed by Fletcher. But for the regulation to become permanent, it must go through the ordinary legislative process, Street said.

The Kentucky Horsemen's Association



photos by Jamie Howell
FINAL TUNE-UP: Prestonsburg got in its final scrimmage of the 2005 preseason Saturday on the road at Morehead State University against Rowan County. The Blackcats will have the first week of the 2005 regular-season off before opening play against host Hazard on the road Friday, Aug. 26 in the *Pride of the Mountains Grudiron Classic.*



Bristol Motor Speedway

Race Week Schedule Of Events

Wednesday, Aug. 24

- 3 p.m. — Food City 150 Qualifying (Hooter's Pro Cup)
- 5:30 p.m. — O'Reilly 200 Qualifying (Craftsman Truck Series)
- 7 p.m. — Start Of Food City 150
- 9:15 p.m. — Start Of O'Reilly 200

Thursday, Aug. 25

- 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. — Track Laps For Kids (BMS, On Track)
- 1 p.m. - 9 p.m. — Food City Race Night (State Street)
- 6 p.m. — Eastman Motorsports Auction (BMS, Bruton Smith Building)
- 9 p.m. — Blue Lizard NASCAR Transporter Parade (Starts At Bristol Mall)

Friday, Aug. 26

- 4:40 p.m. — Food City 250 Qualifying (Busch Series)
- 6:10 p.m. — Sharpie 500 Qualifying (NEXTEL Cup Series)
- 7:50 p.m. — Start Of Food City 250

Saturday, Aug. 27

- 12:30 p.m. — Tyson Charity Fun Walk (BMS, On Track)
- 7:40 p.m. — Start Of Sharpie 500

JCHS to host scramble at StoneCrest

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PRESTONSBURG — The Johnson Central High School boys' basketball program will host a golf scramble at StoneCrest Golf Course on Saturday, Sept. 10. The event will get underway with a shotgun start at 1:30 p.m. The entry fee for the event is \$75 per player or \$300 per team with a four-player-per-team limit. Registration is available prior to the event or on the day of the event, from 10 a.m.-noon.

Cash prizes as well as trophies will be given to the first-, second-, and third-place teams.

Prizes will also be awarded for closest-to-the-pin and longest drive. The scramble will also implement a skirt hole. All proceeds from the event will benefit the JCHS boys' basketball program. For more information, contact JCHS head basketball coach Mark Starns at 789-2500 or via email at mstarns@johnson.k12.ky.us.

A former assistant coach at Mason County High School, Starns is set to enter his first season at the helm of the JCHS boys' basketball program. An experienced coach, Starns also spent some time with the NBA's Boston Celtics.

SFHS cheerleaders win awards during summer camp

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The South Floyd High School cheerleaders recently returned from a National Cheerleaders Association summer camp held at the University of Kentucky campus. The National Cheerleaders Association selects award winners at each of the over 1,100 camps it administers each summer.

The South Floyd High School cheerleaders received the following awards:

National Championship Bid Winner — This tremendous

accomplishment is awarded to the team Bid Winner exemplifying the best technical skill and cheerleading technique. This bid is extended to teams to compete at the NCA Senior and Junior High School National Championship or the NCA All-star National Championship, both held in Dallas, Texas.

Team Award — This award is given to a team for exemplifying the qualities on which NCA was built. Leadership, values and teamwork are an integral part of cheerleading.



The South Floyd High School boys' varsity cheerleaders enjoyed a successful summer that included participation in an NCA camp. Raider cheerleaders brought back several awards from the camp.

SFHS



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POISON OAK

My old teachers still visit

Talk about a bag of mixed emotions, until I made it to high school, one of the biggest reasons I dreaded the beginning of school—other than the obvious freedom I enjoyed during those long summer vacations—was the fear of not being able to handle the difficult material that lay ahead. I



Clyde Pack

would lie awake sometimes picturing myself as a 17 or 18-year-old fifth grader, still trying to master long division well enough to advance to sixth grade. And geography: how could anybody expect a kid to remember how much wheat was grown in Kansas in 1940, or how to spell Madagascar?

Somehow, though, with the help of some very dedicated individuals, most of whom I never really learned to appreciate until many years later. I gradually picked up enough knowledge to advance to the next level, and actually ended up graduating from high school exactly 12 years after I entered first grade.

On the other hand, going back to school in the fall also had its perks, not the least of which was meeting new classmates who might have moved into the camp during the summer.

Northeast was always hiring new men, and many times they would bring a houseful of youngsters with them. If they moved into one of the company houses around on Number Three, I wouldn't necessarily meet the new kids until school started. Of course, had they moved into Silk Stocking Row, they would have been indoctrinated into the community in a matter of hours, and likely given the

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Appraisal Fair to be held Sept. 18, in Lexington

Fundraiser will benefit Kentucky Mansions Preservation Foundation

Have you ever wondered if your mother's old brooch is valuable? Do you have a childhood tea set that you think may be a collector's item? Now is your chance to uncover the mysteries in your own attic at Kentucky Mansions Preservation Foundation's Appraisal Fair.

Kentucky Mansions Preservation Foundation, Inc. will host an Appraisal Fair, which serves as the foundation's fundraiser, on Sunday, September 18, 2005, from 1-5 PM at Hillenmeyer Garden Shops, 2314 Sandersville Road in Lexington.

Area experts will offer appraisals and guest lecturers will entertain throughout the day. Learn all about "Icons of Kentucky's Frontier" from Mr. Mel Hankla, or "polish up" on your knowledge of American silver with Ken Hays who has served as an appraiser for the "Antique Road Show." Plus, you can explore one of Lexington's most historic commercial buildings.

Appraisers include: Ken Hays, silver expert; Jamie Bates, silver, crystal and china expert; Ann Hays, specializing in dolls, quilts and toys; Bill Farmer, jewelry; Gregg Ladd, art; Jerry Raiser, military memorabilia and firearms; Richard Taylor, books; and Dwayne Yeager, folk art and pottery.

Tickets are \$25 per person for appraisal of one item or set. There will be a \$5 cost for each additional

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City National donates \$30,000 to BSCTC

Prestonsburg - City National Bank donated \$30,000 on August 5, to Big Sandy Community and Technical College (BSCTC) to endow scholarships for students. The generous donation was presented by Craig G. Stilwell, Executive Vice President/Director of Retail Banking, to Bobby McCool, BSCTC Vice

President of Institutional Services and Michelle Meek, Associate Dean of Financial Affairs for the college.

Vice President Craig G. Stilwell said, "We are very happy to be giving back to the community by endowing this scholarship. City National Bank wants to be a part of the community

and its growth. It is important that the bank be responsive to the community's needs."

Bob Bayes, Chairman of Big Sandy College Educational Foundation and retired President, Paintsville Market for Classic Bank commented, "We have

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Bobby McCool, Craig G. Stilwell, Michelle Meek and Bob Bayes

August 'Yard of the Month'



by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

Begonias in soft shades of pink and red, accented with lush green foliage amid decorative landscape rock and border with a touch of whimsy dotted here and there make the yard of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Setser a delight to behold.

Small, wooden wheelbarrows filled with blooms, as well as ceramic pots and baskets spilling over with vibrant flora, catch the eye of passers-by at the neatly manicured home. Mr. Setser, already well known for his talents along the avenue, has landscaped the yards of several of his neighbors, as well as his own. The school athletic coach says that landscaping is a hobby, an activity that he enjoys in leisure hours. And, as such, the homes and yards, and neighbors, along Central Avenue have reaped the benefits, making the avenue a delight to stroll.

Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Setser, for the well-deserving Prestonsburg Woman's Club "Yard of the Month" award!



photo by Kathy J. Prater

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Setser, located on Prestonsburg's North Central Avenue has been chosen to receive the August "Yard of the Month" award by the Prestonsburg Woman's Club.

CRITTER CORNER

Wolves in cat's clothing

by Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

Are you familiar with wolves? I'm not talking about the canine type, but rather a parasite that occasionally affects pets, particularly cats, in the summer months. This is not the most pleasant topic, but I find that many pet owners are not familiar with this pest.

Wolfe is a common term for the larva of the Cuterebra fly. (Actually, I thought it was just a local word, but I actually found it in a textbook). These flies are also called warbles, rabbit botflies, or rodent botflies.

The fly itself is described as "large and bee-like." I don't know if I have ever seen one, although I suppose they resemble horse flies. The adult fly does not bite, or cause any other problems, but the larval stage is a different story. The female fly lays her eggs near the

nests or burrows of rodents or rabbits, which are their natural hosts. These animals pick up the eggs, and their body heat causes the eggs to hatch. The tiny larvae enter the body, generally through the nose or mouth, and then migrate beneath the skin. They usually set up housekeeping somewhere around the face or neck, make a breathing hole in the surface of the skin, and begin to grow. After about a month, the larva drops out of the animal onto the ground and begins its pupal stage. The adult fly will emerge from the pupa several months later.

For whatever reason, the larvae sometimes show up in cats, and less commonly, in dogs. Some years seem to be much worse than others, and this is a bad one. We are seeing three to six cases a week, and a few animals have more than one larva.

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This is "Smokey." Smokey is 2 and a half years old and is proudly owned by 9 year old Amy Romans, of McDowell. Amy's mom, Michele, writes that her daughter "loves her cat as if it was her baby brother!" Both Amy and Smokey live with "parents" Michele and Steve. Thanks for sharing, guys, Smokey is beautiful!

Oak

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guided tour of Red Jacket Rocks within a day or two.

Unfortunately, the new school year would also reveal that a few familiar faces had moved away, perhaps because their fathers had been transferred to the Northeast Mine at Auxier, or for whatever reason. Within a day or two, though, we'd get wrapped up in whatever it was we were doing and—sad to say—we'd forget all about them. Guess sentimentality was not one of our strong suits.

But back to the subject of fear and dread, there was always the agitation and anxiety that some Shrek-like ogre of a teacher would show up and I'd be assigned to his/her room. You know the kind I mean; the kind that hated kids, loved homework, and carried a long

stick instead of a paddle. More often than not, about a week before school was scheduled to start, one of the older boys in the camp would start spreading rumors that he'd heard that such a person had been hired by the board of education and, wouldn't you know it, that person had been assigned a position at our school.

But as I've stated many times in this column, I had nothing to fear. In the eight years I attended school at Muddy Branch, I always had the nicest, most patient teachers that a coal-camp kid could ever have had. It's strange, but, after more than 60 years, they still reside in the far recesses of my brain, and visit my memory every year about the time school starts.

Scholarship

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always made an effort to further the educational standards of the citizens of eastern Kentucky. Scholarships provide opportunities to help people make better lives for themselves and become contributing citizens.

City Holding Company is the parent company of City National Bank. The Bank's 67 branch locations across West Virginia, eastern Kentucky and southern Ohio provide full-service banking to retail and commercial companies. Through its banking offices in West Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio, the company provides credit, deposit, investment advisory and insurance products and services to its customers. City National Bank in Paintsville was formerly known as Classic Bank.

City National Bank's recently opened branch in Paintsville, was the location of the donation presentation. Bobby McCool, accepting the donation on behalf of the

College said, "On behalf of the President, Dr. George D. Edwards, I accept this donation. Contributions like this will make a difference in the lives of many students. The College and the students appreciate the generosity of City National."

Michelle Meek said, "I am so happy to be a part of this presentation today. I spent 13 years working for this bank before coming to work for the College. It gives me a sense of pride and fulfillment to see the bank donate money that will directly benefit students. That is putting the money back into the community where it is needed most. Scholarships fund the future."

Donations for scholarships or other college initiatives may be made by contacting Judy Bocoock at Big Sandy Community and Technical College. 606-886-3863 ext 67369. A gift of scholarship is a gift that goes on giving for years to come.

Birthdays



Kylie is 1!

Kylie Jade Tackett turned one year old on Sunday, August 7, 2005. She celebrated her first birthday on Friday with a "Care Bears" theme party. Many friends and family members attended to help celebrate Kylie's special day. Kylie is the daughter of Kayla and Kevin Tackett, of HI Hat.



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 Road, and the late John Morgan Howard. His paternal grandparents are Ed and Camilla Crews, of Winchester. Nick will celebrate his special day with a birthday party held at Chuck E. Cheese's, in Lexington.

Proud of that little one?

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Critter

An affected cat presents with a swollen area, usually on the head or neck. Unlike an abscess, this swelling is firm and often less painful. The tell-tale sign is a perfectly round hole in the center of the swelling. This may be a little difficult to find, as it is sometimes covered with matted hair or dried fluid. If you look closely at the hole, you may see something moving inside. Gross as this sounds, better that you read about it here first, instead of finding one on your cat and not know what it is.

Most of the time, a Cuterebra larva is unsightly and uncomfortable, but seldom life-threatening. There are exceptions. I saw my first fatality from one this summer. There are reports in the literature of these larvae finding their way into the trachea or even the brain. Obviously, little can be done about these aberrant migrations. Thankfully, these are rare.

Treatment for the typical case involves removing the larva before it becomes any larger. This is not always easy.

Sometimes it is hard to tell if the larva is still present, or whether it has already vacated the premises and left its former home swollen and infected. Most of the time the larva can be visualized and removed with forceps, although the breathing pore may have to be enlarged a little.

Although it certainly isn't brain surgery, don't try to do this at home. These larvae can be huge—I have removed some the size of my thumb! If you do not get the entire parasite out, it can set up a raging infection, and

there are rare reports of anaphylactic shock caused by exposure to the proteins released by a ruptured larva.

Once the larva is out, treatment usually consists of keeping the area clean so it can drain. Sometimes antibiotics or medicated flushes are needed.

Outdoor cats, and especially kittens, should be checked frequently during the summer and early fall. Wolves are not always on the head; they may also be found on the back or trunk. Any lump or swelling is cause for further inspection.

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Happy Birthday, Gabrielle!

Gabrielle Dawn Reynolds will turn one year old on August 25, 2005. Gabrielle, the daughter of Donnie R. and Robin Reynolds, of McDowell, will celebrate with a "Disney Princesses" theme party, to be held on August 21, at the Old Time Baptist Church, at Spurlock. Gabrielle is the maternal granddaughter of Shelby Reynolds, of McDowell, and Raymond and Estee Reynolds, of Auxier. She is the paternal granddaughter of Anita Reynolds, of Pikeville.

Appraisal Fair

item with a limit of five items per person.

Proceeds benefit the preservation of historic sites in Kentucky, including the Mary Todd Lincoln House, Lexington.

For More Information, Interviews and Press Ops:
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About Kentucky Mansions Preservation Foundation

The Kentucky Mansions Preservation Foundation, a private, nonprofit organization,

was founded in 1968 to protect and promote the Mansions of the Bluegrass state. Founded by Mrs. Beula C. Nunn, the wife of former governor Louie B. Nunn, the Foundation's initial project was the much needed renovation and refurbishment of the Governor's Mansion in Frankfort. Concerned citizens from private and public sectors assisted in raising funds for the renovation.

The second project for the Foundation was the restoration and preservation of White Hall in Madison County, former home of Cassius Marcellus Clay, early abolitionist, legislator and Ambassador to Russia serving President Abraham Lincoln.

The dilapidated childhood home of Mary Todd Lincoln in

Lexington was restored, refurbished to period and opened to the public in 1977 as the first historic site in America in honor of a former First Lady.

In Lexington, the law office of Statesman Henry Clay was preserved and restored with foundation assistance. Parker Place, a portion of which is believed to be the former home of Mary Todd Lincoln's maternal grandmother, also received renovation and served for a time as headquarters for the Foundation. White Hall, Henry Clay's Law Office and the Mary Todd Lincoln House are all listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Foundation is one of the few historic restoration organizations in the nation that receives no state or federal

funds. It relies solely upon admissions, gift shop sales, donations and membership dues to maintain the Mary Todd Lincoln House and to fund the Foundation and its projects. The mission of the Foundation is to make a meaningful mark on preserving the legacy of historic homes and sites in Kentucky. To further this goal, the Foundation intends to create a grant program to assist in rescue, renovation and preservation efforts across the state as well as provide educational opportunities for members and the general public on preservation and Kentucky history.

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HCTC crew works at construction site

Dacey Combs, fifth from left, front row, with some of the employees from Hazard Community & Technical College that assisted in a recent house raising for her benefit. Included are: Peggy Conley, Deborah Campbell, Bonnie Shepherd, Courtney Hall, Jenny Williams, Connie Hagans, Whitney Stidham, Carla Seals, Michael

Cummings, Mark Fields and son Mark, Tim Whittaker, Homer Terry, Teresa Breeding, Vickie Combs, and members of the Student Leadership Institute. The HCTC employees worked in crews of two - one for the morning, and one for the afternoon. The house raising was organized by the Hazard-Perry County Housing Development Alliance.



Happy Birthday, Tommy!

Tommy Lee Holland, the son of Brenda and Johnny Holland, of Prestonsburg, celebrated his birthday this past July 29 with a party held at Shoney's, in Pikeville. Friends from Shoney's, Long John Silver's and the Dairy Queen all helped make his day special. He received many nice gifts, cards and a beautiful ice cream cake from Dairy Queen. Tommy has been employed by Pizza Hut and Reno's, as well as a local lawn service, for the past 20 years. He thanks all his friends and family for making his birthday great.

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage

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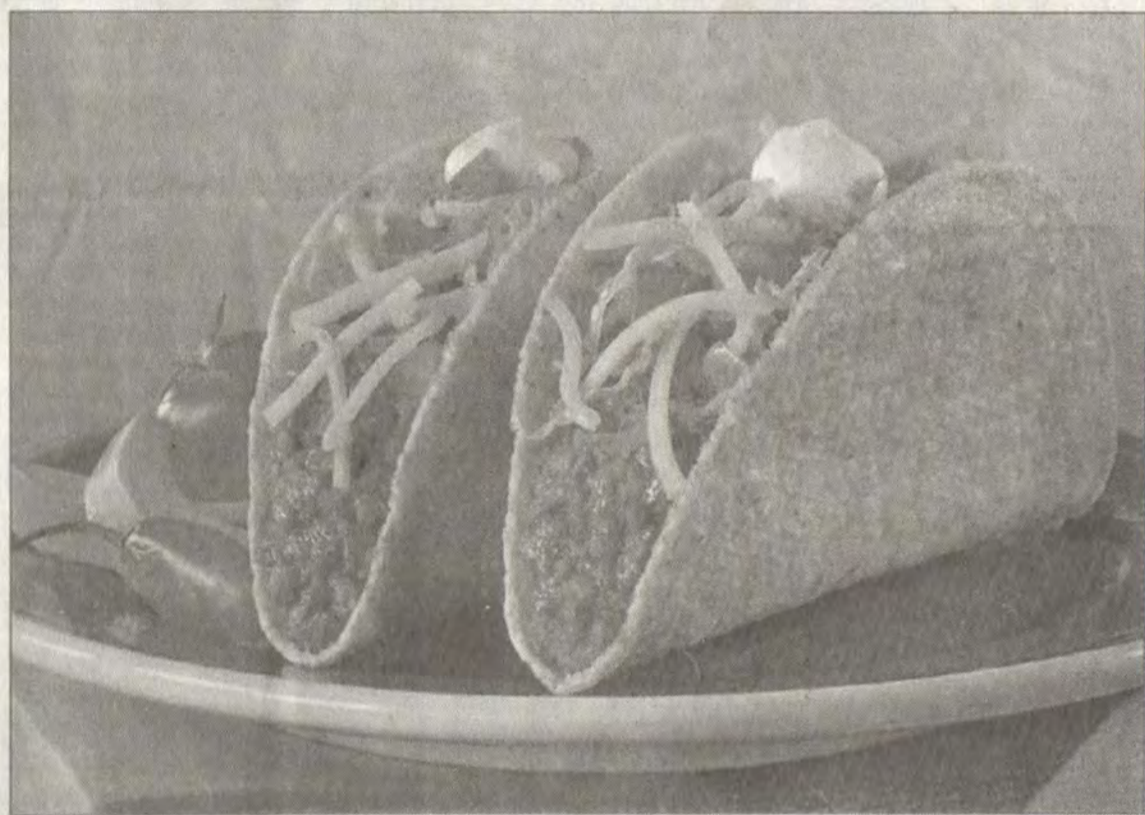
South-of-the-border flavors are a vibrant addition to our American culinary melting pot. For that Hispanic heritage, we have to thank people like Maria Concepcion Jacinta Dominguez Ortega, otherwise known as "Mama Ortega," who presided over a family of 13 children in a small adobe home in California over 150 years ago.

The flavors and textures of her homegrown, handpicked and homemade meals still taste great today, but are far easier to create — and more fun to eat! Pantry-friendly, Ortega Diced Green Chiles are ready to stir into your favorite casserole, cheese dip or egg dish. Ortega's crisp taco shells are still made from real ground corn, but vacuum sealed to keep them fresh and to prevent breakage. Ortega microwavable salsa and cheese bowls, taco dinner kits and microwavable nacho cheese mean a delicious snack or a hearty dinner is only minutes away.

So, gather the family at the table and enjoy your own fiesta of flavors. Viva summer!

For more recipe ideas and information on Ortega's new Grande Dinner Kit and Fiesta Bowl, visit www.ortega.com

Sweet & Spicy
Fajitas



Original Tacos



Fiesta Nachos

Taco Casserole



Fiesta Nachos

Preparation time: 10 minutes Cooking time: 2 minutes

- 28 tortilla chips
- 1 cup Ortega Salsa & Cheese Dip
- 1/4 cup Ortega Diced Green Chiles
- 1/4 cup Ortega Salsa (any variety)

PREHEAT oven to 400°F. Line cookie sheet with aluminum foil.

PLACE tortilla chips on cookie sheet. Sprinkle with cheese and chilies.

BAKE about 4 minutes or until cheese is melted. Top with salsa. Serve hot.

Serves 4

Taco Casserole

Preparation time: 10 minutes Cooking time: 35 minutes

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1 cup water
- 1/2 cup Ortega Thick & Smooth Taco Sauce – Medium
- 1 (4-ounce) can Ortega Diced Green Chiles
- 1 (2.25-ounce) can sliced ripe olives, drained, divided
- 1 (1.25-ounce) package Ortega Taco Seasoning Mix – Regular
- 1 (4.5-ounce) package Ortega Taco Shells (12-count), broken
- 2 cups shredded mild cheddar cheese, divided
- 1/4 cup chopped tomatoes (optional)
- 1/8 cup sliced green onions (optional)

PREHEAT oven to 375°F. Grease 12- x 8-inch baking dish. COOK beef, onion and garlic in skillet until beef is browned; drain. Stir in water, taco sauce, chiles, 1/4 cup olives and seasoning mix. Cook over low heat 3 to 4 minutes.

LAYER half of broken taco shells on bottom of prepared baking dish. Cover with half of meat sauce; sprinkle with 1 cup cheese. Repeat with remaining shells, meat sauce and cheese.

BAKE 20 to 25 minutes or until bubbly and cheese is melted. Top with remaining olives, tomatoes and green onions.

Serves 4

Original Tacos

Preparation time: 12 minutes Cooking time: 10 minutes

- 1 pound ground beef
- 3/4 cup water
- 1 (1.25-ounce) package Ortega Taco Seasoning Mix – Regular
- 1 (4.5-ounce) package Ortega Taco Shells (12-count), warmed
- Toppings: shredded lettuce, chopped tomatoes, shredded mild cheddar cheese, Ortega Thick & Smooth Taco Sauce

BROWN beef; drain. Stir in water and seasoning mix. Bring to boil. Reduce heat to low; cook, stirring occasionally, 5 to 6 minutes or until mixture is thickened.

FILL taco shells with beef mixture. Top with lettuce, tomatoes, cheese and taco sauce.

Serves 6

Sweet & Spicy Fajitas

Preparation time: 10 minutes Cooking time: 15 minutes

- 1 1/2 pounds boneless beef sirloin OR boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 (1.5-ounce) package Ortega Fajita Seasoning Mix – Regular
- 3/4 cup Ortega Salsa (any variety)
- 1/3 cup ketchup
- 1 to 2 tablespoons packed brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 6 (8-inch) Ortega Flour Tortillas
- Sour cream (optional)
- Shredded lettuce (optional)
- Chopped tomato (optional)
- 1 cup Ortega Salsa & Cheese Dip
- 1/4 cup Ortega Diced Green Chiles

CUT beef or chicken into strips. (Beef is easier to cut if partially frozen, about 1 1/2 hours.)

HEAT 12-inch skillet or wok over high heat. Add oil; rotate skillet to coat.

ADD beef/chicken. Stir-fry 2 to 3 minutes or until golden brown; drain. Stir in fajita seasoning, salsa, ketchup, brown sugar and mustard. Cook and stir 1 to 2 minutes or until hot.

SERVE in tortillas with sour cream, lettuce and tomato if desired, topped with salsa and cheese dip and hot diced green chiles.

Serves 4

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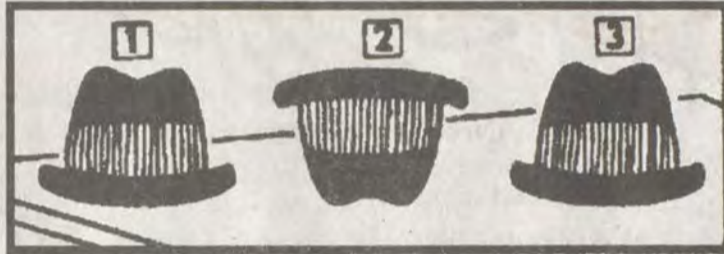
WICKET SHOT! Pick a line at bottom left and see if it carries ball through the wicket at top right. Yes, or no?

TALLYHO! Seven is regarded as a lucky number, and perhaps to a cat, so is nine. But a Latin proverb observes: "Seven is a banquet, nine is a —." Fill blank with a five-letter word. "The missing word is 'brawl'."

HATS OFF! When the hats of three diplomats were placed on a table with the center hat upside down, as shown here, they provided the basis for an interesting test.

The question posed in this test is this: How is it possible to turn two of the hats over each time for three consecutive times and finish turning with all three hats upside down?

Remember, two hats are inverted each time. The hats are turned three times.



P.S.: It is not permissible to turn the same two hats in consecutive turns.

First turn—turn over hats 2 and 3; next—turn hats 1 and 3; next—hats 2 and 3 again. Other answers are possible.

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Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman

1	A	
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DETECTIVE DOG'S WORD HUNT

"ONE POLECAT leads to another of sorts," says Detective Dog, at left, in a sum-up of the last word in this add-a-letter word test.

Let's see if you can fill the blanks. Here's how:

Simply, start with A and add a letter in each step, rearranging letters as necessary, to form new words in accord with the following definitions:

1. Letter A (in place).
2. Like-so preposition.
3. Black, Yellow or Red, perhaps.
4. Life of Riley.
5. Artist's stand.
6. Polecat's relative.

Remember, letters in one word lead to another.

1. A. 2. As. 3. Sea. 4. Ease. 5. Easel.
6. Weasel.



Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

My name: _____



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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.

Computer Counting

Count the number of objects on each computer screen. Then draw a line from the number to the screen with that amount of objects.

1 2 3 4



My Letters

C is for Computer
c is for computer



Learning Buddies: Read the two phrases aloud. Have your child read with you. Trace the uppercase and lowercase letter C. Say the letter as you trace it.

How many words or pictures can you find on this page that start with the C sound like the word computer?

My Numbers

How many cards?

How many cans?

How many coconuts?



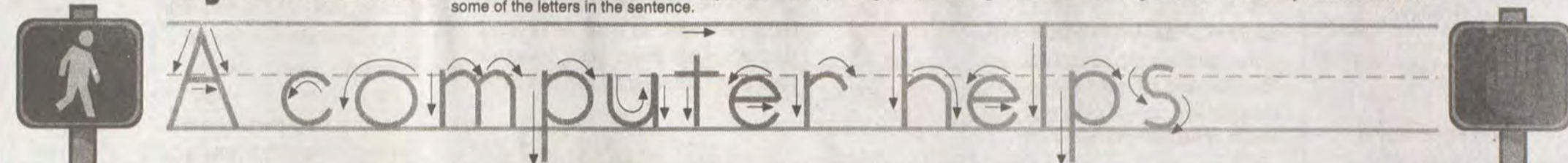
Learning Buddies: Trace and say the number. Read the questions. Touch and count to find the answers.

My Rhyme Time

Computer, computer,
You may not be cuter
Than my teacher or scooter,
But you are a good tutor.

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.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Letter Identification With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that start with the same sound as the letter C in the word computer.	Math Play Point to the number 4 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.	Number Sense Look at a page of the newspaper with a lot of numbers. Read the numbers to each other. Point out that some of the numbers are prices and are read as dollars and cents.	Play "How Many?" Look at a picture or an ad in the newspaper with your child. Ask your child how many of an item is in the picture or ad you selected. Count the objects together. For example, you could ask how many people are in one picture.	Count Heads Show your child headlines on a newspaper page. Explain that they are bigger because they tell about the news story like a title tells about a book. Have your child count the number of words in each headline. Circle the one with the most words.	Page Scramble Show your child how the pages of the newspaper are numbered. Take several pages of the paper and mix up their order. Have your child put the pages back in order.	Count the Kids Count how many pictures of kids are in the newspaper each day for one week. Use the data you collect to make a graph.

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.

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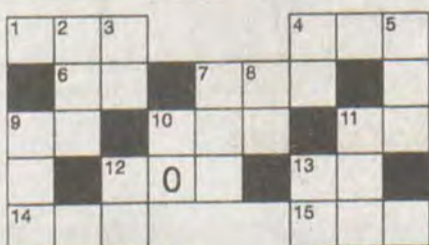
HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the 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**
- One-fourth of 14-Across
 - The first digit is the sum of the other digits
 - The last digit is three times the first digit
 - Eight times 12-Across
 - Two times 12-Down
 - 10-Down times 12-Down
 - Consecutive digits in ascending order
 - 11-Across plus 3-Down
 - 10-Across minus 1-Across
 - Consecutive digits in ascending order
 - Five more than 5-Down
- DOWN**
- Four hundred less than 4-Across
 - One less than 4-Down
 - Five times 10-Down
 - 1-Across plus 2-Down
 - Three hundred more than 11-Down
 - One more than 6-Across
 - The last digit is the sum of the other digits
 - One-fourth of 8-Down
 - 15-Across plus 9-Down
 - 11-Across minus 8-Down
 - 9-Across plus 10-Down

Rational Numbers answers



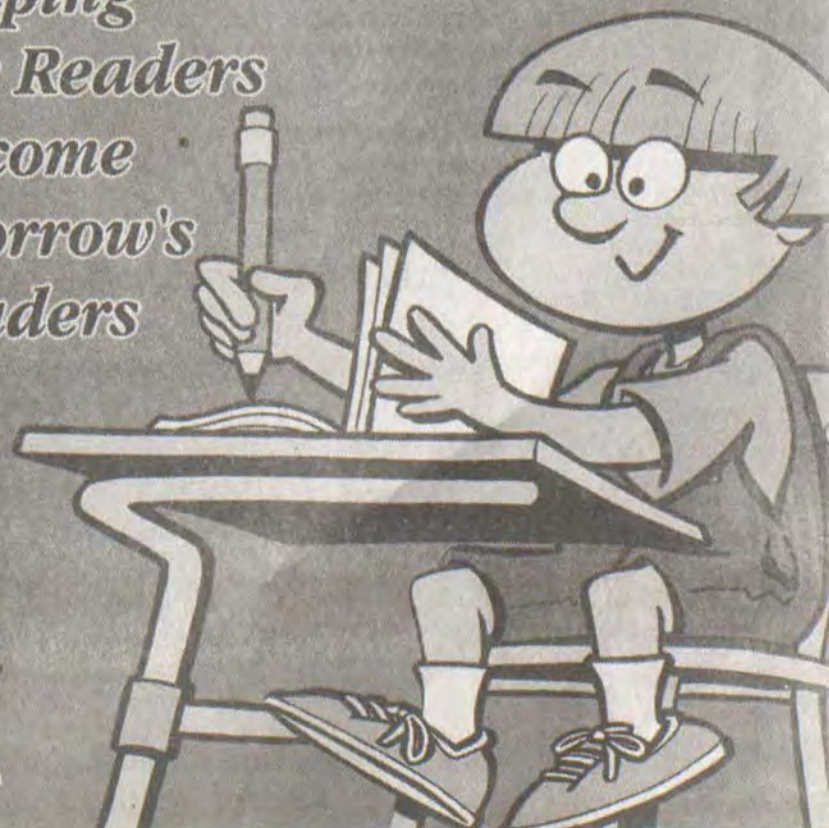
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New Jersey

THE GARDEN STATE

The state flag of New Jersey was adopted in 1896. The state seal was adopted in 1928 and depicts three plows on a shield with a helmet and horse's head above it. The two women on either side of the shield represent the goddesses of Liberty and Agriculture.

Eastern goldfinch



Honeybee



Violets



New Jersey is a **peninsula**, which is a large landmass projecting into a body of water. The landscape can be divided into four regions: the Appalachian Ridge and Valley, the Highlands, the Piedmont and the Atlantic coastal plain.

With its 130 miles (209 km) of coastland, New Jersey boasts some of the world's finest sandy beaches. The protected Pine Barrens of the southeastern coastal plain enjoys a wealth of wildlife and rare plants.



Knobbed whelk



Brown trout

New Jersey's state tree is the Northern Red Oak and the state animal is the horse. Other state symbols (such as the state fish, state bird, state insect, state flower and state shell) are illustrated on this page.



In the summer of 1858, William Parker Foulke discovered the giant bones of a **hadrosaurus** in Haddonfield. This was the most complete dinosaur fossil of its day and the first dinosaur ever found in North America.

Sandy Hook Lighthouse (1764) in New Jersey is the oldest existing lighthouse in North America.



New Jersey is the third-largest grower of **cranberries** in the United States. This bitter fruit has been harvested in the Pine Barrens since colonial days.

Did you know?

1. New Jersey was named by James, Duke of York (the brother of King Charles II of England). The state was a gift from the king to his brother.
2. An average of 1,134 people per square mile lives in New Jersey.
3. Ninety percent of the population lives in urban areas.
4. Cape May is famous for its Victorian homes and is also the oldest seashore resort area in the United States.
5. The Passaic River was the site of the first submarine ride by inventor John P. Holland.
6. The streets in the game Monopoly are based on street names of Atlantic City.
7. Tourism is the second-largest industry in New Jersey.
8. Atlantic City boasts the world's longest boardwalk.

Some important events in New Jersey history

<p>1524: Italian explorer Giovanni da Verrazano sailed the New Jersey coast.</p>  <p>Giovanni da Verrazano</p>	<p>1738-1746: Colonial New Jersey's first governor, Lewis Morris, served.</p>  <p>Lewis Morris</p>	<p>1774: A group of New Jerseyans disguised as Indians burned a supply of British tea. "The Greenwich Tea Burning" was an expression of displeasure regarding new taxes imposed by Britain.</p> <p>1776: The Battle of Trenton (Washington crossed the Delaware on Christmas night).</p>  <p>George Washington</p>	<p>1776: New Jersey adopted its first constitution.</p>	<p>1804: The vice president of the United States, Aaron Burr, shot and killed his political rival Alexander Hamilton in a duel.</p> <p>1804: New Jersey passed legislation to gradually free all slaves.</p>	<p>1804: The vice president of the United States, Aaron Burr, shot and killed his political rival Alexander Hamilton in a duel.</p>  <p>Incandescent light bulb, 1879</p>	<p>1858: The first North American dinosaur skeleton was found in Haddonfield.</p> <p>1876: Thomas A. Edison established his research laboratory at Menlo Park.</p> <p>1879: Edison patented the electric light.</p>	<p>1900 through 1930: New Jersey's population more than doubled, from 1,883,669 in 1900 to 4,041,334 in 1930.</p>	<p>1940s: Electronic and chemical industries began to expand.</p>	<p>1969: Voters approved the lottery (with proceeds slated for state government and education).</p> <p>1976: The state established an income tax for the first time.</p>	<p>1978: Casino gambling was legalized in Atlantic City.</p>	<p>2001: Christie Todd Whitman, New Jersey's first female governor, left office to head the Environmental Protection Agency.</p>
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Just the facts

Capital city	Trenton
State Motto	"Liberty and prosperity"
Area	8,722 sq. miles (22,589 sq. km)
Coastline	130 miles (209 km)
2003 population	8,638,396 (estimated)
Agricultural products	Greenhouse products, dairy, fruit, vegetables, seafood
Manufactured goods	Chemicals, pharmaceuticals, food products, computer and electronic products, petroleum-based products
Mining	Crushed stone, sand and gravel



Edwin Aldrin

Ice-T

Whitney Houston

A few famous N.J. folks

Edwin (Buzz) Aldrin	astronaut	Montclair
Jon Bon Jovi	musician	Sayreville
David Copperfield	magician	Metuchen
Whitney Houston	singer/actress	Newark
Ice-T	rapper/actor	Newark
Jerry Lewis	comedian	Newark
Norman Mailer	author	Long Branch
Jack Nicholson	actor	Neptune City
Frank Sinatra	singer/actor	Hoboken
Bruce Springsteen	musician	Freehold
Meryl Streep	actress	Summit
Sarah Vaughan	singer	Newark
Dionne Warwick	singer	East Orange

Presidential birthplace

Grover Cleveland was born in Caldwell, N.J., on March 18, 1837. Cleveland was the 22nd and 24th president of the United States. He served from 1885 to 1889 and from 1893 to 1897.



Grover Cleveland

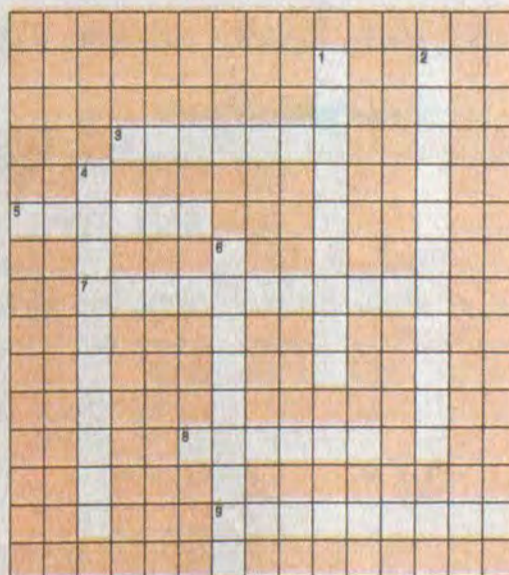
Crossword

ACROSS

- 3 Capitol city of New Jersey
- 5 Famous inventor
- 7 The bones of this dinosaur were found in New Jersey.
- 8 Purple flower
- 9 22nd and 24th U.S. president

DOWN

- 1 Land surrounded by water on three sides
- 2 Famous musician from New Jersey
- 4 New Jersey is home to the oldest _____ in North America.
- 6 Yellow bird



ANSWERS
ACROSS
3 TRENTON
5 EDISON
7 HADROSOSAURUS
8 VIOLET
9 CLEVELAND
DOWN
1 PENINSULA
2 SPRINGSTEEN
4 LIGHTHOUSE
6 GOLDFINCH

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