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## briefs

### Intoxication suspect misses court

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — An Ashland man who was arrested at 2 a.m. Friday morning for being drunk and disorderly wound up missing his arraignment when he was still too intoxicated to appear before Judge James Allen at 9:30 a.m.

Joe D. Stumbo, 55, was arrested at the Holiday Inn in Prestonsburg after hotel security phoned Prestonsburg Police and reported that a drunken patron refused to leave the establishment. The police were told that Stumbo was alarming guests with his behavior, which allegedly included cursing and yelling very loudly.

Officer Brian Walker was dispatched to the scene and noted that Stumbo indeed appeared drunk by demonstrating slurred speech, poor balance and having a strong odor of alcohol emanating from his person.

Walker arrested Stumbo and brought him to the Floyd County Detention Center where he planned to charge him with alcohol intoxication

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## Fight at basketball game being investigated

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

**HI HAT** — School officials are investigating an altercation that took place Wednesday night after a junior varsity basketball game at South Floyd High School.

The altercation came less than two months after a fight broke out during a football game at the South Floyd Middle

School. The Kentucky State Police were called to the scene Wednesday at 8:48 p.m., but officials said that the parties fighting in the school's gym left before officers arrived.

No injuries were reported by school officials, who are now compiling information about what happened.

The South Floyd junior varsity team defeated Prestonsburg High School's

team, 49-48, shortly before the fight broke out.

Seth Crisp, coach for PHS, said that two members of each team "had some words" with each other after the game, while teammates were participating in the traditional handshake ceremony.

Crisp said that both teams were then escorted to their respective locker rooms and that a confrontation "broke out into a little scuffle" on the court between par-

ents of the team members.

He could not release the names of the parents involved.

PHS's bus was leaving when officers were driving to the scene, Crisp said.

South Floyd Principal Keith Henry is heading the investigation. He is withholding comments until the completion and submission of his report to

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photo by Tom Doty

From right to left, Ivel Postmaster Susan P. Wallen, former Postmaster Windell E. Stratton and his wife Laura J. celebrated the 100th birthday Friday of the Ivel Post Office with a festive cake decorated like a postage stamp. The Ivel Post Office was established on Dec. 11, 1905. The office has a rich family tradition and began with a petition to have a post office at Ivel by J.K. Stratton. His wife, Bertha, was appointed postmaster on May 4, 1909, and retired on Jan. 31, 1949. Their son, Windell E., assumed the postmaster's position on Feb. 1, 1949, and held the post until August 1987.

## Magoffin veteran enters Alford plea

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — A mentally challenged Vietnam war veteran who was involved in a wrestling match with several law officers last year entered an Alford plea in circuit court Friday to six counts of wanton endangerment.

Carter Ray Castle, 57, had been scheduled to enter a formal guilty plea upon the recommendation

of Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner, which noted that he would serve a five-year probation sentence that would be diverted. Castle, however, was confused by the legal terminology which Judge John Caudill had to

employ to make sure that Castle understood what rights he would give up by pleading guilty.

Castle was confused by the proceedings and suffers from post-traumatic stress disorder and schizophrenia which was brought on by his service in the war. He was also at a loss as he didn't remember the incident as he was off his medication when it occurred.

Castle had to take several breaks during the hearing to talk with his attorney, Ned Pillersdorf, who has stuck with Castle despite an episode when Castle fired him during a court appearance. Castle admitted to the

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## Judge denies lower bond for Davis

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — A Prestonsburg man who is being held on a \$100,000 cash bond for allegedly abusing a 2-month-old baby was denied a lower bond Friday in circuit court.

Mark A. Davis, 29, filed the motion for a bond reduction himself and appeared in court to state his case. He told Judge John D. Caudill, "I feel honestly and truly that I am not going to leave the state." He went on to note that his dad has pledged to help

him out financially if a lower bond could be obtained.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor objected to the motion, saying, "We feel that this is an appropriate bond. Each charge carries a five- to 10-year penalty [there are four counts] and Mr. Davis' track record indicates he's moved around a lot and is considered a flight risk."

Judge Caudill reviewed the charges against Davis, which include various injuries sustained by the

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## Fleeing, endangerment net probation

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — A Prestonsburg man who pleaded guilty Wednesday in two cases in which he faced 21 charges, was ordered to pay fines and to report for probation.

Kevin Hall, 21, received three 12-month sentences for two counts of first-degree wanton endangerment of police officers and one count of first-degree fleeing and evading. Those sentences, garnered for amended charges on all counts, were suspended and probated in district court.

Judge James R. Allen ordered Hall to pay a total of \$963 in fines and court costs for one count of driving under the influence, one count of failure to wear seat belts, one count of possession of marijuana and one count of no insurance.

A charge of driving on a suspended license was probated for 90 days, and Hall, also facing a charge of carrying a concealed deadly weapon, was ordered to forfeit his weapon to the Prestonsburg Police Department. One count of failure to register a vehicle transfer and five counts of failure to wear seat belts were dis-

missed in the case. Four counts of second-degree wanton endangerment were merged with the other two amended wanton endangerment charges against Hall.

In a separate case, Hall was ordered to pay \$300 in restitution to the Prestonsburg Police Department after he pleaded guilty to one count of third-degree criminal mischief. A charge of fleeing and evading was dismissed in this case.

He was originally cited by Prestonsburg Police Officer George Tussey who alleged that

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## Nearly half of blitz charges dismissed

by MARY MUSIC  
STAFF WRITER

**PRESTONSBURG** — Nearly half of the charges that were filed against 219 people during the Kentucky State Police's Memorial Day weekend blitz were dismissed in Floyd County.

Court records indicate that 176, or 48.88 percent, of the 360 charges taken out against people between May 27 and May 30 were dismissed with or without prejudice. That compares to a dismissal rate of 37 percent during the rest of the year.

Kentucky State Police troopers worked overtime during the Memorial Day weekend holiday as part of the "Buckle Up Kentucky: It's the Law and

It's Enforced" campaign. Troopers, working alongside other police agencies across the state, increased saturation patrols and traffic safety checkpoints in high crash and high traffic locations.

Some of the charges filed in Floyd County district court during that time — mostly traffic violations or misdemeanors — were dismissed with proof shown. Others were dismissed because officers failed to appear in court. Some of the people who faced multiple charges pleaded guilty to one or more of the charges against them, while one or more of the additional charges were dismissed.

In the traffic related cases presented, guilty pleas were rendered for every person (10) who appeared in court to answer to charges of driving under the influence.

Out of 132 speeding charges issued, 26 offenders pleaded guilty, 32 charges were dismissed, and 51 charges were diverted, amended (up or down), or merged in district court. Guilty pleas were entered for only five of the 44 charges regarding seat belt usage. In the cases, 25 charges of failure to wear a seat belt were dismissed, and seven of those charges were diverted. (The remainder of these charges were either amended, prepaid or undisposed because the accused failed to appear in court.)

In the blitz weekend cases (four felonies, 27 misdemeanors, and 188 traffic violations), guilty pleas were rendered for 106, or 29.44 percent, of the charges. Four charges in two separate cases were sent to the grand jury for consideration,

36 charges were diverted under the condition that the accused commit no other violations of the law for a specified period of time, and 38 charges were amended up, down or merged with other violations.

People facing 17 of the charges cited during the traffic blitz period resolved their cases out of court with prepayable citations.

When questioned about the reasons for the dismissals, District Judge James R. Allen said that most cases are resolved with prosecutorial recommendations.

"Many, many of the cases filed are resolved without guilty pleas or with people pleading guilty," said Allen, who dismissed 80 of the 360 charges filed during

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# Regional Obituaries

## FLOYD COUNTY

■ Peggy Jo Bates, 67, of Melvin, died Tuesday, December 6, at King's Daughters Hospital in Ashland. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 10, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Melvin Shepherd, 47, of David, died Monday, December 5, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, December 8, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Don Dillion, 62, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, a native of Ivel, died Wednesday, December 7, at home. Funeral services will be held Monday, December 12, under the direction of Stark Funeral Service Moore Memorial Chapel.

■ Phyllis Ann Green, 58, of Livingston, a McDowell native, died Tuesday, November 15, at her home. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, November 17, under the direction of Speck Funeral Home.

■ Donnie Meade, 58, of Drift, died Saturday, December 3, at his residence. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, December 4, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

■ Jimmie Darrell Owens, 49, of Lackey, died Thursday, December 8, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Brenda Sharon Moore Owens. Funeral services will be conducted Monday, December 12, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

■ Erma Webb, 82, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, December 2, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Monday, December 5, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

## PIKE COUNTY

■ Marcella Adkins, 95, of Marrowbone, died Monday, December 5, at her home. Funeral services were held Thursday, December 8, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home of Pikeville.

■ Breanna Shae Lynn Anderson, infant daughter of Carl and Deanna Rowe Anderson of Belcher, died Wednesday, Nov. 30, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, December 3, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

■ Juanita Bevins, 81, of Goody, died Tuesday, December 6, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services will be held Sunday, December 11, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

■ Edis Compton Blankenship, 73, of Freeburn, died Tuesday, December 6, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Elliott Blankenship. Funeral services were held Saturday, December 10, under the direction of Phelps Funeral Services.

■ Durward Elliott "The Train Man" Clemons, 82, of Hardy, died Saturday, December 3, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Ruby Clemons. Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 6, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Home.

■ Nell Ruth Gilliam, 68, of Piso-Varney, died Friday, December 2, at Pikeville Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Foster Gilliam. Funeral services were held Monday, December 5, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

■ James Hampton, 55, of Jonancy, died Tuesday, December 6, the result of injuries suffered in an automobile accident. He is survived by his wife, Sandra Hampton. Funeral services were held Saturday, December 10, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

■ Goldie Hutcheson, 86, of Matewan, West Virginia, a native of McCarr, died Monday, December 5, in the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital Skilled Nursing Unit. Funeral services were held Thursday, December

8, under the direction of Chambers Funeral Home.

■ William Anderson May Jr., 80, of Flat Rock, Michigan, formerly of Pike County, died Sunday, November 20, at Ford Hospital, Detroit. He is survived by his wife, Myrtle Stevens May. Interment was in Michigan Memorial Park, Huron Township, Michigan.

■ Edward Newsome, 85, of Summerfield, Ohio, a Pike County native, died Tuesday, December 6, at his home. Funeral services were held Friday, December 9, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

■ Glema Branham Newsome, 53, of Robinson Creek, died Saturday, December 3, at Belmont Lonesome Pine Hospital, Big Stone Gap, Va. She is survived by her husband, Goble Newsome. Funeral services were held Tuesday, December 6, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

■ Emsy S. Roop, 75, of Louisa, a Pike County native, died Tuesday, December 6, in Floyd County. He is survived by his wife, Leona Spears Roop. Funeral services were held Friday, December 9, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

■ James "Bubby" Ray Rose, 47, of Pikeville, died Sunday, December 4, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Clara Faye Rose. Funeral services were held Thursday, December 8, under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

■ Wilson Sawyers, 73, of Phelps, died Saturday, December 3, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, December 6, under the direction of R.S. Jones Funeral Home.

■ Wilda Scott, 93, of Lower Johns Creek, died Wednesday, December 7, at Pikeville Health Care Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, December 10, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

■ Ed Smith, 54, of Carrollton, a Pikeville native,

died Monday, December 5, at the Carroll County Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Linda Rae Haacke Smith. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 10, under the direction of Tandy-Eckler-Riley Funeral Home of Carrollton.

■ Herman Stanley, 79, of Goody, died Tuesday, December 6, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Janet Stanley. Funeral services were held Saturday, December 10, under the direction of Hatfield Funeral Chapel.

■ Randall Tackett, 33, of Little Robinson Creek, died Friday, December 2, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral arrangements, are under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

■ Howard Dwain Weeks, 70, of Raccoon Creek, died Wednesday, December 7, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Hess Weeks. Funeral services were held Saturday, December 10, under the direction of Community Funeral Home.

## JOHNSON COUNTY

■ Uel Blair, 85, of Hager Hill, died Sunday, November 27, at his residence. Funeral services were held Wednesday, November 30, under the direction of Paintsville Funeral Home.

■ Arizona Clark Blevins, 94, of Paintsville, died Friday, December 2, at her residence. Funeral services were held Monday, December 5, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Lula Louise Burns, 90, of

Merrit Island, Florida, a native of Nippa, died Tuesday, November 29, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, John Edward Burns Sr. Funeral services were held Saturday, December 3, under the direction of the Northcutt & Son Funeral Home.

■ Henry Edward Cantrell, 63, of Sitka, died Tuesday, November 29, at the U.K. Medical Center in Lexington. Funeral services were held Friday, December 2, under the direction of the Paintsville Funeral Home.

■ James V. Detillion, 71, of Chillicothe, died Thursday, December 1, at the Ross Heart Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Carol Holbrook Detillion. Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 5 under the direction of Ware Funeral Home in Chillicothe, Ohio.

■ Patsy Carol Lester, 63, of Van Lear, died Thursday, December 1, at Highlands Regional Medical Center. She is survived by her husband, Gary R. Lester. Funeral services were held Sunday, December 4, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Ada Mollette, 97, of Meally, died Wednesday, November 30, in Paintsville. Funeral services were held Saturday, December 3, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

■ Mary Ann Palmer, 71, of Cleveland, Ohio, a Johnson County native, died Tuesday, November 29, at her residence. Funeral services were held Friday, December 2, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

■ Robert H. Parks Jr., 73, of Paintsville, died Tuesday, November 29, at the Salyersville Health Care Center. Funeral services were held Friday, December 2, under the direction of the Jones-Preston Funeral Home.

■ Violet Spradlin, 83, of Dialton, Ohio, a Johnson County native, died Wednesday, November 30. Funeral services were held Friday, December 2, under the direction of the Trostel-Chapman Funeral Home.

## MARTIN COUNTY

■ Dixie Charles, 93, of Lovely, died Sunday, December 4, on Route 3, in Inez. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, December 10, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

■ Nathan Jude, 75, of Pataskala, Ohio, a native of Three Forks, died Wednesday, November 30, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 3, under the direction of Kauber-Miller Funeral Home, Pataskala, Ohio.

■ Roxanne (Roxie) Patton Maynard, 45, of Warfield, died Wednesday, November 30, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, December 3, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

■ Leon Small, 82, of Ripley, Ohio, formerly of Debord, died Tuesday, November 1, at his home. Graveside services were held Friday, November 4, under the direction of Cahill Funeral Home, Ripley, Ohio.

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## Charges

the blitz. "We try every case on its own merit and the county attorney is responsible for prosecuting them. Most of the time, we follow the recommendation of the prosecutors."

District Judge Eric Hall, who dismissed 86 of the charges, did not return inquiry calls.

The county attorney's office, which presented motions to dismiss 10 charges filed during the blitz period, says the percentages revealed through the disposal of these cases exemplify the need for additional funding and the need to reevaluate several laws or practices that should be addressed statewide.

County Attorney Keith Bartley said his office is forced to "prioritize" the prosecution of offenses because of a lack in state funding.

"It's a priority issue," he said. "We've prioritized as everyone has to in these jobs. The more serious cases are prosecuted as strong as they are in any county that I know."

The Floyd County Attorney's office, which has prosecuted an annual average of 11,000 cases for the past 10 years, employs three attorneys who work cases for two district judges, two circuit judges and one family court judge, in addition to the the "explosion of cases" in juvenile court, Bartley said.

"With three lawyers and four secretaries doing 11,000 cases a year, quite frankly, we have to prioritize," he said. "If you see the cases at the top of the priority list, you'll see outstanding rates of guilty plea dispositions."

Bartley agreed that district court judges do accept recommendations from the county attorney's office, but some of those recommendations come from necessity, he said.

"What it [a traffic related blitz] does for prosecutors is that when you have a blitz, and keep in mind that we're already busy, it makes it that much more impossible to handle the number of cases that come in at one time ... If I had unlimited funding and sufficient prosecutors and staff members doing all 110 percent, yeah, that'd be great. But it will never happen here or anywhere else in the state because we simply don't have the funds to do that. How many prosecutors does it take to prosecute 11,000 cases?"

Bartley also said some charges served against people in this county are dismissed because they were issued unnecessarily.

Officers usually cite passen-

gers who are riding with people arrested for driving under the influence for public intoxication, and it's unlawful to do so, Bartley said, because those people are in a private vehicle, not out in public. Bartley justifies those arrests with the understanding that officers assume people cited in this way would be "stupid enough" to drive themselves home if they are not arrested during the traffic stop.

Kentucky State Police Detective Sgt. Steve Spurlock confirmed that officers will "not leave somebody on the road that has been drinking." When troopers work DUI cases, he said, they are "fighting against" a two-hour time limit imposed through state legislation. Troopers can't spend the majority of that time waiting for a taxi or a ride for an intoxicated passenger, he said.

State laws regarding work zone speed limits should be changed, Bartley said, because it isn't necessary to enforce reduced speed limits when workers are not on the highway.

Bartley says he recommends for dismissals in cases where people are charged for speeding in work zones during the late evening or early morning hours, when workers aren't present, and in areas where the reduced speed zone takes in parts of the highway that aren't necessarily a work zone.

"Take the construction that they did on Route 80 this year," Bartley said. "They extended the work zone for a half a mile, at least, on the highway where no work was done at all. They wrote ticket after ticket after ticket for people driving a half a mile away from the zone, and some of them were at 3 in the morning. A lot of these cases were dismissed. A lot of them weren't. There were some people who paid fines, who possibly might not have truly been guilty of it. A lot of them were truly frivolous."

Other dismissals come at the request of the citing officer, Bartley said.

"Of course, then you've got those cases where the officer who wrote the ticket comes in to me and says, 'I wrote this ticket and it turns out that it's so-and-so's sister. Can you dismiss it?' It happens," Bartley said. "It's John Doe up in Weeksbury. It's John Doe in this road or that road. It happens."

Spurlock said the KSP works "very well" with county attorneys in the region and he commended efforts on both sides.

"We do our job. We work

very well with county attorney offices around our region," he said. "Our job is to report the facts to the court, to file charges and to write tickets. What the court does after that is completely up to the court system. They have the entire totality of the circumstances surrounding the cases ... We're not satisfied all the time, but I don't think the court system is either. We are completely satisfied with the effort done by our people and the effort done their their people."

According to statistics provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts, the rate of dismissals in the county during this fiscal year is lower than percentages of reported dismissals in Magoffin and Pike counties, and the rate is higher than percentages in Knott and Johnson counties. The information also shows that Floyd County obtained more guilty pleas for traffic, misdemeanor or felony charges in district court than all four of those counties during this fiscal year.

The AOC's research and statistics department reported in September that 5,981, or approximately 37 percent of felony, misdemeanor, or traffic charges have been dismissed in Floyd County during this fiscal year, out of 16,137 charges that have been filed. In the 2004 fiscal year, they reported the dismissal of 46.39 percent of the charges, a decrease from the dismissal of 46.47 percent of the

charges in 2003. In 2002, 45.61 percent of the charges were dismissed, the department reported, and in 2001, nearly half — 49.52 percent — of the charges were dismissed.

The AOC's statistics, which were provided through COURTNET, indicate that guilty pleas were rendered for more than 38 percent of felony, misdemeanor and traffic charges in Floyd County this fiscal year, an increase from the approximate 33 percent of guilty pleas rendered last year.

Comparatively, Magoffin County reported the highest rate of dismissals, with 46 percent of the charges dismissed there this fiscal year. Guilty pleas were rendered for nearly 25 percent of the charges filed. In 2004, 58.63 percent of all charges filed in district court were dismissed in Magoffin County.

In Pike County, where more charges have been filed annually since 2001, 41.25 percent of the charges were dismissed during this fiscal year, and guilty pleas were rendered for more than 20 percent of the charges. The number of dismissals dropped slightly from an estimated 42 percent of dismissals reported in 2004.

In Knott County, approximately 35 percent of the charges were dismissed this year and in 2004. Guilty pleas were rendered for approximately 22 percent of the charges in Knott County this year and in 2004.

In Johnson County, 32 per-

cent of the charges have been dismissed this fiscal year, a decrease from the dismissal of 39 percent of the charges in 2004, and guilty pleas were rendered for nearly 37 percent of the charges.

(In compiling COURTNET statistics, the AOC does not carry over the disposition of cases from year to year. For example, the case against a person charged with driving under the influence on Dec. 30, 2004, will be reported in the 2005 fiscal year, if that is when the case is finally disposed.)

Thirty-three blitz charges that are not yet disposed or that involve a fugitive from justice were not used in this analysis.

Friday, there were 10 active bench warrants people charged during the blitz. A defendant in one case is scheduled to be arraigned on Dec. 14.

Inquiry calls to the communications department at KSP's district headquarters were not returned this week.

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child between August and October 2004, and included a broken arm and leg, broken ribs and a fractured skull.

Caudill informed Davis that he was denying the motion and

informed Davis that he had an outstanding warrant from district court for which he must pay some fines incurred from a previous case.

## Fight

Supt. Paul W. Fanning, PHS Principal Ted George, who is compiling information for the investigation, said students or representatives from both schools were not involved.

"We were not fighting them," he said. "That wasn't what happened. We've got a real good relationship with South Floyd. It wasn't school verses school ... It's a shame that we have to deal with issues like this. Sometimes, you just got to sit back and shake your head."

Fanning, who is waiting to receive directed reports from both schools and the county's athletic and instructional directors, says he is taking action against the parents involved in Wednesday's altercation.

"I have asked that both principals and the athletic director report this to the Kentucky Athletic Association," Fanning said. "It's premature to say what the action will be that we can take against the adults, but if what I'm hearing can be verified, there will be action taken for as far as I can take it. I'm tired of this crap. This is a junior varsity ball game. It has no place. I don't know what predicated it, but I'm waiting to hear from the principals. Whatever action they don't take, I'll take. What they can't do, I'll do. This is unnecessary, unfortunate and it has no place, especially at an event like this. I regret that we have to spend time dealing with

this, and we'll be spending a lot of time on it. Our principals have better things to do."

KSP officers were called to South Floyd in October after a fight broke out during a middle school football game. Angela Hall, a parent of one PHS student, made allegations against KSP Trooper Mike Wolfe, who was coaching the opposing Breathitt County team.

Hall claimed that her 15-year-old son, a PHS basketball player, sustained head injuries after Wolfe knocked him unconscious during the fight.

Authorities said that the fight broke out between the players on the field, and it grew to an uncontrollable level as bystanders rushed into the malee. One report indicated that the "Breathitt County bus was blocked in at the school and that they called 911 for help, but officials could not confirm the allegation. KSP Trooper B.J. Caudill escorted the Sebastian Middle School bus to Route 80.

Floyd County Attorney Keith Bartley said the KSP were supposed to complete interviews with approximately 60 witnesses of the fight in October by December 1. KSP's internal affairs branch extended the deadline to Dec. 16, he said.

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Freedom of the press is not an end in itself but a means to the end of [achieving] a free society.

— Felix Frankfurter

## Guest view

### Retirement system needs review

Rep. Harry Moberly probably knows as much about Kentucky's budget as any other single person in the state. As chairman of the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee for many years, he oversees the biennial legislative budget writing process. So when Moberly says he wants an independent review of the state retirement system, everyone should listen.

But as knowledgeable as Moberly is, Kentucky shouldn't need a lot of convincing that things are amiss within the state retirement fund. It is estimated to be underfunded by \$4.5 billion, about twice the state's annual payroll.

It's not a new problem, more a chronic one. For about the last decade, governors and legislators have put too little money into the Kentucky Retirement System, a time bomb that will eventually blow up if allowed to continue ticking. Four years from now, when retirements are expected to crest and the money in the fund starts to rapidly run out, the state will have to find money anywhere it can to pay retirement benefits, even if it means slashing spending in other important places such as education, public health, corrections and transportation.

Right now, the system's assets cover less than half of its liabilities. William Hanes, executive director of the retirement system, wants the 2006 General Assembly to pump an additional \$350 million into the various retirement funds. Interviewed last week by the Lexington Herald-Leader, Hanes wanted to know what the state's long-term strategy was to meet the challenge.

So do we.

Kentucky retirees receive free health insurance, and those costs have gone through the roof. The retirement system invests its surplus in stocks and bonds, and those returns have been weak for years. As Kentucky's work force ages, thousands more state retirees begin drawing money from the system each year, accelerating the depletion of the retirement fund.

Obviously, the state needs to do a better job of funding the retirement system. But that is not enough. Kentucky has a very generous retirement system for state employees that includes full retirement benefits after 27 years and free health insurance coverage that continues until death.

Most workers in the private sector can only dream of such benefits beginning as early as age 49 or 50, earlier still for police officers and firefighters.

A top-to-bottom review of the retirement system is needed. Should the 27-year threshold for full retirement be increased gradually to 30 or 32 years, if not longer? Is it feasible for the state to pay for 100 percent of retirees' health insurance premiums? Should other changes or adjustments be considered?

There's nothing wrong with a generous state retirement system, as long as it is fair to all taxpayers, doesn't trump other needed spending and is fiscally sound over the long haul. We need to find out if Kentucky's retirement system is living up to those ideals.

— Owensboro Messenger-Inquirer



"Just because there have been a lot of DNA exonerations, you don't expect us to retest them ALL, do you?!"

## — Rich Lowry Column

### The gullible party

Getting suckered usually is not a sign of good judgment. On the contrary, it's something to be embarrassed by. But Democrats are making the contention that they were told lies prior to the Iraq War, and believed them, central to their party's identity.

They are caught between their base's conviction that President Bush lied about Iraq and the fact that the cream of the party voted to authorize the war. Nearly every Democratic senator who has higher ambitions voted "yes" - Hillary Clinton, Evan Bayh, Joe Biden, John Kerry and John Edwards. If Bush lied, it stands to reason that they are all naifs, foolishly drawn to the seductions of a charlatan. They aren't statesmen; they're victims.

Some of the "aye" votes make this argument themselves. "He misled every one of us," Sen. Kerry charges. Sen. Fritz Hollings of South Carolina, since retired, agrees: "We were misled."

Talented New York Rep. Anthony Weiner, who voted for the war in the House, explains, "If you believe that people like me and [Sens.] Chuck Schumer and Hillary Clinton drew the wrong conclusion at the time, well, that's true of a lot of Americans who were deceived by this president."

Surely, however, these Democrats don't rely on Bush exclusively for their information. In a demolition of the Bush-lied argument in the current issue of Commentary magazine, Norman Podhoretz recalls the other players who warned of Saddam Hussein's WMD. Democrats could have consulted Bill Clinton, who had talked of the "threat posed by Iraq's weapons-of-

mass-destruction program." They could have asked the State Department, which believed Saddam had chemical and biological weapons. They could have listened to former U.N. weapons inspectors, a group of whom said in the presence of Iraq expert Kenneth Pollack in 2002 that they all believed Iraq had WMD.

When Democrats claim they were duped, they are sidestepping an inconvenient truth: Many of them supported the war for the same reasons as the president. We now know Saddam didn't have

WMD stockpiles, but the only reason we know it with any certainty is that we crushed his regime. To pretend that, absent Bush's deceptions, everyone would have known with exactitude the reduced state of Saddam's weapons programs is juvenile and contemptible, especially from Democrats who want to shimmy their way out of their pro-war votes.

This is where the Howard Dean Democrats deserve a glimmer of admiration. They were against the war, period. Even when things seem to go well in Iraq, they hold firm. Dean was unswayed by the capture of Saddam two years ago. They don't sully themselves with after-the-fact rationalizations and evasions, and have the courage of their paranoid and wrongheaded convictions.

But their drumbeat of "Bush lied" puts their party's leaders in a bind. If Bush was a misleader, many top Democrats were misleadees. Dick Polman, a political reporter for Knight-Ridder News, reminds us that Republican George Romney damaged his presidential bid in 1968 by claiming he had been deceived by the military into supporting the Vietnam War. Voters weren't looking for a president who could, by his own account, be easily misled. Gullibility is not a leadership trait.

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## — beyond the beltway

### Retirement — indolence and money required

by DONALD KAUL  
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

I've been retired five years now (I only write this column as a hobby and to make the world a better place) and I couldn't be happier. When my former colleagues ask me the secret of my success I always tell them: Preparation.

Preparation is the key. You can't just go from being a Type A, seven-day-a-week workaholic to a life of idleness. You have to prepare.

A few years before your intended date of retirement, begin to slack off on the job. You will be amazed how few people notice. All those years you thought you were under-appreciated? You really were. You're bosses never noticed what you were doing so when you stop doing it they still won't notice.

And if they do, they'll attribute it to you slowing down with age. I mean, you're not expecting to get a promotion in the last few years of your work-life, are you?

I was pretty lucky because I was born lazy and it was not difficult for me to slack off. Even as a youngster I was always willing to let a task pass me by.

Then too, I was a newspaper columnist. The difference between a columnist slacking off and a columnist going full speed is barely discernible and then only

to the eye of another columnist.

A lot of people aren't that lucky. They are burdened with the Protestant ethic. Even Catholics, some of them, are so burdened. They think that their place in Heaven depends, to a degree, on their industriousness on Earth.

Which reminds me of the Mark Twain saying: "Heaven for climate, Hell for company."

Cultivating indolence is only part of preparing for retirement, of course. Another big part of it is money.

The thing you have to remember when contemplating retirement is that you are going to need about twice as much money as you think you will. Some say it's because of inflation, others blame the urge to visit Las Vegas before one dies. Whatever the reason, a happy retirement without adequate funding is an impossibility. There are several ways to secure retirement funds.

■ Be born rich. Most people with a lot of money were born with a lot of money. It may not buy happiness but it gets further up the road than poverty does.

■ Marry someone with a lot of money. This could range from a spouse who is heir to a chain of department stores to a person whose father owns a liquor store. Happiness comes in all sizes.

■ Win the lottery. I know, you keep hearing stories of people whose lives are ruined by winning great riches in the lottery. Don't believe it. So long as you're

willing to forsake all of your old friends (who are now too poor to hang around with) and get an unlisted telephone number, you should do fine.

One of those things should work for you. If they don't, I understand they're still for mature people at McDonald's.

And last of the keys to a successful retirement is, of course, health. Fortunately, our Republican friends in Congress have presented us with a new health care program that includes a prescription drug benefit. Simply stated, it says that if you are currently over 65 and have an income of more than \$37,942 a year, adjusted for inflation, and are enrolled in both Part A and Part B of Medicare but do not have a previously diagnosed drug benefit you will be able to get a federal subsidy to your insurance premiums if there are two or more drivers in the family and you haven't had an accident in two years.

If you make less than \$12,473 a year, however, you would be well advised to find yourself a busy corner and sit there with a tin cup and a sign that says "Destitute but still a believer in Intelligent Design."

And that's pretty much my approach to retirement. It works for me; it should work for you.

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# TV Listings

## Best

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some clues to an old case while analyzing the scene of an accident in which the body is missing. Woody and Macy (Jerry O'Connell, Miguel Ferrer) try to track down evidence in the case of a hit man suspected of killing his sister-in-law. Assistant District Attorney Brandau (Ethan Sandler) courts Lily (Kathryn Hahn) in the new episode "Death Goes On."

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 12**  
8 p.m.

**ABC FAMILY**  
Movie: **Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory**

This 1971 adaptation of Roald Dahl's children's novel offers wonderful music by Anthony Newley and Leslie Bricusse -- and some practical life lessons. An eccentric candyman (Gene Wilder) takes five contest winners, four of them brats, on a factory tour. Along the way, the brats get their just desserts, and a poor boy and his grandfather (Peter Ostrum, Jack Albertson) get a wonderful surprise.

8 p.m.

**DISNEY**

Movie: **Toy Story**

There's plenty of family fun to be had from this 1995 Disney box-office blockbuster, the first movie done completely with computer animation. Tom Hanks and Tim Allen supply the respective voices of cowboy Woody and spaceman Buzz Lightyear, toys trying to make their way back to safety after landing in the backyard of a mean youngster. Don Rickles, Annie Potts and John Ratzenberger ("Cheers") also are heard.

8 p.m.

**FOX**

Arrested Development

Michael (Jason Bateman) learns that Lucille (Jessica Walter) is having an affair with the prison warden (guest star James Lipton) and fears the worst when George Sr. (Jeffrey Tambor) finds out. As it turns out though, his dad isn't bothered in the least -- which gives Michael another reason to worry -- in the new episode "Prison Break-In."

8:30 p.m.

**CBS**

How I Met Your Mother

Robin (Cobie Smulders) gains entree into a hot club and invites Ted and Barney (Josh Radnor, Neil Patrick Harris) along. Marshall and Lily (Jason Segel, Alyson Hannigan) aren't invited, but that's OK with them; they think it's time to put away childish things. They attend a nice, staid wine and cheese party instead ... and are bored to tears. Now they're wondering if they're ready for the whole adulthood business in "Okay Awesome."

8:30 p.m.

**FOX**

Kitchen Confidential

After an unflattering mention in the newspaper, Jack (Bradley Cooper) realizes he needs to spend more time conversing with his customers. Of course, this means he'll need help in the kitchen. He hires a chef named Becky (Erinn Hayes) whose work he admires. The crew is cool to her at first, but soon she's getting on so well that there's no longer much room for Jack back there. Bonnie Somerville also stars in the new episode "You Lose, I Win."

9 p.m.

**CBS**

Two and a Half Men

When Jake (Angus T. Jones) draws a picture of a well-endowed schoolmate, the principal decides he needs to be punished, and Alan (Jon Cryer) is confronted by the girl's mother. But Alan seems to have a problem looking her in the eyes. Meanwhile, Charlie (Charlie Sheen) offers to answer the phones at Alan's office and comes up with a bright idea to help business in "Principal Gallagher's Lesbian Lover."

9 p.m.

**LIFETIME**

Movie: **Deck the Halls**

A woman moves back to her hometown with her 8-year-old son to go to work for her father. The boy is intrigued by their new neighbor, who has a sleigh, a red suit and other trappings of a certain Christmas icon. He's soon convinced the man is the real Santa Claus and would make a great stepfather, so you can guess what happens next. Gabrielle Carteris stars in this holiday comedy-drama from Canada.

9 p.m. check local listings

**PBS**

American Experience

As boxers Joe Louis and Max Schmeling readied to enter the ring in a 1938 showdown, more than the world heavyweight title was at stake. So were the pride and the power of their respective countries, given the positions of the United States and Germany on the war-minded landscape of the time. "The Fight" profiles the two athletes through the prism of the era's global affairs.

10 p.m.

**CBS**

CSI: Miami

The daughter of a super-wealthy family is killed when its yacht catches fire in shark-infested waters in "Blood in the Water." As Caine (David Caruso) and his team investigate the clan and its equally moneyed yacht-club friends, they uncov-

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TUESDAY EVENING													DECEMBER 13, 2005					
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20	23	TBS	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Seinfeld "The Soup"	Seinfeld "The Tape"	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Daisy Does America (N)	Seinfeld "The Race"	Seinfeld "The Scroff"	Seinfeld "The Scroff"	*** "Clear and Present Danger" (1994, Drama) (PA) Harrison Ford, Willem Daloe	
3	4	NBC	News	News	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	Fear Factor "Blind Date Fear Factor" (N) (In Stereo)	My Name Is Earl	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Strain"	News	News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N) (In Stereo)	Late Night			
4	5	PBS	Clifford the Big Red Dog	Dragon Tales (In Stereo) (E)	GED Connection	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Common Health	Wild Chronicles	American Experience "The Fight" (In Stereo)	Poetry of a Soul: A Monk	BBC World News	Kentucky Life	GED Connection	Mental Engineering			
6	7	ABC	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	News	ABC World News Tonight	Family Feud	Entertainment Tonight	According to Jim (N)	Hope & Faith (In Stereo)	Commander in Chief "First Choice" (N) (In Stereo)	Boston Legal "Legal Deficits"	News	Nightline	Paid Program	Paid Program		
10	15	WGN	Moesha (In Stereo)	Moesha "Baby Love"	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo)	Da Vinci's Inquest "Do You Wanna Dance?"	Da Vinci's Inquest "The Highest Places in Hell"	Feed the Children	Sex and the City	Becker (In Stereo)	Da Vinci's Inquest "Little Sister" (Part 2 of 3)					
5	10	CBS	News	News	News	CBS Evening News	Lawyers on Call	The King of Queens	NCIS "Model Behavior" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	The Amazing Race: Family Edition (N) (In Stereo)	News	Late Show With David Letterman (N) (In Stereo)	Late Late Show					
11	11	FOX	Maury	Friends (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	Hollywood	Bones "The Man in the Fallout Shelter" (N) (In Stereo)	House "Deception" (N) (In Stereo)	News	Sex and the City	The Bernie Mac Show	Malcolm in the Middle	Paid Program			
13	13	CBS	Dr. Phil	News	CBS News	News	News	Hollywood	NCIS "Model Behavior" (N) (In Stereo)	The Amazing Race: Family Edition (N) (In Stereo)	News	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late					
14	46	ESPN	Horn	Interruption	SportsCenter (Live)		NFL's Greatest Game (N)		College Basketball: DePaul at Wake Forest (Live)	SportsCenter (Live)	SportsCenter (Live)	NFL Live	Fastbreak					
30	30	DSC	It Takes a Thief	Cash Cab (N)	Cash Cab (N)	MythBusters	Mega Machines	Dirty Jobs "Dirtiest Animals"	MythBusters "Son of a Gun"	I Shouldn't Be Alive	Mega Machines							
31	31	TNT	Charmed (In Stereo)	Charmed "Magic Hour"	Law & Order "Marathon"	Law & Order "Sheltered"	Law & Order "Guns"	Law & Order "Disappeared"	Cold Case "Hubris"	NASCAR Busch Awards								
35	35	A&E	Investigative Reports	City Confidential	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Random 1 "Steven"	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	*** "RoboCop" (1987, Science Fiction) Peter Weller, Nancy Allen. (In Stereo)	Crossing Jordan (In Stereo)	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.						
59	59	TNN	Maximum Exposure	Wildcat Police Videos	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	
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17	46	USA	(4:00) *** "3 Strikes" (2000, Comedy) Brian Hooks	*** "Friday After Next" (2002, Comedy) Ice Cube, Mike Epps.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	
20	20	FAM	Gilmore Girls (In Stereo)	7th Heaven (In Stereo)	Nestor	Gold	Santa Is Coming to Town	Year Without a Santa Claus	Whose Line? Whose Line?	The 700 Club	Home Videos	Home Videos	Home Videos	Home Videos	Home Videos	Home Videos	Home Videos	
24	24	LIFE	(4:00) *** "A Fare to Remember"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"	Golden Girls "Golden Girls"
27	27	ESPN2	2005 World Series of Poker	ESPN Holly.	Quite Frankly With Smith	Madden	Honor Roll	NBA Coast-to-Coast (Live)	Madden	Madden	ESPN Holly.	Quite Frankly						
72	72	AMC	Mad Max 2: Road Warrior	*** "Dragonlayer" (1981, Fantasy) Peter MacNicol, Caitlin Clarke.	*** "King Kong" (1976, Fantasy) Jeff Bridges, Jessica Lange.	*** "Jaws 2" (1978, Horror) Roy Scheider, Lorraine Gary.												
66	66	HGTV	That's Clever	Homes	Weekend Landscapers	Curb Appeal	House	Designed-Sell "Design Remix"	Decorating	Mission Designers	Small Space	Design-Dime	Designer	Designed-Sell	Design Remix			
61	61	SCIFI	(4:00) *** "Sabretooth" (2002)	"Raptor Island" (2004, Science Fiction) Lorenzo Lamas.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	*** "Dinocroc" (2004, Suspense) Costas Mandylor.	
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33	33	TOC	Whitetail	In-Fisherman	Call of Wild	Fish, Wildlife	Outdoor	Hunting	Season	Truth-Hunting	Hunting	Amer. Hunter	Wildlife Obsess	Outdoors	Adventure	Pro Hunting	NW Hunter	Brittingham
14	14	HBO	Looney Tunes	*** "Mr. Holland's Opus" (1995, Drama) Richard Dreyfuss, Glenn Headly.	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)	Costas NOW (In Stereo)
15	15	HBO2	*** "Yesterday" (2004, Drama) Leliet Khumalo, 'NR'	Real Sports (In Stereo)	*** "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind" (2004) R	Dare to Dream: U.S. Women's Soccer Team	Boxing: Sam Soliman vs. Ronald Wright											
15	15	HBO3	(2:45) *** "The Rich Man's Wife" (1996, Suspense) Halle Berry. (In Stereo) R	*** "The Big Fall" (1997, Drama) C. Thomas Howell, Sophie Ward. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R	*** "Carillo's Way" (1993, Drama) Al Pacino, Sean Penn. (In Stereo) R
20	20	MAX	(3:30) "Sea of Love" (1989)	*** "A Time to Kill" (1996, Drama) Sandra Bullock, Samuel L. Jackson. (In Stereo) R	*** "The Door in the Floor" (2004, Drama) Jeff Bridges, Kim Basinger. (In Stereo) R	*** "Independence Day" (1996, Science Fiction) Will Smith, Bill Pullman. (In Stereo) PG-13	Hotel Erotica "Lover"											
29	29	DISN	Kim Possible	The Proud Family	Sister, Sister (In Stereo)	Phil of the Future	That's So Raven	That's So Raven	*** "102 Dalmatians" (2000, Adventure) Glenn Close, Joan Gruffudd. G	American Drgn	Sister, Sister (In Stereo)	That's So Raven	That's So Raven	Phil of the Future	Kim Possible			
22	22	SHOW	(4:30) *** "Super Size Me" (2004, Documentary)	*** "The United States of Leland" (2003, Drama) Don Cheadle, Ryan Gosling. (In Stereo) G	*** "Monster" (2003, Biography) Charlize Theron, Christina Ricci. (In Stereo) G	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)	Sleeper Cell "Immigrant" (TV) (N) (In Stereo)
25	25	TMC	(4:45) *** "Ski Patrol" (1990, Comedy) Roger Ross, Corby Timbrook. (In Stereo)	*** "Uptown Girls" (2003, Comedy) Brittany Murphy, Dakota Fanning. (In Stereo) G	*** "Dickie Roberts: Former Child Star" (2003, Comedy) David Spade, Mary McCormack. (In Stereo) G	*** "Dangerous Minds" (1995, Drama) Michelle Pfeiffer. (In Stereo) G	*** "Shelter Island" (2003, Suspense) Ally Sheedy, Patsy Kensit. (In Stereo) G											

WEDNESDAY EVENING													DECEMBER 14, 2005					
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23	23	TBS	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	Seinfeld "The Secretary"	Seinfeld "The Secretary"	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Everybody-Raymond	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Daisy Does America	*** "Pay It Forward" (2000, Drama) Kevin Spacey, Helen Hunt		
4	4	NBC	News	News	News	NBC Nightly News	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	E-Ring "Snatch & Grab" (In Stereo)	The Apprentice: Martha Stewart (N) (In Stereo)	Law & Order "Obsession" (In Stereo)	News	News	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (N) (In Stereo)	Late Night			
5	5	PBS	Clifford's Puppy Days	Dragon Tales (In Stereo) (E)	GED Connection	Business Rpt.	The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer (N)	Jubilee (In Stereo)	Cockman Family Christmas: Maker of the Stars	Loreena McKennitt	The ABCs of DTV Call-In	BBC World News	Kentucky Life (In Stereo)	Workplace-Skills	Kentucky Time Capsule			
7	7	ABC	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	Judge Judy (In Stereo)	News	ABC World News Tonight	Family Feud	Entertainment Tonight	George Lopez (In Stereo)	Freddie (N) (In Stereo)	Lost "... And Found" (In Stereo)	Alias "The Horizon" (N) (In Stereo)	News	Nightline	Paid Program	Paid Program		
15	15	WGN	Moesha (In Stereo)	Moesha "Credit Card"	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	America's Funniest Home Videos (In Stereo)	Becker "MisSteaks"	Becker "Old Yeller"	Home Improvement	Home Improvement	WGN News at Nine (In Stereo)	Sex and the City	Becker "MisSteaks"	Da Vinci's Inquest "Little Sister" (Part 3 of 3)			
10	10	CBS	News	News	News	CBS Evening News	Nobody's Looking	The King of Queens	Still Standing (In Stereo)	Yes, Dear (N) (In Stereo)	Criminal Minds "Blood Tragedy" (N) (In Stereo)	CSI: NY "Trapped" (N) (In Stereo)	News	Late Show With David Letterman (N) (In Stereo)	Late Late Show			
11	11	FOX	Maury	Friends (In Stereo)	Everybody-Raymond	Friends (In Stereo)	Friends (In Stereo)	That '70s Show "Fun It"	Stacked "Pod" (N) (In Stereo)	Trading Spouses: Meet Your New Mommy (N) (In Stereo)	News	Sex and the City	The Bernie Mac Show	Malcolm in the Middle	Paid Program			
13	13	CBS	Dr. Phil	News	CBS News	News	News	Hollywood	Still Standing "Yes, Dear" (N) (In Stereo)	CSI: NY "Trapped" (In Stereo)	CSI: NY "Trapped" (In Stereo)	News	Late Show-Letterman	Late Late				
46	46	ESPN	Horn	Interruption	SportsCenter (Live)		NBA	NBA Basketball: Phoenix Suns at Dallas Mavericks. (In Stereo) Live	NBA Basketball: Houston Rockets at Golden State Warriors. (In Stereo) Live									
30	30	DSC	It Takes a Thief	Cash Cab (N)	Cash Cab (N)	El Cajon Dam	Iceland Tunnels	MythBusters	Dirty Jobs "Shrimper"	Dirty Jobs "Micro Algae Man"	Iceland Tunnels							
31	31	TNT	Charmed (In Stereo)	Charmed "All Hallows' Eve"	Law & Order "Scrambled"	Christmas in Washington	*** "A Christmas Carol" (1999, Drama) Patrick Stewart.	Christmas in Washington	*** "Scrooged" (1988)	Crossing Jordan (In Stereo)	*** "Scrooged" (1988)	Crossing Jordan (In Stereo)	*** "Scrooged" (1988)	Crossing Jordan (In Stereo)	*** "Scrooged" (1988)	Crossing Jordan (In Stereo)	*** "Scrooged" (1988)	Crossing Jordan (In Stereo)
35	35	A&E	Investigative Reports	City Confidential	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice	Amer. Justice
59	59	TNN	Maximum Exposure	Wildcat Police Videos	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.	CSI: Crime Scene Invstgn.
20	53	NICK	SpongeBob "Drake & Josh"	All Grown Up "Danny Phant."	Oddparents	Neutron	SpongeBob "Hey Arnold!"	Full House "Fresh Prince"	Fresh Prince "Fresh Prince"	Fresh Prince "Fresh Prince"	Fresh Prince "Fresh Prince"	Fresh Prince "Fresh Prince"	Fresh Prince "Fresh Prince"	Fresh Prince "Fresh Prince"	Fresh Prince "Fresh Prince"	Fresh Prince "Fresh Prince"	Fresh Prince "Fresh Prince"	Fresh Prince "Fresh Prince"
17	46	USA	(4:00) *** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric Bana, Jennifer Connelly.	*** "The Hulk" (2003, Action) Eric B												







# TV Listings

## Best

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**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit**

In "Strain," the murders of two gay men are pinned on an AIDS activist (guest star Brian Bloom) when Dr. Warner (Tamara Tunie) discovers both had a deadly and contagious form of AIDS. The killer's attorney (guest star CCH Pounder) tries to convince the jury that his actions were motivated by mercy and nobility. Fin (Ice-T) confronts his son (guest star Ernest Waddell) after learning he was at the same gay meth club as one of the victims.

10 p.m. check local listings  
**PBS**

### Independent Lens

The new documentary "Seoul Train" explores the plight of North Koreans attempting to escape communist rule. Thousands are trying to get out, but it's a dangerous journey impeded by mountains of red tape. The film also introduces some of the activists trying to aid their escape by their own version of an "underground railroad."

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

8 p.m.

ABC  
**George Lopez**

What's worse, spending the holidays alone or putting up with the annoying in-laws? George (George Lopez) learns the answer to that question the hard way. He gets his wish to stay home instead of visiting Angie's (Constance Marie) relatives, but with the rest of the family gone, he gets lonely and regrets his decision. Masieela Lusha also stars in the new episode "George Is Being Elish and Christ-Misses His Family."

8 p.m.

ABC FAMILY

### Movie: Christmas in Boston

Childhood pen pals Seth and Gina (Patrick Adams, Marla Sokoloff) have a chance to meet for the first time when Seth has a conference in Gina's hometown. Only trouble is, they're both insecure about their looks and have passed off their respective best friends' pictures as their own. So they send the friends to meet up instead, with all the complications you'd expect. Lindy Booth and Jonathan Cherry also star in this new holiday romance.

8 p.m.

FOX

### That '70s Show

Randy (Josh Meyers) takes the gang out to the burger joint for something a little different. The owner gives them a hard time, and Randy reiterates by stealing Fatsos the Clown, the restaurant's mascot — a decision he soon has cause to regret. Mila Kunis, Danny Masterson, Laura Prepon and Wilmer Valderrama also star in the new episode "Fun It."

8 p.m.

SHOWTIME

### Movie: Crimson Tide

Quentin Tarantino was among the script doctors for this suspenseful 1995 post-Cold War drama starring Gene Hackman as a submarine commander and Denzel Washington as his executive officer. When an unconfirmed order instructs the crew to fire the sub's nuclear missiles, the two go head to head in a tense standoff. George Dzundza and Rick Schroder are among the supporting cast.

8 p.m.

TNT

### Christmas in Washington 2005

It's taking place in the city, but this edition of the annual holiday music special is a little bit country, with performances by the band Rascal Flatts and "American Idol" winner Carrie Underwood. R&B star Ciara also takes the stage at the National Building Museum in the nation's capital. Dr. Phil McGraw and his wife, Robin, return as hosts of the event, which benefits the National Children's Medical Center.

8:30 p.m.

ABC

### Freddie

Freddie's (Freddie Prinze Jr.) neighborly gestures backfires big-time in the new episode "I'll Be Homeless for Christmas." He invites his neighbors to a Christmas party with his family, and one of them turns him in to the condo board for having too many people living in his unit. When he asks the other neighbors to sign a petition to let them stay, he discovers none of them are too happy with his relatives.

8:30 p.m.

CBS

### Yes, Dear

Jimmy (Mike O'Malley) invites Greg and Kim (Anthony Clark, Jean Louisa Kelly) on a trip to the Napa Valley to repay them for all their help. But he's doing it on the cheap, flying standby and using lots of coupons, so they can't be sure they'll get anywhere. Liza Snyder also stars in the new episode "Jimmy Sponsors a Vacation."

10 p.m.

ABC

### Alias

Michael Vartan returns as Vaughn in the new episode "The Horizon." Sydney (Jennifer Garner) is kidnapped and hypnotized by someone who needs to pick her brain someone she knows, who has a vested interest in what happens to her and the baby. Victor Garber, Jon Rubin and Rachel Nichols also

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23	TBS	Dawson's Creek		Movie				Becker	Becker	The Cosby Show	The Cosby Show	The Steve Harvey Show	The Steve Harvey Show	The Drew Carey Show	The Drew Carey Show	Yes, Dear	Yes, Dear						
3	NBC	Today Cont'd		Live With Regis and Kelly		The Tyra Banks Show		News	Inside Edition	Days of our Lives		Passions		Be a Millionaire	Be a Millionaire	Oprah Winfrey							
4	PBS	George Shrinks	Barney & Friends	Sesame Street		Between the Lions	Teletubbies	Mister Rogers	Reading Rainbow	Varied Programs	Pre GED Connection	Berenstain Bears	George Shrinks	Zoom	Postcards From Buster	Cyberchase	Maya & Miguel						
8	ABC	Maury		Montel Williams		The View		News	The Insider	All My Children		One Life to Live		General Hospital		Judge Joe Brown	Judge Joe Brown						
10	WGN	The Beverly Hillbillies	The Beverly Hillbillies	Rockford Files		Matlock		Magnum, P.I.		News		Magnum, P.I.		Da Vinci's Inquest		The Cosby Show	The Cosby Show						
3	CBS	Family Feud	Varied Programs	Live With Regis and Kelly		The Price is Right		News	The Young and the Restless	The Bold and the Beautiful		As the World Turns		Guiding Light		Green Acres	The Andy Griffith Show						
11	FOX	My Wife and Kids	The Bernie Mac Show	Judge Mathis		The People's Court		Judge Hatchett	Judge Hatchett	Malcolm in the Middle		Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	That '70s Show	My Wife and Kids	Jerry Springer						
13	CBS	Dr. Phil		Martha		The Price is Right		News	The Young and the Restless	Bold & B.		As the World Turns		Guiding Light		The Ellen DeGeneres Show							
14	ESPN	SportsCenter	Varied	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		NFL Live	Varied Programs					1st & 10		NFL Live	Burning						
30	DSC	Varied Programs										The New Detectives		The FBI Files		48 Hours: Hard Evidence							
15	TNT	NYPD Blue		ER		ER		Judging Amy	Judging Amy			Law & Order		Law & Order		Alias							
31	A&E	Varied Programs				Investigative Reports		City Confidential	American Justice			Varied Programs											
59	TNN	3 Stooges	3 Stooges	7 Days		MacGyver		Star Trek: Deep Space Nine	Star Trek: Deep Space Nine			Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.							
20	NICK	Dora-Explorer	Go Diego	Blue's Clues	Backyard	Dora-Explorer	LazyTown	Max & Ruby	Dora-Explorer	Go Diego	LazyTown	Rugrats	Robot	Varied Programs									
17	USA	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs	Nash Bridges	Varied Programs	The District	Varied Programs	The District	Varied Programs														
40	FAM	The 700 Club		Living	Gilmore Girls	Step by Step		Full House	Full House	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Boy World	Boy World	Full House	Full House	Grounded	Grounded						
22	LIFE	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	The Nanny	The Nanny	Will & Grace	Will & Grace	Unsolved Mysteries	Unsolved Mysteries			Movie				Movie							
15	ESPN2	Cold Pizza Cont'd		Cold Pizza				Varied Programs															
20	AMC	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs																				
15	HGTV	Carol Duvall	Carol Duvall	Room	Room Service	Country Style	Designing	That's Clever	Painted	Decorating	Sensible Chic	Mission	Divine Design	Design-Dime	Designers'	Painted	Designer						
65	SCIFI	Varied Programs																					
62	HIST	Varied Programs								America's Castles		Varied Programs											
67	TOC	Varied Programs								Paid Program	Varied Programs		Varied Programs		Paid Program	Varied Programs							
34	HBO	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs									Movie	Varied Programs			Movie	Varied Programs						
29	HBO2	Movie	Varied Programs													Movie	Varied Programs						
20	HBO3	Movie	Varied Programs	Movie		Varied Programs											Varied Programs						
29	MAX	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs														Movie						
24	DISN	Doodlebops	Charlie & Lola	The Wiggles	The Koala Brothers	Rolie Polie Olie	Doodlebops	Charlie & Lola	Little Einsteins	Higglytown Heroes	JoJo's Circus	House of Mouse	Lilo & Stitch	Varied Programs									
30	SHOW	Movie Cont'd	Varied Programs	Movie		Varied Programs		Movie	Varied Programs														
21	TMC	Movie	Varied Programs			Movie		Varied Programs	Movie	Varied Programs				Movie	Varied Programs		Movie						

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10 p.m.

NBC  
**Law & Order**

Green and Fontana (Jesse L. Martin, Dennis Farina) investigate the murder of a conservative talk show host. His wife (guest star Paula Devicq) is high on the list of suspects, as she stands to inherit big bucks. But Borgia (Annie Parisse) uncovers a link to another woman (guest star Dana Eskelson) who was apparently stalking the widow. Sam Waterston also stars in "Obsession."

10 p.m.

LAND  
**Sit-down Comedy With David Steinberg**

In this new series, veteran comedian, producer and director David Steinberg interviews fellow comics about their lives and work. Mike Myers is his guest for the premiere episode, chatting about everything from love and marriage to Austin Powers and Monty Python. He also speculates on what Americans mean when they call Canadians "nice."

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

8 p.m.

ABC

### Movie: The Santa Clause

Toy company executive Scott Calvin (Tim Allen) makes a drastic career change in this heartwarming 1994 comedy. After killing the real Kriss Kringle by mistake, Scott tries on the red suit and is transformed into Santa, complete with white beard and round belly. In addition to the traditional duties, this Santa must convince his skeptical son that he's the real thing. Eric Lloyd, Wendy Crewson and Judge Reinhold also star.

8 p.m.

ABC FAMILY

### Movie: Snow

Tom Cavanagh ("Ed") stars in this 2004 comedy-drama as Nick Snowden, heir to a certain family business specializing in deliveries. With three days remaining before Christmas, one of his reindeer, Buddy, is stolen and lands in a California zoo. On his quest to rescue the animal, Nick befriends a group of boardinghouse tenants that includes the lovely zookeeper (Ashley Williams) who holds the key -- literally -- to Buddy's freedom.

8 p.m.

NBC

### Joey

The wait is over for fans who want Alex (Andrea Anders) to tell Joey (Matt LeBlanc) how she feels about him. Blame it on the holidays; as the "most wonderful time of the year" draws near, she decides it's time to come clean. Drea de Matteo also stars in the new hourlong episode.

8 p.m.

TNT

### NBA Basketball

LeBron James and Carmelo Anthony will be linked throughout their NBA careers. They were two of the first three players picked in the 2003 draft, and each had an immediate impact on their team. Tonight, the two superstars meet for the first time this season when James' Cleveland Cavaliers host Anthony and the Denver Nuggets. Last month, the 20-year-old James became the youngest player in history to reach 4,000 career points, passing Kobe Bryant's previous mark.

8:30 p.m.

UPN

### Love, Inc.

Viviana (Jon Overman) accepts a marriage proposal from a younger

guy (Charlie Finn) who's OK with the fact that she doesn't love him and is only in it for the green card. Guess who picks that time to walk back into her life: an old hometown flame who's interested in getting back together. At the office, Barry and Francine (Vince Vieluf, Regan Gomez-Preston) struggle to fix up three geeky guys in the new episode "Three's Company."

9 p.m.

CBS

### CSI: Crime Scene Investigation

Grissom (William Petersen) and company investigate the suspicious death of a young movie star who was partying in a hotel suite with his groupies when he died. It's not just the guests who are dying in this particular hotel; in the kitchen, the immigrant workers appear to have turned against one another, with fatal results. Louise Lombard, Marg Helgenberger, Gary Dourdan and George Eads also star in "Room Service."

9 p.m.

HISTORY

### Giganto: The Real King Kong

"King Kong" is fictional, but fossils found in China do indicate a species of giant ape -- about 10 feet tall -- did exist 100,000 years ago. In this new special, scientists, forensic experts and others analyze the evidence for more clues about this creature, called Gigantopithecus, including why it went extinct and who its descendants might be.

9 p.m.

LIFETIME

### Movie: Christmas Child

A jaded journalist (William R. Moses, "Falcon Crest") travels to Texas on assignment at Christmastime. His destination is Dallas, but he finds himself drawn, courtesy of a mysterious photo, to the little town of Clearwater, where he finds more mystery and ultimately, redemption. Christian singer Steven Curtis Chapman makes his acting debut in this 2003 drama, which also stars Megan Follows and Muse Watson.

9 p.m.

NBC

### The Apprentice

The one person in the competition who won't hear Donald Trump's statement "You're fired!" is determined in the two-hour finale of the unscripted series' fourth season. The last individual will get at least a temporary stint as an employee of the New York real-estate tycoon -- and an impressive salary.

10 p.m.

BRAVO

### Celebrity Autobiography: In Their Own Words

Why pay gag writers or make up your own material when you can get laughs reading other people's life stories? That's the premise of this odd new special, in which Kevin Nealon, Andrea Martin, Jay Mohr, and other comedians and actors read from the memoirs of fellow celebrities including David Cassidy, Zsa Zsa Gabor and Madonna. We can't speak for all the targets, but at least one is a good sport: George Takei ("Star Trek"), who's in the audience.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

8 p.m.

A&E

### Biography of the Year 2005

This annual special revisits the biggest events of the past year, from the devastation of Hurricane Katrina to the terrorist attacks in London, and profiles the people involved in those events -- politicians, celebrities and not-so-famous folks who made a mark. One of them will get the in-depth treatment as Biography

of the Year.

8 p.m.

ABC

### A Charlie Brown Christmas

It aired earlier this month, but just in case you missed the animated classic, here it is again. It's still as good as you remember, with Charlie Brown trying to figure out the reason for the season as everyone around him obsesses over gifts, decorations and other trappings. He's finally set straight by Linus and a little tree that could.

8 p.m.

ABC FAMILY

### Movie: Jingle All the Way

Abusy dad goes through the jingle-bell wringer to snag an impossible-to-find action figure for his son. Arnold Schwarzenegger, Rita Wilson, Sinbad and Jake Lloyd ("Star Wars: Episode I -- The Phantom Menace") star in this cartoon Christmas comedy from 1996, with Phil Hartman as a lecherous neighbor.

8 p.m.

TNT

### Movie: Spider-Man

The Marvel comic book comes to life in this 2002 adventure starring Tobey Maguire as high schooler Peter Parker, who is bitten by a radioactive spider and acquires superpowers. But as any Spidey fan knows, the socially inept Parker has a rough time coming to terms with his new abilities, which indirectly cause a family tragedy. Rosemary Harris and Cliff Robertson play Peter's aunt and uncle, with Kirsten Dunst as the girl he loves. James Franco and Willem Dafoe costar.

8:30 p.m.

WB

### A Scooby-Doo Christmas

Scooby-Doo, where are you? In this animated special, the mystery-solving canine is in a town named Winter Hollow. Scooby and his usual comrades -- Shaggy, Freddy, Daphne and Velma -- try to bring holiday spirit back to the town's residents. Legendary radio and TV personality Casey Kasem reprises his original voice role as Shaggy.

9 p.m.

ABC

### Hope & Faith

Having a sister to help you out of jams is one thing, but her efforts to keep you out of them in the first place can get tiresome. That's where Faith (Kelly Ripa) is coming from in "The Phone Call." She tells Hope (Faith Ford) that she's had enough of her meddling and nagging, and Hope promises to stop. But all that energy has to go somewhere, and it's Charley (Ted McGinley) who's getting all Hope's attention now ... and he isn't happy.

9:30 p.m.

ABC

### Hot Properties

Apparently looks can kill -- sort of. In the new episode "Killer Bodies," Lola's (Sofia Vergara) physical appearance causes her average-looking beau (Kevin Farley) to have an attack. While at the hospital, Chloe (Nicole Sullivan) chats up a doctor -- but it isn't a date that results. Ava (Gail O'Grady) gets drafted to be a birth coach.

10 p.m.

NBC

### Law & Order: Criminal Intent

Deakins (Jamey Sheridan) wants Goren and Eames (Vincent D'Onofrio, Kathryn Erbe) to stop snooping around Frank Adair (guest star Michael Rispoli), a prominent, ambitious ex-member of the police brass who happens to be a friend of his. They're investigating the murder of a man whose wife was cheating

on him ... with Adair. Now she's missing, and Deakins is starting to suspect his buddy is not as squeaky-clean as he looks in "My Good Name."

10 p.m.

SHOWTIME

### Masters of Horror

John Carpenter -- yes, that John Carpenter -- directed the new short "Cigarette Burns" about a finder of rare films who's on a quest for one of the rarest. Called "Le Fin du Monde," it reportedly was shown only once and caused a deadly riot in the theater -- which then burned down. The harder he searches, the more frightening information he turns up about the film. Norman Reedus stars.

10 p.m.

WE

### Katrina Weddings: A Second Chance

In this special, wedding planner Sandy Ferreira, a former contestant on "The Apprentice," surprises two New Orleans couples whose wedding plans were washed away by Hurricane Katrina. She and her team toil for





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Don't mess with bad motor mounts

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

**INAUGURAL CHIT CHAT:**

Talk of 100,000 in Frankfort bluffed many away, as was the case when the multitude was expected for the Floyd County sesquicentennial...But it was a great day...You wondered who would put out a fire if one started in Prestonsburg...All the floats were fine, and that includes Floyd County's of course, but I liked Logan County's best...the one with the 'coons up the tree and three hounds going loud and strong...but it may not have registered so well with those who don't go in for hound "music"...Coal from the Mountains, cotton from the purchase, pretty girls from all over...You wondered if Ike knew how much money was being "wasted" in that display of armed might...And after standing for five hours, you wondered if, after all, you weren't in pretty good condition.

**LIQUOR REPORT**

Mrs. Delbert Montgomery, a Floyd Countian now living in Albion, Michigan, sends us a newspaper clipping which tells how the moonshiners in Michigan are keeping the federal boys hopping, these days. The situation is such that Michigan is reportedly getting more gallons per acre of corn than any other state in the Midwest. One John Lathem, Chief of Washington headquarters of the Alcohol and Tax Division of the Internal Revenue Service, opined that the moonshiners are principally hillbillies and other Southerners, who have been drawn to Detroit by the hope of easy jobs in the automotive industry.

But Assistant U.S. Attorney General John R. Jones, of Detroit, described the 'shiners as "third or fourth generation Detroiters."

We like Mrs. Montgomery's comment on the situation:

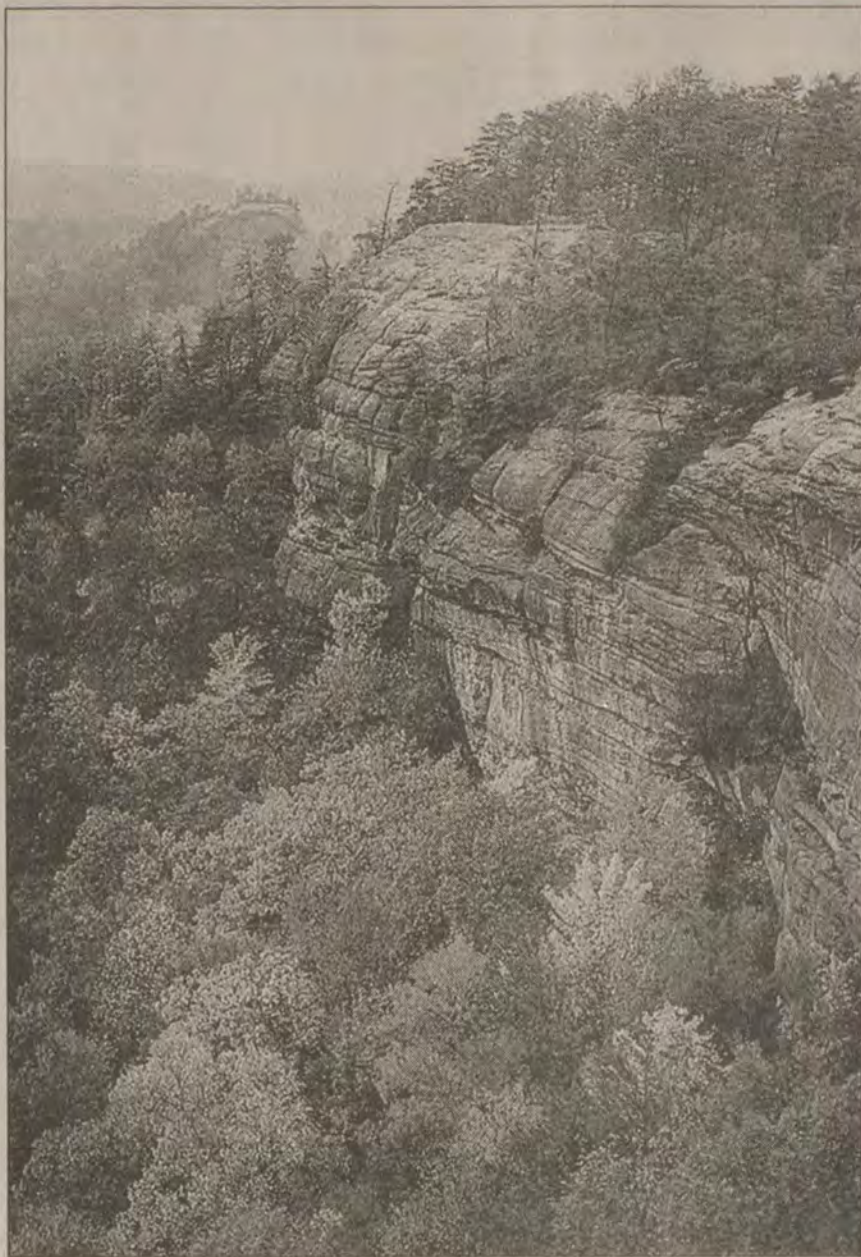
"I think your readers will enjoy reading about moonshiners here in a wet state, where taverns are open seven days a week. Most Floyd Countians think moonshine stills are found only in dry states. I believe this proves they are wrong."

**LET'S STANDARDIZE**

Planning on playing Santa Claus, this Christmas? Have a care, lest you disillusion that youngster of yours who has seen everything from the Taj Mahal by moonlight, to the backside of the moon by television.

We might start out by standardizing Santa himself. This business of having the old boy come in different sizes is plumb disconcertin' to young'uns. For instance: a boy

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Autumn Hill



Dean Hill

**New art exhibit for December  
at the Mountain Arts Center**

*Dean Hill — Capturing the Spirit*

Dean Hill is a photographer who captures the natural beauty of Appalachian Kentucky. He grew up working, exploring, and wandering throughout the ridge tops and hollows of Eastern Kentucky. Life on a tobacco farm has given Dean a down-to-earth understanding of the fragile beauty of nature.

Later years were spent working and traveling in Southeast Asia. There Dean experienced cultures that opened

his eyes to a new and different way of seeing. Today the result of these life-long experiences can be seen throughout his photographs. Dean is a member of the Kentucky Guild of Artists and the Lexington Art League. His recently published book, "The Spirit of Appalachian Kentucky," is the result of over seven years of photography showcasing the natural areas. The book has been given glowing reviews by the Lexington Herald Leader, the

Paintsville

Herald, The Voice Tribune, and Appalachian Heritage. The book was also nominated for the 2004 South East Booksellers Association's nonfiction award.

Dean and his wife, Karen, live at the upper end of Paintsville Lake. He is pursuing several photographic projects to showcase the landscapes and culture of Appalachian Kentucky and beyond.



**The Big Sandy Community and Technical College Community Choir will present a Christmas concert, along with the student ensemble The Big Sandy Singers, on Monday, Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. in Gearheart Auditorium, Pike Building, Prestonsburg Campus. Admission is \$3, or a donation of your choice, and everyone is invited to attend this performance of beautiful harmony and our Christmas favorites. Tickets are available at the door. Open seating will begin at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact Hall at 886-3863 ext. 67227 or laura.hall@kctcs.edu.**

**MOVIES FROM  
THE BLACK LAGOON**

**'Lady Terminator'**

by TOM DOTY  
STAFF WRITER

Indonesia tries to ape Hollywood in this rip off, I mean homage, of "The Terminator."

In the 1980s, Indonesia was producing a lot of films that were so low budgeted and routine that they virtually had no exports. They tried to change things around with this effort which was made to compete in foreign markets. Rather than try and open up their own story to the world market, they targeted a popular film and added some Indonesian elements to come up with a hybrid picture that blatantly steals dialogue and scenes from James Cameron's sci-fi hit and throws them in a blender with an Indonesian sea myth to produce one of the cheesiest films ever to grace a drive-in.



Tom Doty  
Staff Writer

The film begins 100 years ago when the South Sea Witch reigned supreme in her castle by the sea. The queen dispatches a suitor by making him explode as she says, "Is there no man who can satisfy me?" Wouldn't you know that a butch-looking sailor steps right up and claims he's the man for the job. One tryst later he is about to be shredded like so much wheat when he yanks an eel out of the queen's body and proceeds to turn it into a dagger and impale her on it. Cue up the narrator who warns that the queen will be back in 100 years to have revenge on the sailor's great-granddaughter. Next the castle sinks into the sea and, while you're still scratching your head, 100 years pass.

The next scene introduces an American girl named Tania Wilson who is as badly dubbed as the Asian actors in the cast. She walks right into a library and asks the aged librarian about the South Sea Witch. This guy turns out to be an expert on the subject who tries to warn her away while dramatic music highlights all of his dialogue. He still directs her to the last known location of the Witch's castle and she charts a boat to see it for herself. While scuba diving where the castle disappeared she is assaulted by an eel which snuggles up inside her and possesses her.

Tania eventually walks out of the ocean and has somehow lost her clothes. Before you know it she is all over two local guys who think their ship has come in until she makes them explode. She steals their clothes and sets out to terminate the great-granddaughter that was alluded to in the opening scenes.

Turns out the intended victim is a purple haired disco singer who happens to be performing that night and, in the first of several scenes that are

(See

**My angel has a halo**

by AMANDA JOHNSON

"CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE TEENAGE SOUL II"

You always were a daredevil — flying 8 feet or more through the air on your bike (your pride and joy), swinging high on a rope swing or flipping headfirst into the lake below.

I think that is what gives you both your wonderful character and your extraordinary inner strength. What amazes me most about you is the fact that no matter what, your determination pushes all your fears away. You never let fear stand in the way of accomplishing your goals.

But despite all your dangerous stunts, I never thought that this day would come. (Maybe in the back of my mind I did, but only there.)

You were away on a trip to the coast, and I eagerly awaited your call. It came the morning of the third day of the seven days you'd be gone. Your voice was normal — but your words were not — "I broke my neck."

Right then every fear in the world hit me. My mom quickly reminded me that I needed to stay strong for you. I didn't talk much. I just quietly cried as you explained to me your ordeal and the halo you would have to wear for two months to keep your neck stabi-

lized as it healed.

You seemed OK considering the situation, but in pain and in low spirits. I hung up the phone, and finally the tears could, and did, flow freely. Throughout this whole day I came to terms with the fact that you would be in a cast, with the exception of your arms, for two entire months. At first I was selfish and thought of how this would affect me. He can't drive, so we'll see each other less often. He can't take me to school on the first day. I can't even give him a real hug. But then I remembered and told myself: Amanda, be glad that he's still alive and here for you to hug at all, no matter what form it's in. And be thankful for the fact that he can walk.

I went and saw you tonight. You looked good, but no smiles — no smiles, that is, until you saw a video of your biking stunts. I saw the determina-

tion in your eyes, and it brought tears to mine. I know you're scared, but I also know that you're going to be OK. Because that determination inside of you is once again going to push those fears away, and you'll be 110 percent. You helped me be less afraid for you. I stopped thinking about what you cannot do and concentrated instead on what you can do, or what you will do again. Two months is a very short time in exchange for a lifetime of living.

I want to thank you. You have taught me more about inner strength and determination in this one day than I've learned in my whole life. I love you, Logan. We all do. Don't ever lose heart.

Just let your wonderful self shine through. You're going to pull through this with flying colors, pushing yourself all the way, because that's who you are: a fighter. I feel so much better now that I'm not thinking about what I won't have and what I won't get from you. Instead, I feel grateful and so happy that you are who you are.

All I have for you now is faith and determination. I always know that you were a blessing to me, my angel. Now, for two months, you'll have a halo to prove it.





Jim Davidson

# The ultimate hiding place

Sometimes before a man will let himself look up, he has to get all the way down. Sometimes only the bottom leads up. Some of us have let pride, fear, anger, hopelessness, and an infinity of other negative emotions conspire to keep our faces turned toward the darkness. For us, only rock bottom offers the opportunity to turn our faces toward the light. This is a heart-wrenching commentary. Nonetheless it is true. Rock bottom came for me in November of 1986, in a jail cell in Louisville, Kentucky. Jail was nothing new for me. Rather jail was the norm in my life. I was 40 years old, but I had spent less than four years outside of prison since I had turned 21. More than 15 years in prison - in



some of the harshest prisons in the world - had forged me into a terrible crucible. Sitting in a filthy, stinking jail tank in Louisville in 1986, I knew that I faced the very real possibility of spending the rest of my life locked away from society. I was facing a new bank robbery charge that carried up to 25 years in prison and I was also facing a 20-year parole violation term. The probability of my spending the next 25 years, or more, in prison was great. The emotions tearing me apart and torturing me were indescribable. Mixed in with the fear and rage, mixed in with the bitterness and hate, mixed in with the resentment and frustration, mixed in with the hopelessness and false

pride was the self loathing. Self-hatred was the terrible foundation that propped it all up. Self-disgust was the mortar that bound it all together. What you have just read are words that can be found in the prologue of a book titled, "Fear Runner," written by Joe Mosier, who now lives with his wife, Alice, in North Pekin, Ill. Joe contacted me after reading one of my columns in the local newspaper, The Pekin Daily Times. With his letter he included a copy of the aforementioned book, and after I read it I concluded that his was one of the most tragic and heart-wrenching true-life stories that I have ever read. What is so tragic is not that he has spent a great deal of his life in prison; a lot of men and women do that for crimes they have committed. What is so tragic is why Joe went there in the first place. If the thoughts I share here save even one Joe Mosier from going to prison

down the road, it will be worth it all. Joe Mosier was born and grew up in a middle class family in a small town in Ohio. His mother had a son before his father married her, but she was killed when he was 3 years of age. Later his father remarried and his stepmother was very good to him. What set Joe on the wrong path is that he had an abusive father, not abusive in the physical sense but abusive emotionally and psychologically, which can often be far worse. When Joe did things in school that were outstanding, his father rather than praising and supporting him would be highly critical. One time after their little league baseball team had won the city championship, at the supper table Joe said, "I'm so happy I could tell the whole world." At this point his father threw his fork into his plate and screamed at Joe, "The whole

world doesn't give a #\*!\$#!. Just shut up and eat your food, or go to your room." You have the picture. Over time Joe developed a tremendous fear of his father. Unfortunately, his father thought respect and fear were the thing. Joe's reaction was to run. To run away and hide. Over time he became very good at running away and hiding and he developed many creative ways to do this. Fantasizing and daydreaming, bragging and lying, game playing and wall building were all ways he ran away and hid as a child, and on into his adult years. Later in life, alcohol and marijuana came along. Finally, prison became the ultimate hiding form of running away. Prison became the ultimate hiding place. There were obviously many stops in between Joe Mosier growing up, getting out of school, getting married, having children and the day he made the decision to commit his first crime that over time escalated to being a seasoned bank robber and long stints behind prison bars. The message here is simple. As par-

ents, especially fathers, we have the power over our children's lives to make them champions or to make them prison inmates. In my book, that's really something to think about. Fear and emotional abuse is never a good motivator. Fortunately Joe's story has a happy ending. In that jail tank in Louisville, in 1986, he surrendered his will and his life completely to Jesus Christ and began to live for Him. In addition to allowing the Lord to completely control his life, he had a woman who had a Godly, selfless love and who drove thousands of miles to visit him in prison and to wait till he was free to enjoy life together. He has been out of prison now for more than 10 years and he told me, "I will never go back." That, my friend, is the power of God at work in someone's life.

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# Shifting etiquette

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:  
I bought a 2003 Ford Explorer with an automatic transmission. I took my boss to lunch one day (first mistake!), and when we got back to the office, I pulled into my parking spot, turned off the ignition and put the vehicle in Park. My boss was aghast: "You'll ruin the transmission," he cried out. "Put it in Park first, and then turn off the ignition." Does it really matter whether I put it in Park before or after turning off the ignition? — Garland



TOM: Well, would you rather be right or employed, Garland?  
RAY: It doesn't matter to the transmission. There's nothing that happens when you move the shifter from Drive to Park when the engine is not running that would damage the transmission.

night you have this bright screen screwing with your night vision. What is your opinion of this trend? It's OK if you want to have an LCD for the navigation system, but it should be optional, and if you do have an LCD for navigation, it shouldn't be used for other stuff (heater, radio). It's been driving me crazy, and I had to get it off my chest. By the way, I'm no Luddite — I'm a retired computer-graphics software developer, and I love gadgets. — Dan

TOM: When you go from Drive to Park, you're doing two things. First, you're disengaging the gears. If this were a manual transmission, this would be the equivalent of stepping on the clutch and putting the shifter in Neutral. You can do that whether the engine is on or off.

TOM: I couldn't agree more, Dan. If you had been reading our column regularly instead of using it to line your bird cage, like most people do, you'd know that we've taken carmakers to task for this very issue.

RAY: The other thing you're doing is engaging something called the parking pawl.

RAY: These touch screens, iDrives and Multi-Media Interfaces FORCE you to take your eyes off the road. What kind of moronic engineering is that?

TOM: You've probably heard of the parking pawl. It used to play with parking Peter and parking Mary back in the '60s.

TOM: You used to be able to adjust the heat in your car by reaching over and twisting a dial, sliding a lever or pushing a button. You could do it by feel. Radio volume? Same thing. Change the station? You know where the tuning knob is — reach over and give it a twist.

RAY: You see what I have to live with, folks? The parking pawl is a lever that locks up the output shaft of the transmission and prevents it from turning. That's what keeps the car from rolling down the hill when you put the transmission in Park. And that can be done with the engine on or off as well.

RAY: But with these idiotic systems, you have to drill down through several layers of hierarchical menus, each time looking at a screen to make your selection, and all the while hoping that nothing happens on the road in front of you while you're busy trying to figure out how to make the computer switch the radio from AM to FM.

TOM: But that's not the real issue here, Garland. Bosses are concerned about efficiency, are they not? And it's more efficient to shut off the car his way (and, by the way, the way 285 million other Americans do it).

TOM: Automakers must figure that we're easily impressed by lights and beeps and screens. And I guess some of us are. But using visual controls to operate basic, frequently used automotive functions is a dangerous step backward in auto safety. Not to mention a complete pain in the keister.

RAY: The key cannot be removed until the transmission is in Park. So when you turn off the ignition, then put it in Park, then remove the key, that's three steps.

RAY: So if you don't like these things, the clearest, loudest message you can send is to not buy a car that requires you to use a video screen for basic, everyday functions like heating, cooling and audio. Make it a deal-breaker.

TOM: Whereas if you put it in Park, you can then turn off the ignition and remove the key at the same time, reducing the action to two steps. That increases your car-turning-off productivity by 33 percent, which is why your boss strongly favors it.

RAY: He may infer from your car-turning-off behavior that you have other, similar inefficiencies in your workday, which are affecting your productivity and HIS bottom line, Garland. For instance, do you flush the toilet before you finish ... oh, never mind.

Reader sounds off about touch screens

Dear Tom and Ray:  
I've been looking around for a new car, and I noticed that touch screens are becoming more common as part of the dashboard controls (e.g., Toyota Prius, Acura MDX, Lexus 330, etc.). I HATE them. I think they are unsafe and, moreover, just tacky. You have to take your eyes off the road to use them, plus at

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## Lagoon

taken directly from the "Terminator," we get a vicious machine gun attack at the local hot spot. To the disco diva's rescue comes a bland cop played by an actor with the looks and emotional range of a "Ken Doll."

From here on in this is a scene for scene redux of "Terminator" which even recreates the police department rampage which highlighted the second half of the Schwarzenegger

version. The only detour this film takes is an airport set finale which sees the Lady Terminator finally get her due.

This one can be taken as a comedy and succeeds on that front admirably. The Indonesian elements are truly bizarre and the film may have worked better had they stayed in that vein. The DVD also comes with a great mini-documentary on Indonesian cinema which reveals that their films are much

wilder when they are not trying to entertain mass audiences.

There is also some terrible dialogue that should provide plenty of yuks, such as when one cop says, "Jack and I have seen more dead bodies than you've eaten hot dogs." There are plenty of gaffs for sharp-eyed viewers, such as an establishing shot of Manhattan that's meant to convince you that the film hasn't been made in another country. The film was obvi-

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ously written in a native dialect and then translated, often badly, by another party. Metaphors get fractured such as when one character notes, "My checks are bouncing like yo-yos." Look for one scene where the lettering on a police car clearly states "Special Police."

Best line: "Will you stop calling me lady? I am not a lady. I am an anthropologist." 1988, unrated.

## Allen

dashes into Store A, and a rotund Mr. Claus waddles forward, giving with a ho-ho and glad-handing the caller. The youngster listens to his line of prattle, takes his balloon and dashes down the street two doors to Store B where Mr. Claus weighing 40 pounds less has a slight hitch in his walk and can't crack a smile, not to mention giving forth with a "M-e-r-r-y Christmas! Upshot of the matter, the bright youngster does some calculatin', and the chances are, comes up with the answer, which this paper is loath to mention.

it-yourself guys and insist on playing Santa to your wide-eyed one, get the proper measurements. If you're too thin, you can correct the situation by padding. If you can't laugh merrily enough, get one of the older children to play a recording, and keep your mouth shut.

And please don't get cute. There once was a Santa Claus who went shopping, late the night before Christmas, because he tried to do a jig in his high-top boots, and in the resulting fall, smashed Junior's sled.

The death of Pete McCoy, this week, marked the passing of more than a tired, old war veteran, whose heroic exploits had been forgotten, or never learned, by a new generation. Pete was a true mountaineer: unassuming, generous, so freedom-loving some might have called him "independent." He was the type you had to know intimately to know something of the depths of his nature.

The story is told that when Pete showed up with 17 prisoners, that day in France, after he had killed seven of the enemy, an officer asked him what he wanted done with the prisoners.

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"Feed em," the laconic Pete replied. "They look like they need it."

Pete McCoy wasn't speaking for posterity, nor was he being "smart." He just didn't like seeing people—anybody—hungry.

He might have soon after the war, cashed in on his reputation as a war-hero. He was offered money to appear on stage. He was offered help from other sources, as his health failed. He would have none of either. He wanted to stay home on Johns Creek, to be himself, to be among his own people.

Many owe much to Pete McCoy, and such as he.



First grade students in Mrs. Walker's class decorated, and then ate, gingerbread men cookies, as they learned new mathematical skills.

# PES students, parents kept busy during fall and holiday seasons

Students at Prestonsburg Elementary School welcomed local artisans as part of a school-wide unit on our Appalachian heritage. The artists demonstrated how their craft was once a part of everyday life for our ancestors and were often made out of necessity rather than for recreational purposes. The demonstrations included quilting and sewing, canning, folk dancing, woodworking, furniture making, the playing of the mandolin, and the viewing of Native American artifacts found in our region. The students learned how things change over time and how art is a part of everyday life. During the week of Appalachian study, students dressed in historical attire, conducted author studies of George Ella Lyon and Cynthia Rylant, and made litera-

ture quilts as a collaborative project in their library and art classes. The unit concluded with a trip to the Mountain Arts Center where students and faculty listened to a performance by the Nashville Mandolin Ensemble. Another recent PES activity involved Mrs. Walker's first grade students and a holiday favorite of everyone, gingerbread. The students read the book, "The Gingerbread Baby," by Jan Brett. Afterwards, they learned about calculating area and perimeter by graphing the body parts of gingerbread boy cookies; coordinating grids using marshmallows, raisins, cinnamon hearts, and jellybeans. Afterwards, everyone had a sweet treat when they ate their gingerbread mathematic project partners!

First grade students and their parents were also kept busy in November by attending workshops where the parents learned strategies for reading and writing skills that will assist them in helping their children with their studies at home. Parents were given a packet of learning materials, a listing of educational websites, and parent-teacher conference information.

While parents were busy with learning, students enjoyed having several books read to them and creating bookmarks to use in the new books that they were given as they left the family literacy workshop. Both parents and students enjoyed refreshments provided by the school's Family Resource Center.



# Fletcher's 2006 agenda includes medical malpractice changes

by JOE BIESK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher's 2006 legislative agenda includes pushing for a constitutional amendment on medical malpractice lawsuits and improving education in Kentucky, he said.

The governor, during a wide-ranging interview with The Associated Press on Thursday, also said he's focused on reducing Kentucky's soaring health care costs and helping small businesses cope with the increased cost of employee insurance. However, he did not elaborate on exact details.

"We're going to be announcing some other initiatives as we move forward," Fletcher said. "We're working on those right now and we're doing some final analysis and study."

Friday marks the midpoint of Fletcher's term. He was inaugurated as Kentucky's first Republican governor in more than 30 years on Dec. 9, 2003.

Since May, Fletcher's administration has been stymied by an attorney

general's office probe into allegations of state personnel law tampering. Thirteen current or former administration officials have been indicted on misdemeanor charges stemming from the investigation.

Fletcher has pardoned nine people and offered blanket amnesty to anyone who could be charged by the Franklin County special grand jury conducting the investigation.

Still, Fletcher says he's ready to move on.

With the 2006 General Assembly opening next month, Fletcher said his administration is working out final details on other proposals to "move Kentucky forward." While he declined to offer specifics, Fletcher said he would make them public during his annual State of the Commonwealth and budget speeches.

Attempts at offering voters a proposed constitutional amendment regarding medical malpractice lawsuits have failed in previous sessions. Fletcher did outline his plan, but said it was necessary for keeping doctors in

Kentucky.

Earlier Republican-endorsed plans — which have had support of doctors and hospital groups — have called for allowing the General Assembly to limit patients' financial awards for pain and suffering and punitive damages. The plans have been aimed at lowering the cost of doctors' medical malpractice insurance rates.

Fletcher said there have been instances of doctors in Kentucky's border cities moving their practices into neighboring states for lower malpractice insurance rates.

Fletcher said he's also introducing a plan that would help more of Kentucky's small businesses provide employees with health insurance benefits. Overhauling Kentucky's Medicaid system also tops the list, Fletcher said.

"Medicaid reform is essential for the future of Kentucky," Fletcher said.

Proposals aimed at landing more jobs in the state are also in the works, Fletcher said. That includes jobs ranging from the film industry to biotech, he said.

However, Fletcher said boosting the state's education system is key. The curriculum in Kentucky's high schools need to be more rigorous so that more graduates are better prepared for college, Fletcher said.

Boosting teacher pay, and offering them additional professional development opportunities top the list, Fletcher said.

"I'd like to see us using our money more effectively and focusing on some low performing schools to bring those up to par," Fletcher said. "Education is foundational for economic development."

Fletcher also said he would not push for higher cigarette taxes during the legislative session, even though he floated the idea two months ago. That's because lawmakers will not support a hike over the current 30 cents a pack in an election year, the governor said.

"I don't think that they are ready to address this," Fletcher told The Courier-Journal of Louisville in a separate interview that was published

Friday. "We don't need additional taxes. I think we need to learn to live within our budget."

House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, said he had yet to meet with Fletcher on the upcoming session. However, Richards said he thought they would be meeting "pretty soon."

"It certainly would be well to talk everything over," Richards said. "But I have not seen an agenda, nor have I heard about one from the governor."

Lawmakers would likely be preoccupied this coming session with passing a state budget, Richards said.

Nevertheless, it's unusual for governors entering their second budget sessions to wait on outlining their plans to lawmakers, Richards said.

"It seems unusually late," Richards said.

Fletcher disagreed.

"On the issues we'll be rolling out, they've been bantered around for years ...," Fletcher said. "We'll get it out and we'll have some clear, concise plans for the legislators to look at."

## Drunk

and disorderly conduct. Stumbo brought another charge on himself at the jail when he allegedly tried to slap Walker with the handcuffs after one had been removed. Walker had to place Stumbo on the ground to restrain him and was told by Stumbo that he would "have his job."

Stumbo reportedly proved

too unruly to fingerprint and was placed in a holding cell to sleep it off. By morning, jail staff found that Stumbo was still behaving belligerently and opted not to put him before the judge, where an outburst could potentially add yet another charge of contempt of court.

## Plea

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judge on Friday that he may have been temporarily off his medication when the incident happened. Castle was also upset that he would not be allowed to keep his guns, which he is not allowed to possess while on probation. Judge Caudill explained to him that a friend could keep the weapons for him while he is on parole. He also said that the terms of Castle's parole would include monitoring his medication intake so there is little chance of a future episode.

The process took over an hour and saw everyone assigned to the hearing reach out to Castle to offer him aid, including Caudill and Turner.

Entering the Alford plea was a last-minute option that Caudill offered and it appeared familiar to Castle, who readily agreed. Entering the Alford plea means that Castle is not admitting guilt but does understand that enough evidence may be available to convince a jury that he is guilty. The original incident saw

Castle enter the Justice Center with a firearm and unsettle the staff posted at the door. He left the building after causing an uproar and went up the street to the Red Light Diner where three policemen tried to wrestle his gun away which was still in his hand.

A competency hearing later determined that Castle suffered from mental problems because he had gone off his medication. The psychiatrist testified that Castle was competent to stand

trial as long as he stayed on his medication.

Turner offered the probated sentence after hearing the doctor's testimony stating that as long as Castle was monitored and stayed on his medication then the commonwealth would be satisfied. Pillersdorf agreed, maintaining that his client never showed criminal intent and noted that it would be wrong to jail him for being mentally ill.

## Revenue receipts keep pace in November

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Kentucky's General Fund continued its robust growth in November, but state budget officials warned that the pace is tapering off as more tax changes enacted earlier this year kick in.

Receipts grew 6.8 percent in November, which is actually less than the 7.1 percent growth needed to meet estimates for the

entire fiscal year that ends June 30, 2006.

But the General Fund is still 10.8 percent greater than last year because of explosive tax receipts in the first few months of the year.

Budget director Brad Cowgill noted that the corporate license tax and intangible property tax will disappear on Jan. 1. Reductions in individual income tax rates also will start to reduce receipts next year.

## Probation

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Hall "took off" when he was ordered to pull off to the side of the road during a traffic safety check point in Goble Roberts.

In the citations, Tussey claimed that Hall eluded authorities for about a half of a mile, then he exited his vehicle and ran into the hills behind Goble Roberts. Hall blew 0.57 on a breathalyzer test, Tussey alleged.

Five passengers were in the vehicle at the time of the incident on June 3, Tussey wrote in the citation, and three of them were children under 6 years of age.

The following day, Prestonsburg Police Officer Danny Martin cited Hall for criminal mischief and an additional fleeing and evading charge. Martin alleged that Hall

damaged his uniform when he tried to apprehend him in Goble Roberts. Hall fled on foot, Martin claimed, after he was ordered to stop.

Allen ordered Hall to complete an alcohol drivers education program.

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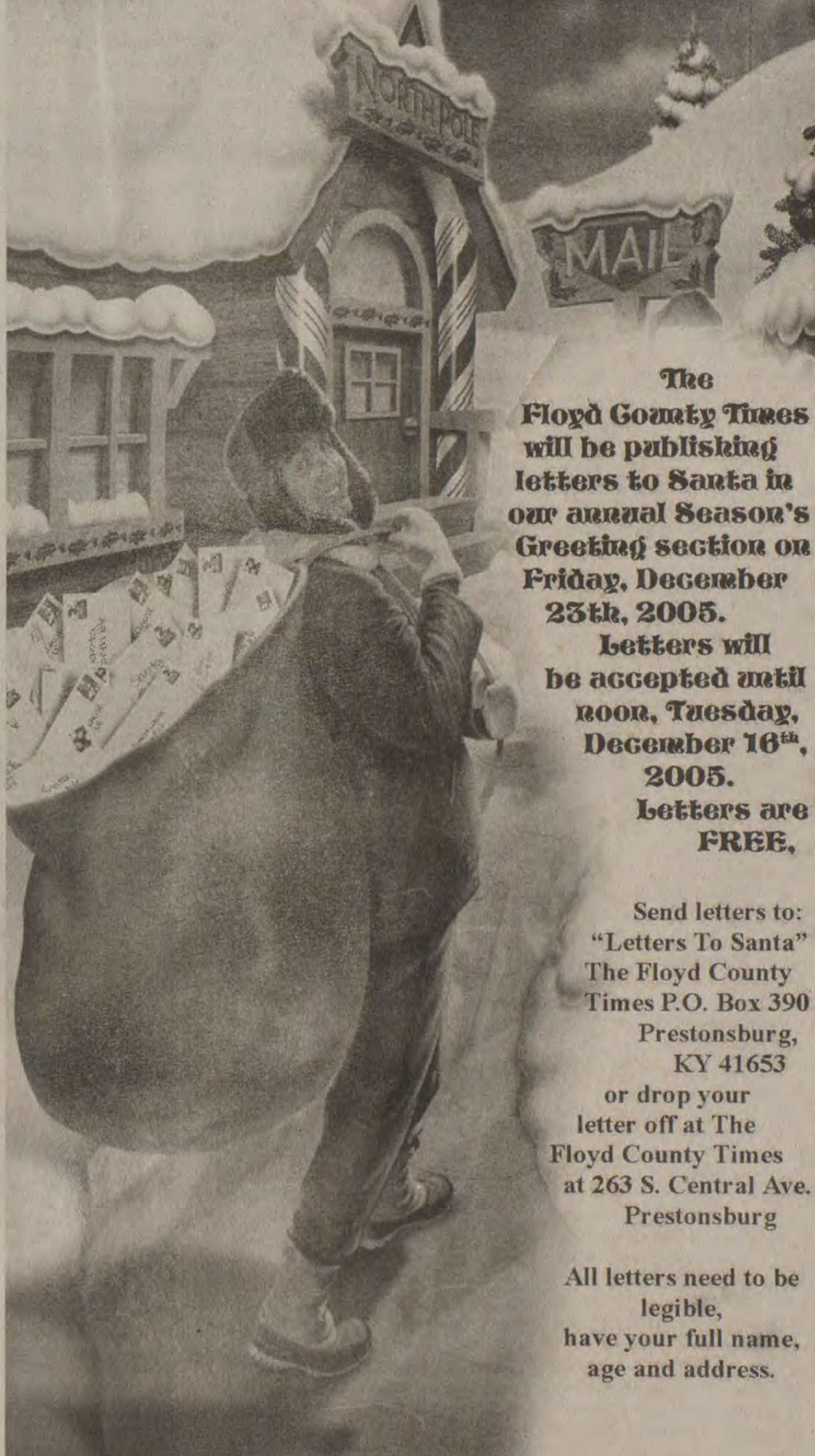
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# Odds and Ends

■ **CRANSTON, R.I.** — Some people go with a reindeer ornament or an inflatable Santa Claus for their holiday lawn display. Joe Moretti went with Paris Hilton.

Moretti's display features a collection of blown-up images of Hilton adorned with pink lights. In one, she sports a tiny pink top hiding little of her chest, in another, she wears knee-high boots and a sultry pout. Even Hilton's faithful Chihuahua, Tinkerbell, is celebrated in a colorful portrait.

Reaction has been mixed, and some say it is inappropriate.

"If it's offending anyone, I apologize," Moretti, 38, said. "That's not the intent. The intent is to be different and to be creative and let them see a little bit of Hollywood or New York — bring it to Cranston."

The display includes a list entitled "How to Be a Hilton," complete with tips such as: "An entrance is everything," "NEVER wake before 10 a.m." and "NEVER spend the summer in NYC." A number of cars slowed or came to a complete stop on the busy road as they passed Moretti's house Thursday afternoon.

"It's nothing more than they could see on TV, on normal stations — or actually at school," said Stefanie D'Angelos, 28, who has four children.

Ron Raffonelli, 65, said he would be upset if his young grandchildren came to associate Christmas with naked woman. He'd prefer the kids to think of Santa Claus.

After all, Raffonelli said, "He's been around longer."

■ **LONG BEACH, Calif.** — Most people can't assign a dollar value to a pet's love, but Pamela McMahan can — \$50 a day.

That's the amount she's fined every time she takes her mixed-breed cocker spaniel, Ginger, out through the lobby of her ocean-view condominium building and back inside again. Her tab so far is \$1,600.

The building association says she is breaking the rules by walking Ginger through the lobby rather than carrying her. McMahan, 61, says she's partial-

ly disabled from a back injury and cannot lift the 20-pound pooch.

"Can you believe it?" McMahan said Wednesday. "It's so ridiculous."

Property manager David Dickter said the long-standing rule, which levies a \$25 fine for each trip through the lobby, was in effect before McMahan moved into the building.

"A lot of elderly people live in the building, and a dog can jump up on them and they can get tangled in the leash," he said.

McMahan said she doesn't want to exit from the basement into a dead-end alley because homeless people congregate there. McMahan, who bought her condo in 1994 but moved in three years ago, said she has already paid \$600 in fines.

■ **SEARCY, Ark.** — Daniel Townsend apparently had plenty of engine to outrun law officers, but he didn't have enough fuel.

Townsend, 27, of Augusta, allegedly sped away Wednesday from a sheriff's deputy who tried to pull him over. Authorities say he was driving a stolen Lexus recklessly on U.S. 67/167 north of Searcy.

The chase went through city streets in Searcy during morning traffic and officers said Townsend reached speeds of about 100 mph. Sheriff's Capt. Clayton Edwards said Townsend darted through traffic, ran red lights and sped down the wrong side of the road shortly after 7 a.m.

White County Sheriff Pat Garrett said Townsend made it through the city and returned to the highway. Shortly after, the engine on Deputy Kyle Toler's cruiser stopped running and Townsend continued onward.

But Townsend, spotted by other law officers, stopped about 23 miles later, when he ran out of gas and coasted to a stop.

Townsend was taken into custody on numerous charges for the chase, plus additional parole violations and an outstanding warrant, Garrett said.

■ **CHURCH HILL, Tenn.** — Two women's craving for apple

pie got them in a pickle.

The manager of a McDonald's restaurant called police Tuesday after the women, whom employees say were acting strangely as they ordered the pies at a drive through, struck the side of the building with their pickup.

When officers arrived, they found Heather Amber Anderson, 24, inside the restaurant and behind the counter trying to open a cash register.

"I asked her what she was doing, and she stated she was trying to pay for her food," Sgt. Chad Mosely wrote in his report. "I checked with the manager and learned that the girl was not an employee and that she had been fired approximately two weeks ago."

Mosely said Anderson was unsteady on her feet and her speech was slurred. He charged her with public intoxication and possession of marijuana and

drug paraphernalia.

Outside, the driver of the pickup, 41-year-old Neeica Jean Mull, also appeared intoxicated and told police she had taken prescription medication, authorities said. She was charged with driving under the influence.

■ **MEMPHIS, Tenn.** — In an unusual case of mistaken identity, a woman who apparently thought a block of white cheese was cocaine was charged with trying to hire a hit man to rob and kill four men.

The woman also was mistaken about the hit man. He turned out to be an undercover police officer.

Jessica Sandy Booth, 18, was arrested over the weekend and charged with four counts of attempted murder and four counts of soliciting a murder. She remained jailed Tuesday on \$1 million bond.

According to police, Booth

was in the intended victims' home last week when she mistook a block of queso fresco for cocaine — inspiring the idea to hire someone to break into the home, take the drugs and kill the men.

An informant described the plot to police, who arranged a meeting between Booth and the undercover officer.

Police said the undercover officer gave Booth some non-functioning handguns and ammunition, and they went to the home under police surveillance.

A search of the home revealed no drugs — only the white, crumbly cheese common in Mexican cuisine.

"Four men were going to lose their lives over some cheese," said Lt. Jeff Clark, who heads Project Safe Neighborhoods.

■ **ROANOKE, Va.** — A black curtain has risen between a

shopping mall Santa and a lingerie store to shield children from a display of skimpy undergarments.

The Victoria's Secret window display includes a leggy mannequin in a hot-pink thong and a bra and the message "Give Me Sexy."

Following complaints from parents, management at Valley View Mall on Thursday raised the curtain to shield Santa's chair — and his young visitors — from the display.

"I want to make sure that everyone feels comfortable," mall spokeswoman Mandy York said. "We can't move the store ... We don't have control over what they put in their windows."

Shirley Fairchild, waiting in line to see Santa with her grandchildren, Allison, 11, and Logan, 6, said the black curtain did a good job of hiding the lingerie-clad mannequins from children's view.

## Today in History

### The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Dec. 11, the 345th day of 2005. There are 20 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:** On Dec. 11, 1936, Britain's King Edward VIII abdicated the throne in order to marry American divorcee Wallis Warfield Simpson.

On this date:

■ In 1816, Indiana became the 19th state.

■ In 1872, America's first black governor took office as Pinckney Benton Stewart Pinchback became acting governor of Louisiana.

■ In 1928, police in Buenos Aires thwarted an attempt on the life of President-elect Herbert Hoover.

■ In 1937, Italy withdrew from the League of Nations.

■ In 1941, Germany and Italy declared war on the United States; the U.S. responded in kind.

■ In 1946, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) was established.

■ In 1980, President Carter signed a bill creating a \$1.6 billion environmental "superfund" to pay for cleaning up chemical spills and toxic waste dumps.

■ In 1980, "Magnum P.I.," starring Tom Selleck, premiered on CBS television.

■ In 1981, the U.N. Security Council chose Javier Perez de Cuellar of Peru to be the fifth secretary-general of the world body.

■ In 1991, a jury in West Palm Beach, Fla., acquitted William Kennedy Smith of sexual assault and battery, rejecting the allegations of Patricia Bowman.

**Ten years ago:** U.S. Rep. Enid Greene Waldholtz, R-Utah, held an emotional news conference, publicly addressing the scandal surrounding her personal and campaign finances and blaming the mess on her estranged husband, Joe.

**Five years ago:** The U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments from lawyers representing George W. Bush and Al Gore concerning the Florida presidential vote recount. Shortstop Alex Rodriguez agreed to a \$252 million deal with the Texas Rangers.

**One year ago:** Doctors in Austria determined that Ukrainian presidential candidate Viktor Yushchenko had been poisoned with dioxin, which caused the severe disfigurement and partial paralysis of his face. Vitali Klitschko stopped Danny Williams in the eighth round to retain his WBC heavyweight title. Southern California quarterback Matt Leinart won the 70th Heisman Trophy.

**Today's Birthdays:** Nobel Prize-winning author Alexander Solzhenitsyn is 87. Actor Jean-Louis Trintignant is 75. Actress Rita Moreno is 74. Actor Ron Carey is 70. Former California state assemblyman Tom Hayden, D-Los Angeles, is 66. Pop singer David Gates (Bread) is 65. Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., is 64. Actress Donna Mills is 63. Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., is 62. Singer Brenda Lee is 61. Actress Lynda Day George is 61. Music producer Tony Brown is 59. Actress Teri Garr is 57. Movie director Susan Seidelman is 53. Actress Bess Armstrong is 52. Singer Jermaine Jackson is 51. Rock musician Nikki Sixx (Motley Crue) is 47. Rock musician Darryl Jones (The Rolling Stones) is 44. Singer-musician Justin Currie (Del Amitri) is 41. Rock musician David Schools (Gov't Mule, Widespread Panic) is 41. Actor Gary Dourdan ("CSI") is 39. Actress-comedian Mo'Nique ("The Parkers") is 37. Rapper-actor Mos Def is 32. Actor Rider Strong is 26.

**Thought for Today:** "The fear of life is the favorite disease of the 20th century." — William Lyon Phelps, American educator and journalist (1865-1943).

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## Little League Pitch Count Pilot Program offered for '06 season

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Little League International will be conducting a Pitch Count Pilot Program during the 2006 season, available as an option to all of its 7,400 local programs worldwide.

The optional program will proscribe actual pitch limits on each pitcher, rather than the traditional method of

limiting the number of innings.

"Little League has historically pioneered safety innovations in general and specifically in Little League," Stephen D. Keener, president and chief executive officer of Little League Baseball and Softball, said. "The Little League Pitch Count Pilot Program is a test to determine if it is feasible and practical to implement a regulation limiting the number of pitches a Little

Leaguer can throw in a day, and the rest required before pitching again. Our goal would be to educate everyone, particularly parents, on the potential injuries that can occur from throwing too many pitches, and thereby reduce those injuries."

For all of Little League Baseball's history, and for the history of amateur youth baseball in general, pitching regulations have used innings pitched to

determine pitcher eligibility. Recently, researchers and medical professionals in the field of sports medicine have been working to determine if the actual number of pitches thrown (i.e., pitch count) is a safer way to regulate pitching in youth baseball.

The Little League Pitch Count Pilot

Program is available for the 2006 regular season to any chartered Little League that chooses to participate. It is an extension of a similar successful test program conducted by a small number of leagues in 2005.

In early 2006, Little League International will advise local

(See **COUNT**, page two)



## Lady Knights hold off Alice Lloyd

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

GRAYSON — Betsy Layne High School graduate Whitney Lykens tossed in a game-high 21 points Thursday evening, but it wasn't enough to lift the Alice Lloyd College women's basketball team on the road against Kentucky Christian University. The homestanding Lady Knights led 36-34 at halftime and added to their advantage in the second half, eventually winning 78-67.

"We love to play Alice Lloyd because they always play hard and they are always talented," said KCU Coach Ron Arnett. "Coach (David) Adams had his kids ready to play and it was a battle from beginning to end. We hit a couple big shots and they missed a couple at crucial times

(See **HOLD**, page two)



photo by Jamie Howell

**KEEPING A CLOSE EYE:** Prestonsburg head coach Jackie Day Crisp (left) and Magoffin County mentor Neil "Nehi" West both looked on during Tuesday's game. The Blackcats prevailed on the road, winning 57-51.

## BASKETBALL NOTEBOOK

### Early meetings show 15th Region's parody

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

It didn't take long for a couple of the local preseason favorites to take a tumble.

Paintsville and Johnson Central, ranked first and second respectively in the preseason 15th Region boys' basketball poll, each fell in season-openers. The Tigers lost on the road at Lawrence County and Johnson Central fell in Raider Arena to host South Floyd. That was during the first week of the regular-season, over one week ago. Many feel the 15th Region boys' race is wide-open this year, even more so than in previous season. And they just might be right.

• The 15th Region Tournament will be held at the Eastern Kentucky Exposition Center for the first time this year and at least a couple of schools, most noticeably Sheldon Clark, aren't happy with the decision. Sheldon Clark was scheduled to host this year's 15th Region Tournament.

With the tournament being held in downtown Pikeville, does that mean a homecourt advantage for Pikeville High or some of the other schools? No doubt, time will tell.

• New Johnson Central High

School head boys' basketball coach Mark Starnes has announced that his team will play in next season's Fifth/Third Bank tournament at Lexington Catholic High School. On Saturday, Jan. 14, Johnson Central will play North Broward Prep (Fla.) in the Hall of Fame Classic at Lexington Catholic. Former Lexington Catholic coach Danny Haney leads the North Broward boys.

• Through the first two games of the season, Sheldon Clark senior forward Brandon May was averaging 19 points and 10 rebounds per outing.

• Coaches with Floyd County ties number many, Somerset, the preseason favorite to win the 12th Region, plays under the guidance of former Prestonsburg High School assistant coach Shawn Thacker.

• Add Shawn Thompson to the list of top 15th Region boys' basketball players. The Lawrence County senior is one of the 15th Region's top scorers.

• East Carter High School girls' basketball standout Ashley Baldwin has committed to Kentucky Christian University. Baldwin is one of the 16th Region's top basketball players.

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### GIRLS' BASKETBALL

*Fifth Third Classic*  
*Lexington Catholic High School*  
*Dec. 20-23*  
*First Round Games*

*National Division*

- 10 a.m. — Mercy vs. Dixie Heights
- 11:30 a.m. — Elizabeth town vs. Owensboro
- 1:15 p.m. — Eastern vs. Lexington Christian
- 2:45 p.m. — Christian County vs. St. Mary
- 4:30 p.m. — Mason County vs. Butler
- 6 p.m. — Assumption vs. Mercer County
- 7:45 p.m. — Covington Holy C. vs. Washington Co.
- 9:15 p.m. — West Carter vs. Shelby Co.

*American Division*

- 10 a.m. — Ballard vs. Paris
- 11:30 a.m. — Calloway County vs. Clay County
- 1:15 p.m. — Sacred Heart vs. Ohio County
- 2:45 p.m. — Paducah Tilghman vs. Monroe County
- 4:30 p.m. — Magoffin Co. vs. Newport Cent. I Cath.
- 6 p.m. — Lexington Catholic vs. Rowan County
- 7:45 p.m. — Christian Academy vs. Highlands
- 9:15 p.m. — Rose Hill vs. Apollo

## Piarist-David boys' game moved

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

MARTIN — One of the newest members of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) is the David School. The Comets are in their first full season of KHSAA basketball. On Monday, the David School will hit the road and travel to Martin to take on the Piarist School. The game will be held inside the Martin Community Center instead of Mountain Christian Academy, the previously scheduled location.

Each team continues to search for a first win of the 2005-06 season.

Attorney Ned Pillersdorf has coached the Comets through a junior varsity schedule in past seasons. The David School will begin play in the 59th District, home to the 15th Region's last two champions. David joins Shelby Valley, East Ridge and Pikeville in the 59th District.

Greg Friend is in his first season at the helm of the Piarist School boys' basketball team. The Knights play out of the 60th District along with Belfry, Pike County Central and Phelps. The Piarist School is also a member of the Three Rivers Conference.

## Men's Basketball Alice Lloyd 116, Ky. Christian 87

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

GRAYSON — Visiting Alice Lloyd pulled away and rolled to a win over Kentucky Christian Thursday night when the two schools hooked up for a men's basketball game.

Rodney Mitchell came off the bench to score a game-high 23 points to lift Alice Lloyd to the win.

Twelve different Eagles scored in the win over rival Kentucky Christian.

The Eagle bench was dominating, outscoring the host Knights 63-16.

Five different Alice Lloyd players reached double figures in the win. K.J. Waterman was the second-leading contributor for the Eagles with 17 points and eight rebounds.

Jeremy Jackson scored 15 points for Alice Lloyd while Floyd County natives Shawn Newsome and Jeremy Daniels added 12 and 10 points, respectively.

Alice Lloyd shot nine-of-16 from three-point territory and won the rebounding battle, 50-

(See **LLOYD**, page two)

## Jones leads UK's All-SEC freshmen trio

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — Three University of Kentucky defensive players — cornerback David Jones, linebacker Braxton Kelley, and cornerback Shomari Moore — were named to the Coaches' Freshman All-Southeastern Conference Team released Thursday by the league office.



David Jones

Jones, a true freshman from Belfry High School, was an outstanding special-teams performer and reserve cornerback. He made 20 tackles during the season, 10 of which came on his excellent kick coverage. He also returned 15 kickoffs for the Wildcats, averaging 21.9 yards per return, and broke up three passes while playing cornerback.

Jones helped lead Belfry to back-to-back Class 2A state championships. The Pirates beat Prestonsburg High School in the regional championship game in Jones' junior and senior prep seasons.

Kelley totaled 44 tackles this season, including two for loss, caused one fumble, and had one pass breakup. He had a season high of 11 tackles against Florida. He started

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## ON DECK...

### High school boys' basketball

Games set for Tuesday, Dec. 13 Dec 13, 2005

- Allen Central-Prestonsburg
- Ashland Blazer-Mason County
- Breathitt County-Buckhorn
- East Carter-Greenup County
- Elliott County-Boyd County
- Hazard-Perry County Central
- Leslie County-Jackson City
- Letcher Co. Central-Knott Co. Central
- Magoffin County-Shelby Valley
- Paintsville-Pikeville
- Phelps-David School
- Pike County Central-East Ridge
- Rowan County-West Carter
- Russell-Morgan County
- South Floyd-Cordia



photo by Steve LeMaster

**FIGHTING HIS WAY BACK:** Johnson Central junior Jamie McCarty has battled back from an early-season foot injury to help lead the Golden Eagles.

## Martin station, DQ team up for scholarship fund

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MARTIN — Radio station WMDJ and the Martin and Prestonsburg Dairy Queens have joined together for the Ultimate Player of the Year Scholarship Fund.

The scholarship is open to all boys' and girls' high school senior basketball players attending a Floyd County high school who have been nominated during the regular-season by being named a WMDJ/Martin and Prestonsburg Dairy Queen Star Performer of the Week.

Each player must be a senior attending a Floyd County high school sanctioned by the KHSAA participating in high school basketball district competition. Players must be nominated by being named WMDJ/Martin

and Prestonsburg Dairy Queen Star Performer of the Week during the regular-season.

The scholarship plaque will be presented to each respective winner during the championship game of the boys' and girls' 58th District tournaments.

WMDJ and Martin and Prestonsburg Dairy Queens will distribute a check in the amount of \$500 to each recipient before the fall term of the college of their choice begins. The sponsors reserve the right to submit the scholarship directly to the college of the recipient's choice. The scholarship will be chosen by a three-member committee based on individual performance and character displayed on the

(See **SCHOLARSHIP**, page two)



**Notebook**

• This weekend, the Belfry High School girls' basketball program hosted the Lady Pirate Classic in its new gym. Assistant Superintendent Paul

Dotson tossed the ball to start the event. Dotson started the girls' basketball program at Belfry in 1975 and coached the 1984 State Runner-up team.

• The Pikeville College women's basketball team has added a game. The Lady Bears will host Southern Virginia University Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 5:30 p.m.

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**Lloyd**

46. Kentucky Christian finished 12-of-41 from beyond the arc. Kentucky Christian's Akeem Scott shared game-high honors with Mitchell as he also fin-

ished with 23 points. Demarius Guiley added a double-double effort of 14 points and 14 rebounds for the Knights. Due to inclement weather,

Thursday's Georgetown College at Asbury College men's basketball game was postponed and rescheduled for Jan. 12 at 7 p.m

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# Austin Peay 66, Morehead St. 55

**THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. — Drake Reed had 14 points and six rebounds to lead Austin Peay to a 66-55 Ohio Valley Conference win over Morehead State Thursday night.

Austin Peay (3-4, 1-1) had two other players in double figures, Zac Schlader and Maurice Hampton with 12 each. Todd Babington added 9 and a team-high eight rebounds.

Morehead State (1-4, 0-1) made 10 of 10 free throws, with 6 of 6 by Shaun Williams, who led the Eagles with 24 points and seven rebounds. Quentin Pryor hit 4 for 4 from the line and had 11 points.

The Eagles struggled in the first half from the arc, hitting 1

of 7. They led only twice in the game, when Williams hit a dunk and a free throw at 13:51 in the first to put the Eagles up 9-6 and again on a jumper by Cory Burns at 11:20 to make it 11-10.

The Governors were also strong from the line, going 17-24, or 70.8 percent. Schlader and Landon Shipley each went 4 for 4.

AUSTIN PEAY 66, MOREHEAD ST. 55

MOREHEAD ST. (1-4) — Williams 9-16 6-6 24, Burns 2-4 0-0 5, Rogers 0-2 0-0 0, Smith 2-7 0-0 5, Januska 0-2 0-0 0, Pryor 3-5 4-4 11, Cockerham 1-6 0-0 2, Ballard 4-5 0-0 8, Allen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 21-47 10-10 55.

AUSTIN PEAY (3-4) — Reed 6-9 2-4 14, Duncan 3-6 2-

2 8, Schlader 4-13 4-4 12, Wright 1-3 0-0 2, Hampton 3-9 5-8 12, Felder 0-0 0-0 0, Burney 0-0 0-0 0, Shipley 1-3 4-4 7, Lockett 1-1 0-0 2, Babington 4-7 0-2 9. Totals 23-51 17-24 66.

Halftime—Austin Peay 33-24. 3-Point Goals—Morehead St. 3-11 (Pryor 1-1, Burns 1-3, Smith 1-4, Cockerham 0-1, Januska 0-1, Rogers 0-1), Austin Peay 3-12 (Babington 1-1, Shipley 1-3, Hampton 1-5, Wright 0-1, Reed 0-2). Fouled Out—Ballard, Rogers.

Rebounds—Morehead St. 30 (Williams 7), Austin Peay 28 (Babington 8).

Assists—Morehead St. 9 (Pryor 4), Austin Peay 14 (Shipley 4). Total Fouls—Morehead St. 23, Austin Peay 12. A—2,502.

# Murray St. 80, E. Kentucky 51

**THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

MURRAY — Issian Redding scored 25 points in his first start of the season as Murray State defeated Eastern Kentucky 80-51 in the teams' Ohio Valley Conference opener Thursday night.

Redding, starting in place of OVC Preseason Player of the Year Trey Pearson, hit six 3-pointers and shot 9-of-12 from

the field. Pearson had two points and six assists off the bench.

The Racers (3-2, 1-0 OVC) held a 41-29 halftime lead but took away any thought of a Colonel comeback making 14 of their first 17 shots in the second half.

Murray State shot 62 percent for the game and held their largest lead of the game at 36 with 7:35 remaining.

Jason McLeish led the Colonels (2-5, 0-1) with 15 points and Keith Jenifer's defense held first-team All-OVC selection Matt Witt to nine as Eastern Kentucky shot 12 percent from behind the 3-point line.

Shawn Witherspoon added 22 points and six rebounds for Murray State as one of four interior players who started the game.

# Hidden Valley Training Area open to deer archery hunting

**TIMES STAFF REPORT**

FRANKFORT — The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources (KDFWR) and Kentucky National Guard have signed an agreement to open the 542-acre Hidden Valley Training Area in Powell County to deer bow and crossbow hunting for the rest of those seasons.

The area is located west of Stanton, near Westbend on Hidden Valley Road.

The KDFWR has agreed to manage public hunting and wildlife on the property in exchange for the National Guard permitting use of the land for archery deer hunting this season. No firearm deer hunting, or other hunting for small game is open at this time.

"We're very pleased we were able to reach this agreement, and add another partner to the list of agencies and organizations willing to help us manage wildlife, and open

recreational opportunities to our sportsmen and women," said KDFWR Deputy Commissioner Hank Patton.

"This gives us additional land for people in Central and Eastern Kentucky to utilize this season for bow or crossbow deer hunting, and I know sportsmen are grateful to the Kentucky National Guard for providing this opportunity," Patton said.

"There's a significant need in Kentucky for places people can use for outdoor recreation, and this is another example of how two agencies can work together to benefit our residents," said Dr. Jon Gasset, Commissioner of the KDFWR.

"The Kentucky Army National Guard is fortunate to have our local training areas," said Major General Storm, The Adjutant General for the Kentucky Army National Guard. "Each of these sites has been critical to our preparation

for deployment and operational readiness," Storm said.

"The opportunity to work with the KDFWR, and be good land stewards, helps provide the sportsmen of Kentucky a solution to the limited public access within the Commonwealth. Our partnership benefits both agencies," Storm concluded.

Sportsmen and women interested in archery or crossbow hunting on the Hidden Valley Training Area can contact the KDFWR Information Center at 1-800-858-1549. A boundary map is being developed. For other details, contact KDFWR biologists Becky Littleton at 1-606-878-9595 or Brian Gray at 1-270 465-5284. Kentucky's archery season continues through Jan. 16, 2006, while the crossbow season ran Nov. 28-Dec. 7.

Hunters must abide by all statewide deer hunting laws, including licensing requirements and harvest check-in laws.

# WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: EKV 75, Murray State 70

**SPECIAL TO THE TIMES**

MURRAY — In a game that saw 12 lead changes and 17 ties, the Eastern Kentucky women's basketball team outscored Murray State 13-6 throughout the final five minutes to claim a 75-70 Thursday evening. The Lady Colonels improve to 2-6, 2-0 in the Ohio Valley Conference while the Lady Racers fall to 1-6, 0-1 in the league.

Senior Laura Shelton led the Lady Colonels with 18 points, including a trio of three point

baskets in the first half and three free throws in the final 15 seconds of the game. Sophomore Ashley Cazee and junior Andrea Jenkins also reached double-figures in the scoring column with 12 and 11 points, respectively.

Senior Louista Pierre paced the team with a career-best eight rebounds and added three blocks and three steals.

Eastern Kentucky dished out a season-high 20 assists while limiting their turnovers to a season-low 13.

"I am very proud of our

defense tonight," Eastern Kentucky head coach Larry Joe Inman said. "In the second half, we held them to 35% from the field. I was also pleased that we were able to decrease our turnovers. Our goal for this game was 15, so to just have 13 was outstanding."

The Lady Colonels scored the game's first five points but Murray State took its first lead of the game (8-7) three and half minutes into the contest. Eastern Kentucky hit three

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**Count**

leagues on how to enroll online in the Little League Pitch Count Pilot Program. Those leagues enrolling online will receive further information on tabulating pitch counts and maintaining these records. The program is for the baseball divisions of Little League only, and not for softball.

During the 2006 season, and near its conclusion, Little League will conduct surveys of the leagues that took part in the Little League Pitch Count Pilot Program, and will use those surveys to determine the feasibility of a new pitching regulation. The earliest a new regulation would be in place is for the 2007 season.

It is important to note that Little League's pilot program will not determine whether the revised regulations are of medical benefit to players. That is for medical professionals to determine, and their ongoing research is outside the purview of Little League. However, the Pitch Count Pilot Program will

help Little League create a model for the future.

Currently, Little League pitching regulations limit pitchers (league age 12 and under) to six innings per week (Sunday through Saturday), and six innings per game. If a pitcher pitches in three or fewer innings, one day of rest is required before pitching again. If a pitcher pitches in four or more innings, three days of rest are required. The number of innings allowable is increased for older age groups.

The optional regulation for the leagues taking part in the Little League Pitch Count Pilot Program in 2006 will limit the number of actual pitches thrown by a pitcher in a day, regardless of the number of innings pitched. The number of pitches allowable is based on the pitcher's age. Specific rest periods are in place when a pitcher reaches a higher threshold of pitches delivered.

The full text of the optional regulation for 2006 can be found at [http://www.littleleague.org/media/Pitch\\_Count\\_Regulation\\_06.pdf](http://www.littleleague.org/media/Pitch_Count_Regulation_06.pdf)

Little League also continues to explore other pitching-related issues, such as the use of breaking pitches.

"While there is no medical evidence to support a ban on breaking pitches, it is widely speculated by medical professionals that it is ill-advised for players under 14 years old to throw breaking pitches," Keener said. "Breaking pitches for these ages continues to be strongly discouraged by Little League, and that is an issue we are looking at going forward."

Little League is the world's largest youth sports program, with about 2.7 million players and 1 million adult volunteers in all 50 U.S. states and scores of other countries. About 2.3 million of its players are in the baseball divisions.

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**Scholarship**

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tional \$250 commitment from Prestonsburg Dairy Queen to provide each scholarship.

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**Jones**

the first seven games of the season, and was leading all SEC freshmen in tackles, before sustaining a season-ending knee injury against Mississippi State. When Kelley started versus Louisville, he became the first UK freshman to start a season opener at linebacker, based on lineups available since 1993.

Kelley is a true freshman out of

LaGrange (Ga.) High School. This marks the second-consecutive season that a Wildcat from LaGrange was named Freshman All-SEC. Former LaGrange standout Wesley Woodyard was a Freshman All-SEC linebacker a year ago.

Moore, a redshirt freshman from Camden, N. J., played in all 11 games, including a pair of starting assignments. He totaled

24 tackles, including one for loss. He picked off an interception in the win over Idaho State, broke up three passes, and recovered a fumble in the win over Vanderbilt.

Kentucky has had three Freshman All-SEC honorees in each of head coach Rich Brooks' three seasons at Kentucky.

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**Hold**

and the final score pretty much tells the rest. Neither team shot very well as the defenses worked hard at both ends. We were tired and they had a long bus trip. It looked like we had just finished finals week, which we had." Jennipher Swann led the way off the bench for KCU with 14 points.

Kentucky Christian leading scorer Lisa Gessford was held to four points, but she pulled down a game-high 14 rebounds in one

of her strongest performances of the season.

"Lisa is amazing," Arnett added. "She seems to be in the right place at the right time and she gets the tough rebounds and hits the tough shots for us. Her defense continues to impress me and we seem to lean on her at times."

Amber Roberts scored 13 points for Kentucky Christian, which featured 12 different scorers.

Kristal Daniels, another Betsy Layne High product,

added 13 points for the Lady Eagles.

Long-range shooting went a long way for the Lady Knights. Kentucky Christian went eight-of-29 from behind the three-point line. Alice Lloyd wasn't near as accurate, finishing two-of-11 on three-point tries.

Kentucky Christian outrebounded Alice Lloyd 52-51.

Kentucky Christian improved to 11-4 while Alice Lloyd fell to 6-4.

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# Bengals in unfamiliar role against Browns

by JOE KAY  
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CINCINNATI — All season long, the Bengals have done an exemplary job of playing to their billing as the NFL's up-and-coming team, one finding its way back after 14 years in the wilderness.

Now, they have to get used to a new role: the prohibitive favorite.

The Bengals (9-3) have a chance to win the AFC North title on Sunday by beating the Browns (4-8) and having Pittsburgh lose to Chicago. With the tiebreakers in its favor, Cincinnati can win the division outright with as little as two wins in the last four games.

The Bengals could even get a first-round bye in the playoffs, more than anyone expected.

"I didn't know they were going to be the team that they are this year," Browns center Jeff Faine said. "I didn't doubt them or take them lightly. They have really grown."

Yes, they have grown — by leaps and bounds.

The growth spurt started in Cleveland on Sept. 11, a game the Bengals considered the turning point of their season. They knew an opening loss to an in-transition Cleveland team would prompt everybody to write them off.

They won 27-13, the first step in shedding their distinction as the league's least-successful team. They escaped one of their ghosts when they beat Pittsburgh 38-31 on Sunday, clinching their first winning record since 1990.

"The main ghost is to get into the playoffs, and we still haven't done that," offensive tackle Willie Anderson said. "Another main ghost is to win the division, and we still haven't done that."

"Once we do that, the next thing will be to win the playoff game and the next game after that to get into the AFC championship, and then do something this team has never done before, which is to win a Super Bowl."

They're already looking that far down the road.

Receiver Chad Johnson predicts the Bengals will reach the AFC title game and win a rematch with the Indianapolis Colts, who came to Paul Brown Stadium last month and won 45-37.

"No disrespect," Johnson said. "I feel if we played them

again, we'd win. That's it. I think everyone really has the same feeling on any team, but I might be one of the only ones who actually would come out and say it. It shouldn't come as a shock because I do it all the time."

The showy receiver toned down his act leading up to the Cleveland game. Last year, he sent bottles of Pepto-Bismol to Cleveland's defensive backs before a game, a stunt that backfired — the Bengals lost. In their rematches since, Johnson has referred to the intrastate rivalry as the "Pepto game."

Not this week.

"No need for the Pepto," he said. "The message was given last time. There's no need for that."

Instead, the Bengals need to show they can play as a favorite. Their limited experience in the matter came two years ago against the Browns.

The Bengals needed to beat the Browns in the final week of the 2003 season, their first under Marvin Lewis, to keep their playoff chances intact. Instead, they couldn't get out of their own way during a 22-14 loss in Cincinnati that made Baltimore the division champion.

They've put themselves in much better position this time around — a big margin for error — by winning shootouts. In the last three games, they've scored 117 points and given up 105, winning twice to take control of the division.

The point of emphasis against Cleveland is to stop giving up so many points.

"On defense, we need to do some things better," linebacker Brian Simmons said. "Early on, we were doing a great job of keeping teams out of the end zone. For

whatever reason, the last couple of weeks we haven't been doing as good of a job. We've got to get back to that."

"The way our offense is playing now, if we can get back to that, then we should have a lot of blowouts."

The Browns are a good candidate. They plan to give rookie quarterback Charlie Frye his second start, leaving him to a defense that leads the league with 26 interceptions, 10 more than any other team.

The last time the Bengals faced a rookie quarterback, they picked him apart. Chicago's Kyle Orton threw five interceptions and looked shellshocked during the Bengals' 24-7 win in the third game of the season.

Will Frye come away with the same look of horror? It's hard to say. Frye had a solid first half and a poor second one in a 20-14 loss to Jacksonville last Sunday.

"If you just look at the first half, you say yeah, he can do some things," coach Romeo Crennel said. "You look at the second half and you say, well, maybe he is not quite ready yet."

In Crennel's first season, the Browns have shown resilience. That 14-point loss to the Bengals in the opener was their most lopsided. Four of their eight defeats have been by a touchdown or less.

To avoid a blowout this time, they'll need their rookie quarterback to keep his cool in a raucous stadium full of fans who have waited a long time to relish a game like this one.

"The fans have been through a lot," quarterback Carson Palmer said. "They deserve it. It feels good to give your fans something to feel good about, something they can call up their buddies in Pittsburgh or Cleveland and talk trash to."

# Yankees ship Womack to Reds

by MIKE FITZPATRICK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — The best Brian Cashman and the New York Yankees could do at the winter meetings was to unload Tony Womack and add lefty specialist Mike Myers to the bullpen.

That wasn't bad as far as their general manager was concerned.

"I wasn't optimistic coming into it," Cashman said Thursday before heading back to New York. "It's a weak free-agent market."

After trading Womack to Cincinnati for a pair of 24-year-old prospects, the Yankees were still looking for a starting center fielder. Johnny Damon is available and New York talked to his agent, Scott Boras. But Boras is seeking a seven-year contract in the neighborhood of \$84 million.

The Yankees also would like to bring back longtime star Bernie Williams for one more year in a reserve role. The team offered him salary arbitration Wednesday, giving the sides another month to work out a possible deal. Williams has until Dec. 19 to accept arbitration, but he and the Yankees likely have an understanding that he will decline.

Myers agreed to a two-year contract worth \$2.4 million, he said in a phone interview Thursday. The deal is pending a physical, which he expects to

take in the next five or six days.

"The Yankees were one of my targeted teams this winter," Myers said. "Just knowing a couple of the other guys, I don't think it will be hard to fit in there. ... I'm excited."

The 36-year-old lefty went 3-1 with a 3.13 ERA in 65 games for Boston last season. Used mainly against left-handed hitters, he pitched only 37 1-3 innings.

"You don't win unless you have the seventh and eighth inning covered with someone outside of your closer," Myers said. "It's nice to see middle relievers get their due."

The Yankees shipped Womack to the Reds for infielder Kevin Howard and outfielder Ben Himes, getting rid of the second baseman-turned-outfielder just one season after signing him. New York also will send \$900,000 to the Reds to offset part of Womack's \$2 million salary next season.

"We'll try to take that extra million-one and spend it wisely in the free-agent market," Cashman said. "I'm satisfied that the move we made today is the right move for us."

Womack hit .307 to help St. Louis win the NL pennant in 2004, then became a free agent and agreed to a \$4 million, two-year contract with the Yankees last December.

He was their starting second baseman for the first month of the

season, but slumped badly and lost his job when they brought up rookie Robinson Cano. Womack was shifted to left field on May 3, then wound up sitting on the bench for long stretches.

"We are delighted to have him," Reds general manager Dan O'Brien said. "I think he feels, too, it'll be a much better fit."

Womack played 24 games at second, 40 in left, 22 in center and four in right for New York. O'Brien said the Reds plan to use him all over the field, too, and in a variety of roles.

"We just felt he was more of a prototypical National League type of player. Our lineup needed an additional speed component," O'Brien said. "I know he's in outstanding shape. I wouldn't sell him short on what he's capable of accomplishing this year."

Womack batted just .249 with 15 RBIs, 27 steals and only nine extra-base hits last season. He didn't get an at-bat during New York's five-game loss to the Los Angeles Angels in the first round of the playoffs.

Howard hit .296 with 70 RBIs for Double-A Chattanooga last season and led the Arizona Fall League with a .409 batting average.

"Some upside there," Cashman said.

Himes had a combined .300 batting average for Class-A Sarasota and Dayton.

# Finley moves over to crew Waltrip's No. 55

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

HIGH POINT, N.C. — Bill Davis Racing Tuesday confirmed Derrick Finley would switch teams within the organization and serve as crew chief for Kentucky native Michael Waltrip and the No. 55 NAPA Auto Parts Dodge crew.

Along with Finley, the majority of the crewmembers who worked on the No. 22 Caterpillar Dodge with former BDR driver Scott Wimmer in 2005 will move to the

"Derrick has done a good job with the No. 22 car this year," Davis said. "Putting him and his experienced group of guys with Michael is going to make the entire transition back into a two-car team easier for all of us."

"Derrick is a very intelligent individual and a hard worker. I am confident he, Michael and the rest of the guys have what it takes to get the No. 55 NAPA car up front."

Earlier this year, BDR entered into a partnership with Waltrip and NAPA to field a second team in 2006. Davis announced last Thursday Dave Blaney had returned to his racing organization to drive the No. 22 Caterpillar Dodge in the Nextel Cup Series, with Kevin Hamlin joining him as crew chief. Next season will be the first time since 2003 that Davis has fielded two full-time NASCAR Nextel Cup teams.

"I'm really looking forward to having two teams," Finley said. "Having Blaney and Hamlin's input is going to be valuable. I've known Hamlin for a long time. We'll work well together (and) it's a big help to be able to take most of my guys with me."

"We'll have our core group

together with a new driver, which should help speed everything up as far as comfort level for all of us."

A native of Albuquerque, N.M., Finley graduated from the University of New Mexico with a Bachelor's degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1996. He was hired right out of college by the legendary racer Dale Earnhardt to become the first engineer employed at Dale Earnhardt Incorporated (DEI).

Finley came on board at BDR in 2003 to serve as team engineer, and then assumed crew chief duties for the No. 22 in late 2004.

"Obviously, it's real exciting to get to work with Michael," Finley said. "I worked with his brother [Darrell Waltrip] at DEI and had some great success in a short amount of time with him. We expect to have the same success with Michael."

## Parrott named crew chief for Petty's No. 43 Dodge

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEVEL CROSS, N.C. — Cup series champion crew chief Todd Parrott has been named crew chief for Petty Enterprises' No. 43 Dodge team and driver Bobby Labonte, it was announced Tuesday.

Robbie Loomis, executive vice president of operations for Petty Enterprises, made the announcement.

"While few can match him in knowledge and strategy, no one can match Todd Parrott when it comes to the desire to win,"

Loomis said. "Working together with Paul Andrews (crew chief for Kyle Petty's No. 45 Dodge) and the talent we have here, we feel we have the ingredients to return Petty Enterprises to Victory Lane."

Labonte is a Cup championship driver. Petty Enterprises has 10 championships going into the 2006 season.

Greg Steadman, who had been serving as crew chief for the No. 43, has been named competition director for Petty Enterprises and is involved with both race teams.

"I can't begin to tell you how excited I am to be a part of Petty Enterprises," Parrott said. "I've been a fan of Richard Petty since I could talk, and one of the most exciting times of my life is when my dad (Buddy Parrott) was crew chief for Richard."

Bobby Labonte will drive the No. 43 Dodge for Petty Enterprises beginning in 2006, the team announced at Phoenix International Raceway.

"When I see the people who are coming into the organization and how hard everyone is working to get Petty Enterprises back to the top, I can't help but be excited to be a part of that," Parrott continued. "Robbie Loomis, Bobby Labonte ... these guys are coming here for one reason, and that's to win."

Parrott, 41, is a native of Charlotte, N.C. Parrott, winner of the 1999 Cup championship with driver Dale Jarrett, begins his 12th year as a leader of NASCAR race teams in 2006.

He grew up in the sport and began working on race cars when just 14 years old, developing into one of the top mechanical and strategy-minded names in motorsports.

# Give the gift that fits his pursuits

by STEVE VANTREESSE  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PADUCAH — When there are fervent outdoor recreationists on your Christmas list, the gift-giving is simplified. Sort of.

What to get them? Well, ask yourself: What do they do?

As a rule, no devoted sportsman ever gets enough "stuff" related to his favorite activity, so you can get on track for smart shopping pretty quickly by following that lead. The tricky part is the specifics because the most over-the-top enthusiasts usually are rather defined about the exact sort of gear or toys that they want or need.

A fisherman? Fine, but don't think in terms of a new fly box for an angler who only fishes for bass with large lures and never for trout with insect imitations. Conversely, don't vex the stream-wading trout guy with a generous supply of buzzbaits and 10-inch plastic worms.

A hunter? That's a good way to go, but don't pick out a new waterfowl decoy bag or a duck call for someone who only finds time for deer hunting.

When helping a recipient gear up for a favorite pursuit, it helps immeasurably to know his preferred pursuits and even how he goes about it.

A crappie fisherman, for

instance, might be a spinning rod jig caster — but a new spinning outfit might go to waste with a guy who always slow trolls with "spider rigs."

It's not the worst thing in the world to ask: What would you like? In many cases, that conforms with what's needed anyhow.

A happy surprise is always a giver's joy, but it could be necessary to get the sportsman's druthers in advance in the interest of bestowing befitting presents. 'Tis notably better to receive something that is both expected and wanted than to be totally surprised with the unwanted and impractical.

For givers who don't share the recreational activity with the recipient, another tact might be to consult the sportsman's fishing or hunting buddies who know what toys are longed for and what gear already is in use.

Don't underrate the wisdom of the self-serve shopping option, however. Consider a minor, perhaps pragmatic goody — a new cap or a pair of wool boot socks — into which is stuffed a gift certificate from the receiver's favorite gear retailer. Where does he drool over binoculars for nature watching or shotguns for his upland hunting or rods and reels for his fishing? Know that and you'll know where he'd love to have some prepaid shopping freedom.

# NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

## AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	7	5	0	.583	259	282
Miami	5	7	0	.417	219	240
Buffalo	4	8	0	.333	184	247
N.Y. Jets	2	10	0	.167	143	264
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Indianapolis	12	0	0	1.000	366	162
Jacksonville	9	3	0	.750	255	201
Tennessee	3	9	0	.250	239	319
Houston	1	11	0	.083	183	341
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	9	3	0	.750	327	239
Pittsburgh	7	5	0	.583	274	225
Baltimore	4	8	0	.333	161	241
Cleveland	4	8	0	.333	183	214

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	9	3	0	.750	310	221
San Diego	8	4	0	.667	357	229
Kansas City	8	4	0	.667	301	257
Oakland	4	8	0	.333	249	296

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	8	4	0	.667	319	218
Dallas	7	5	0	.583	253	205
Washington	6	6	0	.500	241	233
Philadelphia	5	7	0	.417	229	288
South	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	9	3	0	.750	290	194
Tampa Bay	8	4	0	.667	226	199
Atlanta	7	5	0	.583	277	237
New Orleans	3	9	0	.250	183	295
North	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	9	3	0	.750	310	127
Minnesota	7	5	0	.583	219	271
Detroit	4	8	0	.333	190	241
Green Bay	2	10	0	.167	239	242

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Seattle	10	2	0	.833	338	208
St. Louis	5	7	0	.417	204	351
Arizona	4	8	0	.333	239	302
San Francisco	2	10	0	.167	183	340

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## Sunday's Games

Oakland at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Houston at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
New England at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
St. Louis at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Carolina, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.
Washington at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Dallas, 4:15 p.m.
Miami at San Diego, 4:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Denver, 4:15 p.m.
Detroit at Green Bay, 8:30 p.m.

## Monday's Game

New Orleans at Atlanta, 9 p.m.
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## Saturday's Games

Tampa Bay at New England, 1:30 p.m.
Kansas City at N.Y. Giants, 5 p.m.
Denver at Buffalo, 8:30 p.m.

## Sunday, Dec. 18

N.Y. Jets at Miami, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Houston, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at St. Louis, 1 p.m.
Carolina vs. N. Orleans at Baton R., La., 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Detroit, 4:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Dallas at Washington, 4:15 p.m.
Atlanta at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

## Monday, Dec. 19

Green Bay at Baltimore, 9 p.m.
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Otherwise, lacking specific guidance, the best bet is to generalize. Pick out something that almost everybody can make use of for a variety of purposes. While these things might not be as much fun, they probably will be very welcomed. Things such as a really nice flashlight, a stainless steel coffee jug or some ultra-warm, space-age long underwear can be used in a variety of pursuits.

For a stocking stuffer, consider something that many are going to need anyway, such as licenses to fish, hunt or both. Get licenses for the pursuits in which they engage, and they're sure to "fit."

Magazine subscriptions in the vein of sportsmen's favorite activities could also be an easy gift pick and are even available for purchase over the Internet. This could give a full year of entertainment for minimal investment — the gift that keeps on giving by way of the mailbox.

All these options pretty much beat an ugly tie. Or a handsome tie, for that matter.

## EKU

straight three point field goals midway through the stanza to knot the score at 24.

Throughout the remainder of the period, the teams exchanged baskets with neither squad able to build more than a two-point advantage and the score remained tied 35-35 at the break.

After nine ties to open the second half of play, the Lady Racers took a five point lead with 6:58 on the clock. Within a minute, Eastern Kentucky evened the score after a three-point basket from Cazee and a lay-up from Shelton. Murray State pulled back ahead on the following possession but after

back-to-back Lady Colonel field goals, Eastern regained a lead that it would not relinquish.

The Lady Colonels held as much as a six-point advantage in the final two minutes of play before the Lady Racers got within two-points off Ashley B. Hayes' third three-point basket of the night with 18 seconds remaining.

A quick Lady Racer foul sent Shelton to the free throw line where she hit the front end of the one & one opportunity and after Murray State secured the defensive rebound on the second attempt, the Lady Racers committed their 17th

turnover of the night. After being fouled on the inbound play, Shelton returned to the free throw line and hit both shots with two seconds left in the game to seal the Lady Colonels' 75-70 win.

Freshman Ashley N. Hayes led Murray State with a double-double, scoring 12 points and grabbing 16 rebounds.

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# NCAA reinstates Morris, but rules he must sit out season

by MURRAY EVANS  
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LEXINGTON — The NCAA restored the eligibility of Kentucky center Randolph Morris on Thursday, but said he must sit out the entire basketball season as a condition of his reinstatement after his unsuccessful entry into the NBA draft.

Morris also must repay expenses related to tryouts for NBA teams, the NCAA said in a statement released Thursday, adding that the conditions were imposed "based on the seriousness of multiple rules violations involving dealings with an agent and accepting expenses to tryout for NBA teams."

Morris, a 6-foot-10 sophomore, would have two years of eligibility remaining after this season. He will be allowed to continue practicing with the 15th-ranked Wildcats, and he did so Thursday. But Kentucky officials — who said Morris

would comment when his situation was resolved — did not make him available to the media after the team's practice.

Scott Stricklin, an assistant athletic director for media relations, also told reporters not to ask any players about Morris' situation during a previously scheduled news conference late Thursday afternoon and threatened to end any interview during which the subject was broached.

Kentucky athletic director Mitch Barnhart called the ruling by NCAA's Student-Athlete Reinstatement Staff unfair to Morris and said the university will appeal immediately to the NCAA's Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee. The appeal will be filed early next week and should be heard before Christmas, Barnhart said.

If the committee — which consists of five members from NCAA Division I conferences and institutions — upholds the staff's decision, Kentucky and Morris would

have no other methods of appeal through the NCAA.

"We don't feel the punishment is consistent with the past precedents established by previous NCAA cases," Barnhart said. "The NCAA has tried to become a more student-friendly organization, but this direction is a significant step away from that."

Kentucky coach Tubby Smith, who has said on several occasions that he expected Morris to be able to return this season, had little to say about the situation Thursday, two days before the Wildcats (6-2) play Indiana (4-2) in Indianapolis.

Smith wouldn't address how Morris' season-long absence might affect the team, which has received inconsistent play this season from juniors Shagari Alleyne and Lukasz Obrzut — who were Morris' primary back-ups last season — and freshman Jared Carter.

"We're worried about Indiana right now. We'll deal

with that after the appeals process," Smith said.

Alleyne, a 7-foot-3 junior coming off a career-high 16-point outing in a 73-46 win over Georgia State on Tuesday, acknowledged the Wildcats' remaining centers now must shoulder more responsibility. "We're a team," Alleyne said moments after learning the news about Morris. "Each guy on the team has their own role. Myself, Lukasz and Jared have similar roles, so we just have to carry that out whenever we go out there on the basketball court."

The NCAA said sports agency SFX marketed Morris' skills to NBA teams. The agency scheduled, arranged and confirmed workouts with NBA teams and sought feedback from teams on Morris' draft status. The NCAA did not declare Morris permanently ineligible "because there was no explicit or oral agreement with an agent" but noted that such activ-

ity "represented an implicit agreement with the agency."

Morris also received more than \$7,000 from nine NBA teams for expenses related to tryouts. NCAA legislation states that summer tryouts are permitted, but student-athletes may not receive expenses or other payment from NBA teams.

Morris started 33 of 34 games last season, averaging 8.8 points and 4.2 rebounds per game as Kentucky finished 28-6. After the season, Morris returned to his hometown of Atlanta and from there informed Smith via fax that he planned to enter his name in the NBA draft. In its statement Thursday, the NCAA noted Morris' apparent lack of regard for his coach's opinion.

"When deciding to test the professional waters, a student-athlete should work closely with his or her institution to ensure compliance with NCAA rules, steps which Morris did not

take," the statement said.

When the June 21 deadline for Morris to withdraw from the draft passed, it was assumed Morris had played his final game for the Wildcats.

Morris, however, was not one of the 60 players taken in the June 28 draft. A little-used NCAA rule would allow Morris to return to Kentucky, if he reimbursed all the expenses of any NBA workouts in which he participated, he asked Barnhart for reinstatement within 30 days of the draft and Barnhart agreed to take him back.

But that rule wouldn't apply if Morris had an agreement with an agent.

The rule had been successfully used only once previously. In 2001, California-Irvine guard Jerry Green declared himself eligible for the draft following his junior season but was not selected. He did not hire an agent and was able to return to play for the Anteaters.

## Defense leads UK women past Georgetown

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON — For the first time in a long time, women's basketball is ahead of men's basketball at the University of Kentucky.

The Kentucky women's basketball team held Georgetown scoreless for nearly 13 minutes in the second half and out-rebounded the Hoyas by 18 to post a 63-47 win Thursday in Memorial Coliseum. The Cats are 7-0 for the first time since the 1982-83 campaign.

The Wildcats (7-0) used two late first-half runs of 8-0 and 9-0 and held the Hoyas (4-3) without a field goal for nearly 13 minutes in the second half to pull away from a stingy Georgetown squad. Defense was the key for the Cats, who had to overcome a 36.9 percent (24-of-65) shooting effort from the floor. The Wildcats have not allowed an opponent to score over 58 points this season.

Kentucky out-rebounded the Hoyas 47-29 in the game and dominated the post game, outscoring Georgetown 32-10 in points in the paint. The Cats were able to wear down the Hoyas, who dressed only seven players, outscoring Georgetown 23-4 in bench points.

Senior forward/center Jennifer Humphrey (Memphis) recorded her seventh career double-double with 10 points and 11 rebounds and was one of four Kentucky players to register double-digit point totals. The Cats were led by sophomore guard Samantha Mahoney's (Detroit) game-high 14 points. Junior guard Jenny Pfeiffer (North Vernon, Ind.) and sophomore center Sarah Elliott (McKee) each chipped in 12 points.

Pfeiffer connected on 3-of-6 shots from beyond the arc and also made 3-of-3 free-throws. Elliott brought down nine rebounds and posted three blocks and freshman point guard Carly Ormerod (Louisville) dished out a team-high five assists.

Both teams started slow to begin the game with five ties over the first six minutes of the contest. With Kentucky trailing 15-13 early in the first half, the Wildcats went on a 9-0 run over the next 4:17 to move ahead 22-15 on a jumper by sophomore forward/center Eleia Roddy (Columbus, Ohio). A rebounding three-pointer by Pfeiffer extended the Cats lead to 25-19 with eight minutes remaining in the period. After the Hoyas cut UK's advantage to 27-23, the Wildcats scored the final four baskets of the half, including a pair of layups by Elliott to enter the locker room up 35-23.

The Cats shot 42.9 percent (15-of-35) from the floor in the opening period and 60 percent (3-of-5) from beyond the arc. UK limited Georgetown to just 35.5 percent (11-of-31) shooting in the opening half.

UK opened the second half just as it had closed the first, scoring the first two baskets of the final stanza, including a three-pointer by Mahoney at the 19:11 mark. Kentucky continued adding to its lead to move ahead 45-28 on a layup by Humphrey with 17:58 left in the game. After the Hoyas came within nine, 45-36, the Wildcats went on an 11-0 run over the next six minutes to extend their advantage to 57-36 at the 7:57 mark of the game.

The Cats held the Hoyas without a field goal for nearly 13 minutes midway through the

final period, allowing Kentucky to distance itself from Georgetown. The Wildcats led by as many as 22 (61-39) on a pair of charity shots by Mahoney with 3:18 left in the game.

Kate Carlin and Heidloff led the Hoyas with 14 points each. Bethany Lesueur followed with 13.

### Morehead women hold on, beat Austin Peay

TIMES STAFF REPORT

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. — The Morehead State Lady Eagle basketball team hit 17-of-19 free throw attempts in the second half Thursday night at the Dunn Center and started off Ohio Valley Conference play in fine fashion, defeating the host Austin Peay Lady Gobs, 81-75.

The Lady Eagles' victory marked the first time since 1992-93 Morehead State has beaten the Lady Gobs, who have won four of the last five OVC tournament championships. It also gave MSU its first victory over APSU in five tries as MSU improved to 5-1 overall and 1-0 in the OVC. APSU fell to 1-4 and 0-2 in the league. With the win, MSU is off to its best start since 2002-2003's team went 5-1, while it also was the first road win for MSU since February 2003.

The Lady Eagles got to the line just once in the first half but countered by shooting 48 percent from the field to build a 37-28 lead. But, the Lady Eagles, who entered the game last in the conference in free

throw accuracy, made it count at the charity stripe in the final half. For the game, MSU was 18-of-20 at the line.

Junior center LaKrisha Brown posted her fourth career double to pace the Lady Eagles. She was 10-of-15 from the field for 21 points while also grabbing a team high 10 rebounds. In addition, Brown blocked three of the Lady Eagles' season high seven blocked shots. Sophomore Anitha Smith-Williams dropped in 14 points and led MSU with seven assists to tie her career high. Smith-Williams was 8-of-8 at the free throw line/Junior Jessie Plante, who leads the league in field goal percentage, tallied 10 points as the third Lady Eagle in double figures.

Morehead also got solid supporting roles from Megan Gearhart and Tarah Combs, who both scored nine points. Junior Patti White notched seven points and four boards, while junior Holly Williams scored seven and grabbed seven rebounds. As a team, the Lady Eagles, who rank in the top ten nationally in three-pointers per game, canned nine treys. MSU, which also leads the league in assists, combined for 19 hand-outs on the night.

Ashley Haynes led APSU with 23 points and 14 rebounds, while Sandra Hale also notched 23 points. Kellea Reeves posted 12 points. Austin Peay out-rebounded MSU 45-40.

The Lady Eagles led 64-62 with 3:57 left in the game but then went on an 11-3 run to push the margin to 10 (75-65) with 38 seconds left. Fourteen of MSU's successful free throw attempts were converted in the final three minutes.

## Young and Bush take two college football honors

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO, Fla. — Texas quarterback Vince Young and Southern California tailback Reggie Bush each took home two awards Thursday night, one as best player in the nation and one for being the best at his position, as college football honored its stars.

Young won the Maxwell Award as the nation's top player and the Davey O'Brien Award given to the nation's top quarterback.

Bush came away with the Walter Camp player of the year award and the Doak Walker Award given to the nation's best running back.

"I'm just enjoying the moment right now," Young said. "All of these awards mean a great deal to me, because of all of the hard work that me and my teammates have put in this year. I guess we've got another one to go (the Heisman) on Saturday."

Young and Bush will be in New York on Saturday night as finalists for the Heisman Trophy. USC quarterback Matt Leinart is the other Heisman finalist.

Young beat out Bush and Leinart for the Maxwell, and Leinart and Notre Dame's Brady Quinn for the O'Brien. Young was the first Texas quarterback to win the award.

"This award (Maxwell) means a whole lot because people doubted me about being a quarterback and thought I should have been moved to another position," Young said. "I wanted to show the world how good a quarterback I could be. If this doesn't silence those critics, then I'll just go back to work and try to fix whatever I need to fix."

The Texas junior leads the nation in passing efficiency with a 168.6 rating. He has passed for 2,769 yards and 26 touchdowns, and leads the Longhorns in rushing with 850 yards.

Bush joined former Trojans O.J. Simpson (1967 and 1968), Charles White (1979), Marcus Allen (1981) and teammate Leinart (2004) as Camp winners.

The 6-foot, 200-pound Bush has rushed for 1,658 yards and scored 18 touchdowns this season, averaging 8.9 yards a carry for the top-ranked Trojans. The junior also has 31 receptions for 383 yards, and is averaging 217.6 all-purpose yards per game, tops in the nation.

"I guess I'm the best running back, at least this year," Bush said. "In the past everybody

back, and this summer, I just wanted to focus on becoming a complete running back. First and foremost, I would like to be known as a great running back. It's a great honor to win that award."

He became the first USC player to win the Doak Walker Award. The other finalists were Washington State's Jerome Harrison and Memphis' DeAngelo Williams.

Bush and Leinart will face Young and second-ranked Texas in the Rose Bowl for the national title on Jan. 4.

Penn State coach Joe Paterno, 78, won the Home Depot coach of the year award, for turning around the Nittany Lions after four losing seasons in the last five years.

"I actually feel kind of embarrassed to win this award with guys like (Texas') Mack Brown and (Notre Dame's) Charlie Weis right here," said Paterno, who has won coach of the year four times. "I would have voted for either one of those two."

The leader of Paterno's stingy defense, linebacker Paul Posluszny, won the Chuck Bednarik Trophy, given to the best defensive player in the country. The other finalists were Ohio State linebacker A.J. Hawk and Maryland linebackers D'Qwell Jackson.

The resurgent Nittany Lions means a whole lot because people doubted me about being a quarterback and thought I should have been moved to another position," Young said. "I wanted to show the world how good a quarterback I could be. If this doesn't silence those critics, then I'll just go back to work and try to fix whatever I need to fix."

Posluszny ranks fourth in the Big Ten with 111 tackles and an average of 10.1 tackles per game. He has recorded 11 tackles for a loss and three sacks.

Texas safety Michael Huff won the Thorpe Award as the best defensive back in the country, becoming the first Longhorns player to do so.

Mike Hass, the NCAA's leader in receiving yards (139.3 per game), beat out Dwayne Jarrett of Southern California and Jeff Sarnardzija of Notre Dame for the Fred Biletnikoff Award as the nation's best wideout.

Minnesota center Greg Eslinger won the Outland Trophy as the country's best lineman, Oregon State's Alexis Serna took the Groza Award as the nation's top kicker. Wake Forest punter Ryan Plackemeier was the Ray Award winner.

The Disney Wide World of Sports Spirit Award went to the Tulane team, which was forced off its campus by Hurricane Katrina and played 11 games in

## Brohm, Dumervil earn BIG EAST Player of the Year awards

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Two University of Louisville players, sophomore quarterback Brian Brohm and senior defensive end Elvis Dumervil, have received BIG EAST postseason awards. Brohm was named BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Year, while Dumervil earned Defensive Player of the Year honors.

It's the sixth time in school history and the second straight season that the Cardinals had the league's Offensive Player of the Year. Stefan LeFors was the Conference USA honoree last season. Dumervil is the school's fourth defensive honoree and the first since Dewayne White in 2001.

The Cardinals also had seven first team All-BIG EAST honorees, including five on the offensive side of the football. It's the first time since 2001 that the Cardinals had seven

Dumervil was the lone honoree on defense. Senior wide receiver Joshua Tinch and Brohm were the only two unanimous selections. Senior offensive tackle Travis Leffew and offensive guard Jason Spitz were also first team selections, while running back Michael Bush and placekicker Art Carmody were also first team selections.

Second team honorees were wide receiver Mario Urrutia, defensive tackle Montavious Stanley and linebacker Brandon Johnson.

Brohm helped lead Louisville to a 9-2 overall record and a 5-2 conference mark in the Cardinals' first season as a member of the BIG EAST. Louisville accepted an invitation to play in the Toyota Gator Bowl versus Virginia Tech on Jan. 2. Brohm completed 207-of-301 passes (69.8 percent) for 2,883 yards, 19 touchdowns and just five interceptions this season. He led the

(166.7), completion percentage, passing yards and touchdowns. Brohm ranks second nationally in passing efficiency and 17th in total offense (284.7).

Dumervil also won the 2005 Bronko Nagurski Trophy, given annually to the best defensive player in college football. He led the nation this season with 20 sacks (1.82 per game) and 10 forced fumbles (0.91). He was second in the country in tackles for loss with 22 (2.0). Dumervil registered nine sacks in his first two games of the season to break the two-game NCAA Division I-A record.

Tinch caught 64 passes for 800 yards and three touchdowns this season. He tied a BIG EAST record for receptions in a game with 13 against West Virginia and has caught a pass in 27 straight games.

Leffew has started 49 straight games and is a first team selection for the second straight sea-

son straight games and earned second team honors last season.

Bush, despite missing two games, leads the country in scoring, scored a school record 24 touchdowns, including 23 on the ground. He rushed for 1,049 yards, becoming the school's first 1,000-yard rusher since 1999. He recorded six 100-yard rushing games and has nine for his career.

Carmody also had an outstanding season, connecting on 13-of-15 field goals, including four in a game versus Pittsburgh. He's second on the team in scoring with 99 points.

Urrutia is third on the team in repetitions with 31, but is second on the team with 702 yards and ranks second in the nation in yards per catch at 22.6.

Johnson and Stacey were the two second team reps on the defense. Johnson leads the team in tackles with 64, while Stanley is fourth with 48 tack-



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**HOUSE FOR RENT:** 2 BR \$550 per month plus utilities. If interested call 886-0124.

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**640- Land/Lots**

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**FOR RENT:** 2 BR trailer. \$350 month. Total electric. Must pay own utilities and have references. Call 285-4742.

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**FOR RENT 2 BR** furnished trailer just off Mtn Pkwy on old 114. 886-8724.

**660- Miscellaneous**

**FOR RENT:** Beauty shop equipped with 3 stations and tanning bed. Located on RT 122 1 mile south of Martin, across from Garth Technical School. Must furnish references. 285-9112.

**SERVICES**

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**NOTICES**

**812 - Free**

**HOUSE CAT** free to good home. Yellow/white long hair. 4 years old.

Neutered male, declawed front. Call 874-6312.

**LEGALS**

**NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION**

To: Sean Francis Smith, Respondent  
Take Notice that a Civil Action, Petition for Legitimacy, Adding Biological Father's Name to Child's Birth Certificate has been filed against you under file number 05 SP 148, in Yadkin County, North Carolina, by the Petitioner, Michael Williams.

You are required to make defense to said pleading not later than the 20th day of January, 2006, said date being at least 40 days from the first publication of this notice, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This the 6th day of December, 2005. Amy E. Allred, Attorney for Respondent Attorney & Counsellor at Law 1416 W. First St., Ste. B Winston-Salem, NC 27101 Telephone: 336-917-0037

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION 836-5479**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Dekalb Recovery, Inc., P.O. Box 166, Eastern, KY 41622, has applied for an underground mining operation, located approximately 0.15 mile southwest of Eastern, in Floyd County. The operation will disturb 4.68 surface acres, and will underlie 16.72 acres, and the total permit boundary will be 21.40 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.50 mile southwest of the junction of KY 550 and KY 80, and is approximately 0.03 mile northwest of the Right Fork of Beaver Creek.

The proposed operation is located on the Martin 7 1/2 U.S.G.S. minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Ned Hall, and underlies land owned by Ned Hall.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-0307**

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co, Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653 has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining and reclamation operation located 2.6 miles north of Emma in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 113.16 surface acres.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-5441, AMENDMENT NO. 6**

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for an

amendment to an existing surface and underground coal mining and reclamation operation located approximately 0.76 mile northwest of Beaver, in Floyd County. The amendment will add 33.52 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 740.20 acres, of which 583.06 acres overlie underground and/or surface acreage, making a total area of 2,163.12 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment is located approximately 0.25 mile west from KY Route 979's junction with Mitchell Branch Road, and located along Mitchell Branch and Mud Creek.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Vickie Lynn Bryant, Bernardo and Kathy Maldonado, Walker and Ella Ruth Hall, Carl and Fostella Mitchell, et al. The amendment will underlie land owned by The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Vickie Lynn Bryant, Rex and Wanda Gayheart, Noah Vance, Ed and Suzie Gayheart, Walker and Ella Ruth Hall, Carl and Fostella Mitchell, et al., Interstate Natural Gas Company, Christopher Mitchell, Kenis and Ruby Hamilton, Marky Hamilton, Maude Flack, Bank Josephine, Jimmy Tackett, Carmel and Marie Clark, et al., Samuel Hamilton, and Daisy Mitchell.

The amendment adds contour and auger mining in the Whitesburg coal seam, and underground mining in the Amburgy coal seam. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference, must be filed with the Director of the Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources' Prestonsburg Regional Office, at 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

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In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that Frasure Creek Mining, LLC, 1051 Main Street, Suite 100, Milton, West Virginia 25541, has applied for an

1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Joe A. and Barbara Burchett, The Elk Horn Coal Company, LLC, Wade and Ora Blackburn Heirs, John Dallas and Vina Sue Branham, Clark D. Pergem and Jesse L. Rudd, Tri-

Star Development, Inc., E. L. and Bertha Cline, Jefferson Coal, John G. and Billie Goble, Malcolm Layne, Rebecca Jarrell, Timmy Ballard Plummer, Osie Foley, Charles Michael Harris, Rex Reynolds, Tom and Melissa Reynolds, Albert and Janet

Ratliff, Taulbee and Renisa Branham, Michael Hunt, Ransom and Betty Hunt, and Billy Yonts. The operation will use the area method of surface mining. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Mining Reclamation

and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director of the Division of

Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. This is the final advertisement of the application. All comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be received within 30 days of today's date.

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