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briefs
Troopers assist in Washington

Kentuckians attending the presidential inauguration on Thursday, may have seen some familiar faces and uniforms at the parade and other activities. Kentucky State Police joined local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies from across the country in providing security at the 55th Presidential Inauguration in Washington, DC. Troopers from across the state traveled to Washington, DC Tuesday to begin preparations for Thursday's inauguration events. The first presidential inauguration since Sept. 11, 2001 and the designation of the inauguration as a national special security event prompted the Washington Metro Police Department to request the assistance of various state and local agencies, including the Kentucky State Police, to assist with the enormous task of providing security at the festivities. Troopers attended briefings and meetings pertaining to their particular duties, which included securing a portion of the parade route. They were temporarily sworn in as local officers, providing

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Police partner on meth arrests

by TOM DOTY and MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITERS
Cooperative efforts between authorities in Floyd and Johnson counties culminated this week in the discovery of four methamphetamine labs and the arrests of 12 people suspected in the operations.

The Johnson County Sheriff's Tactical Narcotics Team (TNT) cracked down on its third clandestine meth lab this week, with a raid Wednesday in Paintsville. At the same time, the Floyd County Sheriff's Department and the Prestonsburg Police Department rounded up five individuals, including two Johnson County fugitives, on meth-related offenses and

clobbered a meth lab in Drift. Johnson County TNT discovered a meth lab Wednesday at the Hager Hill residence of William D. Hull in a trailer court behind the Combs Airport. Johnson County Sheriff Bill Witten said Lt. Howard Dotson and Sgt. Tom White, canine unit operator, were investigating the area after complaints were made to the

sheriff's department. The officers smelled methamphetamine while in the area, Witten said, and made entry in the home after observing someone through a window of the trailer. Paintsville resident Everett W. Haney, 43, was taken into custody Wednesday. He is charged

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Dwayne Earl Bishop, left, listened to the prosecution's opening statement Thursday during the first day of a trial to determine if he killed his wife Caroline in August 2000.

photo by Tom Doty

Bishop murder trial begins

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER
PRESTONSBURG — The trial for accused murderer Dwayne Earl Bishop got started Thursday afternoon after three-and-a-half days of jury selection. The jury got to hear opening statements from the prosecution, which was represented by special prosecutor David Smith, who normally works out of the Attorney

General's Office in Frankfort. Judge John D. Caudill gave Smith the floor after making sure the jury knew that opening statements are not to be considered as evidence. Smith took the opportunity to let jurors know that the case they were going to hear was based on circumstantial evidence. He noted that there was no videotape evidence or eyewitness accounts to the murder of Carolyn Bishop, Dwayne Bishop's estranged wife, and that it

would be up to them to determine if the evidence warranted finding Bishop guilty. Smith previewed the evidence by saying that different witnesses would testify to a chain of events and evidence that should lead the jury towards a proper verdict. "There is no case more important than a criminal case in which someone's life has been taken," Smith

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Wrongful death suit dismissed

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A wrongful death suit filed last year against Highlands Regional Medical Center has been dismissed, according to documents filed Wednesday in circuit court. Judge John David Caudill ruled in favor of the hospital, whose attorney, Thomas M. Smith, sought dismissal of the case because it has been pending for more than a year. Smith argued that Jimmie Lee and Jerrald Bevins filed the wrongful death suit approximately one year after the death of their heir in law, Bobbie Bevins, and have offered no expert witnesses in the case. The Bevins were given 60 days last October to find new counsel after their

attorney, Mitchell D. Kinner, withdrew from the case, citing a conflict of interest with a possible witness, Dr. John Furcolow. Furcolow reportedly cared for Bobbie Bevins during his stay at the hospital. The Bevins claimed that employees at the hospital negligently caused the death Bobbie Bevins, who was admitted as a patient at Highlands within days of his release from St. Joseph's Hospital in Lexington, where he had surgery in March 2003. Highlands Regional Medical Center "negligently permitted" Bobbie Bevins to contract an infection, or failed to properly diagnose and treat the infection which ultimately killed him, the suit alleged.

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Supreme Court strips Hays of law license

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — The Supreme Court on Thursday formally suspended two lawyers who have been convicted of felonies and imposed sanctions on five others for various infractions of legal ethics rules. Suspended indefinitely was John Doug Hays, a former state senator from

Pikeville who was found guilty of mail fraud in November. Hays was convicted in a scheme that involved his own campaign for district court judge in Pike County in which he allegedly arranged to receive campaign contributions through third parties, or straw contributors. The court, which is

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Sewer contractor files lawsuit

by MARY MUSIC STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — East Kentucky Water isn't paying its bills, a Paintsville subcontractor alleges. Boca Enterprises Inc., of Hager Hill, filed a lawsuit against the business, citing its bonding compa-

ny, Great American Insurance and the Prestonsburg City Utilities, for unpaid debts. Boca is seeking nearly \$32,000 in compensation for work already completed on the first contract of the David Sewer Project. David Ellis, general manager of Prestonsburg City Utilities, said Boca completed work for a waste-

water installation project, adding pump stations and sewer pressure lines from old Middle Creek Road to David last summer. The suit, filed in Floyd Circuit Court on Jan. 14 by Paintsville attorney Robert G. Miller Jr., alleges that Boca entered into the \$710,000

(See LAWSUIT, page three)

Local group holds drug meeting

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

WATERGAP — The Floyd County Drug Coalition met Tuesday at Allen Baptist Church and was treated to a guest speaker from Operation UNITE. Dan Smoot, director of operations for the task force, gave a short talk and then answered ques-

tions from the concerned citizens who make up the coalition. Smoot began his presentation by informing the group of upcoming events in the state's war on drugs. Smoot said that the treatment of addicts is paramount to overcoming the problem and announced that a new voucher program should be up and running in February. Operation UNITE

will fund drug treatment for addicts to the tune of \$3,000 for short-term treatment and up to \$5,000 for long-term care. Smoot noted that each voucher is "obviously a one-shot deal." Smoot's second announcement was that a forum for health care professionals will be held at the

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Dan Smoot, director of operations for Operation UNITE, spoke to members of the Floyd County Drug Coalition Tuesday at Allen Baptist Church about upcoming events in the war on drugs in Eastern Kentucky.

photo by Tom Doty

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# Odds & Ends

■ **ROCK HILL, S.C.** — Police want this tale of a stolen Mother Goose costume to end happily ever after.

Jane Hayes said someone stole her Mother Goose outfit after shattering a rear window in her minivan Monday night.

Hayes has worn the costume for the past 20 years, teaching at schools and during community events.

"It's not like you could wear it out and about. You'd get spotted in a minute," said Hayes, who is an environmental educator for Rock Hill's Parks, Recreation and Tourism Department.

The thief also made off with \$300 in gift certificates.

But it could have been worse. Hayes normally keeps Glen the Frog and Gabby Greenleaf costumes in the same garment bag, but co-

workers who wore the costumes Saturday kept them, Hayes said.

Rock Hill Police Capt. Charles Cabaniss said officers appreciate Hayes' work for the community and want to get the costume back.

"It probably is a prank or initiation into some organization," Cabaniss said. "Or somebody thought it was cute. It's not cute."

■ **SYDNEY, Australia** — State government officials who sent a benefits check payable to "Mrs. Passed Away" to the family of a deceased woman said they want to apologize for their mistake in person.

The father of a 15-year-old boy who opened the letter said the family initially believed the check was a "sick joke," until they realized it was accompa-

nied by official government letterhead, the Daily Telegraph newspaper reported in its Thursday edition.

Both the check and the letter were addressed to "Mrs. Passed Away."

"This is nothing short of disgraceful," said the father, who asked not to be identified. "All the work that's gone into helping my son since his mother died has gone down the drain."

The New South Wales state Director-General of Education, Andrew Cappie-Wood, said the government had sent the family a written apology, but said he wanted to contact them personally to explain the mistake.

"We are reviewing the processes to make sure this mistake does not happen again," Cappie-Wood said.

■ **NEW YORK** — Say it, don't spray it.

Police arrested a man who allegedly found a messy way to complain about restaurants where he believed he had received poor service or been served bad food: graffiti.

Miguel Camacho, 29, was caught Tuesday night after eluding police for six months, police said. He was suspected in more than 60 spray-painting incidents.

Camacho scrawled his trademark tag, "VAMP," on the outside of restaurants where he had negative experiences, said Lt. Thomas Conforti of the NYPD's 112th Precinct.

His targets included a pizzeria in Queens that Camacho said served bad pizza, and a Chinese take-out restaurant in Rego Park where he believed he had been overcharged. He

also vandalized mailboxes and lampposts, police said.

When shown photographs of his targets, Camacho asked for copies as souvenirs, Conforti said.

"We respectfully declined," Conforti said.

■ **CHEYENNE, Wyo.** — The meadowlark, bison and horned toad are all official symbols of Wyoming. The jackalope, most elusive of the state's critters, may soon join the list.

The Wyoming House voted 45-12 Wednesday to declare the part-antelope, part-jackrabbit as the state's official mythical creature. The legislation now goes to the state Senate.

The bill's sponsor, Rep. Dave Edwards, hopes his measure as a boon to retail sales of stuffed jackalopes.

"It's highly possible it will certainly boost the tourism industry, which has a lot of gift shops and sells all kinds of different jackalopes," he said.

Taxidermist Doug Herrick is credited with creating the first jackalope in 1939 by screwing antelope horns to a mounted jackrabbit. It's been a staple of Wyoming postcards and gift shops ever since.

Stan Mullinnix, owner of a jewelry store that sells jackalope statuettes, applauded the vote. He likened the jackalope to the famed Pennsylvania prognosticating groundhog.

"Punxsutawney Phil is something that united not only a community but an entire state behind an absolutely wonderful mythical creature, and I think our own native jackalope is a creature of equal standing," he said.

## Today in History

### The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Jan. 21, the 21st day of 2005. There are 344 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:** On Jan. 21, 1915, the first Kiwanis Club was founded, in Detroit.

On this date:

■ In 1793, during the French Revolution, King Louis XVI, condemned for treason, was executed on the guillotine.

■ In 1861, Jefferson Davis, of Mississippi, and four other Southerners resigned from the U.S. Senate.

■ In 1924, Russian revolutionary Vladimir Ilyich Lenin died at age 54.

■ In 1942, Count Basie and His Orchestra recorded "One O'Clock Jump" in New York for Okeh Records.

■ In 1950, former State Department official Alger Hiss, accused of being part of a Communist spy ring, was found guilty in New York of lying to a grand jury. (Hiss, who always maintained his innocence, served less than four years in

prison.)

■ In 1950, George Orwell, author of "1984," died in London.

■ In 1954, the first atomic submarine, the USS Nautilus, was launched at Groton, Conn. (However, the Nautilus did not make its first nuclear-powered run until nearly a year later).

■ In 1976, the supersonic Concorde jet was put into service by Britain and France.

■ In 1977, President Carter pardoned almost all Vietnam War draft evaders.

■ In 1997, Speaker Newt Gingrich was reprimanded and fined as the House voted for the first time in history to discipline its leader for ethical misconduct.

**Ten years ago:** President Clinton, addressing the Democratic National Committee, implored members to "bear down and go forward" despite the results of the 1994 elections.

**Five years ago:** The grandmothers of Elian Gonzalez traveled to the United States to plead for the boy's return to

Cuba.

**One year ago:** President Bush visited community colleges in Ohio and Arizona, where he highlighted the economy and several new job-training initiatives he'd proposed a day earlier in his State of the Union speech. The recording industry sued 532 computer users it said were illegally distributing songs over the Internet.

**Today's Birthdays:** Actor Paul Scofield is 83. Actress Ann Wedgeworth is 70. Blues singer-musician Snooks Eaglin is 69. Golfer Jack Nicklaus is 65. Opera singer Placido Domingo is 64. Singer Richie Havens is 64. Singer Mac Davis is 63. Actress Jill Eikenberry is 58. Country musician Jim Ibbotson (The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band) is 58. Singer-songwriter Billy Ocean is 55. Actor Robby Benson is 49. Actress Geena Davis is 48. Basketball player Hakeem Olajuwon is 42. Actress Charlotte Ross is 37. Actor John Ducey is 36. Actress Karina Lombard is 36. Rapper Levirt (B-Rock and the Bizz) is 35. Rock DJ Chris Kilmore

(Incubus) is 32. Singer Emma Bunton (Spice Girls) is 29. Rhythm-and-blues singer Nokio (Dru Hill) is 26. Actress Izabella Miko is 24.

**Thought for Today:** "Nothing is so fatal to religion as indifference, which is, at least, half infidelity." — Edmund Burke, British statesman (1729-1797).

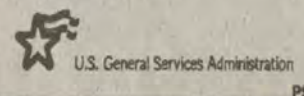
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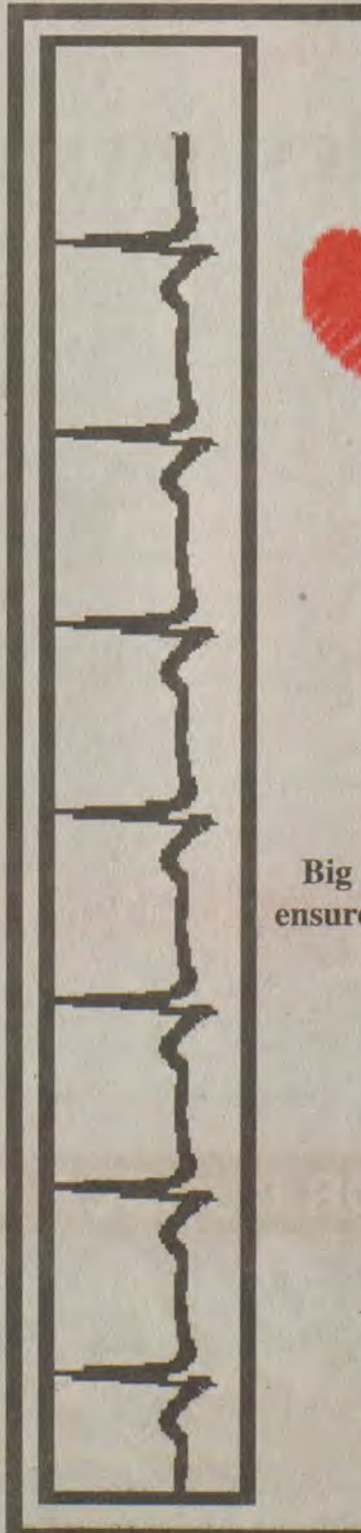
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## Lawsuit

contract with East Kentucky Water in April 2002 to furnish labor, materials and equipment for the project.

East Kentucky Water failed to pay for the work performed on the project, leaving its bonding company, Great American Insurance Company, liable for the payment, the suit says.

Miller said yesterday that repeated attempts to collect payment from the bonding company have been unsuccessful. They are still owed \$31,709.64, he said.

Prestonsburg City Utilities, which bid the job out to East Kentucky Water,

is not liable for payment, Ellis said.

"East Kentucky Water was awarded the contract. At that point, it's pretty much out of our hands," he said. "By naming us in the suit, they were trying to recover any money that we haven't paid East Kentucky [Water], but we've paid all of it. The situation needs to be worked out between the two contractors because we just hired East Ky. to do the job."

Terry Trimble, director of East Kentucky Water, did not return inquiry calls yesterday.

## Drugs

Mountain Arts Center in March. Operation UNITE will host the event, on March 10, which will provide an opportunity to share strategies on how medical professionals can aid in the war on drugs. The forum will also have several guest speakers who will talk about methods that have been successful in curbing such practices as doctor shopping and internet drug sales.

Smoot followed up his lecture by taking questions from the audience who had several concerns to share. One man appeared anxious about starting a neighborhood watch program and was concerned that taking down license plates might be illegal. Smoot assured him that taking down plate numbers is not against the law and "it's not only allowed but encouraged."

Smoot also was able to assure

coalition members that using UNITE's toll-free tip line will not get them in trouble with drug traffickers who may be seeking revenge.

"We don't have Caller ID," Smoot said. "We will investigate all calls and they are a large part of the success of the program. We are up and running in 29 Eastern Kentucky counties and we have had no cases of someone burning down a tipster's house."

Smoot finished by thanking the community group for such a strong showing, about 50 people who braved the cold on Tuesday, and reiterated UNITE's philosophy that, "It's going to take education, treatment, law enforcement and concerned communities to turn this around. You are all part of the solution."

## Police

them police powers while assigned to the security detail. They joined more than 6,000 police officers, more than 2,500 military personnel and thousands of Secret Service and other agents from 60 participating agencies in providing the highest level of security ever afforded a presidential inauguration.

"We are honored to be one of the agencies selected to assist with this historic event," states KSP Commissioner Mark L. Miller. "The importance of security at an event of this nature cannot be overstated and we look forward to the opportunity to assist in providing security to all those attending."



photo by Tom Doty

A poster depicting the health hazards of using methamphetamine has provided motivation for the Floyd County Sheriff's Department in stemming the tide of the drug made from easy to purchase but dangerous chemicals.

## Dismissed

Bobbie Bevins remained at Highlands for several weeks and was pronounced dead on Feb. 20, 2003.

The hospital voluntarily dismissed its third party complaint against Furcolow on Nov. 9.

## Trial

said.

Smith noted that his opening statement was indeed not evidence and only a thumbnail sketch of what he was going to present by examining witnesses. He said that testimony would indicate that the marriage of Dwayne and Carolyn Bishop was troubled from the start and that Carolyn Bishop was physically abused by her husband even after they separated.

Smith went to great lengths to describe the clothing Bishop was wearing when he was seen with Carolyn Bishop on the night of her death. He told the jury that they would hear that Bishop was dressed differently when he was seen later that night, August 31, 2000, when he showed up at Marlow's Country Palace night club.

Jurors were told that they would hear that while at the club, he met a woman and took her behind a furniture store for a sexual encounter. They were spotted by a person who called in the encounter to police, who arrested Bishop for a DUI. He was in jail when Carolyn

Bishop's body was discovered the next day along a gas line path at a strip mine site.

Smith pointed out that Dwayne Bishop wore distinctive items such as a spur and a key shaped zipper on his leather jacket. He noted that these items would turn up at the strip mine off Ligon Fork Road and would help the jury determine that it was Dwayne Bishop and not an unknown entity that murdered his wife.

The defense team for Dwayne Bishop, composed of public advocates Harolyn Howard and Bob Gainstein, chose to withhold making an opening statement until after they have heard the prosecution's case.

The commonwealth will begin calling witnesses today in the case, which is expected to last through next week.

## Meth

with attempting to manufacture methamphetamine, tampering with physical evidence, first-degree possession of a controlled substance and first-degree use/possession of drug paraphernalia.

His arrest marked the department's seventh meth lab-related arrest in three days.

Arrests began on Jan. 17, at the Van Lear residence of Lacy Hayden and James R. Bowling, where officers discovered another working meth lab. Hayden and Bowling were arrested along with Tammy Lynn Barker, 34, of Flatwoods Branch, and Jackie McCort, of Millers Creek.

All four suspects are charged with possession of methamphetamine precursors, complicity to manufacture meth, first-degree possession of a controlled substance, use/possession of drug paraphernalia, third-degree possession of a controlled substance, improper container for a prescription and possession of marijuana.

On Wednesday, Jan. 18, a routine traffic stop led Johnson County officers to the home of William Crider, 30, of Route 2381 in Van Lear. Crider, charged with first-degree possession of a controlled substance and use/possession of drug paraphernalia was arrested, along with Melissa Stapleton, 29, of Staffordsville. Stapleton is charged with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Other meth-related arrests Wednesday saw the combined efforts of the Johnson and Floyd County Sheriff's Departments and the Prestonsburg Police Department.

John Keeton was wanted in connection with an October 2004 meth lab discovery at the home of Mark Little, of Drift. When officers arrived at the scene they discovered remnants of the meth lab in the dwelling, and found a second meth lab in the trunk of a vehicle.

That investigation also led to the charges against Delena Maynard, who was arrested at the scene. Keeton and Little allegedly fled on foot, and a search ensued with the Johnson County canine unit.

The Floyd County Sheriff's Department and the Prestonsburg Police Department facilitated Keeton's arrest on Jan. 18, when his car was spotted by Deputy Axel Simonetti on the Mountain Parkway in Magoffin County. Officers from all three precincts converged on Route 114, where they arrested Keeton near the Mountain Arts Center.

Kim Somerville, a passenger in the vehicle, was also arrested and charged with first-degree aiding a fugitive and possession of meth.

Little was picked up by Sheriff John K. Blackburn and

Deputy Jeremy Shepherd Wednesday afternoon, shortly after a meth lab discovery was made by officers in Drift.

According to Sheriff John K. Blackburn, deputies were serving a warrant on Norman Blevins, 34, of Drift, when they discovered a meth lab at his residence. Blevins, arrested at the scene, was charged with manufacturing methamphetamine, possession of the drug and possession of the ingredients to make more of the substance.

Blackburn noted that both Little, who was celebrating his 34th birthday at the time of his arrest, and Blevins behaved as if they were under the influence of the drug when they were arrested.

"They were very hyperactive and repeatedly cursed us all the way to the jail," Blackburn said.

The sheriff also said that meth labs represent a danger to his officers, who are under strict orders to secure sites when they come across them.

"The fumes are very dangerous," Blackburn said. "We just secure the area till Randy Hunter [a Kentucky State Police detective who is trained in dismantling meth labs] can get there and suit up."

Det. Hunter will be investigating both men and Blackburn noted that more charges are pending on each suspect.

"It's amazing how all this ties together," Lt. Howard said. "It's a fine example of how pulling your resources and working together can bring good results."

Floyd County prosecuted its first meth dealer last year and saw a jury mete out a stiff sentence of 10 years to the dealer. That evening, Attorney General Greg Stumbo spoke at an Operation UNITE meeting held at May Valley Elementary. He made it a point to congratulate Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner's office for its prosecution but warned that meth is a "scourge" and that efforts to fight it in Western Kentucky took a concerted effort by all arms of law enforcement.

Lt. Howard said yesterday that the so-called scourge is enticing to area residents, even with imposing dangers, because the ingredients to manufacture the drug are relatively cheap.

The Johnson County Narcotics Task Force began last April as a collaborative, and sometimes voluntary, effort between Witten and three of his deputies. The group compiles information from complaints, anonymous tips and routine traffic stops about possible drug-related cases.

Officials urge anyone with information related to meth labs to contact local authorities immediately.

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## License

charged with the discipline of licensed lawyers in Kentucky, ordered Fred L. Tanner of Bowling Green permanently disbarred after his conviction in 2003 for embezzlement from the bank where he worked.

The court also imposed sanctions in the following cases:

■ A five-year suspension from practicing law for Joel R. Embry of Hopkinsville. Embry, a former public defender, was convicted of manslaughter and drug possession, but the court took pains to say that his was a "tragic case." Embry pleaded guilty to the manslaughter charge, which involved the death of his mother from neglect. The court said Embry had been a "conscientious public defender" whose life took a turn for the worse after a series of personal incidents and his own drug use.

■ Edward H. Adair was suspended for 181 days. Adair, who formerly practiced in the Perry County area but listed a mailing address in Oak Ridge, Tenn., was found guilty of professional misconduct for, among other things, failing to return a fee he did not earn.

■ David N. Williams of Simpsonville was suspended indefinitely pending a formal investigation. The court said there is evidence Williams, a lawyer since 1983, "misappropriated client funds for his own use" or improperly dealt with client funds.

■ Lawrence Hemming of Louisville had his 30-day suspension probated as long as he participated in a lawyers assistance program. Hemming had been convicted assault for an attack on his mother.

■ A public reprimand was issued to Michael R. Moloney, a former state senator from Lexington, for failing to adequately pursue a case he had accepted.

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# Viewpoint

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Guest View

## Editorial roundup

*The Indianapolis Star, on baseball's new drug policy:*

Under threat of government intervention, not to mention scorn from fans, Major League Baseball and its players' union finally stepped up to the plate and swung at a policy dealing with steroid abuse.

It wasn't exactly a homer. A sacrifice fly would be a better description. But considering the sham of a policy now governing the sport, even a bunt would have been welcome.

The new policy mirrors one used in the minor leagues, where players are tested four times a year, with a 15-game suspension for the first positive test, a one-year ban on the fourth violation, and a lifetime ban from the minors for a subsequent positive result.

Baseball's new rules leave a lot to be desired. But perhaps younger athletes will get the message that steroids and other drugs aren't the sole path to athletic advancement. And the government can focus on dealing with those who illicitly manufacture and supply this market for chemical bodybuilding, instead of standing behind the ump.

*Chicago Tribune, on Mexico's illegal immigration guide:*

You won't find many travel guides that warn about the dangers of arduous treks through the desert, excessive exhaustion, difficulty walking and reasoning, hallucinations and mirages, not to mention the possibility of smugglers abandoning you in the middle of nowhere, or the local police coming after you.

No, the "Guide for the Mexican Migrant" is not an Arizona tourist book. Published by the Mexican government, it is a compilation of survival tips for Mexicans who are contemplating illegally crossing the border into the U.S.

The 32-page pamphlet, with comic-book-like illustrations and a press run of about 1.5 million, has created a furor among American anti-immigration groups and some elected officials, who view it as part of a Mexican strategy to aid and abet illegal immigration.

It's really nothing of the sort. Except for a few questionable tips, the booklet is filled with graphic warnings about the life-threatening risks of entering the U.S. illegally.

But Mexico deserves criticism for its clumsiness and insensitivity to U.S. public opinion and immigration politics. Just as President Bush is laboring to push the immigration-reform wagon forward, the pamphlet effectively shoots out one of its tires. It's bad timing and worse public relations. ...

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Guest Column

## Why trust in Social Security?

by Jacob G. Hornberger

Isn't a central argument among those who argue for the continuation of America's premier socialist program, Social Security, that Americans cannot be trusted to voluntarily take care of the needs of their elderly parents?

Let's set aside all the nonsense about "I put it in and therefore I have a right to get it out." The irrefutable truth is that all the money that people "put in" is spent, poof, finis. There is no "I put-it-in" money that is earning interest in some investment fund.

Most of the Social Security tax revenue that comes from Social Security taxpayers is transferred to Social Security recipients. It is gone. That is what makes Social Security a transfer program rather than a retirement program. Money is coercively taken from the young and productive and distributed to Social Security recipients.

What about the excess — that is, the amount by which the amount collected exceeds the amount paid? Don't look there for hope or for some of your "I put it in" money. The government spends that excess as part of its general welfare-state expenditures. In return, it inserts government "IOUs" into the so-called Social Security fund. What that means is

that federal officials are promising to pay the Social Security money back, with interest, that they are spending. And where will they get the money to pay back those IOUs? You've got it — through more taxes imposed on the citizenry as those IOUs come due.

The entire Social Security scheme is a lie and a fraud of monumental proportions — and has been since the very beginning. If someone in the private sector tried something like this, he'd be serving a long sentence in a federal penitentiary.

Let's divide Social Security recipients into two categories — those who truly depend on the government's largess and those who don't because they are already sufficiently wealthy.

Those who aren't financially dependent on Social Security could be cut off immediately. Why should young people who are struggling to start families be forced to subsidize the lifestyles of the wealthy? If people wish to make a donation to someone who is financially well off, they can do that privately and voluntarily.

What about those who truly are dependent on the Social Security money? Why couldn't they rely on their children, who now would no longer have to pay Social Security taxes? (Keep in mind,

again, that the source of Social Security money is the taxes that are imposed on recipients' children and grandchildren.)

The implicit reason, according to the bureaucrats, is that Americans cannot be trusted to voluntarily help their parents. That is, if Social Security taxes were abolished, children would sooner let their parents die in the streets than voluntarily help them out. Or to put it another way, only bureaucrats, not regular people, can be trusted to help people in need, albeit with money extracted from regular people through the force of the IRS.

What about old people who don't have children or who have children who don't want to help or who lack the means to help enough? Well, what about church groups and community groups and non-profit charitable foundations? Isn't that what they're all about? Isn't the bureaucratic argument the same: that these people cannot be trusted to help others in need?

Ultimately, the commandment "Honor thy father and thy mother" is addressed to the hearts and minds of individuals. To mean anything in a moral sense, the choice of whether to comply with the commandment must come from the heart and mind of the person. Isn't

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## Letters

### Tort reform a myth

A proposal to limit malpractice awards trumpeted by the president is now being taken up by Kentucky political leaders.

Recently, President Bush went into "judicial hellhole" country to call for tort reform, which is designed to assure the lowering of medical malpractice insurance rates. Before making this claim, he should have noted what happened in Mississippi where five counties were listed on the American Tort Reform Association's "judicial hellhole" list.

After tort reform was effected in Mississippi, Dr. Keith Goodfellow said that skyrocketing malpractice rates are forcing him to give up part of the prac-

tice he loves. I can't think he is the only Mississippi doctor to find that tort reformers' promises now have a hollow ring.

When Mississippi placed a cap on pain and suffering awards, it joined other states that have done so on the "medical malpractice victims hellhole" list. Medical malpractice creates victims. Then tort reformers seek to make them victims once more by denying them a basic constitutional right: that a jury decides what recompense for their injury is appropriate.

Tort reformers, who surely know better, persist in promoting California as their poster boy, who didn't have staying power. Doctors' premiums increased by 450 percent during the 13 years after medical liability caps in California were imposed and only declined after voters

enacted comprehensive insurance industry reform and rate regulation of insurance companies, known as Proposition 103.

With appalling insensitivity, tort reformers, most notably the President, add insult to injury by referring to medical malpractice lawsuits as frivolous. That is outrageous. I am insulted on behalf of people dear to me whose lawsuits were not frivolous.

Obviously, Bush isn't going to stop promoting the myth of tort reform, but Kentucky legislators should look beyond rhetoric and support the interests of victims of medical malpractice, not the interests of insurance companies and bad doctors who are the only beneficiaries of tort reform.

Jane Marshall  
Clarksville, Tenn.

### Student needs info

My name is Elaine Denlinger and I am in sixth grade. I attend Brethren Heritage School in Modesto, Calif.

We are doing state reports this year in our history class. I have chosen to do my report on your state of Kentucky.

If you should happen to read this in your local newspaper, I would greatly appreciate receiving any information or items regarding your state. You could send pictures, tourist attraction information, trivia about your state or anything that would cause me to be more familiar with your state.  
Please send to:

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Thank you very much for helping me with my state report. I will appreciate any help you can give me.

Elaine Denlinger  
Modesto, Calif.



# At the Movies: 'Are We There Yet?'

by **CHRISTY LEMIRE**  
AP MOVIE CRITIC

Planes, trains and automobiles apparently aren't enough anymore.

In straining to wring every imaginable last laugh, the road trip comedy "Are We There Yet?" also trots out a horse, a blinged-out sport utility vehicle and an armada of 18-wheelers driven by misinformed, overzealous truckers.

None of this helps, though, when the passengers of said vehicles are the manipulative, high-maintenance brother-sister duo of Lindsey (Aleisha Allen) and Kevin (Philip Daniel Bolden), under the inept, reluctant watch of Nick (Ice Cube), who tolerates them in an effort to woo their exceedingly hot, divorced mother, Suzanne (Nia Long).

Real quick plot set-up (not that it matters, because director Brian Levant's movie is all about the sight gags): Suzanne is a Portland party planner with a big event scheduled for New Year's Eve in Vancouver. When her useless ex-husband claims he's sick and can't take their



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kids for the night, Nick, the child-hating bachelor, agrees to drive them up to Vancouver to stay with her.

But 11-year-old Lindsey, the tattletale, and 7-year-old Kevin, who's asthmatic and has obsessive-compulsive disorder, want their mom to get back together with their dad, and will stop at nothing to dissuade any potential suitors.

So they set out to destroy Nick and his shiny new Lincoln Navigator with tactics that make Macaulay Culkin's antics in the "Home Alone" movies look humane.

They kick him in the groin. They lock him out of the SUV. Lindsey hijacks it, gets stuck in reverse and crashes into stuff.

Kevin spills juice and throws up all over the interior — and almost does worse.

Each of these painfully familiar gross-out jokes is punctuated by an overbearing, jaunty score (though it's mildly amusing when Kevin asks from the back seat whether Nick has any Justin Timberlake or Clay Aiken to listen to, and is met with the thumping of 50 Cent instead).

And all the hijinks are accompanied by commentary from a talking Satchel Paige bobble head ball, which Nick (the owner of a sports memorabilia store) has mounted on his dashboard. "Saturday Night Live" alum Tracy Morgan provides the voice. He's not funny,

either.

But the script from a team of writers veers into territory that's not just unfunny, it's dangerous, when the kids accuse Nick of being a kidnapper just to escape, and truckers gang up on him in an attempt to stop him.

"Are We There Yet?" from director Levant (who previously directed the similarly madcap "Snow Dogs" and "Jingle All the Way") seems numbingly one-note until it shifts abruptly into a second note that clangs even worse. It tries to be sentimental, with Nick predictably finding himself functioning as a father figure, and all the characters experiencing impossibly well-timed changes of heart.

(Cube even allows himself to crack his trademark scowl for a smile or two while flirting with Long. It fits him worse than his wardrobe of oversized throw-back jerseys.)

Kids will laugh at the broad slapstick here, but they deserve better — as do their parents.

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# Rental Central

by **TOM DOTY**  
STAFF WRITER

New releases flooded the shelves this week, with four new films hitting the racks alongside two action classics and two popular series.

"The Forgotten" — Julianne Moore ("Boogie Nights") stars here as a mother who loses her children and finds that no one believes that they ever existed, including her husband. She starts to question her sanity until she meets a man (Dominic West of HBO's "The Wire") who has the same experience. Director Joseph Ruben ("The Stepfather") guides the film with a sure hand.

"Friday Night Lights" — Billy Bob Thornton stars as a Texas high school football coach who struggles to build a championship team. The film, which got high marks from critics, was directed by Peter Berg

("Chicago Hope's" chainsaw-wielding surgeon), who is the cousin of the coach in real life.

"Catwoman" — The big stinker of the summer hits DVD in full and widescreen editions. Halle Berry takes over as Catwoman and looks great but has to scratch and claw her way through an awful script that offers up Sharon Stone as a homicidal ex-super model.

"Cellular" — Kim Basinger stars in this thriller as a kidnapped woman whose only shot at a rescue lies in the hands of a teenager whom she reaches on her cell phone, William Macy and Jason Statham (The Transporter) costar in the film, with a screenplay by Larry Cohen ("Phone Booth" and "It's Alive").

Quentin Tarantino's favorite Japanese action star, Sonny Chiba, arrived on DVD this week with two of his 1970s karate epics hitting stores.

"Karate for Life" — Features Chiba as a karate star who offends many martial arts masters when he introduces spectacle to the sport by engaging in matches against a bull and a bear. This one is based on a true story and offers excellent battles and one heck of a final duel between master fighters.

"G.I. Samurai" — Here Chiba stars as a military commando whose entire division finds itself transported 400 years into Japan's past. They become embroiled in a land war between rival samurai armies and things don't go as one would assume in the final battle.

Television offers two recent productions on DVD this week.

"Curb Your Enthusiasm" — HBO's comedy series starring "Seinfeld" creator Larry David is back with last year's season (number 3) which follows David as he prepares to take over the lead in the Broadway

hit "The Producers." Mel Brooks and David Schwimmer costar.

"Farscape: The Peacekeeper Wars" — This miniseries, which aired on the Sci-Fi Channel last November, finally wraps up the story line of the series, which still had one season to go before it was canceled. The battle scenes are spectacular here and belie the television budget. The program's trademark mix of humor, action and drama are all on hand as an intergalactic war comes to an end and takes with it one of the show's leads.

Next week look for the debut of "Alien vs. Predator," as well as the classic television series "MacGyver."

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## Birth Announcement

Madison Grace Little was born June 22, 2004, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center. She weighed one pound and eight ounces, and was 11 inches long.

She is the daughter of Sherry and Derek Little of Wheelwright. Her maternal grandparents are Pam and Keith Tackett of Ligon, and Ron Johnson of Prestonsburg. Her paternal grandparents are Elsie and Jesse Little of Weeksbury.

Madison came home from the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at UK on October 11, 2004. Sherry and Derek would like to thank everyone for having Madison in their thoughts and prayers.



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# Floyd County awarded emergency food and shelter funds

Floyd County has been awarded \$19,970 in federal funds under the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program, for use during 2005. The award represents a \$1,447 increase over 2004 funding.

A newly convened local board will determine how the funds are to be distributed among Floyd County agencies that provide emergency food and shelter services. Members of the local board include the Floyd County judge-executive or his designee, local representatives of national social service agencies and interested citizens. Persons interested in serving on the board should contact Crissy Derry at (606) 886-2929 to volunteer.

Under the terms of the grant from the national board, local organizations chosen to receive funds must:

- Be private, voluntary non-profits or units of government.
- Have an accounting system.
- Practice nondiscrimination.
- Have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter

programs.

■ Have a voluntary board, if they are a private, voluntary organization.

An assessment of local needs conducted by the Phase 22 Floyd County Emergency Food and Shelter Board determined that 93 percent of the funds will be spent on food, 5 percent on shelter and 2 percent on administration.

Qualifying organizations are urged to apply by contacting Crissy Derry at (606) 886-2929 for an application packet. Completed applications are due by noon on Thursday, January 20, and may be

dropped off at Big Sandy Area Community Action Program, Floyd County Services Office in the Floyd County Courthouse Annex. Applications may be mailed to 313 Westminister Street, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Awards will be determined by the board at a public meeting to be held Friday, Jan. 28, at 10 a.m. at St. Martha Church, Prestonsburg, off Route 302 (Watergap Road) near Jenny Wiley State Resort Park.

Last year's recipients of the emergency food and shelter funds were St. Vincent's

Mission, Mud Creek Community Health Corporation, Christian Service Ministry, Wayland United Methodist Church Food Pantry, Middle Creek Community Development Club, the Floyd County/Prestonsburg Ministerial Association, Betsy Layne Church of God/Bread of Life Food Pantry, Town Branch Church/Feed My Sheep Food and Clothing Pantry, Martin Church of Christ Food Pantry, Heaven's Harvest and Big Sandy Area Community Action Program.

## Transportation Cabinet opens pothole hotline

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — See a pothole? Patch it.

The Transportation Cabinet has opened its toll-free hotline to report those gaping chasms of asphalt that can rattle the undercarriage and the nerves.

In the past, the hotline was open only during "pothole season" from Feb. 1 to May 1, but cabinet officials will keep it operating year-round to take reports about those offending holes on state-maintained roads.

A recording asks the caller for a name and location of the

pothole, including the county, route number and approximate mile marker or landmark. A release from the cabinet said the holes will be filled as soon as possible.

The toll-free number is 1-800-728-2448. (1-800-Patch-It)

## Social Security

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that what free will is all about? How can morality and compassion and obedience to God be reconciled with majority rule, the IRS, and bureaucratic decision making? Maybe that's why our American ancestors declined to enact such socialist programs as Social Security (which originated among German socialists during the regime of Germany's Iron Chancellor, Otto von Bismarck) for more than 125 years after our nation was founded.

Lack of trust in the American people among the bureaucrats is not surprising, especially seeing that they have such a large stake in Social Security (i.e., government salaries and pensions needed to administer the program). What's sad is that ordinary Americans have bought into this mindset by losing trust in themselves to do the right thing, voluntarily. That's undoubtedly why they spend their time supporting plans to save and reform the crown jewel of America's socialistic welfare-state system rather than telling their public officials to simply toss Social Security — and the taxes that fund it — into the dustbin of history.

Jacob Hornberger is founder and president of The Future of Freedom Foundation.



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**First Assembly of God, Martin:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Lorle Vannucci, Minister.

**New Bethel Assembly of God, Burning Fork Rd., Salyersville:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Arthur (Sam) Smith, Minister.

**Praise Assembly, 1 mile S. of Prestonsburg, intersection of Rt. 80 and U.S. 23:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; J.M. Sloce, Minister.

**BAPTIST**

**Allen First Baptist, Allen:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Arnold Turner, Minister.

**Auxier Freewill Baptist, Auxier:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Spencer, Pastor.

**Benedict Baptist, Slick Rock Branch, Cow Creek:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Gordon Fitch, Minister.

**Betsy Layne Free Will Baptist, Betsy Layne:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tracy Patton, Minister.

**Big Sandy Community and Technical College Baptist Student Union, J 102:** Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.; Vera Joiner, 886-3863, ext. 67267.

**Bonanza Freewill Baptist, Abbott Creek Road, Bonanza:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jimmy D. Brown, Minister.

**Brandy Keg Freewill Baptist, Corn Fork:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roger Music, Minister.

**Calvary Southern Baptist, Betsy Layne:** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Doug Lewis, Minister.

**Community Freewill Baptist, Goble Roberts Addition:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Paul D. Coleman, Minister.

**Cow Creek Freewill Baptist, Cow Creek:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathan Lafferty, Minister.

**Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, Banner:** Services: Saturday night, 7 p.m.; Sunday morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday night, 7 p.m.; Henry Lewis, Minister.

**Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Jim Fields, Minister.

**Endicott Freewill Baptist, Buffalo:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Smith, Pastor.

**Faith Bible Church, an independent Baptist Church, located on 1428, between Allen & Martin:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Sunday Morning, 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening, 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study & Prayer, 6 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Stuart E. Swanberg.

**Faith Freewill Baptist, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Ept. on Rt. 1428:** Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Buddy Jones, Minister.

**First Baptist, Garrett:** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Osborne, Minister.

**First Baptist, Martin:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Greydon Howard, Minister.

**First Baptist, 54 S. Front St. (Irene Cole Memorial):** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dr. Floyd Price, minister.

**Fitzpatrick First Baptist, 1063 Big Branch, P.O. Box 410, Prestonsburg, KY 41653:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Pastor Tommy Reed.

**Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

**Free United Baptist, West Prestonsburg:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

**Grethel Baptist, State Rt. 3379, (Branham's Creek Rd.):** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

**Highland Avenue Freewill Baptist:** Sunday School, 9:50 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; David Garrett, Minister.

**Jacks Creek Baptist, Bevinsville:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jeff Barrett, Minister.

**Katy Friend Freewill Baptist, 2 miles up Abbott:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Price, Minister.

**Lackey Freewill Baptist, Lackey:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Johnny J. Collins, Minister.

**Lancer Baptist Church, 71 Cooley St., Prestonsburg:** Sunday School, 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship, 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship, 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor Bobby Carpenter

**Liberty Baptist, Denver:** Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Merle Little, Minister.

**Ligon Community Freewill Baptist, Ligon:** Worship Service, Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Thursday, 7 p.m.

**Martin Branch Freewill Baptist, Estill:** Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.

**Martin Freewill Baptist, Martin:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.

**Maytown First Baptist, Main St., Maytown:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Bob Varney, Minister.

**McDowell First Baptist, McDowell:** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Gene Bracken, Minister.

**Middle Creek Baptist, Blue River:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Eugene Cook, Minister.

**Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg:** Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister. home phone 285-3385

**Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer:** Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.

**Prater Creek Baptist, Banner:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; J.B. Hall, Pastor. Phone: (606) 874-3222.

**Rock Fork Freewill Baptist, Garrett:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Wendell Crager, Minister.

**Rock Fork Regular Baptist, Garrett:** Worship Service, 9:30 a.m.; Earl Stone, Minister; Jerry Manns, Assistant Minister.

**Salt Lick United Baptist, Salt Lick, Hueysville:** Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.; 4th Sunday; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Chester Lucas.

**Sammy Clark Branch Freewill Baptist, Dana:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Shane Powers.

**Stephens Branch Missionary Baptist, Stephens Branch:** Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.

**The Third Avenue Freewill Baptist:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

**Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist, U.S. 23 (north of Layne Brothers):** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.

**Tom Moore Memorial Freewill Baptist, Cliff Road:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Youth Service, 5:00 p.m.; Evening Service, 6:00 p.m.; No Service the 1st Sunday of each month; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jody Spencer, Minister.

**Trimble Chapel Freewill Baptist:** Intersection of U.S. 23 and KY 80, Water Gap; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.

**United Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Hueysville:** Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.

**Wheelwright Freewill Baptist, Wheelwright Junction:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Louis Ferrari, Minister.

**CATHOLIC**

**St. Martha, Water Gap:** Mass: Sunday, 11:15 a.m.; Saturday, 5 p.m.; Sunday; Father Robert Damron, pastor.

**CHRISTIAN**

**First Christian, 560 North Arnold Avenue:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Jim Sherman, Minister.

**Garrett Community Christian, Route 550, Garrett:** Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Donnie Hackworth, Minister.

**Victory Christian Ministries, 1428 E.:** Sunday School, 11:30 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Sherm Williams, Minister.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**

**Betsy Layne Church of Christ, Betsy Layne:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy J. Spears, Minister.

**Church of Christ, South Lake Drive:** Worship Service, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Benny Blankenship, Minister.

**Harold Church of Christ, Harold:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James H. Harmon, Minister.

**Highland Church of Christ, Rt. 23, Hager Hill:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.

**Hueysville Church of Christ:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chester Varney, Minister.

**Lower Toler Church of Christ, Harold:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lonie Meade, Minister.

**Mare Creek Church of Christ, Stanville:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

## Return to your Bible

*God's voice thunders in marvelous ways; He does great things beyond our understanding. He says to the snow, "Fall on the earth," and to the rain shower, "Be a mighty downpour."*



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**Martin Church of Christ, Martin:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Gary Mitchell, Minister.

**Maytown Church of Christ, 66 Turkey Creek Rd., Langley:** Sunday Bible Study 10:00 a.m., Sunday morning worship 11:00 a.m., Evening Worship 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 6:00 p.m.

**Upper Toler Church of Christ, 3.5 miles up Toler Creek on right:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Tommy Dale Bush, Minister.

**Weeksbury Church of Christ:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Mike Hall, Minister.

**CHURCH OF GOD**

**Betsy Layne Church of God, Old U.S. 23:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Judith Caudill, Minister.

**Community Church of God, Arkansas Creek, Martin:** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Bud Crum, Minister.

**First Church of God:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steven V. Williams, Pastor.

**Garrett Church of God, Garrett:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Bragg, Minister.

**Landmark Church of God, Goble Roberts Addition:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11:10 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth E. Prater, Jr., Minister.

**Little Paint First Church of God, 671 Little Paint Road, East Point:** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Charles Heater Jr., Minister.

**The Church of God of Prophecy, Hi Hat:** Sunday School, 3 p.m.; Saturday night, 7:00 p.m. Singing; Wednesday night, 7 p.m. Prayer Service. Ralph Hall, Pastor.

**The Ligon Church of God of Prophecy, Sunday School, 10 a.m.:** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

**EPISCOPAL**

**St. James Episcopal:** Sunday Service, 9:45 a.m.; Holy Eucharist 11:00 a.m. Wednesday Study Group 6:00p.m., Holy Eucharist & Healing 7:30 p.m. Father Johnnie E. Ross, Rector.

**LUTHERAN**

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

**METHODIST**

**Auxier United Methodist, Auxier:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.

**Betsy Layne United Methodist, next to B.L. Gymnasium:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Randy Blackburn, Minister.

**Christ United Methodist, Allen:** Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.

**Community United Methodist, 141 Burke Avenue (off University Drive and Neeley St.):** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Steve Pescoolido, Minister.

**Elliott's Chapel Free Methodist, Rt. 979, Beaver:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Philip T. Smith, Minister.

**Emma United Methodist, Emma:** Sunday Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Jack Howard, Minister.

**First United Methodist, 256 South Arnold Avenue:** 9 a.m. Contemporary Service; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 10:55 a.m. and 5 p.m. UMYS Service; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark D. Walz, Pastor.

**Horn Chapel Methodist, Auxier Road, Auxier:** Sunday Morning Service, 9 a.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Mid-week Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday Evening Service held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 6 p.m.; Garfield Potter, Minister.

**Martin Methodist:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.

**Maytown United Methodist, Langley:** Sunday Service, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Roy Harlow, Minister.

**Salisbury United Methodist, Printer:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby G. Lawson, Minister.

**Wayland United Methodist, Rt. 7, Wayland:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; Brad Tackett, Minister.

**Wheelwright United Methodist, Wheelwright:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Bobby Isaac, Minister.

**Vogle Day United Methodist Church, Harold:** Sunday School, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Bible Study, 7:00 p.m.; Dennis C. Love, Pastor.

**Drift Pentecostal, Drift:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, Saturday/Sunday, 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Ted Shannon, Minister.

**Free Pentecostal Church of God, Rt. 1428, East Point:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Thurs., 6:30 p.m.; Buster Hayton, Minister.

**Free Pentecostal Church of God, Weeksbury:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Saturday, 7 p.m.; John "Jay" Patton, Minister.

**Free Pentecostal Deliverance, Ext. 46 off Mt. Parkway at Campton:** Worship Service, Saturday and Sunday, 7 p.m.; Patricia Crider, Minister.

**Free Pentecostal Holiness, Rt. 122, Upper Burton:** Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Louis Sanlan, Minister; David Pike, Associate Minister.

**Goodloe Pentecostal, Rt. 850, David:** Worship Service, 6 p.m.; Malcolm Stone, Minister.

**Parkway First Calvary Pentecostal, Floyd and Magoffin County Line:** Worship Service, 6:30 p.m.; Mike D. Caldwell, Minister. 297-6262.

**Trinity Chapel Pentecostal Holiness, Main St., Martin:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; 2nd Sat., 7 p.m.; Thurs., 7 p.m.; Ellis J. Stevens, Minister.

**PRESBYTERIAN**

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

**SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST**

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

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

**OTHER**

**Pastor Atha Johnson** welcomes everyone to attend services at the **CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY TRAM KENTUCKY.** Sunday school 10 a.m., Worship service 11 a.m.

**Drift Independent, Drift:** Sunday, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

**Dwale House of Prayer, Dwale:** Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Sunday, 6 p.m.; William Jarrell, Minister.

**Grace Fellowship Prestonsburg, (next to old flea market),** Sunday School, 10 a.m. Worship, 11 a.m. Bill Stukenberg, Pastor 889-0905.

**Faith Deliverance Tabernacle, West Prestonsburg:** Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.; Don Shepherd, Minister.

**Faith Revelation Ministry, 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Randy Hagans, Minister.

**Faith Worship Center, US 460, Paintsville:** Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6 p.m.; Buddy and Maude Frye, Minister.

**Full Gospel Community, (formerly of Martin) moved to Old Allen:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Sunday evening, 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Lorraine Lafferty, Minister.

**Lighthouse Temple, Main St. and Hall St.:** Worship Service, 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday/Friday, 7 p.m.; Roy Cosby, Minister.

**Living Water Ministries Full Gospel Church, Conley Fork of Spurlock, Prestonsburg:** Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Sunday Evening, 6:00 p.m. Pastor: Curt Howard.

**Martin House of Worship, Old Post Office St.:** Worship Service, 7 p.m., Saturday/Sunday.

**Old Time Holiness, 2 miles up Arkansas Creek, Martin:** Sunday School, 11 a.m.; Worship Service, 7 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; John W. Patton, Minister.

**Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Dan Heintzelman, Minister.

**Town Branch Church:** Sunday School 10 a.m. except for first Sunday in each month; Worship Service, Sun. morning 10:00 a.m.; Evening 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.; No Sunday night services on first Sunday of each month. Tom Nelson, Minister.

**The Father House, Big Branch, Abbott Creek:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 6 p.m.; J.J. Wright, Minister.

**The Tabernacle, Rt. 321 (Old Plantation Motel),** Christian Educator, 10:00; Sunday Morning, 11:00; Sunday Evening, 7:00; Wednesday, 7:00; Pastors, Paul and Ramona Aiken.

**Youth Fellowship Center, Wheelwright:** Monday-Tuesday, 6 p.m.; Thursday, 7 p.m.

**Zion Deliverance, Wayland:** Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Prayer Line: 358-2001; Jeff Kinslow, Pastor

**Taylor Chapel Community Church, formerly the old Price Food Service building, located 1/4 mile above Worldwide Equipment, Rt. 1428, Sun. Bible Study, 10 a.m.; Sun. Morning Service, 11 a.m.; Sun. Evening, 6:30 p.m. Kenny Vanderpool, Pastor.**

**International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin:** Rav. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.

**Rising Sun Ministries, 78 Court Street, Allen, Ky.:** Sunday, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Pastor: D.P. Curry.

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# Obituaries

## Betty Ruth Myers Hunt

Betty Ruth Myers Hunt, age 73, of Stanville, wife of Rev. Virgil Hunt, passed away Thursday, January 20, 2005, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

She was born October 2, 1931, in Pleasant Hill, Tennessee, the daughter of the late John Myers and Nora Abston Myers. She was a homemaker; a member of the Cow Creek Freewill Baptist Church, Prestonsburg; and the Order of the Eastern Star, Logan, West Virginia.

She is survived by her husband, Virgil Hunt.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by three sons: Virgil Lee (Drema) Hunt of Wellington, Jackie Paul (Debbie) Hunt of Stanville, and Mark Allen (Jan) Hunt of Honaker; three daughters: Deborah Lynn (Freddy) Hunt of Stanville, Glennette Gail (Robert) Daugherty of Sidney, and Hilda Yvonne (Glen) Blackburn of Prestonsburg; two brothers: Paul Myers and Ronald Myers, both of Gallatin, Tennessee; two sisters: Ruby Myers of Louisville, and Mattie Rice of Anniston, Alabama; nine grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by two brothers: Robert Myers and Carthy Myers; and one sister, Lula Mae Harmon.

Funeral services for Betty Ruth Myers Hunt will be conducted Saturday, January 22, at 11 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergymen Nathan Lafferty and James Harmon officiating.

Burial will follow in the Hunt Family Cemetery, in Stanville, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home, with nightly services at 7 p.m.

(Paid obituary)

## Rose Anderson Floyd

Rose Anderson Floyd, age 80, of Jeffersonville, formerly of McDowell, passed away on Monday, January 17, 2005, in the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington.

She was born December 17, 1924, in McDowell, the daughter of the late Melvin C. Anderson and Mary Jane Sizemore Anderson. She was a retired educator for the Floyd County School Systems, and a member of the First Baptist Church, at McDowell.

She is survived by four sons: John V. Floyd and Ricky Nelson Floyd, both of Jeffersonville, George M. Floyd of Dry Ridge, and Marion Glenn Floyd of Martin; one daughter, Mary Lynn Colson of Marietta, Georgia; two brothers: John F. Anderson of Fairborn, Ohio, and Richard C. Anderson of Lexington; two sisters: Mary Elizabeth Anderson and Sarah Rebecca King, both of McDowell; 23 grandchildren, and 26 great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Cindy Beth Floyd Blackburn; four brothers: Milford G. Anderson, Morris Leonard Anderson, Marion C. Anderson, and George Clinton Anderson; and three sisters: Elymas Olson, Zelma Anderson, and Zella Howell.

Funeral services for Rose Anderson Floyd, will be conducted Friday, January 21, at 1 p.m., at the First Baptist Church, in McDowell, with Clergyman Gene Bracken officiating.

Burial will follow in the Anderson Family Cemetery, at McDowell, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

(Paid obituary)

## Bertram Layne

Bertram Layne, 90, of Tram, died Tuesday, January 18, 2005, at the Riverview Manor Nursing Home.

Born May 23, 1914, in Tram, he was the son of the late Lee and Cinda Caldwell Layne. He was a factory worker, a U.S. Army and World War II veteran, a member of D.A.V. Chapter 169 at Betsy Layne; and a member of the Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist Church, at Ivel.

Survivors include a brother, Hubert Layne of Elizabeth, Tennessee and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Elmer Layne and

Herbert Layne; and six sisters: Bertha Layne Hall, Florida Layne Smith, Wilda Layne Farmer, Eursel Layne Wright, Lilly Layne Johnson, and Elsie Layne Leisure.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, January 22, at 1 p.m., at the Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist Church, at Ivel, with Chuck Ferguson officiating.

Burial will be in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, at Ivel, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, at Martin.

Visitation is at the funeral home, and will be held Friday, January 21, after 4 p.m., at the Tom's Creek Freewill Baptist Church, at Ivel.

(Paid obituary)

## Ernestine Wells

Ernestine Wells Wells, 80, of Auxier, died Tuesday, January 18, 2005, at Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center.

Born November 8, 1924, in Auxier, she was the daughter of the late Ernest (Yankee) Wells and Zella Webb Wells.

She was a former employee of Food City.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester Wells, on August 1, 1961.

Survivors include two daughters: Hattie (Bill) Branham, and Sherry (Phillip) Tucker, both of Prestonsburg; one son, Ernest Richard Wells; and one sister, Billie Joyce Walters of Erlanger;

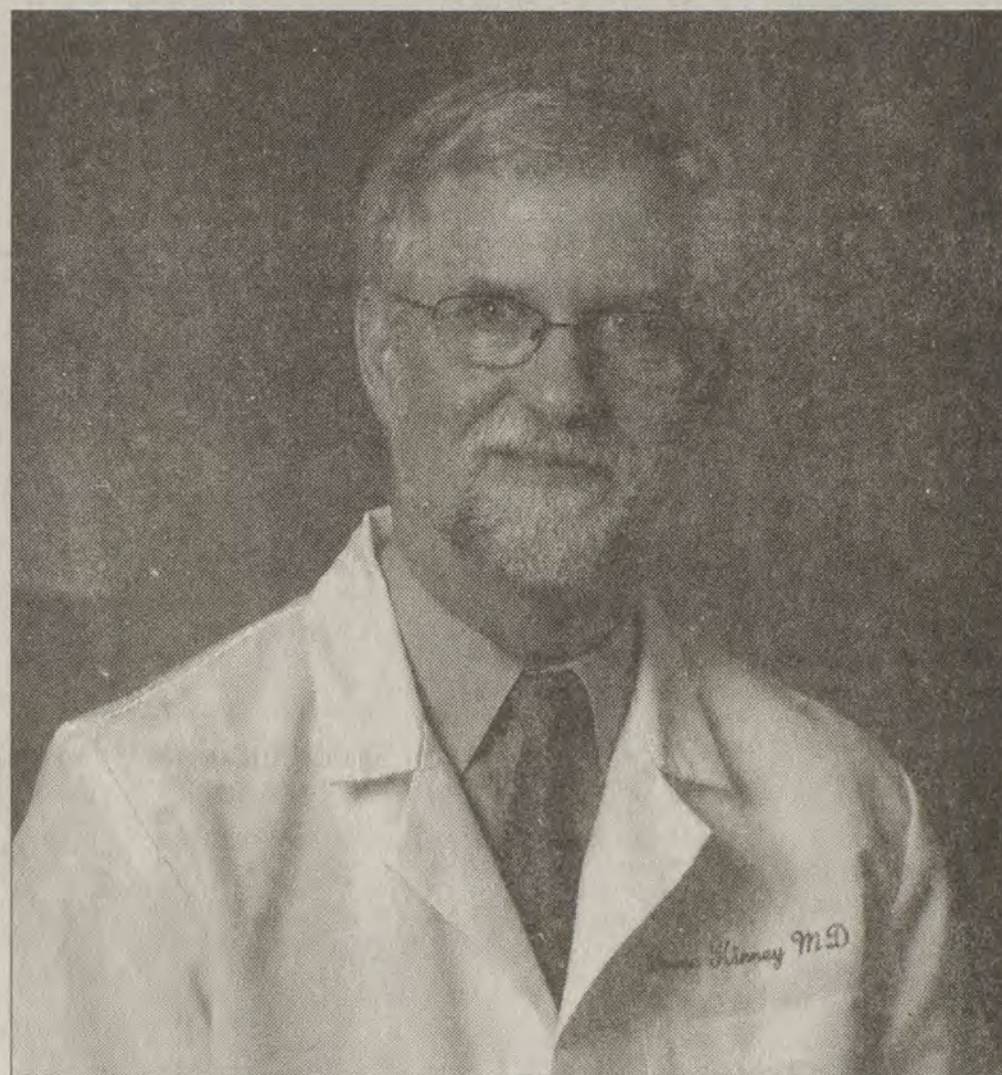
one brother, Paul Dean Wells of Prestonsburg; five grandchildren: Tina (Steve) Blackburn, Liza (Eddie) Kimbler, Todd (Leslie) Tucker, Arron (Samantha) Tucker, and Craig (Jennifer) Tucker; and five great-grandchildren: Adam, Bryce, Chase, Cassidy, and Jeri.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday, January 21, at 1 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, Prestonsburg, with Rev. Jim Sherman, and Rev. Steve Pescosolido officiating.

Interment will be in the Wells Cemetery, at Auxier.

The family has entrusted arrangements to Carter Funeral Home.

## MEET DR. KINNEY



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### Licenses

Mary Sue Caudill, 35, of Hazard, to Douglas Edward Patton, 38, of McDowell.  
Pamela Rose McCown, 42, to Russell Lee Osborne, 47, both of Melvin.  
Brenda Carol Hughes, 56, of Lancer, to Wade Hamilton, 56, of Martin.  
Jamie Fee Bray, 43, of Auxier, to David Ferrell, 38, of Prestonsburg.  
Misty Dawn Compton, 24, to Joey Edward Howell, 28, both of McDowell.

### Civil Suits Filed

Tommy J. Collins vs. Rayne E. Crum, petition for child support and health care insurance.  
Elizabeth Martin vs. Gary Martin; petition for health care insurance.  
Tara Redford vs. Arthur Redford; petition for child support and health care insurance.  
Willia Diana Kingsley vs. Paul Denver Kingsley; divorce.  
Rhonda Ousley vs. Robert Skeans II and Robert Skeans; complaint.  
Travelers Property and Casualty vs. Sherry Chaffins; complaint.  
Freda Boyd vs. Paul Fanning, Glenna Slone, Deresa Ray, Dr. Chandra Varia, Carol Stumbo, Jeff Stumbo, and Mickey McGuire; complaint.  
Chris Akers vs. Lisa Akers; petition for health care insurance.  
Jamie Hackworth vs. Gerald Russell; petition for health care insurance.  
Tiffany Rose vs. Shawn Rose; petition for health care insurance.  
Robie Akers vs. Priscilla Mitchell; petition for health care insurance.  
Judy Short vs. Agon Short; petition for child support and health care insurance.  
Sherri Tripp vs. Ricky Tripp;

petition for child support and health care insurance.

Angela Kendrick vs. Basil Kendrick; petition for health care insurance.

Cheryl Riley vs. James Griggs; petition for health care insurance.

Boca Enterprises, Inc. vs. East Kentucky Water Inc., Prestonsburg City Utilities, and Great American Insurance Company; complaint.

Tim Hall Walker vs. Kathy Jo Walker; divorce.

Allene Brown vs. Tony James Hall; verified complaint.

### Small Claims

### Filings

Jack Shepherd vs. Michael Tackett; attempt to collect debt.  
Lucy Davis vs. Heritage Motors of Lexington; attempt to collect personal belongings taken in a repossessed vehicle, alleges that amount owed on the vehicle is wrong.  
East Kentucky Tire vs. Jim Kern Trucking; attempt to collect debt.  
Barry Hopkins vs. Marlin Music; overdue rent.  
Housing Authority of Martin vs. Jimmy C. Carroll; attempt to collect debt.  
Easter and Vernon Salisbury vs. Billy Ray Horne; attempt to collect debt.

### Charges Filed

Bee Bob Newsome, 53, Ligon; terroristic threatening.  
Charles Alan Duncan, 37, Betsy Layne; taking wildlife from a vehicle, discharge firearm across a public access way, three counts of uncoded misdemeanors, entry on a land without consent, driving on a DUI-suspended license.  
Steven R. Newsome, 37, Pikeville; taking wildlife from a vehicle, discharge firearm across a public access way, three counts

of uncoded misdemeanors, entry on land without consent, two counts of hunting without a license.

Jamie Young, 36, Harold; misdemeanor theft.

Kenny Greer, 45, Printer; two counts of expired registration receipt, no semi trailer plate, failure to add taxable unit to taxable inventory, failure to extend weight decal, overweight on tandem axle.

James Mitchell Fleming, 42, Pound, Va.; two counts of disregarding federal safety regulations, no semi trailer plate.

Tracy Conley, 30, Garrett; public intoxication, violation of a foreign emergency protection order.

Jesse Lee Greene, no age, no address; fourth-degree assault.

Eric Shepherd, 32, Hueysville; terroristic threatening.

Charles R. Conley, 33, Hueysville, terroristic threatening.

Wayne Jervis, 59, Auxier; public intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Alisia D. Robinson, 24, Langley; public intoxication.

Marvin R. Ousley, 45, Prestonsburg; public intoxication.

Susan B. Greene, 40, Wheelwright; fourth-degree assault.

Pricilla Akers, 35, Harold; third-degree criminal trespass.

Tracy L. Brewer, 20, Hi Hat; public intoxication (controlled substance), possession of marijuana, third-degree possession of a controlled substance, open alcoholic beverage container.

Donald Adams, 49, McDowell; public intoxication, resisting arrest, fourth-degree assault.

Irene Wallen, 28, Prestonsburg; shoplifting.

Susan Johnson, 32, Hueysville; misdemeanor theft — checks.

Chad Mitchell, 31, Beaver; public intoxication.

Zackery Scott Goodman, 25,

Prestonsburg; driving under the influence, three counts of disregarding federal safety regulations, fleeing or evading, failure to wear seat belt.

Paul Douglas Collins, 47, Prestonsburg; felony theft — checks.

Angela Gregory, 42, Prestonsburg; felony theft — checks.

Joshua Todd, no age, Medina, Tenn.; fugitive from another state.

Lydia M. Spradlin, 37, Blue River; felony theft — checks.

Tiffany Tripplett, 17, Allen; felony theft — checks.

James Mullins, 24, Allen; felony theft — checks.

Rodney Cobern, 31, Claypool, Ind.; second-degree assault.

Jeffrey Stanley, 30, Blue River; theft.

James C. Miller, 40, Prestonsburg; first-degree criminal trespass, theft.

James W. Miller, 20, Prestonsburg; first-degree criminal trespass, theft.

Jennifer K. Miller, 38, Prestonsburg; first-degree criminal trespass, theft.

James Reynolds, 21, Grethel; driving under the influence, driving on a DUI-suspended license, possession of a controlled substance, prescription in improper container, endangering the welfare of a minor, no child restraint, no seat belt, no insurance.

Andrew J. Steele, 35, Hi Hat; fourth-degree assault, terroristic threatening, disorderly conduct, public intoxication.

Vickey L. Johnson, 29, Melvin; third-degree criminal trespass, public intoxication.

Thomas E. Shepherd, 30, Paintsville; fleeing and evading, public intoxication, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, third-degree criminal trespass.

Johnny McKinney, 42, Prestonsburg; terroristic threatening.

Regina D. Cline, 29, Inez; two counts of misdemeanor theft.

Christopher Dean Rackey, 28,

Bevinsville; first-degree wanton endangerment, five counts of disregarding federal safety regulations, no license, overweight on an AAA highway, expired registration receipt, failure to display extended weight decal, failure to add taxable unit to inventory, no Kentucky motor fuel users insurance.

Timmy Hall, 32, Prestonsburg; receiving stolen property.

Carolyn Stricklin, 46, Banner; felony theft.

Regina D. Cline, 29, Inez; two counts of second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument.

### Inspections

Double Kwik, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Spray bottle in food service area without proper label, meat item observed being thawed at room temperature, wiping cloth not properly stored, proper hair restraints not in use. Score: Food 95, retail 100.

Giovanni's, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food items observed stored on floor of walk-in cooler, proper hair restraints not in use, clean utensils observed stored on floor, garbage containers in food prep area not covered, walls and ceilings in bad repair. Score: 91.

Davis Mobile Home Park, Endicott, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not properly numbered, home size not in compliance, insufficient number of garbage cans, lighting not in compliance. Score: 92.

MomNanas, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Chemical test strips not readily available at three-compartment sink, garbage container in food prep area not properly covered. New facility, very clean and well organized. Score: 96.

Robert's Pizzeria, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Proper hair restraints not in use, no soap at hand wash sink, garbage can in

food prep area not properly covered, cleaning utensils not properly stored. Score: 93.

Allen Mobile Home park, regular inspection. Violations noted: No violations noted, new facility. Score: 100.

Pizza Den, Ivel, regular inspection. Violations noted: Toppings not covered while stored, hair restraints not in use, reach-in unit in disrepair, establishment does not have sanitizing agent in facility, waste container not covered. Score: 86. Follow-up inspection required.

Vito's, Auxier, follow up inspection. Two critical items corrected, some noncritical items still need correcting. Score: 92.

Alpikie Mobile Home Park, regular inspection. Violation noted: Lots not numbered, potholes and areas of standing water observed. Score: 92.

Pleasant Living Mobile Home Park, Route 1428, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not numbered, some lot distances not in compliance. Score: 94.

Mayo Mobile Home Park, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not numbered, some lot distances not in compliance.

### Property

### Transfers

Connie Mullins to Eliza Johnson, property located in Knott County.

Allen Lee Kilgore and Brenda Sue Kilgore to Inez Deposit Bank, property located at Brush Creek.

Danny Thomas Salisbury to Lydia Gaye Daniels, property located in Drift.

Curtis Ray Salisbury to Danny Thomas Salisbury and Lydia Gaye Daniels, property located at Drift.

Inez Owens and Marcus Owens Sr. to the same and Marcus Owens Jr., property located at Left Beaver.



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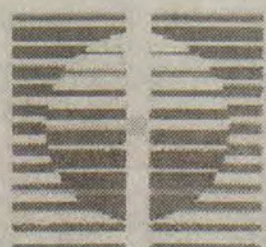
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## Lady Tigers eliminate host Allen Central

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – On a night when senior center Becky Thomas scored the 1,500th point of her high school, visiting Paintsville had the final say. Allen Central, playing host to this year's Girls' 15th Region All "A" Classic, couldn't overcome a slow start Wednesday night. The Lady Rebels struck first when Thomas hit on a field goal and

scored the first two points of the game. From there, it was mostly a battle to get back even with the Lady Tigers. Paintsville went on a 7-0 scoring run in the first quarter and led Allen Central 9-4 at the end of the initial period. In a low-scoring affair, the Lady Tigers fought off a late Allen Central rally and went on to win 43-42.

Senior Ashley Hall led Paintsville with 13 points. Kendra Carroll added 12 points for the Lady Tigers. Despite getting in early

foul trouble and as a result going to the bench in the second half, saddled with four fouls, Chelsea Jarrell added seven points.

Paintsville connected on just four-of-15 free throw attempts. But the Lady Tigers made up for the poor free throw shooting by building an early lead and stepping up defensively.

Allen Central got within four points of

(See LADY TIGERS, page three)



photo by Steve LeMaster  
Shortly after scoring her 1,500th career point, Allen Central senior center Becky Thomas (52) defended a Paintsville pass.

## Exploring the 15th Region

by RICK BENTLEY  
TIMES COLUMNIST

I'm going to freely admit to being on the outside looking in when it comes to high school basketball. My "real" job keeps me pretty tied down, not allowing me the opportunity to get out and see many games. In fact, to this point in the season, I haven't seen any.

All that makes it somewhat difficult to handicap the season, but as we reach the midpoint, some things are beginning to clear up.

The first thing I can clearly see is there's no need in looking for a favorite in the 15th Region. It's as clear as mud, that's what it is. Troubles

with the early-line favorite have really thrown the thing into an uproar, and completely opened up the region for anyone who gets hot at the right time.

And you know what's bad? This is the fifth paragraph and I haven't even had to specify whether I'm referring to the boys' side or the girls'.

From the looks of things, Shelby Valley was the favorite on the boys' side, if one could be named. Jason Booher inherited a goodly amount of talent and was doing a good deal with it.

Then came this week's apparent dismissal of point guard Seth Kiser, who some say was the best player in the region, and all of a sudden things are thrown all out of kilter.

What has happened in the Shelby Valley basketball office this week isn't for us to speculate. That's a family matter – the Wildcat basketball family as well as the Kiser family – and they have to work it out.

But one thing is sure – the Cats took a blow when he was dismissed, and may have been knocked off their perch as regional favorite.

Still, their three losses at this point in the season have all come to teams outside the region, and the win total includes Tuesday's 76-61 win over a good Pike Central team without Kiser.

It remains to be seen if they can win it. Certainly they're a contender, maybe even still the favorite. But they aren't as overwhelming a choice this week as they could have been last.

So if not them, who? Someone – it's in

(See BENTLEY, page three)

## TITLE DEFENSE TIME



photo by Steve LeMaster

Betsy Layne senior center Kristal Daniels (20) eyed a rebound during the first half of Wednesday night's win over Sheldon Clark. Daniels scored 23 points in her team's winning effort.

## Betsy Layne girls win regional All 'A' opener

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN – Another Girls' 15th Region All "A" Classic game and another win for the Betsy Layne Ladycats. Beginning defense of its title, or titles, three-time defending 15th Region All "A" Classic titleholder Betsy Layne got off to a winning start Wednesday night at Allen Central High School, beating All "A" newcomer Sheldon Clark, convincingly, 67-42.

Senior center Kristal Daniels paved the way for Betsy Layne as she scored a game-high 23 points and pulled down a game-high 15 rebounds. Senior guard Kim Clark followed with 19 points, nine

rebounds and five assists.

The Ladycats would like nothing better than to make a fourth straight trip to Richmond and the Touchstone Energy All "A" Classic state tournament. The path to a fourth straight trip to the state tournament began with Wednesday's win over Sheldon Clark, a team that played Betsy Layne tough throughout.

"They're a scrappy bunch," Betsy Layne Coach Cassandra Akers said of Sheldon Clark, following her team's 25-point win.

Betsy Layne got off to a great start against Sheldon Clark and led 18-5 at the end of the first quarter. The Ladycats led 28-16 at halftime and finished Sheldon Clark off in

the second half.

Akers worked with several playing combinations in the first half.

"Early on, I thought we might pull out, but we got out of our offense some," Akers added. "But we were able to get back in it. Our seniors played real well again – especially in the second half."

The senior Ladycats – all four of whom start – played huge. Betsy Layne's senior quartet accounted for 58 points. Kristen Smith pushed in 10 points for the Ladycats and Breann Akers added six.

Betsy Layne connected on 15-of-22 free throw tries.

When play began in the second

(See BETSY LAYNE, page three)

## P'burg rolls over Betsy Layne

### Fast start proves too much for Bobcats

by JAMIE HOWELL  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PRESTONSBURG – Just when it seems the season might be headed south for the Prestonsburg Blackcats, Jackie Day Crisp's club puts together the best four quarters of the season in a 75-48 blowout win over Betsy Layne.

Betsy Layne Coach Brent Rose had his team at a perfect 3-0 record in district play until the Bobcats traveled to Prestonsburg and ran into an angry bunch of Blackcats on Tuesday evening. Prestonsburg had dropped three straight games and was in desperate need of a win and after shooting the lights out in the first quarter, the Blackcats never looked back.

Prestonsburg jumped out to a 23-13 lead after one quarter and Betsy Layne would get no closer than eight points for the remainder of the night. Prestonsburg had been struggling to find an inside game and on Tuesday evening the play of senior center John Mark Stephens and senior forward Jesse Chaffin helped the Blackcats to the lopsided win.

After only missing one shot from the floor in the first quarter, the Blackcat defense forced Betsy Layne into 17 first half turnovers and spurred out to a 40-22 lead at the half.

Michael Stephens and John Mark Stephens led the way for the Blackcats with each tossing in 16 points on the night. Trevor Compton came alive with 14 points in the win and the duo of Jesse Chaffin and Sean Leslie each added 12 points each.

Joe Blackburn came off the Prestonsburg bench to toss in five points on the night. Preston Simon led Betsy Layne with 11 points and Brandon Thacker added eight in the loss.

Patrick Stapleton and Brandon Kidd each netted seven points for the Bobcats. Tyler Hamilton came off the bench for Betsy Layne to finish with six points and Trai Whitt added five.

Nathan Lafferty and Derek Case each added two points to round out the scoring for Betsy Layne. Prestonsburg continued to add to its lead in the second half and at one time held a 30-point lead.

The Blackcats led 56-36 after three quarters and went on to the 75-48 win. Betsy Layne turned the ball over 27 times on the night while Prestonsburg turned it over 14 times. Betsy Layne won the battle on the boards by a slim 28-27 margin but it was too much Prestonsburg as the Blackcats improved to 7-7 overall and 2-1 in 58th District play. Betsy Layne fell to 3-1 in district play.

## Raiders hold off Paintsville

by STEVE LeMASTER  
SPORTS EDITOR

HI HAT – South Floyd put its second straight win together Tuesday night. The Raiders, playing at home, posted a hard-fought 74-72 win over 15th Region up-and-comer Paintsville.

South Floyd (7-11) led at the end of every quarter and withstood more than one Paintsville run in turning the visiting Tigers away.

Steven Stanley paced the Raiders with a double-double of 20 points and 14 rebounds. Stanley also blocked three shots and handed out two assists.

Each team got balanced scoring.

Despite just playing in the second half, not seeing any playing time in the game's first two quarters, Burnett Little added 19 points and eight rebounds for the host Raiders. Ryan Johnson, from his backcourt position, added 13 points, five assists and four rebounds.

The young Tigers hung around throughout the game.

South Floyd led 16-8 at the end of the first quarter. The Raiders squeaked through the first half with a 30-29 lead and held a 53-50 lead when play began in the fourth and final quarter.

Freshman Landon Stone led

(See RAIDERS, page three)



photo by Jamie Howell  
South Floyd has won its last two games, claiming wins over Prestonsburg and Paintsville. South Floyd Coach Barry Hall is pictured talking with his team during a timeout.

## TONIGHT'S GAMES

### BOYS' BASKETBALL

- East Ridge at South Floyd, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Pike Central at Belfry, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Lawrence Co. at Boyd Co., . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Harlan at Buckhorn, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Knott Central at Cawood, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Rockcastle Co. at Clay Co., . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Russell at Ironton, Ohio, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Betsy Layne at Jackson City, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Jackson County at Lee County, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- East Carter at Morgan County, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Magoffin County at Paintsville, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Piarist School at Phelps, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Wolfe County at Powell County, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Elliott County at Rose Hill, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Pikeville at Shelby Valley, . . . . . 7:30 p.m.
- Johnson Central at Sheldon Clark, . . . . . 8 p.m.
- Girls' 15th Region All "A" Classic Semifinals, 6:30, 8:15 p.m.



# Reds tickets to go on sale Feb. 19

**SPECIAL TO THE TIMES**

CINCINNATI — Tickets for all Cincinnati Reds 2005 regular season games at Great American Ball Park will go on sale Saturday, February 19. Opening Day tickets will go on sale at 9 a.m. ET, while tickets for the remaining 80 home

games will go on sale at 10 a.m. The Reds open the 2005 season on Monday, April 4 with a 2:10 p.m. start against a star-studded New York Mets team that includes Mike Piazza and newcomers Carlos Beltran and Pedro Martinez. Beginning at 9:00 a.m. on February 19, tickets to Opening Day can be pur-

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including Meijer stores, select Play It Again Sports and the Visitors Center on Fountain Square. Tickets to the remaining 80 games will go on sale at 10 a.m. at those same locations. There will be a limit of 6 (See TICKETS, page three)



Allen Central senior Becky Thomas was recognized for scoring her 1,500th career point. Coach Mark Martin presented Thomas with the milestone basketball.

## FLOYD COUNTY BOYS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

The Floyd County Boys' Basketball Tournament was put on hold both Wednesday and Thursday. Snow and winter weather forced the cancellation of school both days. With that, the tournament was postponed. In an A-team game played Tuesday night, Stumbo beat Betsy Layne 52-50. In a C-Team game, Allen Central beat McDowell 41-24. Below are images from both games.



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**Bentley**

the rules, trust me on this — somebody has to represent the 15th Region in the Sweet 16 (they're not going to call it the Sweet 15 this year).

Two other teams have reached double digits in wins. Johnson Central is 10-5, but a closer look reveals a 3-3 team in its last six games, and last Friday saw archrival Paintsville come to Central and win by 13 points.

So what of the Tigers? Bill Mike Runyon's team is 8-9 according to the KHSAA Web site, but is the midseason favorite to be the top seed in the district. However, they followed up their big win with a Tuesday-night loss to an up-and-down South Floyd team, a win that got the Raiders to 7-11 on the season.

The other 10-win team is Pike County Central. The Hawks are certainly a contender, because they're streaky — they won four straight, then lost four out of five before winning five in a row. Now, however, they've lost two of three — with both setbacks coming to Shelby Valley.

That kind of takes us full-cir-

cle, does it not?

Look, it's balanced, as even as we've ever seen it. Consider that seven of the 15 teams have either seven or eight wins at this point, and it's clear nobody has established themselves as a favorite.

On the girls' side, we'd have thought by now Pike Central would have made a mockery of the proceedings. But that hasn't been the case to this point. In fact, the Lady Hawks are 7-10 at this point.

But look closer. Yes, they're three games under, but against 15th Region foes — the girls they have to beat to get to Bowling Green — they're 4-1, with an overtime loss to Johnson Central being the only blemish.

If the confidence of their young talent isn't shot, they're still the team someone has to beat. Period.

The team we keep hearing about is Magoffin County, where the Lady Hornets are 12-4 under first-year coach Steve "Pup" Miller. Included in their wins are three against 57th District teams (with no losses), with a big asterisk beside a 74-55 win over

Johnson Central on Jan. 7.

The Lady Eagles are a contender as well. Phillip Wireman's outfit is 12-4 on the campaign and if they get to the region, they'll be bracketed opposite Magoffin should they both make it.

Three other teams have won 10 games to this point. Nobody is surprised to see Betsy Layne and Belfry high on the wins list, but Cindy Halbert is truly proving her mettle with a Pikeville team that is 10-4 on the season. The Lady Panthers have only one loss in six games within the region, and are 2-0 in their district.

There are many contenders, that is certain. Nobody will want to play Mark Gannon's team or Cassandra Akers' outfit come March.

The psyche is a fragile thing, especially amongst the young. If Tammy Tussey's young guns have survived it, they'll be hard to handle come March.

Who will win the 15th Region tournaments this year? Nobody knows.

And that, my friends, is largely the appeal of this season.

**Lady Tigers**

Paintsville early in the second quarter. The Lady Tigers held an 11-7 lead before going on a 13-5 lead to end the first half with a 24-12 advantage.

The Lady Rebels were again held to single digit points in the third quarter. Paintsville took a 32-20 lead out of the third quarter before having to fight for its All "A" life in the final eight-minute frame.

Paintsville began play in the fourth quarter with a turnover. Allen Central cut the Paintsville lead down to a 38-30 advantage when Thomas hit on a three-point field goal around the five-minute mark. The Lady Rebels trailed 40-34 with 1:26 remaining when junior Amanda Mills, who came in off the bench, drained a three-point field goal.

After Paintsville hit on one-of-two free throws and extended its lead to a 41-37 score, Thomas hit on a field goal with

21.8 remaining to make it a 41-39 game, still in Paintsville's favor.

With her team leading 41-39, Hall stepped to the free throw stripe with just 5.1 left in the game and hit a pair of free throw attempts to push the Lady Tiger lead out to 43-39. Allen Central junior Allana Cline sunk a three-pointer at the buzzer to make the final score.

Although held to just 11 field goals, Allen Central connected on four three-pointers and made eight-of-17 free throw attempts.

Thomas claimed game-high scoring honors with 21 points. Mills and Cline each finished with seven points. Yumekia Hunter tossed in five points and Lyndsay Frasure netted two.

Candy Blair flipped in four points for Paintsville and Laura Carroll added three. Rounding

out the scoring for Paintsville, Jesikah Russell and Cassidy Osborne each had two points apiece.

Paintsville will return to play in the 15th Region All "A" Classic tonight in a semifinals matchup against three-time defending champ Betsy Layne, a first round winner over Sheldon Clark.

**GIRLS' 15TH REGION ALL "A" CLASSIC**

**Tonight's games (Semifinals)**

Paintsville vs. Betsy Layne, 6:30 p.m.  
South Floyd-Pikeville winner vs. Shelby Valley-Phelps winner, 8:15 p.m.

**Saturday's game (Championship)**

Semifinal winners, 7 p.m.

**ATHLETES OF THE WEEK**



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**Raiders**

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Paintsville in scoring with 32 points and seven rebounds. Slone made the most of his free throw attempts, hitting 18-of-22 chances from the line. J.D. VanHoose, another freshman Tiger, flipped in 13 points. Jared Keaton, a player who has played a bigger role for Paintsville (8-9) as of late, added nine points.

South Floyd controlled the boards and the loose basketballs, holding Paintsville to just one loose ball.

Wes Hall added eight points and five rebounds for the Raiders. Ryan Little finished with six points and six rebounds. Mason Hall had three points and two assists, while Ethan Johnson had two points, four rebounds and two assists. T.J. Hall had two points and Kenny Parker scored on a free throw.

Shane Grimm added eight points for the Tigers. Kevin Williams had five points and Matt Hensley flipped in four. Jeremy Pack scored for the Tigers on a free throw.

Tonight, South Floyd will host defending 15th Region champ East Ridge and Paintsville will entertain Magoffin County. Tip-off for both games is set for 7:30 p.m.

**Betsy Layne**

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half, the Ladycats quickly dashed any hopes Sheldon Clark had of a comeback.

Betsy Layne left the third quarter with a 48-27 lead and finished the Lady Cards off in the fourth frame.

Nicole Spurlock and Whitney Tackett rounded out the Betsy Layne scoring with seven and two points, respectively.

Tausha Moore and Ashley Sumpter each had 10 points

apiece for Sheldon Clark. Betsy Allen added seven points and Haley Adkins netted four.

Sheldon Clark had a couple of promising runs in the second quarter, but never really challenged to overtake Betsy Layne.

Each of Betsy Layne's previous three 15th Region All "A" title runs have featured tough roads and Akers expects much the same in this year's tournament.

"It's wide-open this year, probably more wide-open than ever," said Akers. "We know we have to be ready to play."

Betsy Layne will return to the J.E. Campbell Arena hardwood tonight in the 15th Region All "A" Semifinals against Paintsville, a first-round winner over tournament host Allen Central. Tip-off for the Betsy Layne-Paintsville game is set for 6:30 p.m.



Above, left: Betsy Layne senior guard Kristen Smith looked over the Sheldon Clark defense. Above, right: Senior forward Breann Akers passed over the Lady Cardinal defense. Below: The Ladycat defense allowed Sheldon Clark very few quality looks at the basket.



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**Tickets**

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Opening Day tickets per order. For fans purchasing Opening Day tickets via phone or the internet, there will be a limit of 1 order per credit card and/or household.

Ticket prices range from \$5 to \$36. There is an additional \$10 charge per each ticket for Opening Day and a \$5 charge per each ticket to the May 20-22 weekend series against the Cleveland Indians.

For fans purchasing tickets at Great American Ball Park or Majestic Dugout Shop in the Westin, there will be a line for Opening Day tickets only that opens at 9:00 a.m. and separate line for tickets to the other 80 games that opens at 10:00. The Pepsi Rally Pack, mascots Mr. Red and Gapper and the Reds Rover will be on hand to entertain fans. Outdoor restroom facilities will be available to fans at GABP.

Beginning Monday, Feb. 21. Great American Ball Park tick-

et windows will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.. Also beginning February 21, tickets can be purchased at the Majestic Dugout Shop in the Westin Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. ET.

Tickets for the 2005 season also can be purchased in season ticket and group ticket packages, along with premium seating options. Information on those plans is available at [www.cincinnatiareds.com](http://www.cincinnatiareds.com).

Hall of Fame manager Sparky Anderson will have his uniform number 10 retired prior the Reds' May 28 game vs the Pittsburgh Pirates. A free commemorative art card will be given to the first 40,000 fans, courtesy of Great American Insurance Group.

Other popular promotions include bobblehead doll giveaways featuring Ken Griffey Jr. (Tue, 5/24 vs Was, 7:10, spon-

sored by Pepsi), Wily Mo Pena (Wed, 6/8 vs TB, 7:10, sponsored by Pepsi) and Tony Perez (Wed, 8/3 vs Atlanta, 7:10, sponsored by Great American Insurance Group) and a figurine collectable featuring Sean Casey (Sat, 7/23 vs Milwaukee, 7:10, sponsored by Great American Insurance Group). The first 40,000 fans at each game will receive those premium giveaway items.

When the gates open prior to the 7:10 p.m. game on August 6 vs the Florida Marlins, the first 6,000 fans 14 years old and under will receive a free American Girl doll-sized Reds "road" jersey, pants and cap, courtesy of the Reds.

The very popular PyroMusical fireworks nights are scheduled for May 20, June 10, July 1 and August 20.

A complete list of 2005 promotional dates will be released in mid-February.



# Phelps 75, Fleming-Neon 61

TIMES STAFF REPORT

**FLEMING-NEON** — Looking to gain momentum heading into next week's Boys' 15th Region All "A" Classic, Phelps beat Fleming-Neon 75-61 Tuesday night. The win allowed Phelps to improve its season mark to 8-5, tied for fourth best in the 15th Region.

The Hornets, coached by Clay Campbell, had three different players score in double figures. Phelps led at the end of every quarter, outscoring the host Pirates 23-10 in the second quarter.

Three Phelps Hornets combined to score over 60 points in the win over host Neon.

A breakdown of other area games played Tuesday night follows.

Shelby Valley 76, Pike Central 61: Too much Mitch Riddle and Kris Bentley spelled defeat Tuesday night for the Pike County Central Hawks. Riddle scored 24 points and Bentley tossed in 18 to lead Shelby Valley

to a win over Pike Central.

Patrick Tackett added 10 points for the Wildcats. Six different Shelby Valley players scored six or more points in the winning effort.

Brad Lowe had 23 points for Pike Central while Chase Snodgrass added 13.

Shelby Valley, after getting out to an early lead, made the most of it.

Greenup County 75, Boyd County 73 (OT): Homestanding Greenup County let go of a 10-point lead in regulation, only to battle back and beat Boyd County.

Greenup County senior Zach Gillum fired in a team-high 21 points. The Musketeers improved to 8-6.

Gillum scored four of Greenup's six overtime points. He also dished out an assist in the extra session.

John Taylor added 17 points for Greenup.

Mitchell Brown pulled down nine rebounds for the Musketeers.

Billy Blanton led the Lions

with a game-high 28 points. JK Roberts flipped in 22 points for Boyd County.

Ashland Blazer 55, Spring Valley (W.Va.) 49: Ashland Blazer got a big win over West Virginia's Spring Valley. Blazer outscored Spring Valley 16-11 in the final period and pulled away for the victory. The Tomcats built an early 18-10 lead, leading by that margin at the end of the opening period. However, Ashland had to battle back for the win.

June Buchanan 81, Red Bird 78: The host Crusaders came back from a 10-point deficit in the fourth quarter Tuesday night and beat visiting Red Bird.

Freshman Clark Stepp led the Crusaders with 30 points and eight assists. Kyle Hall added 23 points for the winning team.

Daniel Collett and John Sizemore netted 22 and 21 points, respectively for Red Bird (6-9).

# No. 8 Kentucky 53, Mississippi 50

by JOEDY McCREARY ASSOCIATED PRESS

**OXFORD, Miss.** — Kentucky fell into a deep hole, ignored a horrendous first half and escaped with an improbable road victory.

Sound familiar? The No. 8 Wildcats pulled another remarkable comeback away from home, rallying from a 15-point deficit to beat Mississippi 53-50 on Wednesday night.

in the hole." Kentucky went scoreless over the first six minutes, started just 1-of-11 from the floor and shot just 20 percent in tying their least productive first half of the season.

Ole Miss' largest lead was 29-14 on Todd Abernethy's three-point play with 15.4 seconds left in the half. The Rebels led 29-16 at half-



Rajon Rondo

Freshman Rajon Rondo scored 11 of his 13 points in the second half of a victory strikingly similar to Kentucky's 60-58 win last month at Louisville in which the out-of-sync Wildcats trailed by 16.

"The only similarity I can draw is, we weren't focused early," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said. "It's a sign of a team with heart, when you can win like we did."

Ole Miss had the ball trailing 51-50 in the final moments, but Kendrick Fox missed a 3-pointer with 19 seconds to play and Kentucky's Patrick Sparks hit two free throws to extend the Wildcats' lead to three.

Londrick Nolen's desperation 3-pointer at the buzzer bounced harmlessly off the back iron, giving the Wildcats their ninth victory in 10 games.

"I'll take Kendrick Fox with that shot any time," Ole Miss coach Rod Barnes said. "We had a great look at the end. It just didn't go down."

Kelenna Azubuike had 11 points and Chuck Hayes added 10 points and 10 rebounds for the Wildcats (13-2, 4-0 Southeastern Conference), who trailed most of the way and were held to their lowest point total of the season.

Smith noticed a carryover after the Wildcats were uninspired during their afternoon shootaround.

"I told them if we didn't match their intensity, it would be a long night, and it was," Smith said.

Kentucky took its first lead of the game when Rondo's three-point play made it 49-48 with 3:02 remaining. That came as part of an 11-2 run which pushed the Wildcats' lead to three.

Kentucky opened the second half with 10 straight points and pulled to within 31-29 with 14:02 remaining.

Tommie Eddie had 12 of his 14 points in the second half, and Nolen added 12 for the Rebels (11-7, 2-3), who in the first half successfully lulled the Wildcats into a grind-it-out game.

"They didn't want to play no defense, really," Eddie said. "We got them on their heels, and just stuck it back

# Perry Central rules Rebels

TIMES STAFF REPORT

**EASTERN** — Defending 14th Region champ Perry County Central proved to be too much Tuesday night for host Allen Central. Perry Central jumped out to a lead and led 18-8 at the end of the first quarter. The visiting Commodores led 36-21 at halftime. In the second half, Allen Central mounted a rally and fell short. After an even third quarter between the two teams, Perry Central (10-6)

built on its half-time lead and pulled away in the second half, outscoring Allen Central 20-16 in the fourth quarter.

Fourteenth Region player of the year candidate Daniels Combs led the Commodores in scoring with a game-high 23 points. He was joined in double figures by two other Perry Central teammates.

The Perry Central defense presented Allen Central (2-14) problems.

Wilfredo Dominguez led Allen

Central in scoring with 16 points. Ryan Hammonds scored 15 points and Josh Martin added 13.

**PERRY CO. CENT. (10-6)** — Combs 23, Bowling 15, Chaney 8, Kelly 12, Amos 7, Sheppard 8, Brashar 3.

**ALLEN CENTRAL (2-14)** — Hammonds 15, Collins 4, Martin 13, Dominguez 16, Paige 3, Prater 6.

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Allen Central.....8 13 20 16-57

# Hype Conference enjoys success

TIMES STAFF REPORT

**LEXINGTON** — The fourth annual KHSAA HYPE Student Leadership Conference, sponsored by First Corbin Financial Corporation and Fifth Third Bank, was held last Thursday, Jan. 12 at "The Stadium" Entertainment and Conference Complex in Lexington (off Reynolds Road behind Meijer).

A total of 288 students and 47 adults from 39 schools participated in the one day seminar that included breakout sessions on teamwork, respect and sportsmanship and a town hall open forum.

Cameron Mills, former University of Kentucky and Paul Dunbar basketball star, was the opening speaker at the conference. Josh Shipp, who has

performed on stage with Bill Cosby and appeared on Comedy Central, was the closing speaker of the event.

The annual Delegate Assembly Meeting was held last Thursday, Jan. 13 at the Hyatt Regency's Patterson Ballroom in Lexington. A total of 21 proposals were presented to the 233 delegates in attendance. Proposals required a two-thirds vote (156 votes) for approval. Those approved were reviewed by the KHSAA Board of Control at its meeting last Friday and will now be forwarded on to the Kentucky Department of Education for review prior to implementation.

To view final voting on each proposal, log on to the KHSAA website at the link listed below: <http://www.khsaa.org/annual>

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Tues., March 15 — Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Induction Banquet — Lexington Center, Lexington  
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# No. 14 Louisville 92, East Carolina 41

by CHRIS DUNCAN ASSOCIATED PRESS

**LOUISVILLE** — Louisville's toughest task against East Carolina was staying interested.

Reserve guard Brandon Jenkins scored a career-high 14 points and backup forward Otis George had 13 points and 10 rebounds to lead the 14th-ranked Cardinals to a 92-41 win over the error-plagued Pirates on Wednesday night.

The game was a mismatch from the start, with Louisville sinking perimeter shots and suffocating the Pirates with full-court pressure.

As the lead soared past 30, Louisville coach Rick Pitino was happy his team maintained its level of play.

"It's a tribute to our guys. No mental or physical letdown at all," he said.

Taquan Dean scored 13 and Juan Palacios had 12 points and 10 rebounds for the Cardinals (15-3, 4-1 Conference USA), who outscored the Pirates 60-41.

"We have the ultimate pro in Coach," Dean said. "He's not going to let you get complacent."

Coming off a 69-66 victory at then-No. 18 Cincinnati last Saturday, the Cardinals led 52-15 at halftime and were never challenged in the second half, allowing Pitino to get plenty of minutes for his bench players.

Leading scorer Francisco Garcia scored only nine points

in 22 minutes.

Moussa Badiane had 16 points and 16 rebounds for the Pirates (5-12, 0-5), who committed 24 turnovers and shot 26 percent (15-of-58) in losing for the 10th time in 11 games.

Since a 60-58 loss to Kentucky on Dec. 18, Louisville has won seven home games by an average of 34 points.

The Cardinals jumped to a 14-3 lead by sinking shots from the outside and avoiding Badiane, the league's second-leading shot blocker. Louisville started 5-for-15 from the floor, but three of the baskets were 3-pointers.

The 6-foot-10 Badiane scored three of the Pirates' first four baskets and his layup with 11:27 left in the half cut Louisville's lead to 18-9.

Larry O'Bannon then sparked a 10-0 Louisville spurt with a 3-pointer from the corner near the 11-minute mark.

"We really over-matched them — one of those nights when everything went right for us and nothing went right for them," Pitino said.

The Cardinals came in averaging 9.6 3-pointers per game, fifth in the nation, and had nine by halftime — half of their 18 first-half field goals.

The flustered Pirates averaged 17 turnovers in their first

four league games, but had 15 at the break on Wednesday.

"Their defense smothered us," East Carolina coach Bill Herrion said. "We looked like a deer in headlights."

The Pirates' struggles began before they even arrived in Louisville. On Tuesday, the team bus broke down and the Pirates were stranded for an hour on the side of a state highway in North Carolina.

Still, Herrion expected a more competitive performance.

"We have been playing good basketball," he said. "What's disappointing is we've played with these guys in the past."

Despite the comfortable edge, Pitino remained feisty. When Ellis Myles picked up a foul with 16:43 left in the game, Pitino slammed a tin of mints onto the scorers' table, spraying some on the floor.

"He constantly gets on your back," O'Bannon. "He stays on you, whether the lead is five or 50."

The Cardinals missed 11 of their first 12 shots after halftime, but the Pirates never mounted a charge.

After the game, Pitino said Myles dislocated his left thumb. Myles is Louisville's leading rebounder, averaging 9.4 per game, but his status was uncertain for Saturday's game against Tennessee.

"It's unfortunate," Pitino said. "We need him in the game for his low-post presence and toughness."



Brandon Jenkins



Otis George

# Little League signups

**PRESTONSBURG** — The time for Little Leaguers to take the field is quickly nearing. Prestonsburg Little League has scheduled signups for the month of January.

Prestonsburg Little League will hold signups at Music-Carter January 27 from 6-8 p.m. Signups will also be held from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at Adams Middle School on Saturday, Jan. 29.

**HAROLD-ALLEN** — Harold-Allen-Prater Little League is set to hold signups for the 2005 season. HAP Little League signups will be held on Saturday, Jan. 22 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and again on Sunday, Jan. 23 from 1-5 p.m. Signups will be held on Saturday, Jan. 29 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and again on Sunday, Jan. 30 from 1-5 p.m.

All HAP Little League signups will be held at the Dome in Betsy Layne.

# iHigh.com boys state basketball poll

1. Trinity
  2. Jeffersonstown
  3. Henry Clay
  4. Scott County
  5. South Laurel
  6. Pendleton County
  7. Ballard
  8. John Hardin
  9. Bryan Station
  10. PRP
- Honorable Mention: Bishop Brossart, Manual, Holmes, Mason County, Lexington Catholic, Calloway County, Ohio County, Elizabethtown, Dixie Heights, DeSales.

# iHigh.com girls state basketball poll

1. Lexington Catholic
  2. Scott County
  3. Louisville Christian
  4. Rockcastle County
  5. Sacred Heart
  6. Henderson County
  7. Woodford County
  8. Clinton County
  9. Apollo
  10. Covington Holy Cross
- Honorable Mention: Shelby County, Elizabethtown, Mercy, Central Hardin, South Laurel, Mercer County, Assumption, Ballard, Notre Dame, Boone County, Christian County, Newport Central Catholic, Knott County Central.

# 15TH REGION RECORDS

## BOYS' BASKETBALL

Team	Overall record
Shelby Valley	13-3
Johnson Central	10-5
Pike County Central	10-6
Belfry	8-5
Phelps	8-5
Betsy Layne	8-6
East Ridge	8-6
Paintsville	8-9
Prestonsbu	7-7
South Floyd	7-11
Sheldon Clark	5-9
Pikeville	5-9
Magoffin County	2-11
Allen Central	2-14
Piarist School	1-9

## GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Team	Overall record
Johnson Central	12-4
Magoffin County	12-4
Betsy Layne	11-4
Pikeville	10-4
Belfry	10-6
Phelps	8-5
Prestonsburg	8-9
Paintsville	7-6
East Ridge	7-6
Pike County Central	7-10
Shelby Valley	5-6
South Floyd	4-6
Allen Central	4-9
Sheldon Clark	1-12
Piarist School	0-11

# H.S. BASKETBALL SCOREBOARD

BOYS	
(Tuesday's games)	
Barbourville 89, Bell Co. 75	Breathitt Co. 68, Magoffin Co. 54
Cawood 66, Harlan 51	Clay Co. 73, Cumberland 45
Corbin 87, Knox Central 80 2OT	Cordia 80, Oneida Baptist 54
East Carter 46, Lewis Co. 44	George Rogers Clark 60, Bourbon Co. 44
Greenup Co. 75, Boyd Co. 73 OT	Harrison Co. 58, Fleming Co. 53
Hazard 72, Leslie Co. 59	June Buchanan 80, Red Bird 77
Lee Co. 59, Whitesburg 54	Montgomery Co. 74, Estill Co. 49
Monticello 88, Berea 82	North Laurel 60, Somerset 57 OT
Paul Blazer 55, Spring Valley, W.Va., 49	Perry Co. Central 76, Allen Central 57
Powell Co. 56, Owsley Co. 53	Prestonsburg 75, Betsy Layne 48
Shelby Valley 76, Pike Co. Central 61	South Floyd 74, Paintsville 72
South Laurel 61, Madison Central 41	Wayne Co. 59, McCreary Central 45
West Carter 58, Bath Co. 48	Whitley Co. 86, Jackson Co. 85 3OT
GIRLS	
(Tuesday's games)	
Fairview 36, Menifee Co. 30	Harlan 51, Oneida Baptist 31
Harrison Co. 54, Paris 47	Lex. Henry Clay 54, Rowan Co. 50
Montgomery Co. 71, Estill Co. 19	Pike Co. Central 61, Shelby Valley 58
Pineville 58, Evarts 41	Raceland 65, Elliott Co. 50
Williamsburg 41, Middlesboro 39	
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# Akron downs Marshall men, 65-55

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — Akron's Darryl Peterson scored 15 points to lead the Zips to a 65-55 victory over the Thundering Herd Wednesday night in Mid-American Conference action at the Cam Henderson Center.

Marshall falls to 3-12, 0-6 in the Mid-American Conference, while the Zips improve to 10-5, 4-3 in league play.

The Thundering Herd could not overcome a cold-shooting effort from the floor — for the game, Marshall shot 29.6 percent from the field. Despite the poor shooting, the Herd trailed by only two points, 57-55, with 2:46 to go in the game. However, Marshall could not convert on a few easy opportunities and Akron got a clutch shot from sophomore guard Dru Joyce to put the game away for the Zips.

Akron led for the entire game after a 20-0 run midway through the first half, a spurt that changed an 8-3 Herd lead

into a 23-8 Zip advantage in a span of six minutes.

The Zips fired in 40.8 percent of their shots on the night, but only 20 percent from beyond-the-arc. Akron out-rebounded Marshall 43-33, and shot 11 more free throws than the Thundering Herd.

Enoch Bunch (Nashville, Tenn.) led the Thundering Herd effort with 12 points. A.W.

Hamilton (Georgetown) was the other Marshall player in double-digits with ten points.

Peterson led the Zips with 15 points, while freshman guard Bubba Walther tallied 13 points for Marshall.

The Herd travels to Kent State this Saturday evening. The game can be seen live on the Thundering Herd Television Network.

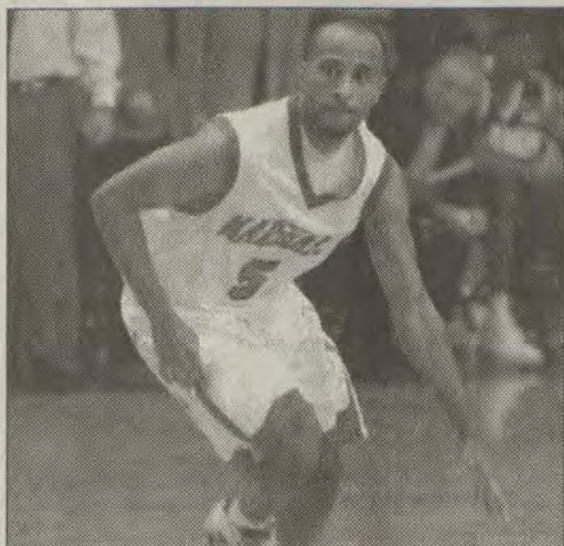


photo by Matt Riley

**Marshall senior Enoch Bunch looked to make his next move against Akron.**

# Dean honored as C-USA Player of the Week

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LOUISVILLE — University of Louisville junior guard Taquan Dean has been honored as the Conference USA Player of the Week for games ending Jan. 16.

Dean averaged 19.0 points, 5.5 rebounds and shot 62.5 percent from three point range in a pair of Conference USA road victories for the Cardinals. He

scored 25 points, grabbed seven rebounds and hit seven three-pointers in helping rally the Cardinals to a 69-66 win at then No. 13 Cincinnati. He was one of five Cardinals in double figures with 13 points, hitting all three of his three-point goals, as Louisville won 107-62 at Southern Mississippi.

Louisville is 10-0 this season when Dean scores in double figures. The 6-3 junior leads

Conference USA and is among the nation's top 15 in three-point field goal percentage (.505).

It is Dean's second such honor of the season, having earned C-USA Player of the Week honors for games ending Nov. 28 when he averaged 19.7 points, three rebounds and shot 57.1 percent from the field in leading the Cardinals to two victories in three games of the EA Sports Maui Invitational.

# Kansas slips past Nebraska

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LAWRENCE, Kan. — Wayne Simien scored all 12 of his points in the second half and No. 2 Kansas remained unbeaten Wednesday night with a shaky and sloppy 59-57 victory over Nebraska.

The Cornhuskers went for the win and not the tie on their final shot. Corey Simms put up a 3-pointer with 2.6 seconds left but missed, and Alex Galindo hugged the rebound to his chest as the buzzer sounded.

The Jayhawks (14-0, 4-0 Big 12) trailed by three at halftime, made only 13 of 28 foul shots and were outrebounded 43-36.

Joe McCray scored 19 points for the Cornhuskers (8-6, 2-2).

## No. 4 Duke 92, Miami 83

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — Shelden Williams scored a career-high 30 points and Duke shot 61 percent to end a surprising run by ACC newcomer Miami.

J.J. Redick added 21 points

for Duke (14-0, 4-0 ACC). The Hurricanes (12-4, 3-2) had won their past three league games, but they fell behind early and trailed by 19 with 10 minutes left.

Robert Hite, the Hurricanes' scoring leader with an average of 19 points per game, was held to six on 2-for-7 shooting. His first points came with 6 1/2 minutes left in the game when Duke led by 15.

## No. 9 Boston College 67, Villanova 66

BOSTON — Jared Dudley hit two free throws to give Boston College the lead with 5.5 seconds left and scored a career-high 36 points, helping the Eagles remain unbeaten with a victory over Villanova.

Dudley had already topped his previous mark of 24 by one at halftime. Craig Smith scored 12 and was the only other player in double figures for the Eagles (15-0, 4-0 Big East), who remained one of four unbeaten teams in the country.

Villanova (9-4, 2-3) held a 66-60 lead with 2 minutes left before being shutout down the stretch. Randy Foye scored 22 for the Wildcats, who lost for the third time in four games. They play Kansas, another unbeaten, on Saturday.

## No. 20 Cincinnati 80, Charlotte 58

CINCINNATI — Nick Williams scored 19 of his career-high 22 points in the second half, steadying Cincinnati to a victory over Charlotte.

Jason Maxiell had 23 points and Eric Hicks grabbed 13 rebounds as Cincinnati (15-2, 4-1 Conference USA) rebounded from a three-point loss to Louisville on Saturday, when the Bearcats blew a 17-point lead because of poor rebounding and free-throw shooting.

Charlotte (12-3, 3-1) had won nine in a row, its longest winning streak in 14 years. The 49ers also were unbeaten in six road games, but couldn't keep it going.

# Wake Forest's record free-throw streak and 10-game winning stretch end

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Wake Forest's NCAA free-throw record ended at a most inopportune time.

After getting fouled while making an off-balance 3-point-er with 4 seconds left, Taron Downey had the Demon Deacons' first missed free throw in 51 attempts and No. 3 Wake Forest went on to lose to Florida State 91-83 in overtime Tuesday night.

Todd Galloway scored nine straight points in overtime and finished with a career-high 21 to help Florida State snap Wake Forest's 10-game winning streak.

"It felt good when it left my hand," said Downey, the Deacons' best free-throw shooter. "But you know, it happens like that sometimes."

Wake Forest (15-2, 4-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) made 32 straight Saturday in a 95-82 win over North Carolina and its first 18 on Tuesday night before Downey's miss. Wake Forest's 50 straight free throws eclipsed the mark of 49 set in 1991 by Indiana State.

"That was a moment where I was probably a little concerned," Florida State coach Leonard Hamilton said. "They had hit, what, 50 straight free throws."

In other games involving ranked teams, it was: No. 7 Syracuse 78, Georgetown 73 in overtime; No. 22 Alabama 98, No. 17 Mississippi St. 49; No. 18 Oklahoma 70, Texas A&M 54; No. 19 Michigan St. 71,

Purdue 64; and St. John's 65, No. 21 Pittsburgh 62.

Von Wafer scored 25 of his career-high 30 points in the first half as Florida State (10-8, 2-3) twice opened 19-point leads on its way to a 46-32 lead at halftime.

"We've talked about him for two days," Wake Forest coach Skip Prosser said. "He's a time bomb. Our players were cognizant of that."

Wafer was 6-of-8 from 3-point range and 9-of-13 overall in the first half. He was one of three Seminoles who had career highs.

"You've got to stop somebody and we couldn't stop anybody," Prosser said.

Chris Paul scored 29 points, one shy of his career high, Downey added 21 and Eric Williams had 18 for Wake Forest.

No. 7 Syracuse 78, Georgetown 73, OT: At Syracuse, N.Y., Hakim Warrick had 25 points and 11 rebounds, Gerry McNamara added 17 points and the Orange needed overtime to beat Georgetown.

The victory was the 11th straight for Syracuse (18-1, 5-0 Big East), which remained atop the Big East. But Georgetown (11-5, 3-2) gave the Orange their toughest game of the season despite serious foul trouble for its top three scorers.

St. John's 65, No. 21 Pittsburgh 62: At New York, Daryll Hill scored 26 points, including three free throws in the final 25 seconds, and St. John's (7-7, 1-3 Big East) ended

a three-game losing streak.

Carl Krauser had 22 points, seven assists and eight turnovers for the Panthers (12-3, 3-2).

No. 19 Michigan St. 71, Purdue 64: East Lansing, Mich., Maurice Ager scored 19 of his 22 points in the second half to help No. 19 Michigan State (11-3, 3-1 Big Ten) get past Purdue.

Carl Landry scored a career-high 31 points for Purdue (4-11, 0-5) and David Teague had 13.

No. 22 Alabama 98, No. 17 Mississippi St. 49: At Tuscaloosa, Ala., Earnest Shelton scored a career-high 34 points and Alabama held Mississippi State without a field goal for nearly 15 minutes of the first half, handing the Bulldogs their worst loss in a dozen years.

The No. 22 Crimson Tide (14-3, 3-1 Southeastern Conference) allowed just three field goals in the first half for a 49-18 lead.

It didn't get any better after that for Mississippi State (15-4, 3-2), which lost 115-58 to Arkansas in 1993.

No. 18 Oklahoma 70, Texas A&M 54: Drew Lavender scored a season-high 23 points and Oklahoma snapped Texas A&M's 11-game home winning streak.

The 18th-ranked Sooners (14-2, 3-0 Big 12) have won eight straight and 12 of 13.

Antoine Wright led the Aggies (12-3, 1-3) with 24 points on 8-of-12 shooting.

# Lady Cavs power past Montreat

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WISE, Va. — Sophomore point guard Chelsea Lee returned to action Tuesday after missing three games with a broke hand to score 20 points and dish out five assists to lead UVA-Wise to an 85-59

victory over Montreat College. The win snapped a seven-game losing streak for the Lady Cavs as they improved to 6-6 in the Appalachian Athletic Conference and 6-12 overall. Jaime Gragg scored 13 to lead Montreat. The UVA-Wise men

did not fare as well Tuesday. The Highland Cavaliers dropped an 88-56 decision to Montreat in the nightcap. Redshirt freshman Jarred Soles scored 13 to pace the Cavaliers. Montreat's Tim Lewis had 17 points and 12 rebounds.

# Milligan sweeps Alice Lloyd

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

MILLIGAN, Tenn. — Both the Alice Lloyd College men's and women's basketball teams came up short Tuesday night on the road at Milligan College. In the men's game, after leading 41-28 at halftime, Milligan held on and beat the visiting Eagles 79-76.

Craig Emmert led Milligan in scoring with a game-high 28 points. Yony Kifle scored 19 points while Todd Davis and Adam Hughes both scored 10 apiece.

The Milligan men outrebounded the Alice Lloyd men 38-33.

With 17 points, Jeremy Jackson was the leading scorer

for Alice Lloyd. Kenneth Waterman had 13 points for the Eagles and Jimmy Stumbo added 12. Shannon Akers finished with 11 points, giving Alice Lloyd four players in double figures.

Jeremy Daniels scored eight points and Chris Hurt flipped in six.

The Milligan defense forced Alice Lloyd into 17 turnovers.

In the women's game, Milligan drubbed Alice Lloyd 85-55. The host Lady Buffaloes led 42-35 at halftime and rolled to the victory.

Whitesburg High graduate Ashley Stidham and teammate

Kari Stout led Milligan with a game-high 20 points apiece. Lacy York added 12 points and Candace Shelton flipped in 10.

Belicia Mullins paced Alice Lloyd with 17 points. Chastity Fox scored 11 points and Whitney Lykens added eight points and 14 rebounds.

The Lady Eagles committed 23 turnovers. The Milligan women won the rebounding battle 60-39. The Lady Buffs pulled down 39 defensive rebounds.



Whitney Lykens

# Marsh named All-American; teammates HM, Academic A-A

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — It was the best year of football in Pikeville College history, and Antwan Marsh played as big a role in it as anybody on the team.

As a reward for his efforts and his team's success, Marsh was named a first-team All-American by the NAIA on Tuesday.

Marsh, a 6-4, 211-pound defensive back, becomes the second Bear to be named to the first-team. Punter Jeff Williams picked up the honor after the 2002 season; ironically, he was also a sophomore.

The Bears finished 8-3 this season, shattering the school record for wins in a season. They were 8-2 in the Mid-South Conference, finishing alone in second place behind unbeaten Georgetown. They finished 23rd in the country in the final ranking of the season, which was released on Monday. It was the first time the Bears have been ranked in the season-ending poll.

Marsh, a product of Polkton, N.C., was honored for his defen-

sive skills, but his numbers both on offense and special teams make him a solid all-around candidate. Final stats for the season credited Marsh with 130 tackles, including 94 solos. He also had two sacks.

In addition, he finished with five interceptions on the season and was named the Defensive Player of the Year in the Mid-South Conference.

Marsh was also Pikeville's kickoff returner. He finished the season with 599 yards on 17 returns and had two for touchdowns. Also, Marsh spent time at wide out for the offensive unit, catching 13 balls for 296 yards and six touchdowns.

His eight touchdowns gave him 48 points, leaving him third on the team.

Marsh was one of four MSC players named to the first team. Been Beeler of Cumberland was an offensive-line selection, with Lambuth tight end Tim LeBeau also on offense. Marsh was joined on the defensive side by Georgetown's John Sullivan at linebacker.

Five MSC players were sec-

ond-team picks; Georgetown's trio of offensive lineman Chris Wergers, quarterback Jeff Smith and defensive lineman Michael Hudson were joined by Cumberland College defensive back Dustin Huffaker and Bethel kick returner Mario Merriweather.

Bear teammates Leonard Moore and Michael Shepperd were among those named honorable mention All-Americans.

Moore, a 5-7, 199-pound senior from Rock Hill, S.C., carried 276 times for 1,199 yards and 11 touchdowns this season. He also caught 14 passes for 108 yards.

Shepperd, a 6-1, 193-pound senior from Ellenboro, N.C., had 95 tackles on the season, with 67 being solos. He had 18 tackles for loss and 10 sacks, and scored a touchdown when he took a pitch after an interception to the end zone.

Two honored for work in classroom

A pair of Pikeville College Bears were named Academic All-Americans by the NAIA.

Kyle Arms, a junior from Paintsville, was joined by Justin Price, a sophomore from Jacksboro, Tenn. Arms majors in Mathematics, while Price is an education major.



Kyle Arms



Stefan Lefors

# Shrine Game: East 45, West 27

by GREG BEACHAM ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — Stefan LeFors threw two of his three touchdown passes to Louisville teammate J.R. Russell, and Purdue's Taylor Stubblefield also caught two scoring passes Saturday in the East's 45-27 victory over the West in the 80th edition of the Shrine Game.

Purdue's Kyle Orton passed for 145 yards in the first quarter — 103 to Stubblefield on plays called by Boilermakers coach Joe Tiller, who helped to make all of the East stars look awfully good for the dozens of NFL scouts in attendance.

Stubblefield had seven catches for 128 yards as Tiller's squad racked up 553 yards, scoring all of its points in the first three quarters. The teams combined for 1,013 yards in the highest-scoring matchup since 1979.

LeFors was named the offensive MVP, going 10-for-17 for 165 yards and tying the Shrine Game record for touchdown passes in just one quarter of work. He and Russell were

just as impressive as Orton and Stubblefield, connecting on TD passes of 37 and 36 yards in the first half.

LeFors also hit Stubblefield for a 7-yard score — and Stubblefield even completed a 37-yard pass to Florida State's Dominic Robinson, who had five catches for 112 yards.

Orton and LeFors hope strong performances in the post-season all-star games and the NFL scouting combine will push them into consideration with California's Aaron Rodgers and Utah's Alex Smith among the top quarterbacks in the draft.

Southern Illinois' Brandon Jacobs rushed for 102 yards and a touchdown for the West, and Utah's Paris Warren caught a TD pass from Oregon State's Derek Anderson. Hawaii receiver Chad Owens was the West's offensive star, catching eight passes for 134 yards.

Sam Houston State's Dustin

Long completed a 48-yard TD pass to Owens in the final minutes. Timmy Chang, Owens' teammate and the NCAA's career passing yardage leader, was just 7-of-20 for 81 yards with an interception.

Duke safety Alex Green was named the defensive MVP for the East.

Players from both teams struggled to keep their footing on the sod placed on top of the infield at SBC Park, home of the San Francisco Giants. But Florida State's Chauncey Stovall had no such problems in the third quarter when he changed directions four times in the backfield while rushing for a thrilling 29-yard score for the East.

But the players still enjoyed themselves in front of a relaxed crowd. There were a few brief skirmishes after whistles, but good sportsmanship generally dominated the charity game benefiting the Shriners hospitals.



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### THROUGH MY EYES

## Quiet mood

I'm sitting here right now feeling a little like Norman Allen, searching my brain for an idea for this column. Outside, snow covers the sidewalks and streets and skies overhead are misty and grey. All I can really think about at the moment is how much I'd like to be home, sunk back on the couch with a cup of hot chocolate, listening to a Carole King CD.

But, I'm not - and William (Guillermo in his native Spain) is waiting on this column so that he can get ahead with his work for the day. Lucky for me, he seems to be a patient fella.

Looking back, this has been a funny little week. Full of headaches and aggravations, but sprinkled with a little joy, also. My emotions have run the gamut of feeling unloved to feeling undeserving of the love that eventually came my way.

Life is a paradox, a continuing mystery. Each time I get close to thinking I have all the answers I need, something happens that reminds me of how very far away I actually am to ever reaching that point.

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### POSTSCRIPT

## What is progress?

Perhaps one measure of maturing (read "aging") is the realization that what is termed progress is not always desirable.

I've always seen change as progressive and positive. In fact, change has been a guiding motif of my life. I've changed jobs, careers and locales so easily that staying put for very long seems strange.

But, I guess, I'm truly beginning to slow down. For instance, I grew up in this area believing there was never enough of anything. Now I really hate to see the evidence of bulldozers along US 23, flattening another hill for another retail outlet.

Instead of a new economic opportunity, I see a hole in the hill, the chance for another ugly mud-

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## HCTC's YouthBuild program receives grant for expansion

Hazard Community & Technical College has received notification that a grant of \$398,894 has been awarded for expansion of the college's YouthBuild program to Breathitt County.

Tonya Godsey, program director, who wrote the grant, says now even more young people who never finished high school will get a second chance

to receive their diplomas because of the grant from U.S. Housing and Urban Development. HUD Secretary Alphonso Jackson notes the grants are part of HUD's Youthbuild Program to offer job training and leadership skills to young people while putting them back on a path toward graduation. These grants will help train them for a

future in the construction trades while producing homes for lower income families, many facing homelessness. The program will begin in Breathitt County in Fall 2005 after an assistant director is hired along with a counselor/youth advocate.

HCTC President Dr. Jay K.

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Students enrolled in the YouthBuild program at Hazard Community & Technical College learn construction work which increases their chances for employment as well as fulfilling a need in the region.



Marine Corps PFC Brandon Hale

Marine Corps PFC Brandon Hale, center, enjoys a visit with his family during a reprieve from duties. Shown with Hale are his parents, Kathy and Preston Hale, and his sisters, Katherine Leigh and Melody Lynn.

## Watching out for Number One Local marine guards president's helicopter

by Sheldon Compton  
NEWS EDITOR, COURTESY OF THE SALYERSVILLE INDEPENDENT

When Brandon Hale signed up for the Marines shortly after turning 18, he might have imagined himself one of the chosen few, a soldier prepared to defend his country, a patriot among patriots.

Hale entered the Marines shortly after graduating from Magoffin County High School in 2002, a time when the nation was still mostly in shock following the terrorist strikes of September 11, 2001.

Hale was ready to do his part. "I first wanted to pursue a job as a state trooper," Hale said, "and then I figured that military experience would help me be able to do that later on."

Hale entered the military, enrolling in MP, or military police, school. It was while attending this training that his military experience would forever be changed.

"I knew they were coming, and I was excited," said Hale.

Hale's excitement was shared by his fellow soldiers, and for good reason. A selection committee was coming, and not just any selection committee. At the tender age of 19, Hale was about to be chosen from a field of approximately 120 soldiers to guard Marine 1, President George Bush's helicopter.

The first order of business was to call home and relay the news.

"They pick about 20 or so from the MP school, and I was one of them," Hale said. "My parents were pretty excited."

Now Hale, who was home over the holi-

days, travels ahead of President Bush in order to be in place when Bush lands.

"We're the ones you see standing outside the helicopter saluting the President when he gets on or off," said Hale.

Hales says President Bush is a considerate man. "He always acknowledges us, always salutes," continued Hale. "Once, I can remember, he had his dog with him and got on the helicopter and set the dog down and then got back out and saluted us. He always makes a point to tell us when we're doing a good job and that kind of thing."

Hale and the others on the security detail are stationed in Virginia, but spend a good deal of time all over the nation, as well as in Europe and wherever else the President is going next.

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### THINGS TO PONDER

## Imaginary Playmates

The development of a young toddler's ability to imagine, fantasize, and make believe is fascinating. It seems to bloom into awareness, as their speech develops. This has certainly seemed to be the case with my 33-month-old grandson. His actions tend to show that he enjoys having more extensive thoughts and connecting them together. Typical of most toddlers his age, Davis' play interests at times tend to be more on "made-up stuff" than the commercial toys he received for Christmas, such as a big work bench with various tools and a train tracks that take up a third of his room. The weekend after New Year's, only two weeks after taking a very

long time to open Christmas presents, he wanted us to play "hunting the tiger." We spent hours going up and down the hall, with our switching roles between being the hunter and the tiger. His chosen props included a wand for a sword and his wearing bright yellow-rimmed goggles upside down, for some unknown benefit. The guest bedroom's closet was our cave that provided safety and comfort, since one was able to go there and escape from the tiger. As our conversation continued about all the "what if's" involving a wild tiger, Davis demonstrated his ability to problem-solve and come to conclusions. (Of course, you realize my grandson is smarter than others his age.)

If you didn't know already, a child being able to fantasize is an indicator of

normal growth and development. Usually, toward the end of the second year, the toddler's brain has developed so that mental or cognitive functioning can allow for more and more variety of thought. Thus, around 2 1/2 years of age, the ability to imagine has arrived and the child is able to take part in elaborate make-believe activities, alone or with others. Besides being able to follow specific make-believe activities and games, it is not unusual for many toddlers and preschoolers to use their imagination to invent themselves an imaginary playmate.

These invisible playmates can take any shape and form. They might be one of the toddler's toy, an animal, a human, or anything else your child can think of. His friend could be a character from a book,

television show or movie. My mother used to laugh and talk about my older sister's imaginary friend named Simone. It seemed at times, my sister would become tired of Simone and tell her to leave. Davis' father also had a make-believe friend named Bobbie, which might have been linked to one of his first books being about a boy named Bobbie. A friend's husband had an imaginary pet mouse.

Needless to say, no one really knows why a child would create an imaginary friend. One idea is that an only child could have done it for companionship. In other instances, children might use their invisible playmates to take the blame for something that they did themselves. After all,

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Mable Rowe Lineberger, Ph.D.



Eyes

So, today, I type and I ponder and I count my blessings - thanking God for the wondrous souls that he has brought into my life. Maybe, by tomorrow, I may come to some sort of understand-

ing as to what I have ever done to deserve such blessings - and then again, maybe I won't. Either way, I guess I'll "keep on keepin' on." Sooner or later, it has to prove worthwhile, don't you think?

See ya next week (unless I stumble upon a magic genie and have him whisk me away on his magic carpet to a land of treasure and adventure...like I said, "next week...")

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Marine

In the past year, Hale, who will spend the remainder of his years in service guarding the President, has spent time at Camp David and Bush's Texas ranch, as well as spots across Europe.

After leaving the military, Hale says he still plans to pursue work as state police trooper.

Marine Corps PFC Brandon Hale, of the US Marine Corps HMX-1 Presidential Helicopter Program, is a 2002 graduate of Magoffin County High School. He is the son of Preston and Kathy Hale, of Gunlock, and the nephew of Richard and Bonnie Crisp, of Banner.



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MP Brandon Hale salutes President Bush following a formal Purple Heart ceremony held this past June.

2004 Conservation Art and Writing Contest Winners

The Floyd County Conservation District office recently named the winners of its 2004 Conservation Art and Writing Contest. Following, the winners and their respective categories, schools, and grades are listed:

County Kindergarten Winners:

- 1st place, Riley Flowers, John M. Stumbo Elementary;
- 2nd place, Amy Howell, James A. Duff Elementary;
- 3rd place, Colin Boyd, Wesley Christian School.

County Art Winners:

- 1st place, Samantha Akers, Wesley Christian School;
- 2nd place, Clara Potter, Prestonsburg Elementary;
- 3rd place, Morris Slone, James A. Duff Elementary.

County Writing Winners:

- 1st place, Robert Allen, Prestonsburg High School;
- 2nd p. Christopher Sammons, James D. Adams Middle School;
- 3rd place, Kayne Newhouse, Allen Elementary School.

School Kindergarten Winners:

- James A. Duff Elem. School
- 1st place, Amy Howell;
- 2nd place, Cheyenne Taylor;
- 3rd place, Samantha Goodman, May Valley Elementary
- 1st place, Julia Flanery;
- 2nd place, Kelsey Parsons;
- 3rd place, Lakyn Wallace, Prestonsburg Elementary
- 1st place, Hannah Tackett;
- 2nd place, Shannon Patrick;

- 3rd place, Angela Hayden, John M. Stumbo Elementary
- 1st place, Riley Flowers;
- 2nd place, Brooklyn Newsome;
- 3rd place, Abigail Hamilton, Wesley Christian School
- 1st place, Colin Boyd;
- 2nd place, Austin Justice.

School Art Winners:

- Allen Elementary
- 1st place, Thomas Petit;
- 2nd place, Chase Thacker,
- 3rd place, Adam Griffith, Clark Elementary
- 1st place, Melissa Walker;
- 2nd place, Daphne L. Cook;
- 3rd place, Victoria Hammonds, James A. Duff Elementary
- 1st place, Morris Slone;
- 2nd place, Bobbie Vanderpool;
- 3rd place, Justin Risner, Mountain Christian Academy
- 1st place, Chase Perkey, McDowell Elementary
- 1st place, Tiffany Sanders;
- 2nd place, Patricia Swiney;
- 3rd place, Melissa Niece, May Valley Elementary
- 1st place, Kelsey Bolen;
- 2nd place, Kiara Compton;
- 3rd place, Brenna Ousley, W.D. Osborne Elementary
- 1st place, Sara Hall;
- 2nd place, Bethany Grubbs;
- 3rd place, Sariah Piper, Prestonsburg Elementary
- 1st place, Clara Potter;
- 2nd place, Joseph Jamerson;
- 3rd place, Josh Duff, John M. Stumbo Elementary
- 1st place, Nicholas Osborne;
- 2nd place, Cody Akers;
- 3rd place, Jesse Tackett.

- Wesley Christian Academy
- 1st place, Samantha Akers;
- 2nd place, Catherine Tincher;
- 3rd place, Lakin Hall.

School Writing Winners:

- James D. Adams Middle
- 1st p, Christopher Sammons;
- 2nd place, Megan Keathley;
- 3rd place, Michael Burchett, Allen Central High School
- 1st place, Carl Little;
- 2nd place, Zachary Griffith, Allen Central Middle
- 1st place, Chase Hansford;
- 2nd p. Samantha Hackworth;
- 3rd place, Clyde Hamilton, Allen Elementary
- 1st place, Kayne Newhouse;
- 2nd place, Savannah Reno;
- 3rd place, Jerad Wright, Betsy Layne Elementary
- 1st place, Jason Hall;
- 2nd place, Katrina Blevins;
- 3rd place, Adam Howell, Mountain Christian Academy
- 1st place, Megan Stumbo, W.D. Osborne Elementary
- 1st place, Kyle Bailey;
- 2nd place, Jasmine Parker;
- 3rd place, Annie Hall, Prestonsburg Elementary
- 1st place, Hannah Hackworth;
- 2nd place, Keiona Craft, Prestonsburg High School
- 1st place, Robert Allen;
- 2nd place, Emily Holbrook;
- 3rd place, Robert Foley, John M. Stumbo Elementary
- 1st place, Bethany Newsome, Wesley Christian School
- 1st place, Lucas Stewart;
- 2nd place, Whitney May;
- 3rd place, Michael Ellis.

Postscript

slide, and the potential for another irritating traffic light.

I'm feeling that way about the Martin relocation project.

I drive regularly on KY 80 and I can see the gouges being made on the mountain. It looks like a giant monster gone amok, stabbing holes in the slopes and pulling out the innards.

Sometimes I have to drive down into the replaceable part of Martin, and I remember how former Times sports editor Ed Taylor used to speak so lovingly of Martin in its heyday. He grew up in a vibrant town. His was a town with thriving businesses and its own school. His people didn't even have to go to Prestonsburg unless they had

to look up a deed or pay taxes.

Today, driving through Martin is a profoundly sad event. Some buildings are barely standing, restaurants sport permanently CLOSED signs, windows are grimy.

Obviously, this section of town is dying.

But are the sacrifice of the mountain and the spending of millions upon millions of dollars to rebuild it really justifiable?

It's way too late now to consider the question, but I wonder if there were alternatives. What about a floodwall? Or what about elevating the houses and businesses? Or what about simply moving on?

I mention floodwall, but

then I'm not convinced that a true solution progress, if you will. After all, flood water has to go somewhere. A flood wall, to my mind, simply relegates the problem to another location, in this case, back to Maytown or up to Allen. But what do I know?

It seems to me that sometimes folks decide that something will be done because it can be done - or to prove to naysayers that it can be done. And, everyone else involved gets swept along in the frenzy. They tell us it's progress, and we don't want to be against that.

I don't have any answers. It's much easier to think up questions.

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HCTC

Box said, "This funding will offer hope and opportunity to young men and women. Youthbuild enables them to return to the classroom, acquire construction skills and put their minds and hands to work producing more affordable housing."

Young people who enroll in local Youthbuild programs lack high school diplomas and the job skills necessary to find meaningful employment. The funding announced will help

young men and women, ages 16-to-24, to receive their high school equivalency diplomas and provide them training in homebuilding skills that will qualify them for careers in the building industry or provide access to higher education.

The program, which started in Hazard in 2002, has already proved successful. A total of 15 from the first group have completed the program and of that number 13 have received their

GED and have obtained employment. The second group started in August of 2004 and of that group, two have already earned their GED. "We really see how this program changes lives," noted Mrs. Godsey. "We find that our participants really want to learn a trade and have meaningful work. It's very rewarding to see how the participants' lives are changed so much for the better after completing this program," she said.

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WCS kindergartners study Pioneer Life

Mrs. Geneva Ward's social studies class at the Wesley Christian School, enjoyed talking about pioneer life on a

recent day. Both the class and Mrs. Ward dressed as pioneers and played games that pioneer children would have played.

They finished the day of fun and learning by making corn muffins and reading a story about pioneers.

School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

Feb. 10 - "Connect with Kids" parent meeting will be held at Clark Elementary, at 8:30 a.m. AMS parents and guardians are invited to attend.

If you would be interested in volunteering at AMS, contact the Youth Services Center to schedule a time for Volunteer Orientation.

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center is open each weekday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The center offers services to all families regardless of income. For more information about any of the activities or services of the center, please contact the center at 886-1297. Center Coordinator - Michelle Keathley; Assistant - Sheila Allen.

Allen Central Middle School

\*\*Turn in Food City receipts and General Mills box tops to home room teachers!\*\*

The ACMS Youth Service Center is open each day from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or later by appointment. For more information about the center, call LaDonna Patton, coordinator, or Marilyn Bailey, assistant, at 358-0134.

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 500 building of the campus. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which

the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550 or 478-9751, ext. 310.

Brian H. Akers, Center Coordinator; Charlotte Rogers, Program Assistant II; Debra Hayes, School Nurse.

Clark Elementary

Jan. 24 - Advisory Council meeting, 5 p.m., in school library.

Jan. 28 - In school Scout program.

Feb. 10 - "Connect with Kids" parent meeting, 8:30 a.m.

A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly and sees WIC patients, does well-child exams (birth-18 years), and gives immunizations. Currently scheduling exams for students who will be in the 6th grade in the next school year. Call for an appointment - 886-0815.

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

Duff Elementary

\*\*School is collecting Food City receipts again this year! Receipts must be dated Sept. 12, 2004 - March 12, 2005.\*\*

Floyd County Health Dept. is at the school each Tuesday. Services include 6th grade school entry physical; kindergarten, Head Start and well-child physicals (age birth to 18 years); T.B. skin test; T.D. boosters; and WIC services. Please call 358-9878 for appointment if you are in need of any of these services.

The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at

the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

May Valley Elementary

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

Floyd County Health Dept. nurse at school every Wednesday. Services include Head Start physicals, kindergarten physicals, 6th grade physicals, well-child physicals, immunizations, TB skin test, WIC program, blood pressure checks, and more. Must call the FRC at 285-0321 for an appointment.

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

Mountain Christian Academy

Now accepting applications for enrollment for Kindergarten for the 2005-06 school year. Call 285-5141 for more information.

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

Please collect Food City receipts! School goal is \$500,000 in receipts. Anyone in the community may mail receipts, in care of PES, to 236 North Lake Drive, or drop them off at the school office.

The Family Resource Center is open weekdays 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and later by appointment. Office provides services for all families, regardless of income.

After School Child Care, 3-6

p.m., school days.

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

South Floyd Youth Services Center

\*\*School is participating in the "Apples for Students" program. Please turn in your Food City receipts to office or send with a student. Thanks!

Committee sign-ups may be done through the Youth Services Center office.

Walking track open to public.

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

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

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

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

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource Center

FRC monthly Advisory Council meetings will be held the first Wednesday of each month, at 4 p.m. Call for more info.

Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

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

W.D. Osborne "Rainbow Junction" Family Resource Center

"Lost & Found" is located in the FRC. If items not picked up within 2

weeks, they become the property of the resource center.

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

Wesley Christian School

Wesley Christian Daycare and Infant/Toddler Care accepts infants and toddlers up to 2 years and Preschool age 2-4. Daycare hours: 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday.

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

Floyd County Adult Ed Class Schedule

BSCTC, Prestonsburg campus: Mon., Wed., Fri. - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Tue., Thur. - 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Contact: Jason Cassell - 886-3863, ext. 67219. Room m207 (second floor, Library).

Auxier Lifelong Learning Center: Tue., Thur. - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Contact: Lucille Fuchs - 886-0709.

Martin Extended Education Service Center: Tue., Thur. - 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact: Vanessa Tackett - 285-5111.

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Wheelwright: Mon., Wed. - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact: Penny Fell - 452-4324.

McDowell: Tue., 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

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





# Family Medicine



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## Reader should ask doctor if depression is cause of his fatigue

**Q**uestion: I'm a 50-year-old man, and for the last few months I've been feeling tired all the time, even right after I get up in the morning. I went to my family doctor and she examined me and gave me a bunch of tests. All the tests came back negative. Can you give me some guidance about what I should do next? Thanks.

**A**nswer: Doctors often call the condition you describe fatigue. It's a very common complaint among patients that we family doctors see in our offices. These patients use a variety of words to describe the problem. They may say they are weary, are constantly tired or have no energy. But these terms all

mean about the same thing. An abnormality in practically any body system can produce fatigue. That's why the physician needs to treat each case of fatigue like a detective. His or her job is to find the clues necessary to solve the mystery. The first step is to interview the patient about the development of the symptoms and relevant medical history. Then, more evidence is gathered by conducting a physical examination and analyzing the results of a first battery of tests. At this stage, the physician-detective often has a good hunch what the culprit might be. From your description, it sounds like your doctor has completed these stages but has failed to come up with a "suspect." You should consider that good news. Although normal test

results may seem frustrating to you because they fail to identify the cause of your illness, they are actually a good sign because they suggest that you do not have one of the common but serious causes of fatigue. Diabetes, cancer, heart disease, kidney disease and many other life-threatening conditions cause fatigue. These are the sorts of illnesses that doctors test for first if the history and physical examination fail to direct the search toward a specific illness.

Anemia, low thyroid hormone and a variety of other illnesses can have subtle symptoms that include fatigue. The most common of these illnesses is depression. Unfortunately, the term depression means different things to different people. I'm not talking about the type of severe episode

where an individual is obviously emotionally distressed for a long period of time and talking about committing suicide. Most cases of depression are more subtle. The day may seem gray even when the sun shines; there appears to be no hope and no fun left in life.

There are no blood tests for depression, but there are paper-and-pencil tests that check for it. Some doctors choose to ask a series of targeted questions instead of using the written form of the test.

Over the years, I've found that a number of the patients that I believe to be depressed will argue with me about the diagnosis. They'll admit to being nervous, anxious, easily upset, unhappy at work or home, but they balk at the idea that they are suffering from depression. While I've

found this a little less true in recent years, there is still a stigma associated with the label "depression" among many people in our society. This is unfortunate because this attitude can prevent a person from receiving the proper treatment for his or her condition.

I suggest that you return to your doctor for further evaluation. Your fatigue is a clue to a complex mystery that may take her considerable time and effort to solve. Finally, I'd recommend that you ask specifically about depression.

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### Ponder

it's much easier to have someone not able to defend himself to be responsible. Sometimes, the imaginary friends are of benefit as a way to tell parents and other adults about feelings or fears that might not mentioned otherwise. The idea behind this possibility is that it is helpful for children whose parents have high expectations of them and they do not want to disappoint their parents.

So what do "good" parents think when they become aware that their toddler is talking and playing with an imaginary friend? Moms and dads should realize that there is nothing wrong, much less odd, about their child having such a relationship. Actually, having an imaginary friend can be a positive aspect of the child's life. This is one way that the child can practice better socialization skills. He is less likely to have problems interacting with other children, once he has been getting along with an imaginary friend. By all means, "good" parents need not mock or scorn or attempt to convince him that his imaginary friend is not real. No matter what adults might think, the imaginary friend is very real or perhaps the only true friend that the

child feels he has. It is also recommended that parents indirectly try to respond to what their child says his friend needs or does. Just go along with your child about his imaginary friend and wait until he mentions his friend first. Do not ask questions until your child mentions his friend. The imaginary friend will be more likely to disappear faster if it is not the frequent subject of conversation.

According to recent research (Marjorie Taylor, Ph.D. and colleagues, University of Oregon), this most intriguing of childhood mysteries persist well into the school years, which is definitely much later than was once thought. It was also found to not be rare and was not a red flag. Previous studies have shown that children inventing imaginary friends tended to have better verbal skills and better social understanding. It was considered one of many ways to express creativity.

Taylor and her colleagues also found out that a majority of the children had had at least one imaginary friend by age 7. Sometimes fantasy friends persisted after 3 or 4 years of age and sometimes they arrived after the child reached school age.

Fantasy play exists for both sexes, with some gender differences. Preschool boys are more likely to take on imaginary roles, especially powerful, action-filled roles, such as Davis' fighting tigers, rather than to play with imaginary friends. However, by the age of 7, the gender differences fades. Although it has been thought that an imaginary playmate is the usual situation for a faithful make-believe pal, some children during the research reported having as many as 13 imaginary friends at the same time.

Where does the imaginary friend go? Although the actual process is unknown, the child's imaginary friend will simply outgrow the need for an invisible playmate. Sometimes, the special friend is no longer needed and exits "life" by a horrible ending, such as an accident. Most children, soon or later, come to realize their make-believe pals are not of this world. Even the purpose is not clear remember that the imaginary friend has positive impact on your child's feelings of security and development. This kind of pretend play provides the young child with an opportunity to mull over the confusing issues of life.

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### See dance down-home style at The Forum, Jan. 28

Enjoy the performance of dance, down-home style when "Red, Hot 'N' Bluegrass" hits the stage on Friday, Jan. 28 at 7:30 p.m., at The Forum, Hal Rogers Center, in Hazard as part of the Greater Hazard Area Performing Arts Series.

The show is presented by The North Carolina Dance Theatre's (NCDT) which brings breathtaking beauty, boundless energy, and amazing athleticism. The shows have dazzled audiences the world over and brought critical acclaim in such cities as New York, London, Rome, Atlanta and Miami. Critics and theater-goers alike have hailed this troupe as "...performers of stunning versatility and dramatic power." The repertory program consists of Alvin Ailey's inspiring choreography of "The River" set to an original score by Duke Ellington. "The River" is filled with stunning tableaux. The sections, with titles like "Meander" and "Falls" evoke in sound and movement the water's course.

The second piece in the program is Nicolo Fonte's daring "Brave!" about emotional courage, and ends with jubilation in Jean-Pierre Bonnefoux's "Shindig" featuring live music provided by the bluegrass band, The Greasy

Beans from Asheville, NC. This particular piece intersperses square-dance ensemble patterns with playful flirtatious solos and duets grounded in rigorous classical ballet with the women on pointe.

While Greasy Beans is in the area, they will hold a workshop on Wednesday, Jan. 26 in Hindman at 6:30 p.m. in the Human Services Center. Hosted by the Pickers and Grinders, cost of the workshop is \$5 per person.

Admission is \$16 for adults, \$8 for students, ages 6 to 18 years, and age five and younger are admitted for free.

Series grand benefactors are: Citizens Bank and Trust Company in Jackson, Hazard Clinic/Jackson Clinic, Kiwanis Club of Hazard and Perry Distributors Inc.

Event sponsors are: First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Hazard Lions Club, and My Favorite Things. Partial funding has been provided by Kentucky Arts Council, a state agency in the Commerce Cabinet, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts and a grant from the Southern Arts Federation.

For more information, call Tammy Duff 487-3067 or Sandy Campbell 487-3070 or 800-246-7521 exts. 73067 or 73070.



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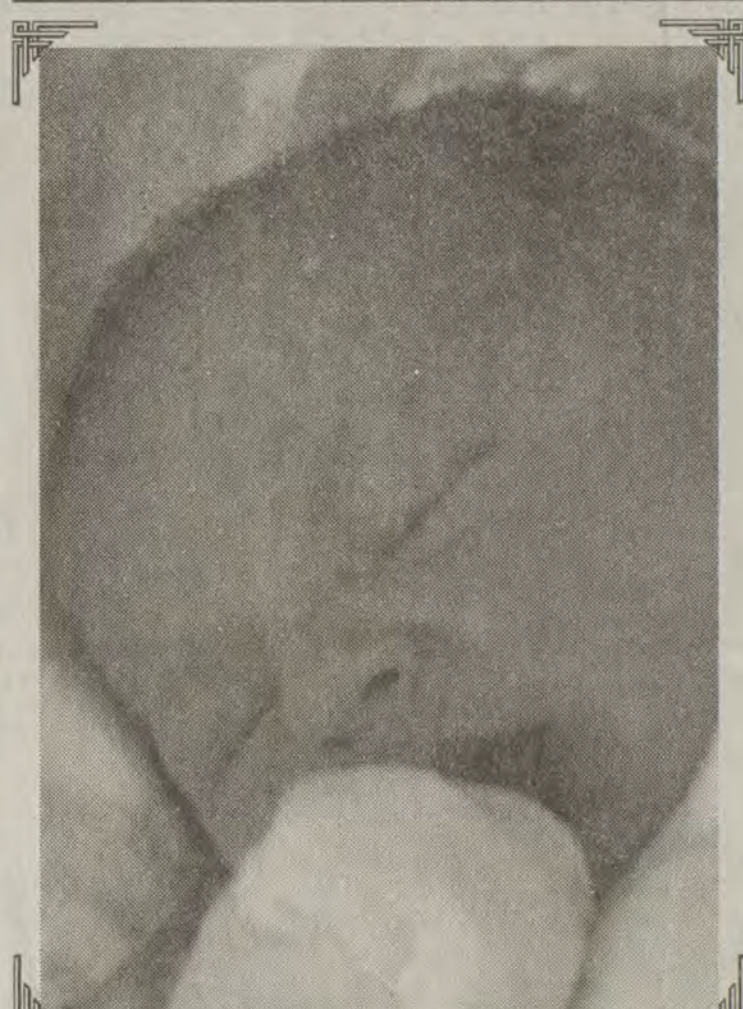
Jenny Wiley Theatre thanks First Commonwealth Bank for their continued support of the Theatre and for their co-sponsorship of Steel Magnolias. Steel Magnolias will open Friday, June

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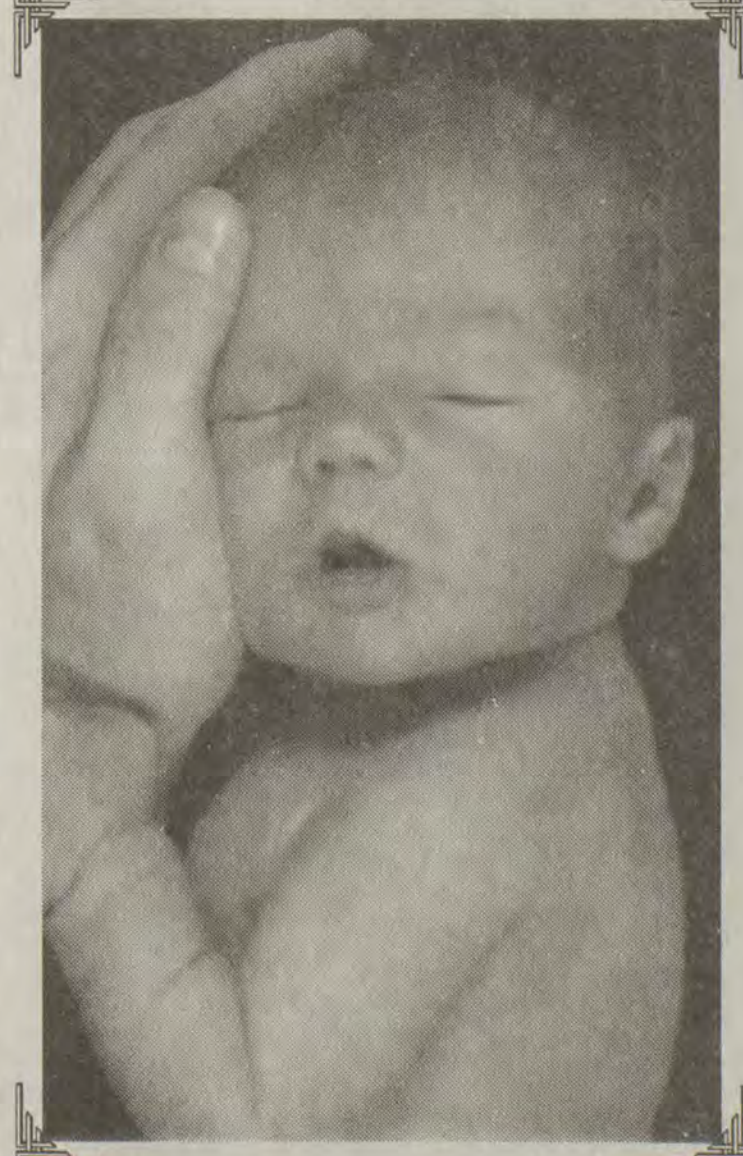
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- January 8, 2005**  
-A son, Braxton Eli Jude, to Amy E. Jude
- January 8, 2005**  
-A son, Devan Cole Ray Newsome, to Loretta Newsome

### Births



Hello, Baby Courtney!

Mark and Tina Meadows, of Cow Creek, said hello to their new baby girl, Courtney Lynn, on January 13, 2005. Courtney weighed 6 lbs., 6 oz., and was 19 inches long. Her maternal grandparents are John and Ella Faye Goble, also of Cow Creek. Her paternal grandparents are Walter and Eula Meadows, of Blue River.



It's a Boy!

Jackson Heath Jarrell was born on January 4, 2005, at 1:46 p.m., at Central Baptist Hospital, in Lexington, to proud parents James and Leigh Jarrell, of Lexington. He weighed 7 lbs., 5 oz., and was 20 inches in length. He is the maternal grandson of Edward and Teresa Billips, of Allen. His paternal grandparents are Johnny and Lois Jarrell, of Pikeville. His family is overjoyed with his arrival.

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**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

Pursuant to Application Number 836-0303 Amendment No. 1

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 auger coal mining and reclamation operation, located near Craynor of Floyd County. The amendment will add 119.64 acres of surface disturbance, and will underlie an additional 274.06 acres, of which 184.58 acres underlie surface and/or auger in another seam, making a total area of 583.51 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.5 mile south from KY Route 979's junction with Dry Branch Road, and is located within Dry Branch of Mud Creek, Mink Branch of Mud Creek, and at the head of Gap Fork of Neds Fork of Frasure

Creek. The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Jennifer and Jesse Akers, Dinah and Jack Tackett, Loretta Rogers and Ellery Owens, Carmel and Marie Clark, Arnold Turner, Purvis and Ruby Hamilton, Ray and Mary Hall, Elzie Hall, Flora K. Preston, Phil and Betty Hall, Darin Carroll, Wallace and Melinda Hamilton, Walker and Jeromia Tackett, Roger and Shirley Paige, F. W. Newsom Heirs, Olivia Hamilton, Darvene and Anna L. Hamilton, and Carmel Lee and Ollie Tackett.

The amendment will underlie land owned by Jennifer and Jesse Akers, Dinah and Jack Tackett, Loretta Rogers and Ellery Owens, Carmel and Marie Clark, Arnold Turner, Purvis and Ruby Hamilton, Ray and Mary Hall, Elzie Hall, Flora K. Preston, Phil and Betty Hall, Darin Carroll, Wallace and Melinda Hamilton, Walker and Jeromia Tackett, Roger and Shirley Paige, F. W. Newsom Heirs, and Carmel Lee and Ollie Tackett.

The operation will use the area, contour, and extended depth auger method of surface mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resource'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, No. 2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE**

Pursuant to Application Number 836-9017 Renewal #2

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that Matt/Co., Inc., 439 Meadows Branch, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, has applied for a renewal of a permit for a refuse disposal facility, located 0.5 mile northeast of Emma, in Floyd County. The proposed operation will disturb 21.10 surface acres and will underlie 0 acres, and the total area within the permit boundary will be 21.10 acres.

The proposed operation is approximately 0.24 mile north from KY Route 1428's junction with KY Route 194, and located 0.08 mile east of the Levisa Fork. The latitude is 37°40'02" and the longitude is 82°43'14".

The proposed operation is located on the Lancer U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed is owned by Eddie B. Merritt.

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Pursuant to Application No. 836-5416, Amendment

No. 2 In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that DS Energy, Inc., P.O. Box 2864, Pikeville, KY 41502, has applied for an Amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 0.9 mile west of Woods in Floyd County, Kentucky. The amendment proposes to add 75.00 acres

of underground acreage, making the total area 930.41 acres within the amended permit boundary. The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.25 mile east from KY 194's junction with Ky. 1428, and located adjacent to Cow Creek.

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