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MSU-P'burg offering summer class

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Morehead State University at Prestonsburg is offering a class for the 2005 Summer II term. Registration will be held Monday, July 5, at MSU at Prestonsburg, located in the Postsecondary Education Center at 6 Bert Combs Drive.

The course offered for Summer II is: COMM 620, Seminar in Communication, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, July 11-15.

From MSU's Web site, current students may view the 2005 Class Directory and Business Guide to register for classes, pay fees and holds, order textbooks and view transcripts, grades, official academic checksheets, transfer course equivalencies and academic policies via Eagle Express.

Students may register from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the center or in their academic department.

Current students, who have an official check-sheet on file, may register via MSU's Web site (www.moreheadstate.edu), beginning at 8 a.m. on Monday. Those who do not have a Personal Identification Number (PIN) will be given the option to choose one when they log onto the student user page.

Textbooks for the class are available from the University Bookstore, located in the Adron Doran University Center. Orders

Ten Commandments staying up locally

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

The Supreme Court's ruling on the placement of Ten Commandment displays at two Kentucky courthouses will not affect the decisions of Floyd county officials who display the commandments in public conference or courtrooms.

The Supreme Court struck down two

Ten Commandments exhibits in Pulaski and McCreary counties on June 27, ruling that they crossed the line in the separation of church and state because of their religious message.

The displays were hung in both counties in 1999. After the American Civil Liberties Union filed suit, the counties modified their displays to emphasize the "American Christian Heritage," complete

with the national motto and a copy of the Congressional Record that declared 1983 as the "Year of the Bible."

The displays were modified again to include a copy of the Bill of Rights and the "Star-Spangled Banner" when federal court judges ruled that the counties were endorsing religion. The attempt for correction was subsequently labeled a "sham" by the Court of Appeals.

Monday's 5-4 Supreme Court decision did not prohibit all Ten Commandments displays in court buildings or on governmental property. Such displays are permissible as long as they are portrayed neutrally to honor the nation's legal history. A 6-foot Ten Commandments monument can remain at the Texas capital, the

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Volunteers from Connecticut spent their third summer vacation with LINKS this week and helped restore a home on Route 1750 that will be used to house LINKS workers when they visit the area to work for the organization.

Volunteers spend vacation building, fixing homes

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

BONANZA — The LINKS program builds homes for low-income families in the region and is known for getting the job done by enlisting volunteers from all over the country who spend a portion of their vacation time donating their skills, time and energy helping to construct homes for needy families.

This week a group came from Connecticut and worked on a project off Route 1750 in Floyd county. The site contains two-and-a-half acres, upon which LINKS has already constructed two homes with plans to build two more Sept. 10 in a project being called "Operation Blitz."

Lisa Davenport came down from Durham, Conn., and brought her two teenagers for what was their third trip to

Eastern Kentucky.

"A lot of prep time goes into these excursions," Davenport noted. She explained that she does a fair amount of legwork after scheduling a trip to pitch in for LINKS. Davenport begins her preparation by finding out what skills will be needed for the project and then she helps organize fund raisers, like spaghetti din-

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Brother, sister plead guilty to lesser charges

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A West Virginia man and his sister who were charged with trying to kill the sister's husband in Auxier last summer pleaded guilty to amended charges in circuit court Friday.

Michael Lester and Sheila Dotson pleaded guilty to assault and conspiracy to commit assault rather than attempted murder and both should be released after their

formal sentencing July 15.

Lester has been in jail for almost a year after allegedly shooting Donald Dotson, of Auxier, last July 20. He turned himself in to Kentucky State Police the next day after learning that authorities were looking for him.

His sister, and Dotson's wife, Sheila Dotson, will be sentenced to time served. She was indicted only a month before Lester's April trial

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Property owners file petition to challenge annexation

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Attorneys representing Highlands Regional Medical Center on behalf of the proposed annexation of the hospital's and Consolidated Health Systems' properties on Route 321 claim they have found the owners of land proposed to be annexed by the city.

Lexington Attorney Hanley A. Ingram, of Stoll Keenon & Park, addressed the city council by letter in May, alleging that the city did not properly send notice

about the annexation to all potentially affected property owners. At that time, Ingram explained that owners of 6 to 7 acres of land targeted for annexation had not been identified.

Four of those owners, Josephine R. Wells, of New Jersey, and her sons, James Everett Wells, of Los Angeles, Calif., Joseph Wells, of New Jersey, and Johnny Calhoun Wells, of Texas, joined 19 other people in signing a petition opposing the annexation.

They are asking that Mayor Jerry Fannin and Floyd County Clerk Chris

Waugh take "all necessary actions required by KRS 81A.420 so that a public question on the annexation proposed in Ordinance 5-2005 can be placed on the ballot at the next regular election."

The 1996 state statute referred to stipulates that any annexation proposal can be placed on the ballot if 50 percent of the resident voters or owners of the property petition the mayor in opposition and forward the document, through the mayor, to the county clerk no later than

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FUN ON THE FOURTH

Fireworks
■ Prestonsburg's fireworks will begin after dark on Monday. They will be fired off from the hill behind First Commonwealth Bank. Best viewing will be along Route 321 from Music Carter up to the Prestonsburg High school.
■ Martin's fireworks display will also take place after dark Monday night.
■ Paintsville will have a fireworks display start at 10 p.m. Monday, with best viewing being from Mayo Plaza.

Other Activities
CARNIVAL: The James H. Drew Exposition at Archer Park will continue until Monday with a 2 p.m. opening and no closing until the crowd goes home.
FLEA MARKET: A flea market will be set up in the IGA parking lot in Martin during the Fourth of July. Tables are available for \$10.
WRESTLING: A wrestling match will take place at 6:30 p.m. at the Martin Community Center.
SWIMMING: Paintsville City Pool will be free to the public on the Fourth. The pool will be open from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.



Prestonsburg High School said hello to 115 incoming freshman Wednesday. School officials were pleased with a record-breaking turnout for the school's annual orientation program. Counselor Karen DeRossett said 169 incoming freshmen are now enrolled. Students participating Wednesday toured the school, received graduation requirement information and counseling about KEES and KSEAA programs, co- and extracurricular programs, and new counseling services available at the school. The students were "enthusiastic," DeRossett said. The first day for students is August 10.

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Odds and Ends

■ LONDON — British balloonist and explorer David Hempleman-Adams has done his most bizarre feat to date — staging the world's highest formal dinner party.

Clad in formal evening wear, Hempleman-Adams, along with fellow explorer Bear Grylls and Lt. Commander Alan Veal, ascended to a height of 24,262 feet on June 23 in a balloon above Bath in southwest England.

Grylls, 30, and Veal, 34, then climbed 40 feet down to a plat-

form with a formally laid dinner table, where they dined on asparagus spears followed by poached salmon and a terrine of summer fruits, all served in specially designed warm boxes.

After a salute to Queen Elizabeth II, the pair parachuted to earth.

"Without doubt, this is the strangest record I have ever attempted," Hempleman-Adams, 44, said Thursday.

The trio faced temperatures of minus-58 degrees and risked contracting the life-threatening

condition of hypoxia, in which the body is starved of oxygen.

Project director Alex Rayner said the stunt had been verified by officials from the Guinness Book of World Records.

The previous record for a high-altitude dinner party was held by adventurer Henry Sheldoff, who staged his event 22,326 feet up a Tibetan mountain in 2004.

■ CORNWALL, Vt. — A rare whooping crane is spending the summer in Vermont after

mysteriously veering 800 miles off course on its migration toward the Midwest.

One of only about 400 such birds in the world, the 4 1/2-foot-tall female been in a river floodplain in the Lake Champlain valley since at least June 9, spending most of its time on farmer Randy Quesnel's land.

"It is kind of neat, although I would be a lot more interested if it was a deer out there," Quesnel said.

Whooping cranes have been a federally endangered species since 1967 and are subject of an intense restoration project among U.S., Canadian and state wildlife agencies.

The Vermont bird is part of that project and is fitted with a tracking device.

The bird was expected to spend the summer at Necedah National Wildlife Refuge in Wisconsin, about 180 miles southeast of Minneapolis, where it spent the first few months of its life.

Joe Duff, co-founder of Operation Migration, an Ontario-based nonprofit that is part of the Whooping Crane Eastern Partnership program, cannot explain why the bird landed in Vermont this summer.

"We're not sure what she's doing there, but she seems to be selecting proper habitat for whoopers," Duff said. "We want to leave her there as long as possible and see if she can figure out her way back."

■ GENOA TOWNSHIP, Mich. — A husband and wife who own two McDonald's restaurants plan to pay their high school employees to do some homework at work starting this fall.

Under the plan by Kathy and Jerry Olinik, students will punch in and sit down with their studies for an hour either before or after their work shifts. The Oliniks came up with the idea in the 1990s when they worked for McDonald's Corp.

"During those years, a lot of

parents didn't want their kids working," Jerry Olinik said. "Economic times were very good and parents, rightly so, wanted their kid to concentrate on homework and school."

"We thought there might be a happy medium there somewhere."

Jerry Olinik estimates the two restaurants employ 30 high school students.

"I have trouble right now trying to keep up with school and work a job," said Jennifer Johnson, a 17-year-old employee who will be a senior at Howell High School this fall. "This will be a really good opportunity to do schoolwork before work."

■ SAN DIEGO — A bag of books and a swift kick helped a 73-year-old woman save her little dog.

Police say the woman fought off a man who tried to steal her Yorkshire terrier by beating him with a bag of books and kicking him in the groin, police said.

The woman, who was not identified by police, was pushing a shopping cart around 10:45 p.m. Tuesday when a man on a bicycle snatched a bag from her cart that contained the dog, according to San Diego police Sgt. Jim Schorr.

It's not clear whether the man realized there was an animal inside the bag.

As he rode away, the woman swung her book bag, knocking the man off his bike, then kicked him in the groin and reclaimed her dog and her bag.

The man retaliated by hitting the woman in the head and escaping on his bike, police said.

Neither the woman nor the dog were injured.

NEWARK, N.J. — John Peragallo's career on the ice is itself on thin ice.

Peragallo, a Zamboni operator, was charged with drunken driving after a fellow employee at the Mennen Sports Arena in Morristown called police to

report the machine was speeding and nearly crashed into the boards.

By the time officers arrived Sunday, Peragallo had parked the four-ton ice-cleaning machine after resurfacing the rink during a break in public skating.

Police said Peragallo's blood alcohol level was 0.12 percent. Levels of 0.08 percent and above are considered legally drunk. A breath test was administered.

Peragallo got a summons and had his car keys confiscated, said Morris County Park Police Lt. David Doyle, who said a Zamboni is considered a motor vehicle, no different than a car.

Zamboni privileges were revoked for Peragallo, 63, of Randolph, who has worked for the Morris County park system since 1994. He could not be reached for comment Tuesday by The Star-Ledger.

■ SOUTH BEND, Ind. — At first glance, Walt Temple thought the animal he saw hopping through the city was a deer.

"But then, why would it be on its back legs?" he wondered.

The answer, it turned out, would be because the animal in question was a kangaroo.

Temple called South Bend Animal Care and Control on Monday to let them know he thought he just saw a kangaroo, not far from the South Bend Regional Airport.

"I didn't believe him," animal control officer Sumyr Springfield said.

Then Springfield, who was first on the scene, saw the top of the kangaroo's head. It was time to call for backup.

Additional officers began scouring the brush and looking into drain pipes. The search continued Tuesday, although officials don't know where the animal would have come from.

The Potawatomi Zoo said it was not missing any animals and airport officials said they

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Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, July 3, the 184th day of 2005. There are 181 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On July 3, 1863, the three-day Civil War Battle of Gettysburg, Pa., ended in a major victory for the North as Confederate troops retreated.

On this date:

■ In 1608, the city of Quebec was founded by Samuel de Champlain.

■ In 1775, Gen. George Washington took command of the Continental Army at Cambridge, Mass.

■ In 1890, Idaho became the 43rd state of the Union.

■ In 1898, the U.S. Navy defeated a Spanish fleet in the harbor at Santiago, Cuba, during the Spanish-American War.

■ In 1930, Congress created the U.S. Veterans Administration.

■ In 1962, Algeria became independent after 132 years of French rule.

■ In 1971, singer Jim Morrison of The Doors died in Paris at age 27.

■ In 1986, President Reagan presided over a gala ceremony in New York Harbor that saw the relighting of the renovated Statue of Liberty.

■ In 1987, British millionaire Richard Branson and Per

Lindstrand became the first hot-air balloon travelers to cross the Atlantic, jumping into the sea as their craft went down off the Scottish coast.

■ In 1988, the U.S.S. Vincennes shot down an Iran Air jetliner over the Persian Gulf, killing all 290 people aboard.

Ten years ago: Irish Republican Army sympathizers rioted in Northern Ireland's two largest cities in outrage over the early parole of a British soldier convicted of killing a Roman Catholic woman.

Five years ago: President Clinton made a congratulatory telephone call to Mexican President-elect Vicente Fox, a day after Fox's election. A 1970's steel observation tower that preservationists said had desecrated the battlefield of Gettysburg in Pennsylvania was demolished. Harold Nicholas, the younger half of the legendary tap-dancing Nicholas Brothers, died at age 79.

One year ago: A statement attributed to an Iraqi militant group claimed on a Web site that a captive U.S. Marine had been beheaded. However, the group later denied the claim; Cpl. Wassef Ali Hassoun turned up alive five days later. Maria Sharapova won her first Grand Slam title by beating Serena Williams 6-1, 6-4 at Wimbledon. Former Soviet cosmonaut Andrian

Nikolayev died in Cheboksary, Chuvash Autonomous Republic, at age 74.

Today's Birthdays: Movie director Ken Russell is 78. Jazz musician Pete Fountain is 75. Playwright Tom Stoppard is 68. Writer-producer Jay Tarses is 66. Singer Fontella Bass is 65. Actor Kurtwood Smith is 62. Actor Michael Cole ("The Mod Squad") is 60. Country singer Johnny Lee is 59. Writer Dave Barry is 58. Actress Betty Buckley is 58. Rock singer-musician Paul Barere (Little Feat) is 57. Actress Jan Smithers is 56. Former Haitian President Jean-Claude Duvalier is 54. Talk show host Montel Williams is 49. Country singer Aaron Tippin is 47. Rock musician Vince Clarke (Erasure) is 45. Actor Tom Cruise is 43. Actor Thomas Gibson is 43. Actress Hunter Tylo is 43. Singer Ishmael Butler is 36. Rock musician Kevin Hearn (Barenaked Ladies) is 36. Actress-singer Audra McDonald is 35. Singer Shane Lynch (Boyzone) is 29. Rhythm-and-blues singer Tonia Tash (Divine) is 26. Actor Grant Rosenmeyer ("Oliver Beene") is 14. Actress Kelsey Batelaan is 10.

Thought for Today: "A timid person is frightened before a danger, a coward during the time; and a courageous person afterward." — Jean Paul Richter, German author (1763-1825).

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Commandments

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justices ruled, because it is part of a larger display that appropriately depicts the nation's legal and religious history. The justices ruled that the Ten Commandments are not inherently unconstitutional and that each display must be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Justice Antonin Scalia, who disagreed with the majority, said he was concerned about the "dictatorship of a shifting Supreme Court majority." He claimed that the justices in favor of the ruling were ignoring the law in order to push their own personal policy preferences.

"The Ten Commandments have a proper place in our civil history," he wrote. Area officials have similar opinions.

Those questioned by The Times said they have no intentions of removing their Ten Commandments displays.

Judge-Executive Paul Hunt Thompson disagrees with the Supreme Court, and says that he will not take down the Ten Commandments display in the fiscal courtroom as a result of the ruling. The framed document hangs behind the former jury box in the fiscal courtroom.

"The Ten Commandments have been up in the court room for almost six years," Thompson said. "I've never sought any publicity. I've never brought it to anyone's attention."

Thompson, however, did say that he would adhere to the law if need be.

"Whether I agree or disagree, I will abide by the law," he said.

Prestonsburg Mayor Jerry Fannin says the city also has no intention of removing the Ten Commandments display in the council meeting room at city hall. Fannin said he'd would have to see a court order demanding the removal before he takes down the display.

"This is public property, isn't it?" he said. Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson concurs with Thompson and Fannin.

"I'm all for the Ten Commandments and I don't deny it to anybody," she said. "I have no plans of taking them down."

Wayland, Allen, and Wheelwright do not have the Ten Commandments displayed in the city council meeting rooms.

Wayland Mayor Tommy Murphy did not return inquiry calls.

Allen Mayor Sharon Woods says she stands behind the Ten Commandments, even though the city doesn't display them.

Wheelwright Mayor David Sammons could not be reached for comment. Wheelwright business manager, Audrey Yates was only public official contacted who favored the ruling.

"I was pleased to hear about that. It's a step in the right direction, don't you think?" she said. "They ruled that they could display them, but not in a place where they make laws. It's a

good decision, especially since this country was founded on religion. I think if people see more of the Ten Commandments they might head in the right direction."

According to an AP-Ipsos poll, 76 percent of Americans support the displays in public or governmental buildings.

Beth Wilson, executive director of the ACLU in Kentucky, said the organization has "some steps to go" in pending cases in McCreary and Pulaski counties. They are also dealing with another set of cases in four other counties, she said.

But Wilson warned local leaders to remove documents in governmental buildings that are promoting religious messages.

"I think that the community, public officials, cities, counties, the fiscal court, all government bodies would be wise to read the Supreme Court decision and to remove those documents that are prompting a religious message," Wilson said. "The Supreme Court ruled that the displays in McCreary and Pulaski counties were, in fact, the promotion of a religious text and we agree with that decision, and, in fact, we believe that the Ten Commandments are a religious text. We honor the history of the Ten Commandments and we receive them as such, but it is not the government's role to promote religion. People are free to do that in their homes, their businesses, their places of worship, in their cars, whatever, but it is not the business of the government to promote religion. We believe it keeps religion free. It allows people to practice their faith without interference from the government. Public officials would be wise to consider the cost to taxpayers for violating the Constitution."

Controversy about displaying the Ten Commandments accelerated when Alabama Supreme Court Justice Ray Moore defied a federal court order in 2003 by refusing to remove a two-and-one-half ton Ten Commandments monument he placed at the Alabama Supreme Court building. Federal judges removed him and the monument.

Moore reacted by sponsoring legislation that would prevent federal judges from hearing cases involving the acknowledgment of God and the restriction of Ten Commandments displays. Communities supporting Moore reacted by participating in a nationwide tour of the monument.

Moore's resistance prompted controversy that fueled debate about separation of church and state across the country. Ten Commandments rallies were organized in several states. People placed thousands of signs supporting the Ten Commandments on their properties.

The Supreme Court also threw out a Kentucky law requiring Ten Commandments displays in public classrooms in 1980.

Pleas

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date and charged with intimidating witnesses and complicity to murder Dotson.

The April trial for the pair saw two days of testimony before a mistrial was declared. During that time the prosecution's key witness, Clifford Glover, testified that he saw Lester shoot Dotson. Glover didn't do very well under cross-examination and admitted to having a very difficult time explaining Lester's hair color. He apparently described it differently to several investigators. Testimony from Dotson him-

self only revealed that the couple was separated, but Dotson claimed to never see who shot him. He did testify that Lester and Sheila Dotson were talking him up until the shooting.

Sheila Dotson will receive a five-year sentence which will be probated. She pleaded guilty to threatening three co-workers who she often joked with about having her husband killed. Part of her probation is that she have no contact with her husband, Glover or the three workers who claimed she intimidated them.



Family and friends of Ronnie Dillion, who was fatally shot while allegedly breaking into Luv Homes in Ivel, gathered in front of the Floyd County Justice Center for a second time to protest that Michael Kirk, former manager of Luv Homes, has not been indicted for the shooting.

photo by Tom Doty

Petition

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the second Tuesday in August preceding the election.

Hospital attorneys claim they have signatures of more than 50 percent of those property owners.

"If only a part of any precinct is embraced within the territory proposed to be annexed only persons who reside within the territory proposed to be annexed shall be permitted to vote," the law says.

The annexation will be valid if less than 55 percent of those voters oppose it, and it will not pass if 55 percent or more of the voters oppose it.

Ingram's affiliates hand-delivered the petition with an accompanying letter to city hall and the county clerk on June 20. Attorney Tom Smith, the local counsel for Ingram, said the attorneys have not yet received a response from the city on the issue.

James E. Wells said his property, which runs behind and extends south past the hospital's cancer treatment clinic, was the "family homestead." It includes the family cemetery, where his father, John C. Wells, former principal of the Auxier School, is buried. James Wells said his father worked in the coal mines six months each year and went to school six months in order to obtain his teaching degree. His name is dedicated at a park in Auxier.

The family's land was split with the inclusion of the bridge in front of the hospital, James Wells said, and the family gave the city easements on their land to run water lines for the hospital. Currently, he said, there is one tenant renting a residence owned by the family.

James Wells says he's against the annexation because, "Number one, I was not notified, and number two, it doesn't really benefit me. What service can the city give me for the increase in taxes? It's not in my interest. I am against it. There's no benefit. It seems to me that it's a pretty transparent attempt to collect more taxes on the people's part without adding services. I'm willing to hear why they think this is something that would be in my interest or in the interest of the people in town, or why it'd be in the interest of my tenant who lives on the land. It would have been nice to have been notified. I'm just a bit disenfranchised by not being notified."

James Wells' mother, Josephine, who also signed the petition, says she moved out of Floyd County in the 1960s.

"I signed it because it's the right thing to do," she said.

When approached by Ingram after the May meeting, city attorney Jim Webb said the disputed tract of land was an old graveyard that has no ownership listed in deed books at the county clerk's office.

Webb said Friday that the city doesn't dispute the fact that people may own the property, but

that the county clerk doesn't have to put it on the ballot if none of the property owners reside there.

He said the city will follow procedural measures to ensure that the county clerk's office gets a copy of the petition so that the issue can be placed on the ballot if property owners are registered voters in Floyd County. County Clerk Chris Waugh said Friday that he has filed a petition handed to him by the hospital's attorneys, but that the petition is not valid until the mayor delivers it.

Webb said that Abbott Engineering, which did the surveying for the annexation proposal, found no property owners living in the area. The cemetery, he said, has no owner listed on any deed.

"No one residence had a deed in their name other than what the hospital owned," he said.

Inquiry calls to Abbott Engineering were unreturned Friday.

Waugh said he hasn't extensively reviewed the document because he hasn't received the official petition from the mayor's office. He also said that he will seek advice from County Attorney Keith Bartley before making a decision.

"It is my understanding that the property owners have the right to sign the petition but they don't have the right to vote unless they live there," Waugh said. "That's something I'll have to get legal advice on so that I can make sure I can get it right before I decide whether to put it or not put it on the ballot. I want to do the right thing because this is a very important issue."

Those signing the petition include John Thomas Wells, Lindsey Wells, Charles Wells, Charmayne Williams, Danny Wells, Laura Belle Wells, Alpha Jean Hunt, Ron Wells, Tera Lee McGaughey, Lloyd Wells, Josephine Wells, John C. Wells, Jimmy Wells, Joseph Wells, Oval Hall, Pam Laphis, Mabel Allen, through Woodrow Allen, attorney in fact, Bill Allen, James D. Wells, Charles Jeff Wells, Dorothy C. Wells, Susan Mayo, and Jack C. Wells.

It isn't clear how many of the petitioners still reside the area, as no physical addresses are listed on the petition.

Smith said three Floyd Countians signed the petition, but did not release their names Friday. These individuals are each listed as owners of "property located along KY State Route 321 through Station Number 59 + 20 and more particularly described as PVA Map # 043-00-00-076.00, Deed Book 138, Page 29."

Family continues protest of shooting investigation

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Family and friends of an Ivel man who was shot and killed when he allegedly broke into a trailer at the Luv Homes lot in Ivel converged on the Floyd County Justice Center Friday and staged a second demonstration to protest that the man who shot Ronnie "Tom" Dillion has not been indicted for the shooting.

While the protesters carried signs and encouraged motorists to honk their horns in a show of support, the case was part of Friday morning's civil docket.

Michael Kirk, who admitted to the shooting, is embroiled in a lawsuit brought against Luv Homes, which he claims fired him after the shooting and never responded to his entreaties for securing the lot from thieves. Kirk's attorneys are seeking a \$20 million settlement in the case.

The case in civil court was continued for two weeks but will pick up on July 15 with attorneys for Kirk reinstating their claim which was initially dismissed in a hearing two

weeks ago. Judge Danny Caudill later received word from Kirk's attorneys that they were not notified of the hearing in time to attend. Caudill will hear from both sides on the matter in two weeks.

Outside the courthouse Ronald Dillion noted that he was never contacted about his son's death. He said that he heard about it from a neighbor. He also expressed frustration that a grand jury met for three days this week but has yet to hear evidence in the case.

Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney Wayne Taylor noted that he has been in touch with Kentucky State Police and that they are waiting on the results of one test before putting the case in front of the grand jury. He also noted that the Dillion family will be invited to the hearing when it is scheduled and that they will be free to present witnesses.

Dillion noted that he and his family will be ready for the grand jury testimony and plan to bring several witnesses forward who will attest to Tom Dillion's character and offer evidence that he never solved his problems with violence.

Volunteers

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ners, in order to get all of the supplies the group will need to get to work.

The project they came down for involved getting a home that was already on the property into shape so that it can be used to house LINKS volunteers who stream into the region all through the year to help in different phases of the work. She was able to get an electrician, nurse, general contractor and carpenter to join her for a week in Floyd County.

LINKS is also a family affair with two of Davenport's comrades also bringing down their children who spent the five days here learning about remodeling a home. Davenport sees education as an important part of the work and fully explains to

the teens why they are putting up a board and how it will be used to hang sheet rock down the road.

"It's a great experience for the kids to learn a trade," Davenport said. "I try to make them understand why they're doing each piece of work."

Elvin Riggles, who also made the trip down with his children, said, "It's neat to see the older kids helping the younger ones. Yesterday they learned how to put up sheet rock."

A LINKS coordinator on hand for part of the morning Friday observed, "They [the volunteers] help so much. When they come down we look at them more as partners than volunteers. It amazes me to see their commitment."

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Additional information is available by calling Lula Bowling, director, or Dr.

Charles Johnson, associate director, of MSU at Prestonsburg, locally at (606) 886-2405 or toll free at (800) 648-5372; MSU's regional campus coordinator at (800) 585-6781, option #3, or the Office of the Registrar at (606) 783-2008.

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— Felix Frankfurter

Guest view

Drug problem necessitated inconvenience

For children in school, the story will sound familiar. A class of students that has received certain privileges from a teacher can have them taken away when one troublemaker abuses those privileges.

This scenario began being acted out in pharmacies across the state June 20, when a state law restricting the sale of cold and allergy medications such as Tylenol Flu and Sudafed went into effect.

The law, sponsored by eight Kentucky senators, permits over-the-counter drugs in tablet, caplet or powder form containing pseudoephedrine, ephedrine or phenylpropanolamine to be sold only in retail pharmacies.

The medications are being pulled off the shelves of convenience stores because the ingredients mentioned above are being used to manufacture the highly addictive drug methamphetamine.

Consumers in Kentucky must now be at least 18 years old to purchase these medications, and they must show photo identification and enter their purchase in a logbook kept by the pharmacy.

Additionally, the sale of these medications is limited to 9 grams for one person within a 30-day period.

Such actions seem rash, and local pharmacists have conceded that keeping the supply of cold medicine artificially low will drive up the price of these medicines, but this law constitutes a step toward combating a drug that has deadly effects for manufacturers and users ...

Though the ingredients for meth are fairly easy to obtain, the manufacturing process is highly dangerous, involving the mixing of volatile, flammable chemicals in enclosed spaces.

When investigators dismantle a meth lab, they have to don special body suits to protect themselves from a possible explosion.

The terrible side effects of the drug are only now being realized. A June 11 story in *The New York Times* detailed a troubling phenomenon known as "meth mouth."

"In short stretches of time ... a perfectly healthy set of teeth can turn a grayish-brown, twist and begin to fall out, and take on a peculiar texture ... like that of a piece of ripened fruit," *The Times* reported, interviewing dentists who have treated meth addicts.

When the drug OxyContin spread to rural Kentucky, pharmacies responded by implementing tighter security measures.

This new state law will inconvenience consumers, but they must realize it is the product of a frustrating campaign to weaken a powerful drug's dangerous influence over an impoverished community.

— *The Ledger-Independent, Maysville*



— Rich Lowry Column —

Planned Parenthood perversity

Can you say "perverse"? Planned Parenthood in Indiana and Kansas is effectively fighting to protect child rapists from potential prosecution in two high-profile legal fights. That an organization devoted to the interests of women finds itself in this position is a cautionary tale of abortion-rights extremism.

In Indiana, the attorney general is seeking the records of girls under the age of 14 who have visited Planned Parenthood clinics. Let that sink in: We're talking about 12- and 13-year-old girls. It is a crime to have sex with a child under 14 in the state.

An Indiana judge has upheld the Indiana attorney general's request, although the case is under appeal. In Kansas, the attorney general is carrying on the same fight (he is also looking for evidence of illegal late-term abortions).

The loopy free-sex advocates might

imagine that after sex-ed courses on how to put a condom on a banana, 13-year-old girls blissfully explore their bodies with 13-year-old boys. Put aside that this vision will make most parents gag — it's not how it works. Teen sex often involves adult men exploiting teen girls. A California study found that the fathers in

births to junior-high-school mothers were on average nearly 7 years older.

Why would a feminist organization not be eager to cooperate in a fight against the sexual exploitation of young girls? Well, Planned

Parenthood represents that wing of the feminist billed as "sex positive." These feminists are unwilling to pass judgment on any sex in any circumstances, don't care if parents are cut out of the equation entirely, believe the right to an abortion trumps any other consideration, and embrace a notion of privacy so sweeping it includes men who have, under law, raped their young sexual partners.

Privacy is a mere excuse not to provide the records. It is not at all unusual for criminal prosecutions to involve

medical records. And no one is going to make public the names of the girls involved, which are being provided to the authorities, not the news media.

"We've been doing these investigations since the 1970s, and there's never been a case where we have not maintained the confidentiality of records," Indiana Attorney General Steve Carter told a local columnist. It is not the girl in any of these cases who will be in jeopardy, but her adult abuser (if there is one).

This fight is so important because our culture relentlessly sexualizes children. The message, for instance, of Britney Spears' act before she came of age was "teen girls are hot." Pop culture won't change, but the law can at least try to send an opposite signal.

Key Democrats from Hillary Clinton to Howard Dean have of late said their party needs to become more moderate on abortion. They could add substance to the rhetoric by opposing Planned Parenthood's position in these cases. Of course, that will never happen. The abortion absolutists control the Democratic Party — a sad fact for those Americans who have moral qualms about abortion, but a happy one for men who impregnate 13-year-olds.

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Rich Lowry is editor of the *National Review*.



The Rich Lowry column

— beyond the beltway —

Pressing democracy in Egypt, but not here

by DONALD KAUL
MINUTEMAN MEDIA

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice came out strongly for democracy in the Middle East the other day. Speaking at the University of Cairo while on a state visit to Egypt, she said:

"For 60 years my country, the United States, pursued stability at the expense of democracy in this region here in the Middle East and we achieved neither. Now we are taking a different course. We are supporting the democratic aspirations of all people."

She went on to praise Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak — faintly, but still — for taking "encouraging first steps toward democracy" but pointed out that truly free elections demand accessories like "freedom of assembly, speech and press," subtleties that have thus far escaped Egyptian leaders, who subscribe to the Tom DeLay theory of democracy: "A fair election is one we win."

She came down pretty hard on Saudi Arabia too, mentioning that many people there have paid "an unfair price for exercising their basic rights," and she was particularly critical of the arrests of dissidents and the lack of voting rights for women.

In short, she made me proud to be an American.

I think we should all be in favor of democracy, don't you? Just think of the consequences if all people everywhere were allowed to express themselves at the ballot box and choose their leaders in free, honest elections.

Ms. Rice seems to be concentrating her attention on the Middle East and, given her job, that's entirely appropriate. Democracy there might very well have a good effect well beyond the region itself. Africa would be another good place to start.

For me, however, the most important place to introduce democracy is Florida.

Imagine if the people of Florida were free to go to the polls without harassment, without being sent to the wrong polling place, without receiving bogus notices on the eve of the election that their polling place has been moved. Imagine if, having cast their ballots, they could rely on them being counted. What a different world this would be.

We wouldn't be bogged down in an endless war, for one thing, and you couldn't be hauled off the street, slapped in prison and held there without recourse to counsel or even being charged, for another.

We'd have begun funding stem cell research at our great research institutions by now and taken, perhaps, the first baby steps toward developing cures for insidious diseases like Parkinson's.

We'd be involved in a cooperative international effort to get a handle on global warming and would have made progress on cutting auto emissions. We certainly wouldn't be doing everything in our power to weaken

the efforts of other nations in this regard nor would White House officials be caught fudging scientific studies to hide the link between greenhouse gas emissions and global warming, both of which are now happening.

We wouldn't be discussing the "privatization" of Social Security; instead, we'd be trying to secure the benefits of the program for future generations of old people.

We wouldn't be contemplating the naming of a right-wing wacko like John Bolton, who hates the United Nations and everything it stands for, as ambassador to the United Nations.

Nor would we be appointing right-wing attack-dogs as watchdogs over public broadcasting, both radio and television, on the pretext of making sure they're not contaminated by evil liberals.

Rich people would be paying a fairer share of the tax load. (I wouldn't go too far with that one, though. Rich people have a way of doing well in good times and bad, Democratic as well as Republican. They just have to work harder for it with Democrats.)

That's what life would be like, more or less, if Florida were a democracy and George W. Bush were not president. But I repeat myself.

Oh well, at least Ms. Rice made a start. Today Riyadh, tomorrow Tallahassee. And there's no telling how big this democracy thing could get, once it got rolling. It might even spread to Ohio.

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Donald Kaul recently retired as Washington columnist for the *Des Moines Register*. He has covered the foolishness in our nation's capital for 29 years, winning a number of modestly coveted awards along the way. Email him at donald.kaul2@verizon.net.

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FLOYD COUNTY

Margaret "Peggy" Blackburn Bailey, 57, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, June 27, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 30, under the direction of Carter Funeral Home.

Thelma Coburn, 87, of Prestonsburg, died Thursday, June 30, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 2, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Lindsey Crum, 47, of Wayland, died Thursday, June 23, at King's Daughters Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Judith Slone Crum. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 27, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Perry Jones Sr., 93, of Melvin, died Sunday, June 26, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 29, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Frank Virgil Reffett, 84, of Hager Hill, a Pyramid native, died Saturday, June 25, in the Mountain Manor Nursing Home, Paintsville. Graveside services were conducted, Wednesday, June 29, under the direction of Hall Funeral Home.

Geraldine Castle Conn Robinson, 70, of Martin, died Friday, June 24, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital. She is survived by her husband, Roy Robinson. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 27, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Jack Joseph Scott, 68, of Hamilton, Ohio, a Martin native, died Tuesday, June 28. Funeral services were held Saturday, July 2, under the direction of Webb Noonan Funeral Home.

Gary Stanley, 55, of Melvin, died Thursday, June 23, at the Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 26, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Charles Tackett, 69, of Stanford, a Floyd County native, died Sunday, June 26, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Eulavene Akers Tackett. Services were held Tuesday, June 28, under the direction of Barnett & Demrow Funeral Home, Waynesburg.

Everett Watkins, 75, of Wayland, died Sunday, June 26, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 29, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

PIKE COUNTY

Chasity Dawn Anderson, 11, of Hatfield, daughter of Melinda Cook Smith, died Saturday, June 25, in the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital emergency room. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 29, under the direction of Rogers

Funeral Home of Belfry.

Clyde Ball, 63, of Pinsonfork, died Saturday, June 25, at the Charleston Area Medical Center, Charleston, West Virginia. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June 28, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Arthur Branham, 93, of Altoona, Fla., formerly of Henry Clay, died Saturday, June 25, at Parkview Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Pikeville. Funeral services were held Monday, June 27 under the direction of Lucas and Hall Funeral Home.

Sharon Ann Dotson, 52, of Pikeville, died Tuesday, June 28, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 30, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Donald Ray Gibson, 62, of McVeigh, died Thursday, June 23, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis Jean Dotson Gibson. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 25, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

Tennyson Zack Goble, 76, of Powells Creek, died Thursday, June 23, at Pikeville Medical Center. He is survived by his wife, Verlie Jean Goble. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 26, under the direction of Roberts Funeral Home.

Ballard Fleming, 89, of Phyllis, died Sunday, June 26, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 29, under direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Jimmy Ray Hall, 38, of Shelbyville, died Saturday, June 25, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 29, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Ottis Johnson, 63, of Herey, Mich., a Pike County native, died Tuesday, June 21, at Tender Care Nursing Home. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 26, under the direction of Lucas and Hall Funeral Home.

Eura Newsom Lafnear, 83, of Michigan, formerly of Robinson Creek, died Saturday, June 18, at Indian Creek. Funeral services were held Monday, June 20, under the direction of Lucas and Hall Funeral Home.

Patrick Shane May, 19, of Elkhorn City, died Sunday, June 26, in Elkhorn City. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 29, under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Ruth McCoy, 78, of Steele, died Monday, June 27, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Friday, July 1, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Larce McCoy, 89, of Stopover, died Friday, June 24, at ARH South Williamson Hospital. He is survived by his wife, Betty Blankenship McCoy. Funeral services were held Tuesday, June

28, under the direction of Lucas and Hall Funeral Home.

Ruth McCoy, 78, of Steele, died Monday, June 27, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Friday, July 1, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Jennifer Gail Milam, 35, of Pikeville, died Saturday, June 25, at Williamson Memorial Hospital, Williamson, West Virginia. A memorial service was held Tuesday, June 28, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Donna Gail Nunley, 40, of Pinsonfork, died Thursday, June 23, at St. Joseph Hospital in Lexington. She is survived by her husband, Gary Nunley. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 26, under the direction of R.E. Rogers Funeral Home.

Walter LeRoy "Lee" Robbins, 71, of Pikeville, died Wednesday, June 8, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 23. A memorial service will be held at Pikeville College in the fall.

Mary Robinson, 67, of Greasy Creek, died Wednesday, June 29, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, July 2, under the direction of Justice Funeral Home.

Brenda Sue Simpson, 55, of Shelbyville, died Wednesday, June 29, at her home. She is survived by her husband, James Simpson. Funeral services were held Saturday, July 2, under the direction of Lucas & Hall Funeral Home.

Thomas Scott Stanley Jr., 75, of Pikeville, died Friday, June 24, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington. Funeral services were held Monday, June 27, under the direction of J.W. Call & Son Funeral Home.

Christine Stepp, 73, of McVeigh, died Wednesday, June 22, at Mission Hospital, Asheville, N.C. Funeral services were held Sunday, June 26, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Robert Lee Sword, 44, of Pikeville, died Friday, June 24, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Konita Jean Henderson Sword. Funeral services were conducted Monday, June 27, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Dixie Tackett, 82, of Caney Creek, died Wednesday, June 22, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Saturday, June 25, under the direction of Hall & Jones Funeral Home.

Kenneth Clyde Thompson, 67, of Zebulon, died Tuesday, June 21, 2005, at Pikeville Healthcare Center. Funeral services were held Friday, June 24, under the direction of Lucas and Hall Funeral Home.

Delsie Weddington, 95, of Stone Coal, died Monday, June 20, at Pikeville Medical Center. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 22, under the direction of Thacker Memorial Funeral Home.

Earl Williamson, 67, of Canada, died Saturday, June 25, at his home. He is survived by his wife, Wilma Sue Smith Williamson. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 29, under the direction of Rogers Funeral Home.

Charlotte Emilie Willis, 90, of Pikeville, formerly of Louisville, died Saturday, June 25, at Pikeville Medical Center. Private funeral services will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under direction of J.W. Call and Son Funeral Home.

Cleo Hatfield Varney, 92, of Matewan, West Virginia, a native of Ransom, died Sunday, June 26, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 29, under the direction of Chambers Funeral Services.

KNOTT COUNTY

Willie Cook, 79, of Topmost, died Thursday, June 30, at the Riverview Healthcare in Prestonsburg. Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, July 3, at 11 a.m., at the Providence Old Regular Baptist Church, at Dry Creek, in Topmost. Burial will be in the Cook Family Cemetery, at Dry Creek, in Topmost, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Coy Huff, 85, of Raven, died Thursday, June 30, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital. Funeral services were held Saturday, July 2, under the

direction of Hall Funeral Home.

MAGOFFIN COUNTY

Maudie M. Howard Flynt, 89, of Salyersville, died Saturday, June 25, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Claxton Flynt. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 28, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Joyce Howard, 70, of Salyersville, died Tuesday, June 14, at Kings Daughters Medical Center, Ashland. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 17, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Alma Allen Montgomery, 80, of Salyersville, died Monday, June 13, at her residence in White Oak. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 16, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

James Clayton "Tuffy" Patrick, 65, of Salyersville, died Monday, June 13, at Central Baptist Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 16, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Lonnie Stevens, 82, of Salyersville, died Monday, June 27, at Middle Fork. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 30, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Landon Allen Sparks, infant son of Donald A. Sparks and Linda B. Dyer, died Tuesday, June 14, at the Cincinnati Children's Hospital, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Funeral services were conducted Thursday, June 16, under the direction of Salyersville Funeral Home.

Menifee Wireman, 64, of Gunlock, died Sunday, June 19,

at UK Medical Center, Lexington. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 22, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

Jim Wireman, 96, of Gunlock, died Sunday, June 19, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg. Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, June 22, under the direction of Magoffin County Funeral Home.

MARTIN COUNTY

John Glen Jude, 38, of Delbarton, West Virginia, formerly of Pilgrim, died Saturday, June 18, at his home. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 22, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

Sylvia Blackburn McGinnis, 65, of Inez, died Monday, June 13, at the Select Specialty Hospital in Charleston, West Virginia. She is survived by her husband, Clarence McGinnis. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 15, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Mavis Blackburn Taylor, 83, of Coolville, Ohio, formerly of Martin County, died Wednesday, June 15, at her residence. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 18, under the direction of Richmond-Callahan Funeral Home.

JOHNSON COUNTY

Wayne Fannin, 45, of Paintsville, died Wednesday, June 22, at his residence. He is survived by his wife, Christy Lynn Fannin. Funeral services were conducted Sunday, June 26,

under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

Sandra Hall, 52, of Staffordsville, died Wednesday, June 15, at her residence. She is survived by her husband, Raymond Hall. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, June 18, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Harold Kestner, 94, of West Van Lear, died Tuesday, June 14, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, in Prestonsburg. He is survived by his wife, Margie Ratliff Kestner. Funeral services were conducted Friday, June 17, under the direction of Phelps and Son Funeral Home.

Marcus Patton, 92, of Paintsville, died Saturday, June 25, at Veterans Center, Hazard. He is survived by his wife, Peggy Shepherd Patton. Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, June 29, under the direction of Preston Funeral Home.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Robert S. Stanfill, 78, of Delray Beach, Florida, formerly of Louisa, died Wednesday, June 15, at Gerstenberg Hospice Center, West Palm Beach, Florida. He is survived by his wife, Rose Skaggs Stanfill. Memorial services were held Saturday, July 2, under the direction of Young Funeral Home.

Thelma Joan Howard Hartley, formerly of Webbville, and Columbus, Ohio, died Saturday, December 25, 2004, at the home of her daughter, Carla Hartley Sherill in Plano, Texas. A memorial service was held Saturday, July 2, at Dry Fork Community Old Kentucky Home Church.

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Odds

did not know of any runaway kangaroos.

Kim Lucas, a supervisor with animal control, said the kangaroo is likely not a danger to anyone.

"It would likely run away from people," she said.

■ **CLINTON, Tenn.** — A man was involved in two crashes that totaled two cars in the space of only eight hours, but he didn't get into trouble for a good reason.

He's a sheriff's deputy. Deputy Mike Nations, 47, lost control of his patrol car around midnight Saturday while responding to a domestic call. A tire apparently blew out, causing the vehicle to roll several times.

His wife, Robin, who was participating in the sheriff's ride-along program, was a passenger. Both were taken to the University of Tennessee Medical Center for injuries. She was treated and released. He was kept a little longer.

Deputy Nathan Brown picked up Nations around 7 a.m. Sunday. While driving him home, Brown, 27, apparently went into a diabetic shock, lost control of his cruiser and crashed.

"We are thankful that no one was seriously injured or killed in

either accident. We expect both officers to return to full duty soon," Sheriff Bill White said.

While the cars were lost, White said, "Our primary concern is with our deputies."

■ **SPOKANE, Wash.** — When Rachel Dunham took out a restraining order against her boyfriend, she didn't expect to be marrying him a short time later.

So instead of honeymooning in Mexico, her beau, Rodney Tomsha, sits in the Spokane County Jail, accused of violating the order by getting within two blocks of Dunham.

He tried to persuade a Spokane judge last week to lift the restraining order, but the judge refused.

The couple were married last Thursday in nearby Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Spokane police Detective Stephanie Barkley said.

Police received a tip about a Saturday wedding reception at a Spokane mansion, waited until the reception was over and then arrested Tomsha, 49, police spokesman Dick Cottam said.

Dunham, 25, had obtained the order after two reports of domestic violence against Dunham. In addition, Dunham was arrested on June 17 for investigation of domestic violence against Tomsha.

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

If your vacation doesn't convince you that your business will continue to be operated without you, and that your little world back home will somehow manage to wag along, even if you never return, all you're getting is an expensive sun-tan.

WARNING

"Snow" White turned up from vacation, worn to a frazzle, verily. He was in a state. Asked the trouble, he explained that he had been on a "honey-do" vacation. It developed that he had stayed at home to rest up, and it had been, "Honey, do this, and when you get through—honey, do that."



Norman Allen

Well, Doug May has finally got our section of town properly identified. A letter from a friend in Arizona, to her, a few days ago, addressed her at Malkin Bird Hill, Prestonsburg, Ky.

OF SCALPING PARTIES

A federal court ruled a few days ago, that a bunch of Miami Indians underwent a fiscal scalping when they were paid only 75 cents an acre for a great acreage of rich Indiana farmland. The U.S. Court of Claims has ordered the Indian Claims Commission to review the transaction and to come up with a better price for the land.

It's a pity the people of this part of Kentucky didn't sell their mineral to the United States. Maybe we'd get our scalps back.

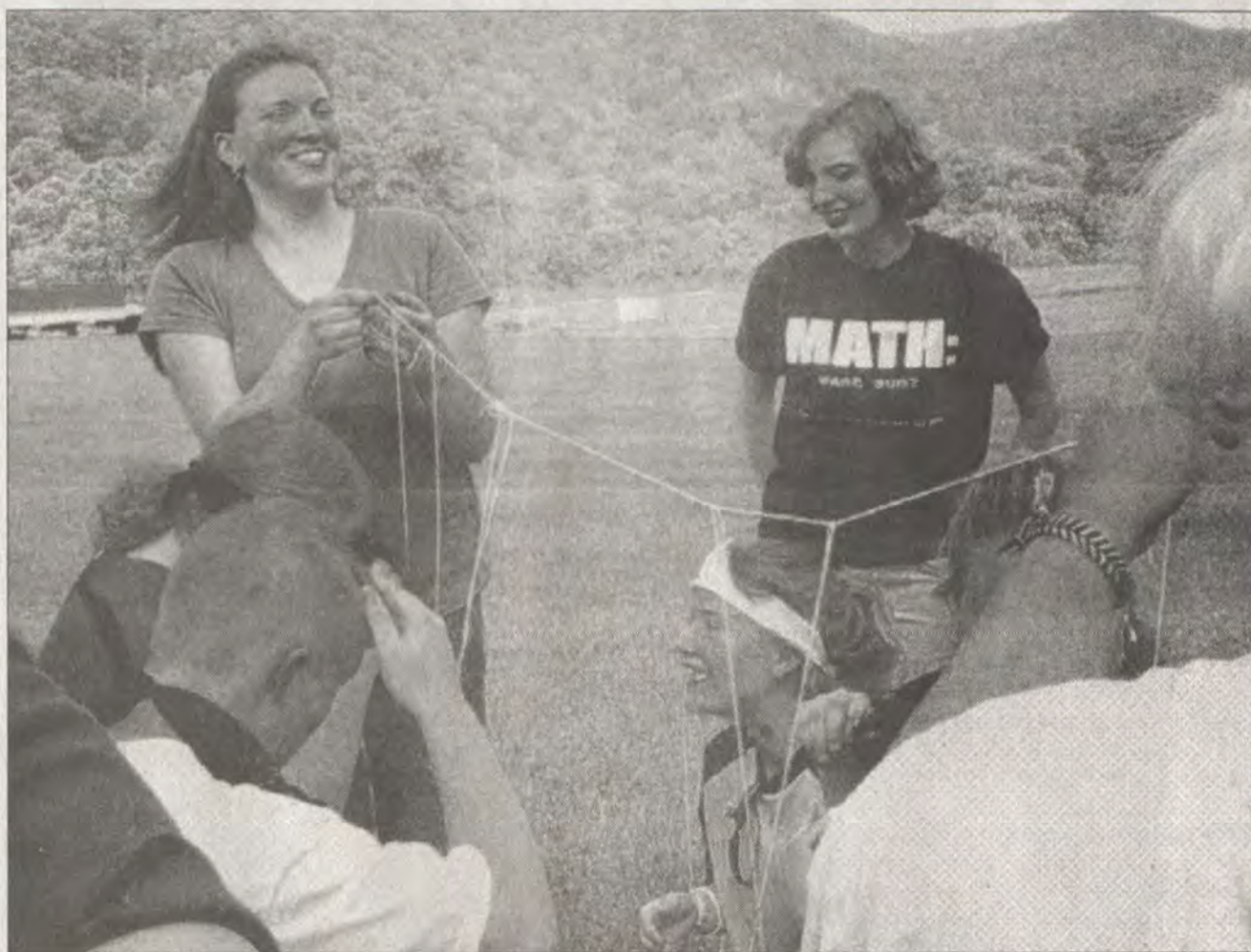
UGH!

But there's one thing to be said about the Indian-white trades. The noble redskin got even, through he may not realize it. He taught the white man to smoke.

A BOY—NOW AND THEN

Friend of mine was telling me, the other morning, that his young son left, a few days ago, to spend the next few weeks at a summer camp. He spoke of the advice he gave the boy, telling him he was going to camp where he would meet boys from all over the state, and that there he would be sort of a goodwill ambassador for our county and section. Sensibly, the father told his son what to say when he was asked about feuding; moon-shining, and some of the other mat-

(See ALLEN, page seven)



Try locating and eating a chocolate dipped marshmallow hanging from a wobbly string - blindfolded! It wasn't easy, but the kids seemed to manage it.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

Life can be messy

Church youth group learns to "keep it clean"

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

The Young Women's and Young Men's youth groups of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Martin ward, participated together in an outdoor activity held on the church grounds on a recent warm evening.

Youth group leaders directed the young participants in a variety of fun-filled activities that included digging for gummy worms hidden in a bowl of chocolate pudding - sans hands; locating and successfully gobbling down a chocolate dipped marshmallow hanging on a wobbly string - while blindfolded; playing "Hot Potato" with water balloons - and squishing the water on themselves as consequence for losing a round; enduring a round of "Let's-See-Who-Can-Keep-Some-Sticky-Lifesavers-On-Their-Face-The-Longest" game; and several other challenging, and laughter evoking, activities.

Following each activity, youth group leaders had the young people read from scriptures a passage that related to the activity in some way. In layman's terms, the activities were related to how life can sometimes be "messy" and "hot to handle," but by relying on God and studying their scriptures, the youth can learn to endure and keep

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photo by Kathy J. Prater

Digging for gummy worms hidden in a bowl of chocolate pudding was one of the messier activities of the day.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

How about hangin' around for a while with some sticky Lifesavers stuck on your forehead? Fruity-flavored fun!

**MOVIES FROM
THE BLACK LAGOON**

'The Deathmaster'

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

If you were ever curious about the hippie scene in California circa the early 1970s, then this film should do the trick for you. Beards, beads, denim, long hair and a ton of paisley are on hand here to give you an accurate assessment of the hippie movement, which embraced some fine ideologies while sporting the worst fashion statements of the 20th century. All this and you get vampires, too.

Topanga Canyon is the setting for this "free love" vs. the undead tale. A small commune of peacenicks take over a beach house. One night a bearded guru named Korda shows up and the group welcomes him with open arms. This guy is chock full of metaphysical mumbo jumbo which the group fully embraces. You know the type, always answering questions with more questions.



Tom Doty
Staff Writer

The peace lovers are fully taken in by this cut rate Timothy Leary and are so blinded by his mysticism that they miss some glaring facts which make Korda more of a Charlie Manson than a love doctor. They don't notice that he never eats, avoids mirrors and only shows up at night.

Before long Korda has all of the kids eating vegetables, shunning meat products and lining up for herbal enemas. Turns out the guy is a new age vampire and has become addicted to blood without any additives.

One guy, called Pico, wises up to Korda's trip and decides to hightail it to town where he can enlist the aid of a hip senior citizen, called Pops, who runs the general store. Pops is willing to believe in vampires and accompanies Pico back to the commune for a showdown. The only problem is that Pops fails to bring anything to the party. No crosses, no stakes and no garlic add up to no luck for Pops.

The ending contains some shocking set pieces and the final 30 minutes here are strictly devoted to all-out vampire carnage



photo by Tom Doty

John Fiedler co-stars in "The Deathmaster" as "Pop," but is better known for voicing the character of "Piglet" in Disney's "Winnie the Pooh" series. He passed away last week at the tender age of 80, just two days after the death of fellow actor Paul Winchell, who provided the voice for Tigger.

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Sailsmanship!

by BRUCE NASH and ALLAN ZULLO
"CHICKEN SOUP FOR THE OCEAN LOVER'S SOUL"

John Cacciutti dove into the water to snare his prize catch — after it had swiped his rod and reel! During a vacation in Acapulco, Mexico, in 1989, Cacciutti, of Wallingford, Pa., his wife, Terry, and four friends chartered a boat and went looking for sailfish. Within a couple of hours, Terry and a friend had each caught two sails. Everyone was having a good time as Cacciutti settled into a chair on the bridge of the boat, sipping a cool drink.

Suddenly, like the crack of a whip, the rod in the bridge rod-holder snapped from the outrigger

and started dumping line at an alarming rate. Cacciutti quickly pointed the rod at the fish, locked up the drag and set the hook hard. "Up out of the water came a beautiful 9-foot Pacific sailfish," he recalled. "The bridge was a great vantage point to watch this aerial action, but it was no place to fight a fish. I needed to get back down on deck."

Cacciutti took the rod and reel and started down the ladder when he slipped and fell onto the deck below.

"Unfortunately, the rod and reel didn't make this journey with me," he recalled. "As I was falling, I tried to pull a 6-foot rod sideways through a 3-foot ladder hole, but the rod had its

own idea, and shot from the bridge like an arrow. We all watched in amazement as the rod sailed high over our heads and splashed into the water."

Then they saw the sailfish make a few jumps before sounding into 1,000 feet of water. While Cacciutti sulked and tried to shake off his embarrassment, one of his friends on the bow spotted the sailfish still dragging the rod and reel. The boat pursued the fish and came close to it several times, but each time the sailfish sounded again.

"All the hopes and dreams I had of recapturing that fish quickly faded," Cacciutti said. "I went to the bow and stared into the deep blue water as thoughts of defeat raced through my mind. Suddenly, I spotted the fish again next to the boat. I knew there was no more time for thoughts or words to the crew.

"I dove off the starboard bow with my hands outstretched and hit the water behind the big fish. I swam about 20 feet down and grabbed onto the taut fishing line.

With my lungs about to burst, I made it to the surface for a breath of air.

"Meanwhile, the big fish was running away from me, and the line was burning my hand. But then the line slowly became slack, and I began to worry about the fish and its 16-inch bill. Could it be charging me this very second? My heart was pumping from fear as I swam toward the boat. But fortunately, the sail didn't charge, and I climbed back onto the deck."

Once on board, Cacciutti continued to pull in the line hand over hand until, up from the depths, sprang the rod and reel. The soaking-wet angler

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Jim Davidson

Are you a fanatic?

Several years ago I heard my friend Bob Murphy, the famous humorist, tell the story about a woman who was arrested and brought before the judge on a morals charge. After a bit of irrelevant conversation, this judge asked the woman, "Are you a virtuous woman?" She said, "Of course I'm virtuous. Now, I ain't no fanatic about it."



At this point it might be well to pause and ask you this question. Are you a fanatic? Based on the definition of the word "fanatic" from the dictionary, while I have some strong views and convictions, I don't believe I am a fanatic. The word "fanatic" means, "a person who is moved by a fren-

zy of enthusiasm or zeal, especially a religious zealot." People who are fanatics are usually bad news and that's what I want to talk with you about from my heart in this edition today.

In a recent article titled "Up Against Fanaticism," Phil Lucas, executive editor of The News Herald of Panama City, Fla.,

makes a compelling case for why Americans better learn who our enemy is and what the consequences will be if we don't win the war on terrorism. I have contacted Mr. Lucas and he has given me permission to share some of the information in this

column with you. This is a tremendous help because he and his staff have done the research and what he has to say is something every loyal citizen of our country needs to understand. A better understanding by all Americans is my goal here.

Since the blatant, premeditated attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, I have come to fully appreciate who we are at war with and fully support our president and all the men and women of our armed forces. We have lost too many good men and women already, but we stand to lose many, many more if we don't understand the nature of this conflict. Most Americans already know, but I am convinced, based on the news and radio talk shows, that many do not.

I might also add that as a Christian, I have been in

somewhat of a dilemma, because my Bible teaches me that I am to turn the other cheek. If you doubt what I am saying, you can read that in Matthew Chapter Five. Ironically, in this same chapter, Jesus also said, "I did not come to change or abolish the Law and the Prophets but to fulfill." In the days of the Law and the Prophets, which is Old Testament, the law was an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. Plainly and simply, when Jesus said, "Turn the other cheek," He was not talking about a vicious terrorist enemy flying jetliners into buildings and killing thousands of innocent people. If you have had some of the same concerns, maybe this will help.

Phil Lucas states, "We could fill the newspaper every morning with mobs of fanatical Muslims. They can't get along with their neighbors on much of the planet: France, Chechnya, Bosnia, Indonesia, Spain, Morocco, India, Tunisia, Somalia, etc. etc. etc.

Can anybody name three ongoing world conflicts in which Muslims are not involved? Today, where there is war, there are fanatical Muslims. We might quibble about who started what conflicts, but look at the sheer number of them. One thing is for sure, Muslim killers started the one we are in now when they slaughtered more than 3,000 people, including fellow Muslims, in New York City."

As Phil summarizes his column he asks these questions, "Who do you think will win? You? Or them? Think you can take your ball and go home and they will leave you alone? Read a little history. Start with the last week, last month, last year, and every year back for half a century. Then go back a thousand years. Nobody hides from this fight. Like it or not, that's the way it was and that's the way it is." He ends by saying, "But many Americans don't get it." My fellow citizens, this is the reason I decided to write this particular col-

umn. All of us better get it and understand the reasons why.

Not all Muslims are fanatics by any means and many are good, honest, and hard working, family-oriented people. However, it is also important to understand that there are differences in our culture and also in our religion. It is my belief, the reason most Muslims in Arab countries hate us is because of our longstanding support and historical relationship with the nation of Israel, the archenemy of the Arabs. They also hate us because we have transported our materialistic and permissive culture right to their doorstep. If history is the best prognosticator, the Muslim fanatics are not going away, and for the very survival of our nation, we had better understand that.

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One reason why there's no smoking at gas stations

by TOM and RAY MAGLIOZZI

Dear Tom and Ray:

I was pumping gas today, and it generally costs around \$35 to fill my tank. Today, the meter went up to \$40, and I thought it was because the price of gas went up again. But since I only had \$40, I had to stop pumping. When I pulled the hose out of the gas-tank opening, gasoline started shooting out of the gas-tank opening! It was not just dribbling down the side of my car — it looked like a fountain! There was gas all over me, the concrete, the gas pumps, etc. When it finally subsided, I realized that my entire lap area felt like it was on fire from the gasoline that soaked through my jeans! All I could think about was getting home and getting those clothes off, so I jumped into the car, drove home, pulled everything off, jumped into a tub of water and waited for the burning to stop. After drying off and applying two tubes of Neosporin, I finally felt better. But what happened?! — Donna



RAY: Well, the good news is, you'll save money this summer because you've already got your Brazilian wax!

TOM: This is why there's no smoking allowed at gas stations, Donna. Stuff can happen.

RAY: In your case, it was most likely a faulty gas-pump nozzle. There's an automatic shut-off device in the nozzle that senses the back pressure coming out of the tank. That's how the nozzle knows when your tank is full and it's time to cut off the fuel flow. My guess is that the shut-off device on the pump you used was broken.

TOM: While you were pumping the gas, the nozzle itself and the positive pressure of the incoming gasoline were preventing the gas from shooting back out. Meanwhile, the plastic gas tank in your car was bulging and expanding to accommodate the extra fuel. Then as soon as you stopped pumping and removed the nozzle, the tank returned to its normal shape, and bada-bing! There's Old Faithful!

RAY: As you discovered, Donna, gasoline is a skin irritant. The more sensitive the skin, the more it irritates. But I bet it still beats a Brazilian wax!

TOM: The other possibility is that something's wrong with the evaporative emissions system in your car. But since this has never happened to you at any other gas station, I'd be more inclined to blame the automatic shut-off device on that particular pump.

RAY: So, I'd do a couple of things, Donna. (Aside from switching to rubber underwear.) First, I'd report the problem to the gas-station manager. Second, I'd stand to the side when removing the nozzle — at least for a while, until you're sure that it was the pump and not your car. And if you DO experience this again at a different pump, definitely ask your mechanic to look at your evaporative emissions system.

TOM: And finally, make sure you grind out those fat stogies before you pump gas from now on. Good luck,

Options to make airbags safer for shorter drivers

Dear Tom and Ray:

I have an elderly mother — now over 80 — who drives a 1999 Lincoln Continental. She loves the car, but uses its power seat to position herself within a few inches of the steering wheel and air bag. I'm concerned that she might be seriously injured if the air bag goes off in an accident. Should I pull the fuse on the air-bag circuit? Also, I have two under-average-height teenagers who are now driving. They also position their seats very close to the air bags. Is there some standard distance between the driver and the air bag that is considered safe? — Jim

TOM: The recommended distance is 10 inches, Jim. That pretty much guarantees that, even when the seat belt stretches in an accident, you'll end up no closer than 3-5 inches away from the air bag when it's inflating.

RAY: But so many people benefit from air bags that there are strict rules set by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration about who can disconnect them and under what conditions.

TOM: So, you have a couple of options, Jim. First, measure your mom's (and teenagers') actual distance from the air bag. It should be measured from the center of the steering wheel to the driver's sternum. If it's less than 10 inches, you can play around and try to find a seating position that DOES put the sternum 10 inches away from the wheel yet still lets them comfortably operate the car.

RAY: If they're almost 10 inches away, you can also try pedal extenders (see the Special Needs area at www.cartalk.com for info). By moving the pedals closer to the seat, you allow the driver to move back and still drive comfortably.

TOM: If none of that works, then you can get an authorization letter by calling NHTSA's Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 or going to www.nhtsa.gov. Once you get authorization, you can take the car to a mechanic and have him install an on-off switch for the driver's air bag.

RAY: I suppose you could just pop the fuse, Jim. But then the "air bag" or "SRS" (supplemental restraint system) warning light on the dashboard will flash. That'll probably upset your mom, and she'll be distracted by the flashing light and hit a tree.

TOM: And if you use the "black tape" solution and just cover up the flashing light, when you drive your mom's car you'll forget the air bag is disconnected and you won't remember until YOU hit a tree.

RAY: So go about it the right way, Jim. The rules are there for a reason.

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Participants scrambled to catch a flying water balloon during the outdoor enrichment activities.

photo by Kathy J. Prater

Youth

their feet firmly planted on the path back to Heaven.

Young men and young women from both the Martin ward and the Paintsville branch participated in the outdoor event.

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Soup

grabbed hold of the rod with two hands, quickly took in the slack, and pulled and cranked in 1,000 feet of line. Finally, he reeled in the tired fish until it was alongside the boat. With heavy gloves on his hands, the first mate then leaned over the side and grabbed hold of the bill of the sailfish.

"I got a baseball bat and was ready to subdue the fish when the captain and his mate shouted for me to release it," said Cacciutti. "After

thinking about it, I decided that the greatest trophy would be in the pictures that my wife was taking and the story about this catch. There was no need to kill this great fish."

After measuring the sail, they pulled it along in the water, forcing water through its gills, which helped to revive it. "The fish began to move his big tail, so we gave him a push and set him free," said Cacciutti. "The sailfish returned to the sea to fight again."

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Allen

ters that have become a legendary part of our section.

He reminded the lad that he might counter with remarks about our beautiful scenery, fine citizens, about our new gymnasium one of the finest in the state, modern school buildings, our churches, etc., etc.

What he told me, set me to think—back there when I dashed in and out of the University of Kentucky so fast that I had the registrar in a tizzy. I was no goodwill ambassador, I assure one and all, and our section of the state owes me no vote of thanks for adding to the lustre of its reputation. This old boy from the country went to the so-called Athens of the West with the idea that he'd tell those who knew no better just exactly what they wanted to hear.

Feuds and feudists! Aye, my friends I said, in effect, we've got 'em, and how! When I got through they were lying all over the ground, and you could smell the gunpowder. Tales of mountain bad men, sagas of vengeance-spawned war I spun to their delight...One night I gave forth with a word all my own, "lay-awayed," when I meant "way-laid," and that did my audience in. I think I wound up hinting that I might be down there just for a spell, bidding my time, and so on. The Allens of Virginia? Sure, old Cousin Sidney was a good man, but they done him wrong, and you don't treat us folks thataway and get away

body didn't haul a John Roscoe and see how I reacted when the trigger was pulled...

NOT GUILTY

And now we learn that the boaters, water-skiers, fishermen, vacationists, et cetera are threatening the waterfowl project on Dewey Lake to the extent that a fence may have to be put up to protect the ducks...It is a shame that in this year, 1959, folks haven't learned enough to respect programs that are devised purely for the benefit of the section and sportsmen. It also is a shame that they included fishermen in that marauding group. No true fisherman is guilty, I am certain. Fact of the matter is, the fishermen are too busy trying to stay on their feet in their rocking boats to have time to molest wildfowl. I did catch a "die-dapper," one time, but not a duck or duckling, has No-Strike Allen touched with bait, boat or paddle.

IN FLORIDA, TOO!

Why one of my acquaintances thought of me when he read this item I can't imagine. Anyway, here it is: Jacksonville, Fla.—Lee Junior Fulmor, 21, was drowned, Saturday, after a plunge, apparently inspired by failure to catch a fish. Witnesses told police that Fulmor threw down his line in disgust, said "To hell with this fishing," and jumped off a St. Johns River

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as Pico lets loose with some hippie fu to deliver a smack down to the undead.

Dated, but fun stuff, which also includes a message about idolizing others who may not always practice what they preach.

This film works on a few levels. First it is a time capsule which accurately records how some people dressed, spoke and behaved in the early 1970s. It also offers an accurate take on how ripe for manipulation any group is by a fast-talking con man.

That said, it is also a haphazard mess that offers some unintentional laughs. The music in particular is rife with over ripe ballads that feature sugary lyrics that will have you grinding your teeth into powder.

The performances vary in quality but Robert Quarry (who also starred in "Count Yorga: Vampire") is quite good as Korda and makes for a convincing guru type.

Jon Fiedler is on hand as well playing Pops. You may not recognize this fine character at first, but the minute he opens his mouth you will recall him as the voice of Piglet from "Winnie the Pooh."

The script features a lot of lingo like, "Hey man, don't split. We groove on what you're saying. Groove on this one the next time you're pining for the old days and I guarantee that you'll be happy to find yourself right here in the 21st century. Dig it."

Best line: "We are all hung up on some kind of gloom."
1972, rated PG.

Contest Update

The Lagoon is pleased to announce that this month's trivia contest winner is Pennie Wiley, of Prestonsburg. She was one of 10 folks who recalled that John Carpenter ("Halloween") directed the original version of "Assault on Precinct 13." Carpenter's version was much darker than the remake and featured a great score that he composed himself.

Also answering correctly were Kevin David Clevenger, of Grethel; Linda Sparks, of Paintsville; Sherry Sturgill, of Ashland; Leslie Sheppard and Robyn Hall, of Van Lear; Eric Porter and Leigh Patton, of Martin; and Angela Williamson and Jerry Shepherd, both of Prestonsburg.

Our July contest salutes horror movies. This summer they are back with a vengeance with films like "High Tension" and "Land of the Dead" in theaters now, with more to follow such as "The Devil's Rejects," "Skeleton Key" and "Dark Water." This month we will give away one copy of the medically-themed horror film "Anatomy" (sort of a German take on the 1977 thriller "Coma") to one randomly chosen correct answer to the following question. Which of the summer movies listed above is a sequel to the film "House of 1,000 Corpses"?

Just go to www.floydcountytimes.com to enter. The deadline for July's contest will be thursday July

Medicaid officials announce changes aimed at cutting deficit

by **JOE BIESK**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Hoping to whittle down a Medicaid shortfall projected at \$675 million, state officials on Thursday announced recipients would begin paying additional copayments on prescription drugs and some doctor visits.

Medicaid recipients would pay additional copays for prescriptions starting in July. In August, they will have to start paying copays on various medical services, Medicaid Commissioner Shannon R. Turner said.

"This is just the unavoidable first step," Turner said in a telephone interview.

Currently, there are about 691,000 people enrolled in the state's Medicaid program, which helps with medical bills for poor, or disabled people

and long-term care for the elderly.

Medicaid officials recently announced the program — which is funded through a combination of state and federal money — is headed for a shortfall in the fiscal year that starts July 1. Kentucky's share of the anticipated deficit is about \$215 million.

The copays could save about \$30 million from the Medicaid program's overall deficit, Turner said. A separate move in which the state would reduce payments to nursing homes that reserve beds for patients who wind up in the hospital may save an additional \$9 million, Turner said.

Other cuts or changes to the \$4.7 billion annual program are expected, Turner said.

"Everything's on the table," she said.

Dr. James Holsinger, secretary of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, has said cutting services and limiting eligibility were considered last resorts for balancing the Medicaid budget.

Previously, the cabinet announced Medicaid members on July 1 would begin paying \$1 copays for generic drugs, \$2 for brand drugs on the state's preferred list and \$3 for

brand drugs not on the state's preferred list.

On Thursday, Turner said the copays would expand on July 15.

Kentucky's Medicaid recipients who are not federally mandated to receive their benefits — about 40,000 people — would begin paying \$3 for generic drugs, \$10 for preferred brand drugs and \$20 for medicine not on the state's

preferred list, Turner said. Previously, the copays were \$1, \$2 and \$3 respectively.

Starting Aug. 1, most Medicaid recipients will have to pay copays for medical treatment, including \$6 for emergency room visits, \$2 for office visits, \$50 for hospital stays and \$3 for outpatient services.

Copays for services or medicine will not apply to pregnant women, people under age

19, some minorities and people in long-term care facilities.

Still, the changes will amount to significant expenses for people receiving Medicaid benefits, said Phil Peters, AARP Kentucky's state director.

"As modest as these copays may seem to some people, they're still going to be painful for low-income Kentuckians," Peters said in a statement.

Faith Extra

United Church of Christ set to consider gay marriage

by **ERRIN HAINES**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — The United Church of Christ is poised to become the largest Christian denomination to endorse same-sex marriage, but as with other Protestant churches, taking a stand on homosexuality could come with a price.

"I don't think it's possible to overestimate the prophetic role that the passage of the resolution would have in terms of the impact on the religious and secular debate in this country," said the Rev. Rebecca Voelkel of Cleveland, national interim director of the UCC Coalition for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Concerns.

Yet eight congregations in the liberal denomination of 1.3 million members believe that approving the same-sex marriage resolution at the church's upcoming annual meeting would be a bad idea — even if they concede the measure is likely to win approval. The meeting starts Friday and concludes Tuesday.

The Rev. Brett Becker, pastor of St. Paul United Church of Christ in Cibola, Texas, and a spokesman for the conservative congregations, predicted the eventual collapse of the UCC if the measure passes.

"If we're going to call ourselves Christian and be followers of Christ, we need to follow his teachings on marriage," said Becker, whose group has proposed an alternative resolution defining marriage as between one man and one woman. Becker said he and other conservative pastors should continue to welcome homosexuals into the church, but encourage them to change their behavior.

A third proposal calls for study, prayer and discernment on the same-sex marriage issue — though its proponents said the "one man, one woman" resolution was discriminatory and backers recently voted to support "the spirit" of the same-sex resolution. The resolutions will all be discussed at the meeting Sunday immediately after worship services.

Becker's group also will put forward a measure that defines the UCC as a Christian denomination — a resolution that notes some pastors have strayed so far from the mainstream that the UCC has earned the derisive nickname "Unitarians considering Christ."

The church will also vote on proposals to cut back investments in Israel as protest for that nation's treatment of the Palestinians, and a policy declaration to loosen standards for clergy ordination from the mandatory four years of college and three years of seminary.

Traditionally strong in New England, the church was criticized last year for its television advertising campaign featuring a gay couple, among others, being excluded from a church. CBS and NBC rejected the 30-second ads.

But the church's support for

gays and lesbians is not new. In the early 1970s, the UCC became the first major Christian body to ordain an openly gay minister and established a gay caucus.

Twenty years ago, the church declared itself to be "open and affirming" of gays and lesbians, and since then, nearly 600 congregations have independently done the same.

"It's important for religious groups that are supportive of (gay) rights to get out in the public arena and articulate that there is not a monolithic understanding of these issues and it's not fair to say that in order to be a good Christian, one has to be anti-homosexual," Voelkel said.

UCC churches are autonomous, meaning the General Synod does not create policy for its more than 5,700 congregations. Still, if the resolution supporting same-sex marriage passes, it would be "a very disturbing thing," Becker said.

The Rev. John H. Thomas, UCC president, said he supports the same-sex resolution. However, he expressed his disappointment that some congregations could decide to leave the church if the resolution is approved.

"No church can avoid this difficult discussion in our current cultural context if it seeks to be relevant to our society and if it seeks to be faithful particularly to the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons among its members," he said.

Debating the same-sex marriage issue is the next logical step in the denomination's support of the gay community, especially in the current political climate, Voelkel said.

"We continue to be very concerned about the way in which very narrow understandings of biblical and scriptural tradition have been used in the political arena to justify a lot of oppressive public policy," Voelkel said.

No hard data exist on how many gays and lesbians are in the UCC, but Voelkel said about 2,000 people are on the mailing list for the coalition, and about 1,000 clergy or seminarians are gay. The denomination has 10,323 ordained ministers.

The momentum for the same-sex resolution has encouraged the Rev. Libby Tigner, minister of the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Long Beach, Calif., and sponsor of the measure.

Tigner said the proposal was largely a response to "the social reality of many of our members," many of whom flocked to San Francisco last spring after the mayor directed courts to issue marriage licenses to couples, regardless of gender.

Still, Tigner said the resolution is not a mandate for other congregations and hopes the issue does not divide the church.

"Even if it passes, it doesn't impose anything on anybody," Tigner said. "Resolutions speak to the churches, not for the churches. This invites congregations to dialogue and study."

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Bristol

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er). Heads-up classes are Nopi Chic (all girl), Comp 4, Turbo 4, Comp 6, and Comp 6. Pro Classes include Pro Street Tire, Pro Stock, Pro 4 Cylinder, Pro Outlaw FWD, Pro Outlaw RWD and Pro Import.

\$400 and runners-up pocket \$100. Heads-up class winners take home \$500 and runners-up get \$100. The Pro Street Tire winner earns \$2,500 while the Pro Stock victor will take home \$3,000. The Pro 4 Cylinder winner earns \$3,500, the Pro

Outlaw FWD wins \$4,000, the Pro Outlaw RWD wins \$4,250 and the Pro Import winner pockets \$5,000.

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Blackburn

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wheel. The crew from Blackburn's NASCAR Dodge Weekly Racing Series championship season remains intact.

Joining Safeguard, Community Trust Bank and RideHonda.com as sponsors on Blackburn's No. 69 ARCA ride are Harley-

Davidson of Prestonsburg, Pikeville and Lexington, Tiger Rear Ends. Ernie Elliott is building the engines for the Prestonsburg-based race team

Blackburn has made it no secret that he would like to make it into the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series.

Later in the year, Blackburn also said he may return and race Late Model events in both Martinsville (Va.) and Bristol (Tenn.). Two or three other ARCA races could also be in the mix for the reigning NASCAR Dodge Weekly Racing Series champion.

SATURDAY, JULY 9

SUNDAY, JULY 10

8 a.m. Contestant/Vendor Gates Open
9 a.m. USAC and db Drags Sound Open
10 a.m. Spectator Gates Open
10:30 a.m. NDRA Tech Opens
Noon Music, Games, Open Racing
2 p.m. Pro Qualifying
2:30 p.m. Swimsuit Competition
3:30 p.m. Sportsman Qualifying
4 p.m. Street Racing Open Session
5 p.m. Burnout Contest
5:30 p.m. Pro Qualifying
6:30 p.m. Casting Call, Sportsman Qualifying
7 p.m. Swimsuit Competition
7 p.m. NOPI Night Street Drags/Party
7:30 p.m. Open Mic, Jello Wrestling

8 a.m. Contestant/Vendor Gates Open
9 a.m. Church Service
10 a.m. Spectator Gates Open
10:30 a.m. Final Round Pro Qualifying
11 a.m. Final Round Sportsman Qualifying
Noon Open Session Street Racing
1 p.m. Pro & Sportsman Eliminations
1:30 p.m. Pro, Sportsman, Street Eliminations
3 p.m. Pro, Sportsman, Street Eliminations
3:30 p.m. Casting Call, Burnout Contest
4 p.m. Swimsuit Finals
5 p.m. Final Eliminations All Classes
5:45 p.m. Show Awards

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Sportsman Channel broke through major markets in our second year," stated President/CEO, Michael Cooley. "We have plans to increase our market share by launching original programming and are looking into providing regional, instructional and expanded feature rich VOD programming."

TSC is available through Inter Mountain Cable's Expanded Basic package on

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Launched in 2003, TSC is presently in 11.8 million broadcast and cable households. TSC is the only channel that can deliver 100 percent hunting and fishing programming 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The network will provide the most feature rich, instructional and genre-specific VOD content by the end of 2005,

with HD-VOD to follow in 2006. To satisfy the serious sportsman, TSC has developed blocks of themed evenings, like "Monday Night Bow and Blackpowder," "Wednesday Night Wingshooting" and "Friday Night Fish Fry." Please visit TSC's newly unveiled Online Store and download a complete program schedule at www.thesportsmanchannel.com. The Sportsman Channel: All Hunting. All Fishing. All The Time.

Whitfield looking into jockey insurance issue

by HILARY ROXE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON - When U.S. Rep. Ed Whitfield took the reins of an investigations subcommittee in the House this year, he turned his sights to a key issue of his home state - horse racing.

Before the year is out, the Republican from Hopkinsville said he plans to hold a hearing that will shed light on practices of The Jockeys' Guild, potentially helping jockeys secure better health insurance and resolving an issue that has affected tracks in the past year. Whitfield began looking into the Guild after reading reports that it had not renewed an accident insurance policy for riders in 2002, leaving some jockeys without coverage.

Guild spokesman Eric Banks said the group notified members after allowing the pricey policy to lapse, and believes race tracks should be responsible for developing a solution.

Jockeys, like boxers, are usually contract workers who don't receive the type of benefits that many athletes get through teams or unions, Banks said.

After riders argued the \$100,000 coverage that race tracks provided wasn't enough to cover catastrophic falls, Kentucky's thoroughbred tracks agreed earlier this year to increase on-track coverage

temporarily to \$1 million.

Five states offer workers' compensation for jockeys, and some private organizations have chipped in. But Whitfield said federal regulation may be the only way to standardize a hodgepodge of efforts.

"It's kind of nebulous who's really responsible for the coverage and what benefits are being administered," he said. "It's sort of a Byzantine, archaic type of system from my perspective."

Whitfield calls jockeys' coverage a health care issue, but his affinity for horses is clear. He has three small tracks in his district, and his wife, Connie, is on the Kentucky Horse Racing Authority.

A framed photo of 1986 Kentucky Derby winner Ferdinand sits on a table in his congressional office, mid-stride in a blitz across the finish line. The horse is believed to have been slaughtered in Japan in 2002. Whitfield even has a connection to Ferdinand - he owns one mare sired by Ferdinand and co-owns a second. The congressman has been a dogged proponent of banning horse slaughter in the U.S. for human consumption.

On the jockeys' coverage issue, Whitfield said he has "not received total cooperation" from The Jockeys' Guild president Wayne Gertmenian.

Banks, however, said the Guild "supplied all the relevant information and documents

that we could as quickly as possible," and "is in the process of complying with everything he requested."

The congressman has also asked for input from race tracks, and organizations such as the Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association, and the National Thoroughbred Racing Association.

Whitfield is not the only one interested in the issue. A panel assembled by the NTRA came out with a series of recommendations - which includes asking jockeys to chip in to bring coverage back up to 2002 levels - after riders' injuries "brought these issues bubbling to the surface," said Keith Chamblin, an NTRA marketing executive.

In Kentucky, Gov. Ernie Fletcher appointed an 11-person panel to developing recommendations on jockeys' coverage by September, in time to propose legislation for the 2006 session of the state General Assembly.

The group is considering issues including how the industry should pay for coverage and how to include track workers, who are often overlooked, said Jim Gallagher, executive director of the state horse racing authority.

On the Net: U.S. Rep. Ed Whitfield: http://www.house.gov/whitfield The Jockeys' Guild: http://www.jockeysguild.com/

Buzzards Bay, fifth in Derby, to be auctioned at Fasig-Tipton sale

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - Buzzards Bay, the fifth-place finisher in the Kentucky Derby, will be auctioned at Fasig-Tipton on July 18 so that a partnership between his owners can be dissolved, according to a release from the auction company.

The auction of Buzzards Bay will be held at the end of the first day of Fasig-Tipton's annual Kentucky July Yearling Sale. The 3-year-old chestnut colt, trained by Jeff Mullins, has been invited to major races

later this year, including the Grade I Haskell Invitational and the Grade I Travers Stakes.

The current owners of the son of Marco Bay are Bill Bianco and David Shimmon, who race under the name Fog City Stable.

"This is a business decision between two different guys going two different directions," said Davant Latham of Darby Dan Bloodstock, an adviser to Fog City Stable. "They've had some wonderful success together, and both are going to stay in the game."

Buzzards Bay won the Grade I Santa Anita Derby in April, beating eventual Kentucky Derby winner Giacomo and 2004 Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner Wilko in the process. Buzzards Bay has won three times in 10 lifetime starts and has finished in the money three other times.

In his last outing, the Grade III Affirmed Handicap at Hollywood Park on June 18, Buzzards Bay finished last in a four-horse field after starting as the 6-5 favorite in the 1 1/16th-mile race.

Saturday Deelites wins Churchill feature

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

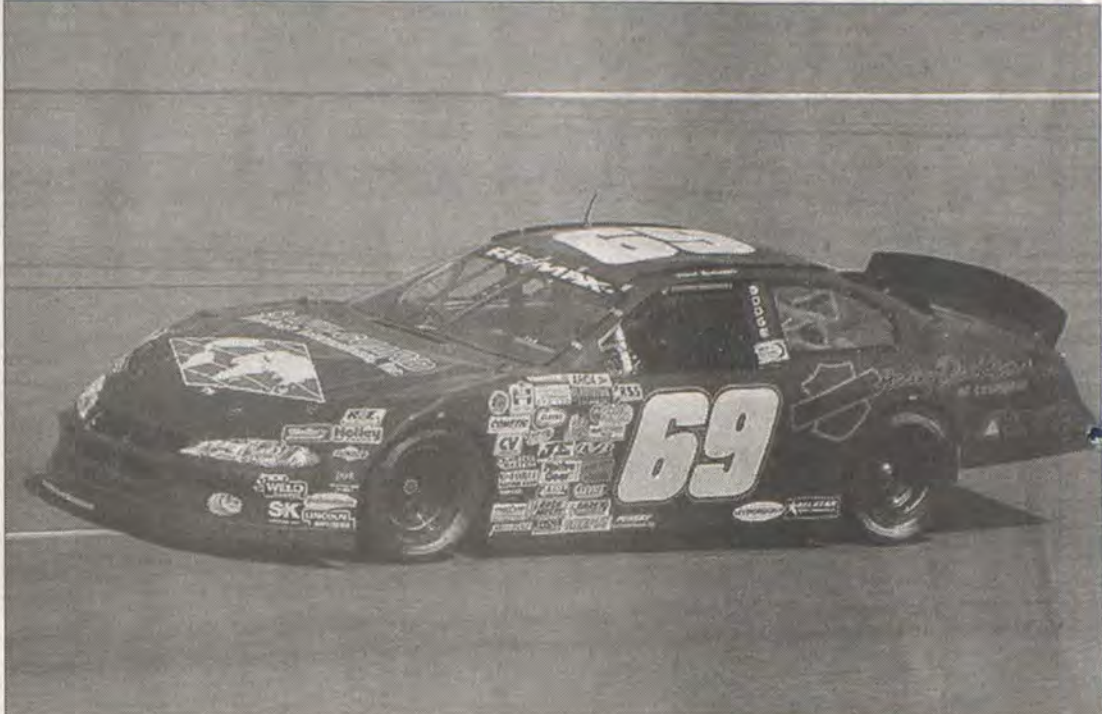
LOUISVILLE - Saturday Deelites, ridden by Mark Guidry, took the lead in the stretch and pulled away for a 5 1/4-length win over Prize Story in Thursday's featured \$53,300 allowance event for 3-year-olds and up at Churchill Downs.

Saturday Deelites won for the second time in three starts in 2005. The 4-year-old son of Afternoon Deelites covered the 1 1/16 miles on the turf in 1:42.24 and paid \$9.20, \$4.20 and \$2.80.

Prize Story, with William Troilo aboard, paid \$3.80 and \$2.80. Master William, under

Gary Stevens, finished another three-quarters of a length back in third and paid \$4.20.

Saturday Deelites earned \$33,355 for the win and boosted his career bankroll to \$124,140 for owner Brereton Jones. The Dale Romans trainee won for the third time in 10 career starts.



Steve Blackburn won both the NASCAR Dodge Weekly Racing Series Atlantic Region championship and the Lonesome Pine Raceway Late Model track championship during the 2004 season. Now, he's back driving in the ARCA Series.



LITTLE LEAGUE



The Prestonsburg 9- and 10-year-old All-Stars (above) and the 11-12-year-old girls' softball All-Stars (below) practiced earlier in the week. District 7 All-Star Tournament play got underway yesterday in Paintsville.



Louisville formally admitted into Big East Conference

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES



PROVIDENCE, R.I. — The University of Louisville was one of five new members admitted into the BIG EAST Conference today joining the University of Cincinnati, DePaul University, Marquette University and the University of

South Florida. All five universities will begin BIG EAST competition in the 2005-06 academic year.

The league had announced that the five new institutions had accepted conference membership on Nov. 4, 2003. With 16 members formally in place, the BIG EAST has become the nation's largest Division I-A conference.

"This is a landmark day for the BIG EAST Conference," said Commissioner Michael Tranghesé. "We have been working closely with our new members since they accepted membership and we are extremely excited to move forward together. Our new schools have already added an enthusiastic spirit to the BIG EAST. We know they are bringing out-

standing levels of athletic competition and academic excellence."

"We are very excited as we formally embark on a new chapter in the history of the BIG EAST Conference," added Mark Nordenberg, Chancellor of the University of Pittsburgh and the Chair of the league's Presidents. "We have already become friends and colleagues with our new members, and we look forward to a future that will be rewarding for everyone."

In 2005-06, the BIG EAST Conference will include: the University of Cincinnati, University of Connecticut, DePaul University, Georgetown University, University of Louisville, Marquette University, University of Notre Dame, University of Pittsburgh, Providence College, Rutgers University, St. John's

University, Seton Hall University, University of South Florida, Syracuse University, Villanova University and West Virginia University.

For football, the BIG EAST will have an eight-team alignment - Cincinnati, Connecticut, Louisville, Pittsburgh, Rutgers, USF, Syracuse, and West Virginia. A charter member of the Bowl Championship Series, the BIG EAST will begin its league schedule this fall when West Virginia plays at Syracuse on Sept. 4. The game will be nationally televised on ABC.

Cincinnati, with an enrollment of 33,000, sponsors 18 sports. The Bearcats' first BIG EAST competitive event will be a men's soccer game at Louisville on Sept. 7.

DePaul has an enrollment of 23,600 and sponsors 15 sports. The Blue Demons will begin BIG EAST play on Sept. 16

when the men's soccer team hosts Georgetown and the women's soccer team plays at Notre Dame.

Louisville, with an enrollment of 24,000, has 22 sports. Like Cincinnati, the Cardinals' first BIG EAST match is Sept. 7 when U of L hosts the Bearcats.

Marquette, with an enrollment of 11,000, sponsors 14 sports. MU meets BIG EAST opponents for the first time on Sept. 16. Marquette will play at Syracuse in men's soccer. The women's soccer team will host South Florida.

The University of South Florida has an enrollment of 42,000. USF sponsors 18 sports. Like DePaul and Marquette, the Bulls' men's and women's soccer teams will be the first to taste BIG EAST competition. On Sept. 16, the USF men's soccer team hosts Seton Hall. The women's team plays at

Marquette.

The BIG EAST is also launching its new web site today in conjunction with College Sports Online. The address, www.bigeast.org, remains the same.

Since opening its doors in 1979, the BIG EAST has won 25 national championships in six different sports and 123 student-athletes have won individual national titles. More than 300 student-athletes have earned Academic All-America honors.

BIG EAST institutions reside in seven of the nation's top 30 largest media markets, including New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston, Washington D.C., Tampa, Pittsburgh and Hartford. With the incoming members, the BIG EAST markets will contain almost one fourth of television households in the U.S.

Leffew named to Outland Trophy List



SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

DALLAS — Senior offensive tackle Travis Leffew of the University of Louisville was one of 36 linemen nominated for the 2005 Outland Trophy. The Football Writers Association of America announced on Wednesday.

The Outland Trophy has been awarded to the best interior offensive or defensive lineman in college football since 1946. The winner is selected by the FWA's All-America Committee, which selects the association's 25-man team and picks three Outland Trophy finalists.

Leffew, who was a second team All-American in 2004, has started 38 straight games for the Cardinals at tackle. A first team All-Conference USA selection last season, helped the Cardinal offense led the nation in total offense and scoring.

The 2005 Outland Trophy

announcement will be on Dec. 8 in Orlando, Fla., on the ESPN Home Depot College Football Awards Show. The Outland Trophy presentation banquet, sponsored by the Greater Omaha Sports Committee and First Data Corporation, is set for Jan. 12, 2006, in Omaha, Neb.

Oklahoma offensive tackle Jammal Brown won the 2004 Outland Trophy. Former Outland winner Ron Yary from USC (1967), will make the announcement of the 2005 winner in Orlando. Additional Outland Trophy candidates may be added during the course of the season. Tackles, guards and centers are eligible for consideration.

2005 OUTLAND TROPHY PRESEASON WATCH LIST — Jesse Boone, OL, Utah; J. B. Closser, C, Alabama; Daryn Colledge, OT, Boise State; Ryan Cook, C, New Mexico; Mike Degory, C, Florida; Greg Eslinger, C, Minnesota; Steve Fifita, DL, Utah; D'Brickshaw Ferguson, OT, Virginia; Orien Harris, DT, Miami (Fla.); Manase Hopoi, DT, Washington; T. J. Jackson, NG, Auburn; Max Jean-Gilles, OL, Georgia; Davin Joseph, G, Oklahoma; Jake Kuresa, OL, BYU; Travis Leffew, OL, Louisville; Matt

Lentz, G, Michigan; Dylan Lineberry, G, North Texas; Josh Linehan, G, Oregon State; Grayling Love, OT, Arizona State; Jesse Mahelona, DT, Tennessee; Nick Mangold, C, Ohio State; Garrett McIntyre, DT, Fresno State; Marcus McNeill, OT, Auburn; Dan Mozes, G, West Virginia; Haloti Ngata, DT, Oregon; Ryan O'Callaghan, OT, California; Marvin Philip, C, California; Samson Satele, G, Hawaii; Jonathan Scott, OT, Texas; Mark Setterstrom, OL, Minnesota; Ben Siegert, DT, Oregon State; Gabe Watson, DT, Michigan; Andrew Whitworth, OT, LSU; Jon Wilson, C, Air Force; Eric Winston, OT, Miami (Fla.); Rodrique Wright, DT, Texas

The Football Writers Association of America, a non-profit organization founded in 1941, consists of more than 900 men and women across North America who cover college football for a living. The membership includes journalists, broadcasters and publicists, as well as key executives in all the areas that involve the game. The FWA works to govern areas that include gameday operations, major awards, a national poll and its annual All-America team.

Garcia's world tour stops in Sacramento

by GREG BEACHAM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Francisco Garcia is a native of the Dominican Republic who moved to the Bronx as a teenager. After a stint at a Massachusetts prep school, he went to college at Louisville — and yet he was thrilled when the Sacramento Kings called his name.

Garcia's North American tour took a turn to the West Coast when the Kings selected the sharp-shooting guard with the 23rd overall pick in Tuesday's draft. Just two days later, the well-traveled Garcia toured Sacramento's training complex with a broad smile on his face as he contemplated being a part of the retooled Kings' high-scoring offense this fall.

"I just said, 'I can't really believe I'm going to the Kings,'" Garcia recalled after his introduction as the newest member of the franchise. "I was so happy, I couldn't believe it. I just (like) everything about it here."

Garcia really means it, too: In the biographical information compiled by his school, he listed the Sacramento Kings as his favorite NBA team last year.

With his lanky 6-foot-7 frame and dangerous jump

shot, Garcia frequently was compared to Reggie Miller during his junior season at Louisville, when he led the Cardinals with 15.7 points per game on the way to the Final Four. He passed up his final season to enter the draft, and he knew early on that he would be a good fit with the Kings.

"I know the game I play, and with my willingness to work hard, I should be able to have a very successful career in Sacramento," said Garcia, who will wear his college No. 32. "I loved the Kings teams of the past, and we've got a very bright future here, no doubt about it."

The Kings were surprised to find the 23-year-old still available with the 23rd pick, so they snatched up a player they rated several spots higher in most of their internal mock drafts.

Sacramento's last nine first-round picks all were on NBA rosters last season, so Geoff Petrie's drafting acumen can't be questioned. But with his team in transition following the departures of Chris Webber, Doug Christie and Vlade Divac, the Kings' president of basketball operations wants a tougher defensive mentality next season — and Garcia might be able to help.

Louisville plays a frenetic pressing defense under coach

Rick Pitino, so the Kings know Garcia has the athletic ability to run with top athletes. The NBA game is different, however.

"I want to see him play on the ball," Kings coach Rick Adelman said. "I think he has a tremendous work ethic, a desire to be good. I want to see him just play the game we saw on tape."

The Kings love the polish on Garcia's offensive game — and not just his outstanding 3-point shot. A prototypical slasher comfortable driving the lane or shooting the 3, Garcia scored at least 20 points in 22 games at Louisville, including three big performances in the NCAA tournament last spring, when he averaged 17.6 points and four assists.

Starting with Sacramento's summer-league team in Las Vegas next week, Adelman will look at Garcia's complete game.

"He finds open people and handles the ball, but can he bring it up?" Adelman asked. "We have to find out how consistent his shooting can be, especially mid-range. That in-between shot, I don't know about that. (But) when you get a kid out of a good program who's successful at that program and has a great character about him, those type of guys tend to succeed."

"Maybe he can help us right away. That's what we're hoping for."

Furman transfer Quan Prowell signs with Auburn

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

AUBURN — Quan Prowell, a 6-foot-8, 210-pound forward from Columbus, Ga., who played the last two seasons for Furman University, has signed a scholarship to attend Auburn University and play basketball in 2006-07, head coach Jeff Lebo announced Thursday.

Prowell, who was the consensus Southern Conference Freshman of the Year in 2003-04, totaled 19 points and five rebounds in only 24 minutes against Auburn last season. He went 6-of-11 from the field, including an impressive 3-of-5 from 3-point range.

"We are excited to have Quan join our program," Lebo said. "It will be a big year for him. He will be helpful in practice for us as he prepares to play for two years at Auburn University. I love Quan's versatility and athleticism. He has the ability to play a lot of different positions."

Prowell averaged 15.2 points and 5.6 rebounds in 15 games last year as a sophomore. He

was named to the Great Alaska Shootout all-tournament team as he averaged 15.0 points and 6.3 rebounds. He scored 17 points against Utah and 14 points against both Minnesota and Alaska-Anchorage.

He missed 14 games as he was academically ineligible from Jan. 5 to being reinstated Feb. 25 after becoming eligible during the school's winter quarter. He returned for Furman's final SoCon game as he scored 15 points in an upset of Chattanooga before scoring 11 points in the Paladins SoCon Tournament first round loss to East Tennessee State.

Prowell averaged 9.9 points while shooting 53.3 percent from the field en route to SoCon Freshman of the Year honors in 2003-04. He scored a season-high 22 points against UNC-Greensboro, making 9-of-10 shots from the field.

A 2003 graduate of Jordan High School in Columbus, Ga., Prowell played for Gerald Turner. He averaged 21 points, 12 rebounds and five assists per game

as a senior as he earned Class 4A all-state and all-city honors.

Prowell becomes Auburn's eighth signee for next season joining McDonald's All-American Korvotney Barber, a 6-foot-7, 220-pound forward from Manchester (Ga.) High School; Rasheem Barrett, a 6-foot-5, 220-pound guard from Marist School in Atlanta, Ga.; Joey Cameron, a 6-foot-7, 250-pound power forward from Leeds High School in Birmingham; Josh Dollard, a 6-foot-8, 220-pound forward from Prince Andrew Prep in Pickens, S.C.; Jarvis Hill, a 6-foot-3, 180-pound guard from Mt. Zion Christian Academy and Starkville (Miss.) High School; Michael Woodard, a 5-foot-11 point guard from College Park, Ga., and Los Angeles Southwest C.C.; Emanuel Willis, a 6-foot-8, 220-pound forward from Mendenhall, Miss., who transferred this past January from USC and will be eligible to play following exams this December with two-and-a-half years of eligibility remaining.

Murray State, Tennessee agree to play in Nashville

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Murray State and Tennessee will play a game this upcoming season at the Gaylord Entertainment Center, the Nashville Sports Council announced Thursday.

The teams have not played each other since 1945 when the Volunteers won 57-38 in Knoxville.

The game is scheduled for Nov. 30. The starting time has

not been set.

Bruce Pearl will be in his first season as head coach at Tennessee, which went 14-17 last year.

"We're excited to play in front of one of our largest fan bases," Pearl said. "This is a great opportunity to give our Middle Tennessee fans a chance to see this team's new style of play."

Murray State finished 17-11 this past season and tied for

second in the Ohio Valley Conference.

"Obviously this is a great game for Murray State basketball," Racers coach Mick Cronin said. "Playing Tennessee and coach Pearl, for whom I have great respect, is exciting and playing in Nashville is even better."

The Gaylord Entertainment Center hosted the first and second rounds of the 2005 men's NCAA tournament.



The Prestonsburg Little League Rockies, a team made up of 9- and 10-year-olds, finished the regular season undefeated with a 15-0 record. The team recently celebrated its perfect season with a pool party. The team is pictured above. Front row: Bradley Hall, Trey Stapleton, Keith Kidd and Seaton Hall. Second row: Aaron Griffith, Adam Griffith, Terry Adams, Shane Hall, Kaleb Rodebaugh. Coaches: Brian Griffith, Les Stapleton (Manager), Brad Hall and Dwayne Rodebaugh. Not pictured: Johnathan Ball, Josh Stambaugh, Josh Carrier.

Cumberland to hold baseball showcase camp

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WILLIAMSBURG — The University of the Cumberlands (formerly Cumberland College) baseball program will be hosting a showcase for unsigned high school players in the classes of 2005, 2006, and 2007, as well as junior college players.

The showcase will be Tuesday, July 12 at University of the Cumberlands, with registration beginning at 9:00 a.m. The cost of the showcase is \$30. Colleges from Kentucky, Tennessee, and Ohio have been invited. At this showcase last year, 14 colleges were represented.

To sign up, call the University of the Cumberlands Baseball Office at 606/539-4387 or e-mail baseball@cumberlandcollege.edu

Locally, earlier this year, Johnson Central High School star pitcher Adam Blanton signed to play baseball for the Cumberland program.

Astros 2, Reds 2, 7 innings

by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — They got wet. They blew chances for a rain-shortened win. They wound up with a tied game and a makeup doubleheader.

No one had a good night. Ken Griffey Jr. singled home a tying run in the fourth inning, and the second storm of the evening forced the Cincinnati Reds and Houston Astros to settle for a 2-2, seven-inning tie Thursday night.

The game was to be replayed from the start on Saturday as part of a doubleheader, the opener. The statistics count only the few players who actually came away with better statistics. "That's about all it's good for," Astros manager Phil Garner said.

Griffey, still weakened by a virus that sidelined him the last two days, had a pair of singles to lead an offense that wasted chances up to the end. Griffey also was involved in one of the most memorable tie games in Cincinnati — his home town debut in the 2000 season opener.

The start of the game was delayed 1 hour, 57 minutes by a storm that dumped heavy rain and window-rattling hail for nearly an hour, leaving parts of the field submerged. Both teams then spent seven innings wasting chances to end June with a rain-shortened win.

The Reds had the final opportunity, putting runners on second and third against right-handed Qualls with two outs in the seventh. Lightning rained overhead, the grounds crew crouched behind the rolled-up tarp, and raindrops started falling while Javier Vazquez

struck out, keeping it tied at 2-2. Qualls had seen the rain, knew another storm was approaching and understood that he couldn't afford to give up anything. He would have handed Cincinnati a seven-inning win if he were not going to strike out. "I started coming down a little bit — the drops were big. I knew if a run scored there, it was probably going to be the game."

The Reds started warming up for the eighth, but a downpour prevented the game from continuing. Astros ended the month with a 1-1 record, even with the tie. The Astros were in the lead for games for a 1-1 tie with the Reds. It was their first tie since 1989, when they went 1-1.

By contrast, the Reds were 1-1 in the month, having lost four in a row heading into Thursday's game. They were 1-1 in games under 5.0 and 1-1 in games out of first place in the NL Central, both season lows.

The Reds couldn't even pull out the win on a night when right-handed Eric Milton pitched a complete game, allowing two runs and five hits in six innings. For only the third time in 17 starts, Milton didn't give up a homer — he allowed 27 in all, most by majors.

"I was myself out there tonight," said Milton, who hit with a 7.40 ERA. "I don't know where it went to or what's been, but it's what I need to be." His only major mistake was a pitch over the plate to starter Brandon Backes, who

two-out, bases-loaded double drove in both of Houston's runs in the second inning. Milton remained winless since May 23, but he's looked a little better his last two starts. "I thought Milton threw really well," interim manager Jerry Narron said. "That's the best he's looked. The last couple of starts in Cleveland, then he had a chance to see him when he was with Minnesota, and I think we're going to see that." Narron shuffled his struggling lineup, moving Adam Lind to the club's home run leader — to second in the order and dropping Sean Casey to fifth. It didn't solve their biggest problem: an inability to get runners home. Backe had another poor performance, lasting only 3 2-3

REDS NOTEBOOK

Dunn gets congrats on his sacrifice fly



by JOE KAY
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — Adam Dunn had congratulatory messages waiting for him on voice mail. Calls came after he got the thing that had eluded him for nearly two years.

Family and friends wanted to wish him well on his sacrifice fly. "It's like I hit a walk-off (homer) in Game 7 of the World Series," Dunn said Thursday. "My brother called me as I was running to first base."

This wasn't just any sacrifice fly. It was a slump-buster. Dunn hadn't hit one since July 22, 2003, when Bob Boone was his manager and Jim Bowden was entering the final week as the Reds' general manager. Remarkably, the brawny, 6-foot-6 power slugger went 1,085 plate appearances before the next one.

His fly to center fielder So Taguchi drove in Ray Olmedo in the ninth inning of an 11-3 loss to the St. Louis Cardinals on Wednesday night, ending the drought. He had gone 69 of 65 in sacrifice fly situations over the last two years.

At first, he thought the shallow fly ball might not be enough to end the slump. "I've never wanted a ball to be caught," Dunn said. "I thought it was going to be like, 'No, catch it.' It couldn't have been an easy

fly. It had to be one of those. It had turned into a sacrifice fly bats that included one with the label: "Sacrifice Fly Adam Dunn." He'd use it when he'd come up with a man on third and less than two outs.

The special bat finally lived up to its label on Wednesday night. Dunn left it in his bag when he got back to Cincinnati and unpacked, planning to retire it.

"It's going into Adam's Hall of Fame — my house," he said. Dunn joked with teammates Thursday about his newfound notoriety for the run-scoring fly ball. He was glad someone on the roster got the distinction of the longest search without one.

That would be Wily Mo Pena, who has never had a sacrifice fly in 242 major league games and 641 at-bats.

"Never?" Dunn said, in shock horror. "At least I've hit them before." A few minutes later, Penn walked into the clubhouse. Dunn asked if he knew how many sacrifice flies he'd hit in his career. Pena had no idea.

"None!" Dunn informed him, then added, "Maybe you can use my bat."

NEW LOOK: The batting order had several new faces Thursday.

Interim manager Jerry Narron moved Dunn to second in the order and dropped Sean Casey to fifth, trying to squeeze a few more runs out of a home-heavy offense.

"We're just trying to get Dunn at the top of the lineup because of his on-base percentage," Narron said. "If I see a knock on Casey that we're moving him to fifth. We've all talked about it. Dunn gets to base, Casey drives in runs."

Dunn leads the team with 20 homers and 52 walks. Casey is hitting .319, best among the regulars. The shuffle also breaks up the string of three consecutive left-handed hitters: Casey, Ken Griffey Jr. and Dunn. Opposing

managers have been able to score their own left-handed runs. When those three come to bat.

"It can only help," Casey said. "Maybe it's something that mixes it up a little bit and keeps them off-balance."

The winless Thursday featured a pitcher duel. Lefty Lopez, Dunn, right-handed Joe Randa, Griffey and Casey. "When Lopez gets on and we get on, let the power hitters come on and drive us little guys to the table setters," Dunn joked.

Actually, Dunn didn't mind the move up. He once used him as the leadoff batter at times because he walks so often. Dunn has hit third, fourth, fifth and sixth in the last two seasons.

"It actually hit hitting second," Dunn said. "You usually get one extra at-bat a game, and that adds up to a lot over the course of the year. With the guys hitting behind you, you're probably going to see a little better pitches, too."

JUNIOR BACK: Griffey, who missed the last two games with a virus, was back in the lineup Thursday even though he wasn't fully recovered.

"It's probably going to take him another four or five days and he'll be good," Narron said. "If anybody that's had it, it takes about a week to 10 days to get yourself fully."

BIG LEAGUE ADMIRER: Narron is impressed by the way Houston's Craig Biggio takes a platoon and keeps on going. Biggio set the modern record for getting hit by pitches on Wednesday when he was nailed for the 10th time.

"I started to get a little approval from the show guards and all of a sudden the plate is set for the pitcher, the one thing that's been his ability to get through the most painful way to get through the post," Narron said. "It's anywhere close to a 100 percent to get hit by a pitch and not fear it."

Griffey, who had hit two homers and two RBIs, had two hits in two innings. Andrew Alvarado and Ryan Thompson each pitched empty frames.

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Indians complete solid month with win over Orioles

by DAVID GINSBURG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BALTIMORE — The Cleveland Indians can only hope that flipping the calendar to July won't have an impact on the strides they made during their winningest month in more than four years.

Jake Westbrook won his fourth straight start and Eric Crisp went 3-for-5 with two RBIs, leading Cleveland to the Baltimore Orioles 9-4 on Thursday night.

Johnny Peralta had two hits, two RBIs and scored twice for the Indians, who went 11-0 in June. Cleveland had won 10 of 11 games in one month, including 19-8 in May 2004.

The Indians stole an early game behind lefty pitcher in the AL Central and traded the Orioles by a half game in the wild-card standings.

"Second place doesn't feel too much as far as in your division," Crisp said. "You want to be in first place."

Baltimore's Rafael Palmeiro went 2-for-3 with two RBIs and drove in two runs. He was one of 3,000 fans who were invited to a ball in the third inning by second baseman Kalmar

Belliard, who stabbed a grounder on the outfield grass and threw out Palmeiro by a step.

In other games Thursday, the Chicago White Sox beat the Detroit Tigers 6-1; the Oakland Athletics topped the Seattle 6-2; and Texas routed the Los Angeles Angels 18-5.

Cleveland has won nine of its last 11 on the road and five of six overall.

"The game of baseball has a lot of ups and downs," Crisp said. "We went through a down stage and now we're going up. Hopefully, we can stay consistent throughout the rest of the year and keep playing as well as we've been playing."

Westbrook (6-9) allowed three runs, four hits and three walks over seven innings. He left after throwing 95 pitches on a hot, humid night.

"It's a nice little streak," he said of his four-game run. "Hopefully, I can keep it going. With the way the offense is swinging the bats, it's nice."

Sal Fasano homered for the Orioles, who have lost seven of eight. Sammy Sosa went 0-for-4 and is 1-for-27 in his last seven games.

Cleveland went up 5-2 with a three-run fourth inning. Belliard hit a one-out double and Peralta

walked before Grady Sizemore doubled in two runs. Crisp then chased Orioles starter Hayden Penn (2-2) with an RBI single.

Penn never pitched above the Double-A level before joining the Orioles in late May to replace the injured Erik Bedard in the starting rotation. The rookie was 2-0 after five starts, but over his last two he has yielded 12 runs and 15 hits in 5 2-3 innings.

"You're asking a lot of the kid. The kid's 20 years old," Baltimore manager Lee Mazzilli said. "Let's face it, this is the big leagues. When you make a mistake, you're going to pay for it."

Penn's shortcoming was his inability to keep the ball down and in the strike zone. He gave up seven hits, and his three walks were his most in four starts.

"I didn't feel comfortable out there at all," he said. "That's two times in a row. You're going to get beat if you don't execute; I've got to get the ball down and make some pitches."

Fasano hit his sixth homer to make it 5-3 in the fifth, but the Indians pulled away with a four-run seventh. Casey Blake hit a sacrifice fly and Aaron Boone singled in a run before Peralta drove in two runs with a single off Steve Reed.

Rochester 14, Louisville 4

The Rochester Red Wings led the Louisville Bats 14-4 on Thursday night in a game that was a total rout.

Rochester's Francisco Liriano (1-0) got off to a shaky start in the first inning, striking out two batters and allowing two runs on a double and a sacrifice fly by Santiago Perez. But Liriano held the bats (39-42) to two hits over the next six innings.

The Red Wings (42-39) won the game in the second inning.

Heintz, a third run scored on a fielder's choice by Angie Ojeda.

Rochester added a run in the third on a double by Jason Hardt off losing pitcher Steve Reed (5-4).

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Legends sink Lake County

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

LEXINGTON — The names may change but the results remain the same. Lexington captured a 5-1 decision over Lake County on Thursday to improve to a season-high 14 games over .500 at 47-30.

Drew Sutton was one of three Legends that belted a home run. The Lexington second baseman smashed his homer in the first inning. Einertson singled in Brian Triplett to double the lead to 2-0 after two innings.

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Evan Englebrook (6-1) became a six game winner with five scoreless innings. Raymar Diaz

pitched up an unearned run on two hits in two innings. Andrew Alvarado and Ryan Thompson each pitched empty frames.

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Stein named to SAL Hall



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LEXINGTON — The Atlantic League inducted Steve Stein into the Hall of Fame class at their annual All-Star luncheon on Thursday afternoon. Lexington is Stein's first club.

Stein realized a lifelong dream when he brought Minor League Baseball to Central Kentucky and set a baseball standard with the

completion of Applebee's Park in 2001. In addition to his role as founder of the Legends, Stein also serves as Chief Operating Officer for Ivy Walls Management Company, LLC.

"I'm humbled and honored to be a part of the South Atlantic Hall Of Fame," Stein said. "There are so many magical names in the hall like Nolan Ryan, Hank Aaron and of course League President John Moss that have made this league into what it is, and to be associated with them is really special."

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