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briefs

Police make meth bust

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

TUTOR KEY — Area law enforcement continued efforts to curb the manufacture of methamphetamine with an arrest Wednesday in the Johnson County community of Tutor Key.

Irvin E. Daniels was taken into custody after a search of his home yielded several ingredients to produce the drug, as well as several plastic bags filled with prescription drugs that appeared to be packaged for sale.

Daniels has been lodged in the Big Sandy Regional Detention center and charged with unlawful possession of meth precursors, prescription drugs not in their proper container and two counts of possession of a controlled substance.

Trooper Ben Cramer made the arrest with assistance of officers from the Johnson County Sheriff's Department following an anonymous tip called in to authorities. The items were found in Daniels' residence after he granted permission to the officers to search his home.

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Today



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Tomorrow



High: 48 • Low: 27

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MARCH MADNESS



photo by Steve LeMaster

Allen Central fans cheered as the Lady Rebels beat the Prestonsburg girls Wednesday night. ACHS moved on to face Betsy Layne last night in the girls' 58th District title game. Both the Allen Central and Betsy Layne girls will move on to the 15th Region Tournament. Tonight, South Floyd's boys will play the Prestonsburg boys for the district title. Both teams will also move on to the regional tournament. The 58th District Tournament is being played at the Betsy Layne Dome.

Robot used to fight mine fire

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS

PIKEVILLE — A robot led the way into an Eastern Kentucky coal mine that had been belching acrid smoke and heat, making the underground passage uninhabitable for several days.

The robot maneuvered through the dark portals, which had been deprived of oxygen in an effort to smother the fire, aiming onboard lights and cameras in all directions, scanning for flames, monitoring for explosive methane gas, and looking for rocks cracked and loosened by

the heat.

The exercise marked the first time a robot was ever sent into a coal mine ahead of humans to make sure conditions were safe, said John Correll, assistant director of the U.S. Mine Safety and Health Administration.

"The conditions could have been very, very hazardous," Correll said. "We didn't have to send humans in there, because we had the robot."

Federal mine safety officials gathered at the Pikeville coal mine, operated by Alliance Resource Partners, on Thursday to tout the work of the robot and speculate about what the future of mining holds for such

machines.

Investigators still haven't determined the cause of the fire, which started on Dec. 25 and forced the mine to be closed for 33 days. Crews worked 24 days after the robot's exploratory tour to stabilize the mine before returning it to production on Feb. 21.

Could the robot, dubbed V-2, be the first of a long line of such machines working in underground coal mines?

"I don't foresee a day when robots will replace miners, but I do foresee

(See ROBOT, page three)

Kidnapping suspects plead guilty to amended charges

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Formal sentencing for two men accused of kidnapping Jeffrey Young, of Tram, in October 2002 has been set for March 18.

Paul Roberts, 50, of Harold, and Neil Ratliff, 36, of Pikeville, pleaded guilty to the crime in a notice filed on Feb. 1 by their attorney, Steve Owens.

Ratliff has pleaded guilty to one count of wanton endangerment and has had charges of terroristic threatening and unlawful imprisonment dismissed. Roberts has pleaded guilty to one count of wanton endangerment, amended down from attempted murder, and seen charges of unlawful imprisonment, terroristic threatening and possession of a firearm by a convicted felon dismissed.

The commonwealth, through special prosecutor Rick Bartley, who is the commonwealth's attorney for Pike County, has recommended a one-year sentence to be probated for one year for each defendant.

The charges stemmed from what appeared to be a good deed wherein Roberts put up bail money for Young after the two met in jail and determined that they were distant relatives. After posting the money, however, Roberts had a change of heart and picked up Young and drove him back to the jail believing that Young would be a flight risk and thus cost Roberts the \$5,000 bond he had posted for Young's release.

Roberts and a friend, Ratliff, took Young back to the jail but found out it

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Dad gets 2 years for selling pot

Kids knew about drug deals

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Joe Hall, 43, of Galveston, entered an open plea of guilty to a pair of drug trafficking charges in district court Tuesday.

Hall was sentenced by Judge James Allen to two 12-month sentences, to be served consecutively.

Hall's attorney, Lance Daniels, argued that such a sentence was not allowed under Kentucky law and said that his client could have incurred "100 misdemeanors" and still only have to serve a maximum sentence of 12 months under the law.

Judge Allen replied that the sentence would stand, but that Daniels could submit a brief to argue his point.

Allen appeared moved by the case, which was brought by County Attorney Keith Bartley against Hall after a KSP informant videotaped two drug buys which showed that some of Hall's children were aware that he sold marijuana. Bartley argued for the maximum penalty after showing the court the videotapes.

"If they [Hall's children] don't grow up to be drug dealers, it'll be a miracle," Bartley said.

Bartley also pointed out that Hall was wearing a DARE t-shirt on the tape which "spits in the face of all decency."

Bartley stressed that Hall's children were at risk and that drugs are not a victimless crime, saying, "Here's a daddy teaching

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House, Senate work on budget

by MARK R. CHELLGREN ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Senate and House members began sorting out minor differences in their respective spending plans Thursday, accompanied by some of the standard posturing and politicking to make their cases before serious negotiations

begin. During a late-night session, House members learned of an addition made to the tax package in the Senate that could mean \$7.5 million a year to the steel industry.

The credit applies to companies that invest \$10 million in recycling or

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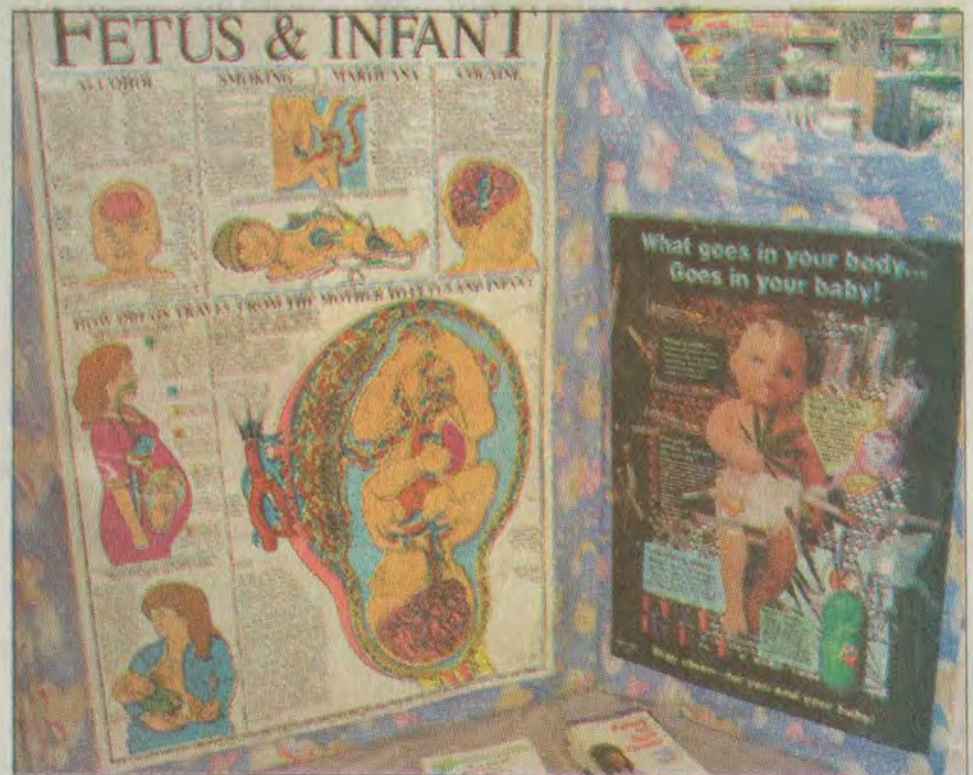


photo by Tom Doty

Prestonsburg Wal-Mart celebrated its annual "Baby Days" theme this week by providing a display at the main entrance detailing the dangers of smoking, alcohol and drugs on unborn children.

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Odds & Ends

■ **UNION SPRINGS, Ala.** — Dreaming of ways to break out of jail is pretty normal. But for the second time in less than a month, police have arrested a man for trying to break into the Bullock County Jail.

Police said Ellis Hudson, 40, of Union Springs was arrested and charged with third-degree criminal trespassing after he was caught inside the fence of the jail on Feb. 21.

Union Springs Police Chief Jake Wheeler said he suspects Hudson was trying to smuggle tobacco to an inmate, since Hudson had pipe tobacco, three packs of cigarettes and rolling papers in his possession.

"There's no smoking in the jail," Wheeler said. "Someone could probably get \$2 for a cigarette in there."

In early February, police arrested another man for attempting to break into the

jail. Officers suspected he was trying to smuggle marijuana into the jail.

Hudson was released on \$500 bail after spending the night in the jail.

■ **NEW YORK** — The city is testing a high-tech trash can that uses solar power to sense when it is full and then automatically compact the garbage inside.

The BigBelly can's tryout began Feb. 14 in Chinatown and then was moved to Tribeca on Feb. 28, city sanitation department spokeswoman Taryn Duckett said Wednesday.

Duckett said it's too early to tell whether it functions as advertised. The city decided to try out BigBelly because manufacturer Westborough, Mass.-based Seahorse Power Co. Inc. offered it.

The company claims that when garbage inside the

BigBelly reaches a certain level, it is automatically compacted, making room for more. When BigBelly is full, a red indicator light goes on and it can even send out a wireless call for a pickup, the company claims.

BigBelly can reduce trash to a quarter of its original size, according to the company's Web site.

Officials say the can could reduce the number of pickups needed, cutting down on the diesel fuel used by collection trucks.

The Seahorse Web site does not say how much the BigBelly costs. A telephone message left for the company was not immediately returned.

■ **MOUNT PLEASANT, Pa.** — Four men stole, killed and butchered a goat so they could trade its meat for crack cocaine, police said.

Authorities charged the

four men with theft, receiving stolen property, cruelty to animals, and criminal conspiracy on Tuesday for the Dec. 24 incident in Bullskin Township, about 35 miles southeast of Pittsburgh.

James Walter Albright, 37, dragged the 4-year-old pygmy goat from its pen with a rope and tied the animal to a shrub, where he and Charles W. Smith Jr., 20, killed the animal by beating its head with a hammer or a steel pipe, police said.

The men then took the goat to Smith's residence, where his father, Charles W. Smith, 48, and Gilbert Wesley Fisch, 38, skinned the animal and cut it up, police said.

It was not immediately clear if the men have attorneys. The Associated Press could not locate home telephone numbers for the men.

■ **SANTA FE, N.M.** — The ACLU is going to court over a case of sticker shock.

The American Civil Liberties Union of New Mexico is suing a district attorney over his decision to prosecute Dean Young for having cartoon stickers of topless female devils on his car.

Young put the stickers on his car as a political statement protesting the ban on Sunday liquor sales in Clovis. The ACLU contends Young's constitutional rights are being violated and that police and prosecutors are overstepping their bounds.

"Mr. Young was just doing what Americans do. He was speaking out about a law that he didn't like," said Peter Simonson, executive director of the ALCU New Mexico chapter. "Evidently

the police officer who cited him didn't like the manner in which Young chose to express himself so he charged Young with an arbitrary crime."

A Clovis magistrate dismissed the case against Young last month on a technicality. The case was dismissed without prejudice, meaning it can be refiled.

District Attorney Matthew Chandler defended his right to prosecute Young, saying the Clovis judge stip-

ulated that Young go before a district judge within 30 days to determine whether the material is indeed harmful to minors.

If the district judge finds against Young, he can still be prosecuted, Chandler said.

Police called the stickers pornographic and said they went beyond Young's First Amendment rights. Young has described the stickers as "raunchy" but not pornographic.

Today in History

The Associated Press

Today is Friday, March 4, the 63rd day of 2005. There are 302 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On March 4, 1933, Franklin D. Roosevelt was inaugurated president, pledging to lead the country out of the Great Depression. (The start of President Roosevelt's first administration brought with it the first woman to serve in the Cabinet: Labor Secretary Frances Perkins.)

On this date:
■ In 1789, the Constitution of the United States went into effect as the first Federal Congress met in New York. The lawmakers then adjourned for lack of a quorum.

■ In 1791, Vermont became the 14th state.

■ In 1837, the Illinois state legislature granted a city charter to Chicago.

■ In 1861, Abraham Lincoln was inaugurated president.

■ In 1902, the American Automobile Association was founded in Chicago.

■ In 1925, President Calvin Coolidge's inauguration was broadcast live on 21 radio stations coast-to-coast.

■ In 1952, actors Ronald Reagan and Nancy Davis were married in San Fernando

Valley, Calif.

■ In 1981, a jury in Salt Lake City convicted Joseph Paul Franklin, an avowed racist, of violating the civil rights of two black men who were shot to death.

■ In 1987, President Reagan addressed the nation on the Iran-Contra affair, acknowledging his overtures to Iran had "deteriorated" into an arms-for-hostages deal.

■ In 1994, in New York, four extremists were convicted of the World Trade Center bombing that killed six people and injured more than 1,000.

Ten years ago: President Clinton, in his weekly radio address, said spending cuts proposed by congressional Republicans would gut safe-school and anti-drug programs needed to protect children.

Five years ago: Ahead of Super Tuesday, Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush charged John McCain with "clouded" education views while the Arizona senator asked, "Where's the outrage?" over a late surge of money to pay for negative TV ads.

One year ago: Mounir el Motassadeq, the only person in the world convicted in the 9-11 attacks, won a retrial in a German appeals court.

Today's Birthdays: Folk

singer Miriam Makeba is 73.

Actress-singer Barbara McNair is 71. Actress Paula Prentiss is 66. Movie director Adrian Lyne is 64. Singer Bobby Womack is 61. Rock musician Chris Squire (Yes) is 57. Singer Shakin' Stevens is 57. Singer Chris Rea is 54. Actor Ronn Moss is 53. Actress Kay Lenz is 52. Musician Emilio Estefan is 52. Movie director Scott Hicks is 52. Actress Catherine O'Hara is 51. Actress Patricia Heaton is 47. Actor Mykelti Williamson is 45. Actor Steven Weber is 44. Rock musician Jason Newsted is 42. Actress Stacy Edwards is 40. Rapper Grand Puba is 39. Rock musician Patrick Hannan (The Sundays) is 39. Rock singer Evan Dando (Lemonheads) is 38. Actress Patsy Kensit is 37. Chastity Bono is 36. Actor Nick Stabile is 35. Rock musician Fergal Lawler (The Cranberries) is 34. Country singer Jason Sellers is 34. Jazz musician Jason Marsalis is 28. Actress Jenna Boyd is 12.

Thought for Today: "When a man gets up to speak, people listen, then look. When a woman gets up, people look; then, if they like what they see, they listen." — Pauline Frederick, American broadcast journalist (1908-1990).

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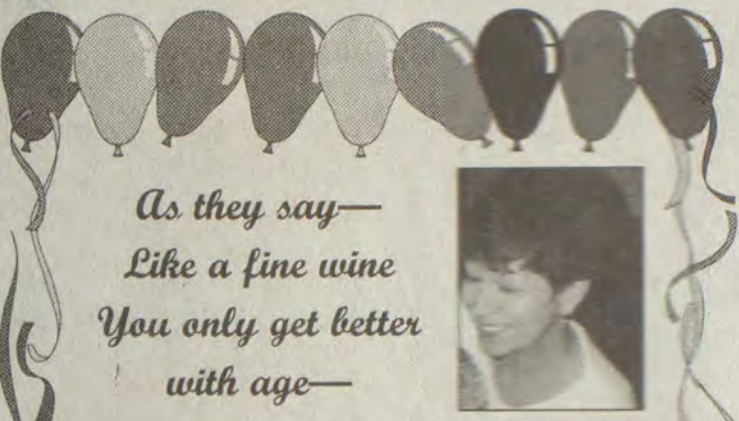
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Budget

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composting equipment and employ more than 750 people. While the credit was added in Senate action on Monday night, House members said they just learned of it on Thursday.

Senate Republican leader Dan Kelly of Springfield said Gov. Ernie Fletcher's administration asked for the addition, even though the administration put together most of the tax package to begin with. No one answered the phone in Fletcher's office Thursday night.

House budget chairman Harry Moberly, D-Richmond, said he knew of only two steel companies, one in Gallatin County another in Greenup County, that might qualify for the credit.

Otherwise, going was slow as the two sides tried to reconcile differences in their spending plans.

House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, said none of the differences seem insurmountable.

The differences range from big tickets to small policies and prerogatives.

The Senate, for example, cut nearly \$300 million in authorizations for universities and colleges to build projects. It also switched some projects that brought criticism, notably eliminating authority for a student health center at the University of Kentucky while adding a basketball practice facility that UK did not seek.

On the flip side, the House added restrictions that would prohibit the assigning of state cars to any individual in the Fletcher administration below the rank of cabinet secretary, barred the purchase of new office furniture and capped the number of political jobs in the Fletcher administration for the next 16 months.

While the public meetings were held periodically, the real work of reconciliation

goes on in shuttled messages, telephone calls, hushed hallway conversations and meetings among emissaries.

After two fairly brief meetings Thursday, lawmakers said they would meet Friday after the regular House and Senate sessions. The slow progress could influence the schedule of the General Assembly session, which is now scheduled to depart on Monday for 10 days to let Fletcher consider vetoes. The session has a few days to play with and could meet later next week.

Some significant items will be harder to resolve than others:

—Elliott County prison. House leaders, especially, are adamant about a provision that would require the new prison scheduled to open this year to operate as a state facility. The Fletcher administration will argue through its GOP colleagues in the Senate for the ability to award a private contract for operation.

—Debt levels. The House and Senate each envision selling about \$1.8 billion in new debt to finance road construction, buildings and even maintenance. The Senate claims lower debt service, but largely because the sale of some bonds are delayed so that payments do not begin in earnest until the next budget cycle. The actual debt levels are even higher because of authority to build about \$200 million in new courthouses, but that money comes out of a different source than other bonds.

Once the conference committee agrees, it goes back to the respective chambers where straight up-or-down votes are taken and no further changes are allowed. If the budget passes, Gov. Ernie Fletcher can veto all or parts of it, which would then be subject to override by the legislature.

Drugs

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them how to grow up and be drug dealers." Bartley finished his presentation by noting, "He needs to go to jail. That's what he deserves."

Judge Allen first thanked both attorneys and mentioned that Daniels had done a fine job

and was respected by the court before imposing the sentence on Hall. Allen appeared moved by the plight of children caught up in a home that catered to the drug trade and said, "It really saddens me to think what kind of impression the defendant has

made on those young people. It almost makes me cry." Allen then imposed the consecutive sentences and showed little sympathy for Hall, saying, "Nobody has brought this on you but yourself."

Bartley spoke about the case afterwards and expressed that it "hopefully sent a message." Selling less than 8 ounces of marijuana is the only trafficking offense that is a misdemeanor in Kentucky.

"I hope that we sent the message that our office takes it seriously," Bartley said. "Judge Allen did the best he could do in

this case. We have punished a criminal and hopefully sent a message to his children."

Bartley was not at all pleased with the videotape which showed Hall talking with one of his sons, who reported that he parted the night before. Bartley's biggest concern is that people have become complacent over marijuana use with the current emphasis being on methamphetamine and the abuse of prescription drugs. Bartley attacked that notion in his closing statement saying, "Marijuana still leads all other drugs in health hazards and abuse."

Robot

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miners using robotics to mine coal," Correll said. "That's already happening, and it will expand over time."

Correll said continuous miners, the toothy machines used to chew coal from underground mines, are operated by remote control. He said other machines have been developed to dig coal from beneath high walls without a miner ever stepping foot underground. An operator controls the machine from an aboveground computer console.

"You're never going to see total automation in mining," said Joe Craft, president and chief executive officer of Alliance Resource Partners, Kentucky's largest coal producer.

Mining engineers have been exploring technology from the aerospace, manufacturing and nuclear industries to make a dangerous line of work safer.

Since 1900, 104,524 workers have died in the nation's coalfields.

The yearly death count reached an all-time high of 3,242 in 1907 when picks and shovels were standard equipment. They fell below 1,000 for the first time in 1946. Since then, the death toll has been slowly falling, reaching a record low of 27 in 2002, bouncing up to 30 in 2003, and falling back

to 28 in 2004.

Correll said the industry hopes to reduce the annual death tolls to zero.

Robots can take on the most dangerous work, like exploring a mine shaft after an underground fire, to collect needed information and relay that information to the surface to help emergency crews plan search and rescue operations.

That's why MSHA invested \$262,000 in V-2, an ANDROS Wolverine Hazardous-Duty Robot System manufactured by REMOTEC, a Tennessee subsidiary of Northrop Grumman Corp.

Similar systems are used by the military and police for bomb disposal.

But MSHA needed one designed to operate in a potentially explosive atmosphere when methane gas might be present, said Virgil Brown, a safety specialist for the federal mining agency.

Brown said V-2 can operate up to eight hours, and send information and photographs to the surface from up to a mile underground. With an adjustable arm, the robot could pick up a miner and carry him to safety if necessary, he said.

"You can see," Correll said, "it's been a very good investment."

Guilty

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was too late to get their money back that day. They proceeded from the jail to the residence where Young had parked his truck. The couple who lived there were employing Young

and witnessed Young escaping from Roberts' vehicle as well as hearing shots fired. Neither saw a gun being fired and neither recognized Young at the time.

Senate lawmakers could hear truck proposal this week

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A legislative panel considering a plan to allow more trucks weighing 60 tons, as opposed to the current 40-ton limit, delayed action Wednesday after officials from Kentucky's urban areas raised concerns about it, the Senate Transportation Committee chairman said.

Currently, coal-truck operators may purchase exemptions that allow their trucks to weigh 60 tons while other trucks are limited to 40 tons. Only certain roads are certified for the 60-ton trucks.

A lawsuit pending in Pike County has challenged the exemption system's constitutionality. Rep. Howard Cornett, R-Whitesburg, has proposed legislation that calls for allowing trucks that carry other natural resources — including gravel, sand and natural gas — to get the exemptions.

The committee delayed action Wednesday because of concerns brought by officials from Bowling Green, Lexington and Louisville, said Sen. Brett Guthrie, R-Bowling Green. Lawmakers were trying to resolve those concerns, he said.

Supporters say Cornett's proposal will preserve the state's coal industry and equalize rules governing truckers. Opponents say the plan threatens public safety and will be more damaging to roads.

Senate President David Williams, R-Burkesville, told reporters the Senate is reviewing the cities' concerns.

Sen. Ed Worley, D-Richmond, said he thought the current system was "illogical." Worley said he supported the proposal.

Gov. Ernie Fletcher's spokesman Doug Hogan said the administration also was concerned about how the plan would affect roads and safety.

If the plan made it to the governor's desk, it would be "evaluated to make sure that it applies only to those roads and vehicles that are certified by the Transportation Cabinet as being designed to handle that capacity," Hogan said.

A committee hearing could come by Friday, Guthrie said.



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Viewpoint

Worth Repeating ...

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— Samuel Butler

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Guest View Editorial roundup

St. Petersburg (Fla.) Times, on injured reservists being wrongly denied pay and benefits:

With ongoing wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, the military relies heavily on Reserve troops. Yet when those soldiers are wounded in the line of duty, too often they find they cannot rely on the military.

One of those is John Allen, an Army Special Forces team sergeant in Afghanistan, where he was seriously injured. Back home with damage to his brain, legs and vision, Allen sought a standard extension to his active-duty status so he could continue to receive medical care. Because of bureaucratic foul-ups, however, Allen has been dropped from active duty several times, which meant that some of his medical appointments were canceled. Even his pregnant wife was refused treatment at a military hospital until a commander intervened.

In all, Allen suffered a nearly \$12,000 loss of pay and, as he described it, "intense and indescribable stress." Unfortunately, Allen's situation is far from unique. ...

The military has struggled to keep up with a growing reliance on Reserve troops, but unless it starts treating them better it will be difficult to attract new recruits. ...

It is a national shame, and Congress shouldn't wait for the military to get around to fixing the problem.

The Anniston (Ala.) Star, on Bush and government's growth:

When Bill Clinton announced the "era of big government is over," soon-to-be president George W. Bush wasn't listening. Or if he was listening, he wasn't paying attention. For today, in Washington, government is big and getting bigger. ... But instead of advancing the Gingrich-Dole agenda during his first term in office, Bush created a new Cabinet department, Homeland Security, and pushed through the USA Patriot Act that gave the government broad surveillance powers. Both of these increased the size of government and empowered Washington to oversee and regulate numerous state and individual activities.

To this, add the budget-busting Medicare prescription drug plan that will cost the nation who-knows-how-much before the decade is out. During Bush's first term, government did anything but shrink. ... Fiscal conservatives and states-rights Republicans aren't buying it. Over at the Cato Institute, a conservative think-tank that usually supports the president, some are openly hoping "that there would be an electoral rebuke of big (-government) Republicans like there was when the tectonic plates shifted in 1994."

The problem with that, of course, is such a shift could erase the GOP's small majority, if the Democrats are able to turn the political tables and become the party of small ("smart" would be the better word) government and fiscal responsibility. That would require dramatically changing the public perception of the Democratic Party, but with the Bush record to run against, it could happen.



Guest Column Congressional sadists

by SHELDON RICHMAN

Even though April 15 is a month and a half away, this is the time of year when people are thinking about and preparing their income-tax returns. So it's a good time to contemplate this particular bit of oppression under which half the adult population labors.

Many people act as though the income tax and the demands it makes on us are facts of nature. Benjamin Franklin said, "In this world nothing is certain but death and taxes," but we ought to acknowledge that these are two quite different phenomena. Taxes are an act of will. Death eventually comes despite any preference to the contrary.

As you sweat out the tax season, bear in mind that identifiable men and women — the members of Congress — inflict this pain on you. They know what you go through. They know the hours you put in and the money you spend. They know that you look frantically for missing receipts just to keep a few more dollars that, after all, belong to you anyway. They know that you fear the hell of an IRS audit. Yet they refuse to stop the torture. They could do it. But they don't — because you only matter around election time, which is long after tax day.

This suggests a modest, short-run

approach to tax reform: Move tax day to the day before election day. And for good measure, abolish withholding. Imagine if people trudged to the polls the day after sending fat checks to the IRS. That might bring the incumbents down a notch.

You have to wonder how such a sadistic group of people can call themselves our leaders. Why won't they relieve us from the dastardly income tax? The answer is obvious. They want the large amount of money and the social-engineering powers that only an income tax can provide. Whenever you hear a politician talk about compassion and wanting to make a difference, think of the IRS.

The 19th-century political philosopher Lysander Spooner saw through the pretense as no one has since. He compared the tax authority to a highwayman. But he saw a profound difference between the two. As he wrote in his publication *No Treason*:

"The highwayman ... does not pretend that he has any rightful claim to your money, or that he intends to use it for your own benefit. He does not pretend to be anything but a robber. He has not acquired impudence enough to profess to be merely a 'protector,' and that he takes men's money against their will, merely to enable him to 'protect' those infatu-

ated travellers, who feel perfectly able to protect themselves, or do not appreciate his peculiar system of protection.... Furthermore, having taken your money, he leaves you, as you wish him to do. He does not persist in following you on the road, against your will; assuming to be your rightful 'sovereign,' on account of the 'protection' he affords you. He does not keep 'protecting' you, by commanding you to bow down and serve him; by requiring you to do this, and forbidding you to do that; by robbing you of more money as often as he finds it for his interest or pleasure to do so; and by branding you as a rebel, a traitor, and an enemy to your country, and shooting you down without mercy, if you dispute his authority, or resist his demands. He is too much of a gentleman to be guilty of such impostures, and insults, and villainies as these. In short, he does not, in addition to robbing you, attempt to make you either his dupe or his slave."

We can only hope that our politicians one day elevate themselves to the level of a common robber.

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Letters

Restore Boone's name

I am writing in regard to the article in the Feb. 2 paper concerning the Daniel Boone Parkway being changed to the Hal Rogers Parkway. I don't understand how or why this happened to start with.

I agree with Rochelle Cochran, president of the Boone Society — it is an insult to his family, the people of Kentucky and Kentucky's history,

not to mention an insult and disgrace to the man himself.

However, I do not agree that Boone's name should be assigned to another road. I think, along with many others, Boone's name should be restored to its original place and let Hal Rogers take the other road. The road should by all rightful means be changed back to the Daniel Boone Parkway and left alone.

I think we, the people of Kentucky, should have had a say in this decision to start with. Who took it upon himself to change it and why?

Personally, I think Hal Rogers would have been a better man to have declined the honor and left it to the one who deserved it. Or did he think he deserved it? Instead of the "unfinished, waste of money and land, need a swimming area not another golf course" Stonecrest, why wasn't it named the Hal Rogers Golf Course?

So, now what do we do? We need to be heard and make them listen. Write letters, make phone calls, get a petition ... whatever it takes!

Karen Caudill
Hueysville

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At the Movies: 'Be Cool'

by **CHRISTY LEMIRE**
AP MOVIE CRITIC



Precious little is cool about "Be Cool," the sequel to the 1995 comedy "Get Shorty." But then again, "Be Tepid" wouldn't be a very enticing title for a movie. (It's also not the name of the Elmore Leonard book on which the movie is based.)

"Be Cool" actually bears only a vague resemblance to its vastly superior predecessor. John Travolta is back as Chili Palmer, mobster-turned-movie-producer, who now wants to switch to the music business. He still dresses all in black and he still whips out that "Look at me" line when confronting his enemies. And he seems to exist in a parallel version of Los Angeles where it's still OK to smoke in bars and restaurants.

When he's gone — which is often, with the myriad characters and subplots crammed into Peter Steinfeld's meandering script — the movie feels lost, wayward. But even when he's on camera, he's not the charismatic Chili Palmer you knew. Ten years in the sun and smog of Los Angeles seem to have softened his edges and sapped his sense of danger. He's strangely vacant — the straight man playing it bland while an assortment of character actors and celebrities in cameos mug knowingly all around him.

Among them — and wait till you see this cast, it's such a waste — are Uma Thurman,

relegated to the role of eye candy as the head of an indie record label; Vince Vaughn, stuck in a one-joke part as a low-level music executive who talks like a hip-hop thug; and Cedric the Entertainer as an Ivy League-educated music producer who can throw on a throwback jersey and go gangsta when necessary.

Providing a couple of goofy laughs are The Rock, playing a gay Samoan bodyguard who wants to be an actor/country singer; and Andre Benjamin (Andre 3000 of OutKast) as a member of the rap group the Dub MDs, which is short for WMDs, or Weapons of Mass Destruction. (And that's actually a funny idea.)

By now you're probably seeing a theme emerge: The film from director F. Gary Gray ("The Italian Job," "Friday") is a satirical indictment of the way whites have co-opted black culture through language, clothing and music. As Sin LaSalle, Cedric the Entertainer makes the point in an eloquent

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One and a half stars out of four.

speech to a room full of music executives, Russian mobsters and rappers. (Yeah, it's as complicated as it sounds.)

But the road to that moment of enlightenment is flat and repetitive. Despite Vaughn's natural comic timing, his shtick ("Mad respect for not givin' respect — I feel you") gets old fast. It felt like a stretched-out skit when Jamie Kennedy made a whole movie of that kind of character two years ago in "Malibu's Most Wanted."

Worst of all, "Be Cool" is often simply boring, despite its attempts to skewer the music business the way "Get Shorty" made fun of Hollywood. A great deal of time is spent discussing the contract of young, Beyoncé-esque R&B singer Linda Moon (Christina Milian, in real life a young, Beyoncé-esque R&B singer). Travolta and Thurman do it. Travolta and James Woods do it. Travolta and Harvey Keitel do it on the living room floor in the middle of the night.

Even Stephen Tyler gets dragged into the talks — and his presence is another example of the difference between the sequel and the original. By folding in film and pop culture references subtly, "Get Shorty" had a sly, clever humor about it. Here, Gray stops everything to have the Aerosmith lead singer smoke cigars with Chili in a Staples Center luxury box while listening to a recording of Linda singing. Tyler also deadpans that he's not one of those musicians who feels he has to appear in a movie. Yes, we get the in-joke.

Speaking of which, let's go back to Uma for a minute. A scene that's played up heavily in the ads for "Be Cool" — the one which, presumably, the folks behind "Be Cool" hope will play heavily into drawing you to the multiplex — finds Travolta and Thurman dancing together again, as they did so famously in "Pulp Fiction."

Rather than coming off as sexy, as their pas de deux at a Black Eyed Peas show is intended, the dance takes you out of the moment completely and reminds you that you are watching two movie stars reenacting an iconic moment in contemporary cinema.

A cooler film wouldn't try so hard to impress you.

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Rental Central

by **TOM DOTY**
STAFF WRITER

The first week of March was light on new films, but several television titles and classic films helped round out the offerings.

"Exorcist: The Beginning"

— Despite a recent horror boom this prequel to the 1973 classic horror film failed to ignite at the box office. The back story here is more interesting than the film, which pits a younger version of Father Karras against a possessed boy. The film was originally shot by Paul Schrader ("Affliction") but abandoned by the studio, which then hired another director to completely remake the film. Most of the cast was let go but those that stayed will receive the dubious honor of being cast in two versions of the same film. Hopefully Schrader's version, set to hit DVD after a chance at theatrical distribution, will fare better than this dud.

"Spongebob Squarepants: The Movie" — Here's one many parents were dreading, but it is

actually pretty funny and manages to toss in a couple of jokes aimed at the parents who accompanied their children to this animated comedy. Pure mindless entertainment that also offers struggling thespian David Hasselhoff a fat paycheck.

"Bambi" — Disney finally debuts this classic title on DVD in a two-disc special edition. The extras are pretty tempting, with deleted scenes and a making-of documentary tossed in. The story is straightforward, as the film focuses on the first year in the life of a doe that starts out tragic when she loses her mother. The lush forest scenery still impresses here in a film that has withstood the test of time.

"Bringing Up Baby" — Howard Hawks' madcap romantic comedy gets the special edition treatment here. The story features a crackerjack cast, headed by Cary Grant and Katherine Hepburn, who come together when her dog steals a bone from the dinosaur exhibit that he is building. Hawks' infamous overlapping dialogue

demanding repeated viewings as the jokes never stop coming. The second disc features documentaries on Grant and Hawks.

"Corrupt" — This one got a limited release back in 1989 and demands rediscovery. Harvey Keitel stars as a dirty cop who is stalked by a psychotic mama's boy, played by Johnny Rotten of the UK punk band "The Sex Pistols." Keitel eventually captures Rotten but that is only the beginning as the mind games begin and Rotten's character turns out to be a manipulator of the first order. This one will keep you guessing all the way to its brutal conclusion.

"SCTV" — A third volume of episodes from this classic sketch comedy show which featured an untouchable cast of comic heavyweights. John Candy, Eugene Levy, Rick Moranis and Catherine O'Hara are featured here in some of the sharpest satire you will ever find on the television industry.

"The Brady Bunch: The First Season" — The sitcom that won't die — it's already

spawned two feature films — finally hits DVD. Life lessons are melded with light comedy here as two divorced parents marry each other and try to raise their six children together. This will fill the bill for nostalgia buffs, but today's kids will probably tune out.

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Morehead State University Nursing and Allied Health Sciences Open House

A representative from the Department of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences at Morehead State University will be available at MSU at Prestonsburg or the Post Secondary Education Building in room #136 on Thursday, March 10, 2005, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

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on a first-come, first-serve basis as space permits.

Worship/Youth center

There is now a Worship / Youth center in Old Allen, that meets on Tuesdays, at 6 p.m. Women's Bible study meets on Wednesdays, 2-6 p.m. (youth). Thursday prayer meeting is held at 7 p.m. All meetings are free and the center's sponsor is the Daniels Creek Baptist Fellowship Church of God, pastor Henry Lewis. For more information, contact Tina Hall at 874-0544.

Faith Independent Free Will Baptist

to hold Homecoming

Faith Independent Free Will Baptist Church homecoming, Saturday, March 6, at 11 a.m. Special singing by New Heart of Pike County. Dinner will be served after service. Rev. Clinton (Buddy) Jones, pastor. The public is cordially invited.

Third Ave. Freewill Baptist to hold homecoming

Third Ave. Freewill Baptist Church will be holding their homecoming on March 6. The Slone Family will be singing, and Shane Powers will be preaching. Dinner served after service.

HRMC Comm. Calendar - March

Mar. 8 - Mended Hearts, Meeting Place A&B, Highlands Medical Office Bldg., 5-6 p.m.

Mar. 12 - Childbirth classes, Meeting Place A&B, Highlands Medical Office Bldg.

Mar. 15 - Senior Advantage, Meeting Place A&B, Highlands Medical Office Bldg., 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Mar. 31 - Living Well with Diabetes, Meeting Place A&B, Highlands Medical Office Bldg., 5-6 p.m.

For more information, call 886-7424.

Stand up for a Brighter Tomorrow

A mental health conference on the emotional well-being of children and adolescents. To be held March 23, from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, in Paintsville. Hosted by Mt. Comprehensive Care Center's Victim Services Program and IMPACT Program. Lunch will be catered by the Ramada Inn. To register, call 886-4395, or register online at www.mtccomp.org.

Registration is required to attend. Registration deadline is March 10. There is no charge for registration or lunch. Some fees will apply, but no fee will be collected from child care workers, foster parents, or education administrators CEU's.

Attention: BLHS Class of '85

It's been 20 years! Reunion is being planned. If you are a classmate, or if you know of a classmate's whereabouts, please email addresses to Debbie Hall Parsons or Gwen Cecil at: dochallparsons@charter.net.

Belfry Class of 1970

Is planning a mini-reunion for May 28. Classmates will be responsible for their own meal. Reservations are required by May 1. Contact Nancy Varney Bryan by calling 433-9200 or 433-0820. You may also write to: P.O. Box 101, Pikeville, KY 41502 or email to: nbryan@setel.com. It's been 35 years, classmates, let's have a little fun!

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Basic Computer Training

To be taught by Ray Tackett at the Martin Community Center, located on Route 80, at Martin, on March 4, 11, 18; and April 1, from 1-3 p.m. Cost - \$7. This is an 8-week training series designed for those who have little or no experience using computers. Space is limited - call 886-2668 today to register!

Home-Based Microprocessing and Processing Workshop

Monday, March 14, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Floyd County Extension Office. Learn about food safety, sanitation, and home canning. Registration fee required. For those interested in selling home-processed food products. Call 886-2668 for more information.

Floyd and Pike County Master Gardener Program

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D.A.V. Chap. 18

The Big Sandy Chapter 18, Disabled American Veterans, of Auxier, is looking for honorably discharged veterans to join the Chapter, which meets at the Auxier Fire Dept., on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month, at 6 p.m. Those interested may bring their DD214 and join the Chapter and receive a D.A.V. ball cap.

Floyd County Democratic Women's Club

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Floyd County Republican Party

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Free Body Recall classes

Free Body Recall Exercise Classes will be held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, at 9:30, at the Presbyterian Church, in Prestonsburg. Classes are held Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday, at 11 a.m. at the old R & S Building. Classes are offered by the Floyd County Health Department. Call the health department, 886-2788, for more information.

'Earn While You Learn'

The Big Sandy Area C.A.P. office is taking applications for its "Senior Training Program." You must be 55 or older to apply. In Floyd, call 886-2929; Johnson, call 789-6515; Magoffin, call 349-2217; Pike, call 432-2775; and in Lawrence, call 638-4067.

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Obituaries

Virgil Hall Jr.

Virgil Hall Jr., 61, of Wheelwright, died Tuesday, March 1, 2005, at Highlands Regional Medical Center.

Born February 6, 1944, in Bevinville, he was the son of the late Virgil and Beatrice Hall. He was a disabled coal miner.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley Mae Little Hall.

Other survivors include his sons: Virgil David Hall of Prestonsburg, and Rodney Hall of Wheelwright; two daughters: Sherri Ann Newsome of Melvin, and Cassandra Jane Hall of Wheelwright; one brother, Kenny Meade of Bevinville; and two grandchildren: Derek Newsome, and Braxton Hamilton.

Funeral services were conducted Thursday, March 3, at 11 a.m., at the Wheelwright Methodist Church, with Bobby Isaac officiating.

Burial was in the Will Hall Cemetery, at Bevinville, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the church. (Paid obituary)

Alberta Isaac

Alberta Isaac, 43, of Kite, died Tuesday, March 1, 2005, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital.

Born October 20, 1961, in Whitesburg, she was the daughter of Mildred Johnson Isaac of Kite, and the late Albert Isaac. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include two brothers: Darrell Isaac, and David Isaac, both of Kite; one sister, Janice Clemons, (husband, Odis), of Kite; one niece: Odessa; and one nephew, Mickey.

In addition to her father, she was preceded in death by one brother, Jessie Ray Isaac.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, March 5, at 11 a.m., at the Rebecca Old Regular Baptist Church, at Kite, with ministers of the Old Regular Baptist Church officiating.

Burial will be in the Ben Hall Cemetery, at Kite, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Ova B. Wilson Music

Ova B. Wilson Music 96, of Prestonsburg, died Wednesday, March 2, 2005, at the Riverview Health Care Center.

Born on September 11, 1908, in Oneida, Tennessee, she was the daughter of the late Mart Wilson and Dora Litton Wilson. She was a homemaker, a former cook at the Prestonsburg General Hospital, and Mountain Manor Nursing Home. She attended the United Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Elder Paris Music, who died October 5, 1984.

Survivors include one daughter, Betty L. Bays of Prestonsburg; one brother, Alfred Wilson of Inverness, Florida; a sister, Coleen Slone of Warsaw, Indiana; eight grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and ten great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one daughter, Wilma Sturgill; and one brother, Woodrow Wilson.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, March 5, at 1 p.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Elders David "Burnsey" Mollette, Johnny Mullette, and Hobert Eugene May officiating.

Interment will be in the Government Relocation Cemetery, at Auxier.

Visitation is Friday, 1 p.m., until 9 p.m.

The family has entrusted arrangements to Carter Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: James Sturgill, Johnny Sturgill, Kevin Sturgill, James Bays, Michael Bays, Jim Gillespie, Chris Sturgill and Jonathan Gillespie. (Paid obituary)

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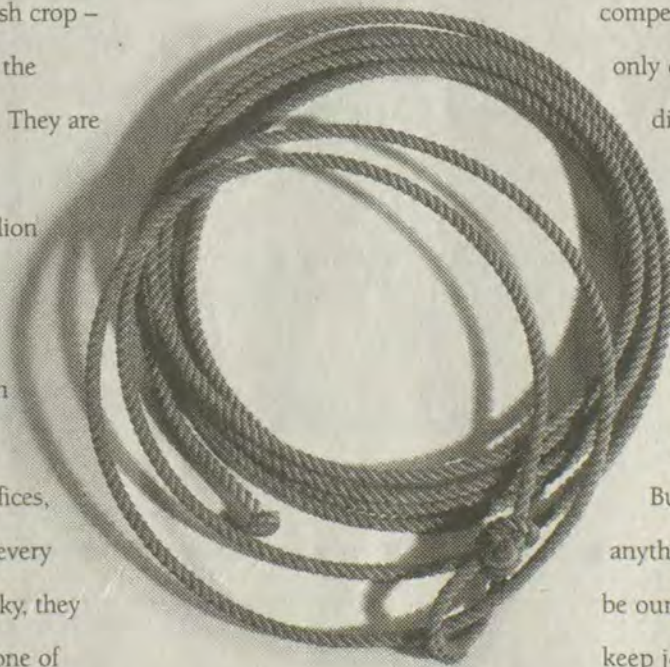
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Setser, 38, of Paintsville.
Janice Carol Thornsberry, 23, of Martin, to Robert Harold Griffith, 29, of Michigan City, Ind.
Rebecca Younce Ratliff, 36, of Pikeville, to Reed Hamilton Jr., 34, of McDowell.
Angela Fay Humble, 18, of Martin, to Robert Isaac

Keathley, 27, of Pikeville.
Frances Caudill, 32, of Pikeville, to Bert Rose, 30, of Warsaw, Ind.
Rhonda Lee Rose, 39, of Paintsville, to Charles Edward Scoville, 49, of Miami, Fla.
Tara Lynn Goebel, 20, to Michael Brandon Jarrell, 24, both of Prestonsburg.

Layne; fourth-degree assault.
Amanda McCoy, 26, of Prestonsburg; fourth-degree assault.
John Howell, 37, of Wayland; menacing, terroristic threatening.
Danny Burchett, 55, of Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication.
Wayne Hunt, 37, of Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxication.
Dewey Collins Jr., 36, of Hi Hat; menacing, terroristic threatening, disorderly conduct, wanton endangerment.
Brandie Clark, 22, of Harold; terroristic threatening.
Jeanett Bray, 45, of Prestonsburg; harassing a witness.
Carl Frankie Burke, 28, of Martin; harassing a witness.

restrooms, eggs stored on floor of walk-in cooler, wet mop stored on floor, baked whole chickens stored at lower than recommended temperature. Score: Food 85, Retail 87.
Family Dollar, Martin, regular inspection. No violations noted. Score: 100.
Rite Aid, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: No conspicuous thermometer in reach-in cooler, garbage container in employee restroom not properly covered. Score: 97.
Slone's Mobile Home Park, David, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lots not properly numbered, lot size not in compliance, park lacks sufficient number of garbage cans, noticeable debris build up on one lot. Score: 92.
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Cardinal Mart, Prestonsburg, follow-up inspection. Critical items corrected, some non-critical items not corrected. Score: 94.
Hyden Mobile Home Park, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Lot sizes not in compliance, one

lot has noticeable debris buildup. Score: 96.

Property Transfers

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House passes school nutrition bill

by BRUCE SCHREINER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — A bill to remove junk food from schools and limit soft drinks passed the House on Thursday without requiring students to spend part of the school day exercising.

The legislation bounced back to the Senate, which passed a different version that required 30 minutes of daily exercise for elementary pupils. After the House vote, Senate Majority Leader Dan Kelly, R-Springfield, didn't rule out trying to reach a compromise.

The proposals — the latest renditions in a long campaign by health activists — are aimed at reducing childhood obesity blamed for juvenile diabetes and other serious health problems.

By a 34-51 vote, the House rejected a proposal by Rep. Stan Lee that would have set aside 30 minutes of daily structured physical activity for students in kindergarten through 12th grade.

The House then voted 87-6 to pass its version, which would remove such items as fried potato chips and candy bars from school vending machines and would strictly limit soft drinks. It would give elementary schools the option to include 30 minutes of physical activity in the school day.

Supporters of the required exercise time argued that diet alone won't make children trimmer.

"It can't be solved with just removing certain types of drinks and food items from vending machines in schools," said Rep. Scott Brinkman, R-Louisville.

Rep. Robin Webb, D-Grayson, said physical activity would improve classroom performance.

"If our kids are fit and feel good physically about themselves, they're going to be more productive, they're going to absorb more knowledge," Webb said.

Opponents countered that schools would absorb additional costs to hire extra physical education instructors and to make enough space available for the physical activity.

"You're giving them double-speak here," said Rep. Derrick Graham, D-Frankfort. "You're saying yes we need to have this physical activity, but no we're not going to fund you for those physical education teachers that are needed to help put this program in place."

The Kentucky School Boards Association has objected to mandated exercise time in schools.

The House debate turned personal when Rep. Tom Burch, D-Louisville, asked Lee if he had signed a pledge to oppose any tax increase. Lee, R-Lexington, said he did.

"Then how in the world do you think that we'll pay for this thing if

you don't want to add any taxes to pay for what you're asking for," Burch said.

Burch said it would cost more than \$5 million in Jefferson County alone to fulfill the exercise proposal. Burch has led the push to restrict vending machine food and drinks.

Burch claimed that the required exercise proposal was a ploy to kill his proposal. Lee responded that his goal was to help children, not harm the legislation.

"We have an opportunity to make them exercise and have their test scores go up," Lee said.

Earlier this week, a House committee led by Burch stripped out provisions of the Senate-passed bill and inserted the legislation dealing with junk food and soft drinks.

The House-passed version would forbid any snack item with more than 6 grams of fat or more than 40 percent sugar in school vending machines or cafeteria la carte lines. That would limit students to munching on such things as granola bars and reduced-fat crackers.

That version, like the Senate's, would ban soft drinks for elementary pupils during the school day. The House's rendition would require that vending machines in middle and high schools be stocked mainly with water, fruit juices or milk.

The Senate version would leave it to the state Board of Education to set nutritional standards for food and beverages sold in schools.

Another difference is that the Senate version would restrict deep-fried foods in school cafeterias, and would limit schools to offering retail fast foods just once a week.

Charges Filed

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David Al Rogers, 38, of Weeksbury; violation of emergency protective order.
Melissa Ann Akers, 34, of Drift; public intoxication, endangering the welfare of a minor, failure to use child restraint device, disorderly conduct.
Kristi Davis, 26, of Kermit, West Virginia; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.
Bryant E. Shepherd, 39, of Martin; alcohol intoxication, giving a false name to a police officer, disorderly conduct.
Rexford Phillips, 37, of Beaver; fourth-degree assault, disorderly conduct.
Jason Goff, 22, of Virgie; absence without leave.
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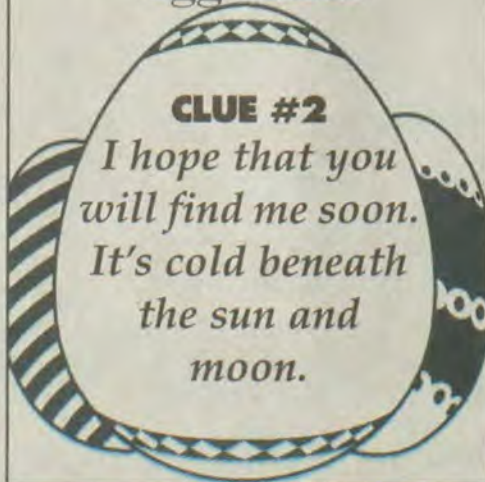
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58TH DISTRICT BASKETBALL:

The Betsy Layne Dome will play host this evening to the 58th District boys' basketball championship game. The game pits defending champ Prestonsburg against South Floyd. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m. A preview of the game appears inside today's edition. The Dome hosted the girls' championship game between Betsy Layne and Allen Central yesterday evening. Results were unavailable at press time and will appear in Sunday's edition.

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Tourney-tested Ladycats lap South Floyd

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - To say the Betsy Layne High School girls' basketball program is tournament-tested would be a vast understatement. Betsy Layne has four seniors and all four have played in various big-time tournament settings, including on the local, regional and statewide levels.

Betsy Layne, again the district tournament's top-seeded squad, opened play Tuesday in the 58th District Tournament against fourth-seeded South Floyd, a first-round winner over Piariest, the tournament's fifth seed. The host Ladycats took South Floyd out of anything it wanted to do - both offensively and defensively. Betsy Layne had little trouble en route to a 79-38 win.

Betsy Layne, which during the recently-completed regular-season, went undefeated against 58th District/Floyd County Conference teams, raced out to an early double-digit lead and coasted against the Lady Raiders. Betsy Layne senior center Kristal Daniels scored eight of her team-high 14 points in the opening quarter and Betsy Layne held a 24-6 lead. The Ladycats never

allowed South Floyd to score over 15 points in an individual quarter and held the Lady Raiders to nine points or less in three of the four quarters.

Betsy Layne Coach Cassandra Akers, who has stressed the importance of her seniors and their team leadership all season long, got double-doubles from two final-year

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photo by Jamie Howell
Betsy Layne senior center Kristal Daniels put up a shot during the second half of the South Floyd game.

Cleansed in UK Blue

by RICK BENTLEY
TIMES COLUMNIST

LEXINGTON - Wednesday nights are normally spent at my home church on Rockhouse where I spend a couple of hours recharging the batteries and getting a much-needed midweek booster shot to help me make it through the week.



Rick Bentley

The first week of March is usually spent in a local gym somewhere, watching some student-athlete try to live the dream of postseason success in Kentucky. District-tournament week is a thrill

waiting to happen, something that can breathe new life into the most hardened of us who follow sports a little too closely.

But this Wednesday night was different, as is this first week of March. The results, however, were the same for me - my spirits were uplifted by a night only a dyed-in-the-wool Big Blue Backer can appreciate.

My dad and I were among the 24,000-plus who attended the service held at Rupp Arena as Commonwealth held a revival service that I needed perhaps more than anyone else in the building.

It was a night that saw us welcome home prodigal son Chris Lofton and say so long to seniors Chuck Hayes and Josh Carrier. It should come as no surprise that the three of them were the biggest stars of the night.

Lofton is clearly at ease in Rupp. He led Mason County to the Sweet 16 championship as a junior and a spot in the finals last year. On Wednesday, he picked up right where he left off last March, hitting five three-point baskets en route to a game-high 19 points.

He is clearly a star in the making, and I'm sure we weren't the only people wondering if Tubby was rethinking passing on him a year ago in favor of Joe Crawford and Ramel Bradley.

As for Hayes and Carrier, it was a night neither is likely to forget. The friends had written love letters to each other in the Lexington paper this week, both talking about how they grew close as their freshman year ended and became unlikely chums the last three years.

I don't mind telling you Hayes will leave Lexington on my short list of all-time favorite players. An undersized post player, he gets the job done through hard work and smart play. His may be the most

(See BENTLEY, page two)

Raiders sink Betsy Layne



photo by Jamie Howell

South Floyd senior forward Burnett Little (34) went up for two of his game-high 21 points. Little also pulled down 12 rebounds in South Floyd's 58th District Tournament victory over Betsy Layne.

Bobcats can't bank on fast start

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - Betsy Layne's fast start Wednesday night was all for not. The Bobcats, playing host to the 58th District Tournament, came out on fire against visiting South Floyd. Betsy Layne, a number three seed paired up against second-seeded South Floyd, got two three-pointers from junior guard Brandon Thacker and another from senior Preston Simon - all in the first quarter. But after getting out to a quick, successful start, Betsy Layne faltered. South Floyd, after a slow-start, made some adjustments and led 20-14 at the end of the first quarter. The Raiders never trailed after the initial quarter and went on to win 77-56.

South Floyd senior forward Burnett Little scored 10 points in

the first quarter and finished with 21. Little also had a game-high 12 rebounds and three blocks. Senior center Steven Stanley added 19 points, nine rebounds and two blocks.

Betsy Layne (16-10) hit from the outside early on and forced South Floyd to make the needed adjustments.

"We came out in a 2-3 (zone defense) and a 1-2-2 and had a little trouble there in the first quarter," said South Floyd Coach Barry Hall. "We knew Betsy Layne would hit some threes. Coming in, we actually felt pretty confident. We thought if we came in and outrebounded them by 10, we could win."

South Floyd (15-14), which one month ago played in the Touchstone Energy All "A" Classic state tournament, dominated on the glass, outrebounding Betsy Layne.

Once the Raiders got an advantage, they kept it, remaining out in front.

The Raiders packed a 39-31 lead into halftime. South Floyd extended its lead in the second half

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Dome shines for district tourney

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - Yes, the old place cleans up quite well. This week, Betsy Layne High School Athletic Director Harold Tackett and the entire BLHS staff as well as the Betsy Layne Elementary School staff welcomed in a lot of

(See DOME, page two)

Defending district champ P'burg pulls away, ices AC

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - Allen Central held the basketball a lot Tuesday night in the 58th District Tournament opening round game against number one seed Prestonsburg. It just didn't hold it enough. In the early going Tuesday night, Allen Central made the most of its offensive opportunities. Prestonsburg led a deliberate Allen Central squad by just a

single bucket at the end of the first quarter, 12-10. In the second quarter, Prestonsburg limited Allen Central to just one field goal and took a 22-14 lead into the intermission. The Blackcats outscored Allen Central in each of the second-half quarters and pulled away for a 58-37 victory.

Allen Central never led during the district opener.

Prestonsburg (17-9), coached by Jackie Day Crisp, got points from both its

reserves and starters. Blackcat reserves accounted for 20 of Prestonsburg's 58 points.

Senior Joe Blackburn came into the game out of a non-starting role and made a huge impact for the Blackcats. After not scoring in the first quarter, Blackburn went on to post a game-high 13 points. He was the most accurate Prestonsburg free-throw shooter, hitting five-of-

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photo by Jamie Howell

HOOKED: Prestonsburg senior center John Mark Stephens fought off the Allen Central defense as he looked to dish off a pass.

AC girls eliminate P'burg

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - In the girls' basketball world, Allen Central kept the number of Prestonsburg Wednesday night in the 58th District Tournament matchup. The Lady Rebels built on a five-point half-time lead and went on to beat Prestonsburg 44-28, earning another trip to the district championship game and a meeting against defending champ Betsy Layne.

Allen Central senior Becky Thomas was double-teamed all night long, but still managed to get loose and score a game-high 14 points. The senior center worked hard for what she got. Thomas, who had seven points in each of the two halves, shot eight-for-nine from the free-throw line. She pulled down 18 rebounds, giving her the game's only double-double. Junior Amanda Mills entered the game in off of the Lady Rebel bench and hit a pair of three-pointers on her way to 11 points. Fourteen of Allen Central's 44 points came from reserves.

Allen Central swept the two-regular meetings against Prestonsburg and carried momentum from those games into Wednesday night's affair.

"I felt like we had a good balance on both offense and defense," said Allen Central Coach Mark Martin. "Amanda Mills stepped up and played her biggest game of the year for us. Again, our defense led the way."

In a game that included some stout

(See ELIMINATE, page three)



photo by Steve LeMaster

Allen Central junior Amanda Mills hit a trio of three-pointers in the win over Prestonsburg.

P'burg releases '05 football schedule

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

PRESTONSBURG - Although the start of the 2005 high school football season is over five months away, Prestonsburg High School is busy preparing for another possible championship run. The Prestonsburg High football program has finalized its schedule for the 2005 season. After an open date during the first week of the season, Prestonsburg will hit the road and stay on the road for the first five weeks of the campaign. The Blackcats won't play a home game until hosting Magoffin County

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Bentley

impressive spin move in the country. Many times, he is shooting a layup back-to-back to his defender before the foe realizes Hayes is no long standing in front of him.

Unfortunately, two early fouls sent him to a courtside seat early in the first half, leaving it to Carrier and Patrick Sparks to carry the load.

Carrier didn't disappoint, getting a rare start in place of Randolph Morris. He sank two three-pointers early and then added one down the stretch, giving him a career-best nine points.

Hayes did most of his damage as the Cats pulled away for their 73-61 win, finishing with 13, four of which came on thunderous slams after the teams were tied at 55 with six minutes to play.

This wasn't my first Senior Night, so I knew what to expect. Nobody does a sendoff quite like Kentucky, with highlights reeling on the JumboTron and a packed arena standing in full cheer. I'm also very happy that

the Cats still do the old-fashioned paper hoops for the players to break through as they're introduced during pregame ceremonies.

The only thing under par on this night was the traditional singing of "My Old Kentucky Home," done with full twang by a country-singer-wannabe who is a native to the Commonwealth. I realize Happy Chandler abandoned the job years ago, but it's too bad a good, solid baritone couldn't be found to give this song the full-throated treatment it deserves.

The seniors seemed to make it through the pregame ceremony with no tears, something that more often than not isn't the case in Rupp.

But the postgame sight was a different story.

It is Kentucky tradition for the pep band to play the state's song after the horn sounds, and Wednesday was no different. But as the cheerleaders lined up at midcourt, they were joined on this night by the entire basketball team.

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I'm not sure if this is something that happens regularly these days, but it's not something I'm used to seeing in my trips to Rupp. But it made for the sight of the night, something that would bring a lump to even the most hardened throat.

As the band played, the emotions of the night finally got the best of Hayes, who clutched the game ball in one hand and Carrier, his best friend, in the other. As the in-house cameras panned in for a closeup, tears rushed down the face of Modesto, California's gift to Kentucky basketball.

It was a sight that caused most of those looking for the exits to pause and cheer one final time for the player who has given them so much pleasure these last four years.

I'm a firm believer that everybody in the state should have the opportunity to watch Kentucky play in Rupp Arena at least one time in their life. The pregame "Cat Walk," featuring the band playing the tremendous theme to "2001: A Space Odyssey" as the team makes it way to the court, gives me chills every time I see it, and I believe would make anybody a UK fan before the ball is tossed into the air.

But Senior Day is something special in a place where every night is Christmas Eve, and Wednesday certainly didn't disappoint. It is the cherry atop the sundae that is Kentucky basketball, and what makes Big Blue Nation the single greatest place in all of college basketball.

I didn't make it to church Wednesday night, but trust me when I tell you, I surely was revived. I've stumbled through this winter lost in many ways as my love affair with basketball was on the rocks.

But I'm no longer blind. After Wednesday, I truly can see.

Dome

Floyd County for the 58th District Tournament. Inside the Betsy Layne Dome, fresh paint has been added in addition to a new scoreboard. Tackett was pleased with the Dome's look as the first fans made their way into the gym Monday night.

"We're very pleased with the way things look," said Tackett. "This is possible, thanks to a lot of people, including Betsy Layne High School Principal Shawn Ousley and the BLHS staff, and Jeff Stumbo and Floyd County Maintenance."

The Dome at Betsy Layne now features two new basketball goals (new from top to bottom), two scoreboards and a new stereo system.

"We put a fresh coat of paint on everything," Tackett added. "This is the best the Dome has looked. The Dome is now updated."

The sponsors for this year's 58th District Tournament include Eric C. Conn, Huddle House, State Farm Insurance, Huntington Steel, Rick's Embroidery, Uniforms, Trophies & Engraving and East Kentucky Medical Billing.

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The Dome hosted last night's 58th District girls' championship game between Betsy Layne and Allen Central. The Betsy Layne hardwood will play host to tonight's boys' championship game between defending champ Prestonsburg and South Floyd.

"It's been a real nice tournament," Tackett admitted. "We'd like to invite everyone to make it out to the boys' championship game. We also appreciate all members of the media and the outlets that have covered the tournament."

South Floyd

and at the end of the third quarter, led 54-40.

Senior Wes Hall joined Little and Stanley in double figures with 11 points. Mason Hall added eight points and five assists, while Ethan Johnson came in off of the Raider bench and also netted eight. Ryan Johnson had seven points and seven assists.

Late in the game, with Stanley and Little both in foul trouble with four fouls apiece, South Floyd got a lift in off of the bench in the person of junior bigman Ryan Little. The junior, in his first season as a contributing player for the South Floyd boys' basketball team, added two points. Lyle Johnson connected on one-of-two free throw

attempts late in the game and scored a single point.

"Our kids gave a real good effort," Hall noted. "Our seniors stepped up and Ryan, Mason and Ethan played well, too."

South Floyd hit its free throws late - and that sealed the victory. The Raiders finished 20-of-25 from the free-throw line.

"There's no doubt, hitting our free throws late helped us to win," Hall added. "Hitting our free throws, that's something we've been stressing."

Betsy Layne was eight-of-13 from the charity stripe.

Simon, in what was his final game in a Betsy Layne uniform, scored 16 points. Thacker finished with 13 points and Brandon Kidd netted 10 before

fouling out in the fourth quarter. Point guard Nathan Lafferty, another Betsy Layne senior who saw his final high school hoops action, scored five. Derek Case, Pat Stapleton, Trai Witt and Tyler Hamilton all had three points apiece.

Top-seeded Prestonsburg, a first-round winner over Allen Central, awaits South Floyd. The two teams last met for the 58th District championship in 2003. South Floyd won that game. But Prestonsburg is the defending 58th District champ.

"Prestonsburg is playing as well as any team in the region," Hall confided. "But, we think we're playing well, too."

Tip-off for tonight's game is set for 7 p.m.

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TITLE TILT: P'burg-South Floyd, Round 3

by **JAMIE HOWELL**
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

BETSY LAYNE - After losing only one starter from last season's regional semifinal team, Prestonsburg was expected to contend for the 58th District title during the 2004-05 season. South Floyd came into this season looking to make amends for last year's first round district loss

to Prestonsburg. After a 24-game regular-season slate and first-round district wins, both teams are right where they expected to be at the start of the campaign. With both teams being assured of a spot in next week's regional tournament, all attention has shifted to tonight's matchup.

South Floyd took the first meeting of the season between the teams on a last second three

-pointer from Mason Hall. Prestonsburg took control late in the game in the second meeting between the two and came away with a double-digit win.

After opening the season losing seven of its first 12 games, Prestonsburg has since reeled off wins in 12 of its last 14 games. The Blackcats have

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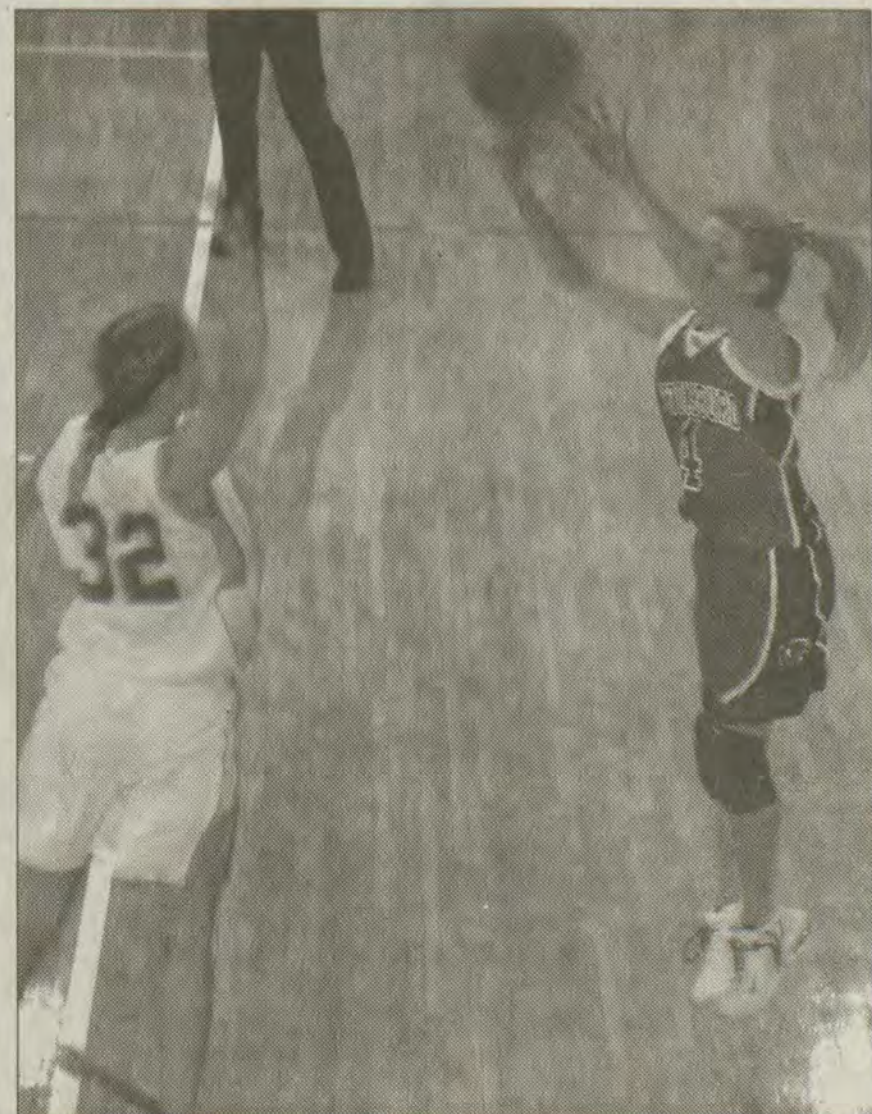
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Above: Allen Central senior Lyndsey Frasure got off a shot over Prestonsburg's Amber Whitaker (12).



Left: Prestonsburg sophomore Meaghan Slone launched a three-point field goal over the Allen Central defense. Pictured defending for Allen Central is Yumekia Hunter (32). Slone hit a pair of three-pointers in Wednesday's season-ending loss.

Football

for Homecoming on Friday, Sept. 30 in the first district contest of the season. The Blackcats won't have to travel far, though. Prestonsburg's longest road trip will come during the first game of the season when it opens up against host Hazard Saturday, Aug. 27 in the Pride of the Mountains Bowl. The Prestonsburg and Hazard football programs have a significant rivalry and the Blackcat football team is quite familiar with the Pride of the Mountains Bowl. Under head coach John DeRossett, this will be Prestonsburg's fourth appearance in the Pride of the Mountains Bowl.

"I think we've put together a real nice schedule," said DeRossett. "With this schedule, you've got a lot of the old rivalries."

When getting the 2005 schedule together, DeRossett also noted travel time and the ever-growing cost of traveling.

Following the season-opener against Hazard, Prestonsburg

will travel for road games against rivals Pikeville (Sept. 2), Paintsville (Sept. 9), Ashland (Sept. 16) and Sheldon Clark (Sept. 23).

Prestonsburg officials will use the first month-plus of the season to get Josh Francis Field prepared for the second half of the season.

After hosting Magoffin County in the Homecoming game, Prestonsburg will remain at home on Friday, Oct. 7 and host two-time defending state champ Belfry in what will most likely decide yet another district championship.

After traveling to Pike County Central one week after hosting Belfry, the Blackcats are scheduled to finish out the 2005 campaign at home with two games - one against Shelby Valley (Oct. 21) and the other versus East Ridge (Oct. 28).

Prestonsburg has finished region runner-up to eventual state champ Belfry each of the

past two seasons. Last season, Prestonsburg knocked off top-ranked Breathitt County in the second round of the State Playoffs. The Blackcats outscored opponents 460-186 in 2004 and ended the season with a 10-3 record.

PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL 2005 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

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No. 3 Kentucky 73, Tennessee 61

by MURRAY EVANS ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON - In his final home game, Chuck Hayes left Kentucky basketball fans with a pleasant memory.

The senior forward scored nine of his 13 points in the final 5 1/2 minutes as the third-ranked Wildcats held off upset-minded Tennessee 73-61 on Wednesday night.



Chuck Hayes

Patrick Sparks scored 14 points - all in the first half - for the Wildcats (23-3, 14-1), who already had clinched the Southeastern Conference title. Kentucky has one regular-season game remaining, at Florida on Sunday.

Tennessee (12-16, 5-10) hung with the Wildcats for most of the game and were tied 55-55 with 8:25 left after freshman guard Chris Lofton - Kentucky's high school Mr. Basketball in 2004 - hit his fifth 3-pointer.

But Tennessee didn't score again until 1:53 remained, and Kentucky scored 16 of the next 18 points to extend its winning streak over the Volunteers to seven games.

"We've seen a Kentucky team do this a lot," Tennessee coach Buzz Peterson said. "We all know that."

Lofton scored 19 points, giving him 91 in Tennessee's last four games.

After Lofton's basket, Tennessee missed three chances to take the lead before Hayes gave the Wildcats the lead for good with a three-point play

with 5:18 left. That was Kentucky's first basket in more than 9 1/2 minutes.

"We have to eliminate those droughts," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said. "Those can kill you as you get into this time of year."

Fortunately for Kentucky, Hayes - who missed all but six minutes of the first half after picking up two early fouls - seemed determined to make sure the Wildcats won his last game at Rupp Arena.

"I'm a huge Chuck Hayes fan," Peterson said, then quickly added, "I'm glad he's graduating. He's got that warrior mentality when the game is on the line."

With Kentucky up 59-55, Hayes came up with a break-away dunk after making a steal.

"That kind of broke them right then," Hayes said.

On Kentucky's next possession, he worked underneath for a basket, making it 63-55 with 3:15 left.

Hayes capped his burst with a dunk with 1:23 left, and left the game to a standing ovation with 54 seconds left. He finished 5-of-6 from the field.

"In the second half, I still wanted to play aggressive, but smarter," Hayes said. "It was a very emotional night. You know this day is coming but you don't want it to come."

Kentucky shot 55.3 percent

from the field, including 61.1 percent in the second half. It's the third straight game Kentucky has shot better than 50 percent from the field, the first time that's happened this season. The Wildcats also recorded assists on 20 of 26 baskets.

Behind the shooting of Lofton, who had 12 points, Tennessee led most of the first half. The Volunteers led by as many as six points and were up 32-27 with 5:38 left in the half after consecutive 3-pointers by Lofton.

"I think I'm just getting more shots up and I think that's really helping me," said Lofton, who finished 7-of-17 from the field and 5-of-13 from 3-point range.

Lofton has 86 3-pointers this season, breaking the Tennessee freshman record held by Allan Houston.

Kentucky scored the final 10 points of the first half to lead 37-32. Sparks had five points during that run.

Kentucky led 51-39 with 14:52 left after senior guard Josh Carrier's third 3-pointer.



Josh Carrier

Carrier, who made his first career start and played a career-high 19 minutes, had three 3-pointers and finished with a career-high nine points.

Tennessee played for the fourth straight game without leading scorer Scooter McFadgon, who has a bruised right leg.

Kentucky is one win away from becoming the first NCAA Division I basketball team to win 1,900 games.

E. Kentucky 74, Tennessee St. 68

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RICHMOND - Alonzo Hird had 15 points and 14 rebounds to lead Eastern Kentucky to a 74-68 victory over Tennessee State Tuesday night in the first round of the Ohio Valley Conference tournament.

Eastern (20-8) will play Southeast Missouri (15-13), a 61-58 opening-round winner Tuesday over Murray State, in the semi-

nals Friday in Nashville, Tenn.

Hird, who scored nine points in the second half, led five players in double figures. Michael Haney added 14 points, Jason McLeish 12 and Zach Ingles and Ben Rushing 10 apiece.

Rod Flowers and Wayne Arnold led Tennessee State (14-17) with 14 points each, and Reiley Ervin scored 10.

Eastern led 65-57 with five minutes left, but Tennessee

State pulled to 69-68 on Ervin's four-point play at 1:35 before Eastern scored the last five points for the win.

Tennessee State led 39-32 at halftime after an 11-4 run that turned a 22-20 lead into a 33-24 margin with 3:55 left in the half.

The Tigers pulled out to a 49-44 lead with 13:10 left in the game, but Ingles sparked a 14-4 spurt with a 3-pointer to send Eastern ahead 58-53 at 8:35.

Ladycats

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players. Two Betsy Layne seniors had double-doubles. Daniels finished with 14 points and 13 rebounds. The Betsy Layne senior center, who has posted a double-double in numerous outings over the past three months, also had three steals and two blocks. Point guard Kristen Smith had 12 points and 12 assists, giving Betsy Layne a second double-double. Smith played stellar defense, too. She also had four steals and six deflections.

Betsy Layne senior forward Breann Akers led all scorers with 16 points. Akers scored her game-high total on eight field goals.

Starting forward Candice

Meade and Kaitlin Lawson joined the Ladycat senior trio in double figures with 11 points apiece, giving Betsy Layne five players in double figures. Betsy Layne (20-8) shot an even 50-percent from the free-throw line, hitting 11-of-22 attempts. The Ladycats hit 31 field goals opposed to two three-point field goals.

Betsy Layne senior guard Kim Clark just missed double figures, ending the game with nine points. Whitney Tackett rounded out the Betsy Layne scoring with six points.

Defensively, Betsy Layne held South Floyd to just a dozen made field goals. The Lady Raiders finished eight-for-15 from the free-throw line.

South Floyd senior Tab Trammell, playing in her final game as a Lady Raider, led South Floyd (9-16) with 15 points. Courtney Blocker followed with seven points and Miranda Gregory netted six. Candice Hall had five points, Heather Dean three and Danielle Tackett two.

Betsy Layne took a four-game winning streak into last night's 58th District championship game against second-seeded Allen Central, an opening-round winner over third-seeded Prestonsburg. Last night's girls' district title game ended too late to make this edition. An article and photos from the game will appear in Sunday's edition.

Eliminate

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defense from each of the participating teams, Allen Central (11-14) hit just eight field goals and three three-pointers. The Lady Rebels finished 19-of-32 from the free-throw line.

Allen Central never had a letdown in the low-scoring game.

"I felt like our kids did a good job," Martin added. "It really didn't surprise me about the low score. We were fortunate enough to get the lead early."

The third quarter went a long way in dashing Prestonsburg's hopes of punching a ticket and getting into the district finals: Nine points were scored between the two teams in the third quarter

with Allen Central holding Prestonsburg to just one point.

Seven different Allen Central players scored. Alanna Cline finished with nine points and Mara Biliter added four. Elizabeth Dingus came in off of the bench and added three points. Yumekia Hunter scored two and Lyndsey Frasure got into the scoring column with a made free throw.

Darcey Hicks, the only Prestonsburg player to reach double figures, finished with 10 points. Hicks helped keep Prestonsburg close in the second quarter, scoring four of her team-high 10. Slone finished with the six points scored on the two made first-half three-

pointers.

Molly Burchett and Kelly Key, who each finish their respective high school playing careers, scored four points apiece.

Prestonsburg (11-16) was four-of-10 from the free-throw line.

Allen Central is now two seasons removed from its last 58th District girls' basketball title. In 2003, Allen Central pulled off a district championship game win over the Ladycats. It was that same year in which Betsy Layne captured a 15th Region title. Results from last night's 58th District title game were unavailable at press time.

P'burg

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five charity shots. Prestonsburg senior forward Jesse Chaffin joined Blackburn in double figures with 11 points.

Starters Trevor Compton, John Mark Stephens and Sean Leslie also provided points, scoring nine, eight and seven points, respectively.

Nine of the 10 Prestonsburg players who experienced playing time scored.

Michael Stephens and Brooks Herrick finished with

three points apiece. Michael Morrison and Kyle Ousley each had two points for the Blackcats.

Prestonsburg put on one of its best free-throw shooting exhibitions of the season, hitting 13 of 16 attempts.

Allen Central was three-of-nine from the free-throw line.

Josh Martin led the Rebels with 12 points. Wilfredo Dominguez had eight points for Allen Central (3-23) and Ryan Hammonds chipped in seven. Josh Prater

scored five points, Alex Hammonds scored three on a fourth-quarter three-pointer, and Ryan Collins added two.

Prestonsburg, by winning over Allen Central in the opener, earned a spot in tonight's 58th District Tournament championship game. The opponent for Prestonsburg is South Floyd. During the regular-season, the two teams played each other twice with each earning a win on its home hardwood.



Whitney Lykens (left), a freshman from Betsy Layne, was named to the seven-player AAC women's All-Freshman Team. Lykens averaged 12 points, 7.2 rebounds and 2.7 assists per game for the Lady Eagles this past season. K.J. Waterman (right), a 6-4 freshman guard from St. Albans, W.Va., was named to the seven-player men's All-Freshman team. He was also runner-up for Freshman of the year in the conference. Waterman averaged 14 points and 6.8 rebounds per game. He also shot 50 percent from the field, 64 percent from the free throw line, had 98 assists, 55 steals and 16 blocked shots.

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looked to senior leadership during the strong run of the past month and center John Mark Stephens could be the brightest spot of all for Prestonsburg. The Blackcat center has stepped up his game night after night and came through with big games.

Senior guard Joe Blackburn came in off of the Prestonsburg bench to lead the Blackcats over Allen Central in the opening round of the tournament and guards Trevor Compton and Michael Stephens have looked good running the offense.

Sean Leslie and Jesse Chaffin have been consistent performers this season and Prestonsburg has gotten good play off the bench from junior Brooks Herrick. In both prior meetings between the two teams, Herrick has entered the game in off of the bench and provided the Blackcats with some needed scoring.

South Floyd is led by senior big-men Steven Stanley and Burnett Little. Both Stanley and Little have anchored the middle all season for the Raiders. Ryan

Johnson and Mason Hall as well as Wes Hall provide South Floyd with outside scoring potential. Ethan Johnson is one of the best sixth men in the region and South Floyd will shoot the three-ball as well as pound the ball inside to Little and Stanley. Both teams have already punched their ticket to next weeks regional tournament, but both are looking to be the best in Floyd County. Tip-off for tonight's championship game at D. W. Howard Fieldhouse is set for 7 p.m.



Several members of the Alice Lloyd College basketball teams won awards at the Appalachian Athletic Conference Banquet held at King College in Bristol, Tenn. Four members of the ALC women's team were named to the AAC All-Academic Team. The Lady Eagles recognized for the honor were Shannon Sizemore, a senior from Martin, Devon Reynolds, a junior from Grethel, Belicia Mullins, a junior from Mt. Sterling, and Rhonda Adams, a sophomore from Paintsville. A 3.25 cumulative GPA is required for the academic award.

Calhoun gets 700th win as No. 15 UConn tops Georgetown

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For the third time this season, and second time in less than a week, another name was added to the list of coaches with 700 wins.

Jim Calhoun became the 18th Division I coach all-time — and seventh active — to reach the mark when No. 15 Connecticut beat Georgetown 83-64 on Wednesday night. Duke's Mike Krzyzewski reached the milestone in December and Syracuse's Jim Boheim got there last Saturday.

"This is a very special night for Connecticut. It's a special night for me and it's a very special night for our players," Calhoun said. "A coach is only a reflection of so many assistants and great players."

Calhoun, 62, is in his 33rd year as a head coach, spending his first 14 at Northeastern. The Boston-area native had 248 wins at Northeastern and has 452 in his 19 seasons at UConn, which he transformed from a decent regional program into a national power.

He has led the Huskies to two

national championships (1999 and 2004), 14 Big East titles and an NIT championship.

The win over Georgetown moved the Huskies (20-6, 12-3) into a first-place tie with Boston College in the Big East. Connecticut has won eight straight league games and the latest was decided early as the Huskies took a 41-26 halftime lead, allowing the sellout crowd of 10,167 at Gampel Pavilion to get ready for the postgame celebration.

"We were definitely focused and pumped up for this game," said sophomore forward Charlie Villanueva, who had 24 points. "We wanted to do this for Coach and we did."

In other games involving ranked teams Wednesday, it was: No. 3 Kentucky 73, Tennessee 61; No. 4 Wake Forest 98, Georgia Tech 91; No. 7 Kansas 72, Kansas State 65; No. 8 Oklahoma State 69, Texas A&M 63; No. 14 Michigan State 69, Northwestern 58; No. 19 Villanova 79, Seton Hall 58; No. 21 Alabama 94, Auburn 53; and No. 22 Cincinnati 77, Tulane 56.

Freshman Rudy Gay added a

season-high 20 points for the Huskies, who took control with a 20-3 run in the first half. Sophomore point guard Marcus Williams, who leads the Big East in assists, had 11 points and eight assists, including a couple of highlight-reel passes to Villanueva and Gay.

"He makes us go," Calhoun said of Williams. "He throws passes that most kids can't see. He makes everybody's jobs so much easier."

Freshman Jeff Green had 17 points for the Hoyas (16-10, 8-7), who lost their fourth in a row and didn't help their chances at securing their first NCAA tournament bid since 2001.

"We were in the game and then we were out of the game," first-year Georgetown coach John Thompson III said. "(The Huskies) are playing their best game right now."

Some of Calhoun's former players who are now in the NBA — Ray Allen, Richard Hamilton and Emeka Okafor — participated in the postgame ceremonies in a video tribute.

So did Boheim, whose Orange will be at Gampel

Pavilion this weekend for the regular-season finale.

"It means we're either getting older or getting better," Boheim said of reaching 700 wins. "Let's just hope we're getting better. We'll see you Saturday."

No. 4 Wake Forest 98, Georgia Tech 91:

Vytas Danelius had 17 points and 11 rebounds and the Demon Deacons (25-4, 12-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) rallied from 11 points down in the second half to pull out the win and finish the season 16-0 at Lawrence Joel Coliseum.

Jarrett Jack had 23 points for the Yellow Jackets (16-10, 7-8), who took 17 foul shots while Wake Forest attempted 46.

No. 7 Kansas 72, Kansas St. 65:

Wayne Simien had 25 points and a career-high 20 rebounds for Kansas on the 50th anniversary of the first game played at Allen Fieldhouse. The Jayhawks (22-4, 12-3) clinched at least a tie for the Big 12 championship with their 30th straight win over the Wildcats (15-11, 5-10).

It was the 36th career double-

double for Simien, the leader of a four-man senior class that has won three conference championships and gone to two Final Fours while recording a 109-25 record.

Cartier Martin had 17 points for Kansas State.

No. 8 Oklahoma St. 69, Texas A&M 63:

John Lucas III scored 27 points for the Cowboys (21-5, 11-4 Big 12), who snapped a two-game losing streak by hitting 15 straight free throws down the stretch for their 29th straight win in Gallagher-Iba Arena, the nation's longest home winning streak.

Acie Law IV scored 22 points for the Aggies (18-8, 7-8), who have 10 lost straight to Oklahoma State and haven't won in Stillwater since the 1922-23 season.

No. 14 Michigan St. 69, Northwestern 58:

Maurice Ager scored 20 points, including a clutch 3-pointer with 3:30 left that curtailed a Northwestern comeback from an 18-point deficit, as the visiting Spartans (21-5, 12-3 Big Ten) won for the seventh

time in eight games.

Vedran Vukusic had 17 points for the Wildcats (14-14, 6-9), who have lost 33 of the last 35 meetings with Michigan State.

No. 19 Villanova 79, Seton Hall 58:

Randy Foye scored a career-high 27 points for the Wildcats (20-6, 10-5 Big East), who won 20 games for the first time since 1999-2000.

Kelly Whitney had 12 points for the visiting Pirates (11-15, 3-12).

No. 21 Alabama 94, Auburn 53: Earnest Shelton and Kennedy Winston each scored 24 points for the Crimson Tide (22-6, 11-4 Southeastern Conference).

Quinnel Brown had 17 points for the Tigers (12-16, 3-12), who lost their fifth straight.

No. 22 Cincinnati 77, Tulane 56: Jihad Muhammad made six 3-pointers and scored a career-high 24 points for the Bearcats (23-6, 11-4 Conference USA).

Taylor Rochestie had 14 points for the visiting Green Wave (9-17, 3-12), who have lost a season-high five straight, all by double figures.

Three PC players named all-league; six honored for classroom success

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — On the eve of the postseason, the Mid-South Conference handed out some hardware Wednesday evening at its basketball banquet and much of it will be brought back to Pikeville.

Two Bears and a Lady Bear were named first-team all-conference while four Lady Bears and two Bears were on the academic all-conference team.

Seniors Daniel Price and Walter Harris were on the 10-person all-conference team while senior Selena Williams was named to the women's squad. Sophomore Jessica Lovell was an honorable mention all-league pick.

Price, a 6-2 guard from Jackson, Miss., leads the Bears in scoring with an average of 14.1 points per game. His 5.1 rebounds is third on the squad as well. On the season, he is shooting 51.4 percent from the floor, a stat good for the top spot in the conference among those averaging five made field goals per game.

In addition, he has connected on 71.3 percent from the free throw line, and his 93 steals average to 3.1 per game, which is fourth in the country.

He also has 60 assists on the season for an average of two per game.

Harris is a 6-4 forward from Birmingham, Ala. He is second on the team at 12.3 points per game, and his 5.4 rebounds per outing has him tied for the team lead. He is shooting 50 percent on the season from the field and 64.9 percent from the line.

Also, Harris has 45 assists and 41 steals this year.

Williams, a 5-11 wing player from Paintsville, was named all-conference for the second year in a row. She leads the Lady Bears with 13.5 points and 6.4 rebounds per game this season. She finished the regular season as the only Pikeville College player to start each game this season.

Williams hit 48.1 percent from the floor, 32.8 percent from the arc and 74.3 percent from the line this season. She has 49 assists, 36 steals and 23 blocked shots. Also, on her Senior Day game against Georgetown on Feb. 19, she became the 16th player in women's basketball history to join the 1,000-point club.

Lovell, a 5-5 point guard from Belfry, had her season end after tearing an ACL during a practice session on Feb.

15. She was averaging 6.7 points and lead the league with 5.15 assists per game, a figure that landed her in a tie for 10th in the country.

Lovell and Williams were joined by teammates Ashley Ratliff and Tonya Amburgey on the academic-all-conference squad. Williams and Ratliff were named for the third time; for Lovell, it was her second honor. A player must be in their second year to qualify.

Junior Martin Gerlero and sophomore Ben Valentine were on the men's all-conference team. For Gerlero, it was his second honor for his classroom success.

Lindsey Wilson point guard Scott Cook was named men's basketball player of the year, while Georgetown guard Neeley Thomas was selected as the best women's player.

Lindsey Wilson Coach Paul Peck was named men's coach of the year, an honor he shared with Pikeville's Randy McCoy and Georgetown's Happy Osborne a year ago.

Georgetown Coach Susan Johnson was named women's coach of the year, an honor she has won or shared three times in the last five years.

McCarty-led Golden Eagles mash Magoffin County

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BLACKLOG — After a one-year absence, Johnson Central is back in the 15th Region Tournament. The Golden Eagles got a game-high 25 points from sophomore Jamie McCarty and eased past Magoffin County Wednesday night at Sheldon Clark in the opening round of the 57th District Tournament, beating the Hornets 68-50.

One season ago, Magoffin County played the role of district tournament spoiler, eliminating regional title contender Johnson Central.

McCarty hit three three-pointers in this year's win over Magoffin County.

Kyle Rice joined McCarty in double figures with 12 points.

Josh Stapleton and Nick Music had seven points apiece, while Jesse Meek and Tyler Whitaker added six apiece. Tony Hatfield rounded out the Johnson Central scoring with five points.

Johnson Central (17-9) led Magoffin County 13-6 at the end of the first quarter and 30-17 at halftime. In the second half, Johnson Central picked right back up where it had left off, outscoring the Hornets 22-13 in the third period.

Wesley Helton paced Magoffin County (4-22) with 14 points.

In another 57th District opening-round game, Paintsville ousted host Sheldon Clark. The Tigers, now also making a return trip to the 15th Region Tournament following an absence, beat Sheldon Clark 85-

81. Paintsville (14-13) has now won four of its last five games.

Tip-off for tonight's 57th District boys' championship game is set for 7 p.m.

Lawrence County 73, Boyd County: The Lawrence County Bulldogs are back in the 16th Region Tournament. Senior Thomas Lewis drained four-of-five three-point field goal attempts and finished with 21 points as the Bulldogs beat rival Boyd County.

Bigman Derrick Endicott added 16 points for Lawrence County, which won its way into the 64th District title game against Ashland.

The Bulldogs will face Ashland, the tournament host, tonight.

Pikeville cheerleaders have best finish ever

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — The cheerleading squad from Pikeville College had its highest finish since entering the Mid-South Conference in 2000 on Thursday morning.

Pikeville finished fourth among the seven squads participating in the event. The Mid-South Conference is the only league on any level in the country that awards championships and President's Cup points for cheerleading.

The competition was held as a prelude to the 2005 Mid-South Conference basketball champi-

onships at the Frankfort Civic Center. The basketball tournament begins Thursday afternoon and runs through Saturday afternoon's finals.

Two Pikeville cheerleaders were named to the all-conference team. Seniors Ashley Fannin of Mouthcard and Cathlene York of Louisa were honored from Pikeville.

Four of their teammates were among the 25 cheerleaders

named academic all-conference. They include seniors Shelley

Fuller, Karen Haydu and Micca Watts along with junior Bethany Joseph. Joseph is a Prestonsburg High School graduate.

Georgetown won both the team competition and stunt competition. Georgetown sophomore Bethany Roll was tabbed Cheerleader of the Year while her coach, Lori Beth Mays, was Coach of the Year.



Bethany Joseph



photos by Jamie Howell

South Floyd senior point guard split Mason Hall split the Betsy Layne defense with a pass off to an open teammate.



Prestonsburg senior Joe Blackburn looked to score against the defense of Allen Central point guard Ryan Hammonds. Blackburn led Prestonsburg in scoring with 13 points.

14TH REGION: Bulldogs on the outside looking in — again

TIMES STAFF REPORT

HAZARD — For a second straight year, Hazard High School will not field a boys' basketball team in the 14th Region Tournament. Floyd County native Kevin Spurlock, fresh off his second run as the coach of the 14th Region All "A" boys' basketball champion, saw his team fall short in the 54th District Tournament. For a second straight year, Hazard came up short in district play, falling to rival Perry County Central.

Playing on its homefloor, Perry County Central prevailed, winning 60-54.

The host Commodores sunk six of 10 free throw in the final two minutes to fight back and knock off Hazard.

Perry Central and Hazard entered Tuesday night's game as the top-two 14th Region teams.

Jordan Shepherd paced Perry Central with 21 points. Highly-touted senior Daniel Combs followed with 15.

Chase Patrick, the lone contributing player from Hazard's 2004 All "A" state title team, led the Bulldogs with 17 points.

Breathitt County 80, Cordia 54: Breathitt County, coached by Floyd County native Brian Hall, is setting out to make it into the 14th Region

Tournament championship game for a second straight season. The Bobcats got off to a good start on Wednesday night. On Wednesday night, Breathitt County went out and beat Cordia 80-54.

Breathitt County jumped out to a 20-15 first-quarter lead and went on to outscore Cordia in all four quarters.

Andrew Sewell and Eli Warren each had 17 points apiece for the Bobcats. Justin Lamb scored 15 points and Jacob Hundley added 14. In all, Breathitt County had five different players in double figures.

Dennis Ray Farler led Cordia with 21 points.

Kenny McPeek back with a trio of Derby hopefuls

by RICHARD ROSENBLATT
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With a trio of promising colts in his barn, Kenny McPeek is looking to return to the Kentucky Derby after a three-year absence.

The trainer will have a better idea how his 3-year-olds stack up Saturday, when he sends out either Kansas City Boy or Wild Desert in the Fountain of Youth at Gulfstream Park, and Diamond Isle in an allowance race on the same card.

McPeek's last Derby starter was Harlan's Holiday, who went off as the favorite but finished seventh behind War Emblem in 2002.

"It's a special race to be involved in, it's fun," McPeek says of the Derby. "It's something we all work towards, so you have to enjoy it, at least you try to."

Kansas City Boy, second in last month's Holy Bull and third in the Lecomte on Jan. 15, will run in the 1 1/8-mile Fountain of Youth only if Thursday's draw produces an outside post position. Otherwise, Wild Desert will take his place. McPeek said the horse who doesn't run in the Fountain of Youth will show up a week later for the Louisiana Derby.

Both horses are owned by Sarah Lyn Stables LLC of Carl Gessler and Dan Wigginton.

An outside post is a must because Kansas City Boy has to learn to relax early on as he preps for the May 7 Derby.

"I still think there's a bit of a learning curve on him," McPeek said. "He's got a lot of speed, but he hasn't really learned how to run yet. I would prefer the outside in this race ... the last two starts he's drawn the inside post, which I think is detrimental to him because he doesn't get an opportunity to relax and he gets a little bit shaken up when he gets into a race too early."

Wild Desert would be making his 3-year-old debut after winning two of eight starts last year. The colt was a fast-closing third in his last race, the Kentucky Jockey Club Stakes on Nov. 27.

"We backed off of him in December because he had a pretty steady 2-year-old campaign, but he's a horse that's continuing to develop," McPeek said. "He is a big, strong horse and he'll run. He's actually ahead of schedule."

"I think the biggest question mark with both horses is, 'Are they good enough and where do

they fit in the overall picture?'"

Diamond Isle has just four starts, and hasn't raced since finishing third in the Breeders' Futurity on Oct. 9. But McPeek says the colt is training great.

"I couldn't be more pleased with the way he's going," McPeek said. "Right now, I think we need to get a confidence builder in him. He's got a big future. This horse is special."

Also scheduled to run in the \$300,000 Fountain of Youth are Bandini, Dearest Mon, Defer, General John B., High Fly, Natural Phenomenon, Papi Chullo and Park Avenue Ball.

In the other big Derby prep this weekend, a field of six was entered for Saturday's \$200,000 Santa Catalina at Santa Anita, featuring the seasonal debut of 2-year-old champion Declan's Moon.

Unbeaten in four starts, the gelding trained by Ron Ellis was the 7-5 morning-line favorite. Also Opposing him will be San Miguel and Sham Stakes winner Going Wild, San Rafael winner Spanish Chestnut, Go Coyote Joe, Snack and Juliesugardaddy.

Also Saturday is the \$1 million Santa Anita Handicap that drew a field of 11, featuring favorite Saint Liam, Rock Hard Ten, Imperialism and Lundy's Liability.

Robertson trying to turn career around with Reds

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SARASOTA, Fla. — Jeriome Robertson's career seemed to be on the fast track when he won 15 games as a rookie, the most by any newcomer in the majors in 2003.

Two years later, he's trying to revive his career with the Cincinnati Reds. Robertson, 27, signed a minor league contract with the Reds, who are giving him a chance to win one of the two open spots in their rotation this spring.

"What we offer is a clean slate," general manager Dan O'Brien said.

Few players have gone from 15-game winner to minor leaguer in less than a year. That's exactly what happened to Robertson.

The left-hander lost his spot in the Houston Astros' rotation when they signed Roger Clemens and Andy Pettitte after the 2003 season. The Astros traded him to the Cleveland Indians last March, and he started the season in the minors. He eventually got promoted and pitched in relief (though not very well).

He went 1-1 in eight appearances, giving up 19 earned runs

and 22 hits in only 14 innings. The Indians designated him for assignment to the minors in July, then traded him to Montreal. He spent the rest of the season in the minors.

"It was definitely awkward to go through," Robertson said.

O'Brien was the Astros' scouting director when they chose Robertson in the 24th round of the 1995 draft. He thinks that the strange twists in Robertson's career last season had a lot to do with his struggles.

"I think it's very unusual for a player to have the type of rookie season he had, and then for all intents and purposes be out of a job the next year," O'Brien said. "But when an organization adds a potential Hall-of-Famer in Roger Clemens and a premium major leaguer in Andy Pettitte, that was the fate that befell him."

"I believe in those circumstances, it would be difficult on anyone to come to grips with that, and obviously he struggled last year following his demotion to the minor leagues."

When the Astros got Pettitte and Clemens, Robertson learned

a tough lesson.

"It kind of taught me that no matter what you do and no matter how much you impress somebody or how much you think you're safe, you're really not," Robertson said. "There's always times in baseball where they can move you. In my case, they got Pettitte and Clemens. Shoot, what can I do?"

He thought he'd get a chance to start over when he was traded to Cleveland, but it didn't work out that way.

"Once it happened, I was looking forward to doing the job with the Indians and it just didn't work out for me or for them," he said. "They had other moves they wanted to do, so then I was traded again."

"It turned out to be a long year."

The Reds have several pitchers competing for the last two spots in the rotation during spring training. Robertson sees it as a chance to get back to where he was two years ago with Houston.

"I feel strong, I feel good," he said. "In baseball, confidence is everything."

EKU in OVC Semis

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

RICHMOND — Coach Travis Ford's Eastern Kentucky University Colonel basketball team will take on Southeast Missouri State University tonight in the semifinal round of the 2005 O'Reilly Ohio Valley Conference Basketball Tournament.

Tipoff is slated for 9 p.m. EST in the Gaylord Entertainment Center in Nashville, Tenn., and will follow the other men's semifinal game tonight at 6:30 p.m. EST, pitting No. 1 seed Tennessee Tech University vs. No. 5 seed Austin Peay State University.

Coach Larry Joe Inman's Eastern Kentucky University Lady Colonels, the outright 2004-05 OVC champions who are 21-7 overall, open the day's activity at the Gaylord Entertainment Center by playing the No. 4 seeded Jacksonville State University Gamecocks at 1:00 p.m. EST in the lid-lifter of the league's women's tourney.

Ford's Colonels, the tourney's No. 2 seed, comes into its game with a 20-8 overall record and sporting its second five-game winning streak of the 2004-05 season after besting Tennessee State University, 74-68, Tuesday night in the opening round contest at McBrayer Arena.

Southeast Missouri, the No. 6 seed, is 15-13 overall after upsetting No. 3 seed Murray State, 61-58, Tuesday night.

"I said before it started. There would be no upsets in this tourney, just in seeding only would it be considered an upset," said Ford. "The parity in this league is unmatched this season."

"Two of the four road teams won Tuesday night and the other two games were only a four-point win and a six-point win by the home teams."

"We know we will have our hands full with Southeast Missouri. They have two of the league's best players in (Dainmon) Gonner and (Reggie) Golson. We will need a very solid defensive effort to win."

These two teams met earlier this year with EKV stopping a seven-game Redhawk winning streak with an 83-72 victory over Southeast Missouri in McBrayer Arena, Feb. 17.

The game featured an EKV team that hit better than 50 percent from the field in both halves of play (54.3, 51.7) and who also turned in a near-perfect floor game that totaled 17 assists to only four turnovers.

Senior forward Michael Haney had 24 points in this game and junior center Alonzo Hird had a double-double of 12 points, 11 rebounds. Junior guard Matt Witt added 16 points and nine assists, while junior guard Zach Ingles scored 14 points, including 6-6 from the free throw line.

Golson and Gonner accounted for 51 of SEMO's 72 points in the earlier meeting with 28 and 23 points, respectively.

"We beat Tennessee State Tuesday night with good old fashioned hard work and determination. It's amazing what this team can accomplish when it sets its mind to it," added Ford. "We've got to duplicate that kind of effort Friday night."

The tourney is comprised of two sessions today (one women's semifinal round of two games and one men's semifinal round of two games).

There is one session Saturday that will include the OVC women's championship contest at 1 p.m. EST and the OVC men's championship game at 4 p.m. EST.

Session booklets sell for \$21 each or a tournament booklet, which includes all three sessions, can be purchased for \$42 each.

Friday's EKV-Southeast Missouri contest will be shown live on the brand new ESPNU network, while Saturday's men's championship game will be televised live on ESPN2.

Saturday's 2005 O'Reilly OVC Women's Basketball Tournament championship game will be televised live by CSS.

H.S. SCOREBOARD

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Tuesday's Games:

54th District at Perry Co. Central
Perry Co. Central 60, Hazard 56
58th District at Breathitt Co.
Jackson City 92, Riverside Christian 33
56th District at Wolfe Co.
Owsley Co. 78, Lee Co. 62
57th District at Sheldon Clark
Paintsville 85, Sheldon Clark 81
58th District at Betsy Layne
Prestonsburg 58, Allen Central 37
59th District at Shelby Valley
Shelby Valley 59, Pikeville 40
61st District at Menifee County
Morgan Co. 60, Menifee Co. 44
62nd District at East Carter
Lewis Co. 63, Elliott Co. 49
63rd District at Raceland
Fairview 61, Raceland 57
64th District at Ashland Blazer
Ashland Blazer 78, Rose Hill Christian 25

Wednesday's Games:

53rd District at Jenkins
Jenkins 77, Whitesburg 65
54th District at Perry Co. Central
Leslie Co. 77, Buickhorn 63
55th District at Breathitt Co.
Breathitt Co. 88, Cordia 54
56th District at Wolfe Co.
Wolfe Co. 63, Powell Co. 60
57th District at Sheldon Clark
Johnson Central 68, Magoffin Co. 50
58th District at Betsy Layne 56
South Floyd 77, Betsy Layne 56
60th District at Phelps
Beltry 72, Phelps 59
64th District at Ashland Blazer
Lawrence Co. 73, Boyd Co. 71

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Tuesday's Games:

53rd District at Fleming-Neon
Whitesburg 84, Letcher 18
55th District at Breathitt Co.
Knot Co. Cent. 86, Riverside Christian 27
58th District at Betsy Layne
Betsy Layne 79, South Floyd 38
59th District at Shelby Valley
Shelby Valley 57, Pikeville 55, OT
62nd District at East Carter
Lewis Co. 67, Elliott Co. 59
63rd District at Raceland
Russell 66, Fairview 34

Wednesday's Games:

55th District at Breathitt Co.
Breathitt Co. 70, Cordia 40
58th District at Betsy Layne
Allen Central 44, Prestonsburg 28
60th District at Phelps
Beltry 62, Phelps 53
61st District at Menifee Co.
Morgan Co. 46, Menifee Co. 43
Rowan Co. 70, Bath Co. 31

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Griffey sits out intrasquad game

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SARASOTA, Fla. — Ken Griffey Jr. sat out the Cincinnati Reds' intrasquad game on Tuesday because he's still not up to full speed in his recovery from a torn hamstring.

Griffey worked out with trainers before the game. He had surgery last Aug. 16 to reattach a torn right hamstring, and needs a little more time to recover.

The Reds expect him to be ready before opening day, but

don't have a timetable for Griffey appearing in a spring training game.

"We are mostly concerned with his ability to change directions and decelerate," trainer Mark Mann said Tuesday. "He is running 90 to 95 percent right now. When he can go at 100 percent two or three days in a row without residual pain, he will be cleared to play in games."

Griffey, 35, has been sidelined by serious injuries each of the last four seasons, so the

Reds will be cautious with him during spring training.

Utility player Ryan Freel also sat out the intrasquad game on Tuesday. Freel had surgery to repair torn knee cartilage last November and is close to full speed in his recovery.

Outfielder Austin Kearns, who had surgery last July to remove scar tissue and a bone spur from his right thumb, hit a homer and a double in the intrasquad game.

"My thumb feels good," Kearns said. "It hasn't been sore at all."

Clark among UofL student-athletes honored

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — Meghan Little of the University of Louisville women's golf and Karen Bramer of UofL women's rowing were named the Outstanding Graduating Senior Athletes as a part of the Ninth Annual Red and Black Honors Banquet and Scholar Athlete Award Ceremony held Sunday night at the Brown & Williamson Room in Papa John's Cardinal Stadium.

Stanville native Jeremy Clark, a member of the UofL men's tennis team, was also honored for his classroom efforts. Clark is a Prestonsburg High School graduate. He plays both singles and doubles for the Cardinal men's tennis team.

The Women's golf team won the Team GPA award for maintaining the highest grade point average as a part of the proceedings, hosted by NCAA Faculty Representative Elaine Wise. Former swimmer Joseph Mittel

was the keynote speaker. Mittel, captain and record holder for men's swim team last year, is now in his first year at U of L medical school. The banquet honors student athletes who have earned a 3.25 cumulative grade point averages and their faculty mentors. The Outstanding Graduating Seniors Awards goes to the two seniors with the highest grade point averages.

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Betsy Layne converted on many offensive plays during its win over South Floyd.



Allen Central senior Becky Thomas was honored last week during Senior Night festivities.

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THROUGH MY EYES

The right stuff

According to a report presented to the Floyd County Board of Education on Monday evening, Betsy Layne High School wants to implement a freshman academy pilot program for next fall's incoming freshman students.

The idea, proponents say, is to help lower drop-out and retention rates, reduce discipline problems and increase academic performance, while at the same time easing the difficult transition from eighth grade into high school.

The freshman academy, if implemented, will require that incoming freshman students be sequestered from the sophomore, junior and senior classes by attending classes all day long in a wing set aside just for them.

Freshman students will also have



Kathy Prater
Lifestyles editor

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Mildred, in earlier years, with husband, Joe Cooley. This photo was taken in Atlanta, Georgia, where Joe was stationed for a time during his stint in the army.



Kathy J. Prater
Mrs. Kendrick enjoys receiving guests at her home and sharing memories of days gone by, her children, and the years she spent working for the Floyd County Board of Education.

Mrs. Mildred Kendrick - educator and advocate Finding ways to get Floyd County's children in school

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

As we continue our focus on Women's History Month, we meet Mrs. Mildred Kendrick, a woman who spent a great portion of her life caring to the needs of Floyd County children while employed as first, a teacher, and second, a member of the Floyd County Board of Education attendance department.

In a time when many women were either safe at home rearing their families, or working in a snug office environment, Mildred was often out traveling Floyd County's hollows and hills to make home visits and check on absentee students.

"I had to go out and see, you know, why the children weren't coming to school," she said. "Many times, I had to park my car and walk across little swinging bridges, if I was lucky enough that there was a bridge...there were lots of times, you know, when I just had to make my way across an old foot log or plank or something," she continued.

Mildred's daughter, Jennifer Martin, now herself a Floyd County Board of Education

employee, recalled one such occasion involving a foot log bridge when she had accompanied her mother for the day. "Mom was making her way across that old bridge when she slipped and cracked the back of her head," she said. "I remember I had to help her up and we made our way to Lou Ellen Martin's house and Lou Ellen looked at her head and checked her out and gave her some dry clothes to put on. It was quite a time."

On another occasion, Mildred likes to tell the story of how she and co-worker Herbert Prater, then Director of Pupil Personnel, would have to visit a particular home fairly often. To get to this home, the couple would have to make their way across a shaky, quite uncertain, dilapidated swinging "foot bridge." "I would always get a mean streak in me and make Herb go first and then, as I followed behind him, I'd start shaking the bridge. He'd stop dead in his tracks and look back and holler, 'Stop it, Mildred! Please, don't do that!'. I don't know why I would have to do that every time, but I just did," she said with a laugh.

Serving first as a teacher, for 15 years, before being asked to take a position in the

school system's central office, Mildred became acquainted first hand with some of the obstacles that prevented children from attending school. Many times, she related, children were kept at home in order to help their parents work. "Lots of times, I'd go to the homes and find mothers that were pregnant. They'd tell me that they had to have the girls at home to keep up the housework and the boys at home to carry water and that sort of thing. You know, back then, people didn't have water lines into their homes - they had to carry water from the creeks. The boys were stronger and they would carry the water in in buckets and then the mothers would boil it. Some people had wells, but not everyone did. Anyway, the mothers would tell me that just as soon as their babies were born, they would send their older children back to school. But, it seems that the women just stayed pregnant over and over and the children just kept on missing school," she said.

Mildred related, also, that many times parents simply didn't have enough money to purchase the clothing needed to send their children

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POSTSCRIPT

Up a tree and out on a limb

It seemed like a good idea at the time, but a few days later, I'm still feeling a tinge of soreness caused by the stress of tense, shaky leg muscles trying to balance on an unstable ladder.

This particular scene started on Sunday afternoon when I came back from a walk with Good Dogs Daisy and Ben. Out of the corner of my eye, I saw a dark blob in the bare branches of the crabapple tree in my side yard. Since I feed birds near the tree, my first thought was that this was a

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Pam Shingler
contributing writer

THINGS TO PONDER

Summer is a'coming

In the midst of snow all about, in the air and on the hills, it is difficult this week to quickly switch to the knowledge that school will be out and the long hot summer will be here somewhere around 92 days. Since there is usually a higher success rate with planning ahead, now is the time to think about how you, your children and family will spend the summer. Can you remember what worked last year? What about the parts that did not work and were aggravating to everyone? A shining example are the kids' phone calls to a parent's employment place to complain about what's going wrong at home, while mom/dad needed to keep their minds on

the job. Wouldn't it be great if the youth of various ages had summer time opportunities that would provide them with the chance of a positive, enriching, and empowering experience! For many youngsters time spent at a summer camp helps to do just that.

There are several types of summer camps, such as nonprofit and for-profit outdoor programs, religious camps, programs run by national organizations, private camps, day camps, camps that run weekend sessions, residential programs that run for the entire summer, or long-term residential camps that offer wilderness camping and adventure as therapy. Because of possible time requirements needed to get information and consider all factors, parents need to begin checking out

what would be best for their children and make reservations.

Needless to say, the goals of summer camps and other recreation programs are fun. The expectation is that camp participants can reach these goals, while learning social skills, being more socially comfortable, being more open to trying new things, learning empathy and cooperation, and realizing different ways of responding to new and challenging situations. Hopefully, all campers will be exposed to activities not available in routine life settings, at school and at home, and ones that will add to their life, presently and in the future - like learning to swim, canoe, and do different crafts.

There is an assortment of reasons of why a summer camp is a good choice for

youngsters in middle and high school. Although parents will often see dramatic changes in their child's attitude, behavior, and motivation, summer camps are a good choice for those who are not having major behavior problems. A major way in which kids benefit from summer camp, while actually having fun, is their learning to connect with new friends and enjoying some structured independence at the same time. A guess is that, without parents around, the summer campers view themselves as "being on their own" without realizing that staff is monitoring them. The staff of a good camp makes sure that all campers know the rules and consequences. As mentioned previously, it is most helpful for

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*One's mind, once stretched by a new idea,
Never regains it's original dimensions
- Oliver Wendell Holmes*

Postscript

really big fowl, a giant crow or a small buzzard. Closer inspection proved that the creature perched in the tree was a cat.

It was a mottled gray, much like my own cat. I checked out the ears to make sure that Sunny had not dashed out of the house unseen. After all, she's a quick little devil who can flit right by you before you ever know - this is the cat who has spent a day between the screen door and back door and several hours in the refrigerator.

But, one of Sunny's ears is tucked down by an early accident, which gives her a distinctive look. This was not Sunny in the tree.

The smallish cat actually seemed to be lounging on a forked limb. A time or two, I suspected it was hurt, and perhaps even dying. I would move from one position to another while calling out, Kitty, Kitty, Kitty, to make sure its eyes and head were moving.

Nothing, however, that I said or did would stir it to move from that spot in the tree.

I went inside and nudged the dogs to come, too, so that they

would not scare the critter further. Periodically, I looked out the window to see if it had mustered up the courage to climb down on the spindly branches, but as the day lapsed, it made no move.

Finally, around 5 or so, I tried again to get the cat to descend. I fetched the aluminum ladder from around back and hoped that the mere act of leaning it against the tree's ribs would spur the critter to leap out of the cover.

No way. A bit skittish myself about climbing into the tree with no one around should I fall, I knocked on my neighbors' door to ask for assistance in holding the ladder and lending encouraging words. Mike and Sabra Jacobs are exceptionally good neighbors and they quickly dropped whatever they were doing on a comfortable Sunday afternoon to come to my aid.

If you have a crabapple tree, you know that they are somewhat puny (compared to maples or oaks) and they have thin branches going every which way. In short, it's hard to put a

ladder in a crabapple tree. You're lucky to find a two-inch wide limb to lean on, and you're lucky to get through the smaller outgrowths to the larger branch.

Simply climbing the ladder proved not to work. The ladder was not tall enough to reach the high, tiny limb the cat was tucked into. So, at Mike's urging, I got a saw and began sawing on the base limb that branched off to the place where the cat was ensconced.

Fortunately, I never looked down or I might have scared myself into falling. I just kept sawing as best I could, with the ladder wobbly against the limbs and sinking into the wet ground. When I could no longer bear the strain on my sawing arm, I would shake the limb as hard as I could, hoping the cat would take the hint and jump down. But it did not.

As the cut went deeper into the wood, I tried to keep from thinking what would happen if the limb fell the wrong way and stabbed me in the head or chest, or what if it caused me to jump off the ladder, or what if the cat

jumped on me, putting out an already-weak eye and scratching deep gashes in my face.

Not to worry. As the saw went almost through the limb, the cat did decide to jump. But, the jump was to another limb, just as high.

This cat was not coming down.

We decided to give up. It got up there by itself, it would have to get down by itself.

Of course, I had images of a dead cat in the top of the tree, rotting slowly over weeks, the body being picked at by cadaver birds in the final irony and the bones dropping from the tree at the same time as the spring blossoms.

The Jacobses went home and I went inside, trying not to think of the frightened cat in the tree as the rain and perhaps snow sneaked in over the night. I forced myself not to look up into the tree as the night came on.

Of course, you've probably guessed the outcome. It did rain overnight, and the next morning the cat was nowhere to be seen. Sometimes, it's best to leave nature to its own.

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a lunch period separate from the other classes.

In addition, some of their classes - English and mathematics - will be taught in 90-minute blocks rather than the usual 50-minute block, affording more time for questions and special attention from teachers.

Freshman academy students will also be required to take what is being termed for now as "High School 101." High School 101 will consist of advisory sessions, tutoring, character education, time management, organizational, test taking and study skills, and other such focuses.

Beginning high school is a difficult transition, say some experts, and freshman students need all the help they can get. Including, apparently, specially trained teachers and staff to babysit them for their entire first year.

As you can see, I'm not entirely sold on the idea.

Of course, beginning high school, whether coming from elementary school or a middle school environment, is, admittedly, a slightly scary thing. I still remember how nervous I was the first day I had to report to the PHS gymnasium for my first day of high school. I probably didn't make things any easier, either, with my decision to wear a dress that day (why? I don't know...) which only opened me up as an easy target for some of the older, male students (think New York construction workers and "fresh meat" - yeah, it wasn't so pleasant) present and waiting for just such an opportunity.

Leaving the sanctuary of sixth grade classrooms that were housed in the Prestonsburg Elementary basement when I was a sixth grader for the third floor seventh and eighth grade wing was a bit of a transition, as well, as I recall. I remember how intimidating it was to have to adjust to now sharing classes with not just the kids I had

become familiar with for the first six years of my school life, but with an entire group of kids who were older, and of course, "wiser" - the eighth graders (shudder, gasp).

But, on both occasions, I managed to survive. I also managed to survive my first day of college, my first day of real employment, my first day of married life, my first day of life following divorce, motherhood, single parenting (thus far) and a score of other nerve-wracking "firsts."

Life happens and we either roll with the punches or we don't. I'm not saying that some students don't need extra help along the way as they progress academically, but I am questioning the reasoning behind isolating an entire freshman class when the very next year, they have to face the music, so to say, anyway. I mean, if the freshman year is spent in a cordoned cocoon, doesn't then the sophomore year, in essence, become the "freshman year"?

In my opinion, I would think that High School 101 courses would best be taken in, oh, say, the eighth grade year, for instance. And, even better in my opinion, why not abandon the entire middle school concept in favor of the junior high concept? I've always felt that K-6 and 7-9 was a better idea, anyway.

But, as I've said before, it's only my opinion. And I'm sure that I'll be hearing some of yours - many of you may disagree, and, many of you may not.

Either way, the importance of learning to value education in the home environment still comes into play in great measures, I think. Having parents, grandparents, guardians and family who value the importance of an education and who support students in all of their endeavors is an invaluable thing for a young person to possess. And, I think, in the end, it is what makes all the difference.

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Ponder

middle-school students to have enriching and empowering experiences that help to build self-esteem, self-confidence, and self-worth. Another benefit for campers is their being able to leave home and go off to camp to get a rest from a difficult family situation, such as divorce and separation or a sibling having behavioral problems. In addition, there are youngsters with special needs, such as ADHD, obesity, learning differences, or behavioral problems that would benefit from a camp experience.

An additional type of camping opportunities is the wilderness program. One that has been around for years is Outward Bound. These programs are not designed as therapy, but the expectation is that the time and activities will have a positive impact on the youngsters' emotional growth, character development, and general psychological well being. Typically, the challenges designed for the small group of kids, with several knowledgeable adults, will aid in their learning to cope in the out-

doors, with an end product of their having a greater understanding of self, others, and the natural world. Another expectation is that the campers become able to leave their "comfort zones," address their issues and fears, reduce defensiveness, and are provided the chance to explore new responses and develop new patterns of thought and behavior. Most wilderness programs offer a series of group activities that help to increase individual abilities, teamwork, good communication, and leadership skills.

Adventure therapy programs are another type of camping experience where activities in the outdoors are utilized as a part of therapy - such as wilderness expeditions - to help staff and campers work toward therapeutic goals. These programs are designed for treating teens with emotional, behavioral, and substance abuse disorders. Typically, real or perceived risk, uncertainty of outcome, and personal decision-making help bring about behavioral change and personal growth through a hands on

approach or creating personal change when learning by doing and building new coping skills.

What are some things parents should consider when choosing a camp for their child? Try to make a compatible match between the camp and the child, with attention paid to the child's interests. Usually camp programs vary in that they emphasize sports, computer training, art, drama and music. Some camps also focus on various groups of children, such as gifted ones, those with learning problems, and those with behavioral or emotional issues. It is important to ask about the training camp counselors have received and the ratio of counselor/campers. An inquiry needs to be made about how the camp handles medical service and emergencies. Talking to parents of previous campers can be helpful too. In some cases, scholarships/discounts are available when there is a fee.

After finding the ideal camp for the child, homesickness can overshadow the fun that the child can be obtained from the child's

summer time experience. Most often, homesickness is created by anxiety on the part of the child and the parent over separation from each other. Although this problem is most common among first-time campers, especially those attending sleep-away camps, even experienced campers can be affected. However, parents and camp counselors can work together to help the child cope with the problem. Often getting the child accustomed to separations ahead of time will be beneficial, such as spending a weekend with a relative without contact with parents. Parents need to be supportive about the child's fears and concerns, while setting limits at the same time. Be positive about how the child is going to be successful. Working through homesickness can better equip the child to cope with future separations and adjustments to new situations. (There is a book, "Help for Homesick Campers" by Gabriel and Goodman that should help parents.) Here's to planning a healthy and happy summer!

School Happenings

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

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

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

Allen Central Middle School

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

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

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

The Betsy Layne Elementary Family Resource Youth Service Center is located in the 500 building of the campus. The goal of the FRYSC is to meet the needs of all children and their families who reside in the community or neighborhood by the school in which the center is located. For further information, please contact the center at 478-5550 or 478-9751, ext. 310.

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

Clark Elementary

A nurse from the Floyd County

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

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

Duff Elementary

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

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

The J.A. Duff Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the tan metal building at the rear of the school. Contact persons are Judy Handshoe, coordinator, and Ruby Bailey, assistant.

May Valley Elementary

March 10 - Special-called SBDM meeting, 4 p.m., in school library. Public is invited and encouraged to attend.

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

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

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

Mountain Christian Academy

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

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

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

After School Child Care, 3-6 p.m., school days.

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

South Floyd Youth Services Center

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

Watch school marquee for posting of OPEN HOUSE event for SFHS and SFMS. Event scheduled to be held same week in February that progress reports are mailed out.

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

Walking track open to public. The center has a one-stop career

station satellite that is available to the community as well as students.

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

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

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

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource Center

March 4 - "Career Exploration Day," 8th grade, at Martin Community Center.

March 10 - "Wulfe Brothers," K-8th.

March 11 - "Good Touch, Bad Touch," Melissa Perry, grades K-3.

March 17 - "Tobacco Prevention," Our Lady of the Way Hospital, 1 p.m., for 5th grade.

March 24 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," for all Floyd County parents, grandparents and guardians, at Mountain Arts Center.

March 24 - "Let's Talk About Drugs," Our Lady of the Way Hospital, 1 p.m., for K-3.

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

Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

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

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

Character Words for the Month: Tolerance and Kindness.

Feb. 28 thru March 4 - "Read Across America" week activities including balloon launch, "Dress As Your Favorite Character Day," Raider Day,

visits from senior citizens and more.

March 10 - Heart Health and CPR demonstration, 6th grade, 8:30-10:30 a.m., in individual classrooms. Presented by Kim Sanders, OLWH Community Education Department.

March 10 - Wulfe Brothers, 1:30 p.m., in gym.

March 11 - Heart Health, 4th grade, 1:45 p.m., in gym. Presented by Kim Sanders, OLWH.

March 14-16 - "Good Touch, Bad Touch," for grades K-3, by Lisa Hamilton, in individual classrooms.

March 18 - Heart Health/CPR demonstration, 5th grade, 1:45 p.m., in gym. Presented by Kim Sanders, OLWH.

March 24 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," at Mountain Arts Center, registration at 8:30 a.m. For parents, grandparents, guardians of Floyd County students. Learn to relax while you relax and enjoy guest speakers, door prizes, and a free lunch. For more info., call 452-4553.

March 28-April 1: SPRING BREAK!!

"Lost & Found" is located in the FRC. If your child has lost any clothing or other personal items, please remind them to check in the FRC. Items not claimed within 2 weeks, become the property of the FRC.

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

Wesley Christian School

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

For additional information, call

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Family Medicine



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Homeopathic treatment no substitute for modern medical care

Question: Recently, I've heard several non-prescription medications advertised as being homeopathic. To me this implies that they are somehow more natural or have fewer side effects. Is this true? Is it OK to take a homeopathic cold remedy, for instance?

Answer: First, let me give you a little background on the health-care practice known as homeopathy. This approach to treating illness dates back to the late 1700s, when it was proposed by Samuel Hahnemann, a physician, chemist and linguist in Germany. Dr. Hahnemann was looking for an alternative to the common medical treatments of the time that were very harsh and of question-

able benefit. These included bloodletting, purging, blistering, and the use of sulfur and mercury.

A core belief of Dr. Hahnemann and people who practice homeopathy today is "like cures like." That is, they think a substance that can evoke certain symptoms in a healthy person can be effective in treating illnesses having symptoms closely resembling those produced by the substance. In homeopathy, such substances are diluted down to very small concentrations in solutions called "tinctures." These can then be refined into various powders and potions.

In recent years, homeopathy has come back into fashion and you can find large selections of homeopathic preparations on store shelves and on the

internet. These remedies are available for all kinds of medical symptoms, ranging from minor aches and pains to major illnesses. This

brings us to your question of whether or not homeopathic remedies are somehow safer and more natural.

On the first point, because these preparations are so dilute — sometimes a few molecules in a whole solution — they can do little harm. The question of their ability to treat human ailments effectively is much more complex. According to the National Center for Complementary and

Alternative Medicine (NCCAM), exhaustive reviews of the research on homeopathy have not found it "to be a definitively proven treatment for any medical condition." However, the NCCAM cautions that various weaknesses in these studies make it difficult or impossible to draw firm conclusions about whether homeopathy is effective for specific ailments. Much more research needs to be done.

And, keep in mind, that even in the

studies to date that have shown some benefit from homeopathic remedies, the effect was small. The homeopathic preparations were found to be only slightly better than placebos — dummy drugs that contained no active ingredient.

It won't hurt to try a homeopathic remedy for a bout with the common cold or some other minor ailment. However, I'd be very skeptical about trying to treat any condition that lasts more than a week or two with a homeopathic preparation. The time you waste on self-medication can have

serious consequences if you've misdiagnosed a serious, but treatable, condition. If you have symptoms that you think need treatment, talk to your family physician. Not only will the proven medical treatments that he or she can provide be more likely to bring you relief, they can also help you avoid wasting your money. As a general rule, conventional and scientifically proven therapies and treatments are much more effective.

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School

874-8328. Summer office hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Floyd County Adult Ed Class Schedule

■ BSCTC, Prestonsburg campus: Mon., Wed., Fri. - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Tue., Thur. - 11:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Contact: Jason Cassell - 886-3863, ext. 67219. Room m207 (second floor, Library).

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

■ Martin Extended Education Service Center:

Tue., Thur. - 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact: Vanessa Tackett - 285-5111.

■ Wayland EESC: Mon., Wed. - 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact Vanessa Tackett - 358-3400.

■ Wheelwright: Mon., Wed. - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Contact: Penny Fell - 452-4324.

■ McDowell: Tue., 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

■ For more information about Adult Education class schedules, contact the David School at 886-8374. All classes and materials free of charge.

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Mrs Mildred Kendrick

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to school. "We found a way around that, though," she said. "We found a used clothing company in New York City that would send us clothes. Big boxes of all kinds of things. We'd sort through all that clothing and from visiting the homes, we pretty well knew what children were where and we'd load up my van or take Herb's car and we'd go out and deliver that clothing to those families. You know, lots of times, most of the time as a matter of fact, we didn't get paid to do that. It took a lot of time to go through all those things and then take it out and deliver it, but we just wanted to get the kids in school and so we didn't care to do it. The people were pretty happy to see us come on those times."

Born in Harold, to parents John Stumbo and Della Hopkins Stumbo, Mildred attended school during her young life at both Harold and Wheelwright. "My family lived at Betsy Layne," she said. "In those days, people just flocked to Betsy Layne, it was a big coal camp and people wanted jobs and they wanted to go to the

commissary they had there. But my daddy got a better job working at Wheelwright. He wasn't a miner, he sort of oversaw things for the company. I liked the Wheelwright school, I think I learned a lot there and got a good start, but Mother wanted to move back to Harold and we did." Her father, a former board of education member, gave the county board the land to build a new school on at Harold. "Daddy sold that land for \$5," she said. "You know, he just wanted to help get a new school for the children."

One of Mildred's brothers, John M. Stumbo, a former sheriff, was honored by having a Floyd County school building named after him. "The school at Grethel, John M. Stumbo Elementary, it was named after my brother," she said.

In her 47 years of working for the Floyd County Board of Education, Mildred also taught adult education courses at night, traveling to various locations in the county, as well as serving for three years in the county's Head Start program. "I really enjoyed working with

those little children," she said. "At that time, they didn't have much and I'd go out and gather up toys and things that I thought would please them. It would make them so happy and I got a great deal of joy out of it, too, you know."

Mildred's two children, son, Joe Cooley, and daughter, Jennifer Cooley Martin, have both built careers in education. Joe teaches science at Anderson County High School and Jennifer is employed as the

Floyd County school system's Health Coordinator Nurse.

Mildred has five grandchildren, granddaughters Leah and Rebecca, the children of Joe and wife, Linda; and grandsons Ryan, Chayse and Grant, the children of Jennifer and husband, Tim. "Mom's grandchildren are the light of her life," said Jennifer. "She loves having them visit. These boys, they pick at her and all, but she loves it."

Congratulations, Mildred, on a life well-lived.



Mildred, during her own school years.

David School students visit city council

This past Monday's Prestonsburg city council meeting featured a new, younger group of observers. Councilperson, Kay Hale Ross, who also doubles as The David School's civics teacher, brought nine of her civics students to observe the council meeting. Said Ross, "We had just finished studying city government in our class and I wanted for my students to see first hand how a city council meeting operates."

Of particular interest to David School students was a new order of business brought forth by Councilperson Ross regarding the proposed construction of a skateboard park. Current David School student, Patrick Henderson, of his own accord, submitted a proposal for funding to the Tony Hawk Foundation in support of a new skateboard park for Prestonsburg. Henderson, upon receiving a positive response from the Hawke Foundation, asked Councilperson Ross to bring the initiative to the council for consideration. After much discussion all council

members appeared to be in favor of investigating a potential skateboard park further and referred the request to a committee that will include a skateboarder representative.

"I didn't think the council people would care about issues of younger folks and was very surprised to learn differently," said David School student, Tiffany Collins, at the conclusion of Monday's city council meeting. "Before the meeting,

I didn't know that anyone could submit a request to the council to have it considered."

After the meeting, students had the opportunity to meet all city council members and Mayor Jerry Fannin. Additionally, Mary Begley of Kentucky Power spoke at length to the students regarding the company's sale of franchise proposal that was voted on at the meeting and how utilities operate differently from regular

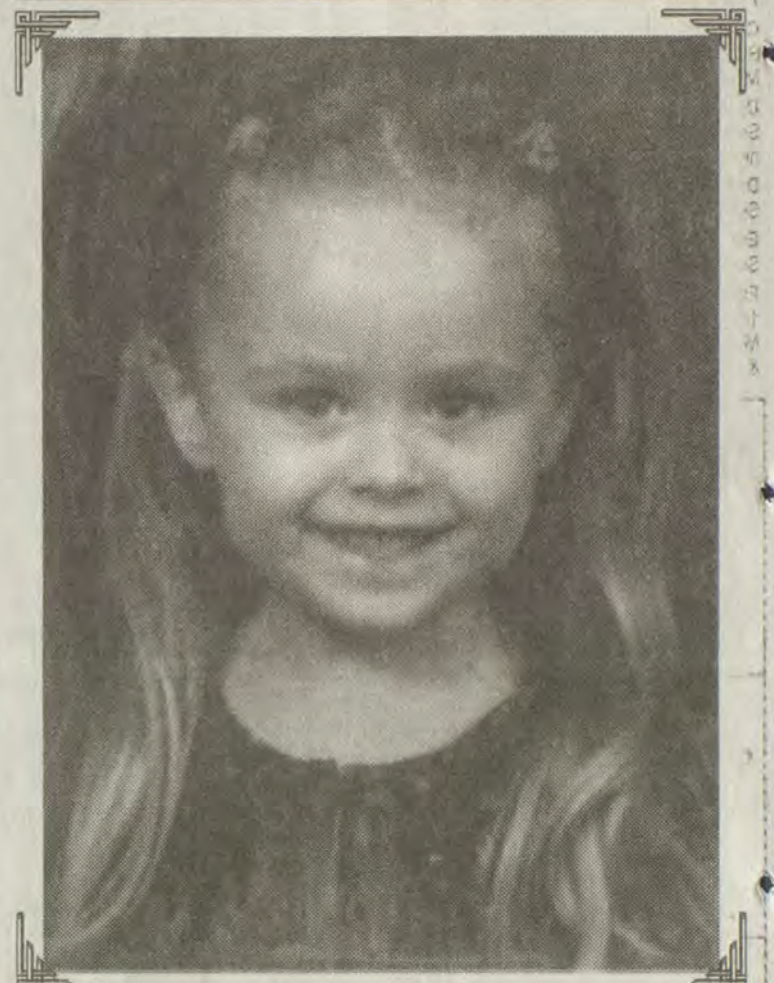
companies.

Said councilperson Kay Ross upon completion of The David School outing, "I think it's a good experience for our younger people to see how our government is run and how we go about making changes in ordinances. Now that my students realize their voices can and will be heard, perhaps today's observation will help these young people take a more active stance in their government."



Back row to front row, left to right: Brian Lazar, Jonathan Butterworth, Steven Taylor, Robert Blegler, Kevin Ousley, James Garrett, Jimmy Blegler, Tiffany Collins, Ashley Johnson, Kay Ross, Donna Wells, Diana Fish, Don Willis, Mayor Jerry Fannin, Gorman Collins, and Phillip Chaffins.

Birthdays



Emily turns 5!

Emily Kalyn Grace Roberts will celebrate her fifth birthday on Sunday, March 6, 2005, at the Ramada Inn, in Paintsville, with a pool party with family and friends. Emily is the daughter of Lynn Roberts, of McDowell, and Bradley Roberts, of Harold. She is the granddaughter of Final Newport, of McDowell, and the late Jack Clark, and Clinton and Janet Roberts, of Harold.



Crowned SFHS Homecoming Queen

Ms. Whitney Johnson, the daughter of Gary and Katie Johnson, of Melvin, was recently crowned "2005 Ms. South Floyd Homecoming Queen." Congratulations, Whitney!

Floyd County Devotional Page

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD

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

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

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

BAPTIST

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Drift Freewill Baptist, Drift; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Thursday, 6:30 p.m. Jim Fields, Minister.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Lighthouse Baptist, 2194 KY Rt. 1428, Prestonsburg; Sunday Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Donald Crisp, Minister.

home phone 285-3385

Pleasant Home Baptist, Water Gap Road, Lancer; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.

Pleasant Valley Old Regular Baptist Church, Tinker Fork; Meeting time 1st Saturday & Sunday of each month, 3rd Sunday Evening at 6:00 p.m.; Moderator, Gary Compton; Assist. Moderator, Jimmy Conley.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Unified Community Baptist, Hwy. 7, Huesville; Worship Service, 2 p.m.; Friday, 7 p.m.; Carlos Beverly, Minister.

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

CATHOLIC

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

CHRISTIAN

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

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

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

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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

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

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

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

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

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

Return to your Bible

I was looking, and behold, a tree in the midst of the earth, and its height was great. The tree grew and became strong; its height reached to the heavens, and it could be seen to the ends of all the earth. Its leaves were lovely, its fruit abundant, and in it was food for all. The beasts of the field found shade under it, the birds of the heavens dwelt in its branches, and all flesh was fed from it.

DANIEL 4:10-12

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

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

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

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

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

CHURCH OF GOD

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Ligon Church of God of Prophecy, Saturday Services, 7:00 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Ralph Hall, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL

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

LUTHERAN

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

METHODIST

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

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

Allen Christ United Methodist, Allen; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Kenneth Lemaster, Minister.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Free Pentecostal Church, Dwale; Services Saturday, 6 p.m.; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Services, 11 a.m.; No Sunday Night Service.

PRESBYTERIAN

Drift Presbyterian, Route 1101, Drift; Worship Service, 11 a.m.

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

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST

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OTHER

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Spurlock Bible (Baptist), 6227 Spurlock Creek Rd., Prestonsburg; Sunday School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Jim Stephens, Minister. 886-1003.

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

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

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

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

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

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

International Pentecostal Holiness Church, 10974 N. Main St., Martin; Rev. Ellis J. Stevens, Senior Pastor.

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

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Executive Receptionist Opening: Busy corporate office in Prestonsburg seeking qualified candidate for Executive Suite. Right person must have excellent communication and computer skills, good driving record, multi-tasked, dependable, well groomed, and personable. Duties include answering phone, filing and other general office duties. Full-time position with benefits. MF- 8am-5pm. Send Confidential Resume to: Human Resources Office-E, P.O. Box 1370, Prestonsburg KY 41653. Equal Opportunity Employer

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For Sale: New White Frams Day Bed \$50, Masculine Queen Size Bed with Drener \$400. Call 886-1271 Leave Message.

475-Household

Household Liquidation Sale Saturday Only-March 5th 9-5pm, At the Home of: Elsie Hyden, 247 Dickie Town Road, East Point, KY. Between US Rt. 23 and Highlands Regional Hospital at Wireman Shoals Bridge. For directions call 606-886-6417 the day of the sale. Flea Market Buyers Welcome!

\$200 REWARD



This is Buddy. He's been missing from his home at Jenny Wiley State Park, for several weeks. He's a one-and-a-half years old Beagle (one of the bigger Beagles). He weighs about 40 lbs. Buddy has a health problem. He has hereditary mange, which is not contagious to other dogs, but he should not father any puppies, because of the risk of passing on this illness. The mange was not apparent when he was last seen. However, trauma can bring on an outbreak. He was wearing a red collar with Santa faces on it. We love Buddy and are praying for his safe return. If you've seen Buddy, please call 886-2498. A \$200 reward is being offered for his return home.

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Public Administration Specialist—Serves the counties, municipalities and special districts of the region by providing assistance in drafting administrative codes, local government planning efforts, and offering guidance in the implementation of innovative management practices and the development of projects and programs. Bachelor's degree and one year's related experience; or high school diploma with additional special training in community development related activities and three years substantive work experience in community development.

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480-Miscellaneous

For Sale: 8 ft refrigerated deli case, \$1000, small pizza oven, \$400, small juice cooler, \$150, washer & dryer, \$150 pair. Call 606-886-2367.

For Sale: 8 ft deli cooler, \$950 and Gas convection oven, \$450. Call 606-886-2367.

460-Yard Sale

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Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in business administration, public administration or related field required, supplemented with at least five (5) years of experience in small business administration and management (50+ employees, transit-related experience preferred, but not required), or at the discretion of the Board of Directors an equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered.

To be responsible for the general direction of all operations and affairs of SVTS as a whole, and for advising and making recommendations to the Board of Directors with respect to these matters.

Competitive salary based on education and experience plus benefits—health, retirement, dental, vision, life, holidays, vacation, sick leave.

If interested, please fax or email resumé to:
Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Inc.
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Trailer lot for rent on old U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville call 606-886-9007 or 889 9747

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1 Bedroom Trailer For Rent. Call 874-9790

3 BR 2 Bath Mobile Home at Hueysville, City Water, Nice Yard. \$350 per month, Reference & Deposit Required. HUD Approved Call 358-3392

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900-Legals

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5427, AMENDMENT NO. 4.

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, KY 41501, has applied for an amendment to an existing underground coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1.70 mile northwest of Grethel, in Floyd County. The amendment will add 6.14 acres of surface disturbance, for a total area of 1180.40 acres within the revised permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 1.31 mile east of Drift, in Floyd County, Kentucky. The operation is approximately 1.80 mile east of KY's 122 junction with the Simpson Branch County Road, and located 0.10 mile southeast of Simpson Branch.

The proposed amendment is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by this amendment is owned by Stella Martin Hamilton, Dorothy Martin, Ella Martin, Cassie Martin and Earl Martin.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 S. Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow Complex, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY PIKEVILLE CIVIL ACTION NO. 04-409 KKC TRACT NO.: 551M UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PLAINTIFF VS. NOTICE: CONDEMNATION 20.53 Acres of Land, more or less, situate in Floyd County, Commonwealth of Kentucky, and Carl Lamar Combs, et al Defendants TO: The following named persons and

their spouses, if any, if living, whose addresses and places of residence cannot be ascertained by plaintiff, and if deceased, then their unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, executors, administrators, successors, creditors and assigns, whose names and places of residence are unknown in Tract No. 551M: C.E. Allen, Unknown Spouse, if any, of C.E. Allen, Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Advisees, or Assigns, if any, of J.H. Allen, Robert Allen, S.C. Allen, Unknown Spouse, if any, of S.C. Allen, Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Advisees, or Assigns, if any, of S.C. Allen, E.L. Stephens.

In addition to those named above, there may be others who have or may claim an interest in the property taken, who are unknown to plaintiff, and such persons are made parties to the action under the designation "Unknown Owners."

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Complaint in Condemnation has heretofore been filed in the Office of the Clerk of the United States District Court at Pikeville, Kentucky, for the taking of Tract No. 551M. The taking of said land is for use in connection with the construction and establishment of the Town of Martin Nonstructural Flood Control Project in Floyd County, Kentucky, in and to the following described property in which you have, or claim to have, an interest, and more particularly described in the pleadings herein: Tract No. 551M, a certain tract of land in the Town of Martin Project, situate in Floyd County, Kentucky, and containing 20.53 acres more or less. It being the intention of the particular description in the pleadings to include the same land described in a deed from T.T. Osborne and Jennie Osborne, his wife, to Townsel Combs, in a deed dated September 2, 1922, and recorded September 12, 1922, in Deed Book 63, Page 22. Townsel Combs conveyed his interest in the mineral tract to Octavia Combs by a deed dated September 20, 1927, and recorded September 24, 1927, in Deed Book 75, Page 527. Octavia Allen Combs a/k/a Octavia Combs, died testate on or about March 10, 1989, and according to her Last Will and Testament dated September 16, 1964, and recorded March 22, 1989, in Will Book "I", Pages 278, her interest in the subject tract was devised to her sons, Townsel Allen Combs, Carl Lamar Combs, and Gene Norman Combs. Gene Norman Combs a/k/a G.N. Combs, died testate December 4, 1982, and according to his last Will and Testament, dated October 13, 1980, and First Codicil to the Last Will and Testament, dated November 3, 1982, and recorded March

15, 2004, in Will Book AA, Page 422, his interest in the subject tract was devised to the Pikeville National Bank and Trust Company, Pikeville, Kentucky as trustee, for the trust created by his Last Will and Testament.

The authority for the taking is under and in accordance with the Act of Congress approved February 26, 1931 (40 U.S.C. 258a) which was recodified by Act of Congress approved August 21, 2002 (116 Stat. 1145, 40 U.S.C. 3114), and acts supplementary thereto and amendatory thereof, and under the further authority of the Acts of Congress approved April 24, 1888 (25 Stat. 94, 33 U.S.C. 591), June 29, 1906 (34 Stat. 632, 33 U.S.C. 592), and March 1, 1917 (39 Stat. 950, 33 U.S.C. 701), which acts authorize the acquisition of land or easements therein for flood control projects; § 202 of the Act of Congress approved October 1, 1980 (94 Stat. 1331, P.L. 96-367), which act authorized implementation of flood control measures on the Levisa Fork and Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River Basin and their tributaries; § 367 of the Act of Congress approved August 17, 1999 (113 Stat. 302, P.L. 106-53), which act authorized all necessary measures in Martin, Kentucky, to prevent future losses that would occur as a result of a flood equal in magnitude to a 100-year frequency event; the Act of Congress approved October 27, 2000 (114 Stat. 1441, P.L. 106-377) which directed the Secretary of the Army to proceed in accordance with Plan A as set forth in the Preliminary Draft Detailed Project Report, Appendix T of the General Plan of the Huntington District Commander; and the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2003 approved February 20, 2003 (Division D, Title I, P.L. 108-7), which act appropriated funds for such purposes.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if you have any objection or defense to the taking said property, you are required to serve your answer on the plaintiff's attorney at the address herein designated within twenty (20) days after March 4, 2005, the date of the last publication of this Notice. Your answer shall identify the property in which you claim to have an interest, including Tract Number, state the nature and extent of the interest claimed, and state all objections and defenses to the taking of said property. All defenses and objections not so presented are waived. Failure to answer shall constitute a consent to the taking and to the authority of the Court to hear the action. If you have no objection or defense to the taking, you may serve on the plaintiff's attorney a notice of appearance designating the property in which you claim an interest. Thereafter, you will receive notice of all proceedings affecting said property. At the trial of the issue of just compensation, whether or not you

have previously appeared or answered, you may present evidence as to the amount of the compensation to be paid for the property, and you may share in the distribution of the compensation.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 898-0722 AMENDMENT 1

In accordance with KRS 350.070, notice is hereby given that CAM Kentucky, LLC, P.O. Box 901, Pikeville, Kentucky 41501, has applied for an amendment to an existing surface coal mining and reclamation operation, located 1 mile northwest of McCombs, in Pike County, Kentucky. The amendment will add 125.88 acres of surface disturbance, making a total area of 227.34 acres within the amended permit boundary.

The proposed amendment area is approximately 0.5 mile west of the Bevins Branch Road junction with KY 194, and located 0.2 mile west of John's Creek. The latitude is 37-39-59. The longitude is 82-35-48.

The proposed amendment is located on the Thomas USGS 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area to be disturbed by the amendment is owned by Sue Ellen Wilkerson, Bobbie Thompson, Martin Collinsworth, Bill Burchett, Ross Harris, Ray Taylor, and Denzil Allen. The operation will use the combination of surface and auger mining.

The amendment application has been filed for public inspection at the KYEPPC's Division of Field Services, Pikeville Regional Office, located at 121 Mays Branch Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502. Written comments, objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, No. 2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

NOTICE OF SALE OF AN ELECTRIC FRANCHISE

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, at a regular meeting held on the 28th day of February, 2005, directed me, the undersigned, to advertise for sale an electric franchise and, THEREFORE, pursuant to Order and Ordinance of said Council, and in accordance with the terms and provisions of the same, Notice is hereby given that I, Peggy Bailey, City Clerk of Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, or in my absence, Jerry S. Fannin, Mayor of the City, will, at the front door of the City Building, in City of Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, on the 28th day of March, 2005, at the hour of 6:00 p.m., Prestonsburg Time in the City of

Prestonsburg, offer for sale an electric franchise, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the aforesaid ordinance of said City Council, and subject to conditions of said Ordinance, which Ordinance and conditions are as follows, to-wit:

SECTION NO. 1

That there be sold at public auction to the highest and best bidder, the franchise, privilege, right and authority to acquire, maintain, construct and operate in, above, under, across, and along the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places (as the same now exists or may hereafter be laid out) of the City of Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, lines, poles and equipment for the distribution of electric energy, either by means of overhead or underground conductors, with all the necessary or desirable appurtenances for the purpose of supplying electric energy to said City and the inhabitants thereof, and persons, and corporations beyond the limits thereof, for light, heat, power, and any other purpose or purposes for which electric energy is now or may hereafter be used, and for the transmission of same within, through, or across said City.

SECTION NO. 2

Said lines and appurtenances shall be constructed so as to interfere as little as possible with the traveling public in its use of the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places.

SECTION NO. 3

The franchise, privilege, right and authority shall be in full force and effect for a period of twenty (20) years from the date of the passage of the ordinance granting it.

SECTION NO. 4

The grantee of this franchise shall save the City harmless from any and all liability arising in any way from negligence of the grantee in the erection, maintenance, or operating of said lines and appurtenances.

SECTION NO. 5

The grantee of this franchise shall have the right and privilege to take up such portion or part of any pavement and make such excavation in the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places of the City of Prestonsburg, as may be deemed necessary for the construction and maintenance of its lines, wires, or cables, but whenever the grantee of the franchise shall begin the erection of any lines or other equipment, it shall promptly and diligently prosecute the work until completion and leave the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places where such work is done in as good condition of repair as before such work was commenced.

SECTION NO. 6

Wherever in this franchise either the City of Prestonsburg

or the grantee thereof is referred to, it shall be deemed to include the respective successors and assigns of either, and all rights, privileges, and obligations contained in this franchise shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the respective successors and assigns of said City and said grantee, whether so expressed or not.

SECTION NO. 7

The grantee of this franchise to be offered for sale may make such rules and regulations, covering the furnishing of said electric energy, as may be fair and reasonable and consistent with the standard practice of the grantee. Said grantee may charge such rates for electric services as shall be fair and reasonable. The said grantee shall render services under said franchise of like quality, that is, adequate, efficient and reasonable, to that now being rendered to said City.

SECTION NO. 8

The consideration paid by the successful bidder for the franchise, privilege, right and authority provided for herein shall be complete compensation and consideration for the sale of said franchise, privilege, right and authority and for the use and occupancy of the streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways and other public places of the City, in lieu of any street or alley rental or of any charge for the use and occupancy of said streets, thoroughfares, alleys, sidewalks, bridges, public ways, or other public places of the City, and in lieu of any pole tax or meter tax.

SECTION NO. 9

City Clerk of the City of Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, is hereby appointed Special City Councilmember to sell said franchise, privilege, right and authority hereby ordered sold, and said Special Councilmember is directed to offer said franchise for sale at public auction and shall sell same to the highest bidder at the front door of the City Building in Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, at 6 p.m., on March 28, 2005, after he/she has advertised the same, terms, conditions and place of sale, pursuant to law by inserting a notice of sale in the Floyd County Times Newspaper of general circulation in Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks prior to the date of said sale, said

SECTION NO. 12

This Ordinance granting this franchise shall be accepted by the grantee thereof within sixty (60) days from the date of its passage.

Done by a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, entered at its meeting held on the 28th day of February, 2005.

WITNESS MY HAND, this 28th day of February, 2005.

Sharon Schoolcraft City Clerk of the City of Prestonsburg Floyd County, KY

advertisement to include this Ordinance.

SECTION NO. 10 Each bidder for the sale of said franchise, privilege, right and authority, shall file, as a part of his bid, a certified copy of his bid a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity from the Public Service Commission of Kentucky, issued under the authority of KRS 278.020(3).

SECTION NO. 11 Bids and proposals for the purchase and acquisition of the franchise, privilege, right and authority hereby directed to be sold shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the Mayor or the City Clerk upon the date and at the time fixed by the Clerk and/or Mayor in said advertising for receiving bids. Thereafter, the Clerk and/or Mayor shall report and submit to the City Council, at the time and place to be fixed by it, said bids and proposals for said Council's approval, and said City Council reserves the right for and on behalf of the City of Prestonsburg to refuse any and all bids for said franchise, privilege, right and authority. In the event the bids reported by the Clerk and/or Mayor shall be refused by the said City Council, it may direct, by resolution or ordinance, said franchise, privilege, right and authority to be again offered for sale from time to time, until a satisfactory bid therefor shall be received and approved. Each bid shall be accompanied by a deposit and each bidder shall post bond in accordance with the provisions and requirements of KRS 96.020. However, such deposit and bond need not be made by a corporation or person already owning, in or adjacent to the City of Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, a plant and equipment sufficient to render the service required by this resolution.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Henry L. Setser has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to remove single-family dwelling and replace the structure with a Module Home. The property is located in the Lancer Sub-Division of the City of Prestonsburg at 256 S. Cardinal Drive. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Sheridan Martin, Attorney at Law, No. 5, Court Street, Allen, Kentucky, has been appointed Warning Order Attorney by the Floyd Circuit Court, to notify Lisa Johnson of the nature and pendency of a certain lawsuit filed on or about January 4, 2005, in which Lisa Johnson was named as a Defendant. Said suit has been filed in Division II of the Floyd Circuit Court, and is represented by Civil Action No. 05-CI-00004. The basis of the suit is a Complaint against the Defendant for a loan from the Plaintiff, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Acting Solely as a nominee for America's Wholesale Lender.

Lisa Johnson shall have fifty (50) days from the date of the Warning Order to file an Answer with the Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, if she desires to do so. If she does not appear in the suit and defend it, a Judgment will be entered at the discretion of the court.

Anyone having information concerning Lisa Johnson, please contact Hon. Sheridan Martin, at (606) 874-4777. Hon. Sheridan Martin, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 777, Allen, Kentucky 41601.

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Gary Johnson shall have fifty (50) days from the date of the Warning Order to file an Answer with the Floyd Circuit Court Clerk, if he desires to do so. If he does not appear in the suit and defend it, a Judgment will be entered at the discretion of the court.

Anyone having information concerning Gary Johnson, please contact Hon. Sheridan Martin, at (606) 874-4777. Hon. Sheridan Martin, Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 777, Allen, Kentucky 41601.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Dwayne Hall, 1174 Ky. Route 979, Harold, KY 41635, and Everett Carroll, 11 Carroll Lane, Harold, KY 41635, own property located at Harold, Kentucky, and has filed an application with the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet to construct a fill. The property is located approximately 1.10 mile west of the intersection of KY Route 979 junction with U.S. Route 23, near the communities of Harold and Amba, on Mud Creek, in Floyd County. Any comments or objections concerning this application shall be directed to: Kentucky Division of Water, Water Resources Branch, 14 Reilly Road, Frankfort Office Park, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. Phone: (502) 564-3410.

NOTICE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

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