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Pike man killed in accident

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

STOPOVER — Randy N. Fields, 25, of Ransom, was killed Friday night when his Chevy Cavalier went off the road and into a creek off Route 194 in Stopover.

Fields' car was discovered by a Pike County deputy who had been searching for Fields because he spied him going through a stop signal a few minutes earlier. The deputy had called in the vehicle and found that it had no current registration. He proceeded down 194 looking for Fields but lost sight of the car.

The deputy was headed back to the stationary spot he had been using when he spotted taillights coming from off the road. The deputy found the Cavalier in the creek and radioed for assistance for Fields, who was found unconscious and unresponsive.

Authorities arrived at the scene shortly thereafter but could not revive Fields, who was pronounced dead at the scene by Pike County Deputy Coroner Ernest Casebolt.

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Parking ticket leads to standoff, resignation

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

WAYLAND — A Floyd County man who allegedly turned up the heat during a routine parking ticket last week is now facing felony charges.

Meanwhile, the officer who arrested him has resigned from his position.

Wayland Officer D.L. Mowry cited Glenn Martin, 59, with six charges after a routine traffic stop near the Texaco station and Mill Branch Road last Thursday.

According to the citation, Mowry "tried to advise" Martin that he was improperly parked. Martin "proceeded" into the Texaco station, the citation says, and later allegedly refused to show Mowry his license and registration for the vehicle.

Mowry alleges that Martin threatened him during the encounter. The citation, which covers two pages, includes several obscene threats allegedly made by Martin. "The subject said, 'Is this all the [expletive deleted] you have

to do?'" Mowry wrote. "He yelled, 'You need to get the [expletive deleted] out of my way you [expletive deleted] little punk.'"

Martin allegedly pushed

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photos by Tom Doty

This guardsman was oblivious to the cameras as he was reunited with his wife Tuesday after 10 months of service in Kosovo.

A HOMECOMING FOR CHARLIE COMPANY

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — The National Guard Armory in Prestonsburg was the scene on Tuesday for several area families to be reunited with loved ones who served in Kosovo for the last year.

The Charlie Company 206 Engineers were treated to a packed house at the armory Tuesday to celebrate their homecoming.

The guardsmen stood at attention for nearly an hour with their loved ones only 12 feet away while a variety of speakers thanked them for their efforts in Kosovo and commended them for their service.

The final speaker was Johnson County Judge-Executive Tucker Daniel, who read a proclamation making March 8 Appreciation Day for the unit.

Daniel also decried recent media coverage of the war in Iraq, saying that not enough attention is paid to the efforts and sacrifices made by our troops on a daily basis.

The men received a final round of applause and were invited along with guests to partake in refreshments which went uneaten as the men charged into



The Charlie Company 206 Engineers were feted upon their return home from Kosovo at the Prestonsburg National Guard Armory Tuesday and returned the favor by applauding for their families who waited for them at home.

the crowd to greet their families.

Bobby Baldrige, a CASA volunteer and area minister, was in attendance to be reunited with his son and noted, "Kentucky has a long history of answering the

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Overweight truck kills Inez man

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

WARFIELD — Senate leaders butted heads with the overweight truck issue. House Bill 8, Monday, the same day that a Martin County man was killed in a collision with an overweight coal truck.

Lonnie C. Preece, 55, of Inez, was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident, which closed a section of Route 40 in Warfield much of the day Monday, Kentucky State Police Det. Eddie Crum said.

Officials reported that Charles Wiley Jr., driving a 1999 Western Star tractor-trailer, encountered "stopped traffic" in the westbound lane of Route 40 Monday morning.

Wiley, who was later cited for being approximately 44 tons overweight, entered the eastbound lane

to avoid the stalled traffic, and collided with Preece's vehicle, a 2005 GMC Sierra.

Wiley, 27, of Blacklog, was also cited by Kentucky Vehicle Enforcement for other violations, including inactive Kentucky weight distribution tax license, inactive Kentucky motor fuel users license and inactive extended weight decal.

Vehicle Enforcement Officer Jamie Collins, who performed the safety inspection after the accident Monday, said that Wiley failed to list his truck on his data base — an alleged attempt to avoid state taxes — and that he had a false extended weight decal on his truck.

He said Wiley's truck weighed 150,150 pounds, and was more than 88,000 pounds overweight.

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Martin mayor wins round in court

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

MARTIN — Floyd County District Judge James R. Allen sided with Martin Mayor Thomasine Robinson during a court trial Monday, awarding her in a small claims case against the Martin Housing Authority.

Robinson filed the suit against the authority in

January, seeking a \$1,478 refund on a \$1 million general liability insurance policy she purchased when she was vying a piece of property owned by the organization.

Robinson said she began inquiring about renting a 28 foot-by-50 foot plot of land at Pageant Hill in September in order to

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State challenges fatal wreck award

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Assistant Attorney General D. Brent Irvin filed a complaint in Floyd County Circuit Court last week, challenging a decision by the Board of Claims to grant a \$200,000 award to the parent of a former Betsy Layne High School student who died in a car

accident. The incident goes back to April 28, 1989, when Anthony Wayne Williams was killed in a car driven by Julie Hall, who was also a BLHS student at that time. The two allegedly left the school without permission while working on decorations for a school dance. They were driving

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Odds & Ends

■ **BANGKOK, Thailand** — Motorists in the Thai capital are having the last laugh: More than 600 policemen have temporarily lost the right to issue tickets after failing a test on traffic law.

The police department last month tested 4,475 officers on their knowledge of traffic law, and almost one in seven failed to show adequate knowledge, said Maj. Gen. Montree Jamroon, a deputy commander of the Metropolitan Police Bureau.

"A total of 665, accounting for about 14 per cent of the traffic policemen in Bangkok, failed the test on traffic law and they will not be allowed to issue tickets until they pass," he said.

Those who failed the test would have to take it again within six months, said Montree.

Bangkok drivers have long complained about the seemingly arbitrary enforcement of traffic laws.

■ **JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.** — In the eyes of one Missouri legislator, the show-me state needs to tone down its image — as far as the adult entertainment industry is concerned.

"Travelers in our state are being sent a signal that Missouri is a porn-friendly state," said State Sen. Matt Bartle. To combat that, Bartle has sponsored a measure for a sin tax.

The proposal cleared the state Senate with little debate on Monday. The legislation needs another vote to move to the House.

Under the bill, tipping strippers would be illegal, as would any physical contact between exotic dancers and their customers. Total nudity would be banned, and no one under 21 could work in such businesses.

The legislation also would impose a \$5 per customer charge for sexually oriented businesses, from strip clubs to adult bookstores, and a 20 percent tax on revenues. The provisions are similar to what casinos in the state already must pay.

Bartle, a Republican, said the restrictions and taxes are necessary to combat problems such as prostitution, juvenile delinquency and declining property values.

■ **TRENTON, N.J.** — The humble tomato may technically be a fruit, but lawmakers here consider it a vegetable.

Members of the Assembly Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee on

Monday approved a measure designating the Jersey tomato as the official state vegetable. A similar proposal is pending in a Senate committee.

Sponsors of the measure get around the fact that the tomato is considered a fruit by using a century-old U.S. Supreme Court ruling that slapped a vegetable tariff on tomatoes, similar to the tax placed on cucumbers, squashes and beans.

In squeezing tomatoes into the vegetable category, justices on the 1887 high court reasoned that if it's typically served with dinner, and not as a dessert, it must be a vegetable.

"Botanically it's a fruit, legally it's a vegetable," said Sen. Ellen Karcher, who is co-sponsoring the Senate version of the bill. "Any of these bills that promote statewide pride is something we should embrace."

The Jersey tomato's ride through the Legislature began after a group of fourth-graders wrote letters urging lawmakers to adopt a state fruit. The beloved blueberry won out, and it — not the tomato — took its place last year as the official state fruit.

There currently is no official state vegetable in the Garden State.

■ **FORT SMITH, Ark.** — Police in Fort Smith got to the bottom of a burglary at city offices by peering into the criminal sole.

Apparently, footprints left by the burglars came from shoes popular with skateboarders. Officers discovered that only one store in Fort Smith sold the shoes, and the shoe with the unique tread was sold to only a handful of customers.

That led police to Christopher Calvin and Eric Skelton, both 23. The men were arrested last week on suspicion of commercial burglary and theft of property. The duo work together at a mall restaurant near the store that sold the shoes.

City officials said about \$3,000 worth of computers and other equipment was taken.

According to authorities, the burglars apparently climbed atop a vacant building, worked their way to the ledge along the third floor of another building that housed city offices and entered through an unlocked window.

■ **DE PERE, Wis.** — For most people, PEZ is just a

candy, but Barry Umbs calls his addiction to collecting PEZ dispensers "a bit of an illness."

Umbs, an engineering manager for Rockwell Automation in Milwaukee, joined some 60 other self-described "PEZheads" at a convention in De Pere on Saturday.

The man has been a feverish PEZ dispenser collector for the past 15 years, and seeks not only each kind of dispenser, such as ones featuring Bugs Bunny, but the same kind from different countries, with different patent numbers and packaging.

"It's conceivable I could have nine of this same kind, but each one has something different," he said. "It's the thrill of the hunt that gets me."

The event, the second held by the Bryan and Tammy Lewis of De Pere, offered PEZheads the chance to buy, sell and swap their dispensers, show off their collections, and share PEZ news.

They held it in the pool room of their apartment complex.

The candy dates back to 1927 in Austria, where candymaker Edward Haas made tiny mint blocks for adults as an alternative to smoking. In 1952, PEZ came to the United States, where the makers put cartoon heads on the dispensers to sell them to children.

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Calif. — A new county law aims to keep readers from reeking.

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kick out malodorous guests.

Visitors to 14 libraries and a bookmobile also could be asked to leave for fighting, eating, drinking, sleeping, playing games, and printing or viewing illegal materials on library computers.

"The point is to make the

library a comfortable, safe place for everyone to use," said Moe McGee, assistant director of the San Luis Obispo City-County Library.

A strict code of conduct, officials argue, is needed to ensure

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Officer

Mowry out of his way, got in his vehicle, accelerated the truck and "almost ran over" Mowry's feet, the citation says.

Martin continued driving to his residence, as Mowry "yelled" for him to stop the vehicle.

Martin went into his home, after threatening to get a gun, and walked out with his hand behind his back, Mowry alleges.

"In about two minutes the subject came out with his hand behind his back, 'Go ahead step in my yard you [expletive deleted] punk, I'll shoot you,'" Mowry wrote in the citation. "Again, the subject started

yelling 'You [expletive deleted] little punk go ahead, step in my yard so I can shoot you.' Floyd County deputy showed up and the suspect still refused orders to come out. Then come out of his ..."

The citation ends as abruptly as Mowry's employment with the Wayland Police Department. Officials say he turned in his keys that night and requested an escort out of town.

"All I heard is that he threw his keys down to the mayor and then later decided he wanted them back and the mayor wouldn't have it," council member Curtis Tufts said

yesterday. Repeated calls to Mayor Tommy Murphy for an explanation were unreturned yesterday. Community members and police officials say rumors are running rampant about circumstances surrounding the incident.

Mowry requested to be escorted out of Wayland because he "obviously felt threatened," one officer said, alleging that Mowry was "given the option" to resign or be fired.

Kentucky State Police was called to assist Mowry at the scene, KSP Dispatcher Wright said yesterday. They reportedly escorted him out of Wayland.

Floyd County Sheriff Deputy Terry Chaffins, who transported Martin — a long time friend — to the Floyd County Detention Center after the incident Thursday, said Martin "willingly" walked out of the home.

"When I got there, there was two officers out by the car and the subject was inside the house," Chaffins said. "I knew him real well, so I went up to talk to him and he opened the door when I spoke to him. I told him, 'They're going to get a warrant for you,' and he willingly went out there and got in the car. He said 'No problem, Terry, I'll go anywhere you want me to

go.' He was compliant in every means with me, but for some reason or another, he was not compliant with Mowry."

Chaffins says he doesn't know what prompted Mowry to turn in his badge, nor does he know, specifically, how that determination came about.

"It's a big mess up," he said.

Mowry refused comment yesterday.

Martin was charged with improper parking, third-degree assault of a police officer, first-degree wanton endangerment of a police officer, fleeing/evading police, disorderly conduct and terroristic threatening.

He posted a \$20,000 surety bond shortly after his arrest and was ordered by District Judge James R. Allen to stay 500 feet away from Mowry.

He is scheduled to be

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arraigned April 27. This isn't the first time a Wayland police officer has stepped down from his post amid controversy.

Officer Aaron Kidd, who now resides in Lexington, resigned amid "political pressure from some members of the town's governing commission" in 2001.

At that time, Kidd said he approached Mayor Murphy several times regarding the "hostile work" environment after he arrested "friends and family members of commission members."

Mayor Murphy said that Kidd resigned "in order to protect his reputation as a police officer."

He was replaced by former Floyd County Sheriff Deputy Keith Frasure, who also later resigned.

Motion

on Route 2030 when Hall lost control of the vehicle on a curve and toppled down an embankment. Williams was fatally injured when he was thrown from the vehicle and crushed by it.

In the documents submitted last week, Irvin is appealing the decision of the Board of Claims, a department within the Environmental Protection Cabinet, that was announced on Jan. 20. He challenges the decision's award of \$200,000, claiming that it is in excess, by \$100,000, of caps placed on

awards at the time of the incident.

Irvin further contends that an action has already been awarded in the case when the Williams family won a settlement from Hall's insurance company. That case apparently blamed Hall for the incident and cited that she was under the influence of alcohol at the time of the accident.

Irvin further blamed the Board of Claims for making an erroneous declaration that the teachers and staff were responsible for the accident, citing that the previous decision found Hall

negligent and that a finding of the school's negligence would negate that previous decision.

Irvin's final argument in the suit challenges the Board of Claims for not allowing staff from Betsy Layne to appear to respond to such claims.

The action calls for a plan to resubmit the case to the Board for a fair apportioning of damages and that no damages be generated until such time as fault for the incident is determined. Finally the suit asks that proper blame be determined before apportioning a

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settlement and that the board examine the comparative negligence of Hall and Williams as well as the school and whoever sold alcohol to Hall, who was a minor at the time.

No responses have yet been filed by the parties in the suit, which include the estate of Anthony Williams, Julie Hall and the Floyd County Board of Education.

Mayor

relocate her business, Jan's Florist and Gifts, which is scheduled to be torn down during the city's relocation project.

Robinson claimed that Bruce Coleman, Housing Authority Director, asked her to obtain the nonrefundable insurance policy,

but the property deal did not go through.

HUD refused to sign a waiver for Robinson to rent the property in October — three days after the insurance policy took effect — because the mayor's seat on the Housing Authority Board was considered a conflict of interest.

Judge Allen ordered that the Housing Authority pay Robinson \$1,539.20, which includes interest added to the initial amount requested.

He also ordered that the insurance policy be canceled, with refunds going to the Housing Authority.

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Homecoming

call when her country needs her." Route 321 was for all intents and purposes shut down in front of the armory for the next 20 minutes as relieved families piled into cars and drove back to their homes. Many of the vehicles were adorned with ribbons, balloons and writing which welcomed each man back by name.

Though the group has been back in the country for several weeks, they had been stationed in Indiana to train the next wave of troops headed to Kosovo. National Guard units have responsible for the peacekeeping mission there, after hostilities broke out between the Serbian and Albanian armies in 1999.

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Guest View

Saving money, or petty politics?

What do you do if you think you've been getting unfair coverage and criticism in newspapers here and elsewhere in Kentucky? If you're state Rep. Howard Cornett you try to punish the papers financially, no matter what the cost might be to readers and their right to know how their government is spending their tax dollars.

On Feb. 25, Cornett, of Whitesburg, helped lead the way when the House approved a bill that would, among other things, allow city and county governments to hide their financial statements deep inside an Internet site instead of publishing them in local newspapers of record.

Cornett told his fellow legislators that he supports House Bill 375 because it would end state government's practice of "funding newspapers," and that "if we can save our counties money and our cities money, it's a good thing."

Cornett's new interest in saving money for local governments comes as somewhat of a shock, especially when just three days earlier he led the charge in the House's controversial 55-32 vote to approve House Bill 8, a measure to allow heavy trucks to haul an extra 20 tons of sand, gravel, black-top and other "natural resources" on state, county and city highways.

Cornett introduced House Bill 8 on behalf of a large highway contracting company which donated an eye-popping \$10,000 to Cornett's 2004 campaign. Cornett's bill, if approved by the Senate and signed by Gov. Ernie Fletcher, would cost Kentucky taxpayers at least \$25 million a year to fix the state roads the heavier trucks would damage. The bill also would cost taxpayers \$360 million for bridges that would have to be replaced to handle the bigger loads. The total cost to county and city governments for added road and bridge maintenance is unknown, but is almost certain to be in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

What Cornett did not say when he took the House floor late last Friday is that he has been growing continually angry with newspapers since Dec. 29, when The Mountain Eagle ran a feature story detailing improvements to U.S. 119 across Pine Mountain. According to Cornett, the Eagle didn't give him the amount of ink he deserved for his role in getting funding for the project.

If Cornett was being honest with other House members he would have told them that his anger at newspapers has been growing exponentially as of late. During the month of February, Cornett has drawn heavy criticism in publications ranging from The Courier-Journal of Louisville to the

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Worth Repeating ...

"If you want to make enemies, try to change something."

— Woodrow Wilson



Capitol Ideas

Grayson wants more focus on civic literacy

by JOE BIESK
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FRANKFORT — It's hard to determine the extent of civic illiteracy in Kentucky, Secretary of State Trey Grayson told a legislative panel last week.

But based on anecdotes and national figures, it could use improvement, he said. So, Grayson and others have developed a wish list of ideas that could help boost Kentuckians' awareness about basic civics and the operation of government.

Among other things, Grayson has asked the General Assembly to name October as "Civic Literacy and Engagement" month. Theoretically, focusing more awareness on civics in the month before November — when major national elections take place — could muster additional attention and get more people to vote, Grayson said.

"The goal of this whole effort is to have a more engaged and more informed citizenry that not just votes, but that actually participates in the process," Grayson told the Senate Education Committee last week.

In October, Grayson hosted a statewide summit on civic literacy. The results of that summit were compiled in a

54-page report he presented to the Legislature last week.

Among other things, lawmakers should allocate more money for civic literacy programs, annual or biennial follow-ups to the summit and provide teachers with more civics training, the report found. The state should also encourage Kentucky colleges and universities to focus more on civic literacy issues, according to the report.

Sen. Jack Westwood, R-Erlanger, told the committee a 1998 national survey of fourth, eighth and 12th grade students found only 25 percent were proficient in civics and government. Voting among 18-25 year olds has declined compared with the 1970s, and there has been a drop in political volunteerism, Westwood said.

There also seems to be a growing sense among youngsters that the First Amendment "goes too far," Westwood said. That sentiment shows a lack of knowledge about civics that is "very disturbing and dangerous," said Westwood, who co-sponsored the legislation that authorized the summit and report.

"We need to get back to a very basic focus of what civics education is doing in our schools and we need to make sure our students understand those freedoms, where they came from, how the govern-

ment guarantees those freedoms and that we do in fact live in a republic," Westwood told the committee.

Rena Burden, 18, a student at Eastern Kentucky University, participated in the summit. Burden, a freshman political science major, said she thought the students who participated in the summit showed an interest in learning how they could become politically active and play a role in government, even though they can't vote.

While "there is an apathy that exists," among the youth, that dynamic is "soon changing," Burden said.

Still, there currently is not a way to gauge the exact state of civic literacy in Kentucky, Grayson told reporters. Kentucky does not have a statewide assessment for civics and government, Grayson said.

"There's a general sense that people are (civics) illiterate nationwide. We have no reason to think that Kentucky is any different than any other state in that regard," Grayson said. "We don't know whether it's any better or any worse. But regardless of the relative comparison, it's not good enough."

Joe Biesk is a statehouse reporter for The Associated Press.

Letters

HB 8 discriminatory

The attitude of some Kentucky legislators, particularly those from urban areas, has caused a lot of consternation in Eastern Kentucky. They seem to be attempting to avoid the evils of House Bill 8, the overweight truck bill, by in essence confining the overweight trucks to the coal fields. It's as if our lives are worth less than lives in the Bluegrass.

If this discriminatory approach enables HB 8 to pass, it will confirm in our minds that most of Kentucky doesn't care about our welfare so long as the state gets the wealth from our coal. If this bill passes, it will almost surely trigger lawsuits.

Dean and Nina Cornett
Blackey

HB 8 'stinks like death'

I've never been so sickened as I was today reading the papers and listening to a bunch of whiny representatives and senators and, yes, our governor too.

They talk about isolating and exempting Lexington, Louisville and other urban areas from House Bill 8. I know you represent your own districts, but you are first a Kentucky representative, senator, or governor.

How dare you stick House Bill 8 on eastern and western Kentucky? We are already living in killing fields.

I have spoken to the governor on several occasions since my son was killed by an overloaded gravel truck hauling 120,000 pounds (60 tons). Each time I spoke to him, he kept getting weaker and

weaker talking about it. I spoke to his wife as well, and she showed more concern about people's safety than he did. I spoke to the House Transportation Committee and warned them about what to expect if House Bill 8 passes, and they voted for it anyway.

Don't be a weasel like my representative Howard Cornett, who sponsored House Bill 8. You can't fix something that stinks like death; all you can do is kill it and put it out of its misery.

You can be assured of a lawsuit if House Bill 8 passes.

Wayne Fleming
Burdine

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Health Extra

HRMC's diabetes program granted continued ADA recognition

The American Diabetes Association Education Recognition Certificate for a quality diabetes self-management program was recently awarded to Highlands Regional Medical Center's Diabetes Education Program. HRMC's Diabetes Education Program was originally awarded Recognition in 1994 and has received continued Recognition every three years thereafter. The ADA believes that this program offers high-quality diabetes self-management education that is an essential component of effective diabetes treatment.

The Association's Education Recognition Certificate assures that educational programs meet the National Standards for Diabetes Self-Management Education Programs. These Standards were developed and tested under the auspices of the National Diabetes Advisory Board in 1983 and were revised by the diabetes community in 1994 and 2000.

Programs apply for Recognition voluntarily. Programs that achieve Recognition status have a staff of knowledgeable health professionals who can provide participants with comprehensive information about diabetes management. "The process gives professionals a national standard by which to measure the quality of services they provide," commented Debbie Ousley, RN, HRMC's diabetes educator. "And, of course, it assures the consumer that he or she will likely receive high-quality service." Education Recognition status is verified by an official certificate from the ADA and is awarded for three years.

According to the American Diabetes Association, there are 18.2 million people, or 6.3 percent of the population, in the

United States who have diabetes. While an estimated 13 million have been diagnosed, unfortunately, 5.2 million peo-

ple are not aware that they have this disease. Each day approxi-

(See **DIABETES**, page nine)



Students from Pikeville College's School of Osteopathic Medicine participated in Wear Red Day, joining the American Heart Association in its effort to increase awareness of heart disease, the No. 1 killer of women. Wear Red Day is a component of Go Red for Women, the American Heart Association's national campaign to raise awareness of heart disease in women and encourage women to take charge of their health. Students from Lambda Sigma, Pikeville College's undergraduate sophomore honorary, also participated in Wear Red Day, joining the effort to raise awareness on campus. Front row, from left: Medical students Rachel Gobie, Angel Akln, Diana Reinhardt, Casie Woosley and Rebecca McCowan. Second row, from left: Kristin Hertler, Jeanie Hoskins, Susun Kim, Michelle Sanders, Danielle See, Cindy Egleston and Leslie Cook. Third row, from left: Phil Leipprandt, Laura Asher, Carl Kinzel, Kelly Newton, William See, and Melonie Proctor.

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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Obituaries

Delmer "Bob" Tackett

Delmer "Bob" Tackett, age 57, of Teaberry, husband of Delores Bentley Tackett, passed away Thursday, March 3, 2005, at the South Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital.

He was born September 20, 1937, in Harold, the son of the late Charlie Tackett and Verdie Clark Tackett. He was a retired coal miner, and a member of the Betsy Layne Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Delores; five sons: Wade Tackett and Marty Tackett, both of Honaker, Wayne Tackett of Betsy Layne, Robbie Tackett of Ivel, and Stacy Tackett of Salyersville; one step-son, Jimmy Tackett of Teaberry; one step-daughter, Mary Ann Dotson of Teaberry; three brothers: Elmer Tackett of Harold, and Carmel Tackett and Eddie Tackett, both of Chillicothe, Ohio; seven sisters: Meg Warrens, Roma Lou Howard, Gracie Belle Gilbert, and Flora Tackett, all of Waverly, Ohio, Mary Phifer of Columbus, Ohio, Nora White of Mexico, and Lora Jean Ray of Columbus, Ohio; 10 grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Nora Tackett; one brother, Curt Tackett; one sister, Beatrice Williams; and one grandchild, Courtney Tackett.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday, March 6, at 2 p.m., at the Betsy Layne Church of Christ, with Clergymen Tommy Spears, and Junior Kidd officiating.

Burial was in the Tackett Cemetery, in Honaker, with the Hall Funeral Home, in Martin, caring for those arrangements.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Stevie Tackett, Anthony Tackett, Joshua Tackett, Eddie Tackett, Lloyd Tackett, Wayne Howard, Timmy Gilbert, Tommy Jo Lawson, and Michael Watson. (Paid obituary)

Leslie B. Patton

Leslie B. Patton, age 81, of Addison, Michigan, formerly of Prestonsburg, passed away on Saturday, March 5, 2005, at the Hillsdale County Medical Care Facility in Hillsdale, Michigan.

He was born on March 26, 1923, in Prestonsburg, the son of Charlie and Bess (Bethel) Patton.

He married Alma "June" Miller on March 1, 1952, in Napoleon, Ohio, and she preceded him in death on January 3, 2001.

Leslie lived his early life in Prestonsburg, and then he lived in Wayne, Michigan, until 1982. He then lived in Kentucky for five years, before moving to Addison in 1987.

He graduated from Prestonsburg High School. He was employed at Detroit Diesel in Romulus, Michigan for 30 years, retiring in 1981.

Surviving are three sons: Darrell L. (Sandy) Patton of Garden City, Michigan, Jeffery L. (Sharon) Patton of Inkster, Michigan, and Bobby L. (Diane) Patton of Addison, Michigan; one daughter, Bonnie D. (Tom) Stewart of Manitou Beach, Michigan; three grandchildren; one sister, Phyllis (Roger) Collinsworth of Reynoldsburg, Ohio; and several nephews, nieces and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his wife, June; one sister, Martha E. Mace; and one brother, Charles W. Patton.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m., Wednesday, March 9, at the Brown-Van Hemert Funeral Home, 122 N. Steer Street (U.S. 127), Addison, Michigan, with Pastor Drew Woods officiating.

Burial will be made in Hillside Cemetery, in Addison, Michigan. Visitation is at the funeral home.

View this obituary, and send condolences to the family at: www.brownvanhmert.com (Paid obituary)

Arthur Kilburn

Arthur Kilburn, age 71, of Arkansas Creek, Martin, husband of Inez Yates Kilburn, passed away Monday, March 7, 2005, at the Cabell-Huntington Hospital, Huntington, West Virginia.

He was born August 20, 1933, in Martin, the son of the late Hardy Kilburn and Cosetta Pitts Kilburn. He was a retired coal miner, and a member of the U.M.W.A.

Survivors include his wife, Inez; three sons: Arthur Kilburn Jr., Paul Douglas Kilburn, and Marion Kilburn, all of Martin, and Hardy Kilburn of Lewisburg, Tennessee; one daughter, Martha Etta Carroll of Prestonsburg; 12 grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services for Arthur Kilburn will be conducted Wednesday, March 10, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergymen Ellis Stevens and Levi Meade officiating.

Burial will follow in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Kathleen Allen Prater

Kathleen Allen Prater, 84, of Old Hickory Tennessee, formerly of Prestonsburg, died Monday, March 7, 2005, at her residence.

Born October 22, 1920, in Magoffin County, she was the daughter of the late Willie Allen and Ora Spradlin Allen. She was a self-employed housekeeper, and was a member of the Pentecostal Church of God.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Forester Prater, on October 31, 1970.

Survivors include two sons: Doris Edward Prater (Rosetta) of Old Hickory, Tennessee, and Darrell Ray Prater (Barbara) of Warsaw, Indiana; two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, March 10, at 11 a.m., at the Carter Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Kenneth Prater officiating.

Interment will be in the Allen Family Cemetery, at Ivyton.

Visitation is after 2 p.m., Wednesday, at the funeral home.

The family has entrusted arrangements to Carter Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

Fed Clark

Fed Clark, 84, of Honaker, husband of Nova Akers Clark, passed away Thursday, February 24, 2005, in Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

He was born June 30, 1920, in Honaker, the son of the late Robert Clark and Frona Martin Clark. He was retired from Newmar Foundry, Kendallville, Indiana; he had worked as a miner; served in the CCC; and was a veteran of the United States Army, serving in World War II. He was a member of the VFW in Prestonsburg; and the Betsy Layne Chapter of the DAV.

Survivors include Nova, his wife of 57 years, a brother-in-law, Otis Akers; sisters-in law, Ailene Kidd and Linda Akers, and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Bruce Clark; and one sister, Marie Peck.

Funeral services for Fed Clark were conducted Sunday, February 27, at 1 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Davidson Memorial Gardens, in Ivel, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home.

Visitation was at the funeral home.

Pallbearers: Eddie Akers, Chris Kidd, Banner Kidd Jr., Ronnie Leedy, Virgil Slone, Ronnie Clark, Steve Tackett, and John Peck.

Honorary: Zachary Akers, Otis Akers, and Gary Clark. (Paid obituary)

Woodrow (Toad) Akers

Woodrow (Toad) Akers, 82, of Huntington, West Virginia, formerly of Floyd County, died Friday, March 4, 2005, at the Mariner Health Care in Huntington, West Virginia.

Born August 25, 1922, in Floyd County, he was the son of the late Amos and Minnie Clifton Akers. He was a retired laborer for the Stokely Canning Factory.

Survivors include three sons: John R. Akers of Prichard, West Virginia, Ralph Akers of Indianapolis, Indiana, and Jack Akers of Terre Haute, Indiana; a daughter, Margaret Boyd of Banner; 13 grandchildren, and 26 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Monday, March 7, at 1 p.m., at the Little Salem Old Regular Baptist Church, in Dana, with Old Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

Burial was in the Akers Cemetery (Gunnels Branch), at Banner, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the church. (Paid obituary)

Thelma Crabtree Meade Spencer

Thelma Crabtree Meade Spencer, 81, of Prestonsburg, died Friday, March 4, 2005, at the U.K. Medical Center.

Born July 12, 1923, in Prestonsburg, she was the daughter of the late Denver Crabtree and Cynthia Layne Crabtree. She was a homemaker, and was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by a son, James L. Meade Jr., in the Feb. 28, 1958, bus accident.

Survivors include two sons: Rickey Meade of Prestonsburg, and Thomas Joseph Kozee of Georgia; and one sister, Cynthia Crabtree Alley of Georgetown; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Private services were held Monday, March 7, with burial following at Gearheart Cemetery, Prestonsburg.

The family has entrusted arrangements to Carter Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)

Margaret Patton Beaven

Margaret Patton Beaven of Gold River, California, passed away Monday, February 28, 2005, at the age of 90.

She was born August 10, 1914, in Floyd County. She attended Eastern State Teachers College in Richmond, in the 1930's, and taught elementary school for several years.

During WWII, she served in the WAC as a medical technician at Percy Jones General Hospital, Fort Custer, Michigan, where she met her husband.

She was awarded the WWII Victory Medal and the American Theatre Ribbon upon her discharge, April 4, 1947.

She was married to Denver F. Beaven Jr., on May 23, 1947, in March Field, California. He preceded her in death.

She was a retired department manager for the Base Exchange at Mather Air Force Base, in California.

She is survived by a sister, Florence Hall of Belleville, Michigan; a brother, Donald Patton of Langley; an aunt, Opal McKenzie of Auxier; nephews: Bob Hall of Belleville, Michigan, and Dan Patton of Lyndon Station, Wisconsin; nieces: Ruth Anne Fairchild of Lexington, Mary Lee Colston of Spring, Texas, Daphne LeBlanc of Belleville, Michigan, and Kim Trimble of Paintsville.

Interment will be Monday, March 14, at 2 p.m., at the Mount Vernon Memorial Park & Mortuary, Fair Oaks, California. (Paid obituary)

Curtis Allen

Curtis Allen, 85, of Melvin, died Saturday, March 5, 2005, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Healthcare.

Born July 13, 1919, in Pike County, he was the son of the late Josh and Cynthia Meade Allen. He was a retired coal miner, a member of the U.M.W.A.; and a U.S. Army and World War II veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Helma Hall Allen.

Other survivors include two sons: Gary V. Allen (wife, Carol) of Weeksbury, and Jerry Dean Allen (wife, Jeanice) of Bypro; two daughters: Deborah Kay Allen (husband, Chuck) of Melvin, and Pamela Ann Tackett of Weeksbury; two sisters: Emogene Allen of Weeksbury and Myrtle Adkins of Columbus, Ohio; and 11 grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one brother, Charlie Allen; and two sisters: Roxie Stevens and Amby Adkins.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, March 8, at 11 a.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, in Bypro, with Louis Ferrari, and John Allen officiating.

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

Visitation was at the church. (Paid obituary)

Card of Thanks

The Justice Family would like to thank all of you, for your support in the passing of our Mother, Polly (Hunter) Justice, on January 29, 2005. Thanks for all your prayers, beautiful flowers, food, coming to the funeral home, and just having us in your thoughts. Thanks so much to Pastor Eugene Cook for completing our Mom's request, and for the Middle Creek Baptist Church friends who were there supporting us, and for the wonderful dinner they prepared on the day of the funeral. Thanks to the Middle Creek Choir and Brother Jerry Manns for their part in the services. Thanks to our two special "Angels," Geraldine and Thelma, who were taking care of Mommy, at the time. Thanks to the wonderful people at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home for all your love and care for us. Everything was handled in the very best way, and Mommy would have been so pleased!! We feel so blessed to have all of you as friends.

May God Bless You All!

The Children, their Spouses, and the Grandchildren,
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Card of Thanks
The family of Dennis Martin would like to acknowledge with heartfelt appreciation, all those who helped in any way during the recent loss of our special loved one. Our family would like to extend a special thanks to Rock Fork Freewill Baptist Church members, Highlands Regional Hospital, Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Transtar and Respond Ambulance services, Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home staff, and the sheriff's department. Your thoughts and prayers were a great comfort during this difficult time.
THE FAMILY OF DENNIS MARTIN

Card of Thanks
The family of Fed Clark would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. We appreciate all the food, flowers, prayers, and all the acts of kindness shown to our family. A special thanks to the Regular Baptist ministers for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home of Martin, Ky., for their kind, professional, and courteous service. All your thoughts and prayers were a great comfort to our family.
THE FAMILY OF FED CLARK

Card of Thanks
The family of David Morgan Hall would like to acknowledge with heartfelt appreciation, all those who helped in any way during the recent loss of our loved one. Thank you all so much for the food, flowers, prayers, and all the acts of kindness shown to our family. We especially want to thank Ronnie Samons for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for providing dignified and courteous service.
THE FAMILY OF DAVID MORGAN HALL

Card of Thanks
The family of Eleanor Acker would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to all those friends, neighbors, and loved ones, who helped to comfort us during our time of sorrow. Thanks to all those who sent flowers or spoke kind words. We would like to send special thanks to Clergymen J.B. Hall, and Don Crisp, for their comforting words, and the Hall Funeral Home for their caring and professional service. All your thoughts and prayers will never be forgotten.
THE FAMILY OF ELEANOR ACKER

Card of Thanks
The family of Wendell Meade would like to express our appreciation to all those who helped in any way during the loss of our loved one. We thank you for the flowers, food, and all the kindness expressed. A special thanks to Morris Adkins, and Robert Adkins, for their comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control and to the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. All your acts of kindness were a great comfort to our family.
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Tax bill breezes through legislature

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — With surprisingly little opposition, the General Assembly on Tuesday took a broad swipe at overhauling individual, corporate, sales and assorted other taxes.

The Senate vote was unanimous and only three House members voted against the tax package, which varies modestly from the one proposed by Gov. Ernie Fletcher in January at the beginning of the legislative session.

Cigarette and alcohol taxes would rise, while tax breaks are given to horse breeders and people who pay tuition.

The poorest Kentuckians get a break from the state's historically onerous income tax, which now places a levy starting on the first \$3,000 of income. The change would mean freedom from income taxes for people below the current federal poverty level of about \$9,000 for an individual and about \$18,500 for a family of four.

The change should mean no income tax liability for about

525,000 Kentuckians, said Senate Republican floor leader Dan Kelly of Springfield. For income in between the poverty level and \$75,000, the top rate would fall from 6 percent to 5.8 percent, but remain at the higher rate for higher incomes.

Corporate tax rates would generally fall, though some organizational structures that have avoided taxation will be subject to the levy in the future.

Pensioners, who had most of their retirement income excluded from taxation a decade ago, will have that benefit capped in

the future and be subject to some income taxes.

The property tax on accounts receivable and other "intangibles" is also repealed.

"This creates a tax base that is more fair, more economically competitive," said Kelly.

A spokeswoman said the Fletcher administration believes

the package is "revenue neutral." Such a proclamation has more political consequences than financial because dozens of legislators have signed pledges they would not vote to raise taxes. Revenue neutrality has come to mean a package of tax increases and cuts that balance out.

But the package passed Tuesday adds about \$130 million to state coffers in 2006 as some tax increases take effect and before some tax cuts phase

in. The tax bill drew unanimous support in the Senate, bucking a tradition for legislators to be wary of anything that looks like a vote for a tax increase. But the unanimous vote also provided some political cover.

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Budget passage celebrates bipartisanship, officials claim

by MARK R. CHELLGREN
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — In a celebration of bipartisanship, the General Assembly ended nearly a year of stalemate and passed a budget for the executive branch on Tuesday.

From Gov. Ernie Fletcher through the often feuding parties in the House and Senate, the Capitol was awash in self-congratulations.

"I commend the Kentucky Senate and House for working together in a bipartisan, bicameral fashion to get this budget bill passed," Fletcher said. "I think this is a day to celebrate for Kentuckians."

The House voted unanimously for the budget, 99-0. The Senate vote was 34-2.

Before and after passage, Fletcher said he was concerned about the amount of debt the new budget incurred. Fletcher has the authority to veto all or any part of the budget.

But lawmakers in both chambers and parties seem united in defending those projects from a potential gubernatorial veto. Senate President David Williams said Monday a "very, very compelling case" would have to keep the legislature from overriding any veto. And in a strange constitutional twist, it would take only simple majorities in both chambers to overturn a Fletcher veto while

three-fifths votes were needed for passage on Tuesday.

"I will keep all my options available," Fletcher said at a hastily called press conference after the legislature acted.

The legislature will return to the Capitol later in March to consider gubernatorial vetoes.

"This is a significant step forward for Kentucky during very difficult times," said Senate Republican floor leader Dan Kelly of Springfield.

Sen. Julie Denton, R-Louisville, her concern about the number of projects, debt load and uncertainty about future revenues to support programs such as Medicaid prompted her vote against the budget.

While careful to avoid criticizing the projects, all of which are held dear by her colleagues individually or collectively, Denton said, "This is not the time to do them."

Sen. Bob Leeper of Paducah, the legislature's only independent, also voted against the budget.

Sen. Vernie McGaha, R-Russell Springs, left the chamber and did not vote. "Apparently, I had reasons and I will share them with my constituents at the appropriate time," McGaha said.

Otherwise, there was virtually no discussion or debate about the spending plan leading up to the House and Senate votes.

The budget spends nearly \$20 billion in state and bond funds this year and next. It ends months of uncertainty that grew from the failure of the 2004 General Assembly to pass a budget when it was supposed to do so. Coincidentally, the lawsuit that grew from the lack of a budget is scheduled to be heard by the Supreme Court on Wednesday.

It finances hundreds of projects, from water and sewer line extensions to grand research

buildings on university campuses. Financing those projects is expected to prompt the sale of some \$1.9 billion in bonds, which will have to be repaid in coming years, usually over a 20-year term.

The budget passed Tuesday pays the bills for most of state government, from road building to education. Budgets for the

legislative and judicial branches were passed in 2004.

The budget is structurally out of balance, that is, it spends more money than the state expects to take in from ordinary tax receipts by June 30, 2006. The difference is made up by raiding a raft of special funds that levy their own fees and taxes that have accumulated

over the years.

Fletcher declined to speculate on how differences might be made up with a budget that would be drafted for the next two years and considered by the 2006 General Assembly.

"To project what we'll have in the '07-'08 budget is impossible to do at this time," Fletcher said.

At a glance

WHAT'S GOING UP

Legislators in a closed conference committee agreed to raise the tax on a pack of cigarettes to 30 cents, an increase of 27 cents. The House and Senate earlier agreed on a 26-cent increase.

WHAT THE EXTRA PENNY'S FOR:

According to House Speaker Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, the money from the extra penny would go for cancer research at the University of Kentucky and University of Louisville.

WHAT'S OUT: The conference committee also deleted provisions that would have lifted the 6 percent sales tax on some items during a back-to-school weekend. Also deleted from the budget was a House initiative that would have forced a study of the cost of administering capital punishment in Kentucky.

Preston appointed judge

FRANKFORT — Gov. Ernie Fletcher has appointed Honorable John David Preston of Paintsville to the office of Circuit Judge to serve in the Family Court for the 24th Judicial Circuit, Division 1.

John David Preston is currently employed by the law firm Perry, Preston, Miller and Daniels in Paintsville. He has been engaged in a general practice of law for 28 years, including personal injury work, Social Security claims, workers' com-

pensation, title work, criminal defense work, and prosecution as Commonwealth's Attorney.

Preston has served as member and chairman of the Kentucky Mine Safety Review Commission since June 2004. He has also served as Chairman of Paintsville Utilities Commission and as a member of Big Sandy Regional Detention Center Board.

John David Preston is married to Mary Stephenson Preston. They have one daughter, Ellen Preston, age 14.

Truck

According to Collins, Wiley would have still been overweight by more than 30,000 pounds had he purchased the extended weight decal, as required by law.

Route 40, a regularly used coal hauling route, limits coal trucks to only 62,000 pounds. According to Sara George, Kentucky Transportation Department spokeswoman, coal truckers can extend the weight limit to 120,000 pounds by purchasing the extended weight decal.

House Bill 8, which was passed in the House of Representatives last week, proposes to extend weight limits for trucks hauling gravel, sand and natural gas, to 60-ton limits. Legislation was stalled last week because of opponents' concerns for safety and road maintenance.

Drugs or alcohol did not appear to be a factor in the accident, Det. Crum said, but officials administered federally mandated drug tests on Wiley.

Results are pending.

Diabetes

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mately 3,561 people are diagnosed with diabetes. Many will first learn that they have the disease when they are treated for one of its life-threatening complications- heart disease and stroke, kidney disease, blindness, and nerve disease and amputation. About 1.3 million people will be diagnosed with diabetes this year. Diabetes is the fifth-deadliest disease in the United States and it has no cure.

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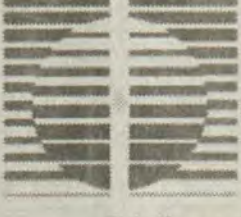
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Editorial

Appalachian News-Express of Pikeville for what editorial writers and columnists see as his irresponsibility in pushing for the passage of House Bill 8.

Local and statewide newspapers have been the places where private citizens, safety advocates and concerned public officials have been able to voice

their concerns about the dangers House Bill 8 will bring to motorists if enacted. Among those protesting Cornett's desire for more 60-ton trucks on our one- and two-lane roads is Letcher County Magistrate Wayne Fleming, whose son was killed in a collision with a gravel truck last summer. Fleming

charges that Cornett used "lies and deceit" to "push House Bill 8 through the House." While Cornett may not have lied while pushing for the passage of House Bill 375 last week, he most certainly was deceptive when he told the legislature that he had "no dog in the fight" over legal advertising in newspapers

because the radio station he owns is located in Virginia. Cornett failed to disclose that his radio station is actually located near the Kentucky-Virginia border, and that he competes for advertisers with newspapers in each of the three counties he represents — Letcher, Pike and Harlan.

Cornett also was being deceptive when he told legislators there would be no need for the publication of legal advertisements such as delinquent tax notices if sheriffs and county attorneys would do the jobs for which they were elected. "The only thing I say is they should do their jobs and collect taxes," Cornett said. "That's the job of our elected officers. They should fulfill their obligations to do so."

Cornett failed to tell other House members that Letcher County Sheriff Danny Webb collected 96 percent of tax bills owed last year, and that one of

the tools he was able to use successfully was publishing in the newspaper the names of citizens who were late in paying.

Cornett's vote to allow local governments to hide their financial activities deep within the World Wide Web amounts to an outrageous assault on the rights of Kentuckians to know how their tax money is being spent at the local level.

It should be noted that Letcher County's other state representative, Ancil Smith, did the responsible thing and voted against hiding vital local information on the Internet. Likewise, state Sen. Johnny Ray Turner said this week that he will fight to see that legal advertisements such as annual financial statements and delinquent tax notices remain in newspapers where they can be accessed readily by the public at large.

— *The Mountain Eagle,*
Whitesburg

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Odds

one patron's right to use a public library doesn't infringe on the rights of another.

Yet the law can raise tough questions for librarians, said Irene Macias, Santa Barbara's library services manager.

"What is bad odor?" Macias asked. "A woman who wears a strong perfume? A person who had a garlicky meal?"

■ **BATON ROUGE, La.** — In Louisiana, not just anyone can sell a bunch of pretty flowers. You have to have a license.

U.S. District Judge Frank Polozola ruled Wednesday that the state can keep its unique law requiring florists to pass a test and get a license to work on their own. Would-be florists had argued that the law unconstitutionally bars them from entering the occupation of their choice.

About half of all applicants fail the test, which includes a written exam and one in which they must create four floral arrangements in as many hours. Unlicensed "floral clerks" can only work in a shop which also

has a licensed florist.

"There are few occupational licensing laws as crazy as this one in this country," said Clark Neily with the Institute for Justice, a libertarian nonprofit law firm in Washington, D.C. Neily said he will ask the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to overturn the ruling.

Neily has argued that the question of who has floral talent should be left to the market: people whose arrangements are ugly would soon find themselves without customers.

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Nursing open house to be held

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Morehead State University at Prestonsburg will host an open house tomorrow night from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. to give locals a chance to explore their health care degree programs which offer several options for careers in nursing.

The program will be hosted by the university's Department

of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences.

Misty Lilley, regional student services officer, commented on the health care professionals in the area saying, "There is a very high need for them at this point, with a shortage in nurses in particular, probably since around 1998 or so." The campus offers a variety of career tracks which include radiologic sciences and respiratory therapy.

Lilley will be available

throughout the evening to meet with interested parties and hopes the evening will help students get off on the right track with a career in health services.

"We hope to promote nursing and allied health careers and offer some pre-advising," Lilley said.

Lilley noted that scheduling courses, usually the biggest headache for working parents, can be easier to bear with some of the university's options, which include online, web-enhanced and distance learning courses.

The program is open to any interested person and refreshments will be served. Anyone with questions about the event is invited to call Lilley at (606) 783-2639.

Exporting workshop scheduled

ASHLAND — The Ashland Alliance and the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development will co-sponsor an "ABC's of Exporting" seminar at the College Drive Campus of Ashland Community & Technical College from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 29. Cost is \$20 and includes lunch.

The seminar will cover topics such as international banking,

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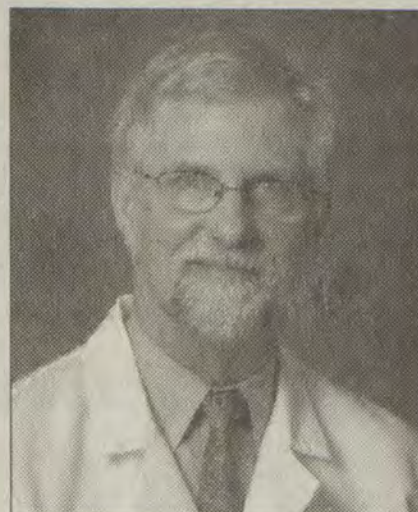
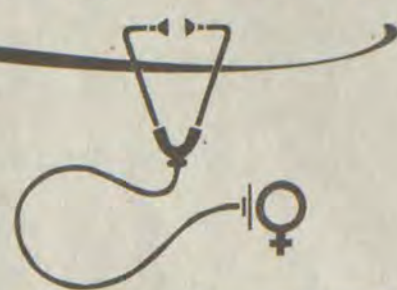
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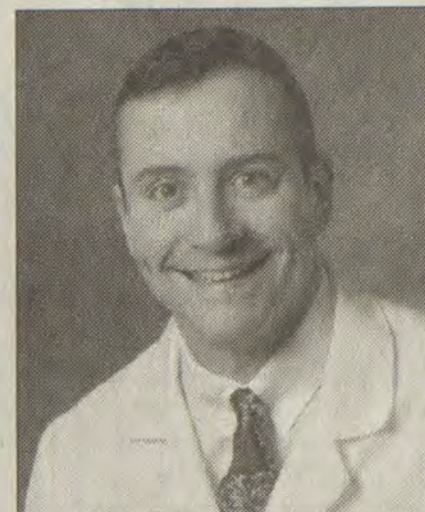
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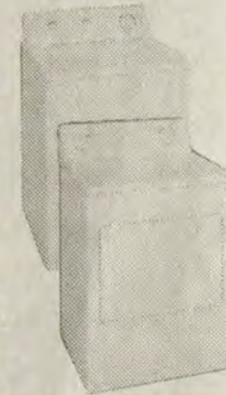
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Advancement patches and progress awards were given for Tiger Cubs (first-graders), Wolf Scouts (second-graders) and Bear Scouts (third-graders), as well as recognition of the unit's fourth-grade scouts, called Webelos. Lonesome Pine District Executive James Howard was also on hand to present the group recognition for providing a quality scouting unit and awards and certificates were also given to many of Pack 802's leaders for their work in

scouting. The scouts were also presented with the "Good Turn for America" patch in honor of their help with last fall's successful food drive for the needy, called Scouting For Food.

The evening's festivities climaxed with the local unit's first "crossover" ceremony for a Cub Scout into Boy Scouting. Austin Newsome, 11, became the first from the pack to complete the requirements to enter the next

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Austin Newsome, pictured with den leader Glen Felty, became the first Cub Scout from Pack 802 to complete the requirements to enter the next phase of scouting, being a Boy Scout.

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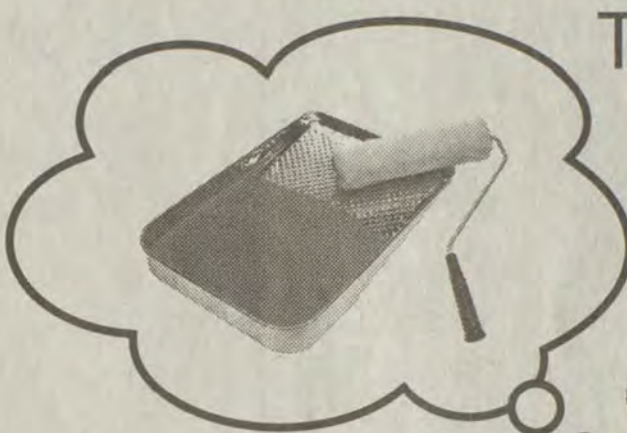
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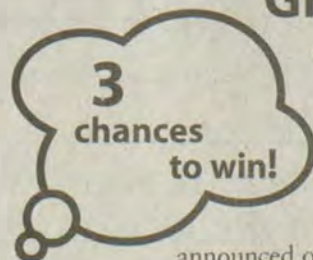


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Scouts

phase of scouting, being a Boy Scout.

"We're really proud of Austin and his accomplishment. It's a great honor," said Pack 802 Cubmaster Gary Ousley.

Newsome, a fifth-grade student at Prestonsburg Elementary, said he has enjoyed his experience with the pack.

"I've learned a lot from scouting, and will use these lessons to be a better person, plus it's been a lot of fun," Newsome said.

Newsome will enter a new recruiting group to form Troop 802 this spring, which will also be affiliated with the church.

"We love having scouting as a part of our ministry at Fitzpatrick, and really love these boys and their families," said Rev. Tommy Reed, pastor of the

church, as well as unit Chaplain. "This is awesome, a really great evening. This is a wonderful night for our scouts."

The Cub Scouting program began in 1930 as a way for boys too young to be Boy Scouts to begin learning the skills of scouting in an environment that was fun-filled and family-oriented. Scouts across the country are celebrating this milestone for the organization.

First- through fourth-grade boys interested in being a part of the local scout unit are welcome to come to the weekly meetings on Tuesday nights at the church. Boys in the fifth grade, or above, are also welcome to join Troop 802 as well.

The banquet was catered by the Holiday Inn.

"We're really grateful to the

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Holiday Inn, and especially all the staff that worked so hard to make this evening one that will be remembered for many years to come. Their extra efforts did not go unnoticed, or unappreciated," Ousley said. "They went over and above what we expected. It couldn't have been any better. The food and the atmosphere were fantastic".

Pack 802's next major event takes place this Saturday, March 12, as the Pinewood Derby pits racers against each other in a competition of model cars the boys (and their parents) have built over the past couple of months. The racing begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the fellowship hall of the church on Big Branch in Prestonsburg.

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Boys' 15th Region Tournament Notebook

The Landon Slone Show: Talk of tournament

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ROBINSON CREEK - Those who didn't believe in Paintsville freshman Landon Slone's abilities prior to Monday night, should now. Slone went out Monday evening and dumped in 51 points on Shelby Valley, the 15th Region's top team and one of the winningest teams in all of Eastern Kentucky. Slone (let me stress this again, who is just a freshman) scored points from various spots on the floor. The Mountain Christian Academy graduate didn't really force things, either. He didn't play selfish. He played rather unselfish. He hit the boards hard and he simply went to work. He wanted to win.

Anyone who doubts Slone's playing abilities wasn't watching the same game I watched Monday evening.

Before even taking the floor in his first high school game, Slone made a name for himself in the junior high ranks, starring at Mountain Christian Academy.

Veteran Paintsville head coach Bill Mike Runyon has coached several talented players and Slone possesses the talent to help lead the Tigers back to regional and state prominence. Again, he's just a freshman. And (scary thought, here) he's not alone.

The bad news? Yes, Paintsville lost, and area fans won't get a chance to see Slone showcase his talents (except maybe in a summer camp game) until November when the pre-season panoramas signal the start of another high school basketball season. Paintsville High School basketball fans have a whole lot to look forward to next season, the season after that, and, the season after that. Another freshman, J.D. VanHoose, also returns for the Tigers next season. Shane Grimm, a freshman who helped keep Paintsville alive Monday night when he sunk the front-end of a bonus free-throw shooting situation, also returns. Now, wouldn't you like to have that trio back in your starting five?

Those players returning also spell bad news for Paintsville opponents.

Then, there's Blake Bundy. Also a freshman, Bundy was out for much of the second half of the season following a back injury. Bundy and VanHoose, during the 2003-04 hoops season, each started as eighth-graders.

Junior Kevin Williams, also a little on the young side for a Paintsville team that showcased its potential Monday night during the game against 15th Region favorite Shelby Valley, will no doubt be up for a senior season with a host of talented sophomore surrounding him.

■ Former Mr. Basketball J.R. VanHoose remains loyal to the Paintsville Tiger basketball program. VanHoose, who coaches on the junior high level, spent this past season keeping stats for the Tigers.

■ Perry Jones, a 15th Region basketball supporter who has been around for district, regional and state tournaments for 45 years now, is working the 15th Region Tournament this week. Jones is taking care of the tournament's officials. The crew working Monday's 15th Region Tournament games hailed from the 14th Region.

■ Hats have to go off to Prestonsburg Coach Jackie Day Crisp. The Blackcat mentor has now coached the Prestonsburg High boys' basketball team into the 15th Region Tournament Semifinals each of the last three years. Prestonsburg is the only boys' basketball team to make it into the 15th Region Tournament Semifinals each of the last three years.

■ Shelby Valley senior Patrick Tackett scored his 1,000th career point in Monday night's 15th Region Tournament win over Paintsville. Tackett is a three-year starter for the Shelby Valley boys' basketball team. The senior, who also played football for Shelby Valley, had his head cut open during Monday's game against Paintsville. He returned and finished with a game-high 27 points.

■ Tuesday's regional tournament games, which ended too late to make it into this edition, pitted Belfry against South Floyd and East Ridge against Johnson Central. South Floyd and Johnson Central both enter the regional tournament following a one-year absence. Each came into the regional tournament as a district champion.

15th Region girls' tourney set to tip off tonight

by JAMIE HOWELL
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

PAINTSVILLE - Another season of high school girls' basketball is nearing completion. The 15th Region Girls' Basketball Tournament will tip-off tonight at Johnson Central High School. Eight teams will converge on Johnson Central High School with the hope of winning the title and playing in

the Girls' Sweet 16. The eight teams that will compete for the title are Magoffin County, Paintsville, Betsy Layne, Allen Central, Pike Central, Belfry, Shelby Valley and East Ridge. After looking over the field for the tournament, one can't help but notice two teams missing from the tournament that were expected to contend for the title.

The field is without a couple of the 15th Region's strongest girls'

basketball teams.

The host Johnson Central Lady Eagles were eliminated by Paintsville in the opening round of the 57th District Tournament and the Pikeville Lady Panthers were knocked out of the 59th District by East Ridge.

Pikeville captured the 15th Region Girls' All "A" title in late-January.

Magoffin County comes into the

tournament as the favorite. The Lady Hornets have yet to lose to a 15th Region opponent.

Magoffin County, at 24-5, brings the best record into the tournament. Pike Central comes into the tournament as the defending champion. However, the Lady Hawks will meet Magoffin County in the opening game of the tournament tonight at

(See GIRLS, page three)



photos by Jamie Howell
GOOD NIGHT TO BE A BLACKCAT: Prestonsburg fought its way to a double-overtime win over Pike Central. Senior Trevor Compton came up huge for Prestonsburg when he drained a three-point field goal at the end of regulation and sent the game into an overtime period.

BLACKCATS NOT DONE PLAYING

Barnett tip-in in second OT lifts P'burg over Pike Central

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

Don't give up, don't ever give up.
- Jim Valvano

BUCKLEYS CREEK - After the opening game of the 15th Region Boys' Basketball Tournament went into double-overtime Monday night, the combatants in the second game, 60th District champion Pike County Central and 58th District runner-up Prestonsburg, were put on ice as they waited to take the floor in another first-round matchup. Once the two teams got going in the second game, neither wanted to budge, or give an inch, or lose. One overtime wouldn't settle it. But two did. It took two overtimes to decide the second game. Prestonsburg just didn't want its season to conclude. In the end, Prestonsburg junior Lewis Barnett had just a little more hop in his jump. Barnett connected on a tip-in to beat both the buzzer and Pike Central. With the game deadlocked at 59 at the end of the second overtime peri-

od, Barnett got a hand on a ball coming off of the rim and put it back up and in, giving Prestonsburg a 61-59 win over Pike Central. One year ago, Pike Central eliminated Prestonsburg in the regional tournament semifinals. Monday night's win placed Prestonsburg in the regional tournament semis for a third straight year. Coming up short in the regional semifinals each of the past two seasons, Prestonsburg is looking to play an extra game or two here in 2005.

Barnett's putback at the buzzer made way for a celebration as Blackcat fans stormed the Shelby Valley High School gym floor.

"It was a great effort from Lewis," Prestonsburg Coach Jackie Day Crisp noted. "He stayed with it and put it in. Lewis just never gave up on it."

It's no secret, free-throw shooting doomed Prestonsburg in the 58th District title game loss to South Floyd. On Monday night, Prestonsburg shot free throws considerably better, connecting on 14-of-21 free throw attempts.



Senior guard Joe Blackburn added six points for the Blackcats.

Both teams played somewhat lethargic in the first half. Each team enjoyed various leads in first half. Pike Central led 13-11 at the end of the first quarter and 27-25 at halftime. Prestonsburg outscored Pike Central 12-2 in the third quarter. Looking to get back to the regional championship game for a second straight season, Pike Central mounted a rally and fought back in the fourth quarter. The Hawks held a three-point lead near the end of regulation and had Prestonsburg on the ropes. Pike Central, after a pair of

Chase Snodgrass free-throw connections, led 47-44. Prestonsburg senior guard Trevor Compton wanted he and his team to survive and play another day. Compton pulled up at the top of the key with 1.4 left to play and drained a three-pointer, tying the game at 47-47 and sending it into the second overtime.

Compton, one of Eastern Kentucky's top athletes, played like the senior leader that he is.

"Trevor read the play just right on the three-point shot," Crisp said.

(See BLACKCATS, page three)

Shelby Valley 90, Paintsville 86 (2OT)

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

ROBINSON CREEK - Paintsville freshman Landon Slone solidified himself as one of the state's top freshmen Monday night. Slone, a first-year varsity player for Paintsville, scored 51 points and led Paintsville in a near-upset win over 15th Region Tournament host and favorite Shelby Valley. Slone shook of a slow start and electrified a crowd that included a large following of Paintsville fans. But Shelby Valley, not wanting to bow out in the opening round of the regional tournament as it had done last season on the road at Prestonsburg, survived.

The Wildcats outscored Paintsville 18-14 in a second overtime period and escaped with a 90-86 win.

Slone was held to just four points in the initial quarter. He played some of his best basketball in the extra sessions.

Senior forward Patrick Tackett paced Shelby Valley with 27 points. Tackett, who went out of the game after he was hit in the head, canned six free throws in the second overtime and essentially lifted the host Wildcats.

Shelby Valley, under the guidance of first-year head coach Jason Booher, showed signs of pulling away from Paintsville early on, but just couldn't put enough together. The Wildcats

went out of the first quarter with a 16-13 lead. Shelby Valley took a 35-30 lead into halftime.

In the second half, Paintsville remained within striking distance. Shelby Valley led 53-49 at the end of the third quarter.

A Slone three-pointer tied the game at 65 and sent the contest into its first overtime period. Shelby Valley had a chance to put Paintsville away at the end of regulation, but couldn't get a shot to fall, missing at the buzzer.

In the second overtime, Shelby Valley held a 72-71 lead, when Paintsville freshman was fouled at the buzzer. At the line with no time

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photo by Steve LeMaster
The Prestonsburg High School boys' varsity cheerleaders earned 58th District Tournament top honors.

RAIDERBALL RESURGENCE

South Floyd 50, Prestonsburg 48



South Floyd fans celebrated on the Betsy Layne Dome hardwood following the 58th District championship win over Prestonsburg. The Raiders are back in the 15th Region Tournament. photos by Steve LeMaster

Raiders, missed free throws sink Blackcats

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - It came down to free throws Friday night in the boys' championship game of the 58th District Tournament. The team that missed its free throws fell short. The team that hit its free throws down the stretch came out on top. After leading for most of the game, defending district champion Prestonsburg slowly slipped away. The Blackcats ended the game just nine-of-29 from the free throw line. South Floyd shot 16-for-27 from the charity stripe and thanks to a pair of Ryan Johnson free throw hits in the final minute, beat Prestonsburg 50-48, reclaiming the 58th District's top spot. The district title was South Floyd's fifth in the last six years. Last season, on its way to a district title, Prestonsburg eliminated tournament favorite South Floyd. On Friday night, both teams went in knowing that they had already punched their ticket for this year's 15th Region Tournament. But each wanted to win and go into regional play as district champion.

Johnson led South Floyd with 13 points. The junior guard paced the Raiders, despite battling a stomach virus that had plagued him for much of the day.

"Ryan was ill, but he's a gamer," said South Floyd Coach Barry Hall. "He's a tough kid. He really stepped up for us. I knew he would hit those free throws at the end."

Johnson was one of two

players to reach double figures for the Raiders. Senior center Steven Stanley added 12 points for a South Floyd team that never went away.

"It's been a while since we've faced quickness like that kind of quickness that Prestonsburg has," Hall admitted. "It took us a while to adjust to that. We missed some easy shots early on. But we had some kids step up. Our seniors stepped up again and Mason also stepped up and played well for us."

First a 15th Region All "A" Classic title, now a 58th District championship. A season that started out rocky for the South Floyd Raiders has looked up and shown much promise since late-January. In its 58th District Tournament opening-round win over Betsy Layne, South Floyd went inside often and on several occasions hit paydirt. In the title game against Prestonsburg, the Raiders didn't get inside as much, but still put together the winning combination.

It was a tale of two halves Friday night. The first half, thanks to a strong second quarter by the Blackcats, belonged for the most part to Prestonsburg. The second half, thanks to a fourth-quarter charge by the number two seed Raiders, belonged to South Floyd.

After a slow start, South Floyd went out of the first quarter with a 17-14 lead. Prestonsburg made up ground in the second quarter, though. The Blackcats went into the half leading 31-24.

Prestonsburg senior center John Mark Stephens led

Prestonsburg's first-half charge with 13 points.

Prestonsburg showed signs of pulling away in the third quarter. The Blackcats, playing in hopes of repeating as 58th District champs, left the third quarter with a 40-30 lead.

But the fourth quarter belonged to South Floyd.

The Raiders, while outscoring Prestonsburg 20-8, made up significant ground inside, getting seven points from Stanley and six from Ryan Little.

Wes Hall and Mason Hall each had seven points apiece for the Raiders. Ryan Little finished with six points and Burnett Little tossed in five.

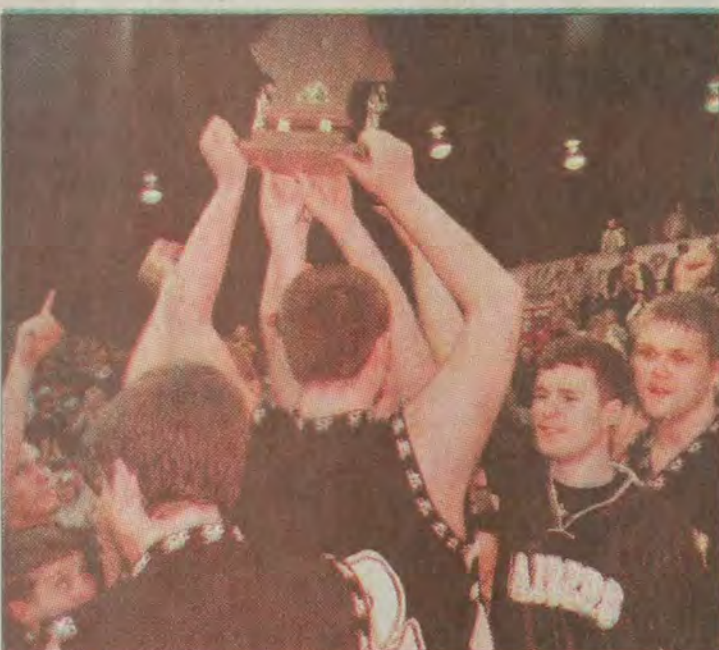
After Johnson's made free throws, Prestonsburg had a shot to even the game. Junior guard Michael Stephens raced up the floor and got off a contested

shot against heavy South Floyd defense, but it didn't fall.

Stephens, a Pikeville College football signee, led Prestonsburg with 15 points. Trevor Compton scored 12 points and Michael Stephens, who had six points in the first quarter, added 10. Lewis Barnett had four points and Jesse Chaffin flipped in three. Sean Leslie and Joe Blackburn each had two points.

Both teams quickly put the 58th District Tournament behind them and moved on to this year's 15th Region Tournament.

Prestonsburg and 60th District winner Pike Central were paired against one another Monday evening in the first round, while South Floyd and 60th District runner-up Belfry met up last night.



The Raiders hoisted the 58th District championship trophy.

Simon named Player of the Year Conference champ P'burg leads post-season honors

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - On the hardwood, Betsy Layne High School senior Preston Simon is known for his leadership and high-scoring ways. In a regular-season game against Floyd County rival South Floyd, Simon helped his team to a victory by pouring in a career-high 46 points. Betsy Layne finished third in the Floyd County Conference. The Bobcats finished third behind Prestonsburg (1) and South Floyd (2). During an awards ceremony held Friday night at the conclusion of the 58th District Tournament, Simon was named the Floyd County Conference Player of the Year.

Floyd County Conference Champion Prestonsburg had

five players named to the all-conference team. The Blackcats honored with the all-district nod were Jesse Chaffin, Sean Leslie, John Mark Stephens, Michael Stephens and Trevor Compton.

After putting together a 4-2 mark, Prestonsburg finished the regular-season portion of the 2004-05 campaign as the Floyd County Conference's top team.

Others on the all-conference team included Josh Martin (Allen Central), Ryan Hammonds (Allen Central), Brandon Kidd (Betsy Layne), Burnett Little (South Floyd), Steven Stanley (South Floyd) and Ethan Johnson.

Chaffin was also named the recipient of the Burchell Duff Award.

In cheerleading, Prestonsburg took home the first-place award. South Floyd finished runner-up.



Floyd County Conference Champion Prestonsburg led the all-conference selections. photo by Steve LeMaster

Regional basketball tournaments take center stage

TIMES STAFF REPORT

The roads to Rupp and Diddle Arenas wind through regional territory this week. Boys' and Girls' Regional Basketball Tournaments begin Monday. Brackets are posted on the KHSAA/Riherd's Scoreboard and are updated with scores each evening as they are received.

■ The 2005 National City/KHSAA Boys' Sweet 16 State Basketball Tournament is scheduled for March 16-19 at Rupp Arena in Lexington.

■ The 2005 Houchens/KHSAA Girls' Sweet 16 State Basketball Tournament is scheduled for March 23-26 at Diddle Arena in Bowling Green.

■ Tickets for the 18th Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame banquet are currently on sale. The Class of 2005 will be inducted at the banquet scheduled for Tuesday, March 15 at the Lexington Convention Center's Bluegrass Ballroom (next to Rupp Arena). Tickets are \$40 each or a table of 10 may be purchased for \$375.

Following is a listing of this year's class of inductees: Gordon Boccock, John "Hop" Brown, Jack Fitzpatrick, Kym Hampton, L.V. McGinty, Jr., Ray Mills, Don Morris, Philip Reverman, Sr., Phil Rollins, Joyce Seymour, Sherrill Sipes,

Stan Steidel, Paul Stevens, Robert Washington, Paul Woodall and Reba Woodall.

To purchase tickets, contact Butch Cope or Marilyn Mitchell.

Tickets sales for both the National City/KHSAA Boys' & Houchens Industries/KHSAA Girls' Sweet 16 State Basketball Tournaments have now ended through the Association office.

Tickets are now on sale through the Rupp Arena Box Office (859-233-3535) and ticketmaster.com for the boys' event and through the Diddle Arena Box Office (270-745-522 or 800-5-BIG-RED) for the girls' event.

Once the fields are set, each of the sixteen participating teams in both events will have tickets available for \$7 each in the pep section.

Tickets purchased at the arena for either tournament will incur an additional walk-up charge per ticket.

KHSAA CALENDAR

March 15 -

Dawahares/KHSAA Hall of Fame Induction Banquet - Lexington Center, Lexington

March 16-19 - National City/KHSAA Boys' State Basketball Tournament - Rupp Arena, Lexington

March 23-26 -

Houchens/KHSAA Girls' State Basketball Tournament - WKU Diddle Arena, Bowling Green

South Floyd starting five paces all-tourney team

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

BETSY LAYNE - At the conclusion of the 58th District Boys' Basketball Tournament, all five South Floyd starters - three seniors and two juniors - were named to the all-tournament team. South Floyd seniors Steven Stanley, Burnett Little and Wes Hall provided senior leadership for the Raiders en route to the 58th District title. For their efforts, all three were named to the all-tournament squad. The Raider backcourt duo of juniors Ryan Johnson and Mason Hall was also named to the all-tourney team. South Floyd led the all-district tournament team selections. No other

team placed more than three players on the squad.

The South Floyd High boys' basketball program has won the 58th District title five of the last six seasons.

District runner-up Prestonsburg, the 58th District champ in 2004, was represented on the all-tournament team by seniors John Mark Stephens, Trevor Compton and Joe Blackburn. Others named to the team included Josh Martin (Allen Central), Wilfredo Dominguez (Allen Central), Preston Simon (Betsy Layne) and Brandon Thacker (Betsy Layne).

Simon was also named the Floyd County Conference Player of the Year.



photo by Steve LeMaster
South Floyd led the 58th District All-Tournament Team. All five Raider starters made the all-tournament team.

Blackcats

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Pike Central won the opening tip in the first overtime. Neither team led by more than two points in the first overtime. After Snodgrass put Pike Central ahead 53-51 in the first extra period, Prestonsburg junior Sean Leslie answered with two points, tying the game at 53 and sending it into a second overtime.

Prestonsburg jumped out to a two-point lead in the first minute of the second overtime, but also trailed by two points with a little over one minute remaining.

Before Barnett's winning putback, Prestonsburg called a timeout and collected itself.

The Blackcats had three

shots at the basket during the final possession.

Three different Prestonsburg players reached double figures in the scoring department, while a host of other Blackcats contributed. Senior forward Jesse Chaffin led Prestonsburg with 14 points. Compton had 13 points and Michael Stephens added 11. Joe Blackburn, John Mark Stephens and Brooks Herrick each had six points. Leslie and Barnett finished with three and two points, respectively.

Due to some foul trouble, Prestonsburg had to field some different playing combinations. "We would have liked to

have kept our starting five on the floor," Crisp said, "but we've played different ones all year and they know how to play."

Pike Central shot 29-of-42 from the free throw line.

Brad Lowe led Pike Central in scoring with a game-high 20 points. Anthony Gibson finished with 14 points and Brad Ratliff flipped in 10. Snodgrass netted seven points and David Hess added four. Channing Thacker and Dakota Sturgill finished with two points apiece.

Prestonsburg will face host Shelby Valley Friday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the 15th Region Tournament Semifinals.

Valley

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remaining and facing a bonus free-throw shooting situation, Grimm calmly drained the first offering, but missed the second bonus free toss, tying the game at 72 and sending it into a second overtime.

Shelby Valley and Paintsville, much like two prize fighters, traded punches (baskets) in the second overtime before the Wildcats (24-5), behind Tackett's six made free throws, pulled away.

Senior Kelsey Friend added 18 points for Shelby Valley,

Mitch Riddle tossed in 17 points and Kris Bentley netted 12. John Johnson, playing a big, key role inside for the Wildcats, added nine points. Jeremy Jackson came in off of the Valley bench and scored two points, while Jacob Bryant got into the scoring column on a single made free throw.

Paintsville's freshman starting trio accounted for the majority of the Tiger scoring.

Grimm and J.D. VanHoose each had 14 points for the

Tigers (14-15). Matt Hensley and Justin Stafford finished with five and two points, respectively.

The win was Shelby Valley's sixth straight. The Wildcats moved on for a regional tournament semifinal game against Prestonsburg. Last season, Prestonsburg knocked Shelby Valley off in the opening round of the regional tournament, keeping the Wildcats from a regional champion repeat effort.

Girls

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6:30 p.m.

Another strong contender is the Betsy Layne Ladycats. The Cassandra Akers-coached team is tournament-tested. The Ladycats were the 15th Region champs in 2003.

Betsy Layne, after going undefeated in Floyd County Conference regular-season play, enters the regional tournament as the 58th District champion.

Allen Central is another team that could make some noise in the tournament. The Lady Rebels will face Shelby

Valley in the opening round. The two teams battled in an overtime thriller just two weeks ago with Shelby Valley coming away with an 88-87 win in overtime.

Belfry will be a strong contender from the 60th District and Shelby Valley comes in as the champion out of the 59th District.

First-round games will take place tonight and Thursday night, with the semifinals to take place on March 14.

The championship game will tip-off at 7 p.m. on Tuesday,

March 15. First-round games will pair Magoffin County and Pike Central in the opener with Allen Central taking on Shelby Valley in the nightcap. The second day will see East Ridge battle Belfry and Betsy Layne take on Paintsville.

Several teams seem to have a good chance to take home the title, but only one will be crowned 15th Region Champion. The 15th Region winner will play the winner of the 5th Region in the Girls' State Tournament.



photo by Steve LeMaster

The South Floyd High School boys' varsity cheerleaders finished runner-up in district tournament competition.

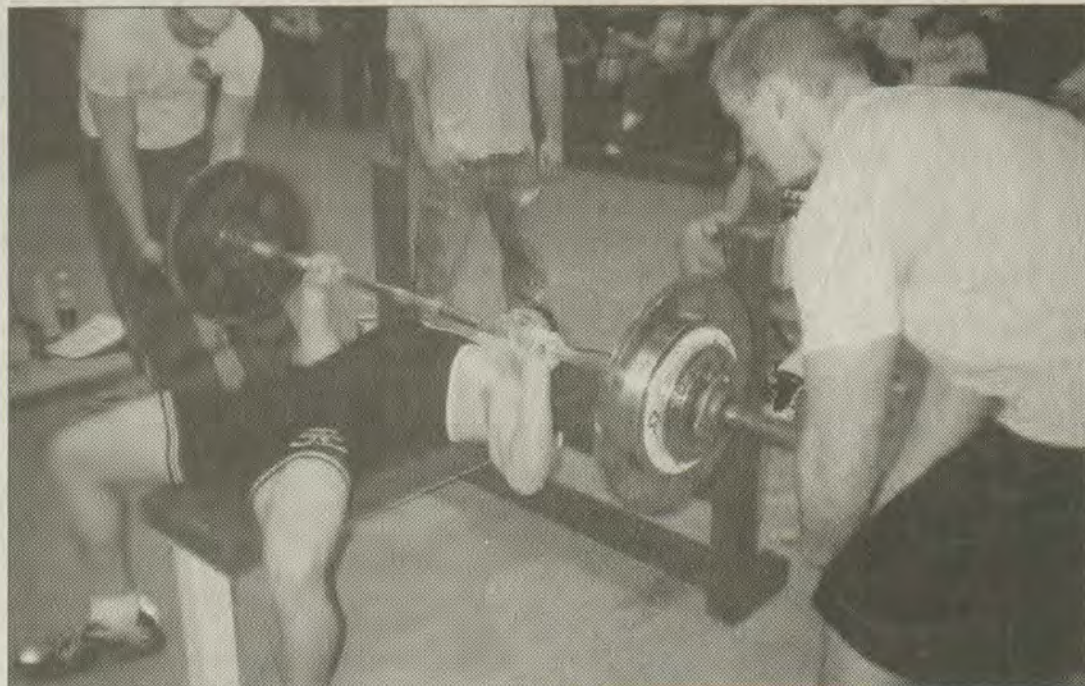


photo by Jamie Howell

Prestonsburg senior forward Jesse Chaffin (11) had to "jump it up" three times Monday night before he and his Blackcat teammates could eliminate Pike County Central.



Allen Central High School students Ben Moore and David Slone have found success in the sport of powerlifting.



Allen Central duo competes in Ohio weightlifting meet

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Two Allen Central High School students, both powerlifters, recently competed in the Ohio high school state and team nationals, held in Springfield, Ohio.

David Slone and Ben Moore competed with Parks Powerlifting Team, a squad of lifters out of Ripley, W.Va. With the help of Slone and Moore, Parks Powerlifting Team took first-place in Power Sports.

David Slone set several American and World records. He took first-place in his division and was the outstanding power sports lifter. In his division, Slone recorded an American world bench record bench press of 336 pounds, American deadlift record of 503 pounds, and American record curl of 150-pounds. He also broke the American world record total for his division.

Moore also placed first in his weight division. He set an

American world record bench press mark of 240 pounds. He set a personal best dead lift of 386 pounds and a world record curl of 121 pounds.

Slone and Moore were recruited by NASA referee Bo Casto. Casto is also the Parks Powerlifting head coach. The team is planning to attend a competition April 30 in Ravenswood, W.Va. The team will also be competing in the Grand National in Tennessee and the World Cup in Oklahoma City, Okla.

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Florida 53, No. 3 Kentucky 52

by MARK LONG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — After coming up empty eight times, Florida's David Lee was finally able to enjoy a win over Kentucky.

The senior forward jumped on a court-side table while the rest of his team celebrated the Gators' 53-52 upset victory Sunday, keyed by Anthony Roberson's two free throws with 15 seconds remaining.

"That was four years in the making right there," Lee said.

Florida ended an eight-game losing streak against the Southeastern Conference regu-

lar season champions.

"It was the greatest win of my life," the Gators' Matt Walsh said.

Roberson, the league's leading scorer, stripped the ball from Patrick Sparks with about 12 seconds to play, trailing 52-51. Sparks fouled Roberson as he headed the other way. Roberson stepped to the line and calmly made both ends of the 1-and-1. He finished with 21 points.

Kentucky (23-4, 14-2) still had a chance to win, but Kelenna Azubuike's 3-pointer just before the buzzer bounced off the left side of the rim and into Walsh's hands.

Then the celebration began.

Florida (20-7, 12-4) last beat the Wildcats in March 2001. The Gators have been close since, losing the last three at home by a total of seven points, but they hadn't been able to get over the hurdle.

The "Big Three" changed that Sunday.

Lee, the team's lone senior who was honored before his final home game, had lost all eight previous meetings against Kentucky. Walsh and Roberson had been 0-6.

"It's taken three years for me to win this on my home floor," Roberson said.

Walsh, Roberson and Lee combined for 43 of Florida's 53 points. Walsh and Lee each had 11. Lee

added 10 rebounds, two assists, two steals and a blocked shot.

"It was just an exciting victory," said Lee, who also removed his shirt in the postgame revelry. "I would have liked for it to not be so close. It would have been easier if we had won by 50 and gone out with 4 minutes to play and gotten everybody in. But any time you get a win against a Top Five team like Kentucky, as great as their tradition is, it just says a lot about our team."

Chuck Hayes led the Wildcats with 11 points, while Azubuike and Randolph Morris each had nine.

It was just the fifth loss in the last 53 conference games for

Kentucky.

"Florida made big plays down the stretch," Wildcats coach Tubby Smith said. "That's what it's all about. In a tight, tough game like this, you've got to make plays. They did and we didn't."

Florida trailed 49-45 with about 2 minutes to play when Walsh made two key baskets. He grabbed a rebound off a miss by Sparks and made the layup on the other end. Sparks also fouled Walsh on the play, and Walsh converted the three-point play.

After Sparks answered with a 3-pointer that made it 52-48, Walsh hit a 3 from well beyond the top of the circle.

The outcome didn't change either team's seeding for next week's SEC tournament, but it could drastically alter their seeding in the NCAA tournament. Kentucky should fall in the polls, and even if the Wildcats win a third straight SEC tournament, it might not be enough to claim one of the top four seeds.

Florida, meanwhile, could return to The Associated Press' Top 25 for the first time since late November and probably will improve its NCAA seeding.

"It's a relief, but we've got to move on from this one," Roberson said. "It's a confidence builder. That's what we've got to use it as."

Russell eliminates Morgan County

TIMES STAFF REPORT

MOREHEAD — Morgan County will not make a second straight trip to the Boys' Sweet 16. Russell made sure of that Monday night, beating the Cougars 60-58 in the opening round of the 16th Region Tournament at Morehead State University.

Russell led Morgan County 28-21 at halftime. The Red Devils then held off a strong

second-half Morgan County rally.

Jonathan Russell led Russell in scoring with a game-high 25 points. Derek Sloan added 12 for the Red Devils.

Davin Barnett paced Morgan County with 21 points. Andy Lewis flipped in 14 for the Cougars.

Ashland Blazer 41, East Carter 37: Ashland Blazer also survived and advanced out of the first round of the 16th

Region Tournament, beating East Carter.

Six-foot-eight junior Brett Miller led Ashland (17-13) with 12 points.

East Carter finishes the season with a 21-9 record.

In the 14th Region, Breathitt County, coached by Floyd County native Brian Hall, topped Wolfe County 90-63. In another 14th Region Tournament opener, Perry County Central blasted Jenkins, 81-48.

Johnson Central 53, Paintsville 51 Golden Eagles reclaim spot as 57th District's best

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BLACKLOG — After sweeping a pair of regular-season meetings, Paintsville went into Friday night's 57th District championship game against rival Johnson Central looking to beat the Golden Eagles for a title. But it didn't happen.

Johnson Central sophomore guard Jamie McCarty nailed a three-pointer with 37 seconds left to tie the score. With the score tied, McCarty sealed Paintsville's fate when he nailed a 15-footer at the buzzer and lifted Johnson Central to the championship win over the Tigers.

Johnson Central, which beat Magoffin County in the opening round, claimed the district tournament on Sheldon Clark High School's homecourt.

McCarty scored 14 points for Johnson Central (18-9). Junior forward Kyle Rice led Johnson Central with 17 points and eight rebounds. Senior big-man Josh Stapleton added 16 points.

Paintsville led at the end of each of the first three quarters.

Freshman forward J.D. VanHoose paced Paintsville (13-13) with a game-high 25 points.

Freshman Landon Slone added 10 points for the Tigers.

Johnson Central turned up its defensive pressure in the second half and held Paintsville to under 10 points in each of the last two quarters.

57th District Finals at Sheldon Clark

JOHNSON CENTRAL (18-9): Whitaker 2, McCarty 14, Stapleton 16, Music 2, Meek 2,

Rice 17.

PAINTSVILLE (13-13): Hensley 7, Slone 10, Grimm 7, VanHoose 25, Williams 2.

Johnson Central.....14 12 15 12-53

Paintsville.....16 19 9 7-51

64TH DISTRICT:

Lawrence County 55, Ashland Blazer 54: Seniors Brandon Parsons and bigman Derrick Endicott each scored 14 points for Lawrence County as the Bulldogs edged rival Ashland Blazer. Lawrence County (21-5) put Ashland away, due in great part to its free-throw shooting. The Bulldogs hit 10 of 11 free throws in the fourth quarter.

Sophomore forward Drew McDavid led Ashland (16-13) with 20 points. Freshman guard Matt Thomas added 16 for the Tomcats

Lethargic Bears fall to Lindsey Wilson

TIMES STAFF REPORT

FRANKFORT — Lindsey Wilson College used the one-two punch of senior forward John Spivey and senior guard Cetric Anderson to roll past Pikeville 80-61 in the championship game of the Mid-South Conference tournament this afternoon at the Frankfort Civic Center.

Spivey led all scorers with 29 points and Anderson added 20 as second seeded Lindsey Wilson improved to 29-3 on the season and won its second straight Mid-South Conference Tournament Championship.

For Pikeville, the loss put it in a precarious position for

advancing in postseason play. The Bears are 30th in the final poll and, as a result, can't afford for many upsets in other league tournaments. If more than two teams ranked below Pikeville win their league tournaments, the Bears will be eliminated and will not advance to the national tournament.

Pikeville has been in two straight and three of the final four national tournaments.

Coming off a rough, physical and emotional win over Georgetown 16 hours before, the Bears were out of gas from the start and never able to show the wares that led them to an upset of the nation's third-ranked team in the game

against No. 4.

The Blue Raiders, completing the season sweep of Pikeville, struck early using an 18-4 scoring run to end the first half and led by as many as 27 points in the second half. Pikeville would go on a 23-7 scoring run and trailed 59-48 with 7:16 left in the game, however from that point on Lindsey Wilson outscored the Bears 21-13 to get the 80-61 win.

Fourth-seeded Pikeville was led by the 14 points of senior guard Jarell Jones.

With the win, Lindsey Wilson receives the league's automatic bid into upcoming NAIA National Tournament in Kansas City, Missouri.

Price is Right: Bears stun third-ranked Georgetown

Pikeville senior guard Daniel Price hit a baseline jumper with 4.1 seconds left in the game to lift the fourth-seeded Pikeville College over top-seeded Georgetown College 72-70 on Friday night in the semifinals of 2005 Mid-South Conference Men's Basketball Tournament at the Frankfort Civic Center.

The Bears (24-8) advance to the Saturday's MSC Tournament Championship and will face second-seeded Lindsey Wilson College at 4 p.m. ET at the Civic Center.

The win placed Pikeville in the championship game of the tournament for the third time since joining the league five years ago. In both other appearances, coming in 2001 and 2003, Randy McCoy's club walked away with the titles — ironically enough, both came over Georgetown.

For 24-5 Georgetown, the

nation's third-ranked club, it is the first time since the Mid-South Conference was formed that they won't play in the tournament's championship game. The game served as the rubber match in the season series after each team had won at home.

This marks the second time Pikeville has played in the tournament in Frankfort, and the state capital suits the Bears just fine — dating back to their 2001 title, they are 5-0 in the Civic Center.

Price, who finished with a game-high 23 points on 7-of-9 shooting from the field, scored the game's final six points.

Georgetown sophomore guard Brian Silverhorn scored the last seven Tiger points to help his team to a 70-66 lead with 1:33 remaining. Silverhorn finished with 20 points of the Tigers 34 bench points. Georgetown outscored Pikeville's bench 34-13.

Price cut the Tiger lead to 70-68 with a pair of free throws with 1:20 left. Following a Georgetown turnover, Price tied the game at 70 with a drive down the lane with 47.8 seconds left.

Georgetown sophomore forward Mark Surgalski missed the potential go-ahead basket with 29 seconds left. Pikeville senior forward Walter Harris grabbed the rebound to set up the game-winning score.

Following Price's heroics, Silverhorn's 12-footer with 0.2 seconds came up just short to secure the Pikeville win.

Pikeville junior guard Lanear Anderson scored 13 points and junior center Chris Carroll added 11 points and eight rebounds.

Georgetown senior forward Lamar Rice joined Silverhorn as the only Tigers in double figures. Rice finished with a team-high 21 points.










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South Floyd returned to the top of the 58th District, beating Prestonsburg 50-48 Friday night in the district championship game. photo by Steve LeMaster

Pikeville sweeps doubleheader

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - The Pikeville College softball team swept a doubleheader Monday, turning back visiting Union College. Pikeville, coached by Robert Staggs, beat Union 8-0 in the first game. The Lady Bears scored eight runs on seven hits. Union had five hits, but also committed three errors. Jeanie Hamblin recorded the win for Pikeville, improving her record to 3-0. Hamblin was also one of three Pikeville College players to bang out a double in the opener against Union.



Kelley Neace

Kalaiah Evans and Whitney Broyles also had doubles in the victory over Union. Kelley Neace had a home run for the Lady Bears. Neace pitched for Pikeville in the second game, helping the home team to a 10-2 win over Union. Visiting Union got two runs on just two hits, while committing seven errors. Broyles had a pair of home runs in Pikeville's second win. Melinda Ratliff added a double for Pikeville. Pikeville, following the doubleheader sweep over Union, improved to 5-1. Union dropped to 0-8.

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EKU 52, Austin Peay 46

by TERESA M. WALKER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Travis Ford has played in a handful of NCAA tournaments and even a Final Four. Coaching his own team to an NCAA appearance easily beats anything the former Kentucky Wildcat ever accomplished on the court himself.

Zach Ingles scored 15 points, and Eastern Kentucky earned its first NCAA tournament berth since 1979 by holding off Austin Peay 52-46 Saturday in the Ohio Valley Conference championship.

"This will be something that you remember for a lifetime," said Ford, who will be making his NCAA tournament debut as a head coach.

The Colonels set a school record for victories in a season by winning their seventh straight and improving to 22-8 overall. This will be Eastern Kentucky's sixth NCAA tournament berth overall.

Ford said he told his Colonels to seize an opportunity that may never come their way again in a conference where only the tournament champion is assured of an NCAA berth.

"I guarantee you if we win this game it moves to the very top without even questioning it, and it does. This is my great-

est sports achievement to this date. I'm so happy for these guys that they get to experience it," Ford said.

Michael Haney added 12 points and grabbed 13 rebounds for the second-seeded Colonels. Ford joked that he had to beg the 6-foot-6 senior forward to help him rebuild a program that won only seven games during each of the coach's first two seasons.

Haney said he had faith that Ford would keep bringing in good players, and now he will get to finish his career in the NCAA tournament — an unimaginable goal four years ago.

"It's just an unbelievable feeling," Haney said.

Austin Peay (13-19) was trying to earn its second NCAA berth in three years despite entering the OVC tournament as the No. 5 seed. Coach Dave Loos wasn't too upset with a team that won only two of its first 10 games but came so close to an improbable finish.

"I prefer to see it half full. I think these guys, while our record wasn't that good, I think they accomplished some things," Loos said.

The Governors didn't make it easy on Eastern Kentucky.

The Colonels led by as much as 13 twice, the last at 32-19 on a 3-pointer by Ingles with 15:29 left. But Austin Peay got back into the game

with a 16-5 run and pulled to 47-46 on a pair of free throws by Maurice Hampton with 50.6 seconds left.

Ingles answered with a long 3-pointer with 21.7 seconds to play to seal the victory.

"He was almost out of bounds," Hampton said of Ingles' 3. "He got a good look and got it off."

Zac Schlader led Austin Peay with 14 points. The Governors hit as many shots at the free throw line (15-of-21) as they did from the floor (15-of-46). Eastern Kentucky also turned 14 turnovers into 19 points.

Senior guard Anthony Davis, who missed his first seven shots from the floor, got the Governors back into the game by starting the run with a pair of free throws, then drew a foul on a jumper — his first field goal of the game — with 14:37 remaining. Schlader capped the run with a layup that pulled Austin Peay within 37-35 with 9:04 left.

Eastern Kentucky led 22-15 at intermission after an ugly first half that featured poor shooting by both teams. The Governors didn't score from the floor in the final 5:11.

The Colonels weren't much better, hitting 9-of-26. But they took the lead for good on a 3-pointer by Ingles at 9-7, and he hit another to start a 10-0 spurt.

No. 2 North Carolina 75, No. 6 Duke 73

by KEITH PARSONS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — North Carolina's players and coaches each took a turn at the top of a ladder, celebrating their Atlantic Coast Conference title by cutting down the nets.

While certainly not unprecedented, the scene was a bit surreal for the end of the regular season.

"I'm big on letting kids celebrate," Tar Heels coach Roy Williams said. "We will be criticized for it. Somebody's not going to like it and that's just part of it. I think it's OK in college athletics to let kids celebrate."

Williams did the same for the majority of his nine conference titles at Kansas, and needed only two seasons to bring the tradition to North Carolina.

Freshman Marvin Williams converted a three-point play with 17 seconds left to cap an 11-0 game-closing run and give the second-ranked Tar Heels a 75-73 victory over No. 6 Duke on Sunday.

North Carolina (26-3, 14-2), playing without the ill Rashad McCants for the fourth straight game, won its first ACC regular-season championship since 1993, the same year of its most recent national title.

"It's been a long journey," said senior Jackie Manuel, one of three players left from an 8-20 team three years ago. "To be honest, I didn't really know if we could do it. You really appreciate the highs when you've been at the bottom and seen the worst."

Sean May had 26 points and 24 rebounds to record his eighth straight double-double for North Carolina. His final rebound was the most important.

After J.J. Redick missed a

long 3-pointer that would have won it for the Blue Devils, teammate Daniel Ewing had a final chance from just inside the arc.

But his shot was short, and May leaped high for the carom. He cradled the ball in his hand while the clock ran out, then hurled it into the stands.

Hundreds of the 22,125 fans — the largest crowd ever at the Dean E. Smith Center — rushed the court to celebrate the Tar Heels' third victory over their Tobacco Road rival in the past 16 meetings.

"I've never experienced anything like that, and it's something I'll never forget for the rest of my life," May said. "For me, it feels good, because I've never beaten them. Finally, to get an opportunity, it feels good."

Shelden Williams had 25 points and six blocks for Duke (22-5, 11-5), which played without guard Sean Dockery for the third straight game. Redick scored all 17 of his points in the first half.

"We have to close the chapter to this book, the regular season, and our guys were in every ballgame," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "I'm proud of them."

The Blue Devils broke from a tie at 64 with a 9-0 run capped by a 3 by Lee Melchionni with 3:07 left. That was his fifth 3 of the second half.

"I love the competitiveness of our team when we were down nine inside 3 minutes," Roy Williams said. "I told them that if they were to make a total commitment to every possession on the defen-

sive end and every possession on the offensive end, we would still have a chance still at the end."

Jawad Williams stopped the Tar Heels' drought with a tip-in and Marvin Williams added two free throws to make it 73-68. On the other end, DeMarcus Nelson missed the front end of a 1-and-1, and May powered inside for a three-

point play to cut the margin to two.

"We played hard and pushed hard for the majority of the second half," Shelden Williams said. "All of a sudden, we got a little cushion and laid off some, and had a few turnovers. Carolina was able to convert on those and got the momentum."

Later, North Carolina point guard Raymond Felton had a chance to tie it, but his runner from the lane rattled around the rim before bouncing out. Then Ewing, the lone senior on the court for the Blue Devils, lost the ball near midcourt, and Felton grabbed it and quickly called a timeout with 27 seconds left.

"That was probably the play of the game," May said.

Felton drove to the basket and was fouled by Nelson. He swished the first free throw to make it 73-72.

His second bounced high off the rim, and after a brief scramble for the ball, Marvin Williams grabbed it and quickly shot over Duke walk-on Patrick Johnson. The shot banked in as he was fouled, and his free throw capped the furious rally.

"You've got to have the mentality to bear down," Melchionni said. "We shot one free throw in the last 3 minutes with a nine-point lead, and that's unacceptable. You can't do that and win a game."



Sean May



Roy Williams

Denver 77, Western Kentucky 68

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENTON, Texas — Erik Benzel scored 19 points and Denver earned a spot in its first Sun Belt Conference tournament championship game by beating Western Kentucky 77-68 in the semifinals Monday night.

Neither team led by more than six points until Denver went on a 15-4 run to take a 55-45 lead with 8:34 left. Benzel had a 3-point play and a 3-pointer during the run.

Yemi Nicholson gave Denver (20-9) its biggest lead

at 66-53 with 4:14 left. The Hilltoppers got within six in the final minute, but the Pioneers hit 6-of-8 free throws in the final minute to ice the game.

Courtney Lee scored 18 points and Elgrace Wilborn added 17 for Western Kentucky (21-8).

Denver's Rodney Billups had 15 points and Nicholson scored 14 points and had seven rebounds.

Western Kentucky scored the first six points of the game before Denver answered with a 12-0 run.

Antonio Haynes, who had 14 points, hit a pair of free throws to give the Hilltoppers a

26-23 lead. The Pioneers closed the half with a 7-0 run to lead 30-26 at the break.

Denver will play the Florida International-Louisiana Lafayette game winner in the championship game Tuesday night for an automatic berth to the NCAA Tournament.

The Pioneers have never been to the NCAA Tournament and their only postseason appearance as a Division I team was in the 1959 NIT. Denver was an NAIA member and a Division II team in basketball from 1979-1999.

Ford plans to enjoy break before Colonels learn seeding

by TERESA M. WALKER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Travis Ford knows exactly what his Eastern Kentucky Colonels face in their first NCAA tournament appearance since 1979, and that's why he has no problem waiting a week for Selection Sunday.

"We're going to enjoy it," Ford said of his first foray into the NCAA tournament as a coach after experiencing the event as a player with the Kentucky Wildcats.

"I asked my guys, 'You ever hear of Selection Sunday? You ever heard of that?' They said, 'Oh yeah.' I hope on that day we're all together. We will be definitely. There will be some celebration in Richmond to say the least."

His Colonels earned the Ohio Valley Conference's automatic berth to the NCAA tournament Saturday by beating Austin Peay 52-46 in the league championship. It will be the sixth NCAA appearance for Eastern Kentucky but marks a big turnaround for a program with 17 losing seasons since that last berth.

"It's just an unbelievable feeling," senior forward Michael Haney said of the

turnaround.

Ford joked that he had to beg Haney to turn down other offers and join him in reviving the Colonels. It wasn't an easy sell because Ford won only seven games in his first season in 2000-01.

Haney accepted, and Ford credits his decision with helping him lure players like Zach Ingles who led the Colonels with 15 points on Saturday and hit a long 3-pointer with 21.7 seconds left that clinched their victory.

The 6-foot-9 Alonzo Hird, a junior college transfer, helped hold Austin Peay center Zac Schlader to 14 points, and he blocked a 3 by Maurice Hampton that would have tied the game at 45. Haney also had 12 points and 13 rebounds.

"We said, 'You guys can help us get to the NCAA tournament,'" Ford said. "It becomes a reality."

After going 14-15 last season, the Colonels set a school record with their 22nd victory on Saturday, improving to 22-8. That's better than the 21 wins in 1978-79 or 1945-46.

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"I prefer to see it half full. I think these guys, while our record wasn't that good, I think they accomplished some things," Loos said.

The Governors hit as many shots at the free throw line (15-of-21) as they did from the floor (15-of-46).

But they didn't make it easy on Eastern Kentucky, which wound up sweeping Austin Peay with the victory. The Colonels had led by as much as 13 twice before Austin Peay used a 16-5 run to get back in the game before eventually pulling within a point, the last at 47-46 on a pair of free throws by Hampton with 50.6 seconds left.

Ingles answered with his 3-pointer as Eastern Kentucky turned 14 Austin Peay turnovers into 19 points.

Ford plans some rest for his Colonels mixed with practice during Eastern Kentucky's spring break.

Then they will gather on Sunday to find out their next opponent, while Ford will try to prepare his team for what he calls an event they will remember for a lifetime.

"This is my greatest sports achievement to this date. I'm so happy for these guys that they get to experience it," Ford said.



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No. 9 Louisville 66, DePaul 62

by RICK GANO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

ROSEMONT, Ill. — What great timing for Larry O'Bannon and Louisville. With the postseason just around the bend, they're on a roll.

O'Bannon missed just one shot Saturday, scoring 24 points as the ninth-ranked Cardinals clinched the Conference USA regular-season title outright by beating DePaul 66-62.

"He's in a zone and he worked himself into that zone from last summer to this point. He deserves what's happening," Louisville coach Rick Pitino said of his senior guard.

The Cardinals (26-4, 14-2), who'd already clinched the top seed in the conference tournament by beating Charlotte on Thursday, won for the 15th time in 16 games and finished 9-1 on the road.

They played their typical pressure defense and got a second straight offensive outburst from O'Bannon.

"We had to make big shots to win this game," Pitino said.

And O'Bannon did just that.

He had 18 of his points in the second half, including 10 in the final six minutes. He finished the game 6-for-7 from the field, while hitting all five of his 3-point attempts and all seven of his free throws.

"I really wasn't thinking about taking over the game. My teammates got me open, they set some solid screens and I got open shots," O'Bannon said.

O'Bannon followed a career-high 33-point effort against Charlotte on Thursday night with another stellar performance, despite the short turnaround.

"If you come and watch us practice, we do it daily," O'Bannon said of his team's potential to make shots. "I've been able to carry it over into the game."

Sammy Mejia led DePaul (18-9, 10-6) with 21 points and Drake Diener pitched in 15 for the Blue Demons, who are hoping for a bid to the NCAA tournament, despite four losses in their final six games.

"To come up short again... It's tough," Diener said.

Pitino said the Blue Demons were deserving and were easily one of the best 65 teams in the country. He said he'd put them in the top 30, but then again he's not on the selection committee.

"I don't know," DePaul coach Dave Leitao said. "I have my head in the sand as we play basketball games. I'm worried about games. I like my team. I think we're good."

Louisville was good again Saturday, even though leading scorer Francisco Garcia was as cold as O'Bannon was hot, missing nine of his 10 field-goal attempts and scoring just five points, nearly 11 under his average.

But Garcia made up for it in other areas with five rebounds, eight assists, four steals and three blocked shots.

DePaul scoring leader Quemont Greer, averaging 18.7, also struggled in his final

home game, going just 4-for-16 from the field — including an airball on a 3-pointer with 16 seconds left — and scoring nine.

"I've trusted him for three years. That's just one play," Leitao said. "We still had time afterward and there were other plays before that where we missed some point-blank shots."

O'Bannon's fifth 3-pointer gave the Cardinals the lead for good at 60-57 with 4:28 left.

Mejia's layup cut it to one with just under three minutes remaining. Garcia, who didn't score in the first 26 1/2 minutes, hit two free throws with 57.8 seconds left to put Louisville up 62-59.

Ellis Myles then blocked Greer's layup attempt and after a missed follow-up shot, Louisville's Juan Palacios missed a free throw at the other end. That gave DePaul a final chance with 35 seconds to go.

But Greer shot an airball from the corner with 16 seconds to play and after a foul, O'Bannon made two from the line with 13.4 seconds left to put the Cards up 64-59. He hit two more with 5 seconds to go to secure the win.

"We covered O'Bannon well. He made open shots off others penetrating or he made shots over people," Leitao said.

Garcia went scoreless during a furiously paced first-half but the Cardinals, behind 54 percent shooting, still managed a 34-32 lead.

DePaul's loss was just its second in 16 games at home this season.

Poll: Kentucky, Louisville rivalry more warm than heated

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — Kentucky fans don't see red when it comes to the Louisville Cardinals.

A Bluegrass Poll, taken by The Courier-Journal of Louisville, shows about two-thirds of University of Kentucky and University of Louisville fans root for the other school when not cheering on their favorite. Between 2 percent and 13 percent of fans say they pull against the "other" side.

"I used to hate Louisville and root against them, but I think I just got tired of it," said Gerald Franklin, a UK fan who lives in Louisville. "And now I watch them and I'm glad when they're doing well. And a lot of people are like that, I guess. Maybe we're all mellowing."

The paper surveyed 1,281 adults in Kentucky from Feb. 16-28. Respondents said they were very interested or somewhat interested in college basketball and football. The margin of error for the poll is plus or minus 2.7 percentage points.

The Wildcats were the favorite basketball team of 67 percent of those polled, with 17 percent rooting for U of L.

Jefferson County, however, was resoundingly red. The Cardinals held a solid majority in their home county, with 57 percent of respondents choosing Louisville as their favorite team and 33 percent choosing Kentucky.

The Wildcats holds a similar but less substantial edge in football. Statewide, Kentucky held a 41 percent to 20 percent lead over Louisville.

Some fans had trouble believing the rivalry between the schools had faded.

"I'll tell you, I've always thought it was really bitter," said Randy Moore, a Kentucky fan in Lexington. "I guess it's a good thing if people can be happy when the other school wins."

Cardinals fan Robert Gerton of Louisville said he roots for Kentucky to lose.

"I know some people who root for both," Gerton said. "I'm old school."

COLLEGE BASKETBALL: AP Top 25

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' men's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through March 6, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and last week's ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Illinois (48)	29-1	1,725	.1
2. North Carolina (22)	26-3	1,701	.2
3. Wake Forest	26-4	1,596	.4
4. Kentucky	23-4	1,445	.3
5. Duke	22-5	1,393	.6
6. Louisville	26-4	1,350	.9
7. Boston College	24-3	1,286	.5
8. Arizona	25-5	1,192	.11
9. Kansas	22-5	1,134	.7
10. Oklahoma St.	21-6	1,067	.8
11. Gonzaga	24-4	1,054	.12
12. Connecticut	21-6	1,021	.15
13. Michigan St.	22-5	919	.14
14. Washington	24-5	895	.10
15. Utah	25-4	697	.16
16. Syracuse	24-6	648	.13
17. Oklahoma	23-6	630	.20
18. Pacific	25-2	583	.17
19. Villanova	21-6	552	.19
20. Alabama	23-6	456	.21
21. Cincinnati	24-6	333	.22
22. Pittsburgh	20-7	288	.24
23. Wisconsin	20-7	260	.23
24. Nevada	24-5	149	.25
25. Charlotte	21-6	112	.18

Others receiving votes:
Florida 96, LSU 58, S. Illinois 43, Texas 28, Wis.-Milwaukee 9, Georgia Tech 5, New Mexico 5, Texas A&M 4, UCLA 3, Holy Cross 2, Saint Mary's, Calif. 2, Winthrop 2, Minnesota 1, Ohio St. 1, Old Dominion 1, Penn 1, Texas Tech 1, UTEP 1, Vermont 1.

Ohio St. 65, No. 1 Illinois 64

by RUSTY MILLER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Illinois' perfect season was ruined by a team with nowhere to go.

Ohio State reserve forward Matt Sylvester hit a 3-pointer with 5.1 seconds left Sunday to hand the top-ranked Illini their first defeat, 65-64.

The Illini (29-1, 15-1) were trying to cap the Big Ten's first unbeaten season in 29 years. Instead, they frittered away a 12-point lead in the second half and didn't score over the final 3 minutes.

"I'd rather lose now than three weeks from now," Illinois coach Bruce Weber said.

Sylvester scored a career-high 25 points — eight more than his previous best — for a team that was banned by its own administrators from the postseason two months ago to mitigate possible NCAA violations committed under former coach Jim O'Brien.

First-year coach Thad Matta wasn't thinking about tying it and hoping for overtime.

"We were in the huddle and Coach told us, 'We're not going halfway. We're going for the win,'" Sylvester said.

The play called for center Terence Dials to set a pick and roll to the basket and use guard Tony Stockman as a decoy. The Illini bit on the deception.

"As we left the huddle, Matt said, 'I'll make the shot,'" Matta said. "And he did."

Ohio State (19-12, 8-8), a team with problems all year hanging onto the ball, didn't have a turnover in the second half. The Illini, who had huddled tough games in loud environments all season, had seven turnovers after halftime.

"We didn't take care of the ball and they made all the plays at the end," Illinois center Jack Ingram said. "They won it."

Illinois' guard trio of Deron Williams, Dee Brown and Luther Head were a combined 7-of-27 from the field.

The last team to reach the NCAA tournament without a loss was UNLV in 1991. On Saturday, Matta showed his players film clips of several huge upsets and the Rebels' loss to Duke in the national semifinals that year was one of them.

The Illini led 64-58 after James Augustine's layup with 3:23 left — but didn't score again.

The Buckeyes ran off the next seven points, with Dials, who had 21 points, scoring on a half-hook before Sylvester drove the lane for a left-handed scoop to cut the lead to 64-62 with 1:40 remaining.

"They were looney-gooney," Weber said of the Buckeyes. "They didn't quit. They're an NCAA tournament team. Playing on their home court, they made the plays."

After Ohio State took a timeout with 12 seconds left, Je'Kel Foster inbounded to Brandon Fuss-Cheatham who

passed to Sylvester on the right wing, in front of the Ohio State bench. His quick shot seemed to surprise the Illini, nestling in the net while a capacity crowd at Value City Arena roared.

"The other day I was in the gym with Brandon and I said, 'Wouldn't it be unbelievable to score 25 points and hit the game-winner against Illinois?'" a grinning Sylvester said.

After a timeout, a pass was tipped out of bounds in front of the Illinois bench. The Illini had one last chance with 2.2 seconds left. Williams passed to Powell, but his hurried 3-pointer fell short and off the mark.

Fans rushed the court after the buzzer sounded, snapping photos, jumping up and down and slapping the Buckeyes — who do get to play in this week's Big Ten tournament — on the back.

Brown led the Illini with 13 points and Powell and Head each added 12.

"They just outplayed us," Brown said. "They deserved it."

It was the second straight season a team coached by Matta ended a run at perfection. Matta's Xavier team handed top-ranked Saint Joseph's its first loss last season in the Atlantic 10 tournament.

"I'd like to be the other team just one time," Matta said with a laugh. "I'm living for the day I'm the No. 1 team and someone else is trying to do it to us."

Deiner, Garcia, Withers repeat on all-conference team

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IRVING, Texas — Marquette senior Travis Deiner, Louisville junior Francisco Garcia and Charlotte junior Curtis Withers repeated Monday as members of the All-Conference USA team. Charlotte senior Eddie Basden and DePaul senior Quemont Greer also made the first team.

Deiner leads the league in scoring with 19.7 points per game but missed the last three

games of the regular season with a broken hand. He finished his career with 1,691 points, eighth on the league's all-time scoring list.

Garcia averaged 15.3 points and four assists per game in helping lead Louisville to the regular season title. Withers led Charlotte with 17.5 points per game while teammate Basden averaged 15.3 points per game, 3.3 steals, 3.6 assists and 8.5 rebounds.

Greer led DePaul in scoring with 18.3 points per game and

in rebounds with 7.2 per game.

The all-conference team is selected by league coaches and media.


Cincinnati's Jason Maxiell, Houston's Andre Owens, South Florida's Terrence Leather, Alabama-Birmingham's Donell Taylor and Memphis' Rodney Carney were on the second-team.

Cincinnati's Eric Hicks, TCU's Corey Santee, Memphis' Darius Washington Jr., DePaul's Drake Deiner and Louisville's Taquan Dean made the third team.




photo by Steve LeMaster

South Floyd junior guard Mason Hall cut down a piece of one of two title nets.



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Unsung Biffle might be man to beat in NASCAR

by MIKE HARRIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FONTANA, Calif. — People tend to overlook Greg Biffle.

At 35, he certainly isn't one of NASCAR's so-called Young Guns, nor is he a big talker who elicits much attention. But Biffle definitely has credentials.

A newspaper recently did an anonymous survey of 15 Nextel Cup drivers, asking their opinion on the best in the series. Biffle was on a very short list led by four-time champion Jeff Gordon.

Biffle is the only driver to have won championships in both the Busch and Craftsman Truck series. Now, he's giving every indication of being a serious contender for another title in his third full season on

NASCAR's top circuit.

"Biffle is no surprise to anybody in the NASCAR garage," said teammate and series champion Kurt Busch. "Everybody knows what a good driver he is and how tough he and that No. 16 team can be if they put it all together."

Although his first two years in the Cup series produced finishes of 20th and 17th in the standings, the driver from Vancouver, Wash., has four victories. But two of those wins have come in his last three races — the season-finale last year at Homestead-Miami Speedway and last Sunday at California Speedway.

The win here was particularly impressive, with Biffle twice coming from far back in the

field and leading the last 23 laps.

It was apparently no surprise to Biffle, who predicted he would win the race after testing at the track in January.

"After that test, I had a pretty strong feeling that we would win out here if something crazy didn't happen," he explained.

But that doesn't mean it was easy. He muscled his ill-handling Ford to the end, beating hard-charging Jimmie Johnson by six car-lengths.

"This was the toughest of my life to earn," Biffle said. "We overcame more in that race than I ever have in a race car. The car was so loose at times I could hardly keep it going in the right direction, and I didn't know why."

Now, thanks to that masterful

driving job — and despite a 25th-place finish in the season-opening Daytona 500 — Biffle is fifth in the standings, trailing leader Busch by just 67 points.

Biffle gave car owner Jack Roush his first NASCAR title when he won the truck championship in 2000, and added the Busch championship two years later. Now, Biffle would like nothing better than to present his boss a third straight Cup title.

Matt Kenseth gave Roush his first in 2003.

"I've learned a lot about myself and the way you have to race to win in Nextel Cup," said Biffle, who has been in some trouble on the track by being overly aggressive. "I really think we've got everything we need to be contenders."

"I think Jack gives us everything we need. Now we just have to put it together and make it happen."

It wouldn't surprise crew chief Doug Richert if Biffle becomes the first driver to win titles in all three of NASCAR's top touring circuits.

"I really feel this team is ready," Richert said. "The team has matured, and we've figured out what we need to give Greg for him to win."

Richert knows a bit about calling the shots for championship teams. He was the crew chief in 1980, when the late Dale Earnhardt won the first of his record-tying seven titles.

Roush, who also fields Cup cars for Busch, Kenseth, long-time star Mark Martin and

promising newcomer Carl Edwards, has stood behind Biffle even when the driver made disparaging remarks about the team last year.

"There has never been any doubt about his talent," said Roush, who signed Biffle sight unseen after a recommendation from former NASCAR champion Benny Parsons. "He has the ability to do just about anything he wants in this sport, and I expect him to do it for our team."

But, after just two of 36 races, Biffle doesn't want anybody to get too excited.

He shrugged when asked if his victory here is a sign of things to come.

"I don't know," Biffle said. "I'll let everyone else figure that one out."

Afleet Alex, Declan's Moon retain lofty Derby status with wins

by RICHARD ROSENBLATT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

HALLANDALE BEACH, Fla. — Finally, some Kentucky Derby buzz.

From Florida to Arkansas to California, 3-year-olds were out in force Saturday trying to show whether they truly are contenders for the Derby just two months away.

And the three top prospects going in only added to their impressive credentials.

Afleet Alex and Declan's Moon won in their long-awaited seasonal debuts, while High Fly soared to victory in the 1 1/8-mile Fountain of Youth Stakes at Gulfstream Park.

The results solidified Afleet Alex and Declan's Moon's rankings as 1-2 in the latest Run to the Roses' Top 10, while High Fly moves in for the first time at No. 4.

A last-minute decision to run

Afleet Alex in the Mountain Valley Stakes, a six-furlong race at Oaklawn Park, seems like a good move. Now it's on to the Rebel Stakes and then the Arkansas Derby, giving the colt the traditional three prep races before the Kentucky Derby.

"This race under him is better than five works," trainer Tim Ritchey explained. "Things went according to plan."

Ditto for Declan's Moon, the 2-year-old champion who improved to 5-for-5 with a two-length win over Wild Again in the 1 1/16-mile Santa Catalina Stakes at Santa Anita. The gelding will have only one more Derby prep — the Santa Anita Derby on April 9.

"I think I've got the bomb," trainer Ron Ellis said.

Only one horse in the last 57 years — Sunny's Halo in 1983 — has won the Derby off two 3-year-old prep races.

Trainer Nick Zito, mean-

while, has the biggest arsenal of all with no less than four bona fide Derby hopefuls — his recently acquired High Fly, allowance winner Noble Causeway, Sun King and Andromeda's Hope.

High Fly was transferred to Zito's barn by Live Oak Plantation's Charlotte Weber after the colt's only loss — a third-place finish in the Holy Bull on Feb. 5 under trainer Bill White.

"Nick has had experience going to the Derby," Weber said. "He's been down this road before."

Zito won the Derby with Strike the Gold in 1991 and with Go for Gin in 1994. Last year, he had three Derby prospects, but only The Cliff's Edge made it to the race, finishing fifth.

This week's top 10, with Derby future wager odds:

1. Afleet Alex (Tim Ritchey, trainer; John Velazquez, jock-

ey); Jeremy Rose was aboard for Mountain Valley win, but Velazquez gets the mount from now on ... Colt looked fresh after a layoff of more than four months ... Improves to five wins in seven starts ... Next start: Rebel (March 19) ... Odds: 15-1.

2. Declan's Moon (Ron Ellis, Victor Espinoza): Beat two stakes winners in Santa Catalina to remain unbeaten ... Next start: Santa Anita Derby (April 9) ... Odds: 9-1.

3. Rockport Harbor (John Servis, Stewart Elliott): Breezed a mile in 1:39.80 at Oaklawn Park on Friday ... Elliott involved with immigration issues, but still has the mount ... Unbeaten colt hasn't raced since Nov. 27 ... Next start: Rebel ... Odds: 13-1.

4. High Fly (Nick Zito, Jerry Bailey): Proved Holy Bull loss was a fluke with Fountain of Youth win over Bandini ... Has won four of five starts, but this

was first race with Zito as trainer ... Next start: Florida Derby (April 2) ... Odds: 28-1.

5. Sweet Catomine (Julio Canani, Corey Nakatani): Worked six furlongs Friday at Santa Anita in 1:12.60, third fastest of 16 ... Wqn last start, Santa Ysabel on Jan. 16 ... Only three fillies have won the Derby, most recently Winning Colors in 1988 ... Next start: Santa Anita Oaks (March 13) ... Odds: 21-1.

6. Roman Ruler (Bob Baffert, Bailey): Worked six furlongs Feb. 27 at Santa Anita in 1:12.40, fastest of 15 ... Quartercrack on left front hoof is healed ... Next start: Gotham or San Felipe (March 19) ... Odds: 18-1.

7. Lost in the Fog (Greg Gilchrist, Russell Baze): Moves onto Derby trail after blowing away 10 rivals in Swale Stakes at Gulfstream ... Unbeaten and untested in four starts, none longer than seven furlongs ...

Next start could be Florida Derby, Santa Anita Derby or Wood Memorial ... Odds: 21-1.

8. Wilko (Craig Dollase, Nakatani): BC Juvenile winner worked six furlongs in 1:12.80 at Hollywood Park on Saturday, second fastest of 23 ... Next start: San Felipe ... Odds: 23-1.

9. Sun King (Zito, Edgar Prado): Won allowance race by 5 3/4 lengths at Gulfstream on Feb. 26 ... Could be Zito's top prospect by Derby day ... Next start: Tampa Bay Derby (March 19) ... Odds: 19-1.

10. Proud Accolade (Todd Pletcher, Velazquez): Training in Florida, with a five-furlong work Feb. 27 in 1:03.80 ... Next start: Louisiana Derby (March 12) ... Odds: 35-1.

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POISON OAK

Living over a honeycomb?

As I've said many times, as a coal-camp kid, about the only thing I knew about the mining industry was that my daddy was a miner who went to work clean, and came home dirty. What he did in the times he was away from home, and what became of the coal he helped dig during that period, was of absolutely no interest to me.

I'm not particularly proud of my ignorance about such matters, but neither am I about to beat myself up over it. After all, I was just a kid, and such things as unions and tonnage, and the price of coal just simply didn't interest kids.

Fast forward half a century, and after it's much too late to get any first-person reports on all that stuff, I find myself becoming curiouser and curiouser about the industry that put food on our table, and eventually made my mother a widow. Fortunately, though, there is still available written documentation in the form of articles published in The Paintsville Herald which can shed a great deal of light on the coal company that fed me, and how things really were back then.

For example, the following article was printed in the May 12, 1927, issue of the paper, and speaks volumes about what the coal industry was like.

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Clyde Pack

KIM'S KORNER

Michael Combs and Special Guest the Barrett Family Pack MAC

This past Saturday night was the second time (for me anyway) to hear the God given talent from the likes of Michael Combs and his special guest The Barrett Family.

Talk about dynamite coming in small packages, that Michael can sure blow you away when he opens his mouth and that strong powerful voice erupts. It's amazing!

What stage presence, too! Yes, God has truly blessed Michael Combs in a major way.

This small framed man's voice can go from so low to so high in the blink of an eye that chills mount the skin. His performance of Gospel songs can have you smiling one minute with tears flowing like rain the very next.

A survivor of a liver transplant,

(See KORNER, page three)



Kim Frasure



Mrs. Caldwell, in younger years as a teacher in Floyd County Schools.



Mrs. Caldwell, today, still youthful and full of vitality.

Preserving history through story-telling

Mrs. Imogene Caldwell, local author, keeps us entertained

by Kathy J. Prater
FEATURES EDITOR

As we continue our Women's History Month profiles, we focus the spotlight on Mrs. Imogene Caldwell, author of "From the Top Rail of the Fence," a book of short stories highlighting the years she spent growing up on Floyd County's Cow Creek, in a community called, at that time, Woods.

Imogene, with the publication of her book, has successfully marked her own, and her family's, place in Floyd County's history. Throughout "From the Top Rail of the Fence," Mrs. Caldwell tells of days spent as a young girl at Grandma's house and evenings spent listening to tales of years past as

she soaked in the wisdom passed down to a young country girl from her beloved grandfather as they both sat, mesmerized by the summer sunset, on the "top rail" of Grandpa's fence.

She relates, too, of graduating high school at the age of 15 and, following, going away to college to learn to become a teacher - and of the homesickness that followed. "I was so young, you know, to be leaving home," she said.

"From the Top Rail of the Fence" chronicles Imogene's life as she returns to Floyd County to teach in the very same one-room schoolhouse in which she, herself, had been a student, and of the many happy days spent there with the children as the fall, win-

ter and springtime holidays all rolled around in succession, and of all the learning that went on in between. Imogene tells us of meeting husband, Kenneth, an avid outdoorsman, and how it felt to fall in love, marry and welcome each of the couple's children, one by one, into their happy world.

She shares with us, also, the joy of becoming a grandmother, as well as the humor in life that comes with advancing age.

Mrs. Caldwell, a graduate of Prestonsburg High School, Pikeville College and Morehead State University, is a retired teacher of the Floyd County School District, from which she also served as remedial reading supervisor for the Floyd County Board of Educa-

tion. Having retired in 1979, Imogene has always remained active as a volunteer, visiting area schools to read and encourage students to write and to pursue positive activities that will enrich their lives and learning. She frequently travels with the Kentucky Heritage Program, a program sponsored by the Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative that strives to teach children the importance of valuing the heritage from which they come. "We visit the schools and some of the folks play dulcimers and sing old-timey songs and I read from my books and take along some of the old things I have saved from grandma's kitchen

(See MRS IMOGENE, page three)

CRITTER CORNER

Aggression — learned or inherited?

by Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

After being out of town for close to a week for a continuing education seminar, I returned to an in-box overflowing with e-mail. After an hour or so of weeding through the junk, I finally got down to the important ones (i.e. those from real people, as opposed to the Internet pharmacies intent on selling me Viagra.) Among them was this one from Tammy in Floyd County:

"...I had a few questions about the column you wrote (this past week). We have a Rottweiler puppy who turned four months old today. We definitely do not want her to be aggressive. My question is: Is aggression inborn in Rottweilers or is this a learned behavior? Right now she is very sweet natured and loving, and that's what we want. How old does she need to be before we can start dog training classes? She is very intelligent and has partially learned some commands already. She

is extremely rambunctious. If you don't have time to answer all these questions, I understand..."

Well, it isn't so much the time as the amount of space an answer would take up! A proper response would require an entire essay, so why not get two birds with the same stone?

The big question here is the same one that fuels many of the debates over "bad dogs"—is aggression learned or inherited? The arguments have been going on for years, and are likely to continue without a clear consensus. My personal take on the debate is that both answers are correct. That being said, I need to clarify my position.

I have often made the statement that if you want a clue to a dog's behavior, go back and look at the breed's original purpose. What were Rottweilers bred to do? They were developed for guarding and



This is "Wrink." Wrink belongs to Steven Hughes, of Langley. Steven rescued Wrink, along with her sister, "Duchess," from the high waters of Beaver Creek two years ago. Steven informs us that "Wrink has learned to track me through the hills. She also sits on command for a dog biscuit."

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Helen Keller

School Calendar

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!

■ March 11 - Spring Fling Dance.

■ March 21 - SBDM meeting, 5 p.m.

■ March 23 - Career Expo.

■ March 24 - "Give Yourself a Break Day," 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at Mt. Arts Center.

■ March 31 - Last day to turn in Food City receipts!!

■ 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 Central High School

■ March 9 - SBDM Council meeting, 5 p.m.

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 visi-

tors, 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

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YESTERDAYS

(Items taken from
The Floyd County
Times,
10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and
60 years ago.)

Ten Years Ago

March 8 and 10, 1995

Bob Meyer is neither a native nor a politician, but he is Floyd County's new judge-executive and will be for the next eight months. Meyer, 43, was sworn in Monday as Governor Brereton Jones' appointee to the post, left vacant by the February 25 death of Judge-Executive John M. Stumbo. In his first official act as judge, Meyer appointed Stumbo's widow, Pauline, as deputy judge-executive...A Kentucky State Police investigator will be allowed to testify as an expert in the murder trial of Lonnie Doug Neeley. Floyd Circuit Judge John David Caudill ruled Friday, that Barry McKenzie will be allowed to testify as an expert in the case, which is set for trial on May 8...A Floyd County man facing 86 sex-related charges has agreed to plead guilty to five charges. Earl Rogers, 55, of Harold, was indicted last year on various charges of first degree sodomy, unlawful transaction with a minor, first degree sexual abuse, and first degree rape for allegedly engaging in sexual activity with minors...Floyd County's board of education intends to lower the property tax rate this year, but the district will see an increase in revenues from property assessments. Prestonsburg's finance and revenue committee met, Monday, at noon to discuss recommended changes for the 1994-95 fiscal year budget. Council has asked each department to give \$1000 toward the purchase of a new gas pump. The gas pump was not budgeted, but the old one needs to be replaced...Thursday, the Floyd County Health Department investigated an anonymous report that sewage was overflowing in the school's bathrooms at the Floyd County Technical High School, at Garth...The project has been years in the making, but it looks like guardrails will be installed this summer on Cow Mountain at Cow Creek...Linda Sue DeRossett, Floyd County District Court Clerk was indicted, Thursday, on two counts of first degree wanton endangerment in connection with an alleged altercation with state police last year. She is accused of pointing a loaded pistol at two state policemen last September...A Floyd County woman remains jailed after allegedly stabbing another woman five times during a dispute Tuesday night. Pamela Bates, 29, of Wheelwright, is lodged in the Floyd County Jail charged with first degree assault on allegedly stabbing Genia

Diane Hall, 30, of Wheelwright...A Floyd County Grand Jury has requested that the state attorney general conduct probes into the county's proposed 911 service, and into funds missing from the Sheriff's Department...While March typically arrives like a lion in eastern Kentucky, this week it crept in like a snake in the grass. Balmy weather Tuesday, which pushed the thermometer to near 80 degrees, backslid Wednesday into the worst winter storm of the year, dumping nearly eight inches of snow onto a bewildered eastern Kentucky...Competing against weekly and daily newspaper throughout the state, Floyd County Times sportswriter Ed Taylor won two silver medals for his coverage of last summer's Bluegrass State games...There died: Kenneth Ray Spurlock, 44, of Printer, Friday, March 3, at his residence; Earl "Rager" Marshall, 85, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, March 4, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Paul Isaacs, 68, of Ashland, formerly of Bevinsville, Saturday, March 4, in King's Daughters Hospital, in Ashland; Johna B. Clark Billips, 77, of Rolling Hills, California, formerly of Floyd County, February 17, at her home; Willie Graden Frasure, 81, of Harold, Saturday, March 4, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Causby Mae Osborn Reynolds, 75, of Pikeville, Sunday, March 5, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Mildred Turpin "Turp" Combs, 75, of Prestonsburg, Saturday, March 4, at Sarasota (Fla.) Memorial Hospital; Patsy Ann Bushong, 47, of Emmett, Idaho, Saturday, March 4; Olive Wicker Tafts, 68, of Wayland, Friday, March 3; Elder Hobert Bates, 77, of Topmost, Tuesday, March 7, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Phineas Roberts Jr., 67, of Garrett, Monday, March 6, at VA Hospital in Huntington, West Virginia; Charles Salyers, 88, of Martin, Wednesday, March 8, at his residence; Howard Shell, 66, of Lexington, formerly of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, March 7, at the VA Hospital in Lexington; Dixie Lewis, 62, of Banner, Wednesday, March 8, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Thomas E. Music, 68, of Arnoldsburg, West Virginia, Sunday, March 5, at Charleston Area Medical Center's General Division; Norsie Tuttle, 75, of Hollybush, Wednesday, March 8, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Calista Bailey, 72, of Shiloh, Ohio, formerly of Hippo, Monday, March 6, at her home; Maurice Patton, 83, of Lima, Ohio, February 18, in Wapakoneta Manor Nursing Home; Melva Jean Clark, 62, of Hampton, Virginia, Tuesday, March 7.

Twenty Years Ago

March 6, 1985

Last Wednesday's filing deadline found no lack of candidates for the 25 offices for which elections will be held this year. Some 154 candidates put down \$20 each at the county court clerk's office to enter their names for offices ranging from mayor to magistrate, while two filed in Frankfort as candidates for district judge...After a young doe was mauled by wild dogs, a call of concern came from Daniels Creek residents about the problem with wild dogs in the area...In cases where landowners and coal operators are in dispute over broadform deeds, the state must stop issuing strip-mine permits, a federal judge ruled last week...A carnival worker convicted of selling marijuana, last October, on the grounds of Prestonsburg Elementary School was fined \$500 on each of two counts in Floyd District Court, Tuesday...There died: Sally Younce, 71, of Melvin, Saturday, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Billie Glen Wells, 55, of Martin, Friday, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Charles Vernon May, 65, of Allen, Monday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital; Berta Mae Reffett, 44, of David, Friday, at her residence; Frank Newsome, 80, of Melvin, Monday, at Riverview Manor Nursing Home; Zelma Kidd Carroll, 50, of Harold, Sunday, at Pikeville Methodist Hospital; Charles Jenkins, 34, of Garrett, Thursday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital.

Thirty Years Ago

March 5, 1975

Representatives of the City of Prestonsburg presented a preapplication directly to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in Louisville, Feb. 18, for \$306,025...The Bank Josephine has filed separate applications with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., to establish two branch banks in widely separated sections of this county. One branch would be at Garrett, the other at Harold...The new Allen Central High School physical education-auditorium is expected to be ready for basketball play next season...Lower rural electric bills commensurate with reduced coal prices are expected this month as a result of action taken last week by the state Pub-

lic Service Commission...The Floyd Fiscal Court will again make an effort this afternoon, (Wednesday), to get a solid waste collection system organized and working in this county...A new Sears catalogue store here has set a tentative grand opening date for Wednesday, April 2...Born: A daughter, Angela Kristen, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Monday, March 3, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ormerod, of Prestonsburg; a daughter, Amy Lynn, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin, Feb. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. James Banks, of Allen...There died: Clayton Keen, 70, of Wayland, Feb. 25, at a hospital, here; Lena Judy Schadt, 31, of Rockford, O., formerly of Risner, Feb. 23, in a Ft. Wayne, Ind. hospital; Male Frazier, 57, of Spurlock, last Wednesday, at U.K. Medical Center, Lexington; Rev. Melvin C. Allen, 86, of Risner, Sunday, at a nursing home, here; Thomas Clay Mitchell, 82, of Fairmont, W.Va., formerly of Garrett, Feb. 15; Hester Trimble, 75, of Dwale, Tuesday, Feb. 25, at a hospital, here; Martin Hall, 66, of Hi Hat, last Wednesday, at the McDowell Hospital; Angeline Tuttle, 73, of Kite, last Thursday, at a Martin hospital; Henry Melvin McKinney, 54, of Dema, Sunday, at a hospital, here; Isaac H. (Ike) Fitzpatrick, 81, former Middle Creek resident, Saturday, Feb. 22, at his home in Ada, O.; Grant Hall, 82, last Tuesday, Feb. 25, at his home at Harold; Robert B. Stidham, 57, of Camden, O., formerly of McDowell, Feb. 20 in Hamilton, O.; J. C. Butler, 46, of Drift, last Wednesday, at a Martin hospital; Hillard Sexton, 64, of McDowell, last Friday, at a hospital, here; Susan Crum, 75, Monday, at her home on Arkansas Creek, near Martin; Nancy Parish, 64, of Galveston, Friday, at a McDowell hospital; Charlie Perry, 86, of the Town Branch section, here, Saturday, at a local hospital.

Forty Years Ago

March 4, 1965

The I. Richmond estate, this week, broke ground for an annex to the William Arrowood Hardware Company, and from that beginning a midtown shopping center is expected to develop...Paul Ed Blevins, 19, of Weeksbury, was killed instantly, Friday, in an automobile accident on Ky. 7, near the Knott-Letcher county line...Denzil Halbert's Martin Purple

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Yesterdays

Flash finished the regular season with 30 victories, the highest number of any team in the state. Top individual scorer in the area was Prestonsburg's Freddie Setser, with 676 points in 24 games, or an average per game of 28.1...Featuring the Prestonsburg Community College centennial ball, sponsored by the Student Council, Saturday, was the crowning of the queen, Miss Anne Laferty...There died: Dr. J.A. Stumbo, 60, of Martin, Wednesday, at Central Baptist Hospital, Lexington; G. M. (Matt) Hale, 82, of Harold, Saturday, at the Methodist Hospital; Jesse Dale, 89, of Tram, Monday, at the home of a daughter; Elijah B. Harmon, 74, of Bays Branch, Saturday, at home; Farrow Deal, 80, Friday, at his home at Grethel; Homer L. Merritt, 75, formerly of Floyd County, February 19, at his home at Norfolk, Virginia; Mrs. Fannie Kidd, 47, formerly of Honaker, February 24, at Rochester, Ohio; Thomas H. Sadler, 81, of Nippa, February 19, at Paintsville.

Fifty Years Ago
March 3, 1955

Hemmed in by rising waters during three days of steady rains, Floyd Countians, today, were digging out of the mud of one of the worst floods to hit most sections of the county in six years...Lightning was blamed for the destruction, by fire, Monday morning, of the home of William Riley Wells on the Auxier road...A total of 101,050 trees, destined for planting in Floyd County this spring, were received last week by L. R. Johnson, Floyd County soil district conservation-

ist...While D. W. Howard, principal of the Betsy Layne Consolidated School, was an interested spectator at the Prestonsburg-Betsy Layne basketball game, at Betsy Layne, Wednesday night, of last week, thieves broke into his home and attempted to carry away a safe, inside which was reported \$700 in school funds. Apparently heavier than they reckoned, the burglars abandoned the safe, unopened, on the front lawn of the Howard home...A few of the more noteworthy movies making the rounds this week at area theatres include "Dracula" with Bela Lugosi, "Cattle Queen of Montana" with Barbara Stanwyck and Ronald Reagan, "Mighty Joe Young," and a big cartoon carnival...Wayland's high-scoring Wasps eliminated Prestonsburg, Tuesday night, in the opening round of the 58th district tournament. Kelly Coleman scored 43 points for the Wasps...There died: Tab Johnson, 75, last Saturday, at his home at Melvin; Mrs. Lula N. Setser, 77, formerly of Floyd County, February 15, at her home at Greenup; Mrs. Rhoda A. Mollett, 71, Monday, at her home at East Point; Mrs. Nora B. Newman, 65, of Bevinville, last Friday, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; German Vance, 77, of Martin, last Saturday, at a Huntington, W.Va., hospital; Mrs. Martha Jones Combs, 67, mother of Bert T. Combs, Tuesday night, at Lexington.

Sixty Years Ago
March 1, 1945

Having quit their jobs as coal miner and gas company employee, thereby violating

the draft regulation forbidding draft-eligible men to quit essential war work without permission of their selective service boards, two Floyd men—were inducted into the the armed forces, draft board officials announced, this week...Floyd County war casualties: Dead—Cpl. Charles E. Hunter, 24, of Martin; S 1-C James Gordon Preston, of Hueysville; Pfc. Samuel Z. Rice, of Little Paint; Cpl. Glenn Pinks, 19, of Royalton, Kentucky, lost in the sinking of a Japanese prison ship on which he was a prisoner; missing—Sgt. Ellisworth Stumbo, of Harold; Orbie Boyd, of Betsy Layne; prisoner—Roy Hall, of Hi Hat...First Sergeant Denver Calhoun, of Water Gap, has been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in fighting the Germans during the Battle of the Bulge, in December...Floyd school attendance officers are meeting the problem of truancy by prosecuting the parents of children failing to attend school. Within the last two weeks, nine parents have been fined \$10 and costs...Voters of the Allen, Emma, Lower Cow Creek and Sugar Loaf schools voted, Saturday, to consolidate the districts, and to pay an annual tax of 50 cents per \$100 property valuation for an extension of the school term at Allen, beyond seven months, and for transportation of students...Two Pike County coal corporations recently convicted on charges of stream pollution and fined \$200 each, are The Republic Steel Corporation, for pollution of the Levisa Fork of the Big Sandy River, and the Utilities Elkhorn Coal Company, for polluting the waters of Shelby Creek in Pike County...Born: to Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bond, a son, Gerald Frederick, February 21, at Akron, Ohio; to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry B. Shaver, of Lansing, Mich., a daughter,

February 24, at the Prestonsburg General Hospital; to Mr. and Mrs. Beecher L. Scutchfield, of Wheelwright, a son, Scott B., February 22, at the Martin General Hospital...There died: Mrs. Dora Marie Hall, 19, at the home of a sister at Lackey, Monday; Dave Cornette, at his home on the Auxier road, Feb. 20; Kenneth Short, 35, former Floyd Countian, who played a major role in the installation of the Warco and Boldman compressor stations, Tuesday, in a Jacksonville, Illinois, hospital; Banks Wallen, 74, of West Prestonsburg, Saturday; Mrs. Leonard Ramey, 33, Friday.

Seventy Years Ago
March 1, 1935

Ill health and pressing business demands, were given by Police Judge E. P. Arnold at the reasons for resignation of this office, effective yesterday...The Kentucky Relief Administration proposes to set 356 men to work, within the next few days, on stone surfacing of the road from East Point to Auxier...Lora Allen, 13, of the Maytown School, is Floyd County's new spelling champion...Two occupants of a truck which smashed into Doug Hays' auto at Ivel were arrested, Monday. Grover Stumbo, a passenger in Hays' car, suffered cuts...There died: F. P. "Chick" Allen, 82, of Hueysville, Sunday, at Pomeroy, Ohio; George Williams, 82, February 20, at Mrytle; Mrs. Belle Bradford, recently at West Prestonsburg; John Pezzarossi, 75, Friday, at Lackey; Mrs. Cynthia Burchett Davis, 55, of Bays Branch, February 14, at a Paintsville hospital.

School

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. Pre-

sented 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 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.

Mrs Imogene

like an old hand-crank grinder and a few other things like grandpa's old razor strap...the kids love seeing those old things and hearing stories of what life used to be like before television and computers came along," she said.

Imogene shares that she has been writing since early childhood and of how special her mother would make her feel because she saved all of her little childhood writings in a box that she kept underneath the headboard of her bed. "I tell the children today, that if they like to write, to keep the things that they write down. That way, they can always go back and remember how they felt when they were writing and they can add to it as time goes by and that then, maybe someday, they can have a book published, too," she said.

Imogene says that she will always continue to write but has no plans at this time to publish another book ("But you never know what might happen," she says with a grin). Still, she has agreed to share an excerpt of a new writing that she is currently holding onto and working on. It follows:

"Most of the young boys I knew didn't even know how to wipe their feet on the old coffee sack on the doorstep outside the kitchen door. But he did. The boys I knew chewed tobacco and spit the juice on the ground so close to their feet that it splattered on their shoes or maybe even on their feet if they were barefoot. But he didn't. He was neat and clean. I didn't know then that some boys are clean - and neat and mannerly and worthy of being called Noah (if that happened to be their name). The boys I knew wiped their noses on their shirt sleeves or else sniffed it back up where it rattled around and, finally, ended up on the other sleeve..."

"He talked while I listened and I decided that his eyes were almost the color of the blooms on my Mother's old hydrangea bush. When they were fresh in bloom early in the spring, they were a purplish blue with

streaks of amber here and there, but by the time summer was over, they had faded a lot in the hot sun and from the amber Pappa spit out on them while he sat on the porch and watched the crows circle overhead and chewed his Red Man tobacco. His eyes were, and are today, a purplish blue with streaks of amber running through. The only other purplish blue eyes I have ever seen were my cat Becky's eyes - hers were like that. You never knew what Becky was thinking by looking at her eyes. You cannot tell what he's thinking, either. Maybe the purple has something to do with it, I don't know. They teared up a little, though, when he told me about his boyhood home - I tear up a little, too, when I tell you about it."

Congratulations, Mrs. Imogene Caldwell, on being chosen one of Floyd County's "Women of History." And, please, keep those stories coming!

Korner

Michael Combs is quick to give God all the glory and praise he can muster. And what a testimony it is!

The MAC was, as far as I could see, packed with people, and what an awesome sight that was to see. This being the first time, too, for me to witness for a Gospel event, and that, too, got the "God Bumps" to popping.

As I looked around the MAC, at all the folks who had shown up for the show, it totally blew me away. The MAC seats over 1,000 people and if any seats were empty, these old eyes didn't see them! And, too, the place was filled with so many various denominations that it boggled my mind. Yep, a true glimpse into Heaven was had - Baptist seated beside Methodist, Freewill seated beside Pentecostal, Lutheran seated next to Presbyterian, and the list goes on and on. What an example! My friends of all denominations, gathered under one roof, with one goal, and goal was to listen and to join in the praises of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Can I have a HALLELUJAH! There were more times than one during the night's songs of Praise that every soul in the building was standing to their

feet, joined together, one and all, giving God the Glory! And you want to talk about powerful, that was POWERFUL!

To get to witness - no matter what denomination one belongs to - all joined, united - one mind, one accord! One awesome night!

And, The Barrett Family was just as they were last year - a total delight.

God's Light shines so bright through this group of brothers, sisters, brother-in-law, and nephew that no spot light is even needed.

God's Word tells us we must have faith, hope and love. And of these, love being the most important.

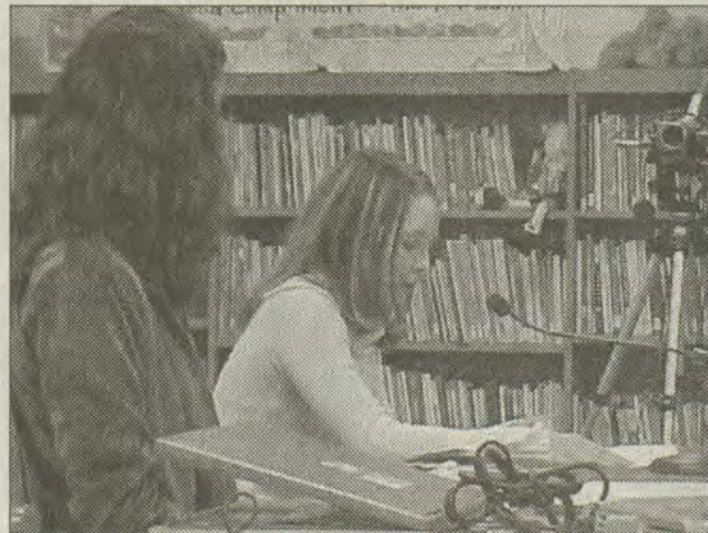
When the Barrett Family speaks or sings, that "love" pours out as if a bucket was overhead and spilling over. And what a blessing that is!

Michael Combs sings a song titled "Drinking from My Saucer" and to quote a line from that song that fits Saturday night's experience, "My cup is overflowing!"

Overflowing with total blessings from those so blessed to sing God's Praises!

•Til Next Week, May all your cups overflow. God Bless!

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BLHS student urges policies to prevent bullying at local board meeting

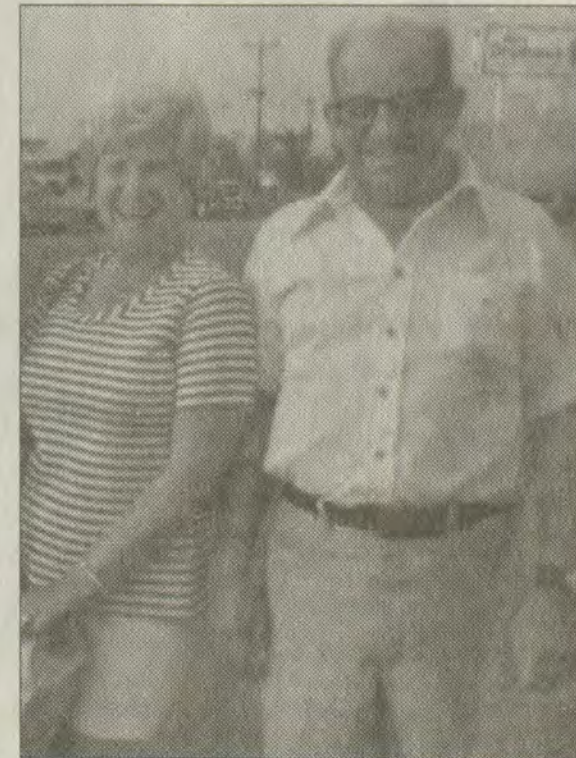
Cesilee Newsome, a ninth grade student at Betsy Layne High School, represented her school's forensics department by presenting a compelling speech on bullying and its effects during the February 28 meeting of the Floyd County Board of Education.

In her speech, Cesilee shared that she, too, had been a victim of bullying and urged the board members to consider implementing policy changes that would hinder bullying on any district school grounds. Board chair, Carol Stumbo, asked Cesilee if she would be willing to be part of a group

committee whose focus would be to look at ways by which bullying in the local schools could be prevented. The ninth grader replied that she would.

Board member Mickey McGuire complimented the student on her speech saying that it was very well written and researched and that he had taught college courses in which students were unable to produce such an effective piece of writing.

Shown in the photo with Cesilee is Audra Slocum, a teacher at Betsy Layne High School. Ms. Slocum serves as the coach for the school's forensics team.



Imogene and husband, Kenneth, on a trip spent visiting Niagara Falls.



Imogene and family, on Easter, April 6, 1980. Imogene and husband Kenneth are kneeling, their children, Bill, Judy, Jim and Kenny stand behind them.

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protection work. You can't have a wimpy personality and perform that job effectively. Rotties tend to have a confident, assertive nature and the size to back it up. If they aren't given a more constructive outlet, that confidence is easily channeled into aggression in some dogs.

On the other side of the coin, self-assurance can be a big plus in a dog given an appropriate way to use it. These dogs need all the socialization they can get, starting as young puppies. (Be extra careful about keeping up with their vaccination series, since Rottweilers have a tendency toward weak immune systems. The younger the puppy, the more careful you need to be about where they are taken, to minimize exposure to dogs and people who may have handled dogs with uncertain medical histories.)

Socialization is important for all puppies, but especially for the large, powerful breeds. They need to meet all sizes, ages, shapes and colors of people. They should also be introduced to other dogs, cats, rabbits, horses, goats and any other pets they may encounter later. If they are expected to behave politely from the start, they are more likely to accept other animals and people as part of their world. New situations and novel sights, sounds and smells are no big deal.

Tammy is right to be thinking about formal training already. This puppy is likely to outweigh her in a few months. She is already placing herself in the leader's position by teaching some simple commands. Not only is she keeping the pup's mind busy,

but also she is providing a foundation for future learning. A puppy that learns "sit" discovers that she can earn praise and treats for responding to a verbal cue from her owner. This gives her a positive way to learn to control her environment. She doesn't have to be aggressive; she doesn't have to search for a way to get her family's attention. She knows how. Behavior that gets rewarded gets repeated.

Teach appropriate behavior, reward appropriate behavior, and you go a long way toward heading off any tendency to display aggression. Always keep in mind, however, that these are large, powerful dogs, and use common sense. Avoid rough games, and never let the puppy treat human hands as toys. (If a behavior is not going to be "cute" in a 150-lb dog, it's not cute in a puppy!) Don't ever leave any dog alone with children, no matter how trustworthy the dog and the kids are; it's just not worth the risk.

One final suggestion I would make is to have the dog spayed while she is young, preferably before six months of age. Yes, I know that I want everything spayed, but this is for behavioral reasons. Pups spayed as youngsters, before the hormones kick in at adolescence, tend to remain more even-tempered. Have you ever known hormones to cause anything but trouble?

On the whole, it sounds like Tammy is off to a great start with her Rottweiler puppy. I would be interested in hearing about how the next few months go. Hopefully, she will be one of those dogs who is a good ambassador for her breed.

Oak

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even a dozen years before I was born.

"A DW Smith, president of the Northeast Coal Company, and an honorary member of the Paintsville-Van Lear Rotary Club, made a talk at the club meeting Tuesday and gave the members some valuable information on the operations of his company in Johnson County.

"He said that much interest was being shown over the country by a tunnel in Colorado that was nearing completion, which was six miles long, and handled both trains and automobiles, shortening the distance from coast to coast, but said right here in our own county we had a wonderful tunnel made by coal mining that was 820 miles long. This tunnel is made by the Northeast Coal Company alone, and does not include the other coal operations in the county. If this tunnel widened to that of a railroad tunnel, it

would reach to Cincinnati. These were facts few of the members ever thought of. This shows, the speaker stated, what a little work at a time will accomplish."

In previous research we've learned that Smith was not only the company's president, but was also one of its founders, who was obviously proud of its achievements. And, if he was right about the number of tunnels in Johnson County—and we've no reason to doubt his word—when you consider all the other underground mining operations in Johnson, Floyd, Pike and Martin counties, the area just beneath our rugged landscape must surely look like a honeycomb.

But I suppose that truth be known, even if I had been aware of information such as this when I was a kid, I likely wouldn't have understood it anyway. Matter of fact, I'm not real sure I even grasp it now.



ACMS Homecoming Queen

LaSha Nicole Meade, the daughter of Derek and Sheila Click, of Hueysville, and Gary Meade, of Mt. Sterling, was recently elected the 8th Grade Basketball Homecoming

Queen for Allen Central Middle School. LaSha Nicole is the granddaughter of Marvin and Linda Howard, of Hueysville, and the late Delbert Meade and Deloris Smith, of Prestonsburg.

Weddings



Nichols-Hall

Amy Colleen Nichols, of Melvin, and Dennis Ray Hall Jr., of Galveston, are happy to announce their forthcoming marriage. Amy is the daughter of Debra Lynn and Elzie Hall, of Melvin, and Branda and the late Timothy Nichols, of Tennessee. She is the granddaughter of Betty and the late Curt Newman, of Melvin, and Myrtle and Arvil Nichols, of Tennessee. Dennis is the son of Marie and Dennis Hall, of Galveston. He is the grandson of the late George and Liza Gillespie, formerly of Grethel, and Jennite Hall and the late Elisha Hall. The couple will be married on Saturday, March 12, 2005, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, at the Pilgrim Home Old Regular Baptist Church, at Grethel. A reception and household shower will follow immediately after.



Francis-Cabot

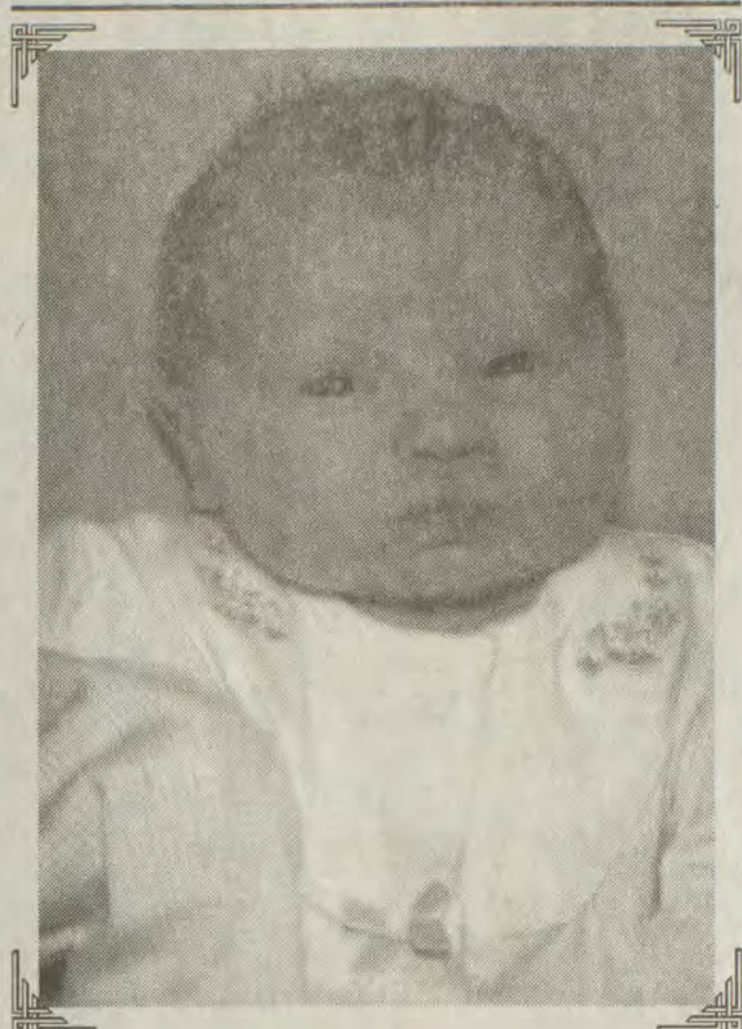
Mr. and Mrs. William Gordon Francis, of Prestonsburg, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Carrie Hamilton Francis, to Douglas Bradley Cabot, the son of Susan Bradley Cabot, of Portland, Maine, and the late Edmund C. Cabot. The couple were wed on October 23, 2004. The wedding and reception were held at Spindletop Hall, in Lexington, with Judge Julie Paxton officiating. Serving as Maids of Honor were Malissa deLafosse and Lindsey deLafosse, cousins of the bride. Serving as Best Man was Edmund Cabot, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Nathaniel Cabot and Perry Cabot, also brothers of the groom. Serving as Ringbearer was Micah Cabot, nephew of the groom. The bride and groom enjoyed a belated wedding trip to Whistler Ski Resort, in British Columbia, Canada, during the Christmas holidays. The bride, granddaughter of Elizabeth Sadler and the late Fred and Marjorie Francis, of Prestonsburg, is a graduate of The Asheville School in Asheville, North Carolina, and Miami University, in Oxford, Ohio. She is employed as a math teacher at Lawrence, Massachusetts, High School. Mr. Cabot is a graduate of Milton Academy, in Milton, Massachusetts, Columbia University, in New York, and Emerson College, in Boston. He is employed by Powderhouse Productions, in Somerville, Massachusetts. The couple reside in Salem, Massachusetts.

Granted doctoral degree

James E. Woods II was granted the degree of Doctor of Philosophy on December 18, 2004, by the trustees of Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana. James is the son of Jim and Donna Woods, of West Van Lear, and the grandson of Kathleen Boyd, of Thelma. Dr. Woods is pictured here with his wife, Brianna. Dr. and Mrs. Woods reside in West Lafayette.

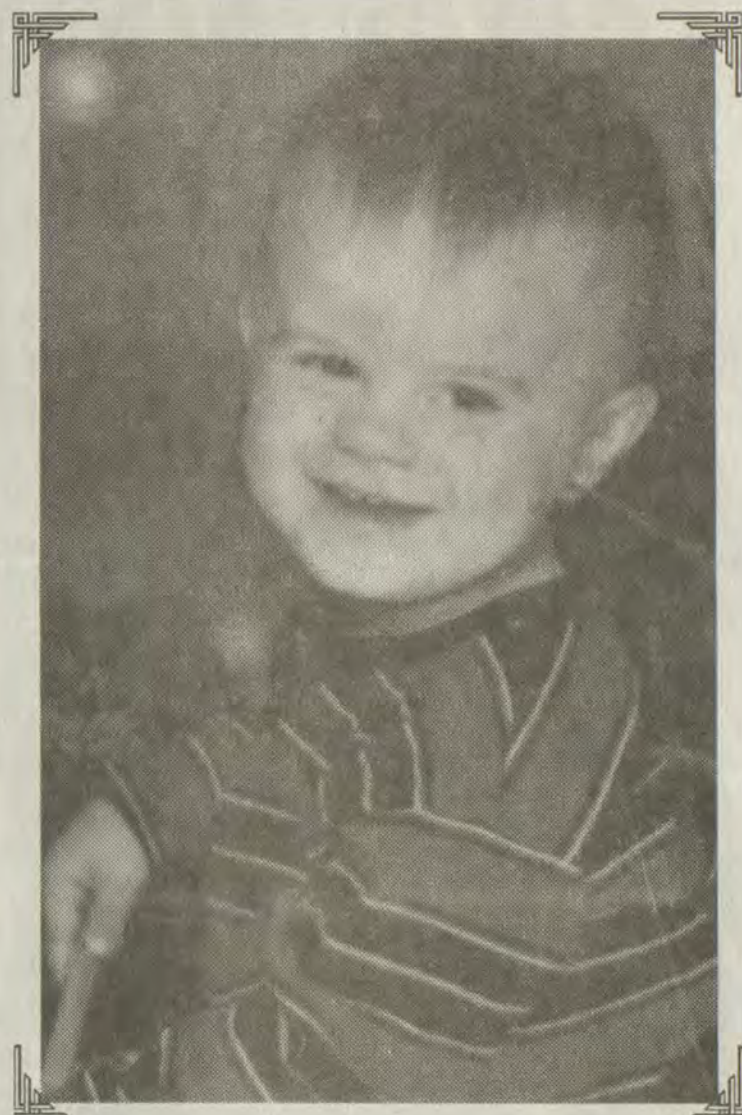


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It's a Girl!

Alexis NaCole Blair was born on February 2, 2005, to proud parents William and Jamie Blair, of Cow Creek. She weighed 7 lbs., 11 oz., and was 21 inches in length. She is the maternal granddaughter of A.J. and Rose McCoy. Her paternal grandparents are Robert Dean and Esther Blair.



Isaiah turns two!

Isaiah Drew Collins turned two years old on February 27, 2005. He is the son of Billy and Mary Collins, of Cow Creek, and the grandson of Johnnie and Patty Moore, of Warfield, and Bill and Brenda Collins, of Cow Creek. Isaiah enjoyed celebrating his special day with family and friends.

New Arrivals



- February 22, 2005
 - A Daughter, Clara Denise Butcher to William & Tara Butcher of Meally, Ky.
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 - A Son, Blake Andrew Maynard to Elisha & Blaine Maynard of Deboard, Ky.
 - A Son, Joshua Kellon Epperson to Gladys & Mark Epperson of Hindman, Ky.
- February 24, 2005
 - A Daughter, Salem Dashaye Piercey to Kritinia Renee Piercey of Paintsville, Ky.
 - A Daughter, Michael Grace Johnson to Melissa Michele Hayslette of Paintsville, Ky.
- February 26, 2005
 - A Son, Eric Brent Hunter II to Colista Michelle & Eric Brent Hunter of Van Lear, Ky.
- February 27, 2005
 - A Daughter, Kaylee Elizabeth Rose Brown to Regina Lynn & Jimmy Lee Brown of Inez, Ky.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NO. 836-0315

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CIVIL ACTION NO: 00-CI-00469 KENTUCKY FARM BUREAU MUTUAL INSURANCE

COMPANY PLAINTIFF

Vs: Willie A. Delong, unknown spouse of Willie A. Delong, Estate of Eula Ann Delong, Brian Neil Delong, unknown spouse of Brian Neil Delong, unknown spouse of Bill Delong, unknown spouse of Connie Reffett, and First Commonwealth Bank of Prestonsburg, Inc. Defendants

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then and in that event, said person shall take credit against the balance due on his or her bid for the interest owned in the property and shall fill bond for no more than the remainder of the purchase price after applying such credit, subject however to purchaser's payment of all cost of sale and delinquent taxes. Further, the successful bidder shall be required at bidder's expense to obtain fire and extended coverage insurance upon any insurable improvements from the date of the sale until the purchase price if fully paid, to the extent of the Court appraised value of the improvements or the balance of the purchase price, whichever is less, with a loss clause payable to the Special Master Commissioner of the Floyd Circuit Court. Upon default of said deposit or posting of bond, by the purchaser, the Special Master Commissioner shall immediately resell the property upon the same terms and conditions set out herein. The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all real property taxes assessed for the tax year 2001, and all subsequent years. Any delinquent Floyd County real property taxes will be deducted from the sale proceeds. All bidders must be prepared to comply with these terms.

Announcements on the day of sale shall take precedence over matters in this advertisement.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, this 21st day of February, 2005.

CLYDE F. JOHNSON
Special Master Commissioner
Floyd Circuit Court
P.O. Box 763
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was mailed, postage prepaid, to the following: Hon. John E. Hinkel, Jr., 300 West Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507; Mr. Willie A. Delong, Blue River, KY 41607; Mr. Bill Delong, Blue River, 61 Old Post Office Street, Martin, KY 41649; Ms. Connie Reffett, 4352 South Hannial Way, Apt. 236, Aurora, CO 80015; Mr. Brian Neil Delong, P.O. Box 203, Blue River, KY 41607. This 21st day of February, 2005.

CLYDE F. JOHNSON

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 OF INTENTION TO RELOCATE GRAVES

Jerry Banks is the owner of certain property located at Sage Allen Branch (formerly known as Motts Branch and General Allen Branch) of Salt Lick on Right Beaver Creek in Floyd County (Deed Book 289, Page 434). He has discovered an abandoned cemetery on his property which contains two (2) identifiable graves and possibly four (4) unmarked graves. It is his intention to relocate these graves with the assistance of Knott Floyd Land Company due to mining operations on his property.

The identifiable graves are: Bobbie Shepherd and Wanda Hicks. Permission to relocate the grave of Bobbie Shepherd has been granted by her next of kin. The only other identifiable grave is that of Wanda Hicks, born 1926 and died 1927. All reasonable efforts have been made to determine if there are other graves in this location.

1. The cemetery has no known official name. It is located on Sage Allen Branch, approximately one mile up Sage Allen Branch on the left hand side of the branch near the residence of Jerry Banks, and has been abandoned for many years.

2. This notice is to request assistance from anyone having knowledge of persons buried in this location or the names of their next of kin.

3. If you have any information about persons buried in this location, please contact George Adkins at Knott Floyd Land Company, P.O. Box 2765, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, (606) 874-9003.

4. This notice will run each Wednesday in the Floyd County Times for a period of 60 days from January 12, 2005. At the expiration of 60 days notice, Jerry Banks will petition the Floyd Fiscal Court to grant authority to relocate the graves whose next of kin cannot be located.

5. The graves requiring Fiscal Court approval to be relocated will be relocated at a perpetual care cemetery in Floyd County, and will be marked by appropriate headstone and footstone. The relocation will be supervised by a licensed funeral director who will have obtained the appropriate permits from the Health Services Cabinet, Department of Vital Statistics. The relocation is planned to take place on or after March 21, 2005.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CASE NO. 03-CI-01322 WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA PLAINTIFF VS.

Gregory Smith, unknown spouse, if any, of Gregory

Smith, Transfinancial Bank, National Association Defendants

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF JUDGMENT AND ORDER OF SALE OF THE FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT, ENTERED ON THE 1ST DAY OF JUNE, 2004, IN THE FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT, IN THE ABOVE-STYLED ACTION, IN THE PRINCIPAL SUM OF \$90,038.63, TOGETHER WITH INTEREST, COSTS AND FEES, I SHALL PROCEED TO OFFER FOR SALE AT THE OLD FLOYD COUNTY COURTHOUSE DOOR, SOUTH CENTRAL AVENUE, PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY, (BEHIND THE NEW FLOYD COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER), TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER, AT PUBLIC AUCTION, ON THURSDAY, THE 17TH DAY OF MARCH, 2005, AT THE HOUR OF 9:15 A.M., THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE, LOCATED AT LOT 25 EAGLE TRACE, HAROLD, FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Herein described property is a tract of property lying and being near the head of Penhook Branch of the Levisa Fork of U.S. 23, at Harold, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and being known as Lot 25 of section Two of the Eagle Trace Subdivision, and being further described as follows:

Beginning at a rebar/cap(set), on the edge of north street, being a common corner of Lot 27 and the subject property; thence leaving the street right of way with Lot 27, N 70 degrees 40'22" W a distance of 149.69' to a rebar/cap(set), being a common corner of Lots 27, 24 and the subject property; thence leaving Lot 27 and with Lot 24, N 30 degrees 57' 30" E a distance of 43.93' to a rebar/cap; thence N 30 degrees 57'30" E a distance of 25.41' to a rebar/cap being a common corner of Lot 24, West Street and the subject property; thence leaving Lot 24 and with the street right of way, 30 degrees 57'30" E a distance of 24.16' to a rebar/cap; thence with a curve turning to the right with an arc length of 30.24', with a radius of 88.94' with a chord bearing of N 58 degrees 29'01" E, with a chord length of 30.10' to a rebar/cap, thence N 74 degrees 51'57" E a distance of 110.02' to a rebar/cap(set), being a common corner of Lot 26 and the subject property; thence leaving the street right of way and downhill with Lot 26, S 03 degrees 32'11" E a distance of 143.86' to a rebar/cap on the edge of north street, being a common corner of Lot 26 and the subject property; thence leaving Lot 26 and along the street right of way with a curve turning to the left with an arc length of 73.86', with a radius of 30.00', with a chord being of S 57 degrees 15'15" W, with a chord length of 56.57' to the point of beginning, having an area of 20,697 square feet, 0.48 acres.

Being the same property conveyed to Gregory Smith by deed dated May 9, 2003, of record in

Deed Book 486, Page 278, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 17th day of March, 2005, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A tract of land, located on Abner Fork, Floyd County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Center of creek, across road at Cline Johnson boundary line and across bottom and up hill to the top of point. Center of creek, across road to marker across the bottom and up by poplar tree on hill to top of point.

Being a portion of the same property conveyed to Jason Hall and Amy Hall, his wife, from Ocelene Cole and Carl Cole, her husband, by deed dated July 19, 1996, and recorded in Deed Book 397, Page 91, of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years, which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Philip Q. Ratliff
Weltman, Weinberg & Reis
525 Vine Street, Suite 800
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

William S. Kendrick
Master Commissioner
P.O. Box 268
Prestonsburg, KY 41653

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II CASE NO. 04-CI-00963 CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK PLAINTIFF VS. JASON HALL, ET AL DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF AMENDED JUDGMENT AND ORDER OF SALE OF THE FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT, ENTERED ON THE 22ND DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2004, IN THE FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT, IN THE ABOVE-STYLED ACTION, IN THE PRINCIPAL SUM OF \$33,536.89, TOGETHER WITH INTEREST, COSTS AND FEES, I SHALL PROCEED TO OFFER FOR SALE AT THE OLD FLOYD COUNTY COURTHOUSE DOOR, SOUTH CENTRAL AVENUE, PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY, (BEHIND

the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 17th day of March, 2005, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A tract of land, located on Abner Fork, Floyd County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Center of creek, across road at Cline Johnson boundary line and across bottom and up hill to the top of point. Center of creek, across road to marker across the bottom and up by poplar tree on hill to top of point.

Being a portion of the same property conveyed to Jason Hall and Amy Hall, his wife, from Ocelene Cole and Carl Cole, her husband, by deed dated July 19, 1996, and recorded in Deed Book 397, Page 91, of the Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 20% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for thirty (30) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of sale until paid, having the force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America, and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2003, and all subsequent years, which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

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COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CASE NO. 03-CI-01322 WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA PLAINTIFF VS.

Gregory Smith, unknown spouse, if any, of Gregory

Smith, Transfinancial Bank, National Association Defendants

RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE BY VIRTUE OF JUDGMENT AND ORDER OF SALE OF THE FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT, ENTERED ON THE 1ST DAY OF JUNE, 2004, IN THE FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT, IN THE ABOVE-STYLED ACTION, IN THE PRINCIPAL SUM OF \$90,038.63, TOGETHER WITH INTEREST, COSTS AND FEES, I SHALL PROCEED TO OFFER FOR SALE AT THE OLD FLOYD COUNTY COURTHOUSE DOOR, SOUTH CENTRAL AVENUE, PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY, (BEHIND

the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 17th day of March, 2005, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located at Lot 25 Eagle Trace, Harold, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a rebar/cap(set), on the edge of north street, being a common corner of Lot 27 and the subject property; thence leaving the street right of way with Lot 27, N 70 degrees 40'22" W a distance of 149.69' to a rebar/cap(set), being a common corner of Lots 27, 24 and the subject property; thence leaving Lot 27 and with Lot 24, N 30 degrees 57' 30" E a distance of 43.93' to a rebar/cap; thence N 30 degrees 57'30" E a distance of 25.41' to a rebar/cap being a common corner of Lot 24, West Street and the subject property; thence leaving Lot 24 and with the street right of way, 30 degrees 57'30" E a distance of 24.16' to a rebar/cap; thence with a curve turning to the right with an arc length of 30.24', with a radius of 88.94' with a chord bearing of N 58 degrees 29'01" E, with a chord length of 30.10' to a rebar/cap, thence N 74 degrees 51'57" E a distance of 110.02' to a rebar/cap(set), being a common corner of Lot 26 and the subject property; thence leaving the street right of way and downhill with Lot 26, S 03 degrees 32'11" E a distance of 143.86' to a rebar/cap on the edge of north street, being a common corner of Lot 26 and the subject property; thence leaving Lot 26 and along the street right of way with a curve turning to the left with an arc length of 73.86', with a radius of 30.00', with a chord

Commonwealth of Kentucky Floyd Circuit Court Division No. II Case No. 04-CI-00620

Community Trust Bank, Inc., Successor in interest to Community Trust Bank, N.A.

Plaintiff

Vs.

Tony Butler and Betsy Butler; Ford Motor Credit Company and Floyd County, Kentucky

Defendants

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment In Rem and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 14th day of January 2005, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action, in the principal sum of \$12,700.09, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center), to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 24th day of March, 2005, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, located and lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A tract of land in South Martin, Floyd County, Kentucky, beginning at a stake on May Waddles line and running 80 feet with said line to Second Street, thence

turning and running with Second Street 50 feet to Calvin Osborne's line, thence turning and running 80 feet to J.W. Halbert's line, thence turning and running 50 feet with J.W. Halbert's line to the beginning.

Being the same property conveyed to Dennis Martin and Gladys Martin by deed from Lottie Ryan, dated July 14, 1962, recorded in Deed Book 180, Page 306, Floyd County Clerk's Office. For further source of title, reference is made to the Will of Dennis Martin, recorded in Will Book B, Page 590, and the Will of Gladys Martin, 1996, recorded in Will Book O, Page 307, said clerk's office.

This was conveyed August 13, 1997, by John Lawrence Maddox and Billie Sue Maddox, his wife, to Tony Butler, divorced and unremarried, Betsy Butler, widow, by Deed Book 410, Page 440, recorded in Floyd County Clerk's Office.

The real property or its address is commonly known as 37 Chestnut Street, Martin, Kentucky 41649.

TERMS OF SALE

(a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or 10% of purchase price, with the balance on credit for sixty (60) days, and required to execute a bond with good surety thereon for the unpaid purchase price of said property, if any, bearing interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum, from the date of sale until paid, having the

force and effect of a Judgment.

(b) The property shall be sold subject to any easements and restrictions of record in the Floyd County Clerk's Office, and such right of redemption as may exist in favor of the United States of America and/or the record owners thereof.

(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2004, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees, and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

Any announcements made on date of sale take precedence over printed matter contained herein.

Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Virginia K. Baird Baird & Baird, PSC P.O. Box 351 Pikeville, KY 41502

William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

Commonwealth of Kentucky Floyd Circuit Court Division No. II Case No. 04-CI-00977

JP Morgan Chase Bank, as Trustee for Equity One ABS, Inc., Mortgage Pass Through Certified Series #2003-1 c/o Equity One, Inc.

Plaintiff

Vs.

Kenneth Johnson, Georgine Johnson, unknown defendant, spouse of Georgine Johnson

Defendants

NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 14th day of January, 2005, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above-styled action, in the principal sum of \$45,950.01, together with interest, costs and fees, I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Old Floyd County Courthouse door, South Central Avenue, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, (behind the new Floyd County Justice Center) to the highest bidder, at public auction, on Thursday, the 24th day of March, 2005, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 145 Elm Street, Wheelwright, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A tract or parcel of land lying and being in Floyd County, Kentucky, on Otter Creek of Left Beaver Creek in the town of Wheelwright and being Lot No. 108 including the dwelling house and appurtenance thereunto belonging located on said lot or parcel of

land of the sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren, following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above, except in emergency situations, where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonations. The following audible warnings will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast, a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast, a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. Also, one (1) minute prior to the blast, a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also, one (1) minute prior to detonations in emergency situations, using audible signals, shall notify all persons force and effect of a within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

The "Blasting Schedule" will be redistributed at least every twelve (12) months. The "Blasting Schedule" shall be revised and redistributed at least ten (10) days, but not more than thirty (30) days prior to blasting whenever the area covered by the schedule changes, the actual time periods for blasting significantly differ from prior announcement, or the permittee changes the types or patterns of warning or all-clear signals identified in the prior schedule.

Copies of the "Blasting Schedule" will be sent to the County Judge, the property owners listed in Item 1.18, public utilities in the vicinity, the regional DSMRE office, and all residents within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting area, at least ten (10) days, but not more than thirty (30) days, before beginning the blasting program.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

A public auction will be held at Worldwide Equipment Inc., 1977 KY RT 1428, Prestonsburg, KY, 41653, at 10:30 a.m., March 24, 2005, to

Plaintiff's Attorney: Hon. Kerri L. Nunley Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480

William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

BLASTING SCHEDULE

This is notice that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, 436 Daniels Creek Road, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, (606) 874-9003, Permit #860-0426, will be blasting at Caney Fork, Latitude 37°23'07", Longitude 82° 50' 01". Blasting will be done Monday through Saturday. No blasting will be conducted before sunrise or after sunset. At least 10 minutes before the blast, access to the area will be controlled by Company personnel. Before each blast is detonated, the following type(s) of audible warning will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast; a one (1) minute series of long sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast, a series of three (3) short

land of the sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal(s) after blasting will be: One (1) prolonged blast of a siren, following the inspection of the blast area. Blasting will not be conducted at times different from those given above, except in emergency situations, where rain, lightning, other atmospheric conditions, or operator or public safety requires unscheduled detonations. The following audible warnings will be given: Five (5) minutes prior to the blast, a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren; One (1) minute prior to the blast, a series of three (3) short sounds of a siren. The all-clear signal after the blast will be: one (1) prolonged blast of a siren. Also, one (1) minute prior to detonations in emergency situations, using audible signals, shall notify all persons force and effect of a within one-half (1/2) mile of the blasting site.

TERMS OF SALE

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(c) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all schedule changes, the actual time periods for blasting significantly differ from prior announcement, or the permittee changes the types or patterns of warning or all-clear signals identified in the prior schedule.

(d) In the event the Plaintiff is the purchaser of the above described property, for an amount equal to, or less than, its first lien, it shall take a credit against said lien for the amount of the bid, and no bond shall be required of the Plaintiff, and it shall only be obligated to pay court costs, the fees and costs of the Master Commissioner, and any real estate taxes assessed against the real estate.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-5442,

Operator Change in accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, intends to revise permit number 836-5442 to change the operator. The operator presently approved in the permit is the permittee. The new operator will be D & D Mining Inc., P.O. Box 460, McDowell, Kentucky 41647.

The operation is located 1.2 mile southeast of McDowell, in Floyd County, and is located approximately 0.2 mile east from Route 1929's junction with Hoods Fork Road, and located 0.2 mile north of Hood's Fork. The operation is located on the McDowell U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map, at latitude 37°26'15" and longitude 82°42'41".

The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department for Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Suite 6, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653-1410. Written comments, or objections must be filed with the Director, Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601. All comments or objections must be received within fifteen (15) days of today's date.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

El Azul Grande #4, Inc., 134 Collins Circle, Prestonsburg, KY, hereby declares intentions to apply for a Restaurant Liquor for the Drink, and Retail Beer license(s), no later than 3/08/05. The business to be licensed will be located at 134 Collins Circle, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, doing business as El Azul Grande #4, Inc. The principal officers are as follows: President, Franklin Childers of 5309 Morning Dove Lane, Cross Lanes, WV 25313.

Any person, association, corporation, or body politic may protest the granting of the license(s) by writing the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, 1003 Twilight Trail, Frankfort, Ky. 40601-8400, within 30 days of the date of this legal publication.

LEGAL NOTICE

Pursuant to the provisions of Kentucky Revised Statute 337.522, I, or my authorized agent, will on March 24, 2005, commencing on or about 9:30 a.m. (EST), in the Jackson City Hall, hold a hearing to consider a revision of the prevailing wage rates for laborers, workmen, and mechanics engaged in the construction of public works projects in Locality No. 30.

which includes the counties of Breathitt, Floyd, Knott and Letcher. Evidence relating to wages paid on building heavy and highway construction projects will be accepted at this hearing. All evidence shall be submitted on the Employment Standards Form ES-46. Evidence may also be submitted by mail up to 30 days after the hearing and such evidence shall include the required Employment Standards affidavit (ES-4A). Evidence submitted after the hearing shall be mailed to the Division of Employment Standards, Apprenticeship and Training, 1047 U.S. 127 South, Suite 4, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601. All interested persons desiring to present evidence or offer testimony on this date are invited to attend the hearing. Any questions concerning this hearing should be referred to the Division of Employment Standards, Apprenticeship and Training at 502/564-3070.

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE PURSUANT TO APPLICATION NUMBER 836-8027 RENEWAL

In accordance with KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given that FCDC Coal, Inc., 750 Town Mountain Road, Pikeville, KY 41501, has applied for a renewal of a permit for a coal processing facility, affecting 34.25 acres, located 0.10 mile east of Ligon, in Floyd County.

The proposed facility is located on the McDowell and Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by Alma Land Company, Gordon Meade, The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Will

Stone Hairs. The application has been filed for public inspection at the Department of Natural Resources Prestonsburg Regional Office, 3140 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653.

Written comments, or objections, or requests for a permit conference must be filed with the Director, Division of Mine Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow, U.S. 127 South, Frankfort, KY 40601.

The proposed facility is approximately 0.5 mile south from State Route 979 junction with Clear Creek Road, and located 0.75 mile south of Ligon post office. The latitude is 37°22'09". The longitude is 82° 40' 28".

The proposed facility is located on the McDowell and Wheelwright U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle map. The surface area is owned by Alma Land Company, Gordon Meade, The Elk Horn Coal Corporation, Will

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Public Meeting Notice

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission has applied to the KY Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Division of Water, Drinking Water Branch (DWB), for a Special Appropriations Grant funded by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The project is as follows: waterline reinforcement along KY 321 to the water storage tank behind Highlands Regional Medical Center, and replacement of the Lancer water storage tank.

Prestonsburg City's Utilities Commission will hold a public meeting on Monday, March 28, 2005, at 5:00 p.m., at Big Sandy Area Development District. The purpose of this meeting is to allow the public to review and comment on the proposed activities, potential impacts, and project alternatives. Any relevant documents will be on file at Big Sandy A.D.D., 110 Resource Court, Prestonsburg, Kentucky, for citizens' review during regular business hours.

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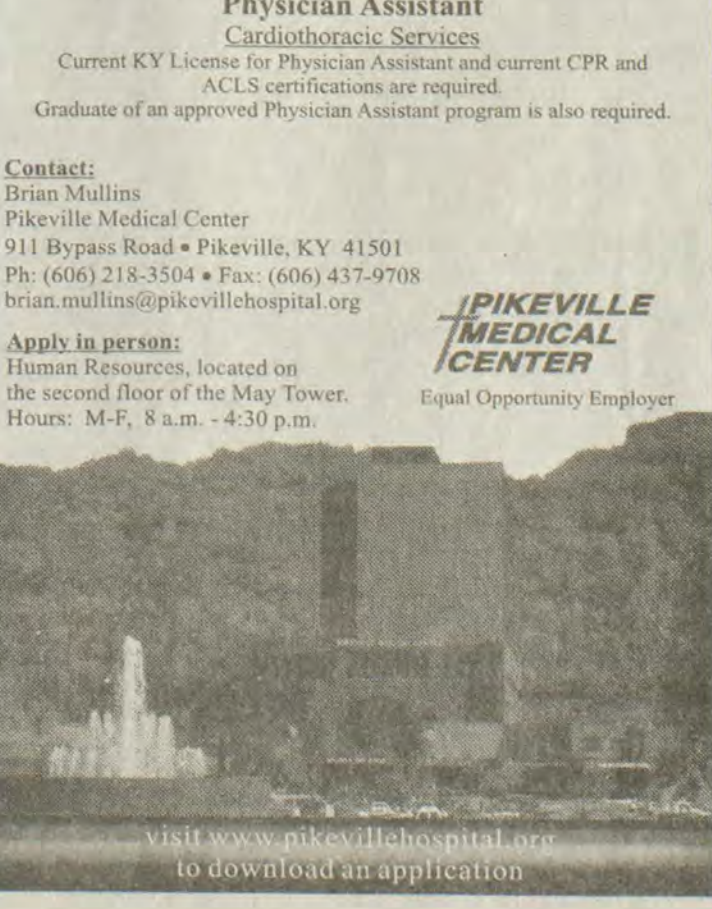
Cardiothoracic Services

Current KY License for Physician Assistant and current CPR and ACLS certifications are required. Graduate of an approved Physician Assistant program is also required.

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Notice to Customers of Kentucky Power Company Proposed changes to the Environmental Surcharge Tariff

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on March 7, 2005, Kentucky Power Company (KPCo) will file with the Kentucky Public Service Commission (the Commission) in Case No. 2005-00068 an Application pursuant to Kentucky Revised Statutes 278.183 for authorization to make changes to the environmental surcharge for customer bills rendered on and after April 29, 2005 in accordance with proposed changes to Tariff E.S. KPCo is requesting the Commission to approve the proposed changes to the Tariff E.S. This tariff contains the environmental surcharge ratemaking formula and other terms and conditions. The proposed changes, if approved, will allow KPCo to apply a surcharge to all customer bills rendered on and after April 29, 2005 to recover additional cost of complying with the Federal Clean Air Act and other federal and state or local environmental requirements which apply to coal combustion wastes and by-products from facilities utilized for the production of energy from coal in accordance with KPCo's environmental compliance plan. The full terms and conditions and ratemaking formula of Tariff E.S. are set forth below:

APPLICABLE

To Tariffs R.S., R.S.-L.M.-T.O.D., Experimental R.S.-T.O.D., S.G.S., M.G.S., Experimental M.G.S.-T.O.D., L.G.S., Q.P., C.I.P.-T.O.D., C.S.-I.R.P., M.W., O.L., and S.L.

RATE

1. The environmental surcharge shall provide for periodic adjustments based on a percent of revenues equal to the difference between the environmental compliance costs in the base period and in the current period according to the following formula:

$$\text{Monthly Environmental Surcharge Factor} = \frac{\text{Net KY Retail E(m)}}{\text{KY Retail R (m)}}$$

Where:

Net KY Retail E(m) = Monthly E(m) allocated to Kentucky Retail Customers, net of Over/(Under) Recovery Adjustment; Allocation based on Percentage of Kentucky Retail Revenues to Total Company Revenues in the Expense Month (For purposes of this formula, Total Company Revenues do not include Non-Physical Revenues.)

KY Retail R(m) = Kentucky Retail Revenues for the Expense Month

2. Monthly Environmental Surcharge Gross Revenue Requirement, E(m)

E(m) = CRR-BRR

Where:

CRR = Current Period Revenue Requirement for the Expense Month

BRR = Base Period Revenue Requirement

3. Base Period Revenue Requirement, BRR

$$BRR = (RB_{(KP(B))} / (ROR_{(KP(B))} / 12) + OE_{(KP(B))}) + ((RB_{(IM(B))} / 12) + OE_{(IM(B))}) \cdot (.15)$$

Where:

RB_{(KP(B))} = Environmental Compliance Rate Base for Big Sandy

ROR_{(KP(B))} = Annual Rate of Return on Big Sandy Rate Base; Annual Rate divided by 12 to restate to a Monthly Rate of Return

OE_{(KP(B))} = Monthly Pollution Control Operating Expenses for Big Sandy

RB_{(IM(B))} = Environmental Compliance Rate Base for Rockport

ROR_{(IM(B))} = Annual Rate of Return on Rockport Rate Base; Annual Rate divided by 12 to restate to a Monthly Rate of Return

OE_{(IM(B))} = Monthly Pollution Control Operating Expenses for Rockport

"KP(B)" identifies components from the Big Sandy Units - Base Period, and "IM(B)" identifies components from the Indiana Michigan Power Company's Rockport Units - Base Period.

The Rate Base for both Kentucky Power and Rockport should reflect the account balance as of December 31, 1990. The Operating Expense amounts should reflect the December 1990 expense. The amounts reflect retirements or replacements resulting from the 1997 Plan, the 2003 Plan and the 2005 Plan.

The Rate of Return for Kentucky Power is a weighted average cost of capital calculation, reflecting the cost of debt as of December 31, 1990 and the rate of return on common equity authorized in Case No. 1996-00489. The Kentucky Power component in the Base Period Revenue Requirement is a result of the adoption of the settlement in Case No. 1999-00149. As Kentucky Power's last general rate case had been settled, Kentucky Power proposed and the Commission accepted the use of the rate of return on common equity established in Case No. 1996-00489.

The Rate of Return for Rockport should reflect the requirements of the Rockport Unit Power Agreement.

The Base Period Revenue Requirement will remain fixed until either a) a 2-year review case results in the roll-in of the surcharge into existing base rates, or b) further retirements or replacements of pollution control utility plant occur due to the installation of new pollution control utility plant associated with the approved compliance plan.

4. Current Period Revenue Requirement, CRR

$$CRR = (RB_{(KP(C))} / (ROR_{(KP(C))} / 12) + OE_{(KP(C))}) + ((RB_{(IM(C))} / (ROR_{(IM(C))} / 12) + OE_{(IM(C))}) \cdot (.15)) \cdot AS$$

Where:

RB_{(KP(C))} = Environmental Compliance Rate Base for Big Sandy

ROR_{(KP(C))} = Annual Rate of Return on Big Sandy Rate Base Annual Rate divided by 12 to restate a Monthly Rate of Return

OE_{(KP(C))} = Monthly Pollution Control Operating Expenses for Big Sandy.

RB_{(IM(C))} = Environmental Compliance Rate Base for Rockport.

ROR_{(IM(C))} = Annual Rate of Return on Rockport Base; Annual Rate divided by 12 to restate to a Monthly Rate of Return.

OE_{(IM(C))} = Monthly Pollution Control Operating Expenses for Rockport.

AS = Net proceeds from the sale of SO₂ emission allowances, ERCs, and NO_x emission allowances reflected in the month of receipt. The SO₂ allowance sales can be from either EPA Auctions or the AEP Interim Allowance Agreement Allocations.

"KP(C)" identifies components from the Big Sandy Units-Current Period, and "IM(C)" identifies components from the Indiana Michigan Power Company's Rockport Units-Current Period.

The Rate Base for both Kentucky Power and Rockport should reflect the current costs associated with the 1997 Plan, the 2003 Plan and the 2005 Plan. The Rate Base for Kentucky Power should also include a cash working capital allowance based on the 1/8 formula approach, due to the inclusion of Kentucky Power's accounts receivable financing in the capital structure and weighted average cost of capital. The Operating Expenses for both Kentucky Power and Rockport should reflect the current operating expenses associated with the 1997 Plan, the 2003 Plan, and the 2005 Plan.

The Rate of Return for Kentucky Power is the weighted average cost of capital as authorized by the Commission in Case No. 2002-00169.

The Rate of Return for Rockport should reflect the requirements of the Rockport Unit Power Agreement.

Net proceeds from the sale of emission allowances and ERCs that reflect net gains will be a reduction to the Current Period Revenue Requirement, while net losses will be an increase.

The Current Period Revenue Requirement will reflect the balances and expenses as of the Expense Month of the filing.

5. Environmental costs "E" shall be the Company's costs of compliance with the Clean Air Act and those environmental requirements shall apply to coal combustion wastes and by-products, as follows:

- cost associated with Continuous Emission Monitors (CEMS)
- cost associated with the terms of the Rockport Unit Power Agreement
- the Company's share of the pool capacity costs associated with Gavin scrubber(s)
- return on SO₂ allowance inventory
- costs associated with air emission fees
- over/under recovery balances between the actual costs incurred less the amount collected through the environmental surcharge.
- costs associated with any Commission's consultant approved by the Commission
- costs associated with Low Nitrogen Oxide (NO_x) burners at the Big Sandy Generating Plant
- costs associated with the consumption of SO₂ allowances
- costs associated with the SCR at the Big Sandy Generating Plant
- costs associated with the upgrade of the precipitator at the Big Sandy Generating Plant
- costs associated with the over-fire air with water injection at the Big Sandy Generating Plant
- costs associated with the consumption of NO_x allowances
- return on NO_x allowance inventory
- 25% of the costs associated with the Reverse Osmosis Water System (the amount is subject to adjustment at subsequent 6 month surcharge reviews based on the documented utilization of the RO Water System by the SCR)
- costs associated with operating approved pollution control equipment
- costs associated with maintaining approved pollution control equipment including material and contract labor (excluding plant labor)
- the Company's share of the pool capacity costs associated with the following:
 - Amos Unit No 3 CEMS, Low NO_x Burners and SCR
 - Cardinal Unit No 1 CEMS, Low NO_x Burners, SCR and associated SO₂ Mitigation System
 - Gavin Plant SCR, SCR Catalyst Replacement and SO₂ Mitigation System
 - Gavin Unit Nos. 1 and 2 Low NO_x Burners
 - Kammer Unit Nos 1, 2 and 3 CEMS, Over Fire Air and Duct Modification
 - Mitchell Unit Nos 1 and 2 Low NO_x Burners and Low NO_x Burner Modification, Unit No. 1 Water Injection
 - Mitchell Plant Common CEMS, Replace Burner Barrier Valves
 - Muskingum River Unit No 1 Low NO_x Ductwork, Over Fire Air, Over Fire Air Modification, Water Injection and Water Injection Modification
 - Muskingum River Unit No 2 Low NO_x Ductwork, Over Fire Air, Over Fire Air Modification and Water Injection
 - Muskingum River Unit No 3 Over Fire Air, Over Fire Air Modification with NO_x Instrumentation
 - Muskingum River Unit No 4 Over Fire Air with Modification
 - Muskingum River Unit No 5 Low NO_x Burner with Modification and Weld Overlays and an SCR
 - Muskingum River Common CEMS
 - Phillip Sporn Unit No 2 Low NO_x Burners with Modifications
 - Phillip Sporn Unit Nos 4 and 5 Low NO_x Burners and Modulating Injection Air System with Modifications
 - Phillip Sporn Common CEMS and SO₂ injection system
 - Rockport Unit Nos 1 and 2 Low NO_x Burners
 - Tanners Creek Unit No 1 Low NO_x Burners with Modifications and Low NO_x Burners Leg Replacement
 - Tanners Creek Unit Nos 2 and 3 Low NO_x Burners with Modifications
 - Tanners Creek Unit No 4 Over Fire Air, Low NO_x Burners and ESP Controls Upgrade
 - Tanners Creek Common CEMS

6. The monthly environmental surcharge shall be filed with the Commission ten (10) days before it is scheduled to go into effect, along with all necessary supporting data to justify the amount of the adjustments which shall include data and information as may be required by the Commission.

The changes to Tariff E.S. contained in this notice are proposed by KPCo. The estimated effect of the proposed changes to the environmental surcharge tariff for a residential customer using an average of 1,000 kWh per month would increase a customer's bill \$0.34 per month, or approximately 0.6 percent. However, the Public Service Commission may order changes to Tariff E.S. to be different from the proposed changes. Such action may result in a change in the environmental surcharge amount for customers to be different than the environmental surcharge amounts in this notice.

Any corporation, association, body politic or person may, by motion within thirty (30) days after publication or mailing of notice of the proposed changes to the environmental surcharge tariff, request leave to intervene in Case No. 2005-00068. That motion shall be submitted to the Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-0614, and shall set forth the grounds for the request including the status and interest of the party.

Intervenors may obtain copies of the Application and testimony by contacting Kentucky Power Company at 101A Enterprise Drive, P.O. Box 5190 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-5190, attention Errol K. Wagner. A copy of the Application and testimony is available for public inspection at KPCo's district service buildings located in Ashland, Hazard and Pikeville.



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2x8 *SPF* KD.	5.77	7.55	8.88	9.88	11.88
2x10 *SPF* KD.	7.33	9.33	11.33	13.33	15.33

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2x4x92 5/8" Studs.....	\$2.35
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19/32" Sturdy Floor...O.S.B.....	17.55
23/32" T & G Advantech..	27.44
1/2" CDX Plywood...A.P.A.....	12.89
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Description	8'	10'	12'	14'	16'
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2x6 Treated	3.77	5.66	7.55	8.33	10.44
2x8 Treated	6.22	8.22	9.44	11.88	13.44
2x10 Treated	8.33	11.88	14.77	17.55	19.88
4x4 Treated	5.88	8.88	11.77	12.88	15.88
6x6 Treated	17.88	23.77	28.44	30.88	37.44
1x6 Treated	2.88		4.55		
5/4x6 Treated	3.44	4.44	5.44		7.88
2x2	\$2.33	4 Step Riser			\$7.88
48" Colonial Post	\$8.98	36" Spindle	\$1.44		
8" Grooved Handrail	\$6.88	Ball Top	\$3.44		
4 x 8 Treated Lattice					\$7.55
4 x 8 White Vinyl Lattice					\$14.88

NAILS

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#16 CC Nails	50lbs	21.97
1" Roofing Nails	50lbs	24.77

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5/8" x 4 x 8 Pine, 4" or 8" O.C.....	\$25.88

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All stock colors per sq.....	42.88
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All stock colors per sq.....	42.88



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32x16	38" x 42"	109.77
24x24	30" x 58"	117.77
28x24	34" x 58"	119.77

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METAL CLAD INSULATED EXTERIOR UNITS

6 Panel	9 Lite	Fan Top	15 Lite
\$105.55	\$137.77	\$155.55	\$177.77

Colonial Entrance with Sidelights **\$374.44**

Marquise Brass Entrance with Sidelights **\$733.33**

Oval Brass Entrance with Sidelights **\$777.77**

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6/0 Metal Clad - All Seasons	\$344.44
6/0 Metal Clad - 15 Lite	\$344.44



6/0 Andersen FWH White **1088.50**

INTERIOR PREHUNG UNITS WITH CASING

	1/6	2/0	2/4	2/6	2/8	3/0
6 PANEL MOULDED	64.77	65.77	67.77	67.77	69.77	71.77
6 PANEL WPP-CLEAR	124.88	136.88	147.88	147.88	149.88	159.88
LAUAN F.J.	54.77	55.77	57.77	57.77	58.77	61.77
BIRCH-CLEAR	86.88	88.88	89.88	89.88	92.88	96.88

	4/0	5/0	6/0
Moulded Panel Byfold	\$64.88	\$67.88	\$ 77.88
Louvered Byfold	97.77	108.77	115.77

MOULDING

W. P. Base - Ranch or Colonial F.J.....	44¢ ft.
W. P. Casing - Ranch or Colonial F.J.....	29¢ ft.

MISCELLANEOUS

12' x 100' Roll Plastic 4 mill	\$24.88
Key In Knob Lock	7.88

INSULATION PRODUCTS

R 1/2" R-Max Sheathing....	\$6.55
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9' x 100' House Wrap.....	\$58.88



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4x4 Octagon Metal Box (code).....	1.12
200 AMP 32 Circuit Breaker Box (w/cover)	94.88
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Nautilus

Vent & Fan	Heat-Vent & Light	Vent & Light
\$12.88	\$59.89	\$29.95

GALVANIZED CULVERT

	12"	15"	18"	24"	36"
12' Steel	69.88	88.88	111.66	138.88	
20' Steel	117.77	155.55	184.66	247.77	354.66

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40 gal. Elec. Water Heater	239.88
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CHAPTER 9

The story so far: Faced with losing their school, a team of students and their teacher try to win a scavenger hunt. The prize: a rap star's school-sized mansion!

Last week's clue:

It's been more than 60 years since the day,
The day.
The day the war turned,
The day the earth burned.
It was a day when freedom really marched,
Really marched.
Now find me the place,
Where the nation can embrace,
The courage and the teamwork of the day.

"Sixty-something years ago was World War II," Myron said. "And I remember there being a memorial in Washington, D.C. I bet that's the answer. Check out the flight times to D.C., Tish."

Latisha was shaking her head. "I don't know Myron. I don't think FreeZee would send us to the same place twice — am I right?"

The Goldenrod team was at the Eastern Carolina Airport, ready to fly to their next destination after solving the latest clue. FreeZee was with them, but only as an observer. "I'm not sayin'," he said. "This is your game with your reward."

Nathan reread the clue. "I think you're right, Myron," he said. "I remember reading in the newspaper that so many old soldiers are going to visit the World War II Memorial."

Latisha wasn't sure. "But what about the words 'the day' in the clue?" She looked at Amber to back her up.

"I can't help you," Amber said. "I don't know anything about war and don't want to."

Ms. Roosevelt looked uncomfortable. Like FreeZee, she couldn't help solve the clue.

After Latisha searched the Internet for the earliest flight to Washington, Ms. Roosevelt bought the tickets. As the group stood in line to board the plane, Latisha looked nervous. "I hope we're going to the right town," she said under her breath.

The students from Limestone did not know when the scavenger hunt would end, but they thought it was soon. Mr. Lopez had told Ms. Roosevelt that school would start again within days.

Each student knew only that at this point in the game, they could not make any mistakes.

During the flight, Latisha decided to act. She walked

down the aisle, scanning the faces and clothes of the other passengers. She stopped at Row 22 and looked at the man in Seat A. "Excuse me, sir. Are you a veteran?"

The question didn't need to be asked. The man was wearing a cap with the words "WWII vet" and "34th Infantry," along with other military pins. "Why, yes, young lady, I'm a veteran."

Latisha hesitated. "My friends and I are, uh, doing a school project, and part of it is about World War II," she said. "Are you going to Washington to visit the memorial?"

"I am indeed."
"We're trying to learn about the one big day in that war."

"Do you mean D-Day?" the man asked.

"D-Day — duh! How did we not think of that?" Latisha wondered. "Yes, sir, that's it."

"Well, lots of guys in the D-Day landing visit the World War II Memorial," the man said.

Latisha breathed a sigh of relief.

"But the best place to go is the D-Day Museum in New Orleans," he said. "Have you all been there?"

"No sir, but we, uh, will soon. Thanks!" Latisha said and hurried back to her seat.

After Latisha told her teammates what the old soldier said, Myron read the clue aloud. "We're going to the wrong city!" he said, covering his eyes with his hand. "I should have listened to you, Tish."

"I got brain freeze!" Nathan moaned. "The kind where you stop thinking when you think you know the answer."

"Nathan, we all make mistakes," Ms. Roosevelt said, checking her watch. "We land just before one. Surely we can get a flight to New Orleans this afternoon."

"The D-Day Museum closes at five," Amber said, looking up from the laptop.

By the time the jet started its descent, Latisha had booked six seats on a 2:15 flight to New Orleans. "The flight takes two hours and 40 minutes, though," she said. "We can't make it by five!"

The kids looked defeated. Ms. Roosevelt and FreeZee, who had known it was a mistake to return to D.C., had a

sick look on their faces.

"But wait," Myron said, lifting his head from the fold-down tray. "New Orleans is on Central time. We've got an extra hour!"



During the flight to Louisiana, Ms. Roosevelt called a cab company and arranged for a van to meet the group at the airport. FreeZee took the phone, though, and upgraded the cab to a limo.

The rapper also talked to the students about D-Day. "The United States and other countries sent 175,000 men across the English Channel to fight the Nazis in France," he explained. "It was an awful, bloody day, but it turned the war in our favor."

"That must've been cool — all those boats and planes and guns," Myron said.

"Nothin' cool about dyin', Myron," FreeZee said. "Thousands of men gave up their lives. Thousands."



The limo stopped in front of the National D-Day Museum at 4:50 p.m., and the group quickly entered the building.

"Do we still need to send you a picture, FreeZee?" Amber asked.

"Yeah, let's make it official," he said.

As Myron, Nathan, and Latisha read about the "Higgins boat" on display — the type of boat that took soldiers to the beach on D-Day — Amber took a picture and sent it to FreeZee. "I think we should come back tomorrow and learn more," she said.

"You'll have time," FreeZee said. "The clue in today's Times-Picayune is your last one."

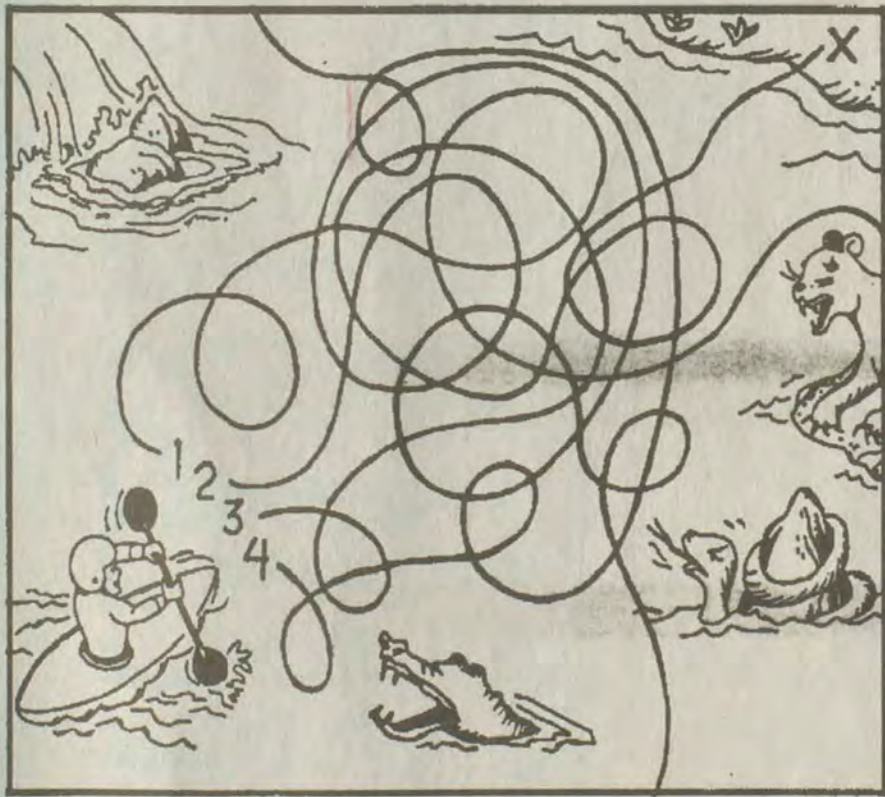
Each week, a rap clue for the story's scavenger hunt will appear in The Floyd County Times. Look for it in today's Classifieds section.

Bob Rouse and Frank Yates both work for the Lexington Herald-Leader. For classroom activities to use with this story, go to www.kypress.com.

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SHORE THING! Our paddler pal is hoping to make a safe landing. Which of four routes does he take to shore?

GUESS-IN GAME! Guess how many times you can find the word IN in the following sentence: The interim tin-eared king imagined a ringing in his inner ear. Do you say 6, 7, 8, more?

You guessed right if you said eight.

MURKY MATH! See if you can insert digits 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 in blank squares of the diagram at right to have all totals comply. That is to say, have math function in the order presented from left to right and top to bottom, sign by sign.

P.S.: Number 2 is already in place in top left corner. Let it be known that 0 is also to appear in one of the blanks of the top row.

See if you can take it from there.

Top row, across—2 0 7; middle row—6 3 5; bottom—4 8 1.

1	L	E	T	S					
2									
3									
4									
5									
6									
7	S	O	M	E	R	S	A	U	L

2	+		+		=	9
x	/	x	/	-	/	
	÷		x		=	10
÷	/	+	/	÷	/	
	x		-		=	31
=	3	=	8	=	2	

Junior Whirl

by Hal Kaufman

ADD-A-LETTER FLIP-FLOP

STARTING with LETS, at top (see left), you are asked to add a letter and rearrange those at hand as necessary to form a new word in each step until you reach the word SOMERSAULT below.

Definitions:

1. Allows (LETS, in place).
2. Fish with an odoriferous name.
3. Iron, lead, tin, etc.
4. Sweetening agent.
5. A love-companion of sorts (two words).
6. Copycats.
7. Head-over-heels body flip (SOMERSAULT).

Remember, each word has one more letter than its predecessor.

1. Lets. 2. Smelt. 3. Metals. 4. Maltose. 5. Soul mate. 6. Emulators. 7. Somersault.

Newspaper reading adventures for little learners!

My Kid Scoop™

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My name: _____

Learning Buddies: Spell your child's first name, using the lines to write large letters. Use an uppercase letter for the first letter in the name and lowercase letters to spell the rest. Have your child trace the letters with a finger, crayon or pencil.

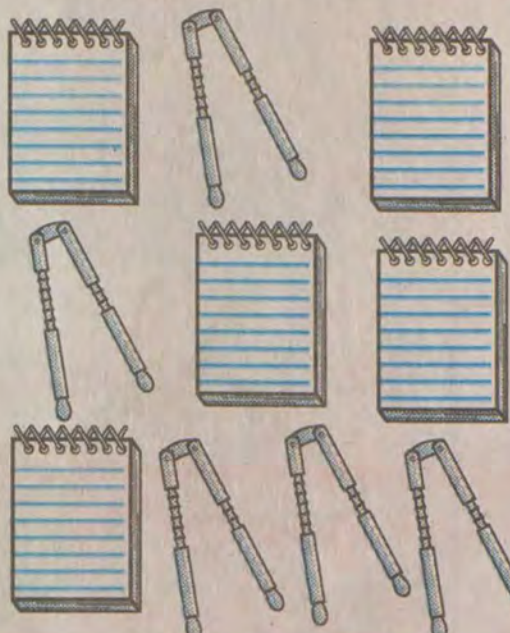
Nickel or Penny?

Color each nickel gray. Color the pennies brown.



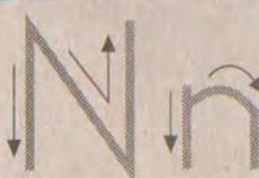
A nickel is worth five pennies. That's five cents.

Having five pennies is the same as having a nickel.



My Letters

N is for Nickel
n is for nickel



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

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

My Numbers

How many notepads?



How many nutcrackers?

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

My Rhyme Time

Five currant buns in a baker's shop,
Big and round with a cherry on the top,
Along came a boy with a nickel one day,
Bought a currant bun and took it away.

My Sentence

Learning Buddies: Read the first part of the sentence aloud. Ask your child to think of a way to finish the sentence. Write your child's words in the lines. Read the entire sentence to your child while pointing out that reading is done from left to right. Older children may want to trace all or some of the letters in the sentence.



A nickel is _____



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Letter Identification With your child, look through the newspaper to find pictures of things that start with the same sound as the letter N in the word nickel.	Math Play Point to the number 5 in the newspaper. Have your child say the number and, if it's large enough, have your child trace the number.	Nickel Words Have your child find words in the paper that have 5 letters. Say, "That word is like a nickel. It has 5 letters!" Find another word that has less than 5 letters, count and look for another that has 5 letters.	Big N, Little n On one page of the newspaper search for an uppercase letter N and a lowercase letter n. Draw a line to connect the two. Can you find more uppercase and lowercase N-n pairs?	A Nickel is a Circle! Show your child a nickel and explain that its shape is a circle. Then look through the newspaper for more pictures that are circles.	Newspaper Cut Ups Cutting newspapers is a great way for children to develop small motor skills. Give your child safe scissors and a page of the newspaper with long columns of text. Have your child cut along the lines to make long strips of newspaper.	Find Fingers With your child, try to find a picture that shows a person's hands. With your child count the number of fingers you can see on the hand. If you can't see all five, where are the others? Can your child mimic what the hand in the picture is doing?

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Rational Numbers

by Linda Thistle

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the diagram.

	1	2		3	4	
5				6		
		7	8		9	10
11	12		13	14		
	15	16		17	18	
19				20		

ACROSS

- Same digit repeated
- Twenty less than 14-Down
- 10-Down minus 19-Across
- 18-Down minus 20-Across
- Two times 1-Down
- 16-Down plus 18-Down
- The first digit is four times the last digit
- Three more than 7-Across
- Two more than 9-Across
- Five times 8-Down
- Three hundred more than 4-Down
- 3-Down plus 16-Down

DOWN

- Consecutive digits in ascending order

Rational Numbers

answers

2	5		4	0	5
5	3		4	5	1
5	4	3	5	8	2
4	7	1	7	6	8
9	4	9	8	9	3
4	4	1	0	1	0
2	1	2	3	3	3

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North America

Mythical beasts, heroic humans and nurturing spirits are popular characters in Native American mythology.

To the Native Americans, all living things have a spirit. Animal spirits and other elements of nature possess power and knowledge. The **bear** represents the west and introspection. The **coyote** can take many forms: creator, messenger, hero, trickster or fool. He also has the ability to transform. The **crow** or **raven** is another trickster, while the **eagle** is a medicine bird who plays many roles. According to legend, the **owl woman** of the Plains Tribes is keeper of a bridge on the way to the afterlife. The **thunder bird** is a nature deity. Sometimes it is a symbol of war, with eyes of fire, a glance of lightning and wings that make thunder.

The Maya

Mayan villages first appeared in Central America between 8,000 and 1,500 B.C. During the Classic Period (A.D. 300 to 900), architecture and culture blossomed and they began to record important events by carving them in stone.

Aztec mythology

The Aztecs occupied Mexico from the 14th to 16th centuries. The name is derived from their homeland, Aztlan.

Quetzalcoatl is the feathered snake, and the major deity of the Aztecs. He is the creator sky-god and a wise ruler who organized the cosmos. **Xochiquetzal** is goddess of the Earth, flowers, plants, games, dance and love. She is also associated with the moon.

Incan mythology

The Incan empire extended along the Pacific coast and Andes mountains. Hanan Pacha is their heavenly paradise, accessible to the souls of the just, who must cross a bridge woven from hairs.

Apocatequil was the god of lightning. **Apo** was the Incan mountain god. **Apu Illapu** was the god of thunder. **Viracocha** was the supreme god, the synthesis of a sun and storm god.

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Myths from the Americas & Oceania

Nature spirits play a vital role in the myths of native peoples.

The **coyote** is an important symbol to most Native American tribes. He is the ultimate trickster — benevolent at times, but symbolic of lessons to be learned.



Kachina, in Hopi tribal legend, are masked figures or dolls that represent spirits of the dead or departed.

In Australia, **boomerangs** are thought to have been created by ancestral deity **Bobbi-Bobbi** in order to catch flying foxes for food. He created it from his rib.

In Australian Aboriginal legend, the **Whowie** is the most terrible creature in existence. He attacks and devours anything that comes his way.

Yurlungur is a giant snake called the "Great Father." It is said that the well water he lives in shines like a rainbow and his voice is thunder. The rainbow serpent is known throughout most of Australia but his name differs from tribe to tribe.

Nokomis is the grandmother and Earth goddess of the Algonquin. She feeds all living things: plants, animals and people.

Anaye, in Navajo tribal legend, were unnatural monsters named Cold, Hunger, Poverty and Old Age. They lived to remind man to prize the good things of life.

Rangi and Papa Earth being separated by Old Spider

Chac, the Mayan god of rain and lightning, was one of the earliest and most worshiped gods in Mesoamerica.

Inti, a great protector god, was the sun god and ancestor of the Incas.

Menehune, in Hawaiian legend, are mischievous little people who haunt deep forests or mountains. They come out at night to play tricks or to serve people.

Oceania is the name for the islands of the Pacific Ocean: Australasia, Polynesia, Micronesia and Melanesia.

Aborigines

Australia's Aborigines have had the longest continuous human culture on Earth, dating back about 65,000 years.

The **Dreamtime**, or **Alchera**, explains the origins of the land and people. It is the "time before time," when Earth was created. The land, plants and animals were given form. The Ancestor Spirits established relationships between groups and individuals, and where they traveled they created rivers, hills and places. Once their work was done, they changed into animals, stars, hills or other objects.

Cast of characters

Alinga is the sun goddess. **Apunga** is the goddess of small plants. **Bunbulama** is the goddess of the rain. **Dilga** is the goddess of justice. **Eingana** is the birth mother, maker of all water, land, animals and kangaroos. **Gidja** is the god of the moon. **Julunggul** is the goddess of initiations. **Wandjina** is the god who made the Earth, sea and everything else. He created humankind to live on Earth.

Seed Power

Jiva or **Guruwari** is a type of resident power deposited into the earth. The Aborigines call this the "Dreaming" of a place, a sacred state. In extraordinary states of consciousness, it is thought that one can be aware of the inner dreaming of the Earth.

Polynesian mythology

To the Oceanic peoples, darkness, the sea and forever have always existed. In all of Oceania, the myth of creation has one of two points of view: In one myth a supreme deity creates everything. There is also the story of the mythical **old spider** that created the heavens and the Earth. In either version, heaven, Earth, and sea are created in the beginning, with **Papa Earth** and **Rangi Sky** inside a cramped clamshell. More space is made by either a deity or by Papa and Rangi. Light is let in, the clam is widened and creation proceeds.

Maul (above) is a powerful god to the Maoris and Hawaiians.

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