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briefs

Two killed in Inez crash

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

INEZ — A collision on Route 3 outside of Inez killed two people Saturday.

Travis Carter, 20, of Inez, and a juvenile passenger were proceeding south when their vehicle had difficulty navigating a curve. They crossed into the northbound lane and collided with another vehicle.

The Martin County Rescue Squad had to extricate Carter and his passenger from the vehicle.

Carter was transported to Highlands Regional Medical Center and then to the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center in Lexington, where he was pronounced dead on Sunday.

Carter's juvenile passenger was pronounced dead at the scene by Martin County Coroner Mike Crum.

The accident remains under investigation by Kentucky State Police Trooper Brian Lee.

Second robbery suspect appears in court

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — More details about the Jan. 5 robbery of Family Drug, in Wheelwright, came to light as Kentucky State Police Det. Eddie Crum testified Monday about his ongoing investigation at a preliminary hearing for the second suspect arrested in relation to

the incident.

Adam Chaffins, 19, of Wayland, surrendered himself to Floyd County Sheriff John K. Blackburn last week when he learned he had been sought in connection with the robbery since Jan. 17.

Crum described the incident as a "takeover-style robbery," as he related how three men, wearing disguises consisting of hooded sweatshirts, scarves and cut panty-

hose, rushed into the pharmacy around 10 a.m. and pointed shotguns and pistols at the startled staff. He related how one man acted as the leader and shouted orders for everyone to retire to a back room.

Crum went on to note that one staff person hid under a desk and was dragged out at gunpoint and forced to march into a store room with the others.

He pointed out that the robbery was

conducted efficiently, with the men only making one trip out of the store with the goods they stole, which included hydrocodone and cash from the register.

Upon cross-examination by Chaffins' attorney, public advocate Jane Harlan, Crum named the pharmacy staff who witnessed the event. He noted that the staff at

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UNITING AGAINST DRUGS



Safe Schools Coordinator Lola Ratliff appeared at Monday night's Floyd County UNITE Coalition meeting. Ratliff explained the drug testing policy instituted by the Floyd County Board of Education.

UNITE discusses fighting drug problem in schools

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

WATERGAP — The Allen Baptist Church hosted the February meeting of the Floyd County UNITE Coalition, which is composed of area residents who wish to raise awareness of the devastating impact of drug addiction on area families.

The meeting saw a large turnout, which included one area parent who had concerns about the new drug-testing policy in

Floyd County schools as it relates to teachers.

Lola Ratliff, Safe Schools coordinator for the board of education, was on hand to explain the county's drug-testing policy instituted in area schools this year. She explained that Operation UNITE has been a boon to area schools by funding two drug counselors who have been kept busy offering services in county schools.

Both counselors were on hand and explained that there are not enough hours in the week to see

the students who seek them out for aid in coping with their own drug problems, though many have sought out their services because of drug-addicted parents.

Ratliff also offered hope in that Paintsville Independent Schools have offered the services of their drug counselor, who is only needed three days a week and will be coming to Prestonsburg schools shortly to help pick up on the workload.

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Court drops abuse charges against couple

by TOM DOTY
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Salyersville couple that was scheduled to go to trial next Monday on charges involving sexual abuse of two minors saw the case against them dismissed without prejudice in circuit court Tuesday.

Bobby Joe Adams, 28, had been held at the Floyd County Detention Center since he was indicted last year under a \$1 million cash bond. Justina Adams, who was charged with failing to protect the victims, was released from jail earlier on a partially secured bond.

The charges against

Bobby Joe Adams included two counts of rape and three counts of sexual abuse. The crimes were alleged to have occurred over the course of a year that began in January 2003 and ended around February 2004.

Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner submitted the order and noted within it that the prosecution is seeking to have the charges dismissed in order to best serve the victims, who are medically frail and could be damaged further by testifying about the case.

Turner also said in the order that the victims suffer from "emotional and psy-

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Mothers charged with endangerment

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Two Floyd County mothers were charged with endangering the lives of their children last week.

Amy L. Bailey, 20, of Prestonsburg, pleaded innocent to one misdemeanor count of the offense Wednesday, after she allegedly left her baby alone

in an unlocked vehicle at the Glyn View Plaza.

Prestonsburg Police officer Sam Goodman arrested Bailey after a caller claimed that she had left a 5-month-old infant alone in her truck for several minutes. In his complaint, Goodman claims that the infant was alone and crying in a car seat when he came to the scene. The truck

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Job Corps marks 25 years

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — Laura Jones says she would be "playing housewife" in Georgia if she hadn't enrolled at the Prestonsburg Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center last year.

She dropped out of high school after falling in with the "wrong crowd," and she decided to enroll after going through a divorce.

"I'm glad I came here, in all honesty," Jones said. "They say the people in the U.S. are all the same. They're not. Every state is different. I love

the mountains ... They [school officials] would do anything for me. It's like my home away from home."

A reporter for the center's Student Government Association, Jones developed and operates WCDDP, the campus television station, which has just enrolled three new disc jockeys. She plans to start a newspaper before she leaves in the fall.

She is one of the many Job Corps students who are currently taking college classes. Jones' day begins at 6 a.m. and, after morning tasks and breakfast, the center transports her for classes at the Prestonsburg

campus of the Big Sandy Community and Technical College.

Like several other Job Corps students, Jones plans to further her education at Alice Lloyd College in the fall. Later, Jones said she will obtain a doctorate degree in special education, in hopes that she can eventually open her own school. The school will be specifically designed to fit the needs of special education students and their parents, many of whom, she says, need to learn how to cope with challenges in their children's lives.

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Carl D. Perkins Job Corps students teamed up Monday during an applied academics class, in which students are developing various projects that incorporate all educational fields of study at the school. Monday marked the center's 25th anniversary in Prestonsburg.

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Obituaries

Cheryl Ann Bradford

Cheryl Ann Bradford, 48, of Weeksbury, died Monday, February 6, 2006, at her residence.

Born November 3, 1957, in McDowell, she was the daughter of Alberta Goins Woods of Weeksbury, and the late Walter Woods. She was a homemaker and a member of the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, in Bypro.

She is survived by her husband, John Bradford.

In addition to her mother and husband, survivors include: a daughter, Heather Woods Long of Weeksbury; a step-son, Jonathan Bradford of Ivel; three brothers: Clark Polly of Wichita, Kansas, James Woods of Paintsville, and Harold Woods of Bevinsville; and three sisters: Mary Meade of Deane, Ruby Rose of Greenville, South Carolina, and Connie Patton of Charlie.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, February 9, at 1 p.m., at the Wheelwright Freewill Baptist Church, in Bypro, with Louis Ferrari officiating.

Burial will be in the Meade Family Cemetery, in Weeksbury, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation is at the church.

(Paid obituary)

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Eddie Ray Dalton

Eddie Ray Dalton, 29, of Wayland, died Sunday, January 29, 2006, at the McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital emergency room.

Born February 18, 1976, in McDowell, he was the son of John and Georgia Shannon Patton Dalton of Wayland. He was a coal truck driver for Jacobs Construction.

Survivors include one son, Dylan Ray Dalton of Garrett; one daughter, Emily Morgan Dalton of Wayland; two brothers: Jeff Dalton of Wayland, Johntham Dalton of Oil Springs; five sisters: Terri Howell, Matista Conley, Bonita Griffith, and Matilda Dalton, all of Wayland, and Melissa Bentley of Garrett; two nieces and five nephews.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, February 1, at 1 p.m., at the Zion Deliverance Church, in Wayland, with Clabe Mosley officiating.

Burial was in the Dalton Family Cemetery, in Wayland, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin.

Visitation was at the church.

(Paid obituary)

Melba Prater Sexton

Melba Prater Sexton, age 80 of Hueysville, passed from this life on Thursday evening, February 2, 2006, in Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg.

She was born January 3, 1926, in Hueysville, the daughter of the late Corbet and Carrie Ratliff Sexton.

She was a retired school teacher in the Floyd County School System, having taught at Garrett Elementary, Salyers Branch School, and taught night classes at Bosco School for adults. She attended Alice Lloyd College and Pikeville College, and was a member of the Salt Lick Community Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Corbet and Carrie Prater; her husband Willis Sexton; and two brothers, James C. Prater and Fair Prater.

Surviving are one son, Walter Willis (Melisa) Sexton of Dema; three daughters: Patricia (Danny) Slone, and Roberta (Donald) Adkins, both of Richmond, and Alberta (Julian Jr.) Deaton of Hueysville; three brothers: Nelson Prater and Paul Prater, both of Hueysville, and Corbet Prater, Jr., of Prestonsburg; two sisters: Thelma House of Kalamazoo, Michigan, and Ilean Meador of Richmond; eight grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 6, at 11:00 a.m., in the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin.

Burial was in the Duff & Sexton Cemetery at Hueysville, under the professional care of Hall Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: Jarrid Deaton, Shawn Sexton, Bryan Hale, Mike White, Casey Baker, and Jason Gearheart.

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Brenda Lee Thornsburg

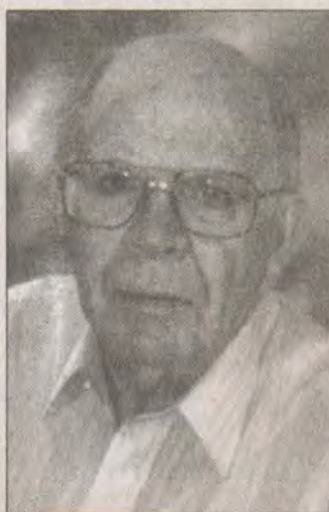
Brenda Lee Thornsburg, 63, of Prestonsburg, died Monday, February 6, 2006, at the Riverview Health Care in Prestonsburg.

Born September 18, 1942, in Auxier, she was the daughter of Freeda Garrett Wells of Prestonsburg, and the late Ernest Lee Wells. She was a homemaker and a member of the Lancer Baptist Church.

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She is survived by her husband, Ralph (Hack) Thornsburg.

Other survivors include a daughter, Anita Louise Thornsburg of Prestonsburg; two brothers: Dr. Raymond Wells and Dr. Gregory Wells, both of Inez; a sister, Helen Wells Wright of Prestonsburg; and four nieces: Courtney Copley, Sabrina Lohman, Jennifer Montgomery and Audri Wells.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, February 9, at 1 p.m., at the Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home, in Martin, with Tommy Reed officiating.

Burial will be in the Ford-Setser Cemetery, in Prestonsburg, under the direction of Nelson-Frazier Funeral Home.

Visitation is at the funeral home.

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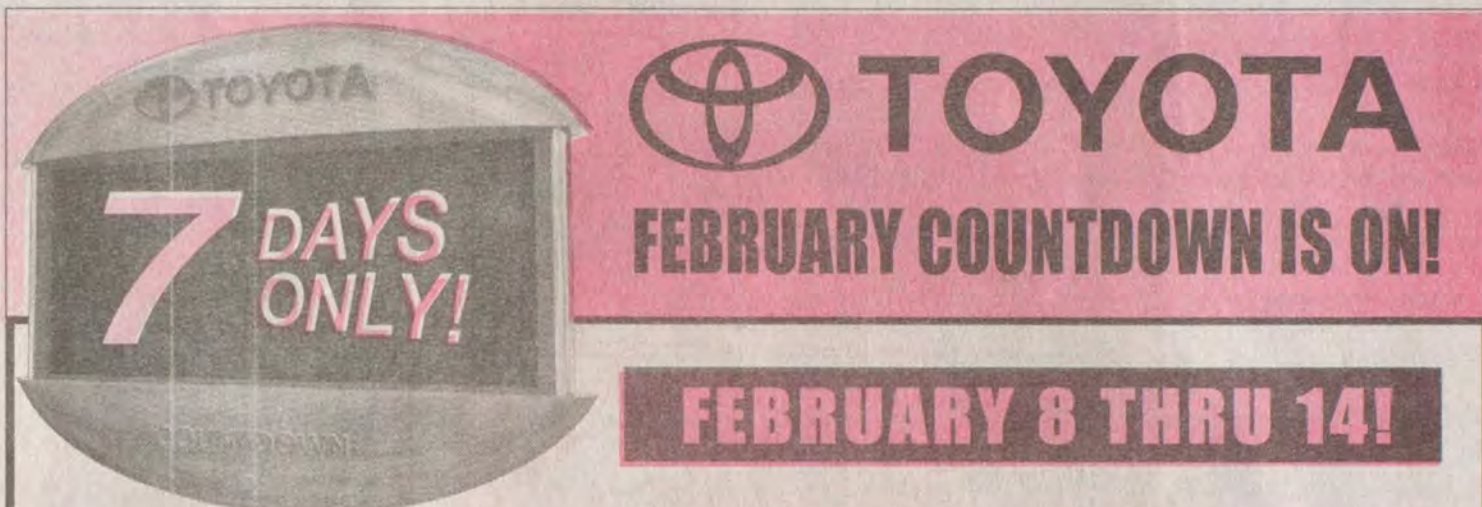
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The historic Samuel May House will be open to the public each Saturday, from 2 to 5 p.m. The house, built in 1817, is the oldest house in the Big Sandy Valley. Tours are \$3/person; donations appreciated. The house is located on North Lake Drive (Prestonsburg), across from Pizza Hut and Wendy's.

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Meets the third Thursday of each month, in the Floyd County Family Court Conference room, in the Justice Center, at 3 p.m. Learn how to prevent domestic violence. The information you gain may save a life...the life of someone you know! All interested persons encouraged to attend. For more info., call 886-4323.

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UNITE
The UNITE coalition of Floyd County will meet the second Monday of each month, at 5 p.m., at the Allen Baptist Church. All interested persons welcome to join UNITE's fight against drugs.

"Living Free" - A support group sponsored by the Floyd County UNITE Coalition. Group will meet weekly at the old Allen Baptist Church, on US 23 N., between Allen and Banner, on Tuesdays, at 1:15 p.m. Living Free is a faith-based 12-step support group open to all who are searching for recovery. There is no fee to attend. For more info., contact Shirley Combs at 874-3388 or 434-8400.

Neighborhood Watch
The Mud Creek Neighborhood Watch group will meet the third Thursday of each month, at 7 p.m. All are invited to attend meetings.

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

For more information.

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Floyd County Extension Homemaker Club Meetings
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Our View

Welcome home and thank you

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We join the rest of our community in expressing our happiness in your safe return and, most importantly, in thanking you for your service. We know that the sacrifices you made were not easy, and the dangers you faced were all too real. Still, despite those challenges, you fulfilled your duty to your country, and for that we are eternally grateful.

While you were gone, you may have heard some grumbling from back home, as the number of people questioning our involvement in the Middle East has grown. We hope that you did not mistake their dissatisfaction over the war effort with dissatisfaction with your service to our country.

The American people have grown to understand that the soldier is not the war. Even those who are opposed to our involvement in Iraq can take heart that our military goes there not out of a desire to fight, but out of an obligation to the country. They know that as long as we have these brave men and women willing to put their lives on the line when the issues are cloudy and unresolved in the public mind, they can count on their protection when the threat is even more tangible in the American consciousness.

To those who have returned, as well as those still serving, thank you for being there when your country needed you. You can take pride in knowing that you have joined a long line of men and women who put honor and duty before personal safety, and the American people remain forever indebted to you.

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IN A PERFECT WORLD...

Capitol Ideas

State representative proposes new ban on abortions

by JOE BIESK
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — Some Kentucky lawmakers are trying to ban abortion, even though such a prohibition would likely conflict with federal law and the 1973 abortion case, Roe v. Wade, which legalized the procedure.

Nearly 40 House members have tagged their names to the plan, sponsored by Boone County Rep. Addia Wuchner. However, Wuchner acknowledged that if the General Assembly passed the ban, Kentucky would be at odds with the federal government.

But it would "create a challenge" to federal law, Wuchner said.

"That is how change begins, and it begins right here at the state level," she said.

Recently, the makeup of the U.S. Supreme Court has changed with the appointments of Chief Justice John

Roberts and Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito. Their presence on the court could have an effect on future challenges to abortion issues.

Wuchner first announced her plans at a Capitol rally last week. Under Wuchner's proposal, a woman would be considered legally pregnant starting at fertilization, and the state law would declare "each human being is totally unique immediately at fertilization."

Birth control and other contraceptives would remain legal.

If passed, Wuchner said, the plan would "probably be challenged in courts."

"The point is for the state to decide where we stand on abortion first of all," Wuchner said. "And we could do that by our vote here on the House floor and in the chamber, and first of all to put our position on abortion as the state of Kentucky on record."

Gov. Ernie Fletcher's spokeswoman

Jodi Whitaker said the governor has "always been a strong supporter" of such legislation. However, administration officials had not finished reviewing the plan, Whitaker said.

"It appears to raise issues concerning its constitutionality under Roe v. Wade," Whitaker said in a statement. "In the past, the governor has supported legislation that exempts rape and incest."

But the proposal upset some who oppose abortion limits.

Rep. Mary Lou Marzian, D-Louisville, said it showed "no respect" for women's privacy and would be unconstitutional. A return to the days when abortions were illegal would jeopardize women's safety, Marzian said.

"When abortion was outlawed in the past, it led to the death and maiming of women," Marzian said. "And if that's what they want to return to — back-alley

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Guest Column

KEEP's casino proposal is fishy

by RICHARD NELSON

In their quest to bring casinos to the state, the Kentucky Equine Education Project (KEEP) is fishing for a constituency to support their big gambling agenda. A letter recently sent by KEEP to school board members and local leaders across the state casts plenty of promises and lofty revenue projections.

But this proposal is a whopper.

There's a little something for everybody, so long as Kentuckians take the bait. The legislature is promised \$437 million in annual revenue if it passes KEEP's casino plan. Recipients include

K-12 education, healthcare, local governments, environment, agriculture and a few crumbs for gambling addiction and treatment programs.

Similar promises were made when the Lottery was promoted as the cure-all to the state's spending needs. And like a fisherman's tale, the truth was in short supply. Perhaps we shouldn't be surprised since this is the nature of gambling: lots of promises are made and hopes elevated, but the big one always manages to get away.

Mike Wilson, a Warren County school board member, wasn't impressed by KEEP's promise of \$2.8 million to his school district. "In Frankfort, they may

call [this] lobbying but in my mind it's akin to bribery," Wilson said. "This is a quid pro quo. If this is what they're offering, my price is much higher than that. I can't be bought."

Wilson isn't the only leader who refuses to be mesmerized by dollars dangled like lures by big gambling interests. Several legislators, distancing themselves from casino interests, recently returned KEEP's campaign contributions. Wilson and other leaders have questioned whether casinos will contribute to a healthy Kentucky economy. "It's preposterous to think we can gam-

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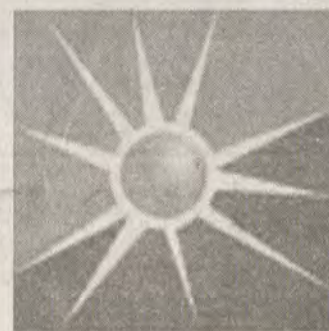
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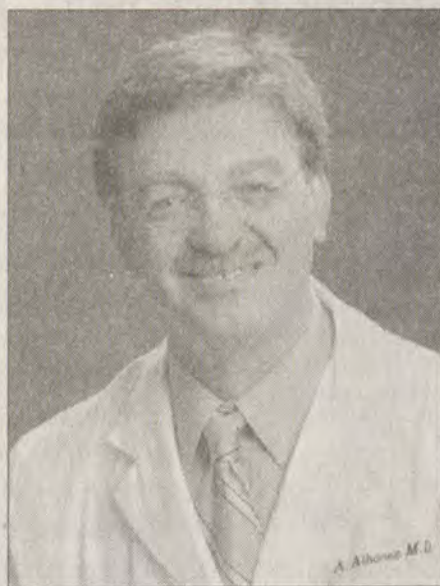
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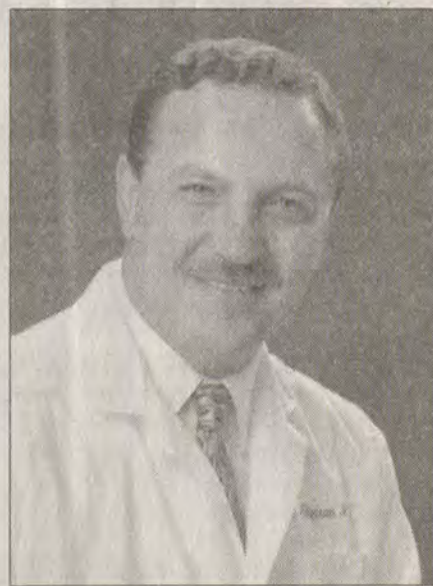
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Odds & Ends

■ **SASABE, Ariz.** — It's green, leafy and in a can. But it's not spinach.

Federal authorities seized 34 pounds of marijuana that had been stuffed inside cans of jalapenos and tomatoes bound for America from Mexico.

Customs and Border Protection officers said they decided to open one of the cans because it looked and felt unusual. They found a package of marijuana inside and began to open the other cans.

"For a while, that can is going to take the cake," said Brian Levin, an agency spokesman. "This was one of the more elaborate attempts — it required creativity."

The 18-year-old driver of the haul was arrested.

Smugglers have come up with many tricks to hide their drugs over the years, Levin said. Officers have found marijuana mixed in with cucumbers, drugs hidden in baby diapers and hidden in car tires, gas tanks or inside dashboards.

■ **BALTIMORE** — An elementary school worksheet that tells the story of four people who get away with robbing a house has drawn criticism from a mother who sees it as promoting criminal activity.

The worksheet, called "The Four Robbers," is part of a booklet designed to prepare children for Maryland's standardized tests in March. It is intended to teach fourth-graders about sequence of events.

Kenyona J. Moore's 9-year-old son, Musthapha Muhammad, told her: "I don't wanna rob a house, Mommy." Moore said the underlying message of the worksheet to inner-city children is, "This is all you'll be able to do anyway."

The lesson on the robbers

makes no mention of race, but Moore said that it could have a damaging effect on the self-esteem of children in majority-black city schools.

On Monday, Jeffery N. Grotsky, Area Academic Officer, told principals at 27 elementary schools he oversees to stop using the worksheet about the robbers, a Baltimore schools spokeswoman said.

■ **MOSCOW** — This is one Russian traffic cop who will never issue a ticket or take a bribe: he's made of plastic.

A life-size mock-up of a traffic police officer is prompting more drivers to obey the speed limit on a highway in western Russia, real-life officers say.

The fake human figure comes complete with a nearly two-dimensional patrol car, a speed gun and a black-and-white baton — held up to signal travelers to be cautious.

But Alexei Zakharov, the officer who served as the model for the mock-up, said that the sight of his plastic double prompts some drivers to do more than slow down.

"Some drivers stop and come up to him to show their documents, others sit in their cars and wait for the inspector to approach them. They sit there for five minutes and they drive away," he said.

The fakes are being used on a stretch of busy highway in the Belgorod region near the Ukrainian border. Regional authorities plan to use more of the mock-ups if the experiment proves successful.

■ **LOS ANGELES** — The car chase capital of the world is going high-tech to end dangerous pursuits across Southern California.

Police Chief William J. Bratton on Thursday unveiled a

strange new weapon in the police department's strategy to halt high-speed pursuits — adhesive darts with a global positioning system that are fired at fleeing cars by police.

Once fired from a patrol car, the GPS dart is designed to stick to a fleeing car, allowing squad cars to back off the chase.

"Instead of us pushing them doing 70 or 80 miles an hour," Bratton said, "this device allows us not to have to pursue after the car. It allows us to start vectoring where the car is."

U.S. Department of Justice officials suggested testing the StarChase system in Los Angeles. A small number of patrol cars will be equipped with the compressed air launchers, which fire the miniature GPS receivers in a sticky compound resembling a golf ball.

There were more than 600 pursuits in Los Angeles and more than 100,000 nationwide last year. Critics have long questioned the wisdom of police pursuits because they can endanger bystanders and officers.

Bratton, who often calls the city the car chase capital of the world, was asked why there are so many pursuits in Los Angeles: "There are a lot of nuts here," he said.

■ **NAPEAGUE, New York** — A boat captain who sent a message out to sea in a bottle says he received a reply from Britain — accusing him of littering.

"I kind of felt like no good deed goes unpunished," Harvey Bennett, 55, told the East Hampton Star.

The plastic bottle was one of five that Bennett placed in the ocean off New York's Long Island in August.

Last month, he excitedly opened a letter from England, and was stunned by the reply:

"I recently found your bottle while taking a scenic walk on the beach by Poole Harbour. While you may consider this some profound experiment on the path and speed" of "oceanic currents, I have another name for it, litter."

"You Americans don't seem to be happy unless you are mucking about somewhere," says the letter, signed by Henry Biggelsworth of Bournemouth, in Dorset County.

■ **BUFFALO, N.Y.** — A teenager recently got the chance to thank the woman who saved his life — by saving hers.

The 17-year-old successfully performed the Heimlich maneuver on the choking woman in the restaurant where he was washing dishes. Then his mother recognized the woman as the nurse who performed CPR on him in 1999 after he was struck in the chest by a baseball bat.

More than a week after the Jan. 27 incident, Kevin Stephan and Penny Brown are still surprised by the coincidence.

"It was meant to happen," said Stephan, now a volunteer firefighter. "I'm Catholic, and I believe the Lord kind of set things up."

As for Brown, she says, "One good turn deserves another."

The intensive-care nurse at Buffalo General Hospital says she can't think too much about the situation "without being freaked" by it.

On Saturday, the two met again at the Bowmansville Fire Hall where Stephan is a junior firefighter. He presented her with a bouquet of flowers, and his parents were also there to greet Brown.

■ **BURLINGTON, Vt.** — University of Vermont officials have a new rallying cry: Here, kitty.

They are offering a reward for the return of the school's missing catamount sign — the

200-pound, 9-foot aluminum mascot that is portrayed jumping through an oversized V.

The sign had been taken to a South Burlington business for updating when it disappeared between Jan. 27 and Thursday.

"It's probably a college student prank," said Sign-A-Rama owner Bob Diaco. "It's either that or somebody who wanted it for the value of the metal. Hopefully, it will show up in the next few days."

UVM officials hope to give the cat a makeover and display it on Patrick Gymnasium.

The reward will be in the form of sporting event tickets.

"I think we would certainly like to show our appreciation for anyone who's able to help us get it back," said Chris McCabe, UVM assistant vice president.

The cat sign is valued at \$10,000.

■ **BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss.** — Blue Mountain College has opened its doors to a new type of student: men.

Eleven men have enrolled at

the historically all-female school.

Brian Zemek, 19, decided to attend Blue Mountain because it was close to his home. He said that the experience has not been too strange — except for his Wednesday lunch hour, when he is usually the only male in the school's dining hall.

"I'm the odd man out," he said.

Blue Mountain, located about 35 miles northwest of Tupelo, first welcomed men in 1956 for religious vocations, but this is the first semester male students have been admitted to the school's regular 400-student undergraduate program.

Kelly Gates, 20, is another of the 11 men to newly enroll at the 133-year-old school. Both he and his wife attend Blue Mountain.

The English education major would have had to drive more than an hour each way to attend the University of Mississippi, if the college had not changed its policy.

"I feel really lucky," he said. "I'm saving a lot of money in gas."

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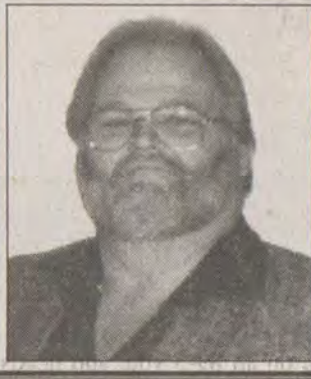
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Today's Highlight in History: On Feb. 8, 1587, Mary, Queen of Scots, was beheaded at Fotheringhay Castle in England after she was implicated in a plot to murder her cousin, Queen Elizabeth I.

On this date:

■ In 1693, a charter was granted for the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

■ In 1904, the Russo-Japanese War, a conflict over control of Manchuria and Korea, began as Japanese forces attacked Port Arthur.

■ In 1910, the Boy Scouts of America was incorporated.

■ In 1915, D.W. Griffith's groundbreaking as well as controversial silent movie epic about the Civil War, "The Birth of a Nation," premiered in Los Angeles.

■ In 1922, President Harding had a radio installed in the White House.

■ In 1924, the first execution by gas in the United States took place at the Nevada State Prison in Carson City.

■ In 1968, three college students were killed in a confrontation with highway patrolmen in Orangeburg, S.C., during a civil

rights protest against a whites-only bowling alley.

■ In 1974, the three-man crew of the Skylab space station returned to Earth after spending 84 days in space.

■ In 1989, 144 people were killed when an American-chartered Boeing 707 filled with Italian tourists slammed into a fog-covered mountain in the Azores.

■ In 1992, the 16th Olympic Winter Games opened in Albertville, France.

Ten years ago: In a ceremony at the Library of Congress, President Clinton signed legislation revamping the telecommunications industry, saying it would "bring the future to our doorstep."

Five years ago: A House committee opened hearings into former President Clinton's last-minute pardon of fugitive financier Marc Rich, with former prosecutors complaining that they hadn't been consulted before the pardon was granted. President Bush sent his proposed \$1.6 trillion, 10-year tax cut plan to Congress.

One year ago: Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas announced a cease-fire at a summit in Egypt. An earlier-than-usual Mardi Gras festival opened in New Orleans with sparse crowds. Longtime CBS

newsman George Herman died in Washington at age 85. Doobie Brothers drummer Keith Knudsen died in Kentfield, Calif., at age 56.

Today's Birthdays: Composer-conductor John Williams is 74. Actor Jack Larson is 73. Former ABC News anchor Ted Koppel is 66. Actor Nick Nolte is 65. Comedian Robert Klein is 64. Country singer Dan Seals is 58. Singer Ron Tyson is 58. Actress Brooke Adams is 57. Actress Mary Steenburgen is 53. Author John Grisham is 51. Rock singer Vince Neil (Motley Crue) is 45. Rock singer-musician Sammy LLanas (The BoDeans) is 45. Actor Gary Coleman is 38. Actress Mary McCormack is 37. Actor Seth Green is 32. Rock musician Phoenix (Linkin Park) is 29. Actor Ryan Pinkston is 18. Actress Karle Warren ("Judging Amy") is 14.

Thought for Today: "Health is the thing that makes you feel that now is the best time of the year." — Franklin P. Adams, American journalist (1881-1960).

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Ideas

abortion — I think it's a real sad day in this country." State Rep. Kathy Stein, D-Lexington, who has opposed limits on abortion said the reconstituted Supreme Court may have given hope to anti-abortion advocates. Nevertheless, Stein said it was possible election year politics could add some momentum behind Wuchner's proposal. "It's a big election year,"

Stein said. "This is the biggest ballot we've had in years, and I think that there are many of my colleagues who are willing to jump on the bandwagon and sell out the women of Kentucky." Sarah Grant, a retired social worker from Louisville, said she thought such a move by the legislature "would be a tragedy." Abortion should remain available for women to consider,

Grant said. "I think that that needs to remain to be an option for people to have that choice for the health of the mother, the health of the fetus," Grant said. "I just think it's important for a choice to remain available for people that need that opportunity."

Joe Biesk is a statehouse reporter for The Associated Press.

Guest

ble our way to prosperity," Wilson said. KEEP's strongest argument for casinos is that Kentuckians spent \$671 million in Indiana and Illinois casinos last year, which translated into a purported loss of \$236 million in tax revenue. Critics charge that the estimates are inflated. Nonetheless, KEEP is admitting something very important here: Kentuckians are losing money at casinos, and lots of it. Why then, should the state government get behind any proposal that will cause more losses to Kentucky families? KEEP's plan to bring casinos into the heart of Kentucky would nearly double those losses as it projects to rake in \$1.25 billion annually. To meet these figures, every single Kentuckian

will have to place roughly \$3000 at risk every year. Can Kentucky, which is ranked 46th in the nation in median household income, really afford this? Fished out, it is clearly a two-for-one deal. For every dollar in revenue for the state, the casinos get two. This is like fishing with a hole in your net. And it's an inefficient, unethical way for government to raise revenue. Something's fishy about KEEP's well-funded proposal. For an industry that supposedly needs help, they've bankrolled a historic \$5 million advertising and lobbying budget to get their casino bill passed. KEEP's proposal attempts to lure legislators into believing that gambling dollars are a good way to finance government. But

before they take the bait, perhaps they should consider this: Is gambling a good way for a person to make a living? If not, then, why should our state government depend on gambling to fund its daily operations? What's becoming clear to more people is that it is wrong for government to prosper at the expense of its citizens-especially those who can least afford to lose. If Kentucky's legislators are smart, they won't touch KEEP's proposal with a ten-foot pole. Richard Nelson is a policy analyst for The Family Foundation, a nonprofit public policy organization that works on behalf of the family and the values that make families strong.

Graduated license plan clears House hurdle, heads to Senate

The Associated Press FRANKFORT — Teen drivers would have to wait longer and get more training before moving from a learner's permit to a full license, under a bill the House passed Monday. Beginning drivers, who are 16-years old, would have a 180-day training period, under the bill. During that time, they would have to finish 60 hours of supervised driving, including 10 hours of nighttime driving. Young drivers, after completing the permit period without a moving violation, would

get an intermediate license for another 180 days. Restrictions would include a limit of one passenger under age 20 and no driving between midnight and 6 a.m. except in emergencies. A last-minute change to the bill would exempt farmers. The House passed the measure on an 89-3 vote and heads to the Senate for consideration.

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PRESTONSBURG — The Seventh Annual Big Sandy Women's Business Symposium with the theme "Make It Happen — UNLEASH the Leader in YOU!" will take place Tuesday, Feb. 21, at the Wilkinson Stumbo Convention Center in Prestonsburg.

The cost of the event is \$25, which includes all workshops and meals.

Businesswomen from all levels and areas of business are invited to this event presented by Morehead State University's East Kentucky Small Business Development Center.

The workshops will help all women with their leadership skills by providing the right tools, resources, and connections to achieve success and excellence in the workplace. Learn to communicate, inspire, and motivate by attending special workshops and keynote presentations designed to bring out the leader in you.

Participants will choose from four workshop sessions:

■ "Dealing With Difficult People — Their Behavior, Your Response," by Ted Marshall, Marshall Communications. This seminar covers everyday problems, offering suggestions and strategies designed to make a difference with "problem" people in our everyday lives. The focus is on the perceptions and actions of both self and others, with a strong emphasis on self management. Participants will learn techniques for turning difficult situations into positive outcomes.

■ "Assertiveness Training For Businesswomen," Debbie Smith, Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital. The assertive person usually sends the right signals and gets the right responses. By knowing how to handle yourself in just about any situation that comes up — without seeming either shy or pushy — you'll get things done and get what you want.

■ "Personal Leadership," by Shane Spiller, MSU assistant professor of management. This presentation will focus on some concepts designed to help the individual take a leadership role in any situation. The workshop will involve some self awareness activities, and include discussions of how to get others to lead themselves.

■ "Time Management for Busy Professionals," by Judy Krug, MSU student wellness coordinator. Learn how to set priorities, how to balance your personal and professional lives, and how to make stress a positive influence.

The two keynote speakers will be Jean Hale, chairman, president, CEO and director of Community Trust Bancorp Inc., headquartered in Pikeville, and Cheewa James, a television on-air talent, award winning reporter and author.

Hale's work experience could be considered a role model for women. It was a career day that first piqued her banking interest and started her on the road to success. After graduating from college, she was hired by Pikeville National

(now Community Trust) and gradually rose through the ranks, obtaining a base of banking experience from the ground up. She later was promoted to senior vice president in Commercial Lending and from there entered the top echelon of management for Pikeville National Bank and Trust Company.

Hale has received many recognitions including Outstanding Business Woman both by the Pike County Chamber and the Lane Report. In 2000, she received the Governor's Economic Development Award.

James is a former television anchorwoman and reporter and recipient of seven UPI (United Press International) awards. She is the recipient of the National Golden Mike Award for excellence in television production and currently works for a PBS station in Sacramento, Calif.

An accomplished author with nearly 150 articles in print, James' work has appeared in Smithsonian, National Wildlife, and Chicago. Her book, "Catch the Whisper of the Wood," is composed of her short, inspirational profiles of American Indians. James' father is Modoc Indian and her mother is German.

A credentialed teacher, James earned a bachelor's degree in communication with graduate work in education. Registration, breakfast and exhibitor networking will run from 8-8:45 a.m. while welcoming remarks will start 8:45 a.m.

Hale will be the morning keynote speaker at 9 a.m. while James will begin her talk at 2:30 p.m.

The symposium is sponsored by AAA Real Estate; Appalachian Wireless; Family

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Bill would deregulate nearly all phone service in Kentucky

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — A bill before the General Assembly would deregulate all but basic phone service in Kentucky, allowing phone companies to set their own rates for phone, Internet and cable packages.

Executives for Alltel, a key Central Kentucky phone service provider, said House Bill 337 would be good for consumers because it would allow phone companies to compete with the all-in-one packages of cable companies.

Consumer advocates, thought, are concerned that the move would drive up rates for customers who want just an old-fashioned phone line.

The price of basic service would freeze for 12 months after a phone company elected an "alternative regulation plan." In subsequent years, phone companies could adjust basic rates upward based on the consumer price index for urban areas.

However, the basic service price would become unregulated if a customer were to buy any extras, such as call-waiting or caller ID.

One of the bill's sponsors,

Republican Rep. David Floyd of Bardonia, said the measure would "level the playing field" between traditional telephone companies and Internet providers that have begun offering phone service through broadband cables.

"It's a de facto deregulation of the established phone companies," he said. "But it's also bringing everyone who offers local phone service under the umbrella of the Public Service Commission."

The PSC, which currently monitors only traditional phone services, would no longer regulate rates under the proposal. Instead, it would monitor three key service measures — time out of service, time to provide new service and answering time on service repair calls — for all companies providing local phone service.

Dan Logsdon, vice president of external affairs for Alltel, said

the company is backing the bill because it has lost tens of thousands of customers in recent years to Insight Communications, Central Kentucky's largest cable provider.

When customers call Alltel to cancel, the company can't make a counteroffer under current rules, which require phone companies to provide the same rates to all similar customers, Logsdon said.

"Consumers are going to benefit," he said. "You will see a downward pressure on price as a result of increased competition."

Dave Menzer, utility campaign organizer for Citizens Action Coalition of Indiana, said Kentucky's poorest residents would pay higher prices because large sections of the state could end up with few companies to choose from and little oversight by the PSC to hold rates down.

Food prices head upward

Prices in supermarkets across Kentucky inched up slightly during the fourth quarter of 2005, according to the Kentucky Farm Bureau's December survey of food costs. The latest informal survey shows a nearly 2 percent increase in selected grocery items from the third quarter.

Kentuckians paid \$93.86 for 40 selected items during the final quarter of 2005. The \$1.81 hike from the previous quarter's \$92.05 was the first increase since the first quarter of the same year.

Fruits and vegetables were the biggest contributor to the increase in the overall marketbasket aver-

age, rising nearly 10 percent. "This increase may be attributed to the sharp spike in energy prices during the third quarter," said American Farm Bureau Senior Economist Terry Francl. "However, I believe that while higher energy prices may work into food prices in the first half of 2006, it now appears that they will have only a small impact."

Poultry, as well as dairy products, also experienced an increase, 6.12 percent and 3.38 percent respectively. Pork drastically dropped by 9.67 percent, accounting for the only decline on the survey.

Despite slight increases in grocery store average prices

over time, the share of the average food dollar received by farm families has actually dropped. Thirty years ago farmers received about one-third of consumer retail food expenditures. Now it is only about 22 percent, according to Agriculture Department statistics.

Using that across the board percentage, the farmer's share of this quarter's marketbasket average total of \$93.86 would be \$20.65.

Kentucky Farm Bureau, the state's largest general farm organization, conducts its informal quarterly marketbasket survey as a tool to reflect retail food price trends.

House committee approves minimum wage increase

by ROGER ALFORD
ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The House Labor and Industry Committee approved a measure Tuesday that would raise the minimum wage to \$6 an hour this year and to \$6.50 an hour the following year.

State Rep. J.R. Gray, D-Benton, sponsor of the bill, said Kentucky would join 18 other states if his bill makes it through the legislative process and is signed into law by Gov. Ernie Fletcher. He said the current minimum wage, \$5.15 an hour,

is inadequate and the proposed increases are badly needed.

"It is immoral to be paying our workers at this low, unlivable level," said the Rev. Nancy Jo Kemper, head of the Kentucky Council of Churches.

Gray said similar legislation was introduced last year, passing the Labor and Industry Committee that he chairs. However, the bill didn't come up for a vote in the House. Gray said he's hopeful the bill will fare better this time around.

Fletcher said Tuesday he would consider the minimum

wage issue if the proposal reaches him. However, he said his right-to-work proposal, which would give workers the legal right to opt out of union representation, would do more for Kentucky workers.

"I think that would be one of the quickest ways of giving Kentuckians a raise," he said. "I'll be glad to look at minimum wage if the General Assembly wants to look at that. What I have proposed is ways of making much more competitive and attractive to new and better and more paying jobs."

First Commonwealth Bank is one of the sponsors of East Kentucky Science Center and Planetarium's interactive traveling exhibit "Bone Up On Bones" from the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry. The exhibit is now open and will be at the Science Center through May 7th. "We are very pleased to sponsor exhibits such as this one at the East Kentucky Science Center," said Greg Wilson, First Commonwealth Bank president and CEO. "The Science Center has quickly become such an asset to our area affording incredible learning opportunities to all ages. It is our pleasure, as well as part of our mission, to contribute to community events such as the 'Bone Up on Bones' exhibit." Pictured are Nikki Smith, First Commonwealth Bank Marketing Assistant, presenting a sponsorship check to Eric Thomas, Acting Director of the Science Center and Frank Fitzpatrick, Board Member of



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A Newspaper Activity Page for Young People



This Week: Winter Olympics
PART 1 OF 2

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LET'S GO TO TORINO!

This year's Winter Olympic Games are being held in Torino, Italy. The emblem of this year's Games resembles a mountain towering up to the sky. But why did the artist make the mountain full of holes? The holes make it resemble a closely woven net – a **web** – which is a symbol of technology and embodies the spirit of communication between nations. This spirit of coming together has been part of the Olympics since its beginning.

Standards Link: Social Science: Recognize ways in which we are all part of the same community.

Oops. Some of the words in the article melted. Can you figure out where each missing word belongs?

Meet the Mascots

The mascots of the XX Olympic Winter Games are Gliz and Neve.

Neve has a shape, to look like a snowball. She is dressed in red. Gliz has a shape more like a square and is in blue.

Gliz and Neve enjoy winter and entertaining the millions of people who will the Games by reading about them in the newspaper, them on television or attending!

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The Pictograms

It is said that a picture is worth a thousand words. At the Olympic Games, a picture is worth a thousand words in hundreds of languages. The **pictogram**, a picture symbol, will be used at the Games to help people all over the world understand what is happening.

The Torino 2006 pictograms are the first of their kind to appear as three-dimensional artistic designs. Their clean modern style reflects the renowned excellence of Italian design.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

What time is it in Torino?

There is a six-hour time difference between New York and Torino. If it is 8 pm in Torino, it is 2 pm in New York.



Trevor lives in California, the Pacific Time Zone. His pen pal, Megan, lives in New York, in the Eastern Time Zone. Their friend Tracy lives in Iowa, in the Central Time Zone and her sister Katy lives in the Mountain Time Zone in Colorado. Complete the clocks below so that they show what time it is in each zone.



HINT: Remember that Torino, Italy is six hours ahead of New York.

Standards Link: Math/Measurement: Tell time to the nearest hour.

Logo Language

Companies and organizations have logos designed to represent them. For example, the Red Cross has a large red cross as its logo. Look through today's newspaper and see if you can find logos like these:

- one that uses words and images
- one that is for a company aimed at kids
- one you have a positive feeling about
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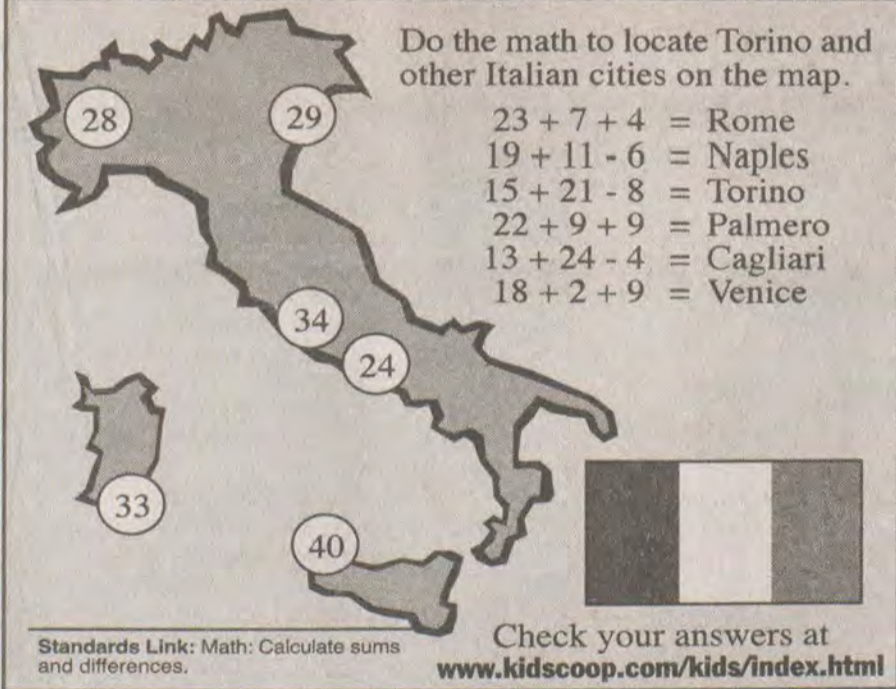
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Standards Link: Language Arts/Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Finding Torino



Do the math to locate Torino and other Italian cities on the map.

23 + 7 + 4 = Rome
19 + 11 - 6 = Naples
15 + 21 - 8 = Torino
22 + 9 + 9 = Palermo
13 + 24 - 4 = Cagliari
18 + 2 + 9 = Venice

Check your answers at www.kidscoop.com/kids/index.html

Standards Link: Math: Calculate sums and differences.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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ITALY
PACIFIC
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OLYMPIC
BOBSLEIGH
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NEVE
MASCOTS
GLIZ
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N H G I E L S B O B

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

BEYOND Kid Scoop

Sports and Symbols

Sports teams often use names and mascots to give personality to their teams. Look through today's sports section for names of teams. Select one team and make a list of characteristics you think that team wants to convey with its name.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow multiple-step written directions.

Why shouldn't you tell a joke while ice skating?

ANSWER: Because the ice might crack up.

Weekly Writing Corner

games and contests would you have? Select one interesting indoor game and write instructions on how to play it. How does a person win the game?

If I were going to host an indoor Olympics, one of the games would be **Quiet Time**. You'd have to see how long you could be quiet – especially if I was hosting them in my house.

Talia, 6th grade

I would have the game **Pop the Balloon**. You play this game with two or more people. You tie two balloons around each person's legs. To play you have to try to pop the other person's balloons. The last one with the balloons wins.

Tania, 6th grade

You divide the players into two even groups. Then pick two similar items to hide. Next, divide the area into two spaces with one group on one side and the other group on the other side. Then hide the items. Next, the teams should search for their item. The first team to find it wins.

Logan, 3rd grade

At the indoor Olympics, I would hold a reading competition. In the competition, people would have to read as many books as they can in the time limit of two hours. The winner who has read the most books and made the best summaries of each book would get a golden trophy.

Allie, 6th grade

I think a good game for inside is **Jacks**. I normally play Jacks when it is raining. You put the Jacks on the ground and you bounce the ball. When the ball is in the air, you pick up one Jack. Then you bounce the ball again and pick up two Jacks, then three, then four, then five and then six.

Viridian, 5th grade

Volleyball is a fun indoor game. There's just one problem, there are six rules that are hard to keep:

Rule 1: Don't catch the ball.
Rule 2: Don't balance the ball on your knee.
Rule 3: Don't kick the ball.
Rule 4: Do not hit the ball with your head.
Rule 5: Do not hit the ball under the net.
Rule 6: Don't say, "I throw it" but don't throw it.

Christella, 5th grade

Bowling is a game that I like to play. The rules for bowling say that you have to roll a heavy ball using one hand at a set of pins, but you cannot step over the line. If you hit all of the pins, it's called a strike.

Baxter, 5th grade

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Job Corps

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"If I can teach parents it's okay, that it's a miracle that their children are alive, maybe I can change some lives," Jones said, opening the door to a dormitory at the center.

The students are scored on the cleanliness of their rooms and their attitude. The scores determine their accessibility to recreational trips, activities and other incentives available at the center.

"We're spoiled on the center," Jones said, walking into the recreation room. "Extremely spoiled."

Jones said it bothers her that some people in the community see the Job Corps as a place for "criminals" to get a second chance.

"People think that we're teaching criminals here," she said. "Well, there are some people who are here for their probation, but most of us are people like me who are here just so they can get a college education. This place has so much to offer. I'm a prime example."

The Carl D. Perkins Job Corps Center is a zero-tolerance school. New students are placed on restriction if they fail their first drug test. If they fail a second time, they are expelled from the program.

In addition to a fully staffed, onsite health and dental clinic, a "local bank," and numerous educational and recreational programs, the Center utilizes the support of several professionals who go the extra mile for their students, Jones said.

"Job Corps opened my eyes. I always wanted to teach. I just didn't have a way to get there."

She talked about mentors, instructors and counselors who have gone out of their way to help her — an administrator who "grounded" her to do homework in her office because she overslept and missed the bus to college Monday morning, a counselor who struggled for weeks trying to get her enough financial assistance for college, and a cook who lends her emotional support when personal difficulties come to the forefront.

On Monday, the 25th anniversary of the Prestonsburg location, Thomas Rainey, the finance and administration manager, Lisa M. Moore, the center's business and community liaison, and executive secretary Marsha Harris sat in the center director's office discussing the successes of former and current students, like Jones.

Since it opened in 1981, thousands of men and women have obtained their GED and accredited vocational training in fields such as masonry, carpentry, electricity, plumbing, facility maintenance, business technology, hotel clerk, health occupations, culinary arts or HVAC. Several students have completed or are attending college or medical school. Today, approximately 60 percent of the students living there are Kentucky natives.

During their training, students are rewarded financially for obtaining their goals, such as passing a GED test on their first attempt. After graduation, the center assists students in finding employment, military training or

financial aid for college.

The administrators emphasized the center's devotion to community service, a trait that has been clearly marked by Job Corps students who've assisted over the years in roadside cleanup efforts, housing construction for organizations assisting needy families, the center's annual Toys for Tots program and other community events or fund-raising efforts, such as those completed last year for Hurricane Katrina victims and the Kentucky State Police's Trooper Island, a children's camp.

"Volunteering, donations, community support are the student success stories," Moore said. Students who learn what it feels like to give, she says, continue the effort when they leave the school.

Jeff Tackett, SGA coordinator and instructor, stood in a crowded computer technology room Monday afternoon, where students from all of the center's trades gathered in teams to work on projects in their applied academics class. Tackett's students are building a computer from scratch. They'll spend several months working on the project, which incorporates all areas of the educational curriculum, and they will present a Powerpoint presentation of their project to the Division of Labor. Teams of students from every field at the center are undertaking different projects for the applied academics class this year. Michelle Porter's business class, for example, is creating a business profile for a new business. The skills they learn, she says, will help them build a brighter future.

"I've been here for five years," Tackett said. "I think this is one of the richest opportunities any student could ever have. It's not just education, it's cultural awareness, support... It's all here. We strive to take each student individually and grow them."

That's what incoming student Chandra Sexton, 20, of Mount Vernon, is counting on. She came to Prestonsburg in December to make a better life for herself in the business technology field.

"I love it," Sexton said. "It helps you prepare for the real world. It gives you what you need to know to be successful. You get the training and you have fun while doing it."

Sexton, a GED graduate, says she would be "on the farm" or working in fast food if she were not enrolled at the center.

Now, she says, she's right on track to becoming "a big successful business person."

Today, the Job Corps organization is the nation's largest residential education and vocational training program for economically disadvantaged youth. Since the beginning of the national organization in 1964, nearly 2 million students have enrolled and completed their goals.

The Prestonsburg center will celebrate its 25th anniversary throughout the year, beginning in April with the dedication of a new dormitory. For more information, call (606) 886-1037.

UNITE

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The audience included one parent, Myshellia Mullins, who shared concerns about a teacher at John M. Stumbo, Stephanie Tackett, who is set for trial March 1 on two counts of drug trafficking.

Mullins expressed that there should be criteria for testing teachers and noted that she is pursuing a case against Tackett for allegedly assaulting her child in school on August 25. Mullins noted that she only later learned that Tackett was charged with felony counts of drug trafficking and expressed concern that Tackett is still teaching at the school.

Coalition Director Mike Vance stepped in before the questioning got too heated and explained that Mullins had good points to make, but that they would be more appropriately addressed at the next school board meeting, where accountable policy makers could be questioned directly.

Vance then called on Commonwealth's Attorney Brent Turner to talk about what is happening in county courtrooms to stem the tide of drug trafficking. Turner noted that his figures for 2005 have not been collated but highlighted two recent cases involving methamphetamine manufacturing. He pointed out that the state has made manufacturing meth a Class B felony, which can now net up to 10 years in prison as a minimum sentence for the crime.

Turner also stated that he hopes his appointment to the High Impact Drug Trafficking Area task force will allow him to bring more resources into the Big Sandy region. Turner explained that HIDTA targets

large-scale dealers and applauded Operation UNITE for taking down street level dealers. He said that the addition of HIDTA could only bolster the efforts to combat drug trafficking in the region.

Turner briefly addressed the charges against Tackett, noting that he couldn't talk about a pending case in detail but that he always had time to explain where a case stands for concerned citizens. He said that Tackett is set for trial on March 1 and that, contrary to rumors, the case has only seen one postponement.

Turner observed that more funding for KASPAR would only help stop doctor-shopping in the area if the system were quick enough to immediately tell doctors and pharmacists what kind of drug history their patients have.

Turner took questions after his presentation and agreed with one reporter who asked if pharmacies were becoming the new banks, as far as being targets for robbery. Turner replied that it has been a concern of his for two years and to be expected now that drugs are getting somewhat harder to get with the addition of the KASPAR reporting and the attorney general's efforts to stem the flow of internet pharmacies shipping drugs into the state.

Turner closed by saying that his efforts only hit the tip of the iceberg and applauded the coalition and schools for raising awareness.

"We can only fight the tide in the courts, but drug treatment and counseling do far more good when they make early interventions and turn people away from drugs," Turner said.

Another OC inmate charged with escape

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

WHEELWRIGHT — Otter Creek Correctional Center charged another inmate last week with attempted escape, the third such charge filed against an inmate in the past two months.

Madeline M. Hannaford, 38, is scheduled to be arraigned in March on one count of attempted escape.

Investigator Dwight Crowell, who continues the investigation, said Hannaford tried to get another inmate, Darla McCormick, 39, to help her escape from the prison on Oct. 16. McCormick pleaded not guilty to one count of third-degree escape Wednesday.

Her appearance in court came alongside the arraignment of another inmate, Lisa A. May, who faces one count of second-degree escape. May allegedly tried to free herself from restraints when she returned to the prison from a medical transport on Dec. 17.

Crowell also charged inmate Wanda Gooch, 44, with one count of fourth-degree assault after she allegedly pushed a correctional officer in order "to get to" another inmate during an altercation on Jan. 19. Gooch will also be arraigned in March.

During proceedings Friday morning, District Judge Eric Hall signed extradition orders for another Otter Creek inmate, Lisa R. Young, 40, who was determined to be a fugitive from the state of Indiana.

Young, formerly of Louisville, Indiana, failed to appear in court to answer to one count of auto theft and one count of felony theft.

Crowell said he had no knowledge of Young's case. Floyd County Sheriff Deputy Clayton Teel said Young's failure to appear in Indiana court was not connected to her incarceration at Otter Creek. Crowell continues investigations into charges against the other four inmates, who remain incarcerated at the prison.

Robbery

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the pharmacy could not offer detailed descriptions of the weapons used and observed that it was difficult to focus on such details when you are looking down the barrel of a gun. He did say that at least two handguns and one shotgun were used and that the staff was told that the group would come back and kill them if they talked to the police.

Harlan also inquired about Crum's interviews of the suspects, which include Adam Jones, 24, also of Wayland, who was arrested in connection with the robbery after turning himself in three weeks ago.

"Both of them denied any involvement in the incident," Crum said.

The detective was then asked about the evidence recovered and noted he had an informant in custody who participated in planning the robbery and was involved in splitting up the booty in the aftermath.

Assistant County Attorney Jimmy Marcum called for a sidebar and the name of the informant was withheld from the hearing.

Crum did note that the informant is in custody on another charge and had not been charged in connection with the robbery at this time.

Dismissed

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chological problems" and goes on to note that a psychologist who has treated them feels "these problems were in fact caused by the abuse that has been alleged in this case."

Turner did not rule out bringing the charges again should the status of the alleged victims change as happened, in the case of Raymond Lee Hall, who was sentenced last week in a case that was originally brought

against him in 1993 but was dismissed until the victim came forward 11 years later and was ready to talk about the abuse they suffered.

Last week the Adamases filed to have their trials separated but were overruled on the motion, which was presented by Ned Pillersdorf, who represents Bobby Joe Adams, and Jimmy Webb, who represents Justina Adams.

Mothers

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was running and the doors were unlocked, he alleges.

"I was approached by a witness who did not want to give his name, and he stated that two women got out of the vehicle about 15 minutes before I arrived," Goodman wrote. "The infant was crying when I arrived. I was there about five minutes when the above subject came out of Shoe Sensation. I asked her why the child was alone and she said she just ran in the store for a minute. She also stated it was too hard to pack the child into the store."

Goodman contacted social services, which took temporary custody of the baby.

Hall ordered Bailey to have no contact with her child while the case is pending or until another court order is filed in the case.

Bailey was released from custody on Feb. 3, after Hall amended the \$5,000 partially secured bond originally given to her to a \$250 cash bond.

Bailey's arrest came alongside the arraignment of another mother who was charged with endangering the welfare of a minor last week.

Courtney Harris, 23, of

Banner, pleaded not guilty Friday morning to one misdemeanor count of endangering the welfare of a minor and one felony count of terroristic threatening.

Lexington attorney Sandra Spurgeon filed a complaint against Harris, alleging that she failed to provide milk to her infant son on Feb. 2 and that she started "pulling and tugging" on the baby while she was "highly under the influence" of drugs. She was wanting to put the baby in bed with her before she passed out, Spurgeon claims in the complaint.

Spurgeon, who would not comment, also alleges in the complaint that Harris threatened to kill her mother when she intervened to help the child.

Arresting officer Deputy Sheriff Clayton Teel said he had no knowledge of the charges against Harris.

District Judge Eric Hall filed an emergency temporary custody order in the case, preventing Harris from having written, verbal or physical contact with her son or anyone providing care to him.

Harris remains incarcerated at the Floyd County Detention Center under a \$10,000 cash bond.

Two named directors of PRIDE committees

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — With two new coordinators, area PRIDE (Personal Responsibility in a Desirable Environment) committees are gearing up for spring cleaning.

"It's always good to talk trash among neighbors," said the city's economic development director, Brent Gardner, who recently stepped in as the city's PRIDE Coordinator.

Gardner, replacing former coordinator Tom Harris, attended a meeting last Thursday with area officials and recently appointed Floyd County PRIDE Committee Coordinator Marie Martin Holbrook, who also works in the accounts payable position for the fiscal court.

This year, PRIDE committees are focusing on roadside cleanups, education and sewer extensions or improvements. Members are now gathering volunteers for the Spring Cleanup, which is slated for April 8 through April 22. The

county is offering free tipping fees at the Garth landfill for residents during that time.

The city will host a roadside cleanup in April. Gardner said his committee will recruit volunteers through a "LOVE" (Local Organized Volunteer Effort), a group of individuals who will concentrate on roadside cleanups and other projects.

Holbrook, who replaced former coordinator Lon May, is pre-registering spring cleanup volunteers at the fiscal court house. The committee will supply bags, gloves, and cleaning supplies to volunteers who register.

This year, Holbrook said the committee will also encourage political candidates to take down their signs after the election. The committee may ask the fiscal court for assistance with this, Holbrook said.

The community is invited to attend the next PRIDE meeting, which is scheduled to be held at the Mountain Arts Center at 10 a.m. on March 2. For more information or to volunteer, call (606) 886-9193.

Wrongful death suit filed over wreck

by MARY MUSIC
STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG — A Morgan County man who was charged with driving under the influence two years ago is being sued for allegedly causing the death of one of his passengers.

Prestonsburg attorney Jerry Patton is filed suit against Charles Gibson Jr., of Ezel, for an automobile accident that occurred at Fisher Hollow Road on Feb. 7, 2004.

Patton, representing Martin resident Mattie Howell and Kathy Plummer, an administrator over the estate of Kathy Robinson, alleges that Gibson negligently caused an accident that resulted in the death of Robinson, who was a passenger in the vehicle.

Gibson was arrested that day for driving under the influence, but the charge was amended to reckless driving in August 2004. District Judge Eric Hall sentenced Gibson to attend state traffic school and ordered him to pay approximately \$130.50 in fines.

Patton argues that Gibson's guilty plea to the amended reckless driving charge proves that he acted negligently.

Patton is seeking compensation for his clients' mental and physical pain and suffering, lost wages, medical bills, punitive damages and costs associated with Robinson's death.

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Mine agency suing Kentucky coal operator

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The federal agency that oversees mine safety went to court Monday to try to make sure a Kentucky coal operator pays future fines levied against him.

The Mine Safety and Health Administration filed the suit against Stanley Osborne as well as Misty Mountain Mining Inc. and Midgard Mining Co. LLC, which are owned by Osborne, according to the government.

Federal regulators who filed the suit called it "unusual and precedent-setting," since the government rarely sues over fines.

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky, said Osborne has avoided paying fines for health and safety violations worth over \$200,000 since the 1980s.

The agency asked the court to require Osborne to post a bond for an unspecified amount that could be used "to guarantee future compliance" with the law and ensure payment of fines imposed on him in the future.

Calls to Osborne and both Misty Mountain Mining and Midgard Mining went unanswered.

MSHA spokesman Dirk Fillpot said his agency is considering filing similar lawsuits against other coal operators who avoid paying fines.

The agency said in a statement Monday it had assessed more than \$80,000 in civil fines against Osborne's two companies in 2003, 2004 and 2005 for safety and health violations at mines in Pike County. But the companies have chronically failed to pay the fines, the MSHA release said.

Congress is considering mine safety reforms in the wake of mine disasters in West Virginia that have killed 16 people since early January. One consideration is increasing fines for violations of safety regulations beyond their maximum of \$60,000 per violation.

Fillpot said MSHA was pursuing the Osborne case months before the Jan. 2 accident at Sago Mining in West Virginia that killed 12 miners.

"We will use every tool at our disposal to go after operators that refuse to pay their penalties for mine safety violations, and that includes holding the people who control them personally responsible," David G. Dye, acting administrator for the mine safety and health administration, said in the news release.

Osborne was recently fined in October, when a federal administrative law judge ordered Misty Mountain Mining to pay \$10,000 for firing and discriminating against four miners, according to the MSHA release.

Turner welcomes home Eastern Kentucky National Guard soldiers

FRANKFORT — State Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Drift, greeted the Company B, 206th Engineer Battalion, today at a welcoming home ceremony in Lexington at the Keeneland Entertainment Center.

The Kentucky Army National Guard soldiers from the Hazard, Jackson and Morehead areas have been serving in Iraq since December, 2004.

"I am proud to be part of the ceremonies to welcome these outstanding men and women home," Turner said. "These soldiers are heroes."

While overseas, the unit upheld responsibility for the safety and security of all convoys, civilian and military alike, within its territory. The soldiers were assigned to provide convoy escorts, security on main

supply routes and Iraqi highways, in addition to supervising detainee internment operations at the once notorious Abu Ghraib Prison.

The Kentucky unit helped resolve problems at the prison. "Our Kentucky soldiers know how to treat prisoners, just like they know how to fight," said David Altom, public affairs officer for the Kentucky Department of Military Affairs.

Turner said he is thankful that no members of the unit died while in Iraq. "We're just grateful that they're home and they're safe."

There are more than 7,600 Soldiers and Airmen in the Kentucky National Guard, with nearly 1,600 currently mobilized in Iraq, Afghanistan and in the U.S. for homeland security.



State Sen. Johnny Ray Turner, D-Drift, welcomes National Guard Soldier Chris Dixon back to Kentucky Friday at a welcoming home ceremony in Lexington at the Keeneland Entertainment Center.

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The family of Clara Sturgill Pack wishes to thank all those friends, neighbors, and family who helped them in any way upon the passing of their loved one. Thanks to those who sent food, flowers, prayers and words of comfort expressed. A special thanks to Pastor Randy Osborne for his comforting words, the Sheriff's Department for their assistance in traffic control, and the Hall Funeral Home for their kind and professional service. All your thoughts and prayers will never be forgotten.

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Ladycats pull away, beat Allen Central

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - The Betsy Layne High girls broke a four-game losing streak on the road Saturday in commanding fashion. Betsy Layne broke open a close game and cruised to a 62-42 win over the Allen Central Lady Rebels in a key 58th District game. Betsy Layne was able to enact some revenge in

the game, beating the Lady Rebels after Allen Central took the district-opening game over the Ladycats 39-34 in a meeting at the Dome on Dec. 9.

Whitney Tackett had one of her best games in a Ladycat uniform, scoring a game-high 21 points for the Betsy Layne girls. Kaitlin Lawson and Megan Hamilton joined Tackett in double figures with 16 and 10 points, respectively. Candice

Meade was another leading player for the Ladycats, finishing with nine points.

Betsy Layne had two three-point field goals with Hamilton connecting on both.

After slipping out of the first quarter with a slim 13-12 lead, Betsy Layne took a 26-18 lead into halftime and outscored Allen Central in both the third and fourth quarters.

The Ladycats canned 26 field

goals in the 20-point win.

Amanda Thacker led the way for Allen Central with 14 points. Thacker was especially effective from the outside for Allen Central as she connected on three three-point field goals.

Sara Johnson added nine points for the Lady Rebels. Kim Biliter and Mara Biliter each had five points for host Allen



Betsy Layne High senior Whitney Tackett led the Ladycats in scoring Saturday with 21 points.

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Changes made in spearing rule, uniforms in high school football

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS - Removal of the word "intentional" from the spearing rule and new requirements for the visiting team's jersey beginning in 2010 highlighted high school football rules changes this year.

The spearing and jersey rules changes were among 15 changes approved by the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Football Rules Committee at its January 21-22 meeting in Indianapolis. The rules subsequently were approved by the NFHS Board of Directors. The NFHS Football Rules Committee is composed of one voting member from each NFHS state high school association that uses NFHS football rules, as well as representatives of the NFHS Coaches Association and NFHS Officials Association.

In Rule 2-40, the rules committee voted to eliminate "intentional" from the spearing wording in the hopes that all illegal helmet contact, which includes spearing, will be called by officials. With reducing the risk of injury of student-athletes the foremost concern, the committee believes this change in wording will continue the "no-tolerance" policy toward illegal use of the helmet in high school football.

"Removing 'intentional' from the definition of spearing eliminates the official's burden of reading 'intent' into a clearly unsafe act before imposing the appropriate rule infraction penalty," said Brad Cashman, executive director of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association and chair of the NFHS Football Rules Committee. "The NFHS Football Rules Committee is to be commended for its continuing efforts to find ways to take the head out of football."

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the rule change

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Bobcats bash AC, return to win column



file photo
Brandon Kidd went over 1,000 points scoring for his career in Saturday night's victory over 58th District rival Allen Central.

Kidd goes over 1,000 career points for Betsy Layne

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

EASTERN - Betsy Layne went on the road to Allen Central Saturday looking to snap a six-game losing streak in a key 58th District game versus the Rebels. The Bobcats did just that, rolling to an 83-57 58th District win over the Allen Central boys.

Betsy Layne outscored Allen Central 24-14 in the first quarter and cruised to the 26-point win.

"It was a much needed win for us," said Betsy Layne head

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BETSY LAYNE BOBCATS REMAINING REGULAR-SEASON GAMES

- Feb. 10 at Prestonsburg, 6 p.m.
- Feb. 14 at Paintsville, 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 15 Jackson City, 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 17 at Pike Co. Cent. 6 p.m.
- Feb. 21 Sheldon Clark, 7:30 p.m.
- Feb. 24 Pikeville, 7:30 p.m.

Cumberlands clamps Lady Bears

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - The University of the Cumberlands enjoyed a 20 rebound advantage in the second half alone and rolled to a 79-46 win over Pikeville College on Saturday afternoon.

Pikeville enjoyed a 19-18 rebounding edge in the first half despite trailing 38-22. But the wheels fell completely off in the second half, with Cumberlands outscoring the Lady Bears 41-24.

Four Lady Patriots reached double figures, led by Kirsten Roberson's 18 to go with 13 rebounds. She was 6-of-11 from the floor and did her damage in only 26 minutes.

Lissi Fuller added 16, Tenille Cann 11 and Hannah Jefferson 10.

Pikeville, losing for the fifth straight game, had only one player in double digits. Sophomore Kellie Jo Moore came off the bench for 14 points and six rebounds. Junior Tonya Amburgey followed with nine, coming on three three-point baskets.

Pikeville (11-13, 0-5 in the Mid-South Conference) was only 35.6 percent from the floor and lost despite hitting 5-of-9 from the arc.

Cumberlands (14-7, 3-2), meanwhile, got the big win on a day it shot only 38 percent from the floor and 30 from the arc. The edge came because of their efforts on the glass, as 26 offensive rebounds meant that many more tries from the field in the win.

Late run propels Patriots

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE - A 10-0 run down the stretch turned a three-point lead into a seven-point hole and resulted in a 67-62 win for the University of the Cumberlands over Pikeville College Saturday night.

Pikeville (8-17, 0-5 in the Mid-South Conference) was looking for its first league win of the season and playing without starting center Chris Carroll, who missed the game due to an illness. The lead was 54-51 after junior Ben Valentine scored with 4:10 remaining.

However, the Patriots would score 10 straight over the next 3 1/2 minutes. Five different players scored, with a free

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Lady Tigers fall in All-A semis

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

RICHMOND - Falling behind early on Saturday in the Touchstone Energy All "A" Classic Semifinals caught up with the Paintsville Lady Tigers. Paintsville fell behind in the first quarter Saturday in the semis and could never make up enough ground, falling to Monroe County. The Lady Falcons, which went on to win the small-school state tournament, defeated Paintsville 54-44.

Western Kentucky University signee Kenzie Rich led the way for Monroe County with 17 points and six steals. Marie Bennett scored 14

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Floyd County-based Dirt Late Model driver Brandon Kinzer is in Florida this week for the 30th Annual East Bay Internationals. Kinzer competed in his first race of the 2006 season earlier this year at the Talladega Short Track's Ice Bowl.

P'burg's win streak halted at six games

by STEVE LeMASTER
SPORTS EDITOR

WEST LIBERTY - Prestonsburg took a six-game win streak on the road to Morgan County Friday night. The Blackcats traveled to Morgan County for a tilt against the Cougars and despite a strong inside game, came up short. Senior Lewis Barnette tossed in 19 points and sophomore Nathaniel

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Bobcats

coach Brent Rose. "When you lose some of the types of games we have lost in the last few weeks your confidence has to be shaken, but hopefully this is something that can get us going in the right direction."

Betsy Layne senior Brandon Kidd went over the 1,000 career-point mark in the 58th District triumph. Kidd was scheduled to be presented with the game ball from Saturday's contest during last night's Betsy Layne home game versus South Floyd.

Brandon Thacker led Betsy Layne with a game-high 24 points. Brandon Kidd added 19 points on his milestone night. Pat Stapleton also reached double figures for the Bobcats, finishing with 11 points. Trai Witt and Mane Klokocar added to a balanced Betsy Layne scoring effort with eight points apiece.

Rose was pleased with his team's offensive activity. "We really passed the ball well and didn't rely on the dribble as much," Rose added. "We shot a high percentage from the field because of the ball movement. It was a total team effort."

The Bobcats took a 39-24 lead into halftime. Betsy Layne finished on a strong note, outscoring Allen Central 24-14 in the final period.

Ryan Collins led Allen Central with 15 points. Josh Martin scored 11 points and Alex Hammonds added 10 for the Rebels.

District matchups filled each team's schedule last night with Betsy Layne hosting South Floyd and Allen Central playing on the road at Prestonsburg. Results from both Floyd County games were unavailable at press time.

BETSY LAYNE 83, ALLEN CENTRAL 57

BETSY LAYNE (5-13) - Thacker 24, Stapleton 11, Kidd 19, Craft 4, Case 3, Witt 8, Klokocar 8, McKinney 3, Collins 3.

ALLEN CENTRAL (4-16) - Martin 11, Collins 15, Stone 5, Hammonds 10, Music 6, Jacobs 3, Joseph 2, Turner 1, Shepherd 2.

Betsy Layne.....24 15 20 24-83
Allen Central.....14 10 19 14-57

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Ladycats

The Lady Rebels were held to just 10 made field goals. Allen Central had four three-pointers and ended the game 10-of-17 from the free-throw line.

BETSY LAYNE 62, ALLEN CENTRAL 42

BETSY LAYNE - Meade 9, Tackett 21, Lawson 16, Hamilton 10, Martin 2, Tackett 4.

ALLEN CENTRAL - Dingus 4, Johnson 9, Thacker 14, K. Biliter 3, Cline 5, Mullins 2, M. Biliter 5.

Betsy Layne.....13 13 17 19-62
Allen Central.....12 6 11 13-42

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Football

that made initial contact with the head while blocking or tackling illegal in high school football. Since 1977, fatalities in high school football have followed a single-digit trend that is in large part due to the annual data collection and recommendations made in the Annual Survey of Football Injury Research to help reduce the incidence of serious injury. Prior to the rule change in 1976, about 20 direct fatalities occurred annually; in the past 10 years, the average has been about four annually.

"With more than one million student-athletes participating in football each year, the committee acknowledges that injuries will occur," said Jerry Diehl, NFHS assistant director and liaison to the rules committee, "but with the continued strong emphasis on risk minimization, the goal is to reduce that risk as much as possible."

Because of increasing amounts of color in visiting team's "light" jerseys, beginning in the 2010 season, more stringent requirements will take effect that will eliminate confusion as to which jerseys are dark and which are light. The revised rule will require the yoke and the body of the visiting team's jersey to be white and will dictate the areas of the jersey that can have adornments and accessory patterns. Those areas will be stripes on the sleeves, a border around the collar and cuffs, and a side seam (from the underarms to the top of the pants) 4 inches in width.

"Approximately 10 years ago, the NFHS Football Rules Committee began liberalizing the 'jersey rule' by removing basic restrictions on decorations and other limitations," Cashman said. "An unintended consequence of such liberalization has been the often-reported 'blending' of the dark-colored home team jerseys and the light-colored visiting team jerseys, creating confusion on the part of players, officials and spectators. Beginning in 2010, that confusion should be eliminated."

Diehl said that manufacturers have been asking for more direction with regard to the changes in uniform design. The four-year phase-in period will allow this change to be implemented during the normal uniform replacement cycle, thus minimizing the financial impact on schools. He also noted that this change will allow the home team to wear some of the newer styles of jerseys, and, over the course of a season, will be fair to all teams.

In addition to the 15 changes approved at this year's meeting,

two other significant rules dealing with risk management that were approved at last year's meeting take effect with the 2006 season. Beginning next season, all helmets shall be secured with a four-snap chin strap, and a colored tooth and mouth protector (not clear or white) will be required.

In other 2006 changes, three rules dealing with participation were approved by the committee. A definition was established in Rule 2 noting that participation is "any act or action by a player or non-player that has an influence on play." The committee revised Rule 3-7-6 to state that "during a down, a replaced player or substitute who enters the field but does not participate, constitutes illegal substitution." Diehl said that previously the penalty was too severe against an individual who simply stepped on the field and didn't participate or attempt to participate in the play.

Rule 9-6-4a was revised to state that "when any player, replaced player or substitute enters and participates during a down, it shall be considered illegal participation."

The rules committee modified the 9-yard marks, which were approved last year for 11-player football, for six-player, eight-player and nine-player games. In those other three versions of football, 7-yard marks, 12 inches in length and 4 inches in width, shall be located 7 yards from each sideline. The 7-yard marks shall be marked so that each successive 10-yard line bisects the 7-yard marks. These marks shall not be required if the field is visibly numbered.

The Football Rules Committee appointed a subcommittee to better address modifications necessary in the other three forms of the game of football. Diehl said this subcommittee should be beneficial to those states that sponsor six-player, eight-player or nine-player football.

Among the points of emphasis approved by the committee is one dealing with the proper procedures for handling apparent concussions. This point of emphasis will be included in all NFHS rules books in 2006-07.

The action plan for handling apparent concussions states that if one suspects that a player has a concussion, the following steps should be taken: 1) remove athlete from play; 2) ensure that the athlete is evaluated by an appropriate health-care professional and don't try to judge the seriousness of the injury yourself; 3) inform the athlete's parents or guardians

about the known or possible concussion and give them the fact sheet on concussion; and 4) allow the athlete to return to play only with permission from an appropriate health-care professional.

Other changes approved by the committee:

Rule 1-2-3g - Advertising and/or commercial markings on the field of play are prohibited; however, this change permits advertising in the end zones.

Rule 1-3-5b - The official line-to-gain and down indicators shall be operated approximately 6' feet outside the sideline, where facilities permit.

Rule 1-5-1f2 - Beginning in 2008, when measuring the length of a non-removable cleat, the measurement shall be from the tip of the cleat to the sole of the shoe.

Rule 1-6-2 - Phones and headsets may be used by coaches and other non-players. Players may only use phones and headsets during authorized sideline conferences.

Rule 2-6-2a - One or more team members and one or more coaches may confer directly in front of the team box within 9 yards of the sideline for an authorized sideline conference.

Rule 2-31-8 - A player becomes a kicker when a knee, lower leg or foot makes contact with the ball.

Rule 4-2-2 - A holder may rise and catch or recover an errant snap and immediately return a knee(s) to the ground and place the ball for a kick or again rise to advance, hand, kick or pass.

Rule 7-2-8 - Any player on offense on his line of scrimmage may not advance a planned loose ball in the vicinity of the snapper.

Rule 7-5-10, 13 - The act of illegally touching the ball by an ineligible player carries the same penalty whether the act occurs behind, in or beyond the line of scrimmage.

In terms of participants, football is the No. 1 sport for boys at the high school level. Combined with 25,669 participants in six-player, eight-player and nine-player football, a total of 1,071,163 boys participated in high school football in 2004, according to the 2004-05 High School Athletics Participation Survey conducted by the NFHS. Eleven-player football (1,045,494) ranks fourth in terms of school sponsorship for boys with 13,671 high schools sponsoring the sport. In addition, 1,627 girls participated in football (1,473 in 11-player) during the 2004 season.

The Bears led most of the second half before faltering down the stretch.

Cumberlands (17-5, 3-2), ranked 11th in the NAIA Div. I poll, got a double-double from junior center Christopher Simmons, who finished with 12 points and 12 rebounds. Senior Patrick Careton led the Pats with 17 points, while Brown tossed in 16.

Pikeville got 13 points from senior Kurtis Ellison and junior Steve Sickler, who was 6-of-6 from the field. Ellison, a former all-conference defensive back, led the Bears with eight rebounds from his point-guard position.

Junior Kyle Morris had a productive night, with six points, seven assists and five rebounds.

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Patriots

throw by junior Sam Brown making it 61-54 with 40 seconds remaining to essentially put the game away.

Pikeville led 33-31 at the break thanks to 68.4 percent shooting from the floor. The lead should have been larger, but 14 first-half turnovers meant the Pats had 10 more field goal opportunities, enabling them to stay within two.

P'burg

Stephens chipped in 16, but the host Cougars had the final say. Morgan County took an 11-point lead into halftime and won by one more, beating Prestonsburg 68-56.

Blake McCowan led the way for stout 16th Region contender Morgan County (17-3) with a game-high 22 points. Nathaniel Peyton and Katlin Haney each had 14 points for the Cougars.

Morgan County went into halftime with a 35-24 lead. The Cougars remained out in the front early on in the second half, outscoring Prestonsburg

14-11 in the third quarter. Saturday's contest was a rematch of a Prestonsburg-Morgan County matchup played earlier this season as part of Pike Central's Coca-Cola Hoops Classic. In the first game between the two teams Jan. 5, Morgan County held on in double-overtime, beating the Blackcats 67-61.

Nick McGuire added nine points for Prestonsburg.

Sean Leslie and Bobby Hughes added four points apiece for the Blackcats. Senior Brooks Herrick rounded out the Prestonsburg scoring with two points.

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MORGAN COUNTY 68, PRESTONSBURG 56

PRESTONSBURG (9-8) - Herrick 2, McGuire 9, Stephens 16, Barnette 19, Leslie 4, Hughes 4.

MORGAN COUNTY (17-3) - Williams 4, Adkins 4, Peyton 14, Haney 14, McCowan 22, Young 7, Montgomery 2.

Prestonsburg.....13 11 11 21-56
Morgan Co.....17 18 14 17-58

Tigers

points and pulled down six rebounds and Chelsea McCreary chipped in with 11 points for the Lady Falcons.

Monroe County, which ultimately beat St. Mary in the tournament's title game, forced Paintsville into 21 turnovers.

Kendra Carroll led Paintsville (15-6) with 17

points. Chelsee Jarrell added 10 rebounds and nine points for the Lady Tigers.

"This is a great group of girls," commented Paintsville Coach Mark Baldwin, who guided the Lady Tigers to their first-ever All "A" Classic state event. "I'm just so proud of them."

On Friday afternoon,

Paintsville defeated an athletic Louisville Moore team 63-56.

Carroll led Paintsville past Moore with a game-high 23 points. Jarrell had 19 points for the Lady Tigers.

At the conclusion of the tournament, Carroll and Jarrell were each named to the all-tournament team.

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Eagles beat Berea, Mid-Continent

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES - The Alice Lloyd College Eagles got two KIAC Conference wins on the road last week to move them into second place in the Conference standings. On Tuesday night, the Eagles the won a hard fought contest against the Berea College Mountaineers. ALC jumped out to an early 20-7 lead, but Berea came back to cut the deficit to one, 33-32 at halftime. Jeremy Daniels hit three big baskets in the final two minutes and the Eagles hit some big free throws down the stretch in route to a 68-59 win. Daniels finished with 18 points and six rebounds. Kenneth Waterman had a double-double with 14 points, 10 rebounds and three assists. He was followed by Rodney Mitchell (12 pts., four rebs.) and Jeremy Jackson (10 pts, five rebs). Point guard William Dillard had a good game with seven points, six assists and six rebounds. Brent Prichard (five pts., four rebs.), Eric Mullins (two pts., one reb.), Corey Hairston (three rebs.) also contributed in the win.

On Saturday afternoon the Eagles traveled to far western Kentucky to play Mid-Continent University. They led 44-41 at halftime, but Mid-Continent fought back and led most of the second half. The Eagles trailed 82-73 with less than four minutes remaining in regulation. They tied the score at 85 on a three-pointer by Waterman, forcing an overtime. The Eagles went on to win 94-90. Waterman (17 pts., 10 rebs., three assists, three steals) and Prichard (17 pts., six rebs.) led five players in double figures. They were followed by Dillard (four assists, four steals), Hairston (12 pts.,

three rebs), and Mitchell (11 pts., five rebs). Daniels scored nine points and joined the prestigious 1,000 point club for the Eagles. Jackson (nine pts., three rebs), Jordan Kidd (two pts.) and Tyson Gross (two pts.) also stepped in and played well on both ends for the ALC men's team. Although he did not score,

Winston Lee played some very important minutes on the defensive end of the court for the Eagles.

Alice Lloyd was back in action Tuesday night, hosting Virginia-Wise. The Eagles will travel Saturday to conference-leading Indiana University-Southeast.



Daniels goes over 1,000 career points

ALC senior Jeremy Daniels, a 6-foot-5 senior forward from Betsy Layne High School scored his 1,000 career point last Saturday night in a 94-90 overtime win at Mid-Continent University in Mayfield. Daniels currently has 546 rebounds and 145 blocked shots to go along with his 1,002 career points for the Eagles. He is the son of Tunis and Terri Daniels of Beaver. He played his high school basketball at Betsy Layne under the direction of head coach Brent Rose.

Lady Eagles win one, lose two

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIPPA PASSES - The Alice Lloyd College women's basketball team played three KIAC Conference games on the road last week. On Tuesday night, Alice Lloyd traveled to Midway College. The Lady Eagles trailed at halftime, 46-41. The ALC women were outscored 38-26 in the second half en route to an 84-67 loss.

Kaylan Richardson (15 pts., four rebs.), Kristal Daniels (12 pts., 14 rebs.), and Jamie Bonza (10 pts., six rebs.) were in double figures for the Lady Eagles. Taran Cody (nine pts., six rebs.), Rhonda Adams (seven pts.), Belicia Mullins (seven pts, three assists), Elisha Hall (five pts., four rebs.), Amy Jackson (two rebs.), Whitney Lykens (four rebs), and Chastity Fox (two pts, five rebs.) also contributed.

On Thursday night, the Lady Eagles played Berea College. In a high scoring affair, the Lady Eagles trailed at halftime 56-53 en route to an 114-98 loss.

Adams led the team in scoring with 21 points. She was followed by Daniels with 13 points and 17 rebounds. Cody

and Hall had 12 and 11 points, respectively. Fox (eight pts.), Richardson (nine pts.), Bonza (nine pts.), Lykens (eight pts., six assists), Jackson (four pts.) and Mullins (three pts.) also provided quality play.

The Lady Eagles traveled to Mayfield for a game with Mid-Continent University on Saturday. Alice Lloyd led 43-29 at halftime on its way to an 83-60 win. Mullins (23 pts.) and Adams (19 pts., five rebs.) led the attack. Cody (nine pts., three

rebs.), Lykens (eight pts., six rebs.), Fox (eight pts., two rebs.), Hall (four pts., four rebs.), Bonza (five pts., two assists), Richardson (three pts., three rebs.), Daniels (two pts., three rebs.), Jackson (1 reb.), Cassie Whitaker (two pts.), Abby Shaffer (three rebs.), and Tabatha Sprouse (two pts.) also contributed.

The Lady Eagles were hosting Virginia-Wise Tuesday evening and will travel Saturday to Indiana University-Southeast.

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SUNSHINE STATE MELTDOWN: No. 8 Florida 95, Kentucky 80

by MARK LONG
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Taurean Green and Joakim Noah gave No. 8 Florida a rare streak against Kentucky.

Green scored a career-high 29, Noah added a career-best 26 and the Gators beat the Wildcats 95-80 Saturday night to extend their winning streak over the Southeastern Conference's most storied program to three games.

Florida's previous long streak against Kentucky, also three games, came nearly two decades ago.

"When we first got here, everybody said we couldn't beat Kentucky," Florida sophomore Corey Brewer said. "We said we're going to change that."

The Gators (20-2, 6-2 SEC) also set a school record with their 20th consecutive home victory.

The Wildcats (15-7, 5-3) lost for the first time since mid-January, snapping a five-game winning streak and dropping

them to third place in the Eastern Division.

The Gators were relatively healthy for the first time since opening the season with 17 straight wins.

Brewer, slowed the last four games with a sprained ankle, looked like his usual self. He ran the break, slashed to the basket, made acrobatic shots and played stingy defense. He finished with 16 points, including nine from the free throw line.

Lee Humphrey, who missed Florida's last game after separating his left shoulder during a bicycle accident, returned much earlier than expected. Coach Billy Donovan initially said he could miss up to three weeks, but Humphrey entered the game midway through the first half.

He badly missed his only shot, an air ball from behind the 3-point line, but his return allowed the Gators to avoid playing walk-ons — something they had to do in a tough win at

Mississippi on Tuesday.

Even with Humphrey still hurting, the Gators looked like they were back to full strength — especially in the second half.

They used an 18-1 run over a 5-minute span early in the second half to build a double-digit lead that quickly turned a close game into a rout.

"We really got rattled," Kentucky coach Tubby Smith said. "They really had another gear; they turned it up."

The decisive spurt started with two free throws from Brewer and really got rolling with Green's 3-pointer the next time down the court.

Al Horford added a layup, Green hit a jumper in the lane, Noah had a dunk on an inbound pass from Green, and the beat-down began.

"We just didn't have an answer for their inside people," Smith said. "They really man-handled us."

Green and Noah dominated

play after the break.

Green had 19 second-half points, the majority of them coming on drives and from the free throw line.

"It was just open shots. They went in," Green said.

Noah had 13, most of them coming down low.

"I'm not doing anything special," Noah said. "I'm just getting easy baskets in transition."

Rajon Rondo led the Wildcats with 22 points before fouling out with 1:35 to play, and Joe Crawford added 19.

Crawford sank a jumper in the lane just before halftime to put Kentucky ahead 41-39, but the opening period was dominated by guards and centers.

Green and Noah combined for 32 points on 9-of-10 shooting, while Randolph Morris and Rondo were 9-of-12 from the floor and totaled 20 points.

Noah constantly beat Morris down the floor, getting in position for easy and uncontested

shots. He made each of his six shots in the first half — three dunks and three layups.

Morris was more effective on the other end, getting two dunks, a layup, a turnaround bank shot and two free throws. He also made several key passes

out of double teams and had five assists. But Morris had just four points in the second half.

"We were just a little more hungry than Kentucky," said Florida's Chris Richard, who had 10 off the bench. "We wanted this one for so many reasons."

No. 8 FLORIDA 95, KENTUCKY 80

KENTUCKY (15-7)—Perry 2-4 0-0 6, Morris 6-8 2-2 14, Rondo 8-13 3-5 22, Sparks 2-11 0-0 5, Crawford 5-16 7-8 19, Stockton 0-0 0-0 0, Moss 0-2 0-0 0, Bradley 2-7 2-2 7, Obrzut 0-0 0-0 0, LeMaster 0-0 0-0 0, Thomas 2-4 2-4 7, Sims 0-1 0-0 0, Carter 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 27-67 16-21 80.

FLORIDA (20-2)—Brewer 3-9 9-10 16, Noah 11-13 4-6 26, Horford 3-3 5-7 11, Green 8-14 10-12 29, Hodge 0-4 0-0 0, Swanson 0-0 0-0 0, Moss 0-0 0-0 0, Humphrey 0-1 0-0 0, Berry 0-0 0-0 0, Tyler 0-0 0-0 0,

Richard 4-5 2-2 10, Huertas 1-3 0-0 3. Totals 30-52 30-37 95.

Halftime—Kentucky 41-39, 3-Point Goals—Kentucky 10-28 (Rondo 3-4, Perry 2-2, Crawford 2-8, Thomas 1-2, Bradley 1-4, Sparks 1-6, Moss 0-1, Sims 0-1), Florida 5-15 (Green 3-7, Huertas 1-2, Brewer 1-4, Humphrey 0-1, Hodge 0-1).

Fouled Out—Rondo, Rebounds—Kentucky 37 (Crawford 10), Florida 33 (Horford 11). Assists—Kentucky 15 (Sparks 9), Florida 20 (Green 9). Total Fouls—Kentucky 26, Florida 18. A—12,609.

Louisville 89, Notre Dame 86

by WILL GRAVES
ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOUISVILLE — In the end, the option play didn't really have an option.



Taquan Dean

Trailing Notre Dame by three with 12 seconds left on Saturday at Freedom Hall, Louisville coach Rick Pitino called

a play that would get forward Juan Palacios open for a 3-point.

Guard Taquan Dean had other ideas.

"This is my last year, I'm going to take that shot," said Dean, whose game-tying off-balance 3-pointer as time expired in regulation propelled the Cardinals to an 89-86 overtime win. "Either way, I was going to take that shot."

The Cardinals (15-7, 3-6) never trailed in the extra session to revive their Big East tournament hopes while extending Notre Dame's conference misery. The Fighting Irish (10-10,

1-8) have lost their eight Big East games by a combined 26 points.

"You knew Dean was going to try to take a forced 3," Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said. "We tried to steal one on the road, we had it right there, and that's when we needed to win it, right there. ... Louisville was fearless to put that game into overtime."

David Padgett added 24 points and eight rebounds and Brandon Jenkins hit a layup with 22 seconds left in overtime as Louisville found a way to survive after suffering a handful of close losses of its own in its first season in the Big East.

"We made smart plays tonight at the defensive end," Pitino said. "(Winning) can help (our confidence) immensely."

Chris Quinn had 31 points for Notre Dame and Russell Carter added 24. But the Fighting Irish couldn't close it out after Quinn hit two free throws with 12 seconds to play

that put them up 80-77.

Instead, they allowed Louisville's best shooter to free himself at his favorite spot on the floor. Though the play Pitino drew up broke down, Dean wiggled free. He said the thoughts of missing — and dropping the Cardinals even further down the totem pole in the new-look Big East — didn't even cross his mind.

"All I was thinking was I needed to get the ball up," Dean said. "If I get it up, I'll make it."

Louisville entered the game tied for 12th in the conference, while the Fighting Irish were 15th in the 16-team league. Only 12 teams make the conference tournament at Madison Square Garden next month.

Dean's heroics kept Louisville's hopes of making it to New York alive. With winnable games against struggling Cincinnati and South Florida ahead on the schedule, the Cardinals think they may have turned a corner in their topsy-turvy season.

Louisville was ranked as high as fourth in the nation in December, but struggled through the first half of their

conference schedule, playing teams tough only to come apart in the last five minutes. By making the plays when they had to against Notre Dame, Jenkins said Louisville's seven new players shouldn't be intimidated anymore.

"It lets them know we can be in there and we can win close games," Jenkins said. "Don't be scared, just get in there with confidence."

After playing in so many close games this season, the Fighting Irish thought they had figured out how to win. But when Quinn missed a running 3-pointer with 4 seconds left, they dropped their fifth straight game. All five losses came down to the last shot.

"We should have had poise, we should have been tougher in overtime," Quinn said.

Still, with seven games left, the Fighting Irish say they haven't given up hope.

"The mood is fine," Carter said. "Obviously we're distraught about this game, but it's happened to us before. We're just going to have to bounce back and continue play hard. That's all we

can do at this point."

The Fighting Irish had been notoriously slow starters during a brutal early conference schedule, but Quinn's hot shooting gave Notre Dame an eight-point lead.

Louisville rallied behind Dean and freshman guard Andre McGee. The Cardinals held Notre Dame scoreless for more than 6 minutes then used three straight 3-pointers by McGee. The freshman took on more of a

shooter's role because of the absence of freshman swingman Terrence Williams, who sat out the game for academic reasons.

The Cardinals were 8-of-13 from 3-point range in the half to take a 44-38 lead, just the third time in conference play they led at halftime.

Notre Dame rallied, however, taking a 60-59 lead on a 3-pointer by Quinn with 9:21 to play, and the teams traded the lead four times down the stretch.

LOUISVILLE 89, NOTRE DAME 86, OT

NOTRE DAME (10-10)—Francis 1-7 1-2 3, Quinn 11-21 3-4 31, Falls 4-10 2-2 14, McAlarney 2-7 2-2 8, Carter 8-11 4-4 24, Cornett 0-4 0-0 0, Kurz 0-1 3-4 3, Zeller 1-3 0-0 3. Totals 27-64 15-18 86.

LOUISVILLE (15-7)—Palacios 3-10 3-5 10, Padgett 7-9 10-12 24, Dean 7-23 0-0 20, Jenkins 3-8 7-8 14, McGee 4-10 2-4 14, Gianiny 0-0 0-0 0, Current 0-0 0-0 0, Millard 0-0 0-0 0, Harvey 2-2 0-0 5, Farley 1-2 0-2 2. Totals 27-64 22-31 89. Halftime—Louisville 44-38.

End Of Regulation—Tied 80. 3-Point Goals—Notre Dame 17-34 (Quinn 6-9, Carter 4-6, Falls 4-9, McAlarney 2-6, Zeller 1-3, Kurz 0-1), Louisville 13-28 (Dean 6-12, McGee 4-7, Harvey 1-1, Jenkins 1-3, Palacios 1-5). Fouled Out—Francis, Kurz. Rebounds—Notre Dame 37 (Francis 10), Louisville 42 (Jenkins 9). Assists—Notre Dame 13 (Francis, McAlarney 4), Louisville 15 (Dean 4). Total Fouls—Notre Dame 24, Louisville 20. A—19,327.

Tenn. Tech 78, Eastern Kentucky 58

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COOKEVILLE, Tenn. — Belton Rivers scored 22 points Saturday to lead Tennessee Tech to a 78-58 win over Eastern Kentucky.

Tennessee Tech (16-8, 11-5 Ohio Valley Conference) started

strong, hitting 20 of 35 first half shots, including six 3-pointers.

At one point the Golden Eagles went on an 18-0 run and held a 48-29 lead at the half.

Tennessee Tech extended its lead to as much as 25 points in the second half.

Rivers hit six 3-pointers and

grabbed five rebounds.

Justin Taylor scored 11 points for Tennessee Tech, while Milone Clark finished with 10 points. Amadi McKenzie had 11 rebounds and scored 9 points.

Matt Witt led Eastern Kentucky (10-11, 7-6 OVC) in scoring with 17 points.

UK women fall at home

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LEXINGTON — Sha Brooks scored 21 points, including a key 3-pointer, to lead Florida to a 68-61 win over No. 21 Kentucky on Sunday.

Brooks' 3-pointer with 1:21 left extended Florida's lead to 61-55, and the Gators (17-5, 5-4 Southeastern Conference) made 7-of-8 free throws in the final 53 seconds.

Kentucky (15-6, 4-4 SEC) lost for the second straight time since defeating then-No. 1 Tennessee 66-63 on Jan. 26.

Brooks made 7-of-12 shots from the field and made three of Florida's five shots from beyond the arc. Dalila Eshe had 13 of her 17 points in the second half and Brittany Davis added 12 for the Gators.

Reserve Samantha Mahoney

lead the Wildcats with 13 points, followed by fellow reserve Sarah Elliott with 12.

Mahoney scored seven points in 17-3 run for a 25-17 lead with 4:35 left in the first half. Florida scored the last six points on a pair of 3-pointers by Brooks to trail 31-29 at halftime.

Kentucky tied the score at 49 with 7:56 left but failed to regain the lead.

COLLEGE TENNIS

Louisville downs Vanderbilt, 6-1

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE — The University of Louisville men's tennis team defeated visiting Vanderbilt 6-1 Friday at the Bass-Rudd Tennis Center. The Cardinals (4-2) extend their regular season home winning streak to 43 matches. Vanderbilt falls to 2-1 on the season.

"I told our team that a few years ago, Vanderbilt was one shot away from winning the national championship," said U of L head coach Rex Ecarma. "To beat a team with national championship potential by a score of 6-1 shows the growth of Louisville tennis."

For the fifth time this season, Louisville started the match by securing the doubles point. The No. 47-ranked team defeated Vandy's Gustafsson and Jordan Ryan Preston and Jordan

Magarik 8-2 at the top seed. U of L's Tony Teufel and Slavko Radman followed with an 8-3 win over Nathan Sachs and Nick Cromydas at the No. 3 seed. The Commodores' No. 30-ranked doubles team of Evan Dufaux and Andy Mack beat Johnny Berrido and Damar Johnson 8-6 at the two-spot.

In singles action, Johnson rolled to a 6-3, 6-3 win over Dufaux at No. 2 to give Louisville a 2-0 lead in the match. Clark added another singles point by beating Sachs 6-3, 6-0 at No. 4. Stefan Naughton sealed the match with a 6-3, 6-4 decision over Magarik at No. 6.

Vanderbilt's Cromydas put the Commodores on the board, defeating Nicolas Houard 6-2, 6-2 at No. 4 to make it a 1-1 match.

Johnson rolled to a 6-3, 7-6 (7) win against No. 40 Andy Mack at No. 3 while

Radman closed out the match by edging No. 64 Ryan Preston 7-6, 7-6 at the top seed.

"Elite level teams must have killer instinct and I told them to show me a team with killer instinct, and I'll show them a team with great potential. Jakob Gustafsson and Slavko Radman were playing when we already had the match won, but they both played like we were behind and rallying for the win."

The Cardinals will look to extend their regular season home winning streak when they play host to No. 61 Indiana Friday at noon at the Bass-Rudd Tennis Center.

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Greater skill, athleticism bring new spirit rule changes

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS — In response to the increasingly advanced skill level of high school spirit participants, several rules changes were made January 8-9 during the annual meeting of the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Spirit Rules Committee in Indianapolis.

Rule 2-10-1 was modified to stipulate that the formerly illegal helicopter stunt is now legal, provided it meets all the following conditions:

- The rotation in the horizontal plane is not greater than 180 degrees.

- The flyer does not twist.

- The flyer is in a face-up position.

- There is a minimum of three tossers.

- There is a minimum of three catchers, at least one of whom must be in position to support the head, neck and

shoulder area. This person(s) must be in position at the beginning of the toss and may not be involved in any other skill.

"There is sufficient time to allow a flyer to complete a 180-degree horizontal rotation when the toss is initiated by at least three tossers. Risk to the participants is minimized by the conditions required for the skill," said Susan Loomis, liaison to the NFHS Spirit Rules Committee. "The sport is evolving, and cheerleaders are becoming highly skilled athletes who can, through proper training and coaching, do more of these skills with a minimum of risk."

As a means of addressing pendulums and pendulum-type stunts, Rule 2-8-6d now calls for a minimum of three stationary catchers who remain in their original positions, as opposed to the previous minimum of four catchers.

"Reducing the number of required catchers does not present unreasonable risk to the

flyer, since all pendulums and pendulum-type stunts must begin from shoulder height or below," Loomis said. "Additionally, cradles that involve more force are executed safely with three catchers."

With the revision of Rule 2-11-1c,d,f, (the transitional stunt rule), the flyer must have at least two bases, with the exception of a single-base tick-tock, provided that the flyer remains vertical. Also, the flyer and each bracer has a separate spotter, and the flyer is not released into a toss.

In Rules 2-8-2 and 2-10-2, "a top person, including the flyer in a toss, must not drop the head backward out of alignment with the torso. The head must remain in a neutral position with the eyes looking forward," has been deleted. According to Loomis "dropping the head back out of alignment with the torso has not been shown to produce over-rotation or loss of kinesthetic awareness. The arch is still subject to the inverted flyer rule."

Rule 2-8-3 has been changed to "a flyer must not be in an inverted position except for the following:

- During a forward suspended roll

- During a mount that begins from an inverted position on the performing surface to a non-inverted stunt shoulder height or below. It must include a base or spotter who protects the head/neck/shoulder area of the flyer."

"These changes would allow a variety of low-level mounts that do not present unreasonable risk to participants," Loomis said.

In another change, Rule 2-9-1a adds the word "single" to base stunt, so that it now reads "it begins from a single- or double base-stunt with the flyer standing at shoulder height or below." The word "original" has been deleted from the Rule 2-9-1b, and now reads as "the flyer maintains continuous hand-to-hand/arm contact with two

bases."

The exception regarding the showing of midribs for costumes worn by teams in character or novelty routines was removed from Rule 3-1-7 so that the midrib rule would apply equally to all spirit teams. Rules 2-1-7 and 3-1-7 will become effective with the 2006-07 school year.

Competitive spirit squads

rank ninth in popularity in the 2004-05 NFHS High School Athletics Participation Survey, with 84,416 girls participating last year. It ranks 10th for girls in school sponsorship with 3,482 schools offering spirit, which includes dance, drill and pom squads, in addition to cheerleading. An additional 2,115 boys in 504 schools are involved in spirit programs.

Mountain Classic set for March 11

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PIKEVILLE — The 20th annual Mountain Classic Cheerleading Championships will be held Saturday, March 11 at Pikeville High School. Competition will begin at 10 a.m.

The event will feature approximately 30 elementary and junior high school cheerleading squads and dance teams. Admission will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for students.

Concession, photography and florist services will be available as well as several vendors exhibiting cheerleading clothing, jewelry and decorative items. Representatives from several major cheerleading companies will also be on site with information on summer camps, clinics and uniform selections. For more information, contact Lisa Wheeler between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. at 606/432-0185.

Protective face masks to be allowed in high school soccer

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

INDIANAPOLIS — Protective face masks may be worn by high school soccer players with facial injuries, as long as a medical release has been obtained, in accordance with a rule change at the January 22-23 National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Soccer Rules Committee meeting in Indianapolis. The face-mask rule and four other changes made by the committee were subsequently approved by the NFHS Board of Directors.

Rule 4-2-8 was added so that players who have incurred facial injuries can continue to play without fear of re-injury. This rule was made possible as a result of new technology in protective face masks. "The new masks are molded to the face with no protrusions, providing no additional risks to the player or opponents, and are legal with the appropriate medical sign-offs," said Bob Lombardi, chair of the NFHS Soccer Rules Committee and associate executive director of the Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association. According to Lombardi, this new rule will also prevent players with facial injuries from continuing to play with no protection.

Another change aimed at reducing the risk of injury is a requirement that shinguards meet the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment (NOCSAE) standard effective with the 2007-08 season. According to

Lombardi, players no longer will be able to wear missized, underrated shinguards. This rule will also require manufacturers to produce shinguards that will minimize risk to players. "Correctly sized and safety-regulated shinguards will exponentially help reduce leg injuries incurred while playing soccer," Lombardi said.

The new NOCSAE shinguards will be stamped with the NOCSAE logo. They will specify which size is correct for a particular sized player, making it easy for players, coaches and officials to differentiate which shinguards are to be worn.

Another important rule change provides officials more authority. Rule 5-1-2 states that "the jurisdiction of the official officially begins 15 minutes prior to the start of the game and ends with their leaving the field of play and its immediate surroundings." This rule was better defined in effort to further clarify the time period and area of the officials' jurisdiction. The officials now have the authority to penalize inappropriate behavior from coaches, fans and athletes before and after a game to deter unsportsmanlike acts.

Prior to the change, the jurisdiction of the officials began when they entered the field of play and ended when they left the field of play at the conclusion of play. "We wanted to create some sort of standard as to where the officials have jurisdiction," Lombardi said. The new rule is in response to questionnaires, and requests from officials, administrators and coaches.

Rule 4-4-1f, which deals with visible apparel worn under shorts, was modified. The former version of the rule required the visible apparel worn under shorts to be the same basic color of the uniform shorts. Because of the difficulty of finding this type of apparel in colors other than white or black, the same-color requirement was eliminated. The rule now requires that the apparel be of similar length, all alike and of a solid color.

The committee altered Rule 4-1-1g to be consistent with other NFHS sports rules codes. The rule states that "one manufacturer's logo/trademark or reference is permitted on the outside of each item." Adding the term "reference" will cover all other items not covered by the term "logo/trademark."

In addition to the rules changes each year, the committee identifies certain aspects of the game that need special attention. This year's Points of Emphasis focused on seven themes: game supervision, field markings, participant conduct, end-of-game procedures for officials, reporting incidents, minimizing risks to players, and eyewear.

Soccer is the fifth-most popular sport in both boys and girls high school athletics. Girls soccer had the second-largest gain in girls sports participation numbers in 2004-05, according to the High School Athletics Participation Survey conducted by the NFHS, with an increase of 7,072 participants, bringing it to 316,104 total participants. Boys soccer had 354,587 total participants.

Pike Co. Central 93, Piarist 47

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BUCKLEYS CREEK — David Hess scored 15 points and led 11 Pike Central scorers as the Hawks rolled to 93-47 win Friday night over district rival Piarist. The game was Pike Central's first contest without leading scorer Brad Lowe, who was lost to an ankle injury in a road game at Prestonsburg on Friday, January 27.

Brad Ratliff added 14 points for the Hawks while Eric Slone

scored 13.

The Hawks went up early on and never trailed en route to the rout.

Pike Central led 32-8 at the end of the first period and took a 58-20 lead into halftime. The Hawks also outscored Piarist in each of the second-half quarters.

Josh Ousley, Jake Moak and Matt Doyle each had 10 points for the Knights.

Defensively, Piarist held Pike Central to 18 points in the third quarter and 18 points in

the final period.

PIKE COUNTY CENTRAL 93, PIARIST 47

PIARIST (6-14) — Ousley 10, Moak 10, Baker 8, Doyle 10, Parsons 2, Hoskins 7.

PIKE CO. CENTRAL (14-7) — E. Slone 13, Hamilton 8, C. Slone 11, Hess 15, Ratliff 14, Varney 9, Williamson 4, Thompson 8, Clevenger 3, Hall 3, Paterino 2.

Piarist.....8 12 14 13-47
Pike Central.....32 26 18 18-93

Cougars nip June Buchanan

TIMES STAFF REPORT

WHITESBURG — The road failed to afford the June Buchanan School boys' basketball team a victory Friday night. Instead, JBS came up short on the road at newfound 14th Region rival Letcher County Central. The Cougars battled back from a five-point halftime deficit and beat June Buchanan 57-54.

Eli Warren led Letcher County Central with 19 points.

Letcher County Central outscored June Buchanan 18-11 in the fourth quarter.

Tate Cox paced the Crusaders with a game-high 22 points. Clark Stepp added 16 points for June Buchanan as two Crusaders reached double figures scoring.

The win was Letcher County Central's fourth straight victory. Letcher Central had balanced scoring with seven different players providing points.

LETCHER CO. CENTRAL 57, JUNE BUCHANAN 54

JUNE BUCHANAN (15-4) — Stepp 16, Cox 22, Conley 6, Huff 8, Hall 2.

LETCHER CO. CENTRAL (13-7) — Wright 12, Warren 19, Sexton 3, Blair 12, Hogg 2, Banks 6, Miles 3.

June Buchanan.....12 17 14 11-54
Letcher Cent.....12 12 15 18-57

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Panthers edge East Ridge

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LICK CREEK — After a very sluggish start, Pikeville got things going in a big way on the road Friday night at East Ridge. The Warriors outscored the Panthers 20-9 in the opening quarter, but couldn't grab an advantage in any of the eight-minute frames that followed. Pikeville outscored East

Ridge in each of the last three quarters en route to a 48-42 win.

Matt Clevenger paced Pikeville with 14 points.

East Ridge, which was held to six points in the second quarter and five in the third period, got a game-high 16 points from Kyle Fletcher.

The Panthers followed Friday's win up Saturday with a

47-35 victory over Phelps.

PIKEVILLE 48, EAST RIDGE 42

PIKEVILLE — Honaker 11, Sword 5, Clevenger 14, Boyd 12, Champlin 2, Harmon 4.

EAST RIDGE — Williams 7, Fletcher 16, Mullins 3, Bartley 6, Rowe 2, Coleman 6, Ratliff 2.

Pikeville.....9 13 11 15-48
East Ridge.....20 6 5 11-42

Lady Hornets level Allen Central

TIMES STAFF REPORT

EASTERN — The host Allen Central Lady Rebels had no answers for the Magoffin County Lady Hornets Friday night. Magoffin County outscored Allen Central 29-6 in the opening quarter and rolled to a convincing 73-32 win over the Lady Rebels.

Magoffin County, en route to the win, led Allen Central 42-11 at halftime.

The Lady Hornets continued to their attack early on in the second half, picking right up where they had left off in the first half, outscoring Allen Central 20-12 in the third period.

Ashley Jade Howard led Magoffin County with a game-high 21 points. Calloray Howard followed with 19 points

Manns chipped in with 11 points for the Magoffin County girls.

Alanna Cline led Allen Central with eight points as no Lady Rebel reached double figures.

Mara Biliter finished with seven points for the Allen Central girls. Sara Johnson added six points for the Lady Rebels.

MAGOFFIN COUNTY 72, ALLEN CENTRAL 32

MAGOFFIN COUNTY — A. J. Howard 21, C. Howard 19, B. Manns 11, Powers 9, Marshall 5, Adams 6, Prater 4.

ALLEN CENTRAL — Cline 8, Biliter 7, Johnson 6, Thacker 5, Dingus 5, Mullins 1.

Magoffin County.....29 13 20 11-73
Allen Central.....6 5 12 9-32

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Monroe County 64, St. Mary 60

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Owensboro Cath. 49, Newport Cent. Cath. 37
Bardstown 63, Bishop Brossart 60
Championship game
Bardstown 53, Owensboro Catholic 50

SUPER BOWL XL: Steelers 21, Seahawks 10

by BARRY WILNER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DETROIT — The Pittsburgh Steelers finally gave coach Bill Cowher some Super Bowl satisfaction.

Moments after the Rolling Stones rocked a Ford Field filled with Terrible Towels, Willie Parker broke a record 75-yard touchdown run, sparking Pittsburgh's 21-10 victory Sunday over the Seattle Seahawks.

Not only did the Steelers earn that elusive fifth championship ring and their first since 1980, but they completed a magic Bus ride that made Jerome Bettis' homecoming — and farewell — a success.

"I'm a champion. I think the Bus' last stop is here in Detroit," Bettis said. "It's official, like the referee whistle."

On this night, satisfaction was more than Mick Jagger's signature song that closed the halftime show.

It was sweet validation for Cowher with a title in his 14th season as their coach, the longest tenure in the NFL. The tough guy, who lost his only previous Super Bowl 10 years ago, teared up as he walked to midfield to embrace Seahawks coach Mike Holmgren.

"It's surreal," Cowher said. "I'm going to tell you, this is a special group of coaches, a special group of players. I was one small part of this."

Pittsburgh tied San Francisco and Dallas with its five Super

Bowl titles.

And the Steelers certainly got plenty of help from the Seahawks, too. Seattle was plagued by penalties, drops, poor clock management and a critical fourth-quarter interception of Matt Hasselbeck just when the NFC champions seemed ready to take the lead.

Instead, Pittsburgh (15-5) got the clinching score with the kind of trickery that has carried it through an eight-game winning streak.

Versatile wide receiver Antwaan Randle El, a quarterback in college, took a handoff from Parker, sprinted right and threw perfectly to Super Bowl MVP Hines Ward for a 43-yard TD with 9:04 remaining.

Bettis' role was minimal in what might be the final game for the NFL's No. 5 career rusher.

So was quarterback Ben Roethlisberger's impact — the most noteworthy play for the youngest quarterback to win a Super Bowl was a horrid pass that Kelly Herndon of the Seahawks (15-4) returned a record 76 yards.

That set up the Seahawks' only touchdown, a 16-yard pass to Jerramy Stevens — Joey Porter, his verbal sparring partner all week, was nowhere in sight. Neither was All-Pro safety Troy Polamalu.

But with Parker's burst and Seattle's self-destructive tendencies, the Steelers completed their postseason march through the NFL's top four teams: Cincinnati, Indianapolis,

Denver and Seattle, with all the wins coming away from Heinz Field.

Ward had five receptions for 123 yards and a touchdown.

Seattle, looking nothing like a team that rampaged through its conference, damaged itself all day. It had four penalties for 40 yards in the opening half, one that nullified a touchdown pass.

The second half wasn't much better, and Ike Taylor's 24-yard return with Hasselbeck's poor throw gave Pittsburgh the one last opportunity it needed.

"This is a tough pill to swallow," Holmgren said, "but we accomplished a lot this year. While you don't have a great feeling after a game like this, I want them to remember this feeling, so they can build on it."

The 23-year-old Roethlisberger achieved it more with his legs than his arm. He dove into the end zone from the 1 late in the first half — the TD was upheld on replay — and converted enough second-half first downs to wind down the clock.

Usually, that is Bettis' job. But this Sunday, he was just along for his final ride.

What a journey it has been,

The Steelers were 7-5, then won their final four regular-season games to secure the AFC's last playoff spot. They went to Cincinnati and won a wild-card game. They won at Indianapolis, which had the league's best record. And then they handed Denver its first home loss in the AFC championship game.

And now they — and 73-year-old owner Dan Rooney — have their "One for the Thumb" — the first four came in their Steel Curtain days, won by the likes of Mean Joe Greene, Terry Bradshaw and Franco Harris.

"I've been waiting a long time to do this," Cowher said to Rooney before handing him the Vince Lombardi Trophy. "This is yours, man."

Cowher had the Steelers in the Super Bowl in 1996 but they lost to Dallas.

Early on, the noise seemed to unnerve the Steelers, who had two motion penalties on their first offensive series. Of course, none of their active players Sunday ever played in a Super Bowl.

Seattle forced another three-and-out on Pittsburgh's next

possession, keeping Bettis on the sideline, then took the lead.

Josh Brown made a 47-yard field goal with 22 seconds left in the first quarter after the Seahawks lost a touchdown on Darrell Jackson's pass interference in the end zone. Jackson still had 50 yards on five receptions in the quarter.

Bettis made his Super Bowl debut 2:47 into the second quarter with the Pittsburgh offense in dire need of a boost. The Steelers got it, but from an 8-yard completion to Randle El for their initial first down — 19 minutes into the game.

Ward followed with an 18-yard run on an end-around, but Roethlisberger's ill-advised lob on the next play was picked off by safety Michael Boulware at the Seattle 25.

With Seattle's other safety, Marquand Manuel, sidelined in the second quarter with a right ankle injury, Roethlisberger began finding open receivers.

Ward gained 12 yards, Cedrick Wilson got 20 and, moments after Ward dropped a pass in the corner of the end zone, he outwrestled Boulware for a 37-yard completion.

The Bus couldn't roll in on two tries, then the 6-foot-5 Roethlisberger dived left and barely squeezed the ball over the goal line. A replay review upheld the touchdown with 1:55 remaining in the half.

Perhaps unnerved themselves by the ruling, the Seahawks squandered much of that time before Brown missed a 54-yard field goal wide right. Holmgren argued as he walked off the field that the ball never crossed the goal line, but referee Bill Leavy told him it did.

Seattle also could bemoan a holding call on Peter Warrick's 32-yard punt return to open the second quarter, and a goal-line completion to Jackson on which he barely was out of bounds.

It didn't get a lot better in the second half for Seattle, and Holmgren failed to become the first coach to win Super Bowls with two franchises. In 1997, his Green Bay Packers beat Denver.

But his Seahawks didn't give themselves much of a chance. By the end, the crowd was singing "Here We Go Steelers, Here We Go."

Who knows, maybe Jagger was singing along.

Big-hitting rookie Holmes an early winner in PGA career

by BOB BAUM
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — The PGA Tour's newest millionaire is an easygoing 23-year-old Kentuckian with a wallop of a swing and a knack for big shots when they're needed most.

Rookie J.B. Holmes, a Campbellsville native playing his fourth tournament since joining the tour, won the FBR Open by seven strokes on Sunday.

Two moments exemplified his triumphant final round. One was a 22-foot putt for birdie to maintain a one-stroke lead over Ryan Palmer on the 13th hole. The other was a big-time 4-iron blast that sailed 263 feet over the water on the par-5 15th and landed 14 from the pin. Holmes made the putt for an eagle, while Palmer hit two shots into the water en route to a double bogey.

A one-shot lead became a six-shot advantage, and the outcome was sealed.

"Everything has happened just right for me and I've got the breaks," Holmes said.

He shot a 5-under 66 in the final round — 5-under 21 on the back nine — to finish at 21-under 263 and win \$936,000. Combined with the \$127,500 he won for a 10th-place tie at the Sony Open in Hawaii, Holmes became the fastest to win \$1 million on the tour. It took Retief Goosen five tournaments to reach \$1 million in 2001.

"It was one of my goals to win out here. It happened real quickly," Holmes said. "I didn't expect it so soon. I knew I had the ability. Every tournament I played, I just got more confidence and more confidence. It's just been a whirlwind right now."

Palmer, who made the turn with a one-shot lead, hit the water twice for a triple bogey on the par-5, 552-yard 15th, while Holmes, his playing partner, sank a 14-footer for eagle. Holmes' one-shot lead expanded to six, and the tournament was decided.

Palmer (72) tied for second with Steve Lowery (67), J.J. Henry (72), Camilo Villegas (69) and Scott Verplank (68) at 14-under 270. Defending champion Phil Mickelson (66) birdied five of his last six holes, including the last four in a row, to join Justin Leonard (71) and Jonathan Byrd (68) at 13 under. Holmes displayed a calm

demeanor that stemmed from his days as a third-grader playing on the high school team in Campbellsville.

"Playing with older people, you learn not to be intimidated as much," he said.

The top finisher in last year's PGA Tour qualifying tournament, Holmes is the first rookie to win a tournament since Sean O'Hair in the John Deere Classic last July. O'Hair was the only rookie to win last year.

On the 17th, Holmes got a surprise when he saw his father, who had flown in for the final round.

"He always said he'd be at my first one," Holmes said.

Maurice Holmes recalled fashioning a hollow wood driver with a plastic handle for his 14-month-old son. Young J.B. took a mighty swing that hasn't changed since, his father insisted. No lessons, just "God-given ability," both of them said.

"He's a good boy," Maurice Holmes said. "I always told him, 'Don't let your hat get too big,' and it hasn't."

Palmer, meanwhile, seemed relatively at ease with his finish despite his 15th-hole nightmare, which was preceded by another water adventure that resulted in a bogey on the 11th, where he lost the lead for good.

"I was driving the ball great all day," he said. "Two swings got me, one on 11 and one on 15. You know, I learned from it. I know this won't be the last time I have a chance to win. You know, it was still a good week."

A crowd of 82,150 attended the final day, bringing the best-attended PGA Tour event's total to a record 536,767. The crowd was about half the size of the one that created a raucous party atmosphere Saturday. It was a more subdued group, too, but still far more lively than the average tour gallery.

A man heckling Leonard was escorted off the course at the eighth hole. The man shouted, "Good putt!" after Leonard missed a short putt for bogey. Leonard asked the man, "You have a problem with me?" as he left for the ninth tee. Shortly afterward, police escorted the heckler away. It was the second consecutive bogey for Leonard, who regrouped to chip in from 44 feet for an eagle on the par-4 17th to finish at 13 under.

Tom Pernice narrowly missed a hole-in-one on the par-3 16th when the ball came to rest on the lip of the cup.

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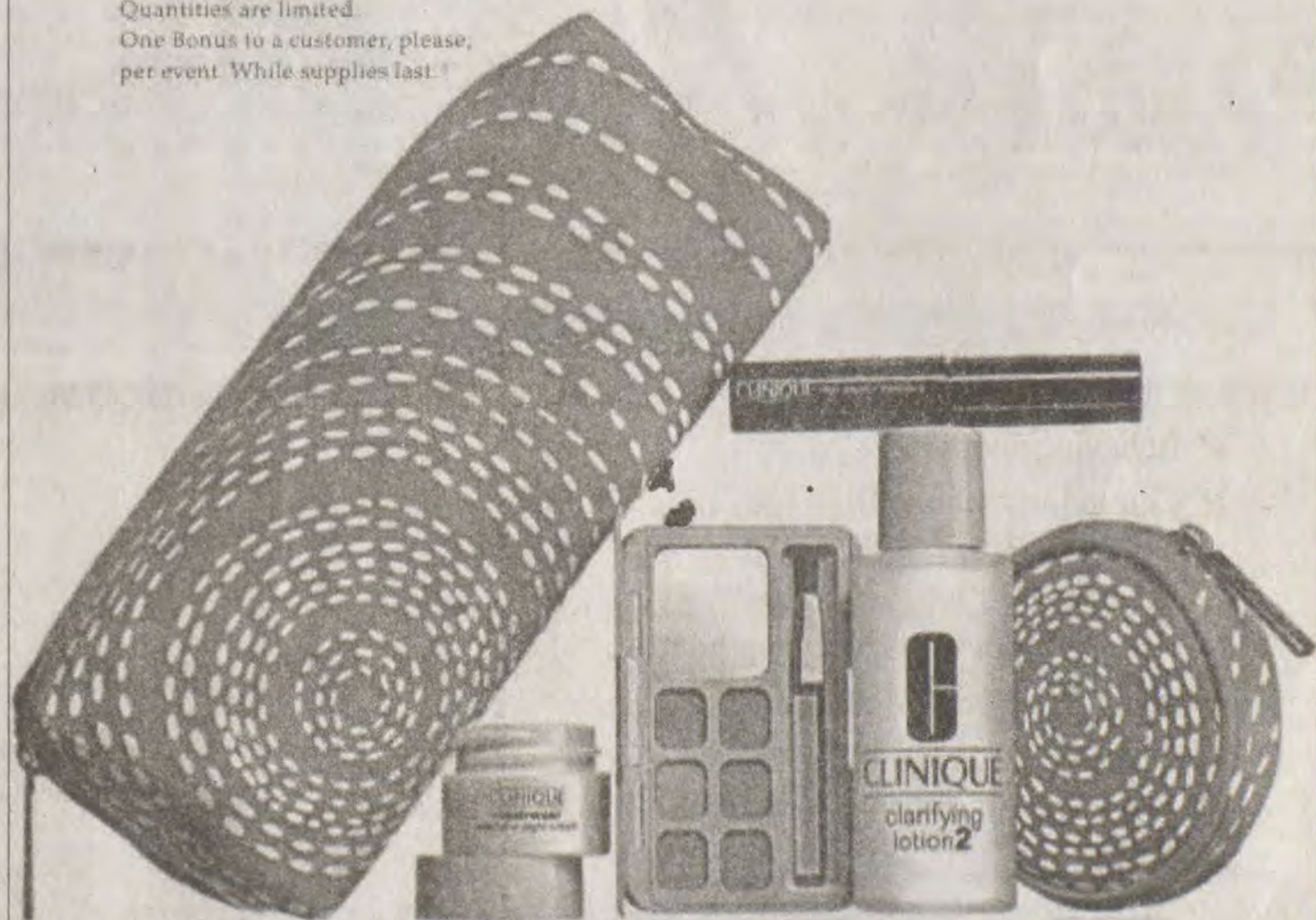
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I am writing this letter to let everyone at Champion Supports and Services, Inc. know how much I appreciate all of them, and especially Tonya Newsome-Sanders, Executive Director.

I would like to say thanks to Tonya and her staff at Champion Supports and Services, Inc. for the 1st two years, and for what you all have done for me and my son Ronnie, since the death of his father—for the help that I have received, and the love and comfort you all show me and Ronnie, in time of need.

I would like to say how grateful I am and a very special thanks to Tonya Newsome-Sanders, of what a great job with the Lord's help that she is doing at Champion Supports and Services, Inc. She has a wonderful program. She involves all individuals and their families, in all activities that take place at Champion Supports and Services, Inc. Tonya has a lot of great activities for the individuals and families.

She had a great big Christmas party, including all individuals and their families. She gave great gifts, and lots of food. But most of all, Tonya gave from her heart to all individuals. Tonya was very good

to my son, and he enjoyed everything she got him, especially the DVD player. That is why I said Tonya has a big heart, not just for my son, but for every individual in her program.



I want to say thanks for the computer at the Community Habilitation Center. I know that individuals really love it. Ronnie really enjoys it very much.

I am very proud of the way Tonya runs the program—honest, dependable, and faithful and how she goes that extra mile, not just for her company, but for the individuals also.

I want to say also what a great staff she has. They all work together as a team. I want to say thanks to Cynthia and Pearline for the great job they do in my home with my son, and to know I can go to work in peace, and know that Ronnie is well cared for.

Thank-you Tonya and staff for the great job you all have done. I'm looking forward to another "great year." Good luck and God bless you all. Keep the good work up.

Sincerely, and thanks to everyone,
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POISON OAK Modern times claim another victim

Isn't it funny how we remember stuff from our far-distant past that just seems to jump out of nowhere? When you least expect it, something triggers a memory. Like the other night when I was watching an old rerun of Bonanza, and saw a character that reminded me of someone from my boyhood: Granny Cotton.

Since she lived to be well over 100, she must have been approaching her 80s when I was eight or ten years old watching her bustle through the neighborhood late in the day searching for her cow. When I picture this event, now apparently stored neatly in the far recesses of my brain, I always think of the bibbed apron she wore, and how, even when it wasn't windy, it seemed to always be flapping in the breeze as she rushed by.

I guess Virginia Wolf and James Joyce didn't have a monopoly on the stream-of-consciousness technique, because the memory of Granny Cotton's bibbed apron led me right to thinking of my Grandmother Pack.

She died when I was very young and I can barely remember her. Furthermore, as far as I can recall, I've seen only two photographs of her. In one of them, however, she was standing on a front porch with two other unidentified women—according to a faded note someone had penciled on the back of the picture, somewhere in Martin County—probably in about 1935. All three were standing rigidly, almost as if they were at military attention, and all three were wearing bibbed aprons.

(See OAK, page three)

KIM'S KORNER Past our prime

Maybe it's just me, but this year's half-time Super Bowl show left this viewer with "No Satisfaction." Back in the day, (the 70's) the Rolling Stones were awesome! "I Can't Get No Satisfaction" was one of my favorite songs. Now, almost thirty years later, Mick and company got on my last nerve.

Giving credit where credit is due though, ol' Mick can still move his hips better than me.

Why I would've passed out had I hopped around that stage like he did Sunday night. That man must be on some mighty powerful Geritol.

Whether its the Rolling Stones or Spouse and I or maybe all of us that are the ones past our prime, the music just wasn't the same.

This time around it sounded more like screeching and instead of jumping to

(See KORNER, page four)

Martina McBride explodes East Ky Expo Center stage

by: Kim Little Frasure

The East Kentucky Exposition Center, in Pikeville, exploded this past Saturday night with one of country music's most powerful female vocalists ever, Martina McBride.

Whoever said, "Dynamite comes in small packages" must have known McBride.

Her performance brought every fan present to their feet in thunderous applause as she belted out such hits as, "Independence Day," "Concrete Angel," "A Broken Wing," and "This Ones for the Girls." Tears streamed from many in the audience as she sang "In My Daughter's Eyes."

This four time CMA Female Vocalist of the Year, began the show Saturday evening with tunes from her new album/CD "Timeless."

Songs dear to McBride were performed with astounding awesomeness!

Hank Williams', "Take these Chains from My Heart," Buck Owens' "Love's Gonna Live Here Again," Johnny Cash, Ray Price, Tammy Wynette, and Loretta Lynn's "You Ain't Woman Enough to Take My Man."

As the Warren Brothers (Martina's opening act) polled the audience for requests, Pat Benetar's "Hit Me With Your Best Shot" was requested.

And, once again, the fans at the East KY Exposition Center were brought to their feet.

"Where else could you hear Loretta Lynn and Pat Benetar all in one night", McBride teasingly asked her audience.

"We've toured for fourteen years now and we've never been to Pikeville, Kentucky, but you can sure bet we'll be back," she said.

"You people are great!", she called out in praise to those in attendance.

And, judging from the roar of applause that followed, the feeling was definitely mutual.

Upcoming Events to be held this month at the Expo Center include: IFMA Freestyle Motocross FMX, Kid Rock, Mid-South Conference, World Famous Lipizzane Stallions, and Care Bears Live.



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Combining all of the well-known VeggieTales songs, timeless values, and plenty of that wacky humor, VeggieTales fans will enjoy so much

just what makes this a delightfully entertaining show for kids of all ages. Taking the show out on the road like a true concert tour, audiences can expect to see some of their all-time favorite VeggieTales characters come to life right before their very eyes as they learn a lesson in friendship and experience a few really fun surprises along the way!

"Our live show provides the perfect opportunity for children of any age to experience a high-energy performance starring their favorite VeggieTales characters," says Terry Pefanis, Big Idea COO.

"Due to popular demand, the VeggieTales Rockin' Tour LIVE is back with even more time dedicated to interaction with Bob, Larry and the rest of the Veggies cast," continues Pefanis.



"The show consists of two 40-minute segments enhanced through the use of engaging visuals such as a large screen video, a state-of-the-art lighting show,

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Does your dog have 'papers'?

by Dr. Carol Combs-Morris, DVM

Although I have addressed this subject before, I was asked again this week about what it means to have a "registered" dog. I would rather overkill the subject than not answer the question.

There seems to be quite a bit of confusion over what it means for a dog to have "papers." People ask me how to go about getting their dog's papers, whether it is worth the extra money to buy a registered dog, and what's the difference between all the different registries.

The best place to start is usually at the beginning, by understanding what "registration" means. A registry, as it pertains to animals—dogs specifically, for our discussion—is an organiza-

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This is "Baby." Baby, who is now 13 years old, is owned by Vonnie Moore, of McDowell. Vonnie shares that Baby "loves to play in the first snow of the year." Cute!

School Calendar

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

Character Words for February: "Fairness" and "Perseverance."

■ Feb. 13 - Rick Bender presentation on "Smokeless Tobacco." 9 a.m.

■ Feb. 15 - WYMT's "Connect with Kids" program "Affluenza." 7 p.m., on WYMT.

■ Feb. 21 - Magic Me, weather permitting.

■ Sign-ups still going on for Beginner Sewing Classes. Stop by YSC if interested.

■ Lending Library available for students and parents in YSC.

■ 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. The center is now located in the 7th grade wing of the school. Center Coordinator - Michelle Keathley.

Allen Central Middle School

Turn in your Food City receipts to your homeroom teacher!

■ Feb. 8 - Respect class, 7th grade.

■ Feb. 9 - Parent meeting, 2 p.m. Topic: "Healthy Living."

■ Feb. 10 - Valentine Dance, 6-9 p.m.

■ Feb. 13 - Tobacco presentation - 6th, 7th, and 8th grades.

■ Feb. 15 - Respect class, 7th grade.

■ Feb. 22 - Respect class, 7th grade.

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

Allen Elementary and Family Resource Youth Service Center

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

Betsy Layne Elementary

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

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

Clark Elementary

■ A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly and sees WIC patients, does well-child exams (birth-18 years), and gives immunizations.

■ The Clark Elementary Family Resource Center provides services for all families regardless of income. We are located in the Adams Middle School building.

Duff Elementary

School is collecting Food City receipts! Receipts must be dated Sept. 11, 2005 to March 11, 2006. Top three school winners will receive a gift. In anyone in the community would like to donate their receipts, they may mail them to: Duff Elementary, P.O. Box 129, Eastern, KY 41622; may also drop receipts off in school front office.

■ Feb. 13 - FRC Advisory Council meeting, 4 p.m., in family resource center. Public welcome.

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

■ The J.A. Duff Elementary

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

May Valley Elementary

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

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

McDowell Elementary and Family Resource Center

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

■ Mountain Christian Academy Mountain Christian Academy is a non-denominational Christian school.

■ Now accepting applica-

tions for enrollment for Kindergarten for the 2005-06 school year. Call 285-5141 for more information.

Prestonsburg Elementary and Family Resource Center

■ 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.

Prestonsburg High School

■ Feb. 18 - PHS Varsity Basketball Cheer Clinic, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Registration at 10:30 a.m. For students preschool thru fifth grade. Location: PHS gymnasium. Learn basic cheer skills, receive free t-shirt and free admission to PHS vs. Magoffin game on Feb. 22. "Drop-ins" welcome, but must register and pay by Feb. 10 to ensure child receiving t-shirt. More info., call Leslie Ousley at 874-0317; Janice Hamilton at 478-2139; or Cindy Porter at 886-1642 or 226-3447.

South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ Feb. 8 - OPEN HOUSE, 5-7 p.m. FREE dinner;

teacher/parent visitations. Date subject to change - watch school marquee.

■ Floyd County Substance Abuse Counselor will be on the South Floyd campus each Tuesday. If you need to contact the counselor, please call the Youth Service Center.

■ Parent volunteer training will be conducted throughout the school year. Watch for dates to be announced. If you need training, call to set up an appointment.

■ School will be participating in the Food City "Apples for Students" program, please save your receipts.

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

■ Walking track open to public (track closed during special events).

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

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

■ All new students and visitors, stop by the Center, located on the South Floyd campus, Room 232, and see Mable Hall. Open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

■ For more information call 452-9600 or 9607 and ask for

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YESTERDAYS

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

Ten Years Ago

February 7 and 9, 1996

James H. "Jim" Daniels of Auxier, the first person convicted of theft of services for not paying his garbage bill, has an invitation on his answering machine for callers to witness his arrival at "debtor's prison," Friday, at 2 p.m. He is set to report to the Floyd County jail to begin a 30-day jail term for failing to pay \$210 in past due garbage bills...A Floyd County Grand Jury returned five indictments, Tuesday, including a reckless homicide charge against Larry Gene Castle, 45, a Prestonsburg coal truck driver, relating to a car wreck last April, resulting in the death of Wilbur L. Hamilton, and the injury of Shelby J. Hamilton...In the wee hours of Saturday morning, vandals made a stop at the Floyd County Courthouse and sprayed the numbers, "911," and a dollar sign on the outside windows of the county attorney office...Vicky Boyd was sworn in as the new post master at Weeksbury, on January 24. Boyd replaces John McIntosh, who was promoted to postmaster at Stanville...Former Floyd County Deputy Judge-Executive Pauline C. Stumbo died Saturday, February 3, at the Highlands Regional Medical Center...In an effort to overcome the loss of more than 25 percent of their funding, attorneys from the Legal Services Corporation have asked the state legislature for more money...After nearly two months of a temporary closure, Wickes Lumber has announced it will permanently close the doors to its Allen facility. The store closed shop December 13, due to a rock fall hazard threatening the property...An investigation is underway by the attorney general's office, and Kentucky State Police, into funds reported missing from Floyd County Clerk Carla Boyd's office...The number of AIDS cases continues to grow—across the country and in Floyd County. The end-of-the-year totals show that a new case of the disease was diagnosed in Floyd County between October 1 and December 31...The public got its first peek, Thursday, at the new Floyd County Jail during an open house at the facility. Jailer Roger Webb said he hopes to move prisoners into the facility

by next week. Security company officials are currently trying to work out bugs in the facility's security system, the jailer said...The unemployment rate in Floyd County has decreased, but no one seems to know why and state advice is to not read too much into the drop. The unemployment rate fell more than one percentage point from November to December. The November rate was 7.8 percent and the December rate was 6.7 percent...Donald Bliss, 32, of Prestonsburg, is alleging that his former landlord, Lowell Wheeler, 57, of Salyersville, took advantage of his illiteracy and swindled him out of \$2,800 in lottery winnings last September, when Bliss purchased a \$10,000 winning ticket...The case against three men charged in a theft scam at the Wal-Mart store in Pikeville was sent to the grand jury. After a preliminary hearing in Pikeville, Monday, before District Judge Larry Thompson, Dillard Shawn Boyd, 21, of Dana, Travis Conn, 22, of Martin; and James B. Fairchild, 20, of Paintsville, were bound over to the grand jury to face charges of theft and shoplifting...Winners in the Floyd County Times Subscriber Appreciation Sweepstakes were: George and Julie Love of Prestonsburg; Clara Allen of Garrett; Betty Baldrige of Wayland; and James E. Tackett of Allen...There died: Jamie Lee Caudill, 23, of Melvin, Tuesday, February 7, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital emergency room; Lillie Slone, 77, of Topmost, Friday, February 2, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital in Martin; Noah Hall Jr., 54, of Galveston, Tuesday, January 30, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Lottie (Spears) Goble Johnson, 103, of Dwale, Saturday, February 3, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Arnold Ray Wallen, 48, of Langley, Wednesday, January 31, at Our Lady of the Way Hospital, Martin; Priscilla (Pat) Collins Hicks, 50, of Martin, February 2, at Cabell-Huntington Hospital at Huntington, West Virginia; Pauline C. Stumbo, 70, of Harold, Saturday, February 3, at Highlands Regional Medical Center, Prestonsburg; Laura Farley Blankenship, 77, of Betsy Layne, Saturday, February 3, in Louisville; Delbert Kazee, 72, of Louisa, Thursday, February 1, at his residence;

Dunbar Scott, 80, of Wheelwright, Monday, February 5, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Manis Webb, 77, of State Road Fork, Prestonsburg, Tuesday, February 6, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Alma Page Estep, 66, of Georgetown, formerly of Floyd County, Saturday, February 3, at Scott General Hospital, in Georgetown; Steve Rudolph Justice, 79, of Forest, Virginia, formerly of Pikeville, Saturday, February 3, at Lynchburg General Hospital; Elaine Carico Castle, 70, of Printer, Tuesday, February 6, at Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital; Mada Gibson Meade, 90, of Hi Hat, Tuesday, February 6, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Iseral Tussey, 76, formerly of Hueysville, at his home in Garrett, Indiana; Ed Arnold Nelson, 47, of Prestonsburg, Wednesday, February 7, at his mother's residence; Rev. Norman L. Salisbury, 54, of Sundusky, Ohio, a native of Hunter, Tuesday, February 6, in Firelands Community Hospital; Albert F. Basinger, 53, of Oneida, Tennessee, Sunday, January 21, at the Scott County Hospital; Beatrice Lynard, 72, of Hi Hat, Tuesday, February 6, at McDowell Appalachian Regional Hospital; Avenell Pittman, 92, of Zanesville, Ohio, formerly of Floyd County, Saturday, January 6, at Willow Haven Nursing Home.

Twenty Years Ago

February 12, 1986

Kenneth Roberts, accused of 12 felony counts of misconduct while he was magistrate for the Right Beaver Creek section, was cleared of two counts by a Pike Circuit Court...Anthony Castle, indicted by a Floyd Circuit grand jury in 1984, on two felony counts of possessing a forged instrument, and two counts of theft by deception, entered a guilty plea to two misdemeanor counts...Basel Ray Moore, 27, of Frasure's Creek, was indicted for murder by a Floyd Circuit grand jury, which accused him of being drunk when he lost control of his car, killing a passenger...The wrong man was being tried for the 1983 shooting death of Ellis "Bo" Campbell, said a defense attorney, who

suggested that the man seen with Campbell in a gray Chevy Camaro shortly before his death, may have been one of the accused man's brothers...There died: Truman Tackett, 61, of Weeksbury; Willie Lewis Baldrige, 67, of Bays Branch; Serenity Rose Slone, infant daughter of Ricky and Ginger Rose Bentley Slone; Oma Ray Spradlin, 72, of Cliff; Hobert Hayes of Betsy Layne; Robert Bingham, 56, formerly of Water Gap; Don Carlos Childers Sr., 84, formerly of Prestonsburg, Degarmo H. Holbrook, 70, formerly of Floyd County; Vinnie Carroll, 62, of Honaker; and Vernie Mae Bentley, 65, of Teaberry.

Thirty Years Ago

February 11, 1976

State Senator Jim Hammond unveiled Gov. Julian Carroll's proposed program for the return to the coal counties, the revenues to be derived from the state's coal severance tax. Prestonsburg city taxes, the City Council voted, will stand unchanged from the past year. The basic real estate and personal property tax rate will remain at 30 cents per \$100 evaluation...Jimmy Turner, of Drift, third district Railroad Commissioner said, Friday, he has called on the C&O Railway Company and the Kentucky Department of Transportation for the installation of signals at the junction of KY 7 and KY 80, and at the crossing near McDowell High School, off KY 122...Work on the long-planned Floyd County Courthouse and Juvenile Detention Center was officially launched in groundbreaking ceremonies, Monday...There died: Tivis Yates, 72, of Honaker, Tuesday, Feb. 3, at Highlands Regional Medical Center; Dusty Hall Armcost, 71, former resident of this county, January 27, in a Flint, Mich. hospital; Rev. William E. Garriott, Methodist minister for 43 years, Tuesday, February 3; Pem Smith, 84, Thursday, at his home at Justell; Margaret Gibson Hall, 72, of Raven, Jan. 14, at the McDowell Regional Hospital; Walk Derossett, 46, Monday, at Louisa Community Hospital; Louis L. Bauers, 57, of Prestonsburg, Tuesday, at

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Veggie

and much more. The incredibly positive impact of this show for children and parents alike will be both memorable and uplifting for years to come!"

Show Synopsis

The show features Bob the Tomato as the stage manager who has written the script and is continually pushing all his Veggie friends to keep to the song list he has provided. Unfortunately for Bob, the Veggies have their own idea about what songs should be performed. The mayhem that

ensues will cause the audience to laugh out loud and dance in their seats. Kids will leave the show with a healthy dose of Veggies and a gentle reminder that "God made them special and He loves them very much."

About Big Idea, Inc.

Big Idea Inc., a subsidiary of Classic Media LLC, is committed to providing entertaining stories that help parents teach children important life lessons in a delightfully wacky way. Big Idea is best known for its award-winning VeggieTales animated

series, which has sold more than 42+ million videos and over five million albums of chart-topping audio since 1993. In addition to extending the property into licensing, publishing and live entertainment arenas, the company released its first-ever feature film, *Jonah - A VeggieTales Movie*, in 2002 grossing over \$25 million at the domestic box office. Big Idea is recognized as the leading producer and creator of values-based product reflecting a Judeo-Christian worldview in the family entertainment industry.

School

Mable Hall, ext. 243, or Keith Smallwood, ext. 242.

Stumbo Elementary/Mud Creek Family Resource Center

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

Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

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

The Piarist School

School is participating in Food City's "Apples for Students" program this year. This school/community partnership awards educational equipment to schools that accumulate store register tapes. In past years, this program has awarded more than \$250 mil-

lion in needed classroom learning tools FREE to participating schools. The Piarist School urges all parents and community members to support this invaluable program by sending their Food City register tapes to the school with their children, or by dropping them off at the school office. Register tapes will be collected until March 11, 2006. For more information, contact Audrey Collins at 285-3950.

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

Monday's, 6 p.m. - School and resource center will host a Family Literacy program. We will read and study about different cultures/themes and then work on a related craft/activity. Refreshments will be served. Call the resource center to sign up.

Wednesday's and Thursday's, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., GED classes, in the Weeksbury Community Center.

Classes are FREE.

Lost & Found: Located in the FRC. Items not claimed within two weeks become the property of the resource center.

If you would like more information on the programs and services offered by the FRC, please call or come by for a visit. Center is located in the main building at W.D. Osborne Elementary. Center hours are: Mon. thru Fri., 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Telephone: 452-4553; ask to speak with Cissy Williams (coordinator) or Karen Williams (clerk). You may also leave a message and we will return your call.

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.

Yesterdays

Highlands Regional Medical Center; Mary K. Waugh, 77, of Piqua, O., formerly of Prestonsburg, last Wednesday afternoon, at Piqua Memorial Hospital; Maggie Yates, 71, of Martin, last Friday, at her home, following a brief illness; Randolph Jacobs, 36, of Topmost, Monday, at the University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington; Benny Ray Campbell, former Prestonsburg resident, Feb. 7, at his Detroit, Mich., home.

cinder hauling...Roy Cook, of Drift, announced Tuesday, that he will resign his post today (Thursday), as county dog warden...Five Floyd schools are closed for lack of teachers...There died: Herbert Edward Humphrey, 52, of Ligon, Monday; Mrs. Sarah Webb Baldrige, 74, last Wednesday, at her home on Little Paint.

Forty Years Ago February 10, 1966

A giant slatefall in a mine of the Stephens Elkhorn Fuel Corporation at Manton, claimed the lives of four workers. The dead are Caleb P. (Doc) Wells of Auxier; Irvin Litton of Manton; Evan Slone, Betsy Layne; James Fraley of Thelma...Approval of a new post office at West Prestonsburg has been made...Dewey Newsome, 61, was shot, and seriously wounded, at his home near Teaberry, Saturday...There died: Hope Hereford Spradlin Tussey, 60, of the Abbott road, Sunday, at the Paintsville Hospital; Arthur Martin, 51, of Galveston, Wednesday, at a Huntington hospital; Sarah Hall, 52, of Topmost, January 25, at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Henry McGuire, 84, February 6, at his home in Prestonsburg; Zella M. Hamilton, 70, February 5, at her home at East McDowell; Oak Cooley, 72, of Hippo, Sunday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital; Sill Hall, 81, Friday, at his home at Wheelwright; Betty Ousley, 72, Friday, at her home at Eastern; Delilah Bryant, 67, of Martin, Wednesday, at Printer; Newtown Dillon, 36, of Lancer, Monday, at the Beaver Valley Hospital, Martin.

Fifty Years Ago February 9, 1956

A total of 4,698 vaccinations against polio were administered in a week's record-breaking series of clinics held in five Floyd communities...Fists began flying on Mare Creek, when truck driver Pike County contractor alleged-

Sixty Years Ago February 7, 1946

Green Haywood Hackworth, who was born on Spurlock Fork of Middle Creek, near what is now Dock post office, reached another milestone in a distinguished career, with his appointment as one of the 15 judges of the International Court of Justice...The Floyd County Board of Education, this week, directed Superintendent of Schools Town Hall to advertise for bids on construction of a 10-room grade school and auditorium at Betsy Layne, and a seven-room school building at Weeksbury...There died: Sollie Hopson, 35, of Prestonsburg; Willie Carr, 59, at his home near Allen; Fred Thacker, 80, at his home at Lackey; Ruthie Reynolds Terry, 59, of Lackey.

Seventy Years Ago February 7, 1936

Bogey Shepherd, 21, of Salt Lick Creek, is in serious condition at his home as the result of a bullet wound in his thigh suffered, Sunday night, when he accidentally discharged a pistol on which he was working...Definite action toward contracting for the construction of a new courthouse, or the enlargement and remodeling of the present building, was deferred...Senator Joe P. Tackett, serving his first term in the General Assembly, has been appointed to the Rules Committee of the Senate...All highways in this section have been in a hazardous condition since the onset of bad weather, just before Christmas...The home owned by the Richmond estate at the mouth of Beaver Creek near Bosco, was destroyed

Critter

tion that keeps records on individuals. Generally, they keep a record of a dog's breed, sex, birth date, color, and his or her official name. He/she will be assigned a number that is unique to that dog. The registry body will also be able to provide a pedigree, or a family tree that shows several generations of the dog's ancestors. Any titles the dog has won will be recorded. It is not uncommon for there to be a DNA profile of the dog on file.

There are lots of different registries for dogs. The best known multiple-breed registry is probably the American Kennel Club, or AKC. Others include the United Kennel Club, the Universal Kennel Club, the Canadian Kennel Club, the Continental Kennel Club and the Federation Cynologique Internationale (I may have spelled that wrong, but it's the best I can do!). The main registry in Britain is known simply as The Kennel Club. (A note here: the term "kennel club" may or may not mean the organization is a registry body. For example the Eastern Kentucky Kennel Club is a local dog club, not a registry, but they are affiliated with the AKC, which is a registry.)

As if all this were not confounding enough, did you notice that two of the above organizations are abbreviated UKC, and two are CKC? No wonder the average pet owner is confused.

Registry bodies are by no means created equal. The reputable organizations were founded not only to keep track of individual dogs, but for the purpose of maintaining pure breeds as close to their ideal standards as possible. They also provide educational materials, set rules for shows and perfor-

mance events, and they promote the welfare of all dogs. The most respectable registries are not-for-profit entities.

I did some Internet searches on several of the dog registries, since I'm really familiar only with the AKC. Some organizations were very similar, and seemed to vary only in small ways—which breeds were recognized, how the breeds were grouped together, and some of the individual organizations' rules. Others appeared to me to be out for a quick buck, playing on the dog owner's ego. One even went so far as to comment that "people look down on unregistered animals."

I found "registries" that required only that you send in a dog's name, color and gender, plus or minus photos (along with a fee, of course!). Many would register just about any breed, or sometimes combinations of breeds. There were whole sections devoted to the "Poos"—you know, Cock-A-Poos, Peke-A-Poos, Multi-Poos. Occasionally your dog didn't even have to be all dog to be registered. Wolf-dog hybrids were accepted.

My point here is that "papers" are not always what they're cracked up to be. They are probably important to you if you plan to show, compete, or become a serious breeder. Remember that a dog registered in one association may not be able to compete in events sanctioned by another. If you really want a particular breed with a predictable appearance or temperament, it may be worth your while to invest in a puppy of known breeding. If you just want to be able to say that you have a registered "whatzit,"

then knock yourself out; there are more than enough organizations willing to take your money in exchange for a piece of paper.

What really bugs me is when the term "registered" is used to imply quality. It ain't necessarily so! For example, I have two Dalmatians. Both were rescues. Desi has papers and a fancy name, and Ladybug doesn't. Neither of them would win a show. Desi meets the breed standard better, while Ladybug has a more even temperament. At one time I had a beautiful, huge, unregistered male German Shepherd who would knock your eyes out, and a spayed female with a multi-generation pedigree who looked more like a mosquito than a dog, much less a German Shepherd.

Papers also don't mean anything to the thousands of purebred dogs euthanized in shelters each year. Many obedience competitors have adopted their purebred dog from a shelter, had it spayed or neutered, and obtained a special permit (called an ILP) from the AKC for performance competition. This is also an option with several other organizations. The reputable ones always require a dog whose parents and ancestry are not known to be spayed or neutered. This is not just snobbish—knowing a dog's genetic history can be a matter of life and death when trying to rid a breed of a genetic disease or defect.

I hope this helps clear up some confusion. If you plan to buy (although I would suggest checking out your local shelter first!) a purebred puppy, do your homework, buy from a serious and reputable breeder, and ask questions. Know what you are getting—buyer beware!

Korner

our feet and giving a big YELL like we may have done in those good old days - we were coiled up in our recliners holding our ears and squenching our eyes.

Some things are just better left to memory, huh?
Yep, I do believe this rock 'n

roll girl just may be leaning toward country OHMYGOSH!

Why?
'Cause Martina McBride (at the East Ky. Expo Center this past weekend) beat the socks off Mick Jagger's performance Sunday night.

And I also love Uncle Kracker and Kenny Chesney, oh, and Alan Jackson, and Tim McGraw - yep, I've done went and crossed over, haven't I?

'Til Next Week...
God Bless!

Oak

The stream continues to flow, and I can definitely remember my Grandmother Baldrige, because we visited her home down on Hammond Creek several times when I was growing up. And one of the things that stands out most in my mind about her was that she, too, was always wearing a bibbed apron. It was like she didn't feel really dressed unless she had donned a clean, starched and pressed,

bibbed apron.

Although I suspect that in the days of their youth there were always many mouths to feed, so women of that period pretty much lived in the kitchen—cooking, baking, canning and all that. But although I never gave much thought to it before, I'll bet Grandma Baldrige didn't wear those aprons in order to protect her clothing. I think she felt that a bibbed apron was sim-

ply proper dress. I always had the feeling that had she soiled it with grease stains or flour, she would have immediately changed into a clean one.

Perhaps bibbed-apron wearing was some sort of an early Appalachian thing, maybe a tradition. But if it was, it's another example of a tradition lost; just another victim of modern times... sort of like the stream-of-consciousness technique.



Have Chainsaw, Will Free (bus, that is)

A wind storm blowing through the area this past January 24, left this Mountain Christian School bus trapped by a fallen tree and power lines. MCA student, Chelsea Austin, granddaughter of bus driver Denver Ousley, was quick to the rescue with Grandpa's chainsaw. Brian Prater and Amos Prater, of Big Sandy RECC, assisted with the fallen power lines and MCA students were soon back on the road!

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COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I CASE NO. 05-CI-00565 BRANCH BANKING & TRUST CO., AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO BANK ONE, PIKEVILLE, NA PLAINTIFF VS. CHARLES CONN, TERESA CONN, FLOYD COUNTY, GREENWOOD TRUST COMPANY, AND COMMUNITY TRUST BANK DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Final Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 1st day of November, 2005, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$30,721.16, 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 16th day of February, 2006, at the hour of 9:15 a.m., the following described real estate, lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land located on Mud Creek, a tributary of the Big Sandy River, in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows: LOT NO. 22

Beginning at the northeast corner of Lot #19 and running generally north at the edge of the roadway for a distance of approximately 104.56 feet to the southeast corner of Lot No. 25 for a distance of approximately 100 feet; thence turning left approximately at a 90 degree angle and running generally south for a distance of approximately 104.56 feet to the northwest corner of Lot No. 19; thence turning left again and running with the northern boundary of Lot No. 19 for a distance of approximately 100 feet to the point of the beginning.

LOT NO. 25 Beginning at the northeast corner of Lot No. 22 and running generally north at the edge of the roadway for a distance of approximately 104.56 feet to a point where it joins Lot No. 5; thence turning left and running with the boundary of Lots No. 5 and 3A for a distance of approximately 100 feet; thence turning left approximately at a 90 degree angle and running generally south for a distance of approximately 104.56 feet to the northwest corner of Lot No. 22; thence turning left again and running with the northern boundary of Lot No. 22 for a distance of approximately 100 feet to the point of the beginning.

(See Map File No. 691 of the so-called Layne Heirs property,

dated 11-26-82, and recorded in Floyd County Court Clerk's Office on 10/22/87).

For reference to source of title see a deed to Charles A. Conn and Teresa G. Conn, his wife, dated April 10, 1993, in Deed Book 365, Page 527, Floyd County 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 the purchase price, with the balance on credit for forty-five (45) days.

(b) The successful bidder shall be 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.

(c) 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, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2410 or KRS 426.530.

(d) The purchaser shall be required to assume and pay all Floyd County, Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2005, 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.

(e) 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 Counsel: Hon. G. Michael Cain
McBrayer, McGinnis, Leslie & Kirkland P.O. Box 1100 Frankfort, Kentucky 40602-1100
William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. I C.A. NO. 02-CI-0040 BANK ONE, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE PLAINTIFF VS. GARNIS CLAUDE

AKERS SIRENA AKERS COUNTY OF FLOYD DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE

BY VIRTUE OF Renewed Summary Judgement and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 2nd day of July, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$47,924.67, 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 9th day of February, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 a.m., the following de-scribed real estate, located in Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an iron stake at a drain located at the corner of Layton Newsome pro-property and the herein described property. Thence going a distance of approximately 75 feet to an iron stake, located at the corner of the herein described property and the corners of Layton Newsome and Gladys Conn's property; thence following a wire fence and boundary line of Gladys Conn to a cedar tree marked; thence following the wire fence to a beech tree marked; thence following a wire fence to the corner of a cemetery located on the Grantor's property; thence following the fence line of said cemetery to an iron stake; thence in a straight line to the point of beginning.

Also included in the above description is a 12 foot right of way for egress and ingress unto the herein described property over the lands of Grantors.

Being the same property conveyed to Garnis Claude Akers dated 2/22/82 of record in Deed Book 263, Page 586, in the Floyd County Clerk's Office.

TERMS OF SALE (a) At 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 inter-

est 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 2005, 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. Anne M. Smith Weltman, Weinberg & Reis Co., LPA 525 Vine Street, Suite 800 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO.: 05-CI-01285 DIANA DEWITT, DENNIS DEWITT, DEBBIE GOODMAN, MIKE GOODMAN, BOBBY SCOTT, KATHY SCOTT AND CARL MIKE SCOTT AND ILENE SCOTT PLAINTIFFS VS: SHELBA DAVIS AND ART DAVIS, HER HUSBAND, RICK SCOTT AND CARLENE SCOTT, HIS WIFE, STEVE HICKS AND DARLENE HICKS, HIS WIFE, MARTIN FRAZIER AND WILLADEAN FRAZIER, HIS

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WIFE, VALEDIA TURNER AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF PHELIX SCOTT, JR., AND MELVINA SCOTT DEFENDANTS NOTICE OF PENDING ACTION

By virtue of the Order of the Floyd Circuit Court, dated December 19, 2005, the undersigned was appointed to serve as Warning Order Attorney to notify the Unknown Heirs of Phelix Scott, Jr., and Melvina Scott of the pendency of a Petition for Sale and Partition of Real Estate of the following described property:

Beginning on a gate post on the upper edge of the road in line of land of Octavia Combs, then up May Branch with the road to the mouth of the first left hand drain, then with the drain to the land of Dave Bentley, then with the land of Dave Bentley to May Branch, then with a fence up May Branch to the land of Claude E. Rowe, then up a drain with the land of Claude E. Rowe to the top of the peach orchard point, thence down the point with the land of Octavia Combs to the beginning, containing 8 acres.

There is excluded that portion conveyed to David L. Bentley and Julia Bentley, by deed dated April 7, 1953, recorded in Deed Book 153, Page 237, Floyd County Court Clerk's Office.

Notice is hereby given that any Unknown Heirs of Phelix Scott, Jr., and Melvina Scott are directed to come forward and present any interest in the above-described real property they claim or be forever barred.

Signed, Mitchell D. Kinner Warning Order Attorney Kinner & Patton Law Offices 328 East Court Street Prestonsburg, KY 41653

(606) 886-1343 **COMMON-WEALTH OF KENTUCKY FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION NO. II C.A. NO. 99-CI-359 FLOYD COUNTY, KENTUCKY PLAINTIFF VS. EDWARD M. KUSS REBECCA S. KUSS NORWEST BANK MINNESOTA, N.A. AS TRUSTEE, ASSIGNEE OF OCEANMARK FINANCIAL CORP., WICKES LUMBER COMPANY, CITY OF PRESTONSBURG DEFENDANTS RE-NOTICE OF COMMISSIONER'S SALE**

By virtue of Judgment and Order of Sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, entered on the 12th day of April, 2004, in the Floyd Circuit Court, in the above styled action, in the principal sum of \$361,098.40, 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 9th day of February, 2006, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., the following described real estate, located at 526 South Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Floyd County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as follows:

Parcel No. 1 A certain tract of parcel of land lying in Floyd County, Kentucky, on South Lake Drive,

described as follows: Beginning at a stake in the right of way of U.S. Highway No. 23, at the cross fence above what is known as the Seibert Place, corner of line of Reba H. Mayo, et al; thence up said highway with line of said state highway a southerly direction to a stake 552 feet from the beginning corner and opposite the present lower cross fence of Anna B. Allen; thence a straight line up the hill parallel with line of said Reba H. Mayo, et al., to center of ridge between Mayo Branch and Big Sandy River to a stake 613 feet from corner of Reba H. Mayo, et al., and J.D. Mayo; thence up the ridge with center of same 613 feet to said corner of Reba H. Mayo, et al., to the beginning. Parcel No. 2 Situated on the waters of the Big Sandy River in the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky. Being Lots Nos. 1, 2, and 3 shown upon that certain plat dated July 17, 1953, and prepared by H. Salisbury, Engineer and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Floyd County Court. These lots are adjacent to and adjoin the property now owned by

Duran Moore, in South Prestonsburg, Kentucky, on U.S. Highway #23. Being the same property, conveyed to Edward M. Kuss and Rebecca S. Kuss from Mason Moore, et al., by deed dated February 17, 1988, of record in Deed Book 318, Page 617, in the office of the Court Clerk of Floyd County, Kentucky. **TERMS OF SALE:** (a) At the time of sale, the successful bidder, if the other than the Plaintiff, shall either pay cash or \$5,000.00 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 and City of Prestonsburg,

Kentucky, real property taxes for the year 2005, and all subsequent years which are not yet due and payable. Any and all delinquent Floyd County and City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, real estate taxes will be paid from the sale proceeds. (d) In the event the Defendant/Cross-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 Defendant/Cross-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. Kristen J. Mudd Lerner, Sampson & Rothfuss P.O. Box 5480 Cincinnati, Ohio 45201-5480 513/241-3100 William S. Kendrick Master Commissioner P.O. Box 268 Prestonsburg, KY 41653

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Sandy Valley Transportation Services, Inc. (SVTS), will host a Public Hearing at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, February 16, 2006, at the Jenny Wiley State Park, May Lodge, Prestonsburg, Kentucky. The Public Hearing is for the consideration of grant applications for federal funds for capital and operating assistance for the period of July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007, for rural community transportation services in the Big Sandy valley area, including Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin and Pike counties. There is no significant environmental impact. Regulations regarding the disabled and the elderly shall be complied with accordingly. Comments may be made in person or through written submission. The grant applications will be available at the SVTS office, 81 Resource Court, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, on April 1, 2006.

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