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***Auxier man** wanted for Pike escape

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PIKEVILLE - The Pikeville Police Department is currently searching for an inmate who didn't return from a work release job with the Solid Waste Department.

Clifford E. Williams, 26, of Auxier, was being held on a detainer to face charges in Floyd County when he failed to return to the Pike County Detention Center on July

The Pikeville Police Department has asked that anyone with information on Williams contact their local sheriff's department or the Pikeville Police Department.

Williams is described as 6 feet, 1 inch tall, weighing approximately 170 pounds, with blue eyes and red hair.

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Lotto scam takes money by giving money

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRINTER - A Printer resident wisely looked a gift horse in the mouth this week and avoided a scam aimed at cleaning out her bank account and collecting the proceeds from stolen checks.

On Monday, she received a letter from a company calling itself "Premier Lotto." The outfit

claimed to be based in Switzerland, though the letter was postmarked from Canada. The letter claimed to be a certificate of award notification and informed her that she had won \$95,000. Along with the notification was a check for \$2,950, drawn on a California bank account, to pay for the taxes that would be assessed against the

The letter also included a separate form to be filled out after depositing the check. The victim was to fill out the form, which asked for the routing number of the account she was using which could be for a savings or checking account. The instructions noted that she could even use the check to open an account and

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One local resident was understandably excited after receiving this check and being told she had won a lottery. Her joy turned to disappointment, however, after learning that the check was stolen and part of a scam aimed at cleaning out her bank account.

EVIDENCE HEARD



Karen and Steven Warrix are accused of extorting money from the Betsy Layne Cardinal Mart after Karen allegedly tripped and broke her foot while exiting from the store's back door. The commonwealth's witness asserted that store video tapes of the date in question contradict the

Evidence heard against couple in extortion plot

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG

Charges against a Prestonsburg couple accused of trying to blackmail the Betsy Layne Cardinal Mart for an alleged "slip-and-fall" episode were waived to a grand jury after a hearing in district court on Wednesday.

Steve and Karen Warrix attended the hearing with their attorney, Joseph Layne, and heard testimony from a Kentucky Bureau Investigation operative. The agent testified that he posed as an employee of Kentucky Oil to handle negotiations after Karen Warrix contacted the gas station and reported that she had broken her foot there when exiting the location through a back door.

The agent testified that the store's management reviewed tapes of the time and date in question and observed Warrix

leave the store through a back door but that there was no fall. The agent said that he adopted the name Jerry Bailey and contacted Warrix. He said that he spoke to both of the Warrixes and that Karen Warrix said she wanted \$20,000 to avoid a law-

The agent noted that Karen Warrix appeared ready to cut her husband out of some of the money and was heard telling

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Martin man pleads guilty to cruelty charge

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG - A man who was charged with cruelty to animals in January for grossly neglecting the care of his shih tzu dog pleaded guilty to the charge Thursday and was ordered to pay for the animal's medical care, which topped off at over \$3,000.

Jimmy Smith, 56, of Martin, agreed to the final judgment that was worked out with County Attorney Keith Bartley. The deal calls for him to be hooked up for home incarceration on Monday for a period of 30 days. He will also be on supervised probation for an additional two years, which carries specific terms that will see him incarcerated for 180 days if they are violated.

The conditions of his release include that he not possess an animal of any type for two years and that he make restitution to the Beaver Creek Animal Clinic for the dog's care which totaled \$3,235.

A standard fine of \$100 was waived, though Smith will still have to pay court

His arrest followed an early January incident in which he dropped off the dog for grooming. Smith told the staff at the clinic that he wanted to breed the animal and they proceeded to shear the dog and discovered that its fur had become so matted that it was impossible for the animal to urinate or defecate. Upon removing fur from one leg, they observed that a section of the leg had lost all skin, tendon and muscle, leaving bone exposed.

The clinic contacted Floyd County Animal Control Officer David Shepherd. His investigation led to the charge filed against Smith.

As part of the agreement, Smith also forfeited the animal to the Beaver Creek facility, which has been charged with the dog's care since the arrest.

Meth plea entered

by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

PRESTONSBURG The first suspect arrested by the newly reformed Floyd County Drug Task Force pleaded guilty Tuesday to charges of trafficking in methamphetamine.

Hank Pelphrey, 49, of

Turkey Creek, admitted to trafficking in crystal methon Feb. 14, as well as possessing the drug and drug. paraphernalia. He entered the plea upon a recommendation from the commonwealth that he serve three years of an eight-year sen-

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Stumbo seeks ouster of Personnel Board chair

by ROGER ALFORD ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANKFORT — The state's top prosecutor is asking a judge to oust the chairman of the Kentucky Personnel

Attorney General Greg Stumbo filed a complaint in Franklin County Circuit Court on Wednesday, asking that Jack C. Smith Jr. be removed from the board, which hears personnel complaints involving state employees.

Stumbo alleged in the complaint that Smith profited from his marketing of Unbridled Spirit merchandise sold at Kentucky State Parks. His company,

Hunter Manufacturing Group, Inc., also known as Blackwater, Inc., has received more than \$33,000 in payments from the state since June 2005, Stumbo said.

"The law is very clear that a conflict exists when a board member does business with the state," Stumbo said in a written statement. "This law ensures impartial and fair hearings for state workers.'

Smith, who was appointed to the board by Gov. Ernie Fletcher on June 23, 2005, could not be reached immediately for comment.

Fletcher spokeswoman Whitaker declined to comment.

Smith has been involved in the Personnel Board's inquiry into allegations that Gov. Ernie Fletcher's administration violated state hiring

Douglas W. Doerting, a former personnel officer for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, filed a 276page complaint with the board alleging that the administration had engaged in an "illegal political patronage" scheme to fill hourly state jobs on the basis of politics, not qualifications. The Personnel Board has more than

20 other pending cases related to allegations of political patronage by the Fletcher administration.

In addition to the Personnel Board's cases, a special grand jury has been investigating for more than year whether Fletcher's administration illegally rewarded political supporters with state jobs.

The grand jury has issued 29 indictments, including one against Fletcher; who is charged with conspiracy, official misconduct and political discrimi-

The Kentucky Court of Appeals, in an opinion issued Monday, held that most of the indictments can't be prosecuted because the people named in them are covered by a blanket pardon Fletcher issued in August.

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KFW announces 2006 'Arts Meets Activism' grant recipients

David School receives \$3,715

for Women has awarded six Arts Meets Activism Grants totaling over \$16,700 to diverse women artists and arts organizations in the Lexington and Eastern Kentucky area.

The Art Meets Activism program supports feminist artists and organizations whose work is committed to creating social change (such as altering perceptions, stimulating social dialogue, opening new opportunities for citizen participation). The grants are for projects and activities that are artist driven and include direct outreach or community involvement.

The grant program drew a total of 72 applications. The Art Meets Activism grants to artists in the Lexington and eastern Kentucky area ranged from \$1,000 to \$4,500.

KFW's Art Meets Activism grants support projects that improve communities. Current grants include projects that address issues ranging from finding one's own voice to creative skill building among diverse populations.

The six 2006 AMA grants

The Kentucky Foundation from the eastern Kentucky area includes:

■ The David School (David) \$3,715 for a digital media artist to work with 12 girls at this alternative high school, encouraging them to express their own stories and their view of Appalachian culture through media art.

River Kentucky Community Care, Inc. (Jackson) \$4,500 to work with several experienced artists to provide workshops for clients of the Rape Crisis Center and Caney Creek Rehabilitation Center that allow them to explore various means of creative self expression.

■ Trish Ayers (Berea) \$3,500 to present a yearlong seminar for Kentucky women playwrights, during which participants will learn playwriting techniques while dramatizing issues that impact their lives.

Wolford ■ Natasha (Belcher) \$2,000 for a program in which at-risk teenage girls will create and perform monologues about their life experience and views.

■ Williamsburg Action Team (Williamsburg) \$2,000

to create a collection of monologues based on the stories of African American women who are residents of Williamsburg

Jennifer A. Reis (Olive Hill) \$1,000 to work as an artist-in-residence, exploring identity through fiber art techniques, with the 21st Century Community Learning Center program at Rowan County Middle School.

"The projects in this round of grants mirror the concerns women across the Commonwealth and beyond. KFW supports the commitment of these talented artists and organizations as they find ways to improve the lives of all Kentuckians. Their projects will benefit women and girls in Kentucky, and by extension their families and entire community," said Dr. Judi Jennings, director of the Foundation for Kentucky

The Foundation is currently accepting applications through September 1 for the Artist Enrichment Grant Program. This program supports professional development for feminist artists and arts organizations committed to positive social change. Applicants should demonstrate their commitment to feminism and understanding of the relationship between art and social change. Applicants may request funds for activities including: artistic development, artist residencies, the exploration of new areas or techniques, and the creation of new art. For more information visit http://www.kfw.org.

The Kentucky Foundation for Women is a private foundation formed in 1985 by Louisville area writer Sallie Bingham. Its mission is to promote positive social change by supporting varied feminist expression in the arts.

A complete list of the 34 grants awarded statewide totaling \$100,00 is attached. Dr. Jennings and selected grant recipients are available for interviews and/or appearances. Contact KFW for further information and to schedule appearances.

Evidence

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him that the fee would be

The agent said that the exchange was set at Vito's parking lot because the couple lived across the street. They agreed to pick up the money there in weekly installments of \$1,000

When Steve Warrix arrived for the money, he was promptly arrested after accepting it.

Throughout the testimony, Karen Warrix shook her head as if the agent was getting the facts wrong but ceased doing so after she heard testimony that there was videotaped evidence of the night of the alleged accident, as well as audiotaped evidence of every conversation she had with the agent and the Cardinal Mart's

Obituaries

Robert George Bieger

Robert George Bieger, age 76, of David, husband of Nancy Edwards Bieger, passed away Wednesday, July 12, 2006, at the Veterans Hospital, in Huntington, West Virginia.

He was born February 12, 1930, in Buffalo, New York, the son of the late Henry Bieger and Mildred Preston Bieger. He was a foreman for CA Hackett, of Lackawanna, New York, and also worked for Ed Music at the Sky Lift at Jenny Wiley and Natural Bridge State Parks, for 25 years. He was a U.S. Marine, Korean War veteran, and a member of the Middle Creek Baptist Church, in Blue River.

Survivors include his wife, Nancy; four sons: Robert Bieger and James Thomas Bieger, both of David, David Beiger, of St. Louis, Missourri, and Randy Bieger, of Buffalo, New York; three daughters: Miller, Wendy Prestonsburg, Terrie Hurt, of Richmond, and Cindi Sellards, of Buffalo, New York; three brothers and two sisters; 14 grandchildren and four greatgrandchildren.

Memorial services for Robert George Bieger will be conducted Saturday, July 15, at 1:00 p.m., at the Middle Creek Baptist Church, in Blue River, with Clergyman Eugene Cook officiating.

Online condolences may be made at www.hallfuneralservice.com (Paid obituary)

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Scott A. Bonar

Scott A. Bonar, age 17, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, passed away Monday, July 10, 2006, in Michigan.

He was born February 8, 1989, in Ypsilanti, Michigan, the son of Jeffery Bonar and Kellie Grubaugh Bonar. He attended Willow Run High School, and he loved baseball and swimming.

Survivors include his parents; one brother, Justin Bonar: three sisters: Jessica Bonar, Liane Bonar, and Cloe Anderson; his paternal grandparents, Henry and Christine Bonar of Ypsilanti; his maternal grandparents, Kenneth and Pat Grubaugh of Ypsilanti; six uncles, Luther (Renee) Bonar of Northville, Dirk (Bev) Grubaugh and Terry Grubaugh, both of Tennessee, Monte (Cheryl) Grubaugh and Michael (Tina) Jordan, both of Ypsilanti, and Tom (Stella) Grubaugh of Whitmore Lake; two aunts: Cherly Jordan and Rachel (Steven) Spencer, both of Yspilanti; and several cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his maternal great-grandparents, Travis and Verna Mae Samons Conn, and his paternal great-grandparents, Henry and Pearl Hicks Bonar.

Funeral services for Scott A. Bonar will be conducted Saturday, July 15, at 1:00 p.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Regular Baptist ministers officiating.

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

Visitation is from 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., Friday, at the funeral home. (Paid obituary)

Bruce Ray Orsborn

Bruce Ray Orsborn, age 52, of Ivel, passed away Tuesday, July 11, 2006, at his residence.

He was born March 4, 1954, in Prestonsburg, the son of Madie Ratliff Orsborn, of Ivel, and the late James Orsborn. He was a former C&O Railroad employee.

Survivors include his mother, Madie; two sons: Jason Craig Orsborn, of Pikeville, and Derek Ray Orsborn, of Harold; three brothers: James "Bud" Orsborn, of Auxier, and Billy Gene Orsborn and Douglas Orsborn, both of Allen; a sister, Maggie Conn. of Dana; and two grandchildren: Dustin Jace Orsborn and Alexandria Grace Orsborn.

Funeral services for Bruce Ray Orsborn will be conducted Friday, July 14, at 11:00 a.m., at the Hall Funeral Home Chapel, in Martin, with Clergyman Tim McClannahan officiating.

Burial will follow in the Ivel Community Cemetery, under the professional care of the Hall Funeral Home. (Paid obituary)





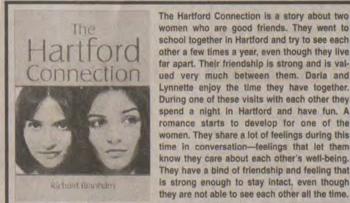
MEETING POSTPONED The meeting of

JENNY WILEY **CHAPTER 3528** AARP Scheduled to be held

Friday, July 21, has been postponed and will be held

Friday, July 28

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school together in Hartford and try to see each other a few times a year, even though they live far apart. Their friendship is strong and is valued very much between them. Darla and Lynnette enjoy the time they have together. During one of these visits with each other they spend a night in Hartford and have fun. A romance starts to develop for one of the women. They share a lot of feelings during this time in conversation-feelings that let them know they care about each other's well-being. They have a bind of friendship and feeling that is strong enough to stay intact, even though they are not able to see each other all the time.

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Meth

tence, with the remainder probated under strict supervision which will mandate drug testing and treatment if necessary.

The new task force has seen unprecedented cooperation with other agencies and is being spearheaded by the Prestonsburg Police Department and the Floyd County Sheriff's Department, with funding from the city and county.

The Floyd County Drug Task Force since its last incarnation has paved the way for ing he felt it was his obligation our power to stop it.

conducting drug arrests using audio and videotape technology to insure a 100 percent conviction rate. The methods used by the task force have become routine for other agencies such as Operation UNITE, which also relies on audio and video evidence as well as cooperation with other arms of law

When the task force was relaunched in February, Mayor Jerry Fannin endorsed it, sayto the city and county to help fund the effort.

We must use every available resource and combine the efforts of all law enforcement agencies to combat this problem that is destroying the lives

concurred, noting, "Illegal young people. We have to take a stand and do everything in

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of people," Fannin said. Sheriff John K Blackburn drug trafficking is ruining lives and influencing our

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Swiss Lottery, Leatherwood explained that the scammers get hold of the account number of a legitimate business and get their own checks made which the appear legitimate. He explained that in the end the company being targeted can only reclaim funds from victims, who wind

Leatherwood noted that anything that looks like free money usually isn't and should raise a red flag for con-

Scam

simply fill out the form afterwards. The form accompanying the letter instructs the recipient to leave the money in the account for two weeks to allow them to release the accompanying \$95,000 after there is proof that the money to pay taxes on the award is still in the account. This time period allows the scammer a two-week grace period to siphon the stolen check amount, as well as whatever other money may be in the

The woman said that although she had never heard of Premier Lotto, she was excited after seeing the check. "I already had the money spent," she said.

However, she remained cautious. On Tuesday, she went to Community Trust Bank to ask about the check's legitimacy and learned that it was drawn on a valid account, but that the company had reported the check stolen.

The scam is clever in that the check which accompanies the letter is from an existing account but cashing it eventually makes the victim part of a felony, receiving stolen property, and puts them on the hook for the money. The con artists who dreamed up the ploy have found a method to dupe others into cashing stolen checks while they make off with the proceeds through a secured Swiss bank account.

Consumers are being warned to be on the lookout for "Premier Lotto" mailings and similar schemes.

The letter comes with an 800 number to call. Upon dialing the number a man with an accent answered and confirmed being with Premier Lotto. When asked if he knew that the checks the company was issuing had been reported stolen, he responded, "Okay, we will look into that right

now," and promptly hung up. Such scams are becoming more common and often involve counterfeit checks, according to the Attorney General's Office. The letter which accompanies Premier Lotto scam contains

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spelling and grammatical errors, and a Canadian post-

attorney general's office, said that scams like this are on the rise and the AG's office is currently looking into a similar scam from a company calling itself "Box Lotto" which is also sending out bogus checks from Canada and claiming to

mark though the prize is purported to be from Switzerland, yet drawn on a Californian Todd Leatherwood, of the

several red flags, such as

be awarding prizes from a

up caught in the middle.

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For the Record

Marriage Licenses

Veronica Lynn Morgan, 21, of Ashland, to Jeffrey Francis Case, 27, of Pikeville.

Jonni Ann Blair, 27, to Daniel Clifton Raines, 21, both of Prestonsburg.

Amy Joyce Crum, 30, of arsaw, Ind., to Shannon Dean Slone, 31, of Pikeville.

Tracy Lynn Imfeld, 19, of Hamilton, Ohio to Jimmy Lee Osborne, 21, of Pikeville.

Anastacia Marie Tackett. 19, of Martin to Larry Dale Kiser, Jr., 24, of Pikeville.

Civil Suits Filed Beneficial Kentucky Inc.

vs. Elisha M. Fannin; to collect a debt.

Erin Capital Management LLC vs. Summer Lyons; to collect a debt.

Community Trust Bank Inc. vs. Patricia Rister, et al; to repay a promissory note.

Discover Bank vs. Darwin Kidd; to collect a credit card

Portfolio Recovery Associates vs. Erica Bryant; to

collect a debt. U.S. Bank vs. Kenny L. Akers; to collect a debt.

Black Acre Enterprises vs. Summer Lyons; to collect a

Cavalry Investments vs. Douglas Harvey; to collect a debt.

Newsome Damon Newsome; petition for dissolution of marriage.

Small Claims Filings

Best Practice Family Health vs. Jamie Gibson; to recoup medical costs.

Best Practice Family Health vs. Claudia Fannin; to recoup medical costs.

Family Best Practice Health vs. Joey Luster; to recoup medical costs.

Best Practice | lealth vs. Ronnie Holbrooks; to recoup medical costs.

Cash Express LLC vs. Charles Thompson; to collect

Cash Express LLC vs. Billy Howard: to collect a debt.

Cash Express LLC vs. Brandon Hatfield; to collect a

Cash Express LLC vs. Brandy Hatfield; to collect a

Cash Express LLC vs. Blake Campbell; to collect a

Charges Filed

Pamela Gross, 45, of Paintsville; alcohol intoxica-

Crystal Hall, 24, of Printer; public intoxication.

Mark William Hale, 45, of Bradford Woods, Penn.; drinking an alcoholic beverage in public.

Jason M. Garrett, 29, of Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxi-

Azzie J. Hall, 39, of Harold; public intoxication, drug possession, possession of drug paraphernalia, having a controlled substance in an improper container.

Ronnie Compton, 48, of Hi Hat: alcohol intoxication.

Joseph Kelly DeRossett, 19, of Pikeville; public intoxication; possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Gary M. Hunter, 26, of Garrett; fleeing police, alcohol intoxication.

Joseph Campbell, 19, of Langley; fleeing police, alcohol intoxication.

Charles Robinson, 19, of Garrett; fleeing police, alcohol intoxication.

Rita Thornsberry, 43, of Garrett; public intoxication. David Baker, 47, of

Jenkins; alcohol intoxication.

Timothy C. Walker, 35, of Bourbon, Ind.; possession of a controlled substance, controlled substance not in its proper container.

Kenneth Stewart, 45, of Tram; alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct.

Barbara J. Carroll, 31, of Tram; criminal littering, drinking an alcoholic beverage in public

James A. Redrick, 36, of Prestonsburg; harassment.

Joshua Gregory Shepherd, 24, of David; criminal mis-

Amanda Hall, no date of birth available. Hi Hat; harass-

William Allen, 20, of Royalton; alcohol intoxication, giving a false name to an officer, making an unsworn falsification to authorities.

Robert Castle, 27, of Langley; alcohol intoxication. Anthony Cole, 36, of Salyersville; alcohol intoxica-

Danny Burchett, 56, of Prestonsburg; alcohol intoxi-

Verline Janke, 65, of Beaver: harassment.

Inspections

Campbell's Grocery, Garrett, regular inspection. Violations noted: Spray bottle in food service area without proper label, proper hair restraints not in use, food contact surface in bad repair, floors in food prep area in disrepair, lights in food prep area

improperly shielded, cleaning equipment improperly stored. Score: food 94, retail 98.

WalMart, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food item observed stored on floor, unknown liquid on floor in snack aisle, cleaning utensils improperly stored, Score: 95.

Seasons Inn, Allen, regular inspection. Violations noted: Wiping cloths stored improperly, single-service articles stored in contact with floor, clothing item stored with food equipment. Score: 96.

Marina Snack Bar, Jenny Wiley Park, regular inspection. Violations noted: None observed. Score: 100.

Hot Rod Pizza, Allen, regular inspection. Violations noted: Conspicuous thermometers absent from freezer and cooler units, bottom of upright freezer in disrepair, chemical test strips not located near three-compartment sink, wiping cloths stored improperly, employee restroom door not self-closing, floors in disrepair, walls and ceilings in disrepair, lights not properly shielded. Score: 91.

Jenny Wiley R.V. Park, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Several lots have a small accumulation of debris. Score: 98.

Save-A-Lot, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Thermometers not provided for all freezer and cooler units, walk-in cooler door in disrepair, wiping cloths stored improperly, restroom doors not self closing, some floor tile in disrepair, light in cooler improperly shielded, clothing item observed stored on food equipment. Score: 91.

Giovanni's, Prestonsburg, regular inspection. Violations noted: Food contact surface in disrepair, walk-in cooler door doesn't close properly, wiping cloths improperly stored, some floor tile in disrepair, walls and ceilings in disrepair, personal item stored in food prep area. Score: 92.

Martin Senior Center, Martin, regular inspection. Violations noted: Chemical test strips not located at three compartment sink, restroom doors not self closing, floor tile in disrepair. Score: 94.

Long John Silver's, Prestonsburg, regular inspec-Violations noted: tion. Cardboard box being used as a garbage receptacle, floor near deep frying unit in need of routine cleaning, walls in food storage area in disrepair, cleaning supplies improperly stored. Score: 95.

Property Transfers

Joseph and Rosemary Armstrong to George and Lesia Maines, property located at Granny Fitch Branch.

Betty H. Porter Trust to Christina and Philip Simpson, property located at Brairwood subdivision.

Ronnie Blackburn to Ernest Ray Jr., property location

undisclosed Randy and Rhonda Boyd to Phyllis Boyd, property loca-

tion undisclosed. Frances Branham to Casey and Jenny Jones, property located at Ford Addition.

Barbara and Charles Clark to Anna and Zeb Ousley, property located at West Garrett.

Carolyn Duff to Clinton Duff to Michelle and Roger Hunter, property located at

Stone Coal Creek. James, Shirley, and Thomas Fraley to Ambera nd Ricky Anderson, property located at

Weeksbury. Judith Freels to Casey and Jenny Jones, property located at Ford Addition.

Leslie and Timmy Hall, Cheryl and Dale Meade to Claude Meade, property located at Loars Branch.

Kathy and Robert Hannan to Johnny Sargent, property located at Dwale.

Brenda Harmon to Phillip and Louina Hall, property located at Branham Creek.

Carolyn and Henderson to Shena Collins and Handy Jackson, property located at Bull Creek.

Melody Johnson Anthony and Delois Calhoun, property located at Richmond

Brandi and Jason Lowe to

ty located at Penhook Branch. Sandra Newsome and Rudolphe Burton University Land Company, property located at Arkansas

Donald Parker to William Parker, property located at Jake Akers Branch.

Minnie Pearl Robertson to Consolidated Health Systems,

property located near Auxier. Jacqueline and Janelle Samons to Evelyn and Lowell Samons, properties located at

Arkansas Creek. Christopher and Linda Saylor to John and Susan

Schmoldt, property located at Harold.

Rax Development Company to Catherine and Paul Brown, property located at Porter Addition

Carmel and Ollie Tackett to Brandy and Jason Bentley,

property location undisclosed. Harold Thornsberry to Terri

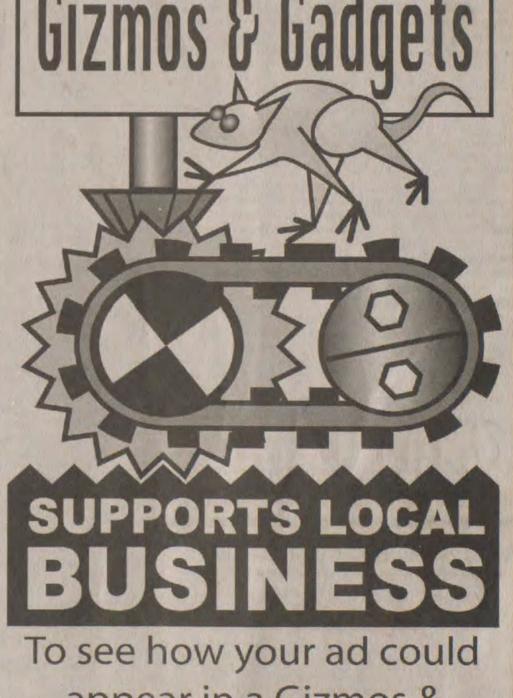
L. Moore, property located at Wheelwright, Vina Tuttle to Michael J.

Witowski, property located at Right Beaver.

Dorothy and Joe Woods to Shannon nd Terra Blackburn, property located at Emma.







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Glitch delays child support, threatens state workers' checks

The Associated Press

FRANKFORT — Despite a echnical glitch, state employes will receive their paythecks on time, officials said Wednesday.

A problem in Kentucky's new accounting system called Mars has delayed tens of housands of child support payments. If the glitch causing he problem isn't fixed soon,

state workers could have been left out on payday Friday.

In a statement Wednesday afternoon, State Treasurer Jonathan Miller and two ranking officials from Gov. Ernie Fletcher's administration assurred state employes that they would receive their pay, whether through conventional

"All direct deposited checks will be delivered to

checks or direct deposits.

their financial institution as usual," the statement said. "The treasurer's office has completed the printing of paychecks for employees who do not have direct deposit. These checks are currently being sorted and distributed to payroll officers in each agency.'

Child support checks for July 3, 5 and 6 went out

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Worth Repeating ...

"Before God we are all equally wise - and equally foolish."

— Albert Einstein

Editorial roundup

The Star-Ledger, Newark, N.J., on the U.S. Supreme Court:

As the U.S. Supreme Court released its final batch of decisions last week, with rulings on campaign finance, Guantanamo Bay detainees and Texas congressional redistricting, it was tempting to draw broad conclu-

Despite the impulse to make declarations about the newly configured court, which includes two appointees of President Bush - John Roberts and Samuel Alito - a fair reading of the recent rulings suggests it is difficult at this point to offer a definitive assessment of where the court is headed. Those who thought Alito and Roberts would walk in lockstep with Clarence Thomas and Antonin Scalia, appointees of the first President Bush, may be surprised. They haven't.

In the Vermont campaign financing case, for example, Thomas and Scalia wanted to undo 30 years of settled law, lifting virtually all restraints on campaign contributions and spending. Alito and Roberts refused to play. Yielding to precedent, they were part of the majority that let stand a 1976 decision that prevents states from imposing limits on campaign spending. At the same time, however, they held that limits on contributions, such as the one adopted in Vermont, were constitutionally

The redistricting case was a mixed bag, too. In that case, the high court upheld Republican Tom DeLay's redrawing of the Texas congressional districts but also ruled that the Texas Legislature had violated the Voting Rights Act by drawing congressional lines that hurt Hispanics. The justices ordered the state to redraw one district.

In the Guantanamo case, the court roundly rebuked Bush with a ruling that halted special military trials for detainees later this year. The court said the process the administration wanted to use violated the Geneva Convention and U.S. law.

Two court traits, however, have emerged. Despite Roberts' desire to build more consensus among the justices, many decisions this term were as splintered as ever. The redistricting case produced six separate opinions. Unanimity, while not always desirable, is beneficial because it makes the law clearer to the public as well as to lawyers and judges.

Perhaps the most important revelation to come from this term is a firm indication that the court will show more restraint. So-called legislating from the bench may become a thing of the past. That change will put greater pressure on Congress to act clearly on issues of national concern.

The Post-Standard, Syracuse, N.Y., on Internet filtering at public

Public libraries have an indispensable mission in a free and learning society. They ensure that all people, even the most disadvantaged, have access to the ideas and information that empower the world. They are not in the business of censorship.

But that is the effect an ill-considered federal law is having on libraries across the nation. The Children's Internet Protection Act requires libraries that receive federal money to install filters on all their computer terminals to block "objectionable" material on the Internet. Not just for kids, for everyone.

Libraries that balk on principle stand to lose tens of thousands of dollars in desperately needed federal aid. That only hurts the poor and homeless who rely on public libraries to be their information gateway to the world. Administrators of libraries that heavily depend on federal aid face a Hobson's choice: Censor or lose the money.

The American Library Association courageously challenged the law, rightly saying that filtering blocks access to constitutionally protected speech. The case has made its way to the U.S. Supreme Court. In 2003, the court ruled the law was constitutional only if the filters could be disabled upon the request of adult library users.

But what if you are using a library computer to get more information on the sexually transmitted disease you were just diagnosed with? Or you're trying to find out more about birth-control techniques to use with your significant other? Or you are gay and want to go to online support sites?

Much Internet-filtering software designed to block pornography also blocks legitimate sites on sexual health and other topics. Surely, many adults would be too embarrassed or too frightened to ask a librarian to disable the filters on those sites. ...

... Mature teenagers still could be denied access to sites they have a right and a need to view. And the process for disabling filters could prove too cumbersome, even intimidating, for some adults.

No, the better solution would be for government to mind its own business.

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Big powers kill internet neutrality

by NEIL TAMBE and ERIC WARREN

The U.S. Senate is now consider-Internet remains based on a principle of equal and open connectivity. Opponents of so-called network neutrality legislation have contributed to senators' campaigns and political action committees more than three times as much money as the legislation's proponents. That disparity may have helped sink a similar provision that the House of Representatives considered in June.

The net neutrality debate pits online computer services against a coalition of telephone utilities, telecommunications companies and cable distributors-the companies that provide the content versus those that

Both sides of the Internet regulation debate are active political contributors. However, in total, the Internet sector has contributed a mere \$2.7 million compared with \$9.1 million in federal contributions from the telecom-telephone alliance. More entrenched in politics than relative newcomers in the Internet sector, telecom companies seek influence on a wider array of issues. Despite the disparity, several senators have stood up already in favor of adding network neutrality protections to the Senate's version of a communications reform bill.

Neutrality legislation aims to prevent broadband Internet service providers (ISPs) from discriminating between content. The Federal Communications Commission set ablaze the current debate on August 5, 2005, when it announced it would refuse to enforce neutrality without a mandate from Congress. Proponents of neutrality legislation want the government to regulate the Internet to prevent network controllers from providing superior access to higherpaying customers. They also say that without neutrality protections. ISPs would be able to slow or block sites of their choosing, including those of their competitors.

The telecommunications alliance claims that these allegations are unfounded, because competitive markets would prevent network controllers from abusing consumers. If one provider is unsatisfactory, they argue, consumers would switch providers. They also make the case that distributors of online content should help bear the cost of upgrading networks, and that government regulation would keep broadband prices high and hinder the spread of fast connections to rural areas.

Three senators who have bravely introduced neutrality legislation in the past six months-Ron Wyden (D-Ore.), Olympia Snowe (R-Maine), and Byron Dorgan (D-N.D.)-have each received sizeable contributions from groups opposed to the sort of law they are advocating. Only two senators received notably larger contributions from pro-network neutrality groups: Maria Cantwell and Patty Murray, both Democrats from Washington, have been funded exten-Washington-based by Microsoft, a major backer of net neutrality and a deep political player.

In the House, similar to the situation in the Senate, substantial campaign contributions from telecom, including almost \$87,000 from AT&T since 1989, were not enough to deter Rep. Edward Markey (D-Mass.) from introducing pro-neutrality legislation to the House version of the communications reform bill. Markey's amendment failed on June 8 by a vote of 269 to 152, with all but 11 Republicans voting against it. The final communications bill, with mostly Democratic opposition, passed by a large margin.

Those Congress members voting against Markey's amendment received an average \$10,000 more in contributions from the anti-neutrality coalition. It is not clear whether the extra \$10,000 swayed the House vote, but the telecom interests prevailed.

Not only did these industries contribute to federal candidates, they spent substantially more on lobbying. In the 2003 to 2004 election cycle, companies on both sides of the issue spent a total of nearly \$300 million lobbying in Washington; D.C., industries favoring neutrality put out \$43.8 million, whereas industries opposing it gave just over \$255 million. Complete data from the 2005 to 2006 cycle is not yet available. Even though the coalition fighting

neutrality legislation did not win over every member of Congress to whom the telecom industry contributed substantially, this data suggests that political contributions succeeded. The House's version of the communications reform bill passed without any neutrality protections. If the House vote and campaign finance data are any indicators, network neutrality can be expected to fail in the Senate as well.

Neil Tambe and Eric Warren write for CapitalEye.org, the newsletter of the Center for Responsive Politics, a non-partisan research organization in Washington, D.C., that tracks the influence of money on elections and public policy.

Lette

Appreciates magistrate

What kind of magistrate do you have? My magistrate responded to an emergency after the Fourth of July

storm, which blew a large oak tree across the road on the right fork of Station Branch. This stranded three families and two of the people stranded were ambulatory.

The county's backhoe was down and the county's chainsaw was in the shop. On July 5, my magistrate borrowed a chainsaw and brought three men and cleared the road by hand in the pouring rain.

Thanks, Jackie E. Owens.

Derek Hicks Middle Creek

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by TOM DOTY STAFF WRITER

A blast of nostalgia from the drive-in decade helped round out this week's releases, which included the return of one A-list actor to a treasured role and a slew of B-list actors lining up to get chomped by zombies.

"Basic Instinct 2" Sharon Stone is back as serial killer/novelist Catherine Trammel in this London-set sequel. This time she becomes a suspect in the death of a star soccer player and must match wits with a court-appointed psychiatrist. Stone proves up to the challenge and soon has the doc, a control freak, under her well manicured thumb. Not very plot heavy (hey, neither was the first one), but Stone proves she was worth every penny of her \$14 million payday. This one also sports a hot tub scene which rivals the interrogation set piece from the first film.

"Masters of Horror" Showtime is back with two more episodes of their popular series which showcases renowned horror directors in a freestyle format:

"Homecoming" Director Joe Dante ("The Howling") directs this satirical episode which features an antiwar movement led by the fallen soldiers who rise from the grave and campaign for the sitting president's competition. Surprisingly poignant and drop-dead funny.

"Pick Me Up" - Larry Cohen ("Q - The Winged Serpent") delivers the goods with this refreshing take on the serial killer genre. This one

pits two serial killers against each other as they vie for a victim. Michael Moriarty ("Law and Order") walks away with this one as an amiable truck driver who kicks it, or kills it, old school.

"Murder Rock" - Late 1980s effort from Italian fright master Lucio Fulci does not hold a candle o his better works ("Zombie" and "The Beyond"). Here a dancer and a male model have secret agendas as they team up to investigate murders at a New York Ballet school. Generous heapings of gore do little to obscure a weak script and listless performances.

"Zombiegeddon" — Troma Studios president and pitchman Lloyd Kaufman calls this effort the "Apocalypse Now" of zombie films and throws everything into this low-budget extravaganza. A who'swho of B-movie stars fills out the cast, which includes Scream Queens Brinke Stevens and Linnea Quigley, as well as 1970s action stalwart William Smith ("Invasion of the Bee Girls") and Edwin Neal (of the original "Texas Chainsaw Massacre"). This one has it all, with your typical zombie mayhem as well as some kung-fu and tigers that feed on zombies.

"Shogun Assassin" — This is the American cut of the first two "Lone Wolf and Cub" films, of which all six are available separately. Director Robert Houston took the first pair of films, which feature a rogue samurai and his toddler, and cut out all of the dramatic scenes, which means 80 minutes of pure swordplay as the samurai takes on three assas-

Famous Hot Salsa?

sins and, by the end of the film, an entire army. This one is purely for action junkies and it sure delivers on bloody swordplay, as each stroke of the hero's blade appears to find a major artery in his opponents. Listen close to the dubbing and you'll hear a young Sandra Bernhard, who would find fame as a standup comedian, providing vocal chores.

This week marked the passing of two Hollywood veterans with long careers going back to the 1930s.

Barnard Hughes died one week before his 91st birthday. He was probably best known to genre fans as the hippie grandfather in "The Lost Boys" but also costarred in the classic "Midnight Cowboy."

June Allyson, 89, also

passed and spent most of her

fans can rejoice with the complete run of his two TV series "The Adventures of Briscoe County" and "Jack of All Trades") hitting DVD, as well as the Patrick Swayzee-less sequel "Roadhouse 2.

career in Hollywood costarring with James Stewart in films such as "The Glenn Miller Story." Genre fans however might remember her from the 1978 thriller "Blackout," where she was menaced by Robert Carradine. who starred as a psychopath who terrorizes the denizens of an Upper East side apartment complex. Both actors hailed from New York.



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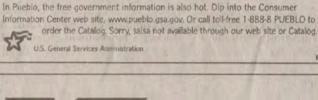
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Fletcher says 'time will tell' whether he'll face GOP challenge

by BRUCE SCHREINER
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LOUISVILLE — Gov. Ernie Fletcher on Wednesday attributed Republican concerns about his reelection bid to "growing pains" within the GOP and said "time will tell" whether he faces a challenge in next year's primary election.

Fletcher, who is facing misdemeanor charges that he conspired to reward political supporters with state jobs, boasted of accomplishments on a broad range of policy issues in a luncheon speech to the Louisville Forum, a nonpartisan issues group.

"When all the dust clears from all this politics of destruction, I think you'll find that this state is better off," the Republican governor said.

During a round of questions, Fletcher gave a glimpse into a second-term agenda if re-elected. He mentioned updating tax incentives to lure business, expanding a health care initiative aimed at small businesses and improving education.

His political problems came up in

some questions from the audience. Fletcher's appearance came just days after Jefferson County GOP Chairman Jack Richardson IV publicly broke with Fletcher and urged him to abandon his re-election bid.

Other Republicans have distanced themselves from Fletcher. Lt. Gov. Steve Pence withdrew from the ticket with Fletcher. Senate President David Williams has said he and fellow Republicans have "serious doubts" about Fletcher's re-electability. U.S. Sen. Mitch McConnell recently declined to endorse Fletcher's candidacy, saying "I really haven't given it any thought." Kentucky's other Republican U.S. senator, Jim Bunning, this week refused to say whether he would support Fletcher for re-election.

Fletcher, the state's first Republican governor in a generation, was asked about such reservations within the GOP. In his response, he summed it up as the evolution of a party long out of power that now finds itself in control.

"We're a maturing party," Fletcher

said, adding that the GOP has gained unprecedented power in the state. "We are trying to use it responsibly, but we're going to have our growing pains."

Fletcher acknowledged that his administration has made "missteps," but said "we are moving this state forward."

"Whether we'll have an opponent in the primary, time will tell," he said. "But I think our record will speak for itself when we tell that story, and I think we will have the support we need."

Fletcher said some politicians focus more on politics than policy, but said such thinking won't pull Kentucky out of its poor national rankings in educational achievement, per capita income and public health.

"Politics is not going to get us out of that hole, good policy is," he said. "And we've got sound policy."

Before fielding questions, Fletcher discussed what he viewed as his administration's accomplishments. He said a revamped state tax code took low-income Kentuckians off tax

rolls and reduced income taxes for most others. He cited more education funding and efforts to reshape Medicaid, the state-federal health insurance program that covers poor, elderly and disabled Kentuckians.

For more than a year, he has been dogged by a special grand jury probe into whether his administration illegally rewarded political supporters with state jobs. The grand jury has issued 29 indictments, including one against Fletcher, who is charged with conspiracy, official misconduct and political discrimination.

Fletcher issued a blanket pardon for anyone charged in the grand jury probe but didn't extend the pardon to himself. Fletcher told the Louisville group Wednesday that issuing the pardons was "the right thing to do."

Fletcher received a polite welcome from the audience. Some stood and applauded when he was introduced, while others stayed seated and clapped politely.

Among those in the crowd was GOP legislative candidate Corley Everett, who said Republican leaders need "to be fair to the governor."

"The facts aren't all in, and I think the responsible thing to do is to let the governor do his job," Everett said in an interview.

Everett, who is challenging Democratic Rep. Tom Riner of Louisville, said he would have no problem campaigning with Fletcher but admitted the governor's appearance wouldn't be received well by majority Democrats in his district.

"I respect the governor, but I do believe his political problems would probably overshadow any positive things," he said.

Louisville Metro Council member Kevin Kramer, a Republican, said he was "a little bit surprised" by Richardson's plea that Fletcher pull out of next year's gubernatorial race. Kramer praised Fletcher for delivering transportation money and state backing for a new arena for Louisville. But when asked if he supports Fletcher's renomination for another term, he sidestepped the question.

Revised federal air pack rules may eliminate all but one brand

by TIM HUBER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — Federal mining regulators are considering new standards for emergency air packs that would eliminate all but one type of the devices carried underground by U.S. coal miners today, according to a key government engineer.

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health engineer Nick Kyriazi said a more stringent testing regime he recommended almost seven years ago makes up most of the new certification rules that NIOSH is considering. A draft of the proposed rules is not yet avail-

in

But Kyriazi outlined the bulk of them in a 1999 report that suggested current NIOSH testing can't determine whether the devices are safe, what their performance characteristics are or how much breathable air they would provide in an actual emergency.

"I have tested the current apparatus and to the new standards," Kyriazi said. "Only one of them would pass."

He declined to identify which one.

Currently, NIOSH certifies air packs, or self-contained self-rescuers, by putting the devices on people who perform a series of activities. The amount of oxygen the devices

put out and how much carbon dioxide they remove, as well as other data, are monitored during rest periods. And the tests end after the devices have been worn for the amount of time the manufacturer wishes to claim they last.

Kyriazi's proposal calls for testing using a breathing simulator to eliminate physical differences between test subjects. He also wants continuous monitoring, specified oxygen consumption rates and tests that last until a device stops providing oxygen.

The idea is to eliminate what Kyriazi considers short-falls in the current method. For example, a device tested by a 150-pound person would pro-

duce different results than a device tested on a 250pounder because bigger people consume more oxygen and produce more carbon dioxide.

"Those are effectively different tests," he said. "They're not quantitative."

In declining to identify the brand of self-rescuer that would pass the more stringent testing, Kyriazi said only that it is one of the models that generates oxygen from a chemical reaction rather than using an air bottle.

That narrows the field considerably.

Only three companies manufacture NIOSH-approved air packs for the U.S. market: Monroeville, Pa.-based CSE Corp., Pleasant Prairie, Wis.based Ocenco Inc., and Pittsburgh-based Draeger Safety Inc.

A fourth manufacturer, Pittsburgh-based Mine Safety Appliances Co., no longer makes self-rescuers, though its products still are found in U.S. coal mines.

Only Draeger and CSE generate oxygen from a chemical reaction. Ocenco relies on bottled oxygen.

bottled oxygen.

CSE is widely considered the top brand. West Virginia officials estimate six out of 10

U.S. coal miners carry the

company's SR-100 model underground every day. NIOSH has long considered Ocenco the second most widely used brand, followed by Draeger.

Accounts by survivors of the Jan. 2 Sago Mine explosion in West Virginia that killed 12 miners have raised questions about how well CSE air packs work. The company and the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration say tests show the devices worked at Sago and at the Kentucky Darby No. 1 Mine accident in May that killed five miners.

Checks

Tuesday, while July 7 and 8 checks were to go out Wednesday, said Jason Moseley, director of the division of child support.

Parents receive either a paper check or an electronic deposit, and problems with the direct deposits remain. The transfers have been made, but banks are having trouble reading the files and can't tell who should get the money, Moseley

Up to 35,000 child support payments have been delayed statewide. Some 14,000 child support payments should have been deposited electronically.

It was not clear how many of the 14,000 payments had not been made. Technicians were working on the problem

Tuesday night.

Kenneth Mansfield, spokesman for the Kentucky State Treasury, said the new accounting system had problems earlier this week with unemployment and payments for subsidized child care.

"The big concern, of course, is payroll," he said.

A test run for Friday's payroll showed that state workers who are paid with a paper check would get their money, but those who get electronic deposits would not. Mansfield said officials are working to resolve the problem before Friday.

The problems also affected an unknown number of checks for vendors and worker's compensation, Midkiff said.

The problems are typical of the clock.

any major technological transition, she said.

"That doesn't make up for the inconvenience," Midkiff said. "We understand what that means to people. I just want to be able to assure them that we've been working around the clock."

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A public hearing on the content of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) will be held at Big Sandy Community and Technical College, 1 Bert T. Combs Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, on Thursday, July 27, 2006, starting at 6:00 p.m. The public hearing will give the public an additional opportunity to provide comment on the content of the DEIS.

BACKGROUND: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntington District has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) which documents planning analyses undertaken for a proposed flood damage reduction project in the Levisa Fork basin in Floyd County, Kentucky. The study area includes the incorporated areas of Prestonsburg and unincorporated areas in Floyd County which are subject to flood damage from the potential of a reoccurrence of the April 1977 flood. The study area does not include the City of Martin, Kentucky, where a separate flood damage reduction project is underway. The DEIS documents agency evaluation of four alternatives, two of which include floodwall/levee alignments intended to protect Prestonsburg and non-structural flood-proofing measures, a total non-structural alternative, and the No Federal Action alternative.

The USACE has distributed copies of the DEIS to appropriate Members of Congress, State and local government officials in Kentucky, Federal agencies, and other interested parties. All persons and organizations that have an interest in the Levisa Fork Basin flooding problems as they affect Floyd County and the environment are urged to participate in this NEPA process. The DEIS is available for public review at the following locations:

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Huntington District, 502 Eighth Street, Huntington, WV 25701-2070, Room 3100
- Floyd County Public Library, 18 North Anrold Avenue, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1269
 Prestonsburg Community College Library, One Bert T. Combs Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653
- 4. http://www.lrh.usace.army.mil/projects/review/

After the public comment period ends on August 14, 2006, USACE will fully consider all comments received. The DEIS will be revised as appropriate, and Final EIS will be issued.

ADDRESSES: Send all written comments and suggestions concerning this proposed project to the following address by August 14, 2006.

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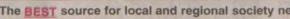
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Clothes make the man...not!

by Kathy J. Prater FEATURES EDITOR

Never quite know what a week around this



Kathy Prater Lifestyles editor

will place bring your way, but one thing's for sure, there's little room for boredom. Case

point: last Saturday afternoon found myself a little outside

my comfort zone as I walked among a field full of motorcycle enthusiasts. Looking around at, literally, hundreds of leather vests, bandannas, and pairs of dark sunglasses, I thought to myself, "Hmm, a little out of my element, maybe?"

With loud rock 'n roll played by a live band streaming out from under a super large tent and motorbikes parked, and idling, all over the huge field, I felt more

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News & views

By Pam Shingler COLUMNIST

My status as an admitted news junkie notwithstanding, I read most newspapers throughout the région to glean items for a radio show on WMMT called Regional

Pam Shingler

Roundup. In fact, I introduced a similar concept in a couple of newspapers worked with in past lives. My aim was to

contributing writer share information and show that whether we're in southern West Virginia, southwest Virginia or eastern Kentucky, we're the same people, with more

in common as Appalachians than as natives of a particular state. I say that to say this: I generally read Marty Backus' column in the Appalachian News-Express, out of Pikeville. Long-time readers of the Floyd County Times recognize the

name as a former publisher. Marty can be counted on, every column or so, to comment on the outrageous price of gas and the

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TOUGH GUYS, SOFT



Despite the stereotypical tough guy image, bikers assembled over the weekend at Corn Fork, near Brandy Keg, were all about having some good, clean fun and socializing with folks who share the same interests in motorcycling. During the field event shown here, the idea was for the passenger on the bike to successfully retrieve a potato from atop each highway cone without having the driver lose balance.

Brothers of the Wheel members come together to aid children

by Kathy J. Prater FEATURES EDITOR

They came - alone, in pairs and in small groups. Sporting ponytails and tattoos, bandannas and leather garments; looking tough on the outside, but allowing glimpses, here and there, into much softer insides as they spoke of needy children and their desire to help.

Who were these leather clad, tattooed, "tough" guys? Members of the Brothers of the Wheel Motorcycle Club; or "bikers," as they are most often referred to.

Todd Caudill, of Hager Hill, president, Eastern Kentucky Chapter of the motorcycle club, says that the club, chartered by the American Motorcyclist Association, was founded on the concept of charitable works. As a matter of fact, the official website of the club states that "riding together, having a good time, and supporting local charities are all part of being a Brother."

"A lot of people don't understand what we really stand for," Caudill said. "Charity is a big part of our lives and we hope that we're getting that message across."

This past weekend, at Corn Fork, near Brandy Keg, the local Brothers of the Wheel (BOTW) chapter sponsored their second annual "Rockin' the Hollar" field party, complete with live music, vendors, a poker run, field events, and, to top it all

off, a dazzling fireworks display. Proceeds from the event will go to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. "We like St. Jude's," Caudill said.

"They treat all children, whether the family can afford to pay or not." In addition to the now annual field party event, the Eastern

Kentucky chapter, based in Floyd County, also holds an annual Christmas fundraiser that benefits

children in both Floyd and Johnson counties. Members participate in road blocks, accepting donations that are used to purchase clothing and toys for needy children in the two counties. Caudill and other members of the club are able to target families with the assistance of youth service centers in Floyd and Johnson counties.

Caudill says that money collected from the fundraiser goes toward the purchase of shoes, first, and toys, second, for each child in a targeted family. "If we have anything left over, then we buy a few candy canes, but we mostly make sure that each child gets a pair of new shoes," he said. "And all money collected during the Christmas fundraiser goes to benefit local children," he added.

The Brothers of the Wheel Motorcycle Club was founded in 1977, in Milton, West Virginia. Today, it encompasses parts of Kentucky and Ohio, as well. Members from each state, an estimated 800 in total, were represented at Saturday's field event.

Ballard Plummer, Prestonsburg, says that the annual event is good for business. "Lots of people come in here for this," he said. "That means an awful lot of people buying gas, staying in hotels and eating in restaurants...that's a lot of business being generated."

Both Plummer and Caudill say that changing stereotypical perceptions of what bikers stand for is something they would like to see happen. The two men agree that riding and having fun are, of course, a big part of motorcycling, and that those two things don't necessarily add up to trouble, as many are led to "Bikers have big believe. hearts...and working to help charitable organizations is a fundamental part of our organization," Caudill

Last year alone, according to a group of BOTW officers attending the Corn Fork event, the BOTW club raised more than \$250,000, for charity, across the three states. Locally, the Eastern Kentucky chapter raised more than \$23,000. "That's a lot of shoes and toys," Caudill said.

Plummer, who makes it a point to visit the homes of the children being served in the Christmas fundraising project, summed it up when he said, "It just makes a man feel good to his heart, and that's what's important."

The Eastern Kentucky Chapter of the Brothers of the Wheel Motorcycle Club holds monthly meetings for the purpose of organizing their charitable events. Those interested may contact Caudill at

To learn more about St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, call 1-800-4-STJUDE or visit www.stjude.org. Additionally, if your child is in need of St. Jude's services, have your physician contact the hospital at 1-866-2STJUDE.

Caudill and the members of the Eastern Kentucky Chapter of the Brothers of the Wheel Motorcycle Club would like to expressly thank David May and Frank May, owners of May Block & Concrete, The City of Prestonsburg and Mayor Jerry Fannin, the Prestonsburg Fire and Police Departments, Whayne Supply, Heiner's Bakery, and Prater Creek Ice for their support and assistance in helping to make the Rockin' the Hollar field party event and fundraiser a success.



photo by Kathy J. Prater

Pictured amid a background of motorcycles and mountains, are a few members and club officers. From left, they are: Ballard Plummer, of Prestonsburg; Joe "Teach" Adkins, of West Hamlin, West Virginia, secretary/treasurer, national executive council; Ray Carey, of Charleston, West Virginia, vice president, national executive council; Todd Caudill, of Hager Hill, president, Eastern Kentucky chapter; and Clarence Jobe, of Ashland, vice president, Northeast Kentucky chapter. Each of the out of town visitors expressed their appreciation for the hospitality shown to them by Prestonsburg businesses.

Berries are healthy

By Leanne Ely

and versatile

Just this week, I've gotten some spectacular bargains on berries. Strawberries, blueberries, blackberries and raspberries are all in season and delicious right now. One of my favorite smacks is lemon or vanilla yogurt mixed with frozen blueberries. It's a wonderful treat!

Berries aren't just tasty, they're amazingly healthy, too. Here are a few healthy facts about berries that will encourage you to incorporate them into your menus this week:

1) Blueberries (bilberries in Europe) are one of the healthiest foods you can eat. The dark blue color tells you that they are phytochemically rich in antioxidants and studies are showing that these gems have more antioxidants than any other fruit or vegetable. Imagine that!

2) Raspberries are my most favorite fruit. Check this out-one cup of raspberries is only 50 calories—the carb count on the sugar is only 17 grams and-8 grams of fiber! So this is a great fruit for people watching their carbs...only 9 net grams of carbs per

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serving.

3) Strawberries (8 a day) have been found to help lower blood pressure (Nutrition and Health Research Center study), thereby making them a good heart healthy fruit choice. They're also high in ellagic acid, a phytochemical known for its cancer fighting properties. Strawberries may also help enhance memory and aid in the relief of rheumatoid arthritis.

Now that you know how healthy they are, here are some hints for using berries in your meals:

1) Slice strawberries, red onions and toss into your spinach salad. Add a splash of bottled poppy seed dressing and toss for a tasty salad.

2) Sprinkle blueberries or raspberries on cold cereal. Stir blueberries into oatmeal and sprinkle lightly with brown sugar (I use frozen blueberries

in mine and it's wonderful). 3) Make smoothies out of themuse frozen ripe bananas, milk and your choice of berries, blend away and you have a great afternoon pick me up or breakfast.

4) Try my Raspberry Balsamic Glazed Chicken recipe to get even more berries in your diet:

(See DINNER DIVA, page ten)





family OHIO rule of thumb

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uestion: How much water intake is most appropriate? Is it "the more the better"? Or is there any specific amount of water that's good for everyone? Or is it just depending on each person's individual needs?

nswer: You have asked a lot of interesting questions. I'll try to answer them as best I can. The knee-jerk response to "how much water should an adult drink a day" is eight eightounce glasses a day or 64 ounces. This is not a bad rule of thumb but water intake is unique to each person

and his or her situation.

Water is vital to human existence and people can live for quite a while on just water - however, I do not recommend this! To be more specific, the amount of water you need is based on body size, age, basic medical status, activity level and environ-

Many experts suggest that you should drink half of your body weight per day in ounces of water. Therefore, if you weigh 150 pounds, you should drink 75 ounces - or slightly more than nine glasses - of water each day. This only assumes that you are not obese. If you weigh

350 pounds, it would not be appropri- er, to learn that you can count servate to drink 175 ounces of water daily. Conversely, if you weigh 100 pounds and are 5 feet 6 inches tall,

you are severely underweight and probably need more than 50 ounces of water per day. So this method works primarily for people with a body mass index (BMI) between 18 and 25. You can calculate your BMI at: www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpa/bmi/ If you exercise enough to break a

sweat, you should add about 20 ounces of water to the daily intake to balance out your perspiration loss. People who exercise in a very warm environment need to add even more to replace their exercise loss. In general, people who live in very hot and dry climates, need more water than those who don't.

Now, this may sound like a lot of water. Most Americans probably don't drink as much water as they should. You may be relieved, howevings of fruits and vegetables toward your target number of glasses per day. That is, five large servings of fruits and vegetables could count as a glass or two toward your daily goal. Remember that water constitutes about 90 percent of most fruits and

Eight glasses water a day good

On the down side, if you consume caffeinated drinks such as coffee and many soft drinks, or alcoholic beverages, you may need to add additional water consumption to your daily routine. This is because these beverages have a diuretic effect.

You can drink too much water and cause a very serious medical condition called water intoxication. This occurs when you take in enough water to create an imbalance in your electrolytes. That can lead to death if not promptly identified and corrected. So more water is not always bet-

A final note, what I've said here i based on the general consensus of experts. However, in truth, there not been a lot of good scientific stud on this subject. I suggest that m patients drink enough water so that they urinate 4 to 6 times during th day - again assuming they ar healthy adults.

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School Happenings

Special Notes: "Back to School Health Fair" will be held July 19, at Allen Central High School, from 9 a,m. to 3 p.m. Free physicals, screenings, school supplies, drawings for free haircuts, child ID's (certain grades), and more, for all Floyd Schools students. Parent/guardian must accompany students. Event sponsored by Our Lady of the Way Hospital.

Also, free clothing give-away will be conducted on July 19, at Graceway Methodist Church, Maytown, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sponsored by Floyd County Youth Services Centers.

Adams Middle School Youth Services Center

■ July 14 - Free sports physicals for Prestonsburg High School students and its feeder schools, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at Our Lady of the Way Mountain View Clinic. A parent must be present with each student.

Updated health records for students may be turned in to the YSC office throughout the summer. AMS Youth Services Center will be open throughout the summer to assist families. Call 886-1297 for information or assistance request.

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

■ The ACMS Youth Service Center offers services to all families, regardless of income. For more information, call Marilyn Bailey, center 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

July 21 - Floyd County Health Dept. nurse will be at center. Call 886-0815 to schedule an appointment for school entrance exams (Head Start, Kindergarten, 6th grade), WIC, and yearly checkups required for medical card recipients up to age 18

A nurse from the Floyd County Health Dept. is in the center weekly and sees WIC patients, does wellchild 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. Call 886-2487 for

Duff Elementary

Anyone wishing to schedule a school medical exam through the Family Resource Center may call 358-9878 to set one up.

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

July 24, 25 - Kinder-Camp, for 2006-2007 Kindergarten students and their parents. Meet the teachers and have some fun, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Come join us!

■ 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**

■ Upcoming Summer Activities: July 17, 18, 20, 21 - Melissa Perry, McDowell ARH, will present

programs on careers, "Learning About Your Body," and how to safely play water games.

■ July 24-27 - "Get Moving Kentucky" camp. Presented by 4-H Extension Office staff, in FRC.

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

Mountain Christian Academy

■ Now accepting Summer Care and Preschool-8th grade 2006-2007 Fall Registration. Call 285-5141, Mon. thru Fri., from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

■ MCA is an accredited nondenominational Christian school.

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

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

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

South Floyd Youth Services Center

■ Watch for forms to be brought home by students requiring parent/guardian signatures and to be sent back to the school. Forms will be sent home at the beginning of the school year.

SFHS and SFMS will be participating in the Apples for Students program. Please save and turn in your Food City receipts.

SFHS and SFMS will host Open Houses during the upcoming school year. Teacher/parent visits. Dates will be posted. Dates subject to change. Watch school marquee for information.

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. •Classroom presentations will be held throughout the school year. Call for a list of sub-

School magnetic calendars will be given to each student and employee with school information listed. Dates on calendars subject to change.

Sept. 12 - Students with perfect attendance for 2005-2006 school year will be rewarded with a field trip to the Floyd County Justice Center for a Medallion Presentation, followed by a visit to the East Kentucky Science Center for lunch and a show.

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

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 informa-

■ The South Floyd Youth Services Center's mission is to bridge the gaps/barriers with the potential to prevent your child, or you, from succeeding in school.

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 452-9607, ext. 243 or 153.

Stumbo Elementary/Mud **Creek Family Resource** Center.

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

Lost & Found located in Family Resource Center.

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

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

July 26, 27, 28 - Cheerleading camp, time to be announced.

■ July 31 - 4-H Day Camp, 9 a.m.

Students wishing to participate in camps must be pre-registered by parent. Parent/guardians must call 452-4553 with the following information: student's name, grade level, and contact number (and name of camp student wishes to attend). Camp dates and times are subject to change, therefore, it is essential that a contact number is on file so that notifications may be made in case of change.

Center will be closed the week of July 17.

■ The Family Resource Center is located in the central building of W.D. Osborne Elementary. Those wishing more information about center programs, camps, activities, or functions are welcome to visit, or call, the center. Ask for Cissy (center coordinator). Center telephone and fax: (606)

Wesley Christian School

Fall registration for new school students, contact office at 874-8328, 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

■ WCS Learning Center accepts toddlers, preschool age (2-4). Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mon. thru Fri.

Learning Ladder Academy For more information, contact

shawna Jacobs, assistant director, at 886-0771. Learning Ladder Academy pri-

vately owned and operated by Cindy DeRossett Hitchcock and MaShawna A. Jacobs. Academy located at 44 Hillside Center Drive, Prestonsburg.

Adult Education and GED Summer Schedule June 5-July 28

Mondays: 7:30 a.m. to 12:30

p.m. - McDowell FRC, Martin Community Center, Auxier Learning Center, BSCTC; 1:30-6:00 p.m. Layne House, BSCTC, Floyd Counts Detention Center. ■ Tuesdays: 7:30 a.m. to 12:30

p.m. - Weeksbury Clinic, Mud Creek Clinic, BSCTC; 1:30-6:00 p.m. -Martin Community Center, Betsy Layne YSC, BSCTC; 6-8:00 p.m. -Auxier Community Center.

■ Wednesdays: 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. - Martin Community Center," Auxier Learning Center, BSCTC; 1411 4:30 p.m. - Dixie Apts., David Crafts Center, BSCTC; 6-9:00 p.m. -BSCTC

■ Thursdays: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Mud Creek Clinic, BSCTC; 1-4:30 p.m. - Betsy Layne YSC, BSCTC; 1:30-5:30 p.m. - Floyd County Detention Center; 6-8:00 p.m." - Martin Community Center

Script

fluctuations in price from county to county. He generally compares prices in Johnson and Pike counties, since he also oversees the Paintsville Herald.

Since I travel frequently in Letcher, Knott, Pike, Floyd and Johnson, I tend to note the price differences, as well, and along with Marty, I just have to scratch my head. There is no rhyme nor reason, no known rationale for them.

It used to be that you could always count on gas in Floyd County being five to 10 cents cheaper than in counties to the south. You could also count on gas prices in Johnson County to be cheaper than all the rest, sometimes by 10 to 15 cents a gallon. For years, even though I lived in Auxier, I

sought out gas stations in Paintsville, confident I could save money by doing so.

I have officially lost confidence. Prices have been slowly going up in Paintsville, they've stayed comparatively the same in Floyd County, and now they're cheaper in the southern locales, including Letcher County.

Like Marty, I'm bewildered. Why the big swings? Why do prices change from county to county? And why the complete changeover?

Looks like the only thing we can count on is that the cost of gas is

And, oh, yes, we can count on gas company revenues skyrocketing.

Another thing I've puzzled over for several years now is the increase in poison ivy.

I have loved working in gardens, as well as walking in woods or along country roads for most of my life, something I suspect I picked up from Mammaw.

I've also had to be on the lookout for poisonous plants. I long ago memorized the admonition, Leaves of three, let them be. Nevertheless, I've more than a few times been almost covered by the aggravating, infuriating, itchy blisters, sometimes to the point of being a big, oozy scab.

To say I attack poison ivy plants with a vengeance is to put it mildly. I would have been pretty well off financially now, if I'd invested in weed

killer companies when I was young.

For decades, every spring I would go after the three-leafed plants and, at first sign, would zap them in the early stages with my handy spray bottle. That generally seemed to keep the problem to a minimum.

The last few years, however, I have not been able to keep up. I would comb the yard, spraying every little clump one Saturday, and the next I'd find tiny sprouts somewhere else. A couple weeks off the job and the bane was back with a vengeance matching

The other day, I picked up an article about global warming, the result of our ongoing murder of the earth. Turns out, all those emissions we're sending into the atmosphere are fueling the growth of plants like poison ivy, poison oak, and kudzu. They thrive on the carbon dioxide we're manufacturing - just like an old sci-fi

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Before you jump to conclusions, this is the report of long-term research by rationale scientists, not by a bunch of radicals who want a return to caveman days.

I'm not sure I would take it so seriously if I had not had my eyes to the ground, relentlessly in pursuit of the poisonous weed.

In fact, I'm thinking that if it keeps multiplying at its present rate, I might have to move to a big city apartment on the 20th floor with no green in

But, wait, now, that's too radical. 115

Weddings



Blair-Spradlin

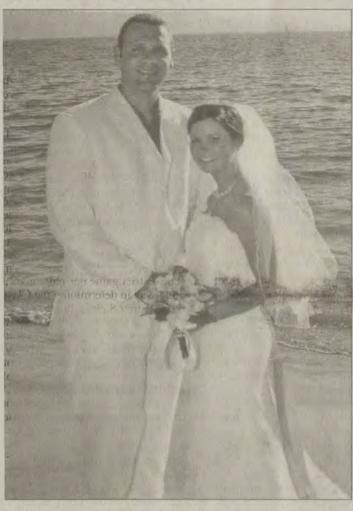
Vis. Debbie Blair and Mr. Roger Blair, both of Paintsville, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth and Rayanna Spradlin, of Auxier, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming mariage of their children, Shaunna Lynn Blair and Robert Lee Spradlin.

The couple will wed in a ceremony that will take place on Saturday, August 5, 2006, at half past five o'clock in the after-100n, at the Highland Avenue Free Will Baptist Church, in Prestonsburg. Bro. Jeff Burchett will preside.

The gracious custom of an open church wedding will be

observed.

The couple plan to reside in Hager Hill.



Keathley-Scott

Charolette Meade Keathley, of East Point, and Tony Keathley, if Chattanooga, Tennessee, are pleased to announce the narriage of their daughter, Kisstin Elizabeth Keathley to Arthur Joseph Scott, the son of Ronald Scott, of Louisville, nd the late Anna Scott.

lisstin is a graduate of Prestonsburg High School, Eastern Rentucky University, and Western Kentucky University. She s employed as a speech language pathologist with Stanford lealth and Rehabilitation Center.

oey is a graduate of Fern Creek High School and Eastern entucky University. He is employed as a sign language nterpreter/rehab counselor for the deaf with the Kentucky epartment of Vocational Rehabilitation.

he couple were wed in a ceremony that took place on June , 2006, in Maui, Hawaii. An open reception will be held for amily and friends on Saturday, July 29, 2006, at 7 p.m., at the ish and Game Club, located at John's Branch, in Warco. 'he couple are currently residing in Berea.

New Arrivals



It's a Girl!

mma Kathryn Bailey was born April 22, 2006, at Pikeville ledical Center, to proud parents Chris and Katie Bailey, of angley. She weighed 10 lbs., 10 oz., and was 23 inches in ingth. She is the granddaughter of Jerry and King Fultz, of layland, and Jim and Toni Bailey, of Langley. She is the reat-granddaughter of Clabe Mosley, of Wayland, and Betty leade, of Langley. Her family shares that Emma has rought great joy into their lives and they invite all friends and family to drop by for a visit with the new arrival.



Grannis Herald, of Booneville

June 22, 2006 A daughter, Mikayli Lachelle Burton, to Brittany Jones, of Hazard

June 22, 2006 A son, Christopher Aiden Mann, to Sherry & Lloyd Mann, of Lovely

June 23, 2006 A son, Alexander Harold Manuel Castro-Skeans, to Samantha Carol Skeans, of Langley

June 23, 2006 A son, Jordan Conner Lee Thacker, to Lisha Mosley, of Hindman

June 23, 2006 A daughter, Savannah Kellie Patrick, to Leslie Ann Marie Smith, of Dwarf

June 26, 2006 A son, Adam Mohamed El Harrab, to Rachid & Stacy El Harrab, of Prestonsburg

June 27, 2006 A son, Dakota Reese Ferguson, to Marcus & Amanda Ferguson, of West Liberty

June 27, 2006 A daughter, Kennady LaSha Fletcher, to Timothy & Amy Fletcher, of Salyersville

June 27, 2006 A son, Bradley Connor Lee Waller, to James & Kathy Tackett, of Paintsville

June 27, 2006 A daughter, Lacie Dawn Elkins, to Melissa Elkins, of Tram

June 27, 2006 A daughter, Kireonia Siara Sharayne Moore, to Brittany Johnson, of Wheelwright

June 28, 2006 A daughter, Amy Elizabeth Amburgey, to Susan & Teddy Amburgey, of Printer

July 1, 2006 A son, Trenton Jaymes Davis, to Bridgett LeMaster, of Thelma

July 1, 2006 A son, Jacob Kyler Allen Tackett, to Cleve and Christine Tackett, of Wheelwright

July 3, 2006 A son, Colton Ryder Stacy, to Robin Paul and Karen Sue Stacy, of Dwarf.





Before

After

All a-bloom

This one-year-old Day Lily plant, according to gardener Gail Smith, of Teaberry, grew flat against the ground, with bulbs clustered near the tip of the plant, resembling a pseudostem of a banana tree. "I've never seen anything like it," Smith said, adding that she would like anyone with helpful information about why her day lily plant grew in such a way to contact her at 587-2785. As also shown, the day lily bulbs later bloomed quite dramatically, turning into a veritable bridal bouquet that could be picked in one quick snip. (Photos submitted)

Summer Acoustic Jam & Front Porch Pickin' at the MAC!

Thursday, July 13, 7:00 pm

Tickets: FREE ADMIS-SION!

Summer's the time for kickin' back and enjoying lazy

days! Musical heritage and its culture were passed down to the kids from Grandpa, Daddy and Momma. And the music was intertwined with daily lives so much that it became as natural as breathing to break into song when you were together.

Mosey on down to the MAC on Thursday evening -and bring an instrument if you play one. Everything's going to be casual. You'll have a good time, make some new friends and enjoy some kindred fellowship - that's what life's all about now isn't it?

Kentucky Opry Summer Show 2006 with special guests The Kentucky Opry Junior Pros

Friday, July 14, 8:00pm

Tickets: Adults \$15; Senior Citizens \$13;

Students Under 18 \$11; Groups of 15+ \$10 Dates & Times are subject to change.

The Kentucky Opry troupe

was formed in 1990 and consists of a cast of very talented individuals, all of whom call Eastern Kentucky home. From their opening act to the inspirational and patriotic finale, the Kentucky Opry performers leave audiences wanting more. If you want to see the best musical variety performance this side of the Rocky Mountains, bring your family to enjoy the KENTUCKY OPRY at the Mountain Arts Center!

US23 SHOWCASE Saturday, July 15, 8:00 pm Tickets: \$10

Part of the mission of the Mountain Arts Center is to provide opportunities for aspiring performers. One of the most exciting of these opportunities is the US23 Showcase. In this event, singers, musicians, dancers and other artists perform on stage in front of a live audience. For many of these performers, the US23 Showcase is the opportunity of a lifetime to perform in a state of the art venue before an appreciative audience.

To order tickets or for more information.

call the box office toll free: 1-888-MAC-ARTS (1-888-622-2787)

Dinner Diva

Raspberry Balsamic Glazed Chicken

Serves 6 1 tablespoon olive oil I small red onion, chopped I teaspoon thyme Salt and pepper to taste 6 boneless skinless chicken breast halves

1/2 cup fruit sweetened raspberry conserve 3 tablespoons balsamic vinegar Fresh raspberries for garnish

In a skillet, heat oil over medium high heat. Add onion and saute for 3 minutes.

Meanwhile, sprinkle thyme and salt and pepper on chicken; add to the skillet and cook for 6 minutes on each side, or until done. Remove from skillet and keep warm.

Reduce heat to mediumlow. Add a little salt and pepper, raspberry conserve and vinegar, stirring constantly till the conserve melts. Spoon sauce over chicken and sprinkle fresh raspberries over the

top.

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Per serving: 343 Calories: 4g Total Fat; 55g Protein; 20g Carbohydrate; Cholesterol; 165mg Sodium Food Exchanges: 0 Grain (Starch); 7 1/2 Lean Meat; 1/2 Vegetable; 0 Fruit; 0 Fat; 1

SERVING SUGGES-TIONS: Serve with baked russet potatoes and sauteed green beans

Other Carbohydrates.

VEGETARIANS: Use nonbreaded faux chicken patties instead of chicken.

KOSHER: No changes nec-

For more help putting dinner on your table check out Leanne's website. www.SavingDinner.com or her Saving Dinner Book series published by Ballantine and her new book Body Clutter. Copyright 2006; Leanne Elv. Used by permission in this publication.

Eyes

than a little conspicuous walking around, camera in

see some "biker brawl" wasn't long before the realizathe "attire of choice," was at the Times.

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hand, all by myself.

Although I soon came to realize that the music being played was exactly the same stuff I had listened to myself in my teens and twenties (and, honestly, still tune in to oldies stations to listen to today), I was much too shy to venture into the shade-filled tent all alone. I mean, after all, it was untelling what "horrors," i.e. "trouble," might have been dwelling within, right? And if there's one thing most folks can certainly say about me, it's that I tend to play this game of life on the "safe side," though I do have to admit that this wasn't exactly always the case. Let's suffice to say here that "trial and error" can go a long way in learning important life lessons.

Expecting at any moment to straight from the movies, it tion hit me that this event, save actually no different from any other fundraiser that I have

gated together, were sharing drinks and food and engaging in pleasant conversation. Vendors were chatting it up with passersby and a few volunteers were organizing games and activities. "So far, so good," I thought to myself, "seems 'normal,' So, what's wrong with this picture?" Well, after spending some

Groups of people, congre-

more time on site and getting introduced to a few of the folks in attendance, turns out that nothing was actually wrong with the said picture. I soon discovered that once I was able to see past the discriminatory stereotypes that we all so easily fall prey to, that all that was really left to see was a group of good-hearted people assembled together in hopes of raising funds to help children in need. They just weren't wearing suits and ties and high heel pumps while they were doing it.

So much for judging a book by its cover, eh?

Thanks, Todd and Ballard, for helping make me feel at ease at your Rockin' the Hollar covered so many times over in event. Wish I'd gotten back my job as feature seeker here for those fireworks, but then, there's always next year.

Kenny Mitchell

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P'burg Junior Football signups continue

Prestonsburg Junior Football will conduct another round of signups for players in grades 2 through 8

today at the Prestonsburg Dairy Queen. Signups are scheduled to run from 5 to 8 p.m.

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State Little League tourneys on deck in Paintsville

TIMES STAFF REPORT

PAINTSVILLE - Paintsville Little League will host Kentucky State Little League Baseball Tournaments in both the 9-10 and 11-12 age divisions. All games will be played at the Paintsville Little League Complex. There will be a total of 16 teams - eight in each age group from all across the state.

The 11-12 state champion will advance to regional competition in Indianapolis and have a chance to

compete in the Little League World mer." Series in Williamsport, Pa. The 9-10 state champion will advance to the regional in Ceredo-Kenova, W.Va.

Paintsville Little League is set to host its 14th state tournament since

"Hosting the 9-10 and 11-12 State is a prestigious honor," said Paintsville Little League President Bob Lyons. "This will bring a tremendous amount of visitors to our cally, like no other event this sum-

There are seven Little League districts across the state and the host team always get to send the runnerup in each of the age groups, making the number of state participants eight. The District 7 teams in the 9-10 age group are Whitesburg and Morgan County. The 11-12 teams from District 7 are Paintsville and

This is the 20th consecutive year area and impact the region economiat least one team from the Paintsville Little League charter has qualified

for a state tournament. The Paintsville league was able to get a team into state competition despite missing many players that left and played in the upstart Johnson County youth baseball and softball league.

"This is a big year for the Paintsville program, especially with the split and we are continuing our All-Star tradition," said Paintsville Little League Vice President John

"I'm extremely proud of our All-Star program," commented Lyons. "These players that get a chance t compete at this age will only help both local school programs."

Paintsville Little League has wor nine state championships and beer state runner-up 11 times.

"We've had some outstanding players and coaches, over the last 53 years in our Little League program and they deserve all the credit for our

All-Star success," Lyons added. There will be many activities for

(See TOURNEYS, page twelve)

World Cup still minus many American sports fans

by RICK BENTLEY TIMES COLUMNIST

One of the lingering topics of conversation on sports-talk, or more accurately, any type of sports programming this week has been the head butt delivered by Frenchman Zinedine Zidane in the closing minutes of last Sunday's finals of the World Cup soccer tournament.

That amazes me, largely because I don't know anyone who watched so much as one doid bas soil bas Complete



Rick Bentley

the monthlong tournament that culminated minutes after the Z-Man went all Junkyard Dog on Italy's

game during

Marco Materazzi. And yes, just to clarify, I needed the Internet to correctly list the names of each futboller.

Should he have done it? No, but I doubt you need me to help you out there. I'm just surprised the American media is covering this with such zeal considering the intensity of the yawn with which nearly all of us greet the sport in question.

For much of the month of the World Cup, the talking heads tried to portend why Americans have such a disinterest in the sport. While they gave many reasons, I don't remember anyone giving the one I think best answers the question.

Americans, in case you haven't noticed, can be fairly arrogant. I know you're shocked, but it's true. We do what we do, like what we like, and if you don't agree with us, well, it's because you're wrong.

President Bush has taken something of a beating for using this stance in the days following the 9/11 situation, but all he did with his "you're either with us or against us" statement was publicly say how most of his country feels about most subjects.

We like it or we don't, but we don't care what you think.

And that, in my estimation, is why we have no interest in soccer. The whole world is so pas-

(See BENTLEY, page twelve)

GIRLS OF SUMMER



photos by Jamie Howell PLAYING AT THE NEXT LEVEL. Prestonsburg youth softball players have stayed busy throughout the last three-plus months. For the first time in history, Prestonsburg Little League fielded two softball teams in District 7 All-Star

The Prestonsburg 9-10-year-old All-Stars are pictured above and to the right (Bethany Scarberry, batting). The 9-10 Softball All-Stars were one of six Prestonsburg Little League teams to compete in district tournament competition. Both Prestonsburg Little League 9-10 and 11-12 baseball teams reached the district semifinals.



Belfry team to be honored at P'burg game

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

BELFRY - Belfry High School football officials have announced plans to honor one of their most memorable and successful teams. The Belfry High School 1986 Class AAA state runner-up team will be recognized at the Belfry-Prestonsburg game Oct. 6. A reception for all members of Belfry's 1986 team will be held at 6:30 p.m., prior to the Class 2A, District 8 game, inside the Belfry Athletic Complex. Kickoff for the annual Belfry-P'burg battle is set for 7:30 p.m. The district game normally goes a long way in determining the Class 2A, District 8 champion.

Belfry High football players in grades 9-12 are scheduled to report to practice Tuesday. Prestonsburg took advantage of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) Dead Period ending Sunday night and returned to practice at the start of this week.

KHSAA approves six classes for football

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

LEXINGTON Kentucky High School Athletic Association (KHSAA) is change ing the current football class systtem. During its Board of Control meeting Tuesday, the KHSAA moved forward and opted to go with a larger class system for football.

In unanimous fashion, the Board approved a six-class championship playoff system, beginning with the 2007 playing season. A five-class system was also reportedly considered. Association officials have said a draft of the proposed six class alignment will be posted on the KHSAA website (khsaa.org) and communicated to member school within the week for further discussion on the alignment of teams at the Board's August meeting. The current four-class playoff system, popular among many of the state's coaches and athletic directors, has been in place since 1975.

(See KHSAA, page twelve)



photo by Steve LeMaster ONE OF THE STATE'S BEST:

Paintsville High School junior Landon Slone has been ranked as one of the state's top 25 boys' basketball players. Slone has scored over 1,300 points in two varsity basketball seasons.

Slone ranked as one of state's top 25 players

by STEVE LeMASTER SPORTS EDITOR

County native and former Mountain Christian Academy standout Landon Slone has been ranked as one of the state's top 25 players. Rick Bolus' High Potential Basketball Recruiting Service has Slone listed as one of Kentucky's Top Rising Prospects for the 2006-2007 season. Slone, who is headed into his junior season at Paintsville High School, PAINTSVILLE - Floyd makes the list in the Second

12. Part of Bolus' Top 25, Slone is the only 15th Region player ranked. From the 14th Region, June Buchanan School junior guard Clark Stepp made his way into the rankings as one of the Top 60

Slone, who started his first game for Paintsville as a freshman, tossed in 645 points during his sophomore season last winter. In mid-January, he became the 20th player in

Paintsville High School history to score over 1,000 points. Slone has a good chance to surpass 2,000 points for his career during the upcoming season. He currently has 1,312 career points.

Slone led Paintsville in both three-point and freethrow shooting last season. Prior to the start of the 2005 06 season, Slone was ranked as the 15th Region's top boys's basketball player.

(See SLONE, page twelve)

Tourneys

fans during the state tourney games. World-renowned collector John Carpenter will dis-District." play his sports memorabilia "We have teams staying in collection at the Paintsville Recreation Center. Major

taken. The T-ball field will feature inflatable rides. "There will be something for people of all ages, plus the best baseball games in the state of Kentucky to watch,"

League Baseball will have a

traveling caravan set up on the

basketball court and action

photographs of players will be

added Lyons. Opening ceremonies for the state tournaments will be held at the Paintsville Lake Amphitheater today, beginning at 6 p.m.

"Everyone is invited to attend the ceremonies and watch the tremendous outpouring of support of Little League," said Bob VanHoose, 11-12 Tournament Director. "I

Kelli Marsilett,

Prestonsburg

Little League

Softball

expect crowds between 1,500-2,000 every night, just like the

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hotels, in seven counties from Johnson, Martin, Magoffin, Floyd, Pike, Lawrence and Rowan," noted Lyons. "Our area is a wonderful place to host these tournaments and the business sponsorship is overwhelming.

Pool play for the state tournaments will begin Saturday and continue through Monday. The semifinals will be played Tuesday and the championship games are on tap for Wednesday.

Games will be played each day on the 9-10 B.W. McDonald Field and the 11-12 Paul B. Hall Field.

Bentley

sionate about this sport, and for my money, there's nothing wrong with that. If they want to sit around for two hours while 22 guys traipse up and down a cow pasture the size of which would make Andy Griffith proud, that's their business, not mine.

But we, as Americans, don't

I don't even think it's the lack of scoring that causes so many to care so little. The real problem is there aren't very many times we even get so much as a shot on goal. The American team had something like four shots on goal in its brief and uneventful stay in the tournament.

That just doesn't cut it. No sport enjoys a level of fandom in our country like our own football, but even there nobody's happy if the teams never get in the red zone. How

many people like 6-3 games? Not very many.

In the sports we follow, people generally have scoring opportunities relatively frequently. In their futbol, you may go an entire game and only have a couple of chances to score.

And while we don't much care for any sport that makes baseball look like it's played on speed, the world's passion isn't what turns us off. It's having so many people tell us how good it is that does that.

We don't like being told what to do. It's just our nature. It's why teens have such issues with their parents. It's why married people argue so much. It's why we hate the world's

I heard this debated last

Sunday on The Sports Reporters, which included Mike Lupica correctly end

John Feinstein's diatribe about all the things "wrong" with soccer by pointing out FIFA ain't exactly longing for an audience for this stuff. One estimate I saw had 70 percent of France watching one of their games.

Just because we don't like it doesn't mean it's bad or even broken. But by the same token, just because every other country in the world is so passionate about it doesn't mean we have to be.

Sadly, however, Americans may have had more of an interest had this head butt been delivered during the early stages of the tournament as opposed to the end of regulation in the championship game. We may not care for soccer, but there's nothing quite like a little bad behavior and controversy to peak our

In the end, however, very few Americans came away from the 2006 World Cup more interested in soccer than when it began. Is this a good thing or bad one? It's neither,

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really. Those who like the sport are probably a little more excited about it, and those who don't aren't any more interested than

they were two months ago. It could be, however, that we here in Eastern Kentucky should check into this thing a little closer, There's very little that will get us more excited than some good old fake rasslin', and between the head butts and them flopping around like they've been murdered every time somebody 89 touches them, the World Cup and Vince McMahon may have more in common than either care to admit.

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Defending state champions in the current four classes are Newport Central Catholic (Class A), Russell (Class 2A), Lexington Catholic (Class 3A) and Trinity (Class 4A).

Eligibility was another issue in question when the Board met earlier in the week. During the same meeting, the Board gave first reading to a proposal that would clarify eligibility with regard to athletic territory and feeder pattern. The Board moved another step forward and gave second reading to other Board proposals including clarifications and revisions to Bylaws 4, 10, 25 and 29.

Readings are preliminary in preparation for presentation to KHSAA member schools at the October Annual Meeting.



Slone

Rick Bolus' High Potential Basketball Recruiting Service Kentucky's Top Rising Prospects For 2006-2007

NAME	HT	CLASS	POS	SCHOOL
Top 12		1000	CIE.	Maria Campa
Darius Miller	6-6	Jr.	CF	Mason County
Matthew Morgan	6-8	Sr.	F-C	Millersburg Military Institute
Bud Mackey	6-3	Jr.	SM	Scott County
Jeremy Anderson	6-3	Sr.	2G	Warren Central
Antiquawn Beckham	6-4	Sr.	CG	Louisville Ballard
Stefphon Pettigrew	6-5	Sr.	CF	Elizabethtown
Eugene Wade	6-7	Sr.	CF	Shelby County
Matt Walls	6-3	Sr.	2G	Scott County
Thomas Coleman	6-9	Sr.	C	Jeffersontown
Rodney Haddix	6-3	Sr.	SM	Scott County
Riley Benock	6-4	Sr.	2G	Meade County
Shelvin Mack	6-1	Jr.	PG	Bryan Station
Top Sleeper				
Tyler Brown	6-2	Jr.	2G	Apollo
Second 12				
leff Brooks	6-7	Sr.	CF	Louisville Doss
Jaron Jones	6-5	Sr.	SM	Bryan Station
Duran Jefferson	6-1	Sr.	PG	Covington Holmes
Ion VanHoose	6-3	Sr.	2G	Russell
Ty Proffitt	6-2	Sr.	PG	South Laurel
Aaron Morris	6-5	Jr.	CF	Madison Central
William Bradley	6-3	Sr.	2G	Caverna
Matt Fraliex	6-4	Sr.	CG	Caldwell County
Doug Beaumont	5-10	Sr.	PG	Louisville Male
Andre Miller	6-5	Sr.	SM	Central Hardin
Matthew Thomas	6-1	Jr.	2G	Ashland Blazer
Landon Slone	6-3	Jr.	2G	Paintsville
The Next 35 Best For	a Total of	60		

(Listed alphabetically) Davin Anderson Louisville Doss Darrin Ballou 6-6 CF Adair County Nick Britt 6-0 Sr. G Warren Central Nick Brumback CF Jackson County Josh Crawford 6-5 So. SM Corbin Glenn Dalcourt 6-4 Sr. PG Franklin-Simpson Adam Decker 5-11 Jr. PG Pleasure Ridge Park Ethan Faulkner 6-0 Elliott County Chris Gowers 6-3 WF Louisville Ballard Sr. Luc Graves 6-0 Sr. CG Scottsville Allen County Zach Hayes 6-2 Sr. 2G Hopkinsville Johonne Hamilton 6-1 Sr CG Louisville Ballard Jordan Hammonds 6-4 Sr. WF South Laurel Mike Hester 5-8 Sr. PG Simon Kenton Justin Hicks 5-11 CG Sr. Hazard Todd Jacobs 6-2 Sr. 2G Covington Catholic Josh Jarboe 6-2 Sr. 2G Bullitt Central Dion Johnson 5-10 Jr. PG Lexington Dunbar Preston Knowles 6-2 Clark County Sr. 2G Jordan Lee 6-6 Scott County Jerrell Mayo 6-3 SM Russellville Sr Jeffrey McClain 6-5 WF Fulton County Sr. Drew McDavid 6-3 Sr. SM Ashland Blazer Nathan Novosel 6-5 PF Jr. Lexington Catholic C. J. Penny WF 6-3 So Anderson County Bowling Green Shawn Savage Sr. PG John Smith 5-11 PG Harlan Trey Smith 6-9 F-C South Laurel Sr. Clark Stepp 6-3 Jr. CG June Buchanan Dante Stewart 5-10 CG Jr. Lafayette Taylor Stewart 6-5 Jr. WF Lexington Catholic James David Strange 5-11 PG So. Pineville James Sykes 6-6 Sr. CF North Hardin Keith Tandy 6-0 Sr. 2G Christian County Ryan Whitaker Bell County

Note: Rick Bolus player rankings are based on college potential and players can move up or down in rankings over a period of time.



East Ridge took a pair of games from Prestonsburg in the District 7 9-10 girls' softball tournament. Kelli Marsilett is pictured on base for the Prestonsburg 9-10 All-Stars.







Jarin Hall,

Prestonsburg

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Ultimate fighting finding its legs after a shaky start

by ADAM GOLDMAN ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK - Shortly after a group of investors bought the nearly Ultimate bankrupt Fighting Championship in 2001, the company put on a pay-per-view bout.

 But the fight ran over its allotted time. Angry viewers didn't get to see the conclusion.

"It was a very bad start," UFC President Dana White acknowledged. "It took us a long time to rebuild."

UFC has since found its legs and it's making money. The privately held Las Vegas-based company has been slowly bolstering its brand, forging a successful relationship with cable network Spike TV and reshaping attitudes about the violent sport.

More importantly to the bottom line, UFC has begun to attract mpressive audiences with each of its pay-per-view fights, appealing to young men who yearn for a good slugfest in the absence of a strong heavyweight boxing card.

"This thing isn't going anywhere," White said. "This is the new combat

UFC is mixture of martial arts, boxing and wrestling. The best fighters have mastered elements of all three sports. The combat takes place over three rounds (championships are five) inside the UFC's caged ring,named "The Octagon" - with judges ocoring the bout.

But this is not Wrestlemania. The punches and kicks are real. The fighters are dead serious. The top ones train year-round to give the boisterous crowds a bone-crushing good time. The atmosphere at the fights rivals boxing matches. It's a sport, albeit a bloody one.

"You have to be able to wrestle, strike and do submission," UFC light heavyweight champion Chuck Liddell said. "You have to be good at all three or you won't last long. The fighters have evolved."

Already sanctioned in more than 20 states, UFC has ambitions as big as the casinos in which its fighters

The organization wants to legalize the sport nationwide, including New York, one of the biggest and most lucrative fight markets, and take its show to European arenas starting with a London office slated to open in

The UFC surprised the boxing world, hiring Marc Ratner, longtime executive director of the Nevada Athletic Commission, and John Mulkey, a former managing director at Wachovia Securities and Bear Stearns Co.

Ratner, who began in May, serves as vice president of Zuffa LLC, UFC's parent company, while Mulkey was named chief financial

Ratner brings credibility to the UFC, which has been trying to prove it's a safe and serious sport and one worthy of coverage.

Brazilian Royce Gracie; a Jiu-Jitsu master, helped start UFC in 1993. Back then, the no-holds barred UFC was brutal, with fighters using all sorts of now-banned practices like head butting.

Fights were held in small venues such as Indian casinos and backwater towns. Liddell said his first UFC fight was held about eight years ago in Louisiana in front of a couple thousand folks. Liddell, a slugger with a devastating right hand, couldn't remember the town.

"Somewhere in the middle of nowhere," said Liddell, who's nicknamed "The Iceman."

Ratner recalled watching CNN in the 1990's while Ken Shamrock, one of the UFC's biggest stars, debated the organization's biggest detractor, Sen. John McCain of Arizona. After the show, Ratner remembered thinking Nevada would never allow the

But it was Ratner, ironically, who helped thrust the UFC into the mainstream when he decided the sport had to be regulated while he was with the NAC. The commission approved the sport in 2001

Out went bloody head butts and other vicious blows that could cause serious harm. In came a skilled and conditioned fighter.

"The biggest misconception that I've seen is that some people still think it's anything goes and there are no rules," Ratner said. "These guys are tremendous athletes."

Still, the UFC struggled. The deep disclose what kind of audience their opposes the sport. pockets of Lorenzo and Frank Fertitta - who bought the UFC for \$2 million along with White - allowed the company to stay afloat.

White said UFC almost folded in 2003. But its fortunes began to change with a reality show on Spike TV called "Ultimate Fighter" that has given UFC its biggest stage, averaging 2.2 million viewers in its third

"Spike was a perfect fit for us," White said. "We know who we are going after.'

The UFC's emergence as the premier mixed martial arts sport in the country and the show's popularity have made Liddell and other UFC stars wealthy.

That first fight in 1998 earned him \$1,000. Now Liddell makes more than a \$1 million a year from UFC bouts and lucrative sponsorships. And he doesn't fight in podunk towns. His last fight was in Las Vegas in front of 12,000 people.

"I can't complain," the 36-yearold Liddell said. "The TV show has helped us grow."

For Spike, the series brought in serious advertising dollars targeting men between the ages of 18 and 34, the network's prized demographic. Burger King, the U.S. Army and Taco Bell are among the advertisers.

Kevin Kay, Spike's general manager, said "Ultimate Fighter" was the network's highest-rated program and biggest revenue generator.

But like Ratner, Kay worried whether UFC would repel advertising instead of attracting it, given its vio-

"There was a lot of consternation," he said. "Is it gonna work? Are advertisers going to run away from

The reality show, along with other UFC programming, has allowed the UFC to create and market its stars, the fighters who will ultimately decide the company's fortunes. Crowd pleasers such as Chris Leben and Forrest Griffin have become big

"We've given them a huge television platform, and we helped them in their pay-per-view fights," Kay said.

Company executives wouldn't

pay-per-view fights are generating but they did say recent numbers are at least comparable to World Wrestling

Entertainment Inc. According to filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, the WWE had four events that aver-482,000 aged pay-per-view buys in the fourth financial quarter of 2006.

However, UFC's cable ratings lag well behind the WWE broadcasts USA Network.

White thinks the UFC could generate a million buys one day very soon. Saturday's rematch between Tito Ortiz and Shamrock, bitter rivals who starred in the lat-"Ultimate est Fighter," was expected to tally more than a half million buys the Mandalay Bay hotel-casino in Las Vegas.

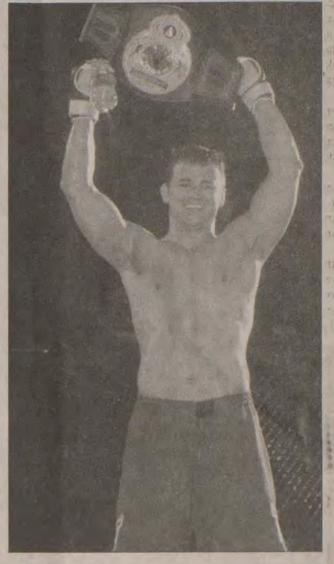
For the second time, Ortiz beat Shamrock.

The fight sold out, with ringside seats fetching \$750. About 12,400 people

attended and tickets generated a \$3.5 million gate - a far cry from Zuffa's first UFC fight in Atlantic City that drew less than 5,000 people, and a \$217,150 gate.

While UFC attempts to conquer television, hurdles remain in getting the sport legalized across the country. In New York, the UFC faces a difficult battle; Gov. George Pataki

The Fertitta brothers have poured millions into the UFC, and they haven't seen a return on their invest-



Floyd Countian Glenn David May continues to rank as one of the area's top fighters. May is a regular fighter for the Gladiator Fighting Championships. Ultimate Fighting Championship has helped pave the way for mixed martial arts competitors everywhere.

But the Fertittas aren't known for their bad bets. They made a fortune with Las Vegas-based Station Casinos Inc., a Wall Street darling.

"We saw this thing as a diamond in the rough," White said. "We haven't scratched the surface of this

Orders being taken for KHSAA publications

TIMES STAFF REPORT

KHSAA Events Calendar is now available for purchase. The calendar includes sports specific important dates as well as Board of Control and Advisory Committee meetings and other KHSAA related information. Calendars are \$8 each by mail or \$6 if purchased at the KHSAA office. Orders can be made by contacting LEXINGTON - The 2006-07 Marilyn Mitchell at the KHSAA

office or purchased online through the KHSAA website.

Orders are now being taken for 2006-07 KHSAA Handbooks. Those may also be ordered online or by contacting Ms. Mitchell. Handbooks are \$15 each by mail or \$10 if purchased in person for the bound printed version. Handbooks, as in the past, will be mailed the first full week of

September. The Athlete magazine. the quarterly publication of the Association, is available for a oneyear subscription price of \$15. The subscription includes the popular "Year-End" championship results issue. The 2005-06 Year-End results issue will be available in late August.

Schedules for boys' and girls' soccer, volleyball and football have been

posted on the Riherd's/KHSAA scoreboard. The Association is working with a few member schools to get complete schedules updated and posted. Schools are reminded to make sure all games have been entered through the "Member School Only" link on the KHSAA website. Final deadline is today.

Clark one of 130 Louisville studentathletes named BIG **EAST Academic** All-Stars

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LOUISVILLE - The University

of Louisville closed out its first season in the BIG EAST Conference in impressive fashion as 130 Cardinal student-athletes were named as BIG EAST Academic All-Stars for the 2005-06 academic year. To be eligible, student-athletes were required to have a minimum 3.0 GPA for the complete academic year and must have earned a varsity letter and participated in a BIG EAST sport.

Louisville senior men's tennis player Jeremy Clark

(Stanville/Prestonsburg HS) was one of the Cardinals honored.

Leading the way for U of L was the Cards' nationally ranked rowing team with a total of 24 BIG EAST Academic All-Stars, followed closely by the nationally ranked field hockey team with 20 honorees. Along with the impressive results in the classroom, both teams had strong campaigns in their respective competition arenas as the Cardinal rowing program finished the season

ranked 20th in the nation, while Louisville field hockey closed its season ranked 12th nationally. Overall, the conference had a total of 2,297 BIG EAST Academic All-Stars among its 16 schools in all sports except football, which is not included in the conference's Academic All-Stars.

Other U of L teams with athletes earning BIG EAST Academic All-Star honors included women's soccer with 12, baseball, men's soccer

and softball with nine each, women's swimming & diving with eight, women's tennis with seven, women's track & field and men's tennis with six each, volleyball and women's golf with four each, m-en's swimming & diving and men's track & field/cross country with three each, and men's basketball, men's golf, and women's basketball with

UK has best All-Sports ranking since '98

TIMES STAFF REPORT

LEXINGTON - The University of Kentucky finished 33rd in the final 2005-06 Directors' Cup all-sports standings sponsored by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics, the United States Sports Academy, and USA Today.

It was UK's best showing in eight ears. This year's final standings coninued a trend of improvement for Centucky, which finished 50th nationally in 2002-03, 45th in 200304, and 35th last year.

The Wildcats finished with the best showing since ranking No. 28 in 1997-98. Kentucky ranks seventh among Southeastern Conference teams, matching its best finish among league teams since 2001-02.

Schools are awarded points for each team reaching NCAA Tournament play, with higher finishes earning more points. In 2005-06, Kentucky earned points in these sports, with the national finish in parentheses. Men's basketball (T-17th nationally); Women's basketball (T-17th); Gymnastics (T-19th); Rifle (7th); Women's swimming (13th); Men's swimming (24th); Baseball (T-17th); Men's Golf (5th); Women's tennis (T-9th); Men's tennis (T-33rd); Volleyball (T-33rd).

Four Kentucky coaches were honored as the SEC Coach of the Year in their respective sports: volleyball's Craig Skinner, women's basketball's Mickie DeMoss, baseball's John Cohen, and diving's Mike Lyden. Kentucky also claimed the school's first SEC baseball championship in

"I'm extremely proud of the many hours of preparation and the successes achieved by our student-athletes and coaches," said Mitch Barnhart,

Director of Athletics. "Our goal is to compete for championships in all sports, and we're beginning to do just that. Our student-athletes and staff will build a broad-based program of which all Kentucky fans can be proud."

PRESTONSBURG HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' SOCCER 2006 SCHEDULE

two each.

Coach: Tina Petry

Aug. 22 Letcher County Central, 6:30 p.m.

Aug. 24 Pikeville, 6 p.m. Aug. 29 Menifee County, 6:30 p.m.

Aug. 31 at Pike County Central, 6 p.m. Sept. 5 Belfry, 6 p.m.

Sept. 7 Perry County Central, 5:30 p.m.

Sept. 9 at Greenup County, 2 p.m.

Sept. 12 Shelby Valley, 6 p.m.

Sept. 19 at Perry County Central, 6 p.m. Sept. 21 at Belfry, 8 p.m.

Sept. 23 Pike County Central, 2 p.m. Sept. 28 at Shelby Valley, 8 p.m.

Sept. 30 at Pikeville, 1 p.m.

Oct. 3 at Menifee County, 6 p.m. Oct. 5 at Letcher County Central, 6 p.m.

A LOOK BACK... P'BURG GIRLS' SOCCER 2005

Region: 16

District: 32

Aug. 30 at Pikeville, 2-6 (L)

Sept. 10 Oneida Baptist Institute, 4-0 (W) (at Pikeville College Invitational

Sept. 10 Mountain Mission, Va., 0-5 (L) (at Pikeville College Invitational

Tournament)

Sept. 13 at Pike County Central, 10-0 (W)

Sept. 14 at Letcher County Central, 0-6 (L)

Sept. 22 at Shelby Valley, 1-3 (L) Sept. 24 at Pike County Central, 9-1 (W)

Sept. 26 at Pikeville, 0-3 (L) Oct. 1 at Belfry, 2-3 (L)

Oct. 4 Letcher County Central, 8-2 (W) Oct. 10 at Belfry, 2-6 (L) (32nd District Tournament at Shelby Valley)

Walker says he'll remain at North College Hill

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI - Bill Walker, one f the nation's top prep stars, says he vill stay at North College Hill High chool for his senior year, even tough he can't play on the basketball tam.

"I'm a student at North College Hill first, and that's where I plan to be next year," Walker told The Cincinnati Enquirer for a story Wednesday. The Ohio High School Athletic Association ruled Monday that Walker has exhausted his high school eligibility, because he played at Rose Hill Christian School (Ashland) in the 2002-03 school year before playing for North College Hill the last three seasons.

Widely considered second only to teammate O.J. Mayo among the nation's best incoming seniors,

Walker dismissed speculation that he would play at a private prep school. "I'm not looking at that right

now," Walker said. "I'm just going to be a regular student right now, for my final year of high school. That's important to me.

Mayo and Walker led North College Hill to consecutive Division III state championships. Walker, 6foot-6, averaged 21.7 points and 10.1 rebounds a game last season. Mayo and Walker have said they want to play college ball together.

Is safety causing complacency, aggressiveness in NASCAR?

by CHRIS JENKINS ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASCAR has made significant safety strides since the death of Dale Earnhardt, and many drivers credit recent innovations for an improved safety record: No deaths and few serious injuries in NASCAR's top three series in the past five years.

But after watching his drivers get wrecked at high-speed tracks three times this season - including Jeff Gordon knocking Matt Kenseth out of the lead at Chicagoland Speedway on Sunday - Roush Racing president Geoff Smith says drivers have been lulled into a false sense of security and are more willing to make risky moves.

"There's an undeserved complacency that's creeping into the racing," Smith said. "To me, there's a time bomb that's ticking there. You've got

After winning Sunday's race, Gordon didn't deny he made the aggressive move in part to pay back Kenseth for an incident earlier this season.

Smith suspects two other incidents this season were intentional and unsafe: Kurt Busch's crash with Roush driver Greg Biffle at Texas Motor Speedway, which led to a pitroad confrontation between Biffle's the Tony Stewart-Kenseth crash at Daytona.

Busch denied it was intentional. But after Daytona, Stewart said Kenseth deserved rough treatment because of an earlier race incident.

"The reason people keep pushing the limits is because they keep getting a slap on the wrist. And 25 points or 50 points are starting to get more peoples' attention - and some of the fines," Gordon said Wednesday. "But until they truly react in a big, big way, I think that guys are always going to continue to push the limits."

Paybacks and grudges always have been a part of NASCAR. But revenge typically has been unleashed at relatively low-speed short tracks, not bigger tracks where speeds can exceed 180 mph and consequences can be more severe.

"It's starting to get in their heads that it's not dangerous anymore," Smith said.

NASCAR certainly is less dangerous than before Earnhardt's death. Drivers wear full-face helmets and head and neck restraints. Cars sport redesigned cockpits with improved padding, seatbelts and seats. Tracks feature sprouted impact-absorbing wall barriers.

But racing never will be safe.

'We're not done testing the limits

this sport," Smith said. "It's not bumper cars."

It sure looked that way Sunday. After winning the race, Gordon said he was trying to bump Kenseth out of the way, not wreck him.

"He should have expected, if I could get to his bumper, there was going to be some action," Gordon said Sunday. "One, because of what happened in Bristol - and I'm not saying I just was going to wreck him, but you better believe I was going to make life difficult on him. And then No. 2, just 'cause we're hungry right

In March, Kenseth spun Gordon out at Bristol Motor Speedway and appeared to be trying to apologize after the race when Gordon shoved him. NASCAR fined Gordon \$10,000 and put him on probation until Aug. 30.

Smith said it's odd NASCAR won't penalize Gordon this time: "(Just) because he confessed without trial doesn't mean there shouldn't be punishment."

NASCAR spokesman Jim Hunter said officials considered Sunday's wreck a "racing incident," and Gordon's post-race comments didn't change their minds.

Hunter said Gordon might have tried to knock Kenseth aside but was-

girlfriend and Busch's fiancee, and of what physics can do or not do in n't trying to spin him out - a distinction Hunter compared to a pitcher hitting a batter in the back instead of the head.

He argues drivers aren't complacent about safety, noting NASCAR crash data recorders show short-track crashes can be just as hard as those at high-speed tracks.

"They feel safer today than they ever have," Hunter said. "But I don't think to the extent that they're going to drive willy-nilly. I don't believe that."

But Smith said Kenseth now has no choice but to protect his reputa-

"I guess I don't really care whether NASCAR takes care of it or Matt does," Smith said.

Driver Jeff Burton, a former teammate of Kenseth's, said such incidents put NASCAR officials in a tough spot. They want to maintain order, but know aggressive racing is part of the sport's appeal.

"If you black flag somebody every time somebody causes a problem, then the drivers become afraid to do anything and you have boring races," Burton said.

Not a big fan of paybacks, Burton said drivers must police themselves.

"If you feel like you've been mistreated, you've got to go aggressive and you've got to do it in whatever

way you think is effective," he said. AP Sports Writer Michael Marot contributed to this report.

Navy to remain with No. 88 Busch team for 2007

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

JR Motorsports and the U.S. Navy announced that the Dale Earnhardt Jr.-owned team will field the No. 88 Navy Accelerate Your Life Chevrolet in the Busch Series through the 2007 season.

"This is my first major primary sponsorship renewal as a team owner," Earnhardt Jr. said. "One of the goals I had going into this deal was to establish long-term relationships with sponsors and this is the first step in that direction.

"As a new team we've faced some struggles, but the Navy has stood behind us and supported us along the way and that says a lot about their commitment to our success. We've just started to shed light on what we can do as a team. We plan to take the Navy Chevrolet to Victory Lane."

Rogers hopes to repeat as Food City 150 champ

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

BRISTOL, Tenn. - When Clay Rogers drove across Bristol Motor Speedway Wednesday morning, his eyes immediately went to Victory

"That's the first thing I saw," said Rogers who captured the Food City 150, presented by Naturally Fresh, last August. "I remembered how cool it was to be up there last year and I was so excited to get back to this place. I want to get back into that winner's circle up there."

Rogers was one of 22 Hooter's Pro Cup Series drivers testing at the World's Fastest Half-Mile in preparation for the Food City 150 which is part of a Wednesday night doubleheader that also features the O'Reilly 200 Craftsman Truck Series race on

Rogers, who finished second at BMS on the way to the 2004 series championship, has been eyeing this stop on the schedule since the start of the season.

"Absolutely I was thinking about Bristol back before we dropped the green on the first race," he said. 'Winning here was so big for me. Just racing here period is a big deal for me, for most of us. We race on a lot of worn out, broke down tracks so racing at a place as wonderful at Bristol is definitely something we all look forward to."

Shane Huffman, who took the checkered at BMS in 2004, was also on hand for the test session. Like Rogers, he's primed to find his way back into the win column on the concrete half-mile oval.

"We're getting a good feel for the track today," said Huffman, who drives for Dale Earnhardt, Jr., and already has three wins this year. "We're running a fairly adjustable setup so when we come back here and race at night it'll be easy to change. This has been a pretty good year for us and I look forward to getting back here.

"This has always been a good race for us. I don't know if it's just luck or what but I sure love running here. It's just so fast and you've got to be fairly aggressive so it's just a real fun race for us.'

Others drivers participating in the

test were Jeff Agnew, Trevor Bayne, Brett Butler, Dominic Casola, A.J. Fike, Jeff Fultz, Randy Gentry, Mike Hampton, Justin Hobgood, Shelby Howard, Jody Lavender, Kirk Leone, Joey Lagano, Mike Mason, Stacy Puryear, Clay Rogers, Michelle Theriault, Chris Fontaine, Ricky Turner and Justin Wakefield.

Tickets are on sale now for the Food City 150, presented by Naturally Fresh, and the O'Reilly 200 Craftsman Series Truck race. Tickets are \$30 for both races and may be purchased at www.bristoltix.com or by calling the BMS ticket office at 423/989-6948.

the Old Spice Summer Sizzler will be

a 'return to their roots', as they strap

themselves behind the wheel of open

wheeled Sprint Cars to do battle

Eldora announces Summer Sizzler Sweepstakes

SPECIAL TO THE TIMES

ROSSBURG, Ohio - Eldora Speedway officials have announced

an exceptional promotion involving pre-sale tickets for their August 16 Old Spice Summer Sizzler event. Anyone purchasing a ticket prior to August 1 for the special midweek event, which will feature NASCAR drivers Tony Stewart, Kasey Kahne, Dave Blaney, Kenny Wallace and Kenny Schrader, will have their name entered into a special drawing.

Two winners will be drawn from

the pre-sale ticket holders, with the first name drawn to receive a person-'meet and greet' with Tony Stewart, along with a photo of themselves with Tony, pit passes for the event, an Old Spice Product Prize Package, a Tony Stewart autographed die-cast and a complimentary Eldora Speedway 2007 Season Pass. The second name drawn will receive a 'meet and greet' with Kasey Kahne, a

photo shot with Kasey, an Old Spice Product Prize Package, a Kasey Kahne autographed die-cast and a complimentary Eldora Speedway 2007 Season Pass.

Tickets for the Old Spice Summer Sizzler may be purchased online at www.eldoraspeedway.com, or by calling the track office at 937/338-3815 during normal business hours. For Stewart, Kahne and Blaney,

against the National Racing Alliance (NRA) Sprint Invaders, while Wallace and Schrader will be competing in the companion UMP (United Midwestern Promoters)

Modified division.

Owens wins 8th Annual Kentuckiana Klash

TIMES STAFF REPORT

BARDSTOWN - It was neither a driver from Kentucky nor a driver from Indiana that would be victorious in the 8th Annual Kentuckiana Klash. Instead, it was Newport, Tenn. driver Jimmy Owens picking up the \$5,000 paycheck at Bluegrass Speedway Saturday night. The event marked race No. 100 for the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series presented by Arizona Sport Shirts. The victory was Owens' second win with the series in 2006.

With a strong field of cars on hand, Terry English and Owens set the pace. Owens was able to storm into the lead.

English would wrestle with Brad Neat for the runner-up spot while Aaron Hatton, Mike Jewell, Tim Tungate, and Michael England were slicing and dicing from fourth on back. The race would be halted on lap four for an accident in turns one and two.

On the restart, Owens led Neat, English, Hatton, and Jewell back to the green with the Newport Nightmare leaving the side-by-side battle for second behind of him. Jewell used the Delaware doublefile restart to move into fourth and join Neat and English in the race for second. Jewell worked his way around English on lap eight and looked under Neat one circuit later, but a caution slowed the pace and tightened the field back together.

After an aborted restart, Owens led Neat, Jewell, English, and Hatton back to the Delaware double-file restart with Jewell pulling alongside Owens momentarily in turns one and two. Owens motored back ahead of the pack as Jewell settled into second with Neat knocking on the back

door. Behind of them, an intense battle for seventh found Hatton trying to fend off the challenges of both Steve Casebolt and Isom native Chris Combs. As that trio raced three wide around the high-banked halfmile, Owens had the Jeff and Eddie Harrod-owned No. 20 in cruise control at the front of the field.

Just before the halfway point, Neat set his sights on race-leader Owens as he was able to maneuver back around Jewell to move back into second. Meanwhile, England quietly began working his way to the front. England used the bottom groove to sneak by English for fourth and then inched his way up to challenge Jewell for third. At the same time, the fierce battle from sixth on back continued to grab the fans' attention with Hatton, Tungate, Casebolt, and fast qualifier Justin Rattliff jockeying for position.

With 15 laps to go, Owens began working his mount through the back of the field. Although he was able to manage the lapped traffic flawlessly, a caution with just 10 laps remaining erased Owens' advantage and allowed the field to be closed back in on the rear decklid of the racelong leader. The restart saw Owens ahead of Neat, Jewell, England, and

When racing resumed, both Neat and Jewell challenged Owens for the point as the trio went three-wide into turns one and two. Owens again held the preferred line with Jewell reassuming control of the bridesmaid honors. As Casebolt, Hatton, and English renewed the rivalry for 6th, England continued to impress by hounding Neat for the third spot. As the finals laps ticked away, those two race side-by-side allowed Jewell to pull away in second.

It would all happen behind race leader Owens, however, as the Tennessee native would not be denied a win in the 100th race for the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series. When the checkered flag fell, he would be the first to cross the stripe in the Harrod Farms, Central Painting, Perry's Auto Sales, Red Line Oil, PPM Racing Products, Hoosier Tires sponsored, Jay Dickens powered, CJ Rayburn GTO. It would be Owens' third win with the O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series, and his second series win of

"I have to thank my crew for setting this car up for me," said Owens in victory lane. "They've been doing a great job lately in getting the set-ups where we need to be and it's really been showing these last few races." Second-place honors went to Jewell, the current O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series points leader in his Bullock powered MasterSbilt Monte Carlo sponsored by Morgan Foods and REMAX. Neat finished third in his Neat's Center/NWN Service Distributing/Cornett/MasterSbilt Monte Carlo. England nabbed fourth in the D&D Dairy/Young Oil Corporation sponsored, Power/TNT Grand Prix. Rounding out the top-five was English in the AAA Fence Inc./Dave Seay Chevy sponsored, Runion powered Rayburn Monte Carlo, Combs, Casebolt, Hatton, Rattliff, and Lee Devasier completed the top 10.

Rattliff set fast time during Racing Optics Time Trials with a quick lap of 16.053. Mason Racin' Heats went to Owens and Neat while English won the Arizona Sport Shirts Heat. Mike Marlar was the winner of the Design 500 B-Main.

The O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series presented by Arizona Sport Shirts will pay tribute to the late Paul Wooldridge as the series visits the Richmond Raceway in Richmond for the 19th Annual "Butterball" Wooldridge Memorial paying \$5,000-to-win Saturday, July 15.

2006 NASCAR Nextel Cup Schedule

July 16 - Lenox Industrial Tools 300, Loudon, N.H.

July 23 - Pennsylvania 500, Long Pond, Pa. Aug. 6 — Allstate 400 at the Brickyard, Indianapolis

Aug. 13 — TBA, Watkins Glen, N.Y.

Aug. 20 — GFS Marketplace 400, Brooklyn, Mich. Aug. 26 — Sharpie 500, Bristol, Tenn.

Sept. 3 - Sony HD 500, Fontana, Calif. Sept. 9 - Chevy Rock & Roll 400, Richmond, Va.

Sept. 17 — Sylvania 300, Loudon, N.H. Sept. 24 — Dover (Del.) 400

Oct. 1 — Banquet 400, Kansas City, Kan.

Oct. 8 - UAW-Ford 500, Talladega, Ala. Oct. 14 - Bank of America 500, Concord, N.C.

Oct. 22 - Subway 500, Martinsville, Va.

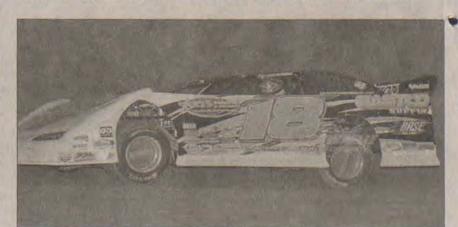
Oct. 29 — Bass Pro Shops MBNA 500, Hampton, Ga. Nov. 5 — Dickies 500, Fort Worth, Texas

Nov. 12 — Checker Auto Parts 500, Avondale, Ariz. Nov. 19 - Ford 400, Homestead, Fla.



photos by Rick Schwallie

Floyd County Late Model drivers Chuckie May (above) and Brandon Kinzer (below), longtime friends, reunited at 201 Speedway during the recent O'Reilly NARA Battle of the Bluegrass DirtCar Series event. Each driver has several feature races scheduled for the rest of the season.



Hoyd County Devotional Page

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

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

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Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Nathon Lafferty, Minister.

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Garrett Regular Baptist, Route 550, Garrett; Worship Service, 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.; Willie Crace, pastor; Assist. Larry Patton. Phone 358-4275.

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Roger Trusty.

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

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

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Worship Service, 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; James (Red) Morris, Minister.

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Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; John L. Blair, Minister.

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Varney, Minister.

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home phone 285-3385

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School, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Mark Tackett, Pastor.

Pleasant Valley Old Regular Baptist Church, Tinker Fork;

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a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 6:30 p.m.

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Service, 10 a.m.; Worship Service, 11 a.m.; Wednesday, 6 p.m.

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Worship Service, 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 p.m. Shane Powers, Pastor.

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Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Chuck Ferguson, Minister.

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

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11 a.m. and Evening Worship Service 6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7 p.m., Youth Services 7 p.m.; Everyone Welcome.

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

CHRISTIAN

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

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

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

Prestonsburg Church of Christ, 88 Hwy. 1428; Worship Service,

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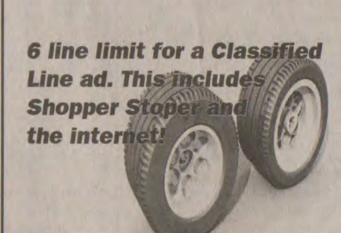
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APT FOR RENT 2 BR duplex for rent. Contact J & A rentals 358-3469.

FOR RENT Large 3 BD room. Central heat and air. Only house on

large lot located in prestonsburg area. Can be used as commercial office space as well, for more info call 285-9000 or 886-1714

APT FOR RENT 1 BR apt, all utili-ties paid. \$450 mo. 31/2 miles out of Prestonsburg on Mt. Parkway. Call 886-6061.

1-2 BR FUR-NISHED Apts. Clean. Prestonsburg. 886-8366.

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630-Houses

HOUSE FOR RENT Large 2 BR 1 and 1/2 BA cottage. 5.5 Miles from pburg Mt Parkway. W/D hookup. deposit. Call 886-8459. References

HOUSE FOR RENT 3 br house Lancer/Prestonsbu rg \$100 pr week phone 478-5389 or

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HOUSE RENT Large 3 bedroom house with living and dining room. Central heat and air. Only house on large lot, located in prestonsburg area. Can be used as commercial office space as well. For more information

call 606-886-1714. HOUSE RENT

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650-Mobile Home

MH FOR RENT 2 BR MH for rent, central heat and air. Minuet from Prestonsburg. Rent \$350 mo. Deposit \$300 call 889-0036

Trailer lot for rent on old U.S. 23 between Prestonsburg and Paintsville call 606-886-9007 or 889 9747

Trailer Lot For Rent, Large Yard. Call 886-8366

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MH FOR RENT Nice 2 br trailer in p-burg 874-0875

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MH FOR RENT 2 br for rent in garrett \$350 month \$300 deposit call 432-9110

MH FOR RENT Spradlin branch in prestonsburg call for details 606-889-

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Virgil

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Rosemary Lafferty,

Dixie Adkins, Floyd

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and Kristi Crisp,

Ronnie D. and Sue

Castle and Kathy

The application has

been filed for public

inspecton at the

Department for

Natural Resources'

Prestonsburg

Regional Office,

3140 South Lake

Prestonsburg.

Kentucky 41653-

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40601. All com

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within thirty (30)

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NOTICE OF

INTENTION

TO MINE

Pursuant to

Application

No. 836-5482

In accordance with

the provisions of

notice is hereby

given that Motts

Branch Coal, Inc.

P.O. Box 2765, 436

Daniel Creek Road,

Pikeville, Kentucky

41502, has applied

for a permit for an

underground/sur-

face mining opera-

tion, located 2.3

miles southeast of

McDowell, in Floyd

County. The pro-posed operation

will disturb 92.6

surface acres, and

will underlie 847.8

acres, and the total

area within the per-

mit boundary will

approximately 0.04

mile east from KY

1929's junction with

Hoods Fork Road,

and located in

operation is located

on the McDowell

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LEGALS

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application Number 836-0320 1) In accordance

with the provisions of KRS 350.055, notice is hereby given Appalachian Fuels, 1500 North Run Road, Ashland, Kentucky 41102, has applied for a permit for a surface coal mining reclamation operation, affecting 154.00 acres, located 2.2 miles northwest of Hippo, in Floyd County.

2) The proposed operation is located approximately 0.2 mile northwest of 850 junction with CR 1288, and located on Prater Branch.

3) The proposed amendment the located on David and Martin U.S.G.S. 7-1/2 minute quadrangle maps. The operation will use the area method of surface mining and highwall/thin seam mining. The surface area is owned by Appalachian Resources, LLC. Big Branch Holding

Company, Stephens, Grady Darrell Stephens, Sherri Allen, Abe -Shepherd Heirs, Mysania Moore. 4) The application has been filed for public inspection at the Division of Mine

Reclamation and Enforcement's Prestonsburg Regional Office 3140 South Lake Suite 6, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-1410 Written comments, objections, requests for a perconference must be filed with the Director of the Division of Permits, #2 Hudson Hollow

Kentucky 40601. NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MINE Pursuant to Application No. 836-5429

Complex, U.S. 127

South, Frankfort,

Renewal In accordance with 405 KAR 8:010, notice is hereby given that Motts Branch Coal, Inc., P.O. Box 2765, Pikeville, Kentucky 41502, has filed an application renewal of a permit for a surface/underaround mining operation, located 2.90 miles northwest of Hueysville, Floyd and Magoffin Counties, Kentucky. The prooperation posed will affect a surface disturbance 143.60 acres, and will underlie an additional 722.79 acres, for a total

permit acreage of 866.39 acres. The operation is located 1.5 mile northwest Route 2029's junction with KY Route 7, and located in Salvers Branch. The operation is located on the Martin, Wayland, Handshoe and David U.S.G.S. 7 1/2 minute quadrangle maps, at latitude 37º30'45" and

longitude Bentley 82°53'06". The sur-Charlie Bentley Heirs, The Elkhorn face area to be dis-Coal Corp., Henry turbed is owned by Consol Keathley, John & Kentucky, Inc., Ida Mae Keathley, Bobby and Lenora Ray & Mary Hall, Slone, Betty Reed, Purvis Hamilton, Shelby Sparkman, Chester Newsome. Gorman Shepherd, Blaine Slone, Carl D. Whitaker, Eugene Shepherd Joseph Mining Eugene Company, Mary Shepherd, Knott Anna Howell. Floyd Land Co. Newsome, Earl Arnold Cecil Evans, Prater and Nelson Hamilton, Dula Prater. The operaand Compton, Arnold Turner. The tion will underlie land owned by operation will affect an area within 100 Consol Kentucky, Inc., feet of public road, Hoods Fork County Knott Floyd Land Road. The opera-Inc. Joe Salisbury, tion will not involve Ike Heirs, Richmond relocation of the Dosie Bailey, Adam

Wireman, Reed, Carl Reed, Prater, Delphia M. Hale, Carol Sue Wireman, B. McDonald, Clinton Handshoe Marigold Warrix, Ramey, Clayton Craig Hicks, Dallas Sparkman, Handshoe, Timothy Francis, Floyd Compton, D. Allen. Nelson Prater, objections, Arnold D. Prater, Eugene Shepherd, Shepherd Heirs, Betty Reed, the Lenora Slone, Shelby Sparkman, Lucille Prater, Paul Prater. Johnnie Sparkman Tramble Shepherd, Patton, Maxie

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> CITY OF PRESTONSBURG **BID PROPOSAL FOR** MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES FISCAL YEAR, JULY 1, 2006, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007

The City of Prestonsburg is accepting bids for materials and/or supplies that will be purchased during fiscal year 2006-2007, for use in the operaton of City Government, during that time. The general type of materials/supplies for bids:

Heavy Equipment with Operators Hourly Rates Diesel Fuel **Double Walled Plastic** Gravel

Custodial Cleaning Supplies Heating & Cooling Hourly Rates The Grade and Placement of Concrete Slabs and Footers Per Yard Pipe and Gabion Baskets

Bid proposal forms can be picked up in the City Clerk's Office, located at 200 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, Kentucky 41653, or can be mailed or faxed by contacting Sharon Schoolcraft at (606) 886-2335, ext. 16.

Bid Proposals Must be Submitted by 12:00 p.m., August 1, 2006.

The City of Prestonsburg reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Big Sandy Area Development District is seeking proposals from qualified companies for janitorial services for our office building, located at 110 Resource Court, Prestonsburg, KY. Interested respondents can obtain the scope of services required by accessing our web site at www.bigsandy.org. Any questions can be directed to Ms. Terry Trimble at terry.trimble@bigsandy.org. Deadline for proposals is Friday, July 21, 2006. Thank

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Bids are to be submitted by 12:00 p.m., August 1, 2006, to the City of Prestonsburg, at 200 North Lake Drive, Prestonsburg, KY 41653. For specs. please contact Sharon Schoolcraft at (606) 886-2335. No bid may be with! drawn after the scheduled time, for at least sixty (60) days. The City of Prestonsburg reserved the right to reject any and all bids.

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